



## SE Region December 2011 Newsletter

### Meet Your Neighbors

**Judith Milling**  
**RumblePuff Cats**

**1. What breed do you work with...??.. How long...??..**

As far as breeding goes, I don't breed cats at all. I just buy everyone else's cats. I did start out showing a Birman and HHP almost 40 years ago. I only did that for about one year and decided it was not what I really wanted to do. After visiting a friend at a show, I got back into showing. That was not quite three years ago. I also show a Ragdoll and have shown one of my Maine Coons.

**2. If you could, what other breed of cat would you like to work with...??..**

Even though I love my long-haired cats, I do like the Ocicats and the Tonkinese. The Toyger has also caught my fancy when they finish making it look more like a tiger.

**3. What is your most memorable win...??..** I can't say that I have just one most memorable win. I really had two of them. Not too long after getting into showing, my Chocolate Lynx Point Birman supremed in the MA Region and also was in the top 20 Alter Class. He was just about a year old. During part of that time, I started showing my Ragdoll, and you guessed it, he supremed in the SE Region.

**4. How did you start in the world of cats...??..**

I have always had a cat growing up but they were mostly outside cats. I guess my world of cats were all American cats. Purebreds came later, when in 1971, I was looking through a book on cats and fell in love with a Seal Point Birman. It was love at first site and furry from then on.

**5. What, if any other hobbies...??..**

I retired from the government managing a graphics design office. Until recently, I taught land and aquatic exercises ranging from military, civilian, and retirees. I was a Girl Scout Leader and am a lifetime Girl Scout. I enjoy designing T-shirts and patches, making cards and cross stitching. I recently moved to North Carolina where it seems like my hobbies are mainly going to cat shows. I am also finalizing requirements for becoming a ring clerk. And sometimes I actually have time to read.

In Maryland, I had a small farm with chickens, horses, cats, dogs, ducks, and goats. I put up hay and repaired fences. After moving to NC, my other hobbies are like so many others. I do yard work, housework, taking care of my cats, and a Bernese Mountain Dog. I can't have chickens where I live or any other farm animals, but I do have my old horse Banchee who at 32 years old is boarded close by so I can see him often. My two-legged baby is almost 26 and going to college in Baltimore, MD. She also loves cats and has a black cat named Walter. I just love life and enjoy all kinds of things that keep me motivated. I have developed many new friendships at the shows and hope to make many more.





# TICA Show Rules

## ARTICLE FOUR - *Entry Procedures*

24.1 Any person entering a cat or kitten in a TICA sponsored show shall agree to abide by and uphold the Rules of this Association.

24.2 Upon entering a cat or kitten in any TICA show, the registered owner is responsible for furnishing the correct information, including, but not limited to, registered name, registration number, birthdate, age on the opening date of the show, and the proper competitive classification.

24.2.1 Cats entered in any show shall remain in the same status as entered in all rings even though they have qualified for another status during the show.

24.2.2 In the event that any feline has been transferred or leased after entry in a show, the show committee must be notified upon filing the transfer documents with the Executive Office of TICA. The records in the Executive Office of TICA are conclusive.

24.2.2.1 Leased cats or kittens must be entered showing the owner's name and the lessee's name.

24.3 Each entry shall be accompanied by the published fee. No entry fee or related charges will be returned except for failure on the part of the sponsoring club to hold a "Vetted" show as advertised, or if there is a change in the advertised judges, date, location and/or format of the show as set forth in Show

Rule 24.3.1. In such cases, the club shall refund the total amount if requested by the Exhibitor.

*204.3 At the option of the club, each entry may include a nominal fee to help defray the cost of expenses of the Regional Director. Said fee, to be determined by the club, shall not exceed \$1 per entry.*

*204.3.1 The club shall account for and remit such fees to the regional fund.*

24.3.1 A sponsoring club must, at least 10 days prior to the advertised closing date of a show, announce and make known to any exhibitor who inquires, who the contracted and confirmed judges are. Any exhibitor who has previously entered the show shall be notified of any change in judges and may withdraw his entries and have entry and related fees returned if requested before the advertised closing date of the show. 05/01/11 Version A TICA Show Rules, Page 17

24.3.2 The total amount of fees shall be refunded to all exhibitors in case any show is canceled.

24.4 If an exhibitor fails to pay any entry fee or other show related debt or if a check in payment of said fees or debts is returned, the club shall notify the exhibitor. If payment is not made within 10 days, the show management may notify the Executive Office and the Regional Director and no confirmation or registration of any cat or kitten owned by the exhibitor shall be issued until the debt is satisfied.

24.4.1 No wins or points acquired by any cat or kitten owned by the exhibitor during the period of indebtedness shall be counted.

24.4.2 No cat or kitten owned by an exhibitor who fails to resolve any such debt within 30 days after the end of the show season is eligible for regional, national or international awards.

For a complete record please visit; [http://www.tica.org/members/publications/shw\\_rules.pdf](http://www.tica.org/members/publications/shw_rules.pdf)

*(Taken from the TICA web pages.)* Laurie Patton



## Italian Christmas Cookies

### Ingredients

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 2 cups sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 carton (15 ounces) ricotta cheese
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
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### FROSTING:

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 3 to 4 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 3 to 4 tablespoons milk
- Colored sprinkles



### Directions

- In a bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in ricotta and vanilla. Combine flour, salt and baking soda; gradually add to creamed mixture.
- Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls 2 in. apart onto greased baking sheets. Bake at 350° for 10-12 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove to wire racks to cool.
- In a bowl, cream butter, sugar and vanilla. Add enough milk until frosting reaches spreading consistency. Frost cooled cookies and immediately decorate with sprinkles. Store in the refrigerator. Yield: 8-1/2 dozen.

Submitted by Laurie Patton



## Quote of the Month



“Christmas is not a time or a season but a state of mind.  
To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy,  
is to have the real spirit of Christmas.”

Calvin Coolidge

Anyone wanting to submit articles, recipes, trivia or anything you think others would like to read can send me the info at [PiratesLairMC@aol.com](mailto:PiratesLairMC@aol.com)

Thanks to all who contributed this month..!!..

Laurie

Don't forget that the SE Region is on Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=300505338191>

Until next month!

**Have a Purrr'fect  
Holiday**

