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LIOC'S Secretary/Treasurer, Shelley Starns and Cassandra, an African leopard shown here at 8 months of age.



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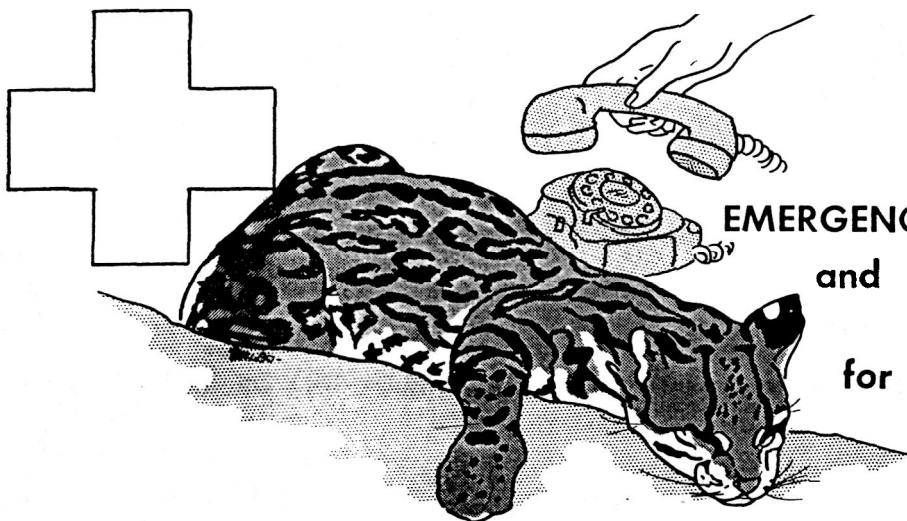
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the Editor. Thanks!



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES and FIRST AID for EXOTIC CATS

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT AND FIRST AID KIT

The items below belong in any well-stocked general emergency kit but provide only a basic list. A little thought will suggest other items, especially those which would be useful in dealing with your specific cat. The use of each item listed has either been explained in the notes or is obvious in context.

The emergency equipment includes: veterinarian list, lost cat list, chain leash, travelling collar (chain or solid leather), "at home collar" (break-away type or with elastic insert), a heavy coat, heavy gloves, a squeeze cage and a heating pad.

The first aid kit includes, 2cc plastic syringes with needles removed, plastic eye droppers of various sizes (never glass), a turkey baster, rectal thermometer, a recipe for a concentrated food supplement (or a commercially prepared one), vaseline, sodium bicarbonate, activated charcoal, aromatic spirits of ammonia, glycerin suppositories, a mild disinfectant (3% solution of hydrogen peroxide), olive oil, 10 milligram sparine or trifluoromazine tablets, a safe flea powder, a cat flea and skin shampoo, a roll of gauze, gauze pads in various sizes, scissors, adhesive and masking tape, cotton swabs, a roll of cotton and lint-free, clean rags (old sheeting is good).

HANDLING LARGE CATS

The major points discussed previously apply well when dealing with large or small cats. However, some special considerations are significant when considering large cats.

First, the rule of generally taking the cat to a veterinarian may not apply. In the first place your veterinarian will be limited and as a second consideration you may not be able to handle your animal under the strange conditions at the office. Further, the travel time to a doctor who will treat your cat may be quite long. If this is so, you should obtain a basic antibiotic and the equipment necessary to administer it as well as becoming especially aware of the symptoms of respiratory diseases. You will also need a strong collar, at least two heavy chains and a squeeze cage or travelling cage capable of holding your animal.

No infallible technique exists for handling a large cat which is frightened, hurt or otherwise seriously disturbed. However, several general rules apply to the situation.

Time is usually on your side. Given time, the cat will probably calm down a bit, especially if he is only frightened. If you move slowly, speak in a low voice and do not panic, yourself, you have a good chance of getting out of the situation with little damage to yourself, the cat or others. The basic idea under which you operate is do not upset the cat further, Do NOT create an uproar, do not panic or allow others to do so, and DO allow the cat time to get over his fear.

When your large cat becomes uncontrollable, have one person watch the cat from a distance to keep his location pinpointed. Then get everyone else away from the cat and out of sight. Remember, you must control all people involved as well as the cat.

Next, stop and think out what you will do, step by step. Select people who are calm and who have had some experience with large cats to help you. Get all necessary equipment gathered and make certain everyone directly involved knows exactly what to do, and when he is to do it.

Finally, always have a sense of priorities in your plan. For example, if the cat is loose outside, your first consideration should be getting him confined in a cage, car or house. After this has been accomplished, you can work out the next part of your strategy, but the animal must first be confined.

Before charging a specific object, a cat fixes his gaze on that object, tenses his muscles, crouches and wriggles the end of the tail. By disrupting any of these phases you can prevent the cat from mounting his attack. Poles, chairs, blank pistols and other devices used in circuses are intended to prevent the cat from focusing on the trainer. Using a pole or a chair, you can do the same. Touch the cat on the nose or paws with the distracting object. Keep it moving in front of him to keep him from getting set. Do not attempt to actually hurt him or move him with the chair or pole. It is a distraction but not a punitive device. If on hand, a garden hose or spray cans can be used for the same purpose. Hot Shots and electric prods sometimes provoke attack.

If the cat does charge, your head and shoulder are the most likely target. You can prepare for this in several ways. First wrap one of your arms with considerable padding (newspaper, blankets, towels, etc.) If the cat charges, shove this arm into his mouth and push hard. Secondly wrap yourself in a heavy jacket of leather jacket around your neck before approaching the cat. Third, a sheet of plywood or a door carried like a shield

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EXOTIC CATS / GEORGIA

MEETING REPORT March 23, 1978

This meeting, which was in the evening was held at Fred Boyajian's restaurant (still in the process of being built) and Nicky the bobcat resided over it. The meeting was brought to order with a discussion of the August convention which we are hosting. Duties were allocated between members and the planning began.

A new member, Dr. Terry Rettig had some excellent ideas for obtaining sponsors and had also mentioned that it is possible to have the Mayor of Atlanta dedicate one of the convention days as "Exotic Cat Day". This will be looked into further. Dr. Terry Rettig is new to the Atlanta area and just opened an animal clinic in Dunwoody Georgia.

Our house was blessed with the arrival of a healthy female margay kit on March 2nd. Also, the Atlanta Zoological Society is putting on a dinner and play on April 17th where the proceeds will go toward building a much needed clinic at the zoo - members were encouraged to participate.

Submitted by
Bobby Staley

MEETING REPORT May 18, 1978

The Meeting was called to order at 8 PM.

The first order of business was that of cutting the cost of Zu-Preem. Cat Klass might know of an outlet that would be less expensive. She's looking into it.

Also Coca Cola helped out Kindoms Three with a loan so as to insure proper care of the animals.

The most important thing on the agenda was for ideas for guest speakers for the Convention. It was decided that EC/G will have their meetings every three weeks until convention. The next meeting will be June 8th. At that meeting we will have the speakers and then we will concentrate on filling the booths.

Those attending were: Dr. Spencer Newman, Dr. Terry Rettig, Kenny Jones, Marc Valentine and Friend Fred Boyajian, Pam Anthony and Pam Reynolds. Cat Klass, our president could not be present - she just had a baby boy - James Alan!

Two and a half year old margay, Pepper was also present causing havoc and T-Shirt our resident domestic left because Pepper was being so much of a kitten.

Submitted by
Bobby Staley

AGENDA BEING SET

LIOC's Annual Business Meeting will be held at the Convention in Atlanta, Ga. as usual.

If you have any business affecting the Club that you think should be discussed at that meeting, please drop Ken Hatfield a note so that it may be placed on the agenda. His address is:

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HOT WEATHER WARNING

Although it may sound repetitive, it is again summertime and a word of caution is in order when taking your animal in your car with you. The family auto can quickly heat up to a warm 180 degrees. If at all possible, leave kitty at home where he/she will be comfortable. If you must leave your pet in your car, no matter for how short a time, leave windows cracked and if possible provide water for drinking.

Animals are limited in their ability to cool their bodies by the lack of perspiration. If your animal should experience heat stroke, cool him down at once, if it can be managed, douse him in cool water, apply ice to pressure points, put wet towels on him - do ANYTHING to cool him down quickly. The time span from the onset of heat prostration to death can be as short a time as 5 minutes.

Better yet, leave them home and not in a car. Why take the chance?

California Amends Proposed Rules

Proposed California Assembly Bill 2840 has been amended to make provisions for keeping cats held under permit on January 1, 1979. Although a small concession, other amendments give the fish & game department the authority to regulate progeny of those legally held cats, set caging requirements and require an annual inspection with a fee of \$100. The new bill is as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3005.9 is added to the Fish and Game Code to read:

3005.9 (a) It is unlawful to possess or confine any live cat (familia felidae), except house cats (Felis domesticus). Any cat possessed or confined in violation of this section shall be seized by the department.

The commission may promulgate regulations permitting the temporary confinement of cats, other than housecats, for the purpose of treating them, if injured or diseased, or for utilization in the production of motion pictures.

The following institutions, as defined are exempt from the provisions of this section:

(i) Zoos or similar organizations which exhibit animals to the general public at regular specified hours, equaling at least 30 hours a week for 36 weeks a year, and whose animals, whether or not maintained for exhibit purposes, are not for sale to private individuals.

(ii) Any university, college, governmental research agency, or other bona fide scientific institution, as determined by the department, engaging in scientific or public health research.

(iii) Veterinary clinics and similar institutions, as determined by the department.

(b) Subdivision (a) of this section shall not prohibit the possession or confinement of any cat by a person who had lawful possession of such cat on January 1, 1979, pursuant to a permit issued by the department under Section 2150. The commission may promulgate regulations regarding the possession or confinement of the progeny of such cats, as necessary for the protection of the species.

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CALIFORNIA RULES - cont.

This section does not apply to the lawful taking of mammals found to be injuring crops or property, to the taking of mammals under degradation of its.

SECTION 2. Section 3005.91 is added to the Fish and Game Code to read:

3005.91. The department pursuant to regulations of the commission shall annually inspect the wild cat facilities of each person holding a permit issued pursuant to regulations of the commission authorizing the possession of a wild cat. Such inspection shall be to ensure that the animal is being held in conformity with the law. The Department shall charge a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each inspection.

SECTION 3. Section 3005.92 is added to the Fish & Game Code to Read:

3005.92 The commission shall promulgate minimum size standards for cages and enclosures which house wild cats held pursuant to a department permit. The minimum requirements which may be established are as follows:

- (a) Cage length shall be five (5) times the length of the cat enclosed therein as measured from its nose to the tip of its tail.
- (b) Cage width shall be four (4) times the length of the animal as measured from its nose to the tip of its tail.
- (c) Cage height shall be two times the length of the animal as measured from its nose to the tip of its tail.

The department inspector may require that the permit holder provide a cage or enclosure which exceeds the minimum standard established by regulations of the commission.

SECTION 4. Section 3005.93 is added to the Fish & Game Code to read:

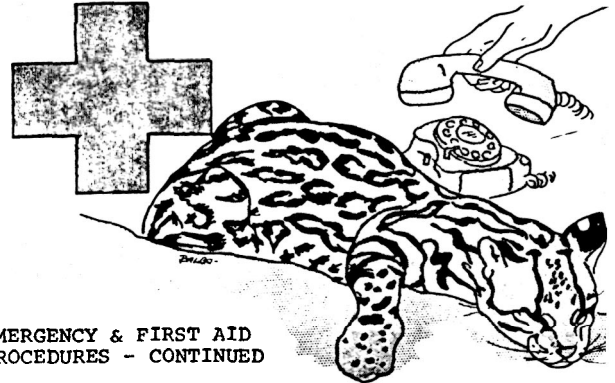
3005.93 The department shall make available upon request how to obtain permits for the possession of a wild cat, and information on regulations and standards applicable to permit holders.

SECTION 5. Section 3005.94 is added to the Fish & Game Code to read:

3005.94 The Director may appoint a committee to advise him on the care of wild cats.

The amendments to on to set forth fines for violations not to exceed a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for one year, or both.

Although, this is a small improvement over the total ban of wildcats, it is still strong enough to cause a great deal of trouble in California and gives the department enough leeway (by letting inspectors demand larger facilities than the minimum) to cause problems, not to mention the clause that allows the department to decide what can be done (or can't be done) with offspring of the legal cats.



EMERGENCY & FIRST AID
PROCEDURES - CONTINUED

in front of you can provide a handy refuge to fall under. If you are downed by the cat, go limp. Do not run or jerk under the attack as predatory cats instinctively attack anything moving or running, but often release limp prey.

Two other general points are significant. First, avoid hurting the cat as it will only increase his anger and frustration. Second, once the cat begins moving in a desired direction, keep him moving unless he shows signs of actual cornering. Conversely, if the cat is moving in a direction that is undesirable, stop him as quickly as possible. Do not allow him to fix his attention on an undesirable goal.

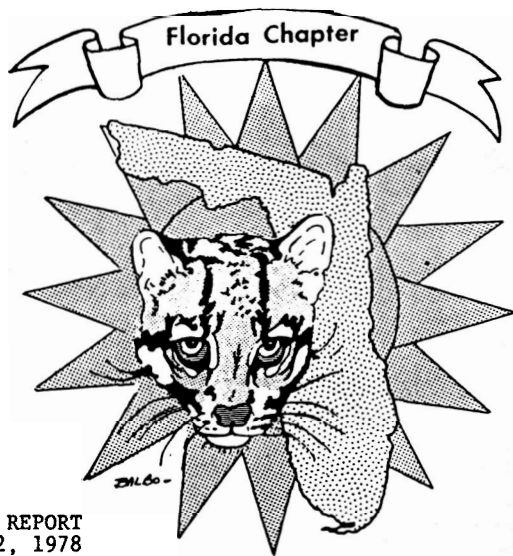
With these ideas in mind, your objective is to get a large cat confined in a place which he regards as safe and subsequently to allow him to calm down. The place of refuge may be an automobile, a room in a house or any dark, quiet area. However, it can also be a fence corner or a patch of tall grass. In holding the cat in the open, use a number of people equipped with chairs, poles, etc. quietly standing in a ring outside the critical distance of the cat (the distance outside his "protective circle") To determine a cat's critical distance, have one person advance slowly on the cat. The critical distance will be marked by an increase in bluff behavior and initiation of false charges. As long as no threat is perceived by the cat within that distance, he will remain relatively calm.

After establishing a place of refuge for the cat, allow him to calm down before taking further action. Food and water can be offered and may be helpful, especially if safe, known tranquilizers are used. In general, one should not attempt to put a collar or chains on a cat in a frenzy or on a badly injured animal until he has had time to get over his fear, shock & confusion.

To separate large, fighting cats, pick the animal that is winning. He must be distracted. Use a garden hose, pole or other device to accomplish this purpose. Any aerosol spray is good as is weak ammonia solution thrown in his face. Do not get between two animals or try to grab them. Once you have interrupted the fight, keep the cats moving and separated. Be sure to check for injuries and to watch for symptoms of internal bleeding after any fight.

If possible, go with one or two others to catch a cat. If he is located, walk up to him, talking to him as you ordinarily do, slip "pick-up" rope around his neck, then a chain that will not tighten. Clip second chain onto first near neck for cross chain if necessary and lead cat to car or other refuge. Too many people with ensuing excitement are bad. If in a populated area, get TV and radio to broadcast for people, especially children to stay inside.

SHOULD YOUR BRANCH REPORT
BE IN THIS SPACE?????



MEETING REPORT
March 12, 1978

The March Meeting of the Florida Chapter was held at the home of Dianne & Keith Firestone in Fort Lauderdale on a beautiful day, the kind the Chamber of Commerce loves. We had 53 members and guests with 10 felines of eight different species. Those members attending were: Jim & DeeDee Barnes with tiger Volcan (or Rastus or Tigger), Chuck & Susie Kindt, Mary Aiken, Galen Fox with leopard Sultan; Rob & Sandy Rolando with cougar, Chewey; Jan & Charlie Remsen; Dennis & Gail Kelly; Danny Treanor with margay Sundae; Chuck & Gloria Heinisch; Dan & Jackie Harvell, Barbara Bond with bobcat, Bambi; Ken & Jean Hatfield with cheetah, Ceasar, two jaguar cubs and an ocelot baby; and our hosts Dianne and Keith Firestone, whose cougar does not live at home, and various guests and possible members.

We ourselves arrived rather early as we had been to a speaking engagement at 10 (in the AM!) with Club member David Baskin and veterinarian Dr. Parrott. When we got there the baby jags were hungry and fussy and the ocelot kid was impossible. She was fed up with being confined to my lap...more scratches. Between the three of them I looked like an abused wife! Anyway, when we finally got there Dan & Jackie Harvell and the kids were there, but minus any feline family. Then folks started to arrive all at once, and we all got to the serious business of the day - catching up on the events of the last two months. Fortunately there hasn't been much going on in the way of legal problems in Florida, for the Club members with permits anyway, so it was mostly of the "What have your cats been up to?" variety of talk.

Galen Fox and his wife brought their 11 month old leopard, Sultan. He, the cat, took up residence in, on top of, and around a big dog house in the backyard and spent the rest of the afternoon trying to entice anyone closer than they were aware he could reach. I swear he was laughing at us scrambling out of his reach when we would forget how long his chain was. Ceasar, the cheetah ambled around for awhile and eventually found a cool spot under the tree and bushes where he stayed for the rest of the day, purring at everyone that went over to him. Our new Florida chapter member, Danny Treanor arrived with one of his margays named Sundae, who is his domestic-born baby. Danny and his 3 margays have moved from Mobile to Orlando and we all wish him well in his new job on TV channel 9. Sundae wasn't too keen on all the people coming up to her, but tolerated us so long as Danny was with her. Marie Kroessen and her friends arrived with her margay, Super Star, also known as Soupy. She is such a good cat. She let us all pet her and even pick her up! Marie is really anxious to find a male for Soupy that she'll accept - so far she hasn't found one that appeals to her.

Jim & DeeDee Barnes finally arrived with the tiger; I say finally because they had to stop on the way to buy Jim a new pair of shoes. You-know-who had found his other pair that morning. Tiger is looking great now. He

was born with a defective right rear leg. In layman's terms, his "thigh" bone had no groove to hold his "knee cap" in place, so it was off to one side and his leg collapsed with every step. Then, his mother crunched his left rear leg, breaking off three pieces of his leg bone near the "ankle", and the "heel" bone is gone all together. As of the meeting day, Dr. Lamborn had repaired the right leg so that it was working beautifully and believe me when that cat wants to run, that left leg doesn't slow him up one iota! especially when he spotted the ducks outside the Barnes' back door the other day. Fortunately the duck had wings and I think Jim must have sprouted wings in order to catch him.

Rob & Sandy Rolando came bringing their youngest cougar, aptly named Chewey. He doesn't seem as rowdy as big brother Christopher used to be at that age, but of course he was away from home and like all of the kids was on his best behavior in strange surroundings. (sandy called the other day and told us their other cougar, Shasta is coming in season - boy, does time fly) The last feline to arrive was bobcat named Bambi, accompanied by Barbara Bond and her friends. The cat actually belongs to animal trainer Bill Vergis, but Bambi let her put on a borrowed collar and leash so that he could get out of the carrier, and only seemed to get upset if another animal got too close. We were also pleased to see some other members that we haven't seen in quite a while, even if they don't have, or didn't bring a fancy feline. Jan & Charlie Remsen drove up from the Keys, and Gail & Dennis Kelly came over from Fort Meyers, as well as Danny Treanor from Orlando, so we do have members coming quite a distance again. Even Mary Aiken and her daughter (also Mary) came and stayed a short while. I was going to ask them why Samuel B. wasn't with them but never got around to it. Could the fact that he is about 180 pounds of cougar have anything to do with it?

Chuck & Susie Kindt had considered bringing Copy the jaguarundi with them, but decided against it. We haven't seen Copy for quite a while, but we understand how it is with the older set; they don't want to budge from home! Even Paco Gryner got to stay home that day, and he's only about 2 years old. We had some visitors that day too, a young fellow and some friends. He was considering buying an ocelot, but I think that by the time we all talked to him he changed his mind.

Along about 1:30 or so, our hosts called us to lunch; a Bar-B-Q with all the trimmings and enough for an army. It was delicious and we all appreciate the work involved, especially under the circumstances; their male cougar had died very suddenly the day before. Keith told me he thought it was a reaction to a drug given by a non-exotic type vet, however he didn't have any exact information that day. We had no business that day for various reasons, including the fact there just was no particular pressing issue to discuss. We spent the rest of the day as we had begun - visiting and exchanging ideas, information and sympathies. Our next meeting will be at Dan & Jackie Harvell's lovely home, and hopefully one of our regular "report writing" secretaries will be able to get there, if any of you northerners get down our way, "y'all come" as they say down South.

Submitted by
 Jean Hatfield.

➡ VET LIST BEING UPDATED ⬅

With thoughts of taking a vacation in mind, we are reminded of the need to know where there's a veterinarian available to treat exotics when in a strange part of the country.

Shelley Starnes, is tackling the job of updating our Vet List. Please send her the name and address of any vet you know of who is willing to treat exotic cats. When this is compiled a copy will be sent to those interested.

Send To: Shelley Starnes
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 Tacoma, WA 98499

Virginia W. Story

1927 - 1978

It seems such a short time ago, as indeed it was, that Ginny Story was told she had but a few months to live. Only a day before her brief hospital stay where she was to learn this shocking fact, she had been comforting me over the loss of a margay kitten. It was typical of Ginny to offer support to another with never a word of her own problems.

At Convention last year I had commented on her weight loss. She didn't mention that the pain she suffered prevented her from eating. In truth, I never heard a complaining word from her, even toward the end. All too often, her kindness and generosity prompted other to take advantage of her. At those times, she would be surprised, but never angry nor recriminating.

Ginny surrounded herself with life; young people filled her home and her beloved cats filled her heart. She never could say "No" to a living thing that needed help. Those of you who followed "The Ballad of Ari" in past issues, know what torment she went through when her cats were in danger and Ari, the magnificent cougar was confiscated and abused. In her quiet, ladylike fashion, she fought like a tiger for the right to have Ari back, the right to protect and care for her cats. Victory didn't come easily but after being forced to relocate, uproot her family and alter her life, she won. Her comment when the chaos was over was that everything was better than ever - "The cats are so happy."

Mercifully her suffering is over and she died thinking her cats were all going where they would be loved as much as she loved them. Of course not everyone has the capacity for loving that Ginny had.

I join her family, her many friends and her adoring animals in mourning the loss of a unique and bountiful lady - Virginia Story will be sorely missed.

Virginia English

Due to lack of interest
(material), pages 9-16
have been omitted.

What are YOU

going to do about it??!



Readers Write

Dear Cougar Owners,

I am in the process of obtaining my first exotic, a cougar. Before the cat arrives I would like to correspond with other cougar owners and/or people who have raised cougars. I have a 15 month old daughter and am especially interested in learning the prospects of raising a youngster and cougar together and the experiences others have had. If you have had any experience with cougars, please drop me a line or two. If you live in Pennsylvania, New York or New Jersey and would allow me to visit with you and your cat PLEASE let me know! I am sincerely interested to learn all I possibly can before the arrival of our kitten, THANKS!



Don Mulzet
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Hi Everybody,

My name is Baby and I'm a little, 12 pound female margay. I love attention and want to be with Lisa, the one I love. I am very devoted to my owner.

I have a habit of lying next to Lisa and sucking my paw while purring a loud tune. When I tire of that, I crawl under her bed or else in her closet and cause a lot of commotion!



I live with 2 standard poodles who go wild when you say "Kitty cat" and who behave themselves when I'm around. I love to play with them, but I can be a little rough although I don't mean to be.

Like all margays, I love to mouth the people I like and bite the rest. Then I'm put into my own room (seems like I'm always there!). Lisa is trained to understand what I want when I sit by the refrigerator usually that means

cooked chicken hearts and livers and my favorite, raw drumsticks.

Lisa and I spend a lot of time together talking back and forth and at times she even sounds a lot like me.

Daddy often tries to count my spots but I just sit there and ignore him or give him one of my famous weird looks (that is weird don't you think?).

Best regards,
Baby Marchando

"BABY"

ATLANTA GET READY!

CONVENTION 78

SPEAKERS

At this time the exact scheduling of these speakers is unknown. However, in whatever order they appear, we feel you will enjoy and profit from their presentations.

DR. TERRY REDICK, DVM, will speak on vaccinations and routine health care

DR. WILLIAMS, will speak on reproduction.

DR. STEPHEN SEAGER, no stranger to LIOC, having worked with many of our members across the country, will bring us up to date on his progress with artificial insemination.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, will be sending a representative from Washington, D.C. to explain the current laws and how they affect LIOC.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18th

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM - Hospitality Room -Registration
Time to register, acquaint yourself with the agenda and look up old friends.

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Opening, Legal Report from Ken Hatfield.

2:00 - 3:00 PM - General Membership Meeting
This is your chance to participate in the workings of LIOC, by bringing up whatever business you think needs attention or suggesting ways to improve your club.

3:00 - 4:00 PM - Speaker*

4:00 - 5:00 PM - Speaker*

5:00 - 6:00 PM - Open Discussion - Question and Answer session on previous speakers.

* At this time the speaker's scheduling is unknown. A list of speakers follows, but when they will be scheduled is undetermined at this time.

EVENING: Free to visit, sightsee and catch up on what's been happening to everyone the past year.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19th

8:30 AM - Hospitality Room Opens

10:00 - 11:00 Executive Meeting - Directors and Branch Reps only. The others may sleep late, visit or do some sightseeing in Atlanta.

1:00 PM - Speaker

2:00 PM - Speaker

3:00 - 3:30 Break

3:30 - 4:30 Speaker

4:30 - 5:00 - Open Discussion - Question and answer Session on the afternoon's speakers.

6:30 - 7:30 Happy hour (Cash Bar)

7:30 - UNTIL - Banquet, Presentation of 1978 Lottie Auction and Raffle.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20th

8:30 AM - Hospitality Room opens

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Brunch - Directors report back to the membership

11:30 AM - Speaker

12:30 PM - Closing

We hope you'll stay to visit Sunday Afternoon and perhaps join us for tours of Kingdoms Three (a drive thru game park), Six Flags over Georgia or other Atlanta points of interest.

In order to help with our planning we ask that you send in your Registration forms as soon as possible. If your plans are tentative, please drop us a note and let us know that you may be coming.

Our cats are welcome, but since Georgia is a permit state, we need to know as soon as possible, who and what you're bringing with copies of your local, state permits if applicable. Needless to say, all cats must be current on their vaccinations.

We're compiling a "Get Acquainted Board" and ask all members, whether or not they can attend convention, to send a photo of them and/or their cat(s) with a short paragraph about themselves. If needed, the photos can be returned, please put your name and address on the back of the picture if you wish it returned.



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