

# NEWSLETTER

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### MABY and Her Babies: Lesser Leopards (*Felis Bengalensis*)

Maby is owned by Chuck and Harriet Leake of Sherman Oaks, California. The "babies", born on April 9, 1967, were five weeks old when this picture was taken by Bill Engler who reflects: "I don't know of more deserving people to be the first that I know of to be 'grandparents' of domestic born Lesser Leopards. They are of invaluable assistance in my work with cats."

The father, Raja, is owned by Regina and John Breslin of Valinda, California.

The story about the breeding of these Lesser Leopards (the first such event in LIOC history, incidentally) is told by Chuck and Harriet Leake on Page 3 of this Newsletter.



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## Meeting Schedule

LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB Sunday, July 9, at the home of Nancy and Peter Spano, 64 Indianola Road, Niantic, Conn. POTLUCK 10 A.M. Travel Directions page 8.

FLORIDA CHAPTER LIOC Sunday, July 9, at McLarty Park, Rockledge, Florida 1 P.M. Travel Directions page 8.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (JUNGLE CATS) Branch, POTLUCK at Shirley Nelson's. Directions will be mailed locally.

CAL-VAL BRANCH OF LIOC, Sunday, August 6, Time, Location and Travel Directions to be mailed locally.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH OF LIOC Meetings are suspended until the Fall.

Take this Newsletter with Travel Instructions and meeting locations along to the meeting with you!

And don't forget to let your host know you are coming!!!!

# GUEST EDITORIAL

(Ed: The following is reprinted from a portion of the report of a recent meeting of the Jungle Cats of California branch of LIOC. Their intent was to have this material follow this report -- see Page Page 10 -- but its content is of such general value to every member of LIOC, that it follows -- with their permission -- as a "Guest Editorial.")

Jungle Cats of California found from experience that refusing to give information to news media resulted in articles which were full of half-truths or bordered on the absurd. If reporters contacted individual members for a statement they combined these statements -- some of which pertained to margays, some to African lions -- and printed a fairy tale which was sensational. The following statement has been given to all members and they will answer inquiries by supplying a copy. Veterinarians and SPCA shelters have also received copies. We hope that in the event they are called upon to treat unfamiliar exotics or to "capture or rescue" one, they will call us.

-- Shirley Nelson, Secretary

### THE STATEMENT

The phrase JUNGLE CATS has been chosen to designate the cats which are generally associated with the great outdoors. These are: Malaysian Jungle Cats, Margays, Ocelots, Mountain Lions (Pumas or Cougars), Leopards, Cheetahs, Jaguars, Lions, Tigers and Tignons. We refer to all of them as "EXOTICS."

People keep Exotics as pets. That is, they are animals that are favored and indulged. They are a study and a trial. The owner is forever learning and gaining from the relationship.

The owners of these Exotics are from all walks of life and it is impossible to pick them out of a crowd.

Most of these Exotics have been disarmed by the removal of their fangs and claws. However, until an observer has discussed the subject with the owner, it is best to assume that they have all equipment.

The only standard of behavior relevant to all Exotics is that they are individuals and all favor a different activity. The Exotic will respect people who respect it.

If an observer wishes to approach an Exotic, he must ask permission of the owner or attendant. If the Exotic is unattended then you must not approach it. The animal trainer instinct in the observer should be quelled. Sticking fingers into cages, between bars or into the mouth and eyes of pets and ganging up to stare is an example of poor manners and thoughtlessness.

What do you do if you see an Exotic in your back yard? Call Jungle Cats of California or the SPCA.

When an individual thinks about getting an Exotic he should first determine if he is potentially a good owner. A good owner is always willing to (Con't Page 13)

# MABY

By Mr. & Mrs. Charlie M. Leake  
4436 Ventura Canyon  
Sherman Oaks, California

Our story begins with what was to be a perfectly normal afternoon in September of 1966. As things turned out, this particular day changed our whole life -- and as we both agree, for the better.

It was on this day that we first saw Maby", our little leopard cat. I think that it must have been one of those "love at first sight" things that so often happens among the "cat people." She was so lonely and forlorn looking that we just couldn't bear to leave without her. As I said earlier, our life just has not been the same since.

Our relationship didn't start out on what you might call the best of terms. Although we were ready to accept her and give her a good home, she wasn't quite ready to accept us. In fact, she was downright scared of us and anything else that came near her. When we first took her out of the cage, she let us know that we shouldn't judge her by size alone. She was a little ball of fire and let us know it in no uncertain terms. We still have a few marks to remind us of that fact and also of our first night at home with Maby.

During the months that followed we worked day and night trying to make her realize that we weren't going to harm her and that all we wanted was some love in return. The progress was slower than it could have been as she was eighteen months old when she first came to live with us, but with patience and constant attention she finally started coming around. Now she acts like a regular house cat, content to sleep on chairs or lie in a window and watch the birds fly by.

Then about the end of January things started happening. Maby was coming in season and the only other leopard cat we knew of was in Woodside, California and another female at that. Then we found a leopard cat named "Bruce" in the January Newsletter and thought that our troubles were over. Much to our dismay "Bruce" turned out to be "Brucette," another female.

Finally we found "Raja", an honest to goodness male owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Breslin of Valinda, California. Raja is approximately two years old and weighs about fourteen pounds, twice Maby's size, which is seven pounds.

We brought Raja to our house and kept him with Maby for two weeks. They bred only at night and were very quiet about it. We heard only a few growls and some strange meows now and again. During the day however Maby was her old sweet self, but Raja stayed mostly to himself and didn't associate with anyone, including Maby. His jig was up when night came though, and he was flushed out of his hiding places by our little "sexpot."

In March we noticed that Maby was getting a little fat and acting rather fickle. She even looked as though she would like some pickles and watermelon at times. By the time April came she was looking for a den. Her "den" turned out to be at the head of our bed, under the headboard.

At about 1:30 A.M., Sunday morning, April 9, we heard some tiny little meows and found two kittens, each about two inches long and looking like drowned mice.

Maby let us hold them at about two weeks and we found that we had a boy and a girl. By the time they were four weeks old they had the run of the house, and at six weeks they were eating raw beef. It was around this time that they were house broken to a box.

They act the same as domestic kittens, playing and romping all over and giving their mother a very hard time. The only difference that we have noticed is that they seem to get frightened at sudden noises at which they always hiss, but they are fine with everyone and don't bite or scratch.

After we purchased Maby we went out trying to find all the information we could on this species, and found out instead that most people had never even heard of them. We finally found a couple of books that devoted a paragraph or two, but they still didn't tell us very much.

Here is what little we did discover:

"Felis Bengalensis" is also known as leopard cat, lesser leopard, tiger cat, and -- of all things --, Asian Ocelot, so take your pick. They range from India to China and most of the rest of Southeast Asia. They are quite aggressive hunters and if you ever watch one closely you would know why. They mature at about a year and seem to be some of the healthiest of all the cats. With the proper shots and precautions, we have had no health problems whatsoever with Maby since she was purchased.

We are sure that leopard cats have a great future in the Club and that any member of LIOC purchasing one will be as happy with his as we are with ours.

-- MABY'S "PARENTS"

*Mr. & Mrs. Charlie M. Leake*

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# EIGHT AND EIGHTY

By: The Rev. H. Thomas Morrell, A.M.  
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(Born March 5, 1887)

It is good to have young companions when we reach fourscore years to keep us happy and active, so I enjoy the friendship of my eight year old ocelot, Pinta, together with Nina, the red fox, Chuck the Capuchin monkey and the two comestic felines, Mr. Tom Cat and Blackie.

Since Pinta has all his teeth and claws, he keeps me watchful and nimble. Day and night he has the run of the kitchen and bathroom. Each morning I sit near the door before I open it and he leaps on my lap, putting his paws on my shoulders, using no claws.



I learned to sit down long ago because he began to climb all the way up and for that he needs his long claws which went all the way through. And, incidentally, he weighs 45 pounds.

We learn lots of things from our clever mischievous ocelots. At first I had magnetic catches on cabinet doors. Pinta tested the locks from table, sink and stove, opening the doors and clearing off the shelves. The falling sugar bowls and dishes brought me into the kitchen fast. One night the refrigerator was cleaned out, the contents of milk, soup, prunes, etc. covering the kitchen floor. Now there are safety locks on all cabinets, refrigerator and even a special gas cock on the stove so that we don't all go to sleep permanently after he romps around the kitchen.

It was the same story in the bathroom. All faucets must be turned off tight. I think he spied and examined everything to see what he could get into. Now everything is in its proper place and the house looks quite neat, including the towels which are all fastened with clothespins on high racks out of Pinta's reach.

It is possible that some people would not want to take such precautions against the mischief of such a cunning animal but for my part, I consider it a challenge to see who is the smarter. Many times the little rogue outwits me and that is fun, especially when he dashes past me into the living room behind the couch when he knows I don't want him there. The best way to catch him is to sit down and let him jump up in my lap. You have to try to be smarter than he is and it's not always easy.

In eight years I have had the other many varied experiences cited in the Newsletter and so far have had good fortune at difficult times. Keeping him close to home, which he prefers, avoids the possibility of certain misfortunes. And the same goes for Nina, the fox and Chuck, the monk. I used to have a couple of white doves called Santa and Maria, but they flew away. Various other birds, including a Mynah bird, died but Pinta is happy and well. I trust that we can spend many more years together.

SYMPATHY to Al Benson of Hyde Park, Mass. The loss of his two year old Margay, "Frisky" reported by Al Roberts to have happened, "a few weeks back for some unknown reason. Frisky's coat was beautiful and he was clear of eye. Without warning, he died."



"The lion bit you WHERE ?!"

# The True Romance of TRILBY OCELOT



By Lorelee Vigne  
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BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE MAKERS OF  
KITTY SUDS, SAFE EVEN FOR FELINES!  
(Organ Music)

## Cast of Characters:

Trilby -----Female Ocelot  
Caesar -----Male Ocelot  
Female Human ----- Lorelee Vigne  
Male Human ----- Dion Vigne

Chapter 1, Scene 1: We find Trilby, beautiful female ocelot virgin, two years old, pacing her cage, newly decorated in lavender and orange vinyl tiles.

Trilby: Dear me, it can be pretty frustrating being a female with no male ocelots in sight. There are only humans about in this neck of the woods.

Female Human: Don't worry, Trilby, Baby, we're going out today to see about getting a suitable husband for you and perhaps we shall return with him this evening if we think he will be the right one for you.

Trilby: I'd like him to be tall, spotted and handsome with breeding and good manners. Money is unimportant since you humans take care of all our financial needs.

Male Human: How true! (He is shown counting out the money which Trilby's future husband will cost. It makes a large bulge in his pocket.)

Scene 2: Inside the human couple's Corvette fastback, speeding along the Freeway.

Caesar: Grrrrrrr.

Male Human: (Looking Caesar over) You seem to be just fight for our beautiful female ocelot, Trilby. I am sure she'll like you as much as we do.

Female Human: How could she help it? What breeding! What good taste! Did you see the way he knocked the wine out of my hand that his humans offered me, so that he could drink it himself? What manners!

Male Human: I liked the way he retrieves. I think he's going to be great fun.

Caesar: Gee, they liked me so I might as well reciprocate. And this female ocelot they speak about sounds interesting. I was sorry to leave the old homestead where I grew up, but when a fellow becomes a man it's time he leave home to start a family of his own. (Caesar looks stoically ahead as the car drives on.)

Scene 3: Inside the antique Victorian building that is Caesar's new home.

Caesar: A fine state of affairs, here I am and there in the other room is the beautiful female ocelot that I waited to meet. But we have this little screen door between us. She sure is cute. What an adorable pink nose, and those long eyelashes sure are crazy. I wonder when we'll be formally introduced.

Trilby: (Sniffing at Caesar through the wire mesh.) Well, he looks pretty nice. What calmsoft eyes and what big, craggy features. I wonder when we'll get together.

Female Human: You know, I think they should be able to meet today. They have been looking at each other for five days now without hissing or growling and I think they have decided to be friends.

Male Human: Okay, today is the day. Caesar, Trilby -- I now pronounce you man and wife. (The door opens and the two intended come together.)

Scene 4: The same. The next day.

Trilby: Wow! That sure was a hard night. What a fight! He's such a big fellow. Even though he's toothless and clawless and I have back teeth and my rear claws, he's a tough fellow to beat. Here I am in his room and he's taken over my quarters and there's nothing I can do about it. I guess I'll just have to give in. It's worth it. He's such a handsome beast. Maybe he'll let me get into my sleeping box with him. Let's see. I'll just slip in when he's not looking. (Trilby gets up and goes through the little door separating their rooms. She attempts to get into her old box now occupied by Caesar.)

Caesar: What's this? Trying to get in here with me? Even though I'd like that I'll have to demonstrate who's boss. Here goes. Whack. Take that Trilby. Now get back there where you belong. I like this room. I can really observe these humans from here.

Trilby: Well, I've lived here a lot longer than you have, so if you want to watch, go ahead. But you're going to have to treat me a lot nicer than this if you want to get ahead with them and especially if you expect to live here with me. I can be a pretty dangerous woman if I wanted to, you know.

Caesar: (Swatting her again) We'll see about that.

Scene 5: We find Trilby and Caesar sharing the same room peacefully. They are eating side by side. When they have finished their dinner they lick one another and roll about on the floor together playfully.

Caesar: You know, Trilby, I'm really glad I came here. It's wonderful to share everything with you... But you could be a little nicer to me.

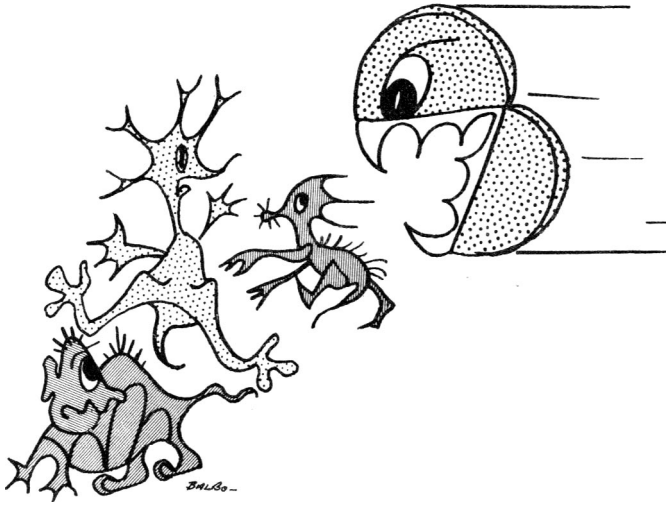
Trilby: I'm glad you came, too, but you must be patient with me, Caesar.

(Organ music swells, then fades. End of First Chapter in the TRUE ROMANCE OF TRILBY OCELOT Tune in again next Newsletter to find out if true romance really blossoms.)

Will Trilby, beautiful ocelot virgin and Caesar, handsome, debonair cat about town start a family of their own?

Only time will tell.)

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## TUOMY'S DISEASE

By William Engler  
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TUOMY'S DISEASE is an important disease in cats. It occurs in two forms which I will call the acute form and the moderate form. I believe that in Exotics, the disease in the acute form accounts for more deaths than does Feline Distemper.

### Etiology

Tuomy's Disease in either form is caused by growth of the bacteria *Bacillus Proteus*, *Pseudomonas Aeruginosa* and *Escherichia Coli*. In the acute form, these bacteria are found not only in the intestine, but throughout the viscera (internal organs) of the cat at autopsy. In the moderate form of the disease, these bacteria are probably confined in the gastro-intestinal tract, at least in the early part of the disease.

*Bacillus Proteus* is the bacteria that causes decay in meat. It is found in all meat eaten by humans or animals in greater or lesser numbers according to the temperature and condition in which the meat has been kept. *Escherichia Coli* normally inhabits the intestines of humans and animals and in its ordinary form is not pathogenic to the intestine. It is ordinarily found in meat, the meat becoming contaminated with it during processing. *Pseudomonas Aeruginosa* is found in the pus of infective processes.

The evidence suggests that the acute form of the disease is the result of a strain of one or more of the causative bacteria being mutated to a particularly virulent and infectious form. The moderate form of the disease is no doubt caused by the cat ingesting one or more of these bacteria in its normal form, in greater numbers than his normal defensive mechanism can control.

In either form, the disease is probably introduced through the meat fed. The acute form in particular and the moderate form to some degree are infectious from cat to cat through such channels as eating or drinking dishes, direct contact or exposure to exudates from an infected cat.

### Symptoms

The symptoms of Tuomy's Disease, acute form, are nearly identical with those of Feline Distemper: vomiting, diarrhea, dehydration and weakness. The first vomitus usually contains the last meal eaten in an undigested state after which the vomitus is white to a greenish yellow. The stool is a yellow to greenish-yellow liquid. The temperature is close to 104.5 degrees F. until shortly before death when it drops to below normal.

If the disease is untreated or improperly treated, the dehydration and weakness become extreme, the skin is dry and leathery and the eyes very dull. The bowel movements and vomiting become increasingly frequent. The stools become bloody and the retching seems particularly severe. A kitten usually succumbs in two days or less. An older cat may survive a day longer.

The symptoms of the moderate form of the disease begin with soft stools containing considerable mucous. These become more frequent and more fluid as the disease progresses. The cat's temperature at the beginning of the moderate form is between 102.5 f. and 103.5 f.

If the disease is untreated or improperly treated, the stools become more fluid and finally bloody. The cat loses his appetite but continues to drink water. As the disease progresses he becomes dehydrated as a result of the diarrhea and anemic from the loss of blood in the stool. In the latter part of the disease there is usually some vomiting which worsens the dehydration. A kitten will die in four or five days. An older cat will survive seven to ten days.

### Diagnosis

Positive diagnosis of Tuomy's Disease is made on finding the causative organisms in a culture of the feces. It usually takes two days to get this report back from a laboratory. In the acute form of the disease, the cat may very well be dead before the report is received, so a presumptive diagnosis must be made.

If the cat has been kept properly immunized against Feline Distemper and has symptoms that suggest either Feline Distemper or Tuomy's Disease, acute form, it is reasonably safe to make a diagnosis of Tuomy's Disease.

A leukocyte count of less than 14,000 suggests that the disease is not Tuomy's Disease. By the time the symptoms appear in Feline Distemper, the count is well below this number.

If the veterinarian is not equipped to make a leukocyte count and there is doubt about the status of the cat's immunization against Feline Distemper, diagnosis can be made by response to medication.

### Treatment

In the acute form of Tuomy's Disease, treatment must be begun at once. The vomiting must be controlled so the cat can hold down his medication. This is controlled by giving atropine sulfate, subcutaneously in amount of 0.02 mg per pound body weight. One half hour later treatment with Furoxone (Eaton) is begun. This is given according to the following:

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TUOMY'S DISEASE (Engler) Continued from P 6 .)

5 pound cat	6 mg	5 times daily
8 pound cat	25 mg	4 times daily
16 pound cat	50 mg	4 times daily
50 pound cat (or over)	100 mg	4 times daily

For the smaller cats of different weights than those shown, interpolation between the given dosages should be used. After two days of these given dosages, the number of doses given per day can be cut to one.

If the cat vomits the medication, the tablet, or portion thereof, may be given with some Coca Cola syrup, amount according to the size of the cat. Many times this will keep him from throwing it up. If this is not successful, the dosage may have to be cut to the place where the cat will retain it.

For the dehydration, which is evident if the cat has been vomiting and had diarrhea for enough time to cause it, fluid therapy is indicated. An electrolyte solution which contains a salt of potassium to replace that lost in the vomiting should be administered. Isolyte E (Baxter), Ringer's Solution or Lactated Ringer's Solution are satisfactory to use. All may be administered subcutaneously and may be given in amount of 15 cc per pound body weight and repeated if and when necessary. Vitamin B complex and B-12 given with this fluid is beneficial.

With this treatment, the symptoms of Tuomy's Disease are controlled. In the case of the acute form, food and water should be withheld for 24 hours after the vomiting is controlled lest it start again. It is usually necessary to start them taking water and food by force. Water is first given at hourly intervals, beginning with two medicine droppers and increasing to six by the sixth time. The water should be warm. Then increasing amounts of strained baby food beef can be added to the water until the cat can take the undiluted beef.

After the first 24 hours of medication, both cat and owner can sleep for eight hours without medication. After force feeding is begun, it is beneficial for the cat to go eight hours at night without food or water.

Furoxone is used in the treatment of the moderate form in the same dosages outlined for the acute form. If treatment is begun before vomiting begins, the atropine sulfate is not necessary and if dehydration is not severe the fluid therapy need not be administered.

In either form of the disease, the treatment should be continued for a minimum of seven days. Though the symptoms are well controlled, the cat is eating and feeling well, the symptoms are apt to recur if the medication is stopped before this.

Bacid (viable lactobacillus acidophillus) should be given for two days after cessation of the treatment with Furoxone to reinstitute the normal flora of the intestine.

In the event diarrhea returns, another course of the Furoxone is indicated.

## Not a Candidate, THE WINNER!

# 1967 "LOTTY"



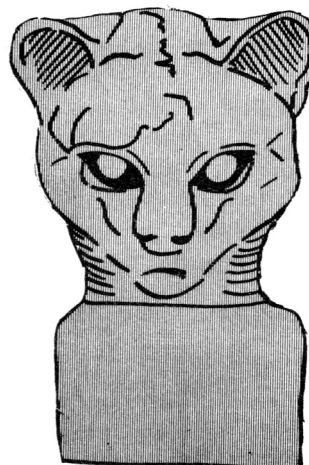
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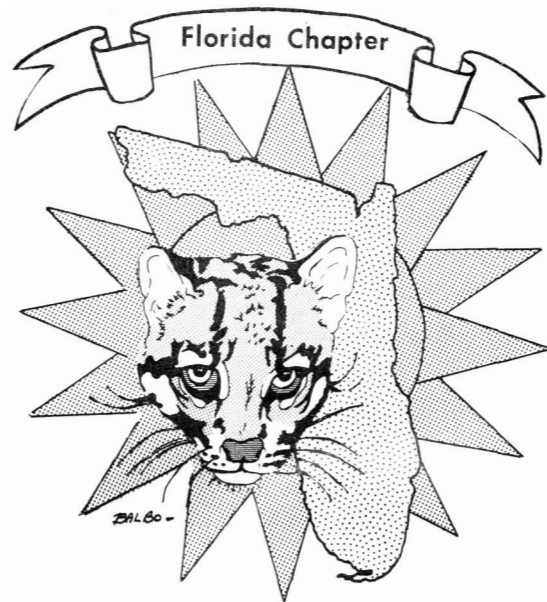
Since the inception of the LIOC Lotty Award and its first presentation to Gene Brill, Membership Secretary of LIOC in September, 1966, there have been countless nominations from members in all sections of the country that Bill Engler be the next recipient. While it is conceivable that some members may have other nominations in mind, it is unthinkable that there might be any opposition to making the award to Bill. It is suggested that nominations for the 1968 award begin at once.

The Lotty signifies "unusual devotion to exotic felines, exemplary conduct at home and abroad relative to the cats and unusual service to LIOC." On all three counts Bill transcends the requirements, his basic love of all felines guiding him beyond them. His extra-LIOC activities throughout recent months have included active objection to restrictive legislation on pet felines. Bill has also done much "movie work", -- behind many of the feline scenes so widely admired on TV.

Brenda Duprey, sculptress from Lenox, Mass., who executed the head which is the physical symbol of the Lotty Award, has already started work on Bill's Lotty. This should be ready for presentation at an early Fall or late Summer meeting of the Cal-Val Branch of LIOC.

- Catherine Cisin





A week before the scheduled May 28 meeting of LIOC at the home of George Squires, Sands Point, N. Y., over 50 night letters were sent to local members and members who were known to expect to be present.

The night letter read: "MEETING SUNDAY MAY 28 AT SANDS POINT IS CANCELLED FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CATS. DISTEMPER." Signed - Catherine Cisin.

Giovanni, the remaining one of the Squires' pair of leopards came down with Distemper three days before the meeting was cancelled.

The next Potluck will be July 9th at the summer cottage of Peter and Nancy Spano, 64 Indianola Road, Niantic Connecticut. Please be on hand around 10 A.M. and the host instructs: "Bring your swim suits". He also says: "Cocktails will be served from Noon on." Cats Welcome! Nero, the Spano ocelot, insists.

Please advise your host that you will be coming but send mail to Peter Spano, 664 East Street, New Britain, Conn, or phone him at 203 244 0238 during business hours.



**Directions:**

Exit 74 on Connecticut Turnpike. (There are several motels on this exit). And end of exit turn right and follow road straight into center of town of Niantic. At center of Niantic you will be facing a traffic light. Take right at this light and proceed straight on to traffic light. At this light there is an old sign saying "Black Point Beach Club". Left at this light and follow this road until you see a railroad bridge to your left. Go under this bridge to stop sign and turn right. Follow this road to very end. You will come to Attawan Road. Take left on Attawan Road and follow it to very end. You will be in Black Point Beach Club. This is a beach area and we are at 64 Indianola Road.

Remember that the area is Black Point Beach Club and do not follow road to Old Black Point.

We will try to have arrow signs posted saying LIOC along the way into the beach area. We just hope no one takes them down.

The Florida Chapter held its May 14 meeting at the home of Hermon and Annette Brooks in Orlando, 3031 Pioneer Road. We had 20 members and guests with 11 cats, as follows:

Hermon & Annette Brooks and their 5 cats, Chi Chi, Tasha, Sheba, Tequilla and Big Boy  
 Bob and Linda Buck  
 Vince & Bella Charder  
 Mr & Mrs. Douglas with their new kitten.  
 Bob & Sandra Hartkopf with ocelot, Sheba  
 Ken & Jean Hatfield with margays, Mittens & Princess  
 Dave & Sue Salisbury with Prince, the Puma  
 John Stoesser and Mrs. R. Jones

We also had as guests, Diane Demunter and Mr. S. R. Kester with Diane's 5 month old puma. We also had two new cats join us, the Douglas' and the Hartkopf's, which led to quite a bit of discussion about the proper care and feeding of young cats. This period of their lives is so vital to their health and can affect their well-being for the rest of their lives.

We were all sad to learn of the Brooks' losses. The two kittens reported as new births in the last Newsletter, were accidentally killed by the mother when she thought she had to defend them. My little three-legged friend (from the previous litter) was run over by someone who visited their house while they were out. Hermon said he was doing so well, too, and could climb most of the way up a big tree in front of their house!

Most of us spent the afternoon outside with the cats talking about and playing with them and consuming quantities of cold drinks (it was hot that day). Annette tried to get us to go inside for coffee and cake, but she finally gave up and brought it out to us!

Dave Salisbury did get everyone's attention for a couple of minutes to tell us that the next meeting would be in the Cocoa area and that Mr. Robert Baudy who is a nationally known breeder and trainer of exotic felines, will be present to give a talk. This is the same Mr. & Mrs Robert Baudy who wrote the article on Page 3 of the May, 1967 Newsletter. It is also possible that he may be able to bring a Siberian Tiger kitten or two with him. Dave has since managed to get the recreational building in McLarty Park, Rockledge, Fla., for the meeting. (It is an AIR CONDITIONED building, I understand.)

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MEETING May 14, Florida Chapter (Cont'd.)

We also had one other bit of sad news. Tio, owned by Mr. R. Gibson of Tampa, was stolen. He was one of the first litter by Tequilla and Big Boy (Brooks) born May, 1966. He is a large male and has been declawed. I didn't make note of the exact date he was stolen, but believe it was February or March. Please, you folks in the Tampa area, or anywhere else in the State for that matter if you suspect that you know where the cat may be, contact

Mr. R. Gibson  
Route 4, Box 386  
Tampa

Don't forget the next meeting: July 9, 1967 1 to 4 PM, to be held at McLarty Park in Rockledge which borders on the south side of Cocoa. To get there turn west off of U.S. 1 onto Barton Avenue at the traffic signals at Rockledge Fire Station. McLarty Park is on the north side of it and LIOC signs will direct from there. See you there???

Respectfully submitted,

JEAN HATFIELD, Secretary  
Florida Chapter LIOC.



REPORT OF MEETING  
April 29, 1967

The April meeting was held on Saturday night, the 29th at Al and Avis Roberts' home in Medford, at 8 P.M.

Stewart and Jean Mackay, formerly members of the Northern California Branch of which Jean was Vice-President joined with us in a pleasant evening of live conversation and participation in buffet of roast, meat balls, salads and desert.

Also present were Bob and Barbara Peraner, Betsy Van Hor, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Wenzel and, of course, Avis and Al Roberts with Samantha hosting.

As usual, all were engaged in the telling of the antics and experiences with their pet or pets. The health and methods of care of our exotics was discussed at some length as was the concern of most over the increasing threat of local ordinances prohibiting our keeping our pets. Cooperation of police and enlightenment, and the causes that have brought about bringing the spotlight on our much maligned pets, etc.

It was decided that this would be our last meeting until the fall since many members would be otherwise engaged and/or on vacation. **Everyone present** signed a get-well card for Mrs. John O'Connell. We sincerely wish you a speedy recovery. **We want you** and John to be with us when the fall meetings resume.

The meeting closed with regret, for the hour was late, time having passed so swiftly because conversation never once lagged...

*Al Roberts*



REPORT OF MEETING  
CAL-VAL Branch of LIOC  
Sunday, June 4 at home of  
Dennis and Carol Herring,  
Pasadena, Calif.

The fifth meeting of the Cal-Val group was hosted by the very gracious Herrings and presided over by their ocelot, Tara. We want to thank the Herrings for inviting us to have the meeting at their lovely home and we're certainly glad they have such a big back yard. We have had good turnouts at all of our meetings but this was by far the largest. There were over sixty people attending. Many were guests of members and I'm sure next time most of these guests will be members.

Due to the big turnout I hope you will understand if I break away from tradition and do not list names. Just too much happened to list all these names and get all the news in too. I wonder if names of all these people you don't know isn't a little boring to you members in other areas? The only sad part of my decision is that I think for once I got everyone's name down right!

Back to the meeting. We arrived at the Herrings at 1:30 and found many members there ahead of us. It was, once again, one of our much enjoyed potluck meetings so I first turned my casserole over to Carol, then looked around to see who was there, -- cat types, that is. I usually get around to the people before the day is over but the furry ones come first. And this was a good day to enjoy the furry members as there were many.

The cheetah must be mentioned first. This was the first meeting Dino had attended and as could be expected of this beautiful creature, he kept his regal composure through the afternoon, purring for everyone who petted him. I never heard a cheetah purr like Dino. His motor really got a workout as we don't often get a chance to pet a cheetah and consequently he got much petting.

We had another unexpected treat. Chuck and Harriet Leake brought their little lesser leopard, "Maby" and her two domestic-born kits. We had all been anxiously waiting to see the babies. They are really precious, about two months old now and very healthy. They appeared to be very calm.



REPORT OF MEETING  
Shirley Nelson's Ranch  
May 7, 1967

Our foresight in ordering the weather for the May meeting really paid off -- it was hot and sunny!

49 People and 13 Cats picnicked under the trees. CATS attending: Chile Ashby (m), Mordida Tompkins (m), Nikosi Santos (jaguarundi), Caesar and Trilby Vigne (o), Ajax Anderson (o), Heidi Peacock (p), Panther Billings (p), Tami Ditty (p), Schezada Sparrow (leopard), Dakila Nelson (jaguar), Caesar Frauenhofer (lion) and one rare, nearly extinct specimen listed in the register as "NUR" -- none other than Khufu Allen(o). Khufu will be the feature cat at the July meeting.

New Members, Bill & Barbara Nails attended their first meeting. Hope they found a solution to a few of the problems they have encountered with their ocelot. Sherry Ames and Bob Merchant flew up from Carmel Valley in their private plane. Their ocelots are due momentarily from Barrera.

Ed and Barbara Weber have purchased a grown male ocelot, Pasha, who is reported to be a very, very pale color. Hope to see Pasha at the next meeting so we can decide what color he is. Guests John and Elli Ashby brought Chile, one of their 2 margays. Angelo & Carol Ditty showed off their baby female puma, Tami.

President, Dion Vigne, opened the meeting with a welcome to new members and guests. A letter to Assemblyman Pattee in support of his bill to abolish the bounty mountain lions was passed around and signed by all members and guests. This was forwarded to Mr. Pattee with a copy to the Department of Wildlife Conservation together with pictures of Walter Billings mountain lion, Panther. It would be helpful if LIOC members would write to:

Assemblyman Pattee  
State Capitol Building  
Sacramento, California

stating they they support Assembly Bill 940 which will abolish the mountain lion bounty.

We actually own something jointly! We purchased an 85 cup coffeemaker. Since the rental fee for four meetings exceeded the purchase price, we will save money on this deal.

(Aside: Your editor saved up plaid stamp books -- until LIOC headquarters could "buy" a modest 40 cup percolater. It has been very active and often travels to nearby picnics, meetings, etc. Conclusion: Every group should have one!)

Several new names were added to the register of people who want to buy or sell a cat. Members were again reminded to notify the secretary if they have boarding facilities for cats or wish to board their cat. I have room for small cats.

The veterinary problem was discussed at length. There is no vet presently available for big cats or even good size ocelots. I am actively pursuing this problem since I am directly concerned. I have written the School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of California and talked to some "stock" or large animal vets. Hope to have either a letter or a vet (preferably a vet!) at the next meeting.

By vote of the members, a committee was selected to deal with some time consuming problems. Committee members: Dion & Lorelee Vigne, Shirley Nelson, Earl & Marge Sparrow, Jim & Marian Allen, Rollin & Aida Anderson and Ed & Barbara Weber. The committee met twice and formulated rules and regulations pertaining to the following subjects:

- Requirements to be met before joining Jungle Cats of California
- Membership Fees - this to be voted on by all members
- Meeting Committee - to sign up members, make name tags, etc.
- Requirements to be met to retain membership in JCC
- Meeting format to be followed.
- Liability Agreement - I drafted this and it was agreed that everyone attending meetings should sign it. (copy follows.)
- Cage for use of club members - will be made to order after we select a vet who can advise us re proper design.
- Cat show - will write to Southern California club to see what they are doing
- Publicity - a 1-1/2 page release was agreed upon. This will be distributed to all members, news media, etc. requesting information on exotic cats. (copy follows.)
- Rules - Agreed rules and regulations will be posted at entrance to meetings.

WARNING - Ed Weber is in charge of clean-up at meetings. Be Careful -- he may be watching you. Barbara Weber is in charge of name tags. If she walks up and hits you, you're being tagged. -- just smile.

MEETINGS - MEETINGS - MEETINGS

July 9 - Scheduled in San Francisco - changed account unfriendly neighbors -- would you believe?? Will be at Shirley Nelson's Ranch - POTLUCK. Everyone bring your favorite dish (or you don't eat). Drinks, plates, cups, utensils will be provided.

August 13 - Hall of Horns, San Lorenzo - Sunday afternoon dinner. Menu will be mailed to (Continued page 13.)

**NEWS**  
 from  
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**JUNGLE**



DOMESTIC BORN BOBS

History has been made once more in LIOC.

"There are four of them," Janet exclaimed during her excited phone call to Amagansett on a Thursday night. "I think they were born two days ago. I heard small noises and went to look and there they were. They were darker than their parents, darker than I have ever seen a bobcat."

Thus was reported the first LIOC recorded domestic bobcat birth by Janet Giacinto of Tarzana, California. Spot-i, the father was three years old in May. Sophie, the mother, a half year older. The male has lived with Jan since he was a kitten and the female, not as docile as her mate, came to the Giacinto home when Spot-i was two. The cats have been together constantly. While the change in both cats during the week preceding the birth might have been an indication, had Jan been able to "read" it, the event came as a complete surprise. During this month the cats became less friendly towards Jan, treating her as though her presence was an intrusion. The kittens were born June 6. Father was separated June 8.

"I hope they live," Jan concluded. "Bill Engler told me to keep my hands off them until they are a month old."

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PATTERN FOR CONDUCT

As practiced by Donald E. Wagner, 919 Tuttle St., Ottumwa, Iowa 52501, whose ocelot, Pepe, has been raised from a kit to a 28 pound still growing one year old.

"During my lifetime I've raised many controversial creatures; crows, owls, hawks, wolves, snakes, etc. and I've learned to shun the curious public eye like one would a plague. It's strange what misunderstanding is extant even concerning our own native fauna. I've continued the practice of discouraging publicity with our

ocelot, too, believing he is a private pet. So I've denied local TV news directors and newspaper photographers the interviews and pictures they have requested. Since I would have little control over their observations, I fear what they might say or write concerning our pet. I continue to refuse requests from many people who ask if they can bring their children over to see my "vicious wildcat." A true felinophyle is another situation entirely.

My wife recently hosted Mr. & Mrs. Wells of Chariton, Iowa, mink ranching LIOC members, who flew to Ottumwa one afternoon just to see Pepe."

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WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

"This letter is respectfully submitted," writes Walter E. Billings, Box 282, Fields Landing, California, "in reference to the preservation of wild life.

"I went to visit Mrs. Margaret Owings, Wild Bird, Big Sur, California. I remove my hat and bow very low to this great lady, a really true friend of wildlife who does something about it. My thanks to her. She has had the bounty on pumas in California removed.

"I think Newsletter readers should know about her great work, and about her next step: the restriction against killing pumas. Shall we all get behind her?"

Walter Billings is the owner of Panther, a Puma, born Feb 5, 1966 in Lodi, California.

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MARTINGALES FOR SALE

For years we have wondered where to get a martingale, the "safe" harness for ocelots and other felines with "suicidal" tendencies, whose conventional collars put them in jeopardy.

John Hays  
 605 E. Healey  
 Champaign, Illinois 61820

an LIOC member who is ready, willing and admirably able to make martingales, offers them to LIOC members at the following rates: For "Latigo" harnesses, based on chest measurement:

to 15 inches \$6.00  
 15 - 30 inches 7.00  
 30 - 45 inches 8.00

John supplies black unless otherwise specified. Order directly from John, remembering the secret of a good fit is making accurate measurements. Measure the neck at the base and the chest at the point where the forelegs meet the body. Special details will have to be given for pumas, jaguars, cheetahs or lions. For estimates. For completely tooled harnesses, prices are double.



Don't hesitate. . . . Mrs. John Brill and Catherine Cisin have inspected John's martingales and give them unqualified approval.

There were five ocelots attending. Did you see four? Two year "Hans" Breslin was there, too but you would have missed him unless you climbed under the hedge. It was a warm day and Hans is a smart cat. There was one pretty little hybrid Lynx Chaus and two pumas. Twelve furry members in all, and all captivating.

Then Dick Laird ruined all my fun and called the meeting to order. Some people have to be official! The first item to be discussed was the meeting of the National Retail Pet Dealers Association which many of our members attended and which I will cover separately since it interests all California members.

Next Dick announced that one of our members is now a lawyer! Congratulations, Pat Renfrew, on passing the bar exam. It's nice to have a legal mind on our side. We know if we need legal help Pat will have our best interest at heart. We are really proud of her and we knew she could do it all.


Next Dick embarrassed his lovely little wife and me by expressing his thanks for the jobs we have done. Audrey Laird has the real job! She has to keep the membership list up to date, do all the addressing and getting out of notices and all the book work. She does a beautiful job. Dick asked me how I would write up congratulating myself? I'll show him! I'll throw the posies right back at him. I think he is the one who should really take the bows. Congratulations Dick on the very capable way you have conducted all meetings. Every meeting has been very enjoyable with just enough business to know we are an official group, but not enough to interfere with the friendly atmosphere. We all appreciate what you have done for Cal-Val Branch to get it off to a good start.

Our raffle was next and a beautiful Norelco razor was won by Jan Giacinto. The meeting was officially adjourned and the potluck was set out. As usual, too much, too good. I'm always full for days but everything is so good I have to try it all.

Our next meeting will be August 6th. Announcements will be sent out later.

Reminders before closing: Vacations are near and Dick is still compiling the "baby-sitting list for our pets, so if you have facilities to care for the pet of a member taking vacation, please contact Dick Laird, 3228 Honolulu, La Crescenta (Phone 249-5702). If you are in the So. Calif area but are not receiving notices of our local meetings, send \$5.00 to cover cost of mailing with your name and address to Dick. Also (again) response to our local mating game list has been poor. When you see what beautiful results the Leakes had by contacting a member with a male Lesser Leopard, I would think every owner of a single cat would want to try his luck. Contact Dick!

Respectfully submitted,



Alyce Crafts, Corresponding  
Secretary, Cal-Val Branch LIOC

"COMMITTEE TO REVIEW PROHIBITIVE  
SPECIES REGULATIONS"

CALIFORNIA MEMBERS ATTENTION! This is a  
new committee formed in Sacramento which can possibly

be of great assistance to us. This committee is meeting once a month in Sacramento to discuss which animals, birds, etc. should be allowed to be kept as pets and sold in the state of California. The committee is headed by Mr. E. C. Fullerton, Chief of the Wild Life Protection Branch of the Dept. of Fish and Game, Mr. James Kowhler, Chief of Weed and Pets Control, and Mr. Ben Dean, D.V.M., Chief Public Health Veterinarian, Dept. of Public Health.

Through a personal friendship with Ralph Stevenson, Pres. Elect of the Retail Pet Dealers Association, my husband and I were able to attend the N. R. P. D. A. meetings and alert them to the fact that many cities were outlawing many exotic pets. The N. R. P. D. A. is vitally interested because our pets are their business. Because of their concern they have sent the president of their organization, Mr. Ted Dean, to the last two meetings of the committee in Sacramento. Mr. Dean felt there was enough concern by our local pet shops and pet owners to warrant a meeting in the Los Angeles area and planned a dinner in Los Angeles the 24th of May. The three heads of the committee flew down and spoke. The meeting was attended by a good representation of LIOC members and we had a chance to ask many questions.

To summarize: Mr. Fullerton, we feel, is the man most concerned with our exotics. He told us that the committee has a deadline of August to turn in their recommendations to the legislature regarding what wild life should be permissible as pets. Mr. Koehler, of course, is concerned with the possibility of damage to crop or natural wild life if our pets should get loose and breed in the wilds. (Not too much to worry about there!) Mr. Ben Dean is concerned with public health, mainly communicable diseases. Mr. Dean couldn't complain about communicable diseases from our cats but felt them dangerous because, "they might bite someone."

Mr. Fullerton expressed the desire to hear from anyone who was having any trouble and I got the impression that he doesn't know how many areas have already outlawed our exotics. It might be to his advantage to receive letters from members letting him know how many areas have placed restrictions without any real grounds. Any information he can receive letting him know how protected the public really is from our pets (don't tell him we really protect our pets from the public!) also how slight the chance of a domesticated exotic surviving in the wild, let alone becoming a prolific pest. Just anything you can give him in favor of the exotic, I am sure he will appreciate as I am sure he wants to allow our pets, but must have ammunition to argue any objections. If we can get the exotic accepted by the legislature, we may eliminate future problems, so: Please contact Mr. E. C. Fullerton, Chief, Wild Life Protection Branch, Dept of Fish & Game, Sacramento, California.

Thanks to Mrs. Owings excellent work and all the telegrams sent by our members, Mr Fullerton told us THE BOUNTY IS NOW REMOVED FROM THE PUMA in California. The bill was signed on May 26th.

Organization can do a great deal, so lets flood Mr. Fullerton with mail and maybe we can effect State sanction for all our pets!

-- Alyce Crafts

Cal-Val Correspondent

members shortly. Movies, slides, photographs, cats welcome, guests welcome. Other clubs - you're welcome, too. Write Secretary if interested.

September 10 - Sparrows -- further notice later.

November 11 - tentative date - Annual dinner, movies, speeches, everything! Menu later.

Notify your secretary (me) if you have slides, movies, etc. for the August or November meetings. Thanks!

NOW: 12:00 Noon, July 9. Bring your cats. Dion Vigne will take a group picture. You may also have a picture taken of your cat for a very nominal price.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary,  
P O Box 5427  
San Francisco, California 94101

(ED: Addendum 1 "Liability Agreement" follows. It is thought that other groups may wish to pattern similar "Agreements" after it. Addendum 2, being so noteworthy, has been adapted as a Guest Editorial -- See Page 2.)

AGREEMENT:

JUNGLE CATS OF CALIFORNIA MEETING -  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to hold this club known as Jungle Cats of California, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, guests and any employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be caused or alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of any cat or any other animal while in or upon the premises or grounds used for the Jungle Cats of California Club Meeting or near any entrance or exit thereto; and in the event I (we) bring a cat or any other animal, I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this cat or any other animal by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to this cat or any other animal, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of this club known as Jungle Cats of California or of any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or by other cause or causes.

Further, in recognition of the propensities of this club, Jungle Cats of California, I (we) enter into a reciprocal agreement whereby I (we) shall indemnify and hold harmless the members of this club, Jungle Cats of California, jointly and severally against any and all expense incurred or alleged to be incurred as a result of the actions of any cat or any other animal at this meeting and the other members shall reciprocate in kind.

In consideration of my (our) admittance to this meeting, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of this club, Jungle Cats of California, which are in effect at the time of this meeting and by any additional rules and regulations which are posted at the entrance to this meeting. (Signed and Witnessed.)

learn, has some experience with animals and has sufficient time to devote to his pet. A person without the necessary time should not even consider getting an Exotic.

Before getting an Exotic, we suggest you attend a Jungle Cats of California meeting. Club members can assist you in obtaining a good pet. Then, you will be assigned a "Buddy" who will help you with your new charge.

Selection of one type of Exotic ahead of another can mean the difference between Success and failure. It is wise to contact the owners of various types of Exotics before making your choice.

Certain preparations must be made before bringing an Exotic home. They vary somewhat depending upon the type of Jungle Cat which you select. Club members can also give advice with regard to accommodations required. Bringing an Exotic home and lodging it in the bathroom is a poor beginning.

It can be stated that there are some people who are patently unsuitable as Exotic owners. They are: children, people who are afraid of animals, people with allergies, transients, people who lack time to devote to a pet, high-strung or nervous people and those with an ego problem.

The real future of Jungle Cats or Exotics lies in their finally being accepted as pets. Their days in the "Jungle" are numbered. Some of the Exotics such as lions breed fairly well in captivity and others such as ocelots, do not. Fortunately our club members have been quite successful in breeding Exotics. If the world of what is sometimes known as civilization can open its heart to the furry warmth of the lovable Exotics, then we will not lose them when we subdivide their land.

For further information contact JUNGLE CATS OF CALIFORNIA. Phone: 921-9025 or 567-6476.

President: Dion Vigne  
Vice-President: Rollin Anderson  
Secretary-Treasurer: Shirley Nelson



"Oh Frank, You Fool !!"

# Book Review



**OCELOT** by B. F. Beebe, 1966, David McKay Co., N. Y. \$3.95 (160 pages) This is a fine story about ocelots in the Mexico interior. It is definitely something that interested people should be acquainted with.

-- William Dehn  
Old Westbury, L. I., N. Y

**PROGRESS IN FELINE PRACTICE** (Including Caged Birds & Exotic Animals), Modern Veterinary Series, American Veterinary Publications, 114 North West Street, Wheaton, Illinois. The book contains recent articles and reviews from hundreds of authors organized into chapters.

The first chapter is "Care, Management and Behavior of Cats" and includes a section on the calcium-phosphorus ratio in cats, the imbalance of which results in rickets or fragile, easily broken bones which young exotics more often than not suffer from. A small paragraph deals with cannibalism. Most of the sections contain references at the end of each paragraph so the reader can check for additional information if he should desire.

The second chapter deals with examination and treatment procedures, and though most of this would be of use mainly to vets, it does include information on the restraint of cats and such things as the Lawrence Cat Box, squeeze cage and other methods not requiring special equipment.

The next chapter deals with nutritional requirements and deficiencies, is especially valuable since many of the cats in LIOC are getting ill and even dying from improper diet. The importance of a proper calcium to phosphorous ratio is shown and the need for iodine in the diet. We have been checking our cats (the Tracy cats) for sufficient calcium in their diet. They are on an all meat diet -- mainly horsemeat. Any excess calcium will appear in the urine. With a simple chemical test this can be detected and if the young cat is not getting sufficient calcium, it can be added to his diet. Of course, one must also consider the Vitamin D required for absorption of the calcium. Cats suffering from a calcium deficiency will have turned out paws, large joints, in severe cases will drop down and be unable to walk, will stagger and fall easily and get broken bones.

Chapter 4 deals with viral and bacterial diseases and includes a section on panleucopenia which includes material by Dr. Ott of the Department of Clinical Medicine of Washington State University School of Veterinary Medicine on "Protection Against Panleucopenia Following Mink Virus Enteritis Vaccination." Mink Enteritis

is free from the risks of the vaccines most used in the past. It has only one side effect -- that of a deposit of Aluminum hydroxide under the skin which disappears in a few weeks, if it appears at all.

Chapters 5 through 12 deal with other diseases and malfunctions of different parts of the body and also with poisoning. Chapter 13 deals with anesthesiology and 14 with surgery. For those members who have pets other than cats, the book includes chapters on birds, rabbits, guinea pigs, monkeys, minks, foxes and various zoo animals.

Chapter 19 is "Care and Restraint of Zoo Animals and Exotic Pets." It includes brief articles, "Care of the Ocelot and Margay" by James Gaines, D. V. M., Athens, Georgia and "Problems with Ocelots and Margays" by E. Frick, D. V. M. Both articles recommend ether as the anesthetic of choice and warn against the use of any phenols around the animals. Please read the labels on disinfectants! For those not familiar with chemical names, most of the derivatives of phenols will be many syllables ending with "ol". All of these are not harmful phenols, but unless you know they're an alcohol, better not to take the risk.

Michael P. Balbo, D. D. S, has an article on Canine Teeth which is a condensation of the article which appeared in the LIOC Newsletter last year. Good articles cover the use and effects of various drugs such as promazine hydrochloride, Chlordiazepoxide, meperidine hydrochloride, succinyl chloride, pentobarbital for anesthesia or tranquilizing. The book also contains information on piperazine treatment of ascarids, on salmonella diarrhea, on carcinoma -- just about anything and everyting.

The articles are concise and easy to read, but the index leaves a bit to be desired, though this may serve to get people to read more of the book than they set out to read.

-- Mary Ellen Tracy  
Portland, Oregon

**ESPECIALLY OCELOTS** by Catherine Cisin, 1967, Published by and available from Harry G. Cisin, Amagansett, N. Y. 11930. Price \$3.95 plus 15¢ postage. 168 pages, Illustrated by Dr. Michael P. Balbo with Medical Section by William Engler.

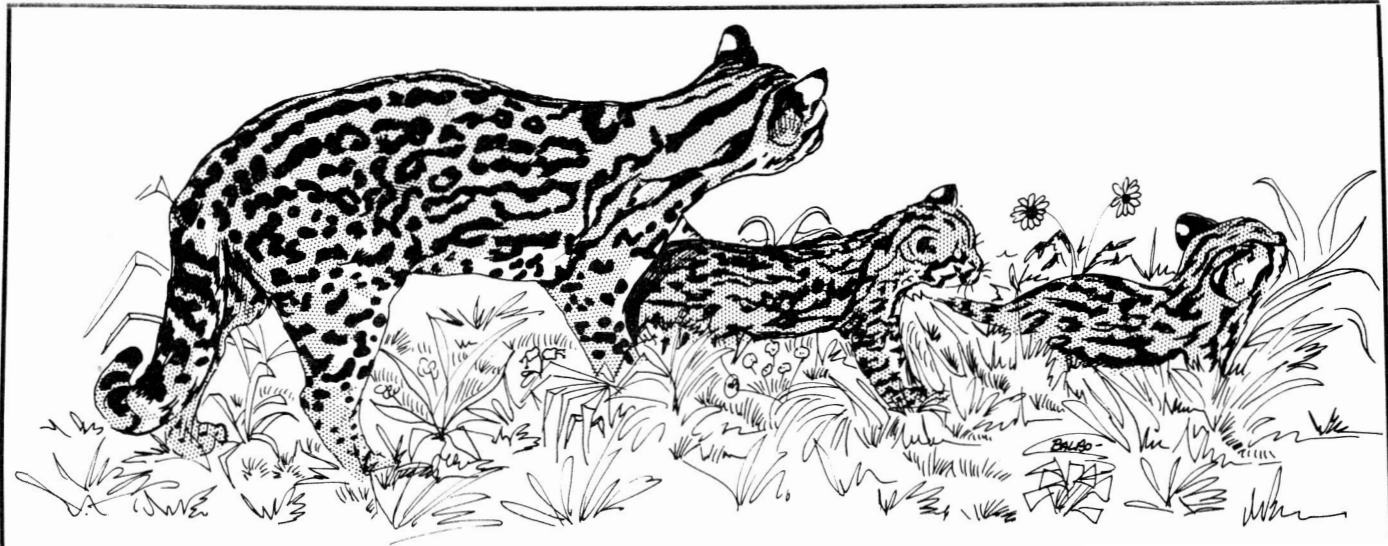
This is not a "review" but a collection of some of the comments from readers:

Marian Allen: "ESPECIALLY OCELOTS -- what can I say? One thing, I do wish it had been out before we got Khufu. All of his painful little antics had to be worked out the hard way. It is, indeed, a 'bible' for the prospective buyer and should be on the shelves of each pet shop. This book is a 'must.'"

David Salisbury: "Have just finished reading and consuming ESPECIALLY OCELOTS. This book contains more compact information crowded into one volume than any other I have ever read. No cat owner should be without it."

Robert Peraner: ESPECIALLY OCELOTS came out beautifully. We love the contents, cover and all the illustrations. It is the complete book."

Suggestion: Your veterinarian will appreciate having ESPECIALLY OCELOTS, too. Why not order an extra copy for him? If you want it mailed directly, be sure to give complete address.



## AMONG THE NEWCOMERS

OCELOTS NAMU from Brazil came to live with Mrs. Loretta Bell of 2238 Fraly St., Philadelphia, Pa. when he was three weeks old.

Now at four months, he weighs four pounds. POUNCER from Colombia weighs 7 pounds at 6 months. Mr. Ray Butts, his owner, 3721 Audubon Road, Montgomery Ala. 36111 confides: "Wild animal pets of all sorts have provided an interesting hobby for our family for a number of years and we have raised a number of exotic cats... including margays and jaguarundis. At the present time, in addition to Pouncer, we have a ccati-mundi, a kinkajou, a parrot and other pets in our backyard zoo."

TAO, Colombian cat shares his home and the affections of his owner, Diane Demunter, 2811 N. E. 53rd Ct., Pompano Beach, Fla., with MIKE a 25 lb. six month old puma. Tao is 25 pounds at one year. KING TUT, a young ocelot kit on whom we have no details, lives with Sandra and Bob Hartkope, 12247 Ridge Rd., Largo, Florida 33540. MARCH, seven pound, 6 month old male is owned by John Michael Houser, 1471 Michigan Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, 43201, who would like contact with other Ohio owners. KADU, 28 pound, year old Colombian male, is pet of Val Janatka, Rams Head Hill, Woodbury, Conn. 06798. OCIE, two month old female kit has kept Paul Moran, P.O. Box 898, Rockland Maine 04841, busy learning her ways and wants. "O" belongs to Richard Plaut, 1221 E. Sunset Road, Las Vegas, Nevada, who writes the name of his cat in the shape of a heart. TASHJA, 7 week old Colombian lives with Deno and Beverly Poolos, 2321 Carlmont Dr, #102, Belmont, California. OCELA, TOM and one unnamed male were trapped in Texas on the King Ranch by John Roberts, Route 3, Box 212F, San Benito, Texas. Ocela was pregnant when trapped, had her kit which died twelve days later. John wants two tame females for breeding purposes which will not be house pets so disposition is unimportant. Please contact him directly. GAESHA is 35 pounds at 14 months. She was "born free" in Colombia and now lives with Clayton A. Rudd, (Tio Pacho), 4737 N. Ocean Drive, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., 33308. Clayton also has a seven month old male named MIKE which he wants to sell since he does not agree with Gaesha. Mike is very playful and exceptionally handsome. Contact Clayton directly.

AFRICAN LION RICHARD now a year old was born in Kenya, Africa. He is the 140 pound pet of Leon and Susan Strumpf, Box 441 Briarcliff Road, Shoreham, N. Y., 11786

MARGAYS JUAN who weighs four or five pounds was born in July, 1966 in Mexico. He is the pet of Hubert Maquet, 12 Vieille Voie de Tongres, Voroux-Liers, Belgium. VICTOR CONSERVATIVE -- quite a large name for the 6 lb. cat from Colombia belonging to John Fabian, 144 E 84 St., New York, N. Y. 10028. V.C. is almost a year old. TANYA five pound, six month old Central American is owned by Mrs. Theresa Duncan, 161 Lakeshore Road, Lake Ronkonkoma, N. Y. 11779

PUMA MIKE at six months weighs 25 pounds. He is a Colombian, now sharing his home with Tao, the ocelot in Pompano Beach, Florida. (Diane Detmunter, 2811 N. E. 53 Ct.)

IF YOUR VETERINARIAN HAS NOT HAD EXPERIENCE WITH EXOTIC FELINES, please ask him to consult with a club veterinarian. The life of your cat may be at stake. Exotic cats differ in many phases of diagnosis and treatment from common cats.

If nearer the East Coast, have him phone

914 MO4 2784  
Dr. Theodore Zimmerman  
17 West Grand Street  
Fleetwood, Mount Vernon, N. Y

If nearer the West Coast, have him phone

ATlantic 3 2571  
Dr. Joseph Lorber  
3703 Mount Diablo Blvd.  
Lafayette, California

AND: Have him refer to "CURRENT VETERINARY THERAPY for 1966 and 67" which he is sure to have in his library or on his desk. Dr. Theodore Zimmerman's article: "OCELOTS, MARGAYS AND SMALL EXOTIC CATS" which appears on pages 553, 554 and 555 is an invaluable source of technical information on Vaccination Procedures, Pediatrics, Care and Feeding, Common Surgical Procedures and Common Medical Problems.

PLEASE ??  
PLEASE !!

## New Members

- 813-367 Mrs. Loretta Bell, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 810-367 Dee Bleeck, Woodland Hills, Calif.  
 839-567 Mr. & Mrs. Ray Butts, Montgomery, Ala.  
 826-567 Wm. Daily, Culver City, Calif.  
 831-567 Diane Demunter, Pompano Beach, Fla.  
 809-367 Mr & Mrs. Jos. DiCola, Bronx, N. Y.  
 823-567 H. M. Dryer, Virginia Beach, Virginia  
 835-567 Dr. Daniel Duberman, Southampton, N. Y.  
 820-567 Mrs. Theresa Duncan, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY  
 833-567 Robert Emerson, Hyannis, Mass.  
 817-567 John Fabian, New York, N. Y.  
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