



## Meet Your Neighbors

**Name: Ron & Laura Heineck**

**Location: Mineral Bluff, GA  
Chateaumere**

### **1. What breeds do you work with?**

**Semi Retired from Maine Coons! Started in 1996 with a silver classic tabby female and black and white male! Loved to work with the silver variety**

### **2. Other breed**

**Birmans or Siberian...both these breeds are just gorgeous my Birman alter is like "velcro", sleeps on my pillow and I kind of identify with him, (his name is Checkers) in that he is kind of like a "dumb blonde"**

### **3. Most memorable win**

**Our SH HHP Jordon..was SE BEST HHP !!. She was a rescue and was set to be put to sleep unless she was adopted. This was in Aiken SC at a Triple Crown show and in SC ALL pets are required to be altered before they can be adopted.**

**The show manager knew a vet that graciously came into the office on a SUNDAY and altered her so we could take her home!!**

### **4. How did you start in cats?**

**Well went to my very 1 st show (way back in 1991) in Orlando, Florida (not TICA) and had 2 HHP adults..I was hooked...then my 1st TICA show was an INCATS show in Miami...and was REALLY hooked and went all the time....My husband Ron also was hooked when he came to a show in Georgia. He truly loved going to the shows. He would plan out shows and we went everywhere usually with 12 to 14 cats...we have been from coast to coast and it has been so much fun. And he would always being at the adoption area adopting.. He loved (as I do) saving one or two.....**

### **5. Other hobbies**

**We both love NASCAR, cruising and bowling...and I may have to really take up shooting pool as it was so much fun...never played pool until I was at the recent FSC show and had nothing to do on a Saturday night...well found out pool is pretty interesting especially that "green" ball!!!**



# Meet The Breed

## The Snowshoe

### General Description

For the perfect recipe to make a Snowshoe cat, take the splash of pointed colors with the lighter colored body coat from the Siamese, a white tuxedo look with white feet from the American Shorthair side of their ancestors and the resulting in white feet (with or without a white face), blue eyes, medium body with long legs and shorthair will produce the unique Snowshoe look. But the Snowshoe is not 'just another pretty face'. Packed into that unique look is also a unique personality. Now add the Siamese intelligence along with many of the other Siamese traits that make the Snowshoe what it is today and the reason why it is still bred back to the Siamese to maintain that inheritance. Then add a dash of the American Shorthair to round off the edges of the body and contribute a bit of a less exotic build and personality and you are getting close to the final product. When selecting the ingredients, take care not to overwhelm the blue eyes or the pointed colors by carefully selecting a color and build that does not eliminate the look or distort the personality and you have a Snowshoe cat.

### History

The origin of the Snowshoe can be traced back to the early 1960's when Dorothy Hinds Daugherty, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania found three kittens in a litter of Siamese, each with four white feet. Dorothy liked the unique combination of pointed colors and white feet and began the process to establish a breed. In developing the breed, Dorothy bred the kittens to a domestic (American Shorthair) cat with tuxedo markings and eventually developed the popular white 'V' facial markings. The American Shorthair was still pending recognition as a breed at that time. The result of the breeding to a domestic cat produced a cat that is unlike either of the two ancestors with a combination of the personality of both ancestors.

Much of the history of the Snowshoe was lost due to poorly kept records over time and the original pattern restrictions which discouraged both new and old breeders because of the inconsistencies of the white patterning. Between 1960 and 1977, interest in the breed had declined until there was only one breeder in 1977, but by 1989, there were close to thirty documented breeders. The International Cat Association (TICA) accepted the Snowshoe as a championship breed in 1994.

### Personality

The Snowshoe personality is as unique as their appearance and is never boring. The personality is a complicated mix of mystical aloofness along with a slight dash of 'normal' cat. Like snowflakes and coloring, no two cats have the same personality. Some are shy, some are bossy (but nice), and some are caregivers, taking the role of worrying about their adopted person as though it were their lifelong ambition. Generally a 'talker', with a soft, melodic voice the Snowshoe normally habitats well in a multiple cat family but some are loners and prefer your total attention. Almost all are inquisitive and active, offering many hours of delightful entertainment and a cat's lifetime of affectionate companionship.

### Traits

Snowshoe kittens are born totally white. The point coloring begins to develop in a few weeks. The tail, legs, head and ears darken as the kitten ages. The body is a lighter color ranging from a light cream color with the shading darkening with age. The most common colors are seal point and blue point. The lighter colors of chocolate, lilac, etc are less common because of the specialized breeding required to produce the lighter colors and because the lighter colors do not produce as good a contrast between the point color and the white feet. The Snowshoe eye color ranges from a sparkling blue eye color to a pale blue gray color. Paw pads may be a combination of point color or pink or a combination of point color and pink.

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

# Southeast Regional

## Rolling Out The Red Carpet The A “cat” emy Awards



July 30 & 31, 2011  
Columbia, SC

**“Show premier” party** on Friday Night at the hotel – Including hors d'oeuvres & BYOB.

**Parade of Breeds** – We will have a special area with as many breeds present as possible for the public to see. Columbia has wonderful cat lovers and they flock to the show. Please contact Judith Johnson - [johnsondj@comcast.net](mailto:johnsondj@comcast.net)

**Star Wall of Fame and Remembrance** – We will have a wall of stars that will be personalized remembering a friend that is now gone or celebrating a win. Cost is only \$5.00 per star. This is a foil gold star with your personalization and you get to take it home after the show..!!..  
Get your stars today contact Laurie Patton – [Pirateslairmc@aol.com](mailto:Pirateslairmc@aol.com)

**Goodie bags** will be available for dinner guests courtesy of Kitt Flicks Productions. You are welcome to mail your gifts to me so they can be included in the bags ahead of time. I would estimate 100 –125 gifts for the banquet. Get your thinking caps on now!

**VIP Treatment Package** also available - \$100.00 Gets you premiere benching, lunch and no waiting in line for check in..!!.. Very Limited..!!..

**Best Celebrity Look A Like Contest** – Winner gets \$25.00 Gift Card – **Need a Sponsor**

**Best Hollywood/A”cat”emy Awards decorated cage** - Winner gets \$25.00 Gift Card – **Need a Sponsor**

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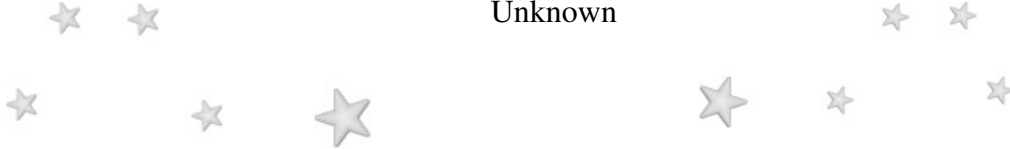
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## Quote Of The Month

“So here’s to all those summer nights when my feet hit the sand  
and the waves break my fall and all my friends around me out number the stars.”

Unknown



## Did You Know..??..

All claws of each entry shall be clipped prior to benching.  
Failure to do so may subject entry to disqualification.

Taken from TICA Show Rules

## Recipes Of The Month

### Haymaker's Punch

Mix 1 quart water  
1/2 cup molasses  
1 teaspoon powdered ginger  
and the juice of 1 lemon.  
Serve ice-cold.



### Watermelon Punch

6 cups watermelon juice, 2 cups pineapple juice, 1 can (12 ounces) frozen raspberry juice blend,  
1 small can (6 ounces) frozen orange juice concentrate, 1/4 cup lemon juice

Combine all ingredients in a large jar or pitcher and chill. To make watermelon juice, process small chunks of watermelon, with seeds removed, in a blender or food processor until they turn to liquid. Make more than you need for this punch, freeze the extra in ice-cube trays, and use the watermelon cubes to chill the punch. (You can also use watermelon juice instead of water when preparing frozen lemonade or limeade.)



**Please donate to the American Red Cross or our own SE Disaster Fund ..!!..**

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)

**I am in need of some Meet Your Neighbors...**

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!



**No matter what you do this summer...  
Have fun with your family, friends and hug your cats..!!.**

