

SE Region September 2010 Newsletter

Meet Your Neighbors

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1. What breed do you work with..??.. American Shorthairs and American Wirehairs How long..??.. I have worked with my Americans since 1982, and prior to that, I bred and showed Persians, with the shaded silver being my favorite color. I did work mostly with party colors, and showed a bi color when we saw very few of them. Actually, they were all one color class at the time! In the '70's before I moved south, I had a couple of Siamese, however, I did not get to many shows at that time. I did not register my cattery until I had time to be serious about showing and breeding, so it was registered in CFA in 1982 and in TICA in 1983. Actually, I recently ran across my TICA membership card, which expired in 1984.

2. If you could, what other breed of cat would you like to work with..??.. When thinking of the judging program, I worked with Chartroux, and Orientals. I was honored to be a small part of helping a friend get a Distinguished Merit Award on one of her female Chartroux, as she was the first female to do it in one litter. I also have worked with Sphynx, which are counted in my total of 12 cats that allow me to reside in their home at this time.

3. What is your most memorable win..??.. The year that I had wins in all 3 classes, kitten, adult and alter. That was the year I showed a blue tabby American Shorthair that I considered to be very moderate, but he made a kitten win and adult win, plus my white persian spay had a nice win. He turned out to be very selective in his girls, only breeding "blue tabbies". Who says cats do not know color! It was a great year, as I saw friends from all of the regions, and, after all, friends, and our cat family are what we attend these shows for.

4. How did you start in the world of cats..??.. As a groomer of nearly 52 years and being competitive, it was just natural after attending a cat show as a spectator. Besides, cats are much easier than dogs.

5. What, if any other hobbies..??.. When I am not in my shop grooming or at a cat show, I am normally busy doing things such as mystery shopping, delivering meals on wheels, reading, sewing, painting or working in my yard. I am also on the Animal Control Advisory Board. Of course, working on projects in my house is an ongoing thing.

Quote of the Month

You have to know how bad the sewer smells to really appreciate the roses!

Meet The Breed

The Chartreux

The Chartreux is a sturdy French breed coveted since antiquity for its hunting prowess and its dense, water repellent fur. Its husky, robust type is sometimes termed primitive, being neither cobby nor classic/domestic. Though large, Chartreux are extremely supple and agile cats; refined, never coarse or clumsy. Males are much larger than females and slower to mature. Coat texture, coat color and eye color are affected by sex, age and natural factors. The qualities of strength, intelligence and amenability, which have enabled the Chartreux to survive the centuries unaided, should be evident in all exhibition animals and preserved through careful selection. The Chartreux has a gentle but seldom used voice and is a calm, affectionate cat. The robust body is large and well proportioned but never gross. The shoulders are large and muscular with a well-developed chest giving a solid, sturdy appearance. The males will be more massive than the females, with the mature male weighing from 10-14 pounds and the mature females at least 6-9 pounds. The legs are straight, fine-boned and comparatively short for the body size.

(Taken from the TICA breed pages.) Laurie Patton

Recipe of the Month

Crockpot Artichoke Spinach Dip

Ingredients:

- 1-1/2 cups frozen cut leaf spinach
- 14 oz. can marinated or plain artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
 - 1/2 cup purchased Alfredo sauce
 - 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/4 tsp. salt
 - 1/8 tsp. pepper
 - 1-1/2 cups shredded Havarti cheese
 - 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, cubed
 - 1 (6-ounce) can crabmeat, drained, if desired

Preparation: Thaw spinach and drain well, pressing to remove water. Chop spinach and combine with rest of ingredients in a 2-quart slow cooker. Cover and cook on low setting for 2-3 hours. Serve with crackers, toasted French bread, carrot sticks, and celery sticks.

Serves 8

Submitted by Laurie Patton

Cat Recipe of the Month

Cat Cheese Please

Cat Food Recipe Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup grated cheese
- 2 tbl plain yogurt or sour cream
 - A little plain oatmeal
- 2 tbl margarine or low-fat spread

Mash all of the ingredients together, adding them in the order indicated above, and serve cold. No cooking is required for this dish. Some cats will not take to this dish as it is not meat based: others will love it.

Submitted by Laurie Patton

Judges for the 2011 Southeast Regional

I want to thank everyone who sent me their favorite judges...!!.. I had a total of 167 who voiced their opinions and I am so glad you all took the time to vote...!!.. I also want to invite everyone to Columbia, SC for next year's event...

All of the following judges have accepted our invitation.

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| Barbara Ray – AB | Frances Yow – AB |
| Vicki Jo Harrison – AB | Dewane Barnes – AB |
| Robby Whyte – AB | Connie Webb – AB |
| Al Walbrun – AB | Richard Bailey – AB |
| Toni Jones – AB | Kim Tomlin – AB |
| Toni Scarboro – SP | Barb Kissinger – SP |

*The club reserves the right to substitute judges as necessary.

Ring Sponsors and Judges Dinners Sponsors are available.

Don't miss the "show premier" party on Friday Night.

Parade of Breeds.

Star Wall of Fame and Remembrance.

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More info on the show will follow:

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Our boy became a 'Supreme' at the Largo show this past weekend...I think!!! he walked in needing 105 pts and walked out with mor'n'enough... Vanir Harry Potter/Norwegian Forest Cat (Alter) Thomas/N4QIJ (retired/FT cat mgr) ZellaJane/KB4QWG (MSN/ARNP) & thegoodkats

Congrats..!!!..

In view of the latest confusion regarding one club's upcoming show, I think it is time to remind clubs of their responsibility and let others know how the schedule is set. It has been a long standing policy in the Region. It was established by Jo Parris (in 1999) and adopted by Ed when he became RD. We have new clubs as well as new exhibitors who may not know how the process works.

Clubs request show dates from the RD. If approved, Ed notifies me. Sometimes, the club member or entry clerk will forward me Ed's post to them approving the show dates. I do not list shows based on announcements made via the TICA and/or SER lists. This is a precaution to avoid conflicting dates.

If I am not doing the club's online flyer and forms, it is the club's responsibility to notify me of the link to the online flyer so it can be added to the show schedule. Usually their web master or entry clerk does this. It is no different than how David Thomas updates the TICA Show Calendar. With my work, I average between 500 - 900 e-mails a day. I don't have time to scout the posts on the TICA and/or SER lists looking for links to online flyers. Neither does David Thomas. Likewise, with all that is going on in my life right now (the move, web design, rescue work, etc.), I can't keep track of whether or not a particular club has a show on the schedule and if there is a link to an online flyer. I hope you understand.

It is also the clubs' responsibility to periodically check the SE Show Schedule to ensure it is up-to-date for their shows. I cannot stress enough the importance of keeping the schedule up-to-date and accurate. Exhibitors plan which shows to attend based on the schedule. Not only that but many clubs are scheduling shows as far out as 2020.

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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

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

Claudia & Laurie

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