

The Maine Event
presents

"Happy Catsgiving"

November 16-17, 2024

A 2 day, 12 ring (9 AB, 3 SP) traditional format show

Entry Deadline: 10:00pm, Sunday, November 10, 2024

Enter On-line: <https://maineevent.org/nov>

**THE SHOW WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FOLLOWING STATE & COUNTY HEALTH MANDATES.**



| Saturday | Sunday |
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| Yvonne Patrick (AB) Chilliwack, British Columbia | Ellen Crockett (AB) Port Townsend, Washington |
| Fate Mays (SP) Corpus Christi, Texas | Fate Mays (AB) Corpus Christi, Texas |
| Sandi Mattingly (SP) Mesa, Arizona | Sandi Mattingly (AB) Mesa, Arizona |
| Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz (AB) Edmonds, Washington | Lorraine Shelton (AB) Eastvale, California |
| Kay Hanvey (AB) Olympia, Washington | Alex Marinets (AB) Sechelt, British Columbia |
| Charlotte Shea (SP) Live Oaks, Texas | Charlotte Shea (AB) Live Oaks, Texas |

**Important Information
& Show Contacts**

Please, no calls after 9pm Pacific Time!

Show Manager: showmanager@maineevent.org, Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz (Cell: 202-920-9214), 5517 152nd St SW, Edmonds, WA 98026

Entry Clerk: entryclerk@maineevent.org, Tracy Hisel (Cell: 360-520-6627), 549 St Rt 506, Toledo, WA 98591

Master Clerk: masterclerk@maineevent.org, Jan Dell (Cell: 509-573-9570), 700 Firing Center Rd, Yakima, WA 98901

Vendor Coordinator: vendors@maineevent.org, Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz (Cell: 206-920-9214), 5517-152nd St SW, Edmonds, WA 98026

Club's PayPal Email Address: The Maine Event's PayPal email address is treasurer@maineevent.org

Entry Procedures: to enter your cat(s) in competition, go to the website: <https://maineevent.org/nov>. Click on the header "Enter the Show" and follow the instructions. Using the show's website, fill out the summary sheet and pay treasurer@maineevent.org for all services requested via PayPal. Then, go to TOES (TICA calendar), and log in to enter your entries.

Show Hall: Ferndale Events Center, located at 5715 Barrett Road, Ferndale, WA 98248. Phone: 360-734-7832. Catered lunches are available through Tradewinds Catering and **must be pre-ordered/purchased by 10:00pm, Sunday, November 10, 2024**. Fill out separate Lunch Order Form. Cat litter will be provided by club. There will be a hospitality table at this show. Bring your own "special" drinks, snacks, cat food, food dishes, and litter pans. **Note: The Ferndale Events Center does NOT allow overnight RV's or camping in its parking lot!**

Directions to Ferndale Events Center: (from the North) Take Interstate 5 South. Take Exit 262 (Axton Road). Turn left on Axton Road. Go one block. Take a left on Barrett (by McDonalds). The Ferndale Events Center is on the left. (from the South) Take Interstate 5 North. Take Exit 262 (Axton Road). Turn left on Axton Road. Go one block. Turn left on Barrett. The Ferndale Events Center is on the left.

Added Safety Requirements/Precautions: The Club will follow government mandated health and safety guidelines in effect on the show dates. Be prepared. Bring your own face masks and sanitizer/disinfectant for your personal benching space. You may also want to bring your own protective gloves. At the time of entry, all exhibitors must agree to the safety requirements for this event posted on the show's website. Anyone not complying with these added precautions will be instructed to leave without refund of any monies paid. Additional information will be posted on the show's website.

Exhibitor Show Hours: 9:00am-5:00pm both days. Saturday check-in: 7:30am-8:30am. Sunday check-in: 8:00am-8:30am. New exhibitor orientation: Saturday, 8:30am (Ring 1).

Show Hotel: LaQuinta Inns & Suites (<https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/laquinta/bellingham-washington/la-quinta-bellingham/overview>) located at 1063 W. Bakerview Rd, Bellingham, WA 98226, about 7 minutes south of the Ferndale Events Center. Hotel amenities include: free breakfast, free high-speed and wireless internet access, free parking, waived pet fee for guests in our block, and business center, and fitness center. Take extra care to clean up litter, food and other spills. Protect the rooms from spraying cats by confining them in cages or keeping them in the bathroom. Exhibitors staying at the this show hotel agree to abide by TICA's Hotel Room Inspection Policy. The club will provide free shuttle to/from the hotel/show hall, if prearranged!

Room rate: \$119.00 (+10.7% sales tax and \$3.00 Bellingham Tourism Promotion Tax) per night for single or double occupancy in double queen or standard king with waived pet fee. Call hotel direct at **(360) 747-7685** or click this link (or copy and paste into your web browser) to book your room online: [Book your special discounted rate for The Maine Event Bellingham here!](#) To get the special rate with special concessions, **book no later than 5pm, Friday, November 8, 2024** under the block name of "The Maine Event". After that, the hotel's prevailing rates will be in force and will be based on availability.

Airport Information: There are three airports within driving distance: Bellingham International Airport (BLI) (7 miles south of the Ferndale Events center; Vancouver International Airport (YVR) (37 miles north of Ferndale Events Center), and Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) (100 miles south of Ferndale Events Center).

Special Events (more info on summary sheet and website)

New Exhibitor Orientation — Will be conducted at 8:30am on Saturday in Ring 1.

JE Judging — The Junior Exhibitor judging will be conducted by Kay Hanvey *Saturday* at 12:30pm in Ring 5.

Junior Exhibitors: Only young people under the age of 18 who are currently in TICA's Junior Exhibitor (JE) program are eligible to receive the special JE entry rate for this show. In addition, the JE MUST show the cat in the regular judging rings and participate in the JE ring. Any questions about the Junior Exhibitor program are to be directed to jecommittee@ticanw.com.

Benching: Only one benching request will be allowed. **If you list more than one, only the first request will be considered.** Handicapped exhibitors will receive preferential and "free" end-of-row benching, if requested. All other end-of-row request will be benched on a first-come, first-served, space available basis at a cost of \$15.00. Entry clerk will make every attempt to bench your cats per your request, however, the club does not guarantee that all benching requests can be honored due to space limitations, show hall configuration or any state health mandates that may be enforce the dates of the show.

Cage size: The club's cages are 21" tall, 21" deep, and 45" wide and has a 3" divider in the middle which can be easily be used as one large cage or it can be split into 2 cages if you need to separate multiple cats. Every 'odd numbered' entry includes a double cage space. Benching is sold in increments of double cage space only!

Personal cages: If your personal cage is wider than 45", you must also purchase a groom space to accommodate the extra width. The maximum depth for a personal cage is 24" deep. If your cage is deeper than 24", it will not fit on our 24" deep tables. If you plan to use your personal cage, please note this on the summary sheet.

Other Cage Requirements: The top, floor, sides, and back of the cage must be covered. Per TICA rules, only one cat or two kittens per 1/2 double cage, and two cats or four kittens per double cage.

Exhibition/For Sale Cages: **Exhibition cages are standard cage size (see above).** You must complete an entry form for each kitten/cat on exhibition. *ALL cats/kittens in the show hall must be listed in the exhibitor catalog.* No exceptions! No cat or kitten will be allowed in the show hall if it is not listed in the catalog.

Ring Clerks/Stewards: 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 TICA clerking program. The Club is also in need of stewards for the show. Stewards will receive lunch plus \$20/ring for each full day of stewarding.

Show Catalogs: Should you wish to print the show catalog, it will be emailed to each exhibitor no later than **10pm, Thursday, Nov 14th**. Printed show catalogs can be purchased at a cost of \$10 each and must be pre-ordered and requested on the Summary Sheet. No catalogs will be available for sale in the show hall. The show committee accepts no responsibility for catalog errors due to illegibility or mistakes on the entry form.

Kitten Age Requirements: to compete, kittens must be **4 calendar months old (born on or before July 16, 2024)**. To be allowed in the show hall, kittens must be **3 calendar months old (born on or before August 16, 2024)**. If the Entry Clerk requests it, a TICA litter registration must be provided at the time of entry. Any kitten without proof of age will not be entered in the show, nor will it be allowed in the show hall.

Household Pets (HHP's): HHP Kittens (4 to 8 months old) do NOT need to be altered. HHPs over 8 months of age must be altered (neutered or spayed). Please phone the entry clerk if you are not sure how to describe your cat's color, or if you have any questions about how to fill out the entry form.

Registration: All cats, kittens, and alters shown with a "pending" registration number must provide proof that the cat can be TICA registered to be entered in a show. Our entry clerking program is TOES which will require the submission of the appropriate "proof" when the exhibitor puts their entry information in the system. The following can be submitted to prove registration eligibility:

1. A copy of your TICA registration application. This can be a screenshot of the tica.org ticket for the registration or a copy of the individual registration application.
2. A copy of the TICA Breeder Slip for the cat.
3. A copy of the TICA litter registration for your cat's litter.
4. A copy of the pedigree for your cat issued by a (TICA recognized association *).
5. A copy of the pedigree or registration papers for both the sire and dam of your cat issued by a (recognized association *).
6. A copy of other registration documents for your cat issued by a (recognized organization *) indicating the cat's breed.

* A list of TICA recognized associations are on the www.tica.org website. Search for: recognized associations of TICA

Liability: The Maine Event, TICA, and The Ferndale Events Center, will not be held liable for **illness**, injury, loss or damage to cats, exhibitors, property of exhibitors, vendors or other such persons or property in attendance.

Health: 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. Front and back claws must be clipped. 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.* **Special Health/Safety Policies and Procedures will be in force at this show (see attached).**

Show Rules: All exhibitors agree to abide by and uphold the show rules of TICA. Show rules and registration information are available from TICA, PO Box 2684, Harlingen, TX 78551, (956) 428-8046 or from the TICA website: www.tica.org

Other Important Club Rules: With the exception of cats available for adoption by rescue organizations, no other cats or kittens are allowed in the show hall unless they are listed in the official show catalog. No cat or kitten sales are allowed from carriers.

Closing Dates, Payment and Fees:

- **Closing Date/Time: for all entries and all services ordered must be received & paid by 10:00pm, Sunday, November 10, 2024. There will be NO late page(s).**
- Submitting entry information (summary sheet or a cat entry form) via the club's website, phone, email or snail-mail constitutes an agreement to pay for all services ordered, even if you withdraw from the show, fail to attend the show, or fail to complete the entry process. The only way you would not owe entry fees is if the show is cancelled. Substitutions may be made up to 10pm, Sunday, November 10, 2024.
- Pay all fees in U.S. funds by money order, bank check, or PayPal to treasurer@maineevent.org **within 24 hours of completing the summary sheet and/or submitting cat entries.** Make check or cashier checks payable to "The Maine Event" and mail to the Elaine H-Weitz, Treasurer, 5517-152nd St SW, Edmonds, WA 98026. Only checks from a United States bank can be accepted. No post-dated checks. Any excess payment will be considered a donation to the show.
- Cats co-owned by members of two different households are eligible for multiple entry discounts **ONLY** if a photocopy of the cat's TICA owners

registration accompanies the cat's entry showing the names of both co-owners.

- Extra fees:
 - End-of-row benching (not handicapped) - \$15.00.
 - Phone entry fee — \$5.00/entry.
 - Substitution fee — \$10.00/entry.
 - Extra catalog — \$5.00/each.
 - Returned check fee—\$30.00 plus any bank fees charged to the Club.
 - Late fee — Any exhibitor whose payment has not been received for any reason prior 10pm, Sunday, November 10, 2024 will be assessed a \$25.00 late fee. Payment at the door will be at the sole discretion of the Entry Clerk, and will be subject to the \$25.00 late fee, and **MUST** be paid in cash or cashier's check. No exceptions!