## CALGARY CAT ASSOCIATION Kitties 'N Blooms



April 19th & 20<sup>th</sup> 2014,



14 Allbreed Rings

Annual Spring Championship & Household Pet Cat Show



**SATURDAY** SUNDAY AB Lynn Judge **Nancy Parkinson** Wendy Klamm AB **Robin Higgins** AB **Richard Bailey Barbara Ray** Vicki Jo Harrison AB **Fate Mays** Laura AB **Amanda Bright** Cunningham **Debbie Lopeman** AB **Melissa Parsley** Kim Tomlin AB Rene Knapp

Show Manager:	Entry Clerk:	Closing Date:
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Advertising/	Vendors/Sponsors:	
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Ring and Judge Sponsorships are requested. \$75.00 for a judge sponsorship/day and \$75.00 for a ring sponsorship/day.

Please sponsor a rescue cat entry into the show at \$50.00 for each kitty



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Please, no calls or faxes after 9 pm MDT.

<u>Airport Information</u> – Calgary International Airport (YYC) is located in Calgary northeast. Taxi fares from the airport to the show hotel are approximately \$45 to \$50. If you would like transportation, please arrive no later than 9:00PM on April 18, 2014. Please try to book flights at or after 7:00PM on Sunday. Exhibitors should contact Suzanne Barry if they need rides from the airport to the hotel. (403-483-7792).

**Show Hotel** – Official show hotel is the Travelodge Calgary University located at 2227 Banff Trail NW, Calgary, AB T2M 4L2. Website – <a href="https://www.travelodge.com">www.travelodge.com</a> Phone: (403) 289-6600 Fax: (403) 289-6767 There is a toll free number which connects guests directly with the front desk: 1 – 888 – 276 - 8666. Rates for single/double are \$93 per night plus taxes. Three persons will be \$103 plus taxes and 4 persons will be \$113/night plus taxes. Pet fees have been waived.

Rooms have two queen size beds or a king size bed with pull-out couch. All rooms have a microwave and mini fridge. Rate includes a complimentary continental breakfast daily.

Exhibitors and venders must reserve directly with the hotel by phone and give the group name Calgary Cat Association. or Calgary Cat Show. The room block at this rate has been reserved until 23 March 2013. Please call early as the area hotels already have many bookings because of the Easter weekend. After this date, if available, rooms may be booked at prevailing rates.

TICA's Hotel Room Inspection Policy – The TICA official hotel room inspection procedures will be used at the Travelodge Calgary University and any alternate hotels. All whole males and spraying females <u>must</u> be confined to the bathroom which must be kept clean. Extra garbage bags for litter, food and food tins etc. are available on request at the front desk. <u>Do not rinse out litter boxes in the hotel room sinks or tubs.</u> Bring a bag large enough to transport your empty litter box home or use a disposable litter pan. Used litter shall be securely bagged and deposited in the large waste container located outside the back door of the lobby (doors to the right as you exit elevators). Please take extra care for room cleanliness and neatness at all hotels, so that their facilities will be available for us in future years. Exhibitors who do not follow these guidelines will not be allowed to enter future shows. Any damage done to any hotel room will be the responsibility of the exhibitor and not the Calgary Cat Association or Calgary Cat Show organizing committee. We ask that exhibitors leave gratuities for room attendants as several are allergic to cats and have to work during our show.

<u>Show Hours</u> – Saturday the doors will open at 7:30 AM. Household Pet classification will begin at 8:45 AM Saturday and judging will start promptly at 9:00 AM. Sunday judging will begin at 9:00 AM. Entries not present at the start of judging will be marked absent. Please plan to be at the show hall during show hours. No cat will be allowed to leave the show hall without permission of the show manager. We depend on spectators for show income and need to have kitties and owners available during the show Advertised hours for the public will be from 9:00 to 5:00 Saturday & 9:00 to 4:00 Sunday.

<u>Show Hall</u> – The show will be held at Shouldice Arena located at 1515 Home Road NW, Calgary, AB. The show hall is wheel chair accessible. There is ample free parking. This is also non-smoking facility. City of Calgary Bylaw prohibits alcoholic beverages on the premises. Show hall transportation is not provided, so exhibitors will need to make their own arrangements.

<u>Raffle Table</u> – Please consider donating a raffle prize for the raffle table. Raffle tickets will be sold both days in the show hall. We will draw for prizes both days. Our raffle income is needed for show viability

<u>Vendors & Advertising</u> – Vendor space is available. There is a charge of \$100 for a 10 foot booth with one 8 foot table and two chairs for both days of the show. Please call Wendy Huppe at (403) 949 – 2203; email to: <a href="mailto:spiffy@davincibb.net">spiffy@davincibb.net</a> for details on vendor opportunities. For advertising opportunities contact Wendy Huppe at (403) 949-2203 or email to: <a href="mailto:spiffy@davincibb.net">spiffy@davincibb.net</a>. The Vendor & Advertising info package is also available on our website at <a href="www.calgarycatshow.com">www.calgarycatshow.com</a>. Ads must be camera ready and submitted to Wendy Huppe at <a href="mailto:spiffy@davincibb.net">spiffy@davincibb.net</a> by April 13, 2014. Please use 300dpi jpeg format.

<u>People Food</u> – There are no food venders inside the arena. Bring your own lunch or plan to go out. Fast food restaurants are located within a few blocks of the show hall. Please see "exhibitor' drop down menu on website for names and locations. No alcohol is permitted in the show hall.

<u>Cat Food & Litter</u> – Cat litter will be provided in the show hall. Bring your own cat food, dishes and litter pans. Litter must be securely bagged and disposed of in marked containers

<u>Ring Clerks & Stewards</u> – ARE NEEDED FOR THE SHOW TO HAPPEN. If you would clerk, please indicate this on the Summary Sheet along with any judge preferences. Clerks will receive lunch, plus \$40 for each full day of clerking. Clerks will be paid after clerking; please do not deduct clerking fees from your entry form. Preference will be given to those in the clerking program.

Please indicate on the Summary Sheet if you have a child who would like to steward. Stewards will receive \$20 for each full ring/per day, plus lunch.

**Benching** – Each entry receives a single cage. A single cage is 21" x 21" x 21". Only one chair will be provided per single cage space. A double cage is 21" x 21" x 42". The top, floor, sides and back of the cage must be covered. You may also want to bring a blanket, rug etc. for the bottom of the cage and other items to help your cat feel more comfortable. One cat or two kittens are allowed in a single cage. Two cats or four kittens are allowed in a double cage.

You must purchase an extra half cage to get a double cage for a single entry. If you use your own personal cage and it is wider than 45", you must also purchase a grooming space to accommodate the additional width. Single (\$25.00) and double (\$40.00) grooming spaces are available. Special benching requests made on the summary sheet will be honored as much as possible. No benching assignments may be changed without permission of the show manager. Vending from the benching area is prohibited.

<u>Rosettes</u> – Each exhibitor will receive a rosette for every cat entered in competition. These rosettes will be hung on the cages in the benching area. Finals awarded will be recognized with labels given by the judge to the exhibitor for placement on that cat's rosette.

Exhibition/For Sale – Single and double Exhibition/Sale cages are available ONLY for exhibitors with other cats entered for competition. An official TICA entry form must be completed for each cat or kitten in the show hall even if it is not competing as per TICA show rule 211.9. Sale kittens must be a minimum three calendar months of age on or before the day of the show (born on or before January 19<sup>th</sup> 2014).

<u>Health</u> – This is a non-vetted show. Every cat that enters the show hall must conform to normally accepted health requirements and be up-to-date on its vaccinations. Cats from households with contagious or infectious illnesses within the last 21 days are ineligible for entry. *Cats with suspected contagious or infectious illness or with parasites will be removed from the show hall, along with other cats owned, housed, agented by the same exhibitor.* All claws front and back must be clipped.

Cats over 3 months of age entering Canada must show proof of current Rabies vaccination, if requested to do so by Canada Customs and the Canada Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). Customs agents and the CFIA do not require a Health Certificate, but if the cat is traveling into Canada by air, the commercial airline may require an International Health Certificate. Contact your airline for more information on their requirements.

<u>Household Pets</u> — We encourage you to enter household pets. Household Pets over 8 months of age must be altered (neutered or spayed). Household Pets from 4 to 8 months old are entered in the Household Pet Kitten class and can be either altered or unaltered. Household Pets are judged according to hair length (longhair or shorthair) and according to colour/pattern division. Household pet adults are judged in 32 color/pattern divisions, the same as pedigreed cats. Please describe your cat's colour and coat pattern accurately and note whether it is longhair (LH) or shorthair (SH) on your entry form. If you are not sure which color and/or pattern class your cat belongs tin, send a color picture of your cat with your entry. Photos will be returned at check-in. Please telephone the entry clerk if you are not sure how to describe your cat's colour and coat pattern or if you have any questions about how to complete the entry form. You will also have the opportunity on Saturday morning to have a senior judge make a final determination if the color/pattern is still in question

<u>Kittens</u> – Must be four calendar months old (not sixteen weeks of age) to compete in the show. For this show, kittens must be born on or before December 19, 2013)

## **Closing Dates, Payment and Fees**

- Enter early. The show will close when our limit of 250 cats is reached. All entries must be received, by mail, phone or
  email, no later than April 13, 2014. To enter the show, the entry clerk requires a completed summary sheet, a
  completed entry form for every cat or kitten you are bringing even if it's not competing and payment for the amount
  owed. Your entry into the show will be confirmed via email.
- The club wishes to extend a <u>warm welcome rate to all first time exhibitors</u>. If you have never entered a cat show before this, the entry fee is \$50.00 for the first cat and \$65.00 each for the second. third, cat. The first time exhibitor must own the cat and be present during judging at the show.
- To receive the early bird rate, payment must accompany your summary sheet and must be postmarked no later than March 23, 2014. Cat entry forms can be sent at a later date.
- All entries must be accompanied by a cheque or money order. Payment can also be made via <a href="Interac Email Money Transfer">Interac Email Money Transfer</a> or <a href="PayPal">PayPal</a> payable to <a href="calcatvar@yahoo.com">calcatvar@yahoo.com</a> If using PayPal, please designate payment as a gift rather than payment for services. Entry fees paid at the door will be assessed a \$25 fee unless prior arrangements have been made with the entry clerk. Upon entering, exhibitors agree to pay all fees due even if they fail to bench (i.e. fees are due even if the cat is absent). Cats will not be benched unless all fees are paid. No postdated cheques will be accepted. Fees not paid within 10 days of the close of the show, will be subject to disciplinary action.
- Cats co-owned by members of two different households are eligible for the "second entry", "third entry" and "fourth and subsequent entries" discount <u>only</u> if a <u>photocopy</u> of the cat's TICA registration accompanies the cat's entry. The registration must show the names of both co-owners.

- \$30 will be added to your entry fees for any cheque returned for any reason. Money orders/bank drafts are preferred to cheques.
- There will be a \$10 substitution fee and no substitutions will be allowed after April 13, 2014 closing date.
- A \$12 surcharge will apply on all phoned in entries.
- See the summary sheet for information on fees.

<u>Show Catalogues</u> – One show catalogue is included free with your first entry. Additional catalogues must be ordered on your summary sheet for \$10.00 each. No catalogues will be available for sale at the show hall. The show committee accepts no responsibility for catalogue errors due to illegibility or mistakes on the entry form. Please verify your confirmations.

<u>Preliminary New Breeds & Advanced New Breeds</u> – According to TICA Show Rule 203.19, all Preliminary New Breeds (PNB) and Advanced New Breeds (ANB) <u>must</u> have a TICA registration number prior to entering any TICA show. No PNB or ANB may enter a show with "registration pending". <u>PNB & ANB entries sent without a registration number will be refused.</u>

<u>Registration</u> – Registration with TICA is not necessary to compete in the show. Registration is necessary to claim championship titles and TICA regional and international awards. Unregistered cats/kittens will only be scored once and will irrevocably lose all points from second and subsequent cat shows. Contact TICA for specific registration procedures. Phone: (956) 428-8046

Show Rules - This cat show is sanctioned by The International Cat Association (TICA) and is subject to their Show Rules and Breed Standards. The Show Rules and Breed Standards are available from the TICA Executive Office, PO Box 2684, Harlingen TX, 78551, and (956)428-8046 posted the TICA website or on http://www.tica.org/member/publications/shw rules.pdf . By entering, all exhibitors agree to abide by the decisions of the Show Committee and Judges.

<u>Liability</u> – The Calgary Cat Association, its individual members, the City of Calgary, and TICA will not be held responsible for injury, loss or damage to cats, exhibitors, vendors or other persons attending the show, or any property belonging to exhibitors, vendors or other persons.