



Maine CoonVention 2018!

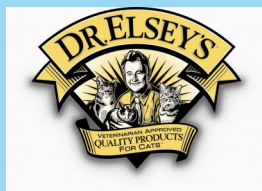
JUNE 15-17, 2018

**PARK INN BY RADISSON
RESORT & CONF CENTER
3011 MAINGATE LANE
KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA 34747**

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

EARLY BIRD ENTRIES	APRIL 1, 2018
HOTEL RESERVATION	MAY 15, 2018
ENTRY DEADLINE	JUNE 11, 2018

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Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers invites you to Maine CoonVention 2018 and its ALLBREED CAT SHOW June 15-17, 2018 at the Park Inn by Radisson Resort & Conference, in Orlando (Kissimmee), Florida.

Getting to Orlando is a snap! Orlando International Airport is only 32 miles from the Park Inn by Radisson in Kissimmee, and offers daily flights from 39 passenger airlines. Once you get to the Park Inn property, you can take free shuttles to the various theme parks close by.



It's true: Orlando is a magical place. And it's not just because it's home to Cinderella's castle at Walt Disney World. There's an incredible mix of fun things to do in this great city that make it an ideal vacationing spot for not only families but young singles, baby

boomers, foodies, outdoor adventurous types, luxury shoppers and international visitors.

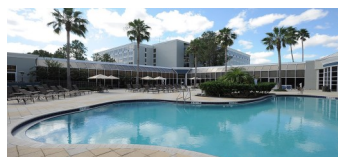


While the city was built on theme park fame, the number and variety of **Orlando attractions** have grown to include everything from world-famous restaurants to high-end outlet shopping centers to theatrical performances and amazing concert and sporting event venues.

So, what are you waiting for. Book your airline tickets now. Book your room at the Park Inn. What's stopping you from having the greatest time of your life?



All-in-One Facility — Park Inn by Radisson Resort & Conference Center Orlando



Come and enjoy an unforgettable experience at the Park Inn by Radisson Resort & Conference Center Orlando, a full-service resort-style hotel. It is just minutes from Walt Disney World® Theme Parks, including Epcot®, Disney's Animal Kingdom® and Disney Springs™.



We're also close to Sea-World®, ESPN Wide World of

Sports Complex and Old Town.

In addition to great amenities like Free Wireless High-speed Internet and a concierge, guests enjoy comfortable, stylish rooms and



suites, some of which overlook Disney's Animal Kingdom® park and nightly fireworks.

We've negotiated great room rates for Maine CoonVention 2018 of: \$77 for up to 4 people per room and includes free parking, complimentary internet access in guest rooms and the show hall, and NO PET FEE!

IMPORTANT CONTACTS:

Please — no calls after 9:00pm eastern time!

Show Manager: Steve Lawson,
941-751-9495
sandyclawscf@gmail.com

Entry Clerk: Liz Hansen, 636-734-9233, drlizentryclerk@gmail.com

Vendors: Carol Lawson, 941-751-9495, sandyclawscf@gmail.com

Maine CoonVention Contact:

Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz, 206-920-9214
elaine.weitz@comcast.net

Airport (MCO) Transportation

The Park Inn does NOT have transportation to/from the Orlando International Airport (MCO), but does provide shuttle to/from the nearby Walt Disney World parks.

If you are flying into Orlando International (MCO), shared transportation can be obtained from:

Super Shuttle	407-513-0230
Mears Shuttle	407-422-4561
Go Airport Shuttle	844-787-1670

Limos, taxes and car rentals are also available at MCO.

Note: The TICA hotel inspection policy will be utilized and enforced for this event. If there is damage, a \$150.00 fee will be assessed.

HOTEL RESERVATION

DEADLINE: May 15, 2018!

Call 1-407-396-1400 and book under our group name **SANDY**, or, book on-line at:

<http://bit.ly/2fX0ipA>

IMPORTANT: If you book online make sure you select your check in and check out dates on the left side of the page and click Search Again prior to clicking the Book Now button. If you don't do this before clicking Book Now, you will make a reservation for the entire time (June 121 through June 21). **Note:** The resort fee of \$16.95/night/room is waived for the **"Sandy"** group.

**Advertised
Show Hours:
9am-5pm
Saturday and Sunday**

No cats may be removed from the show hall before the end of advertised show hours without show manager's permission.

No cats may be left in the show hall overnight.

Show Photographer!

— We are very excited to announce that Connie Collum Photography has agreed to be our show photographer for Maine CoonVention 2018.

Website: Conniecollum-photography.com

Email: connie@connie-collumphotography.com

Phone: 205-215-9060



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PHOTOGRAPHY



Schedule of Events

Fri, 6/15 SEMINARS / MC CONGRESSES

8:30am-12:30pm Seminars in the Board Room
2:00pm-2:30pm MC Exhibitor Check-in
2:30pm-3:00pm Parade of Maine Coons
3:00pm-7:00pm MAINE COON CONGRESSES
7:00pm-9:00pm BBQ Poolside

Sat, 6/16 CAT SHOW / BANQUET

7:00am-8:30am Exhibitor Check-in
9:00am-5:00pm Allbreed Cat Show
6:00pm-10:00pm Banquet & Maine Coon Awards
In the Oleander Room

Sun, 6/17 CAT SHOW

8:00am-8:30am Exhibitor Check-in
9:00am-5:00pm Allbreed Cat Show

General Show Information

Accessibility: The show hall is a non-smoking, climate-controlled facility. The Park Inn meets ADA requirements for accessibility.

Benching Request: Only one benching request will be allowed. If you list more than one, only the first request will be considered. The entry clerk will make every attempt to bench your cats per your request, however, the club cannot guarantee that all benching requests can be honored due to space limitations and show hall configuration.

Handicapped exhibitors will receive preferential and 'free' benching for end-of-row requests. All other end-of-row requests will be benched on a first-come, first-served space available basis at a cost of \$20.

Benching & Supplies: The first entry includes a double cage space that is 22"x22" x 45". Benching is sold in increments of double cage space only! A grooming space is the same size as a double cage space.

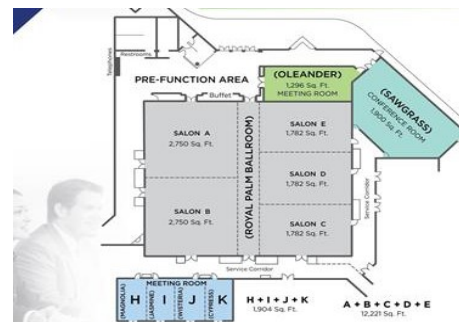
Other Cage Requirements: Top, floor, sides, back and bottom of the cage must be covered. Per TICA rules, only 1 cat or 2 kittens per 1/2 double, and 2 cats or 4 kittens per double cage.

Exhibition/For Sale cages are \$49. These are double cages and are available to exhibitors who have at least one cat entered for competition. Any cats or kittens for sale must be owned by the same paid exhibitor. Kittens must be at least three (3) calendar months of age. Proof of age must be provided upon request. No kittens or cats may be confined to carriers during show hours. Florida requires health certificates accompany any animal sold in the state. Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers takes no responsibility for your failure to familiarize yourself with applicable Florida statutes. Health Certificates must be available for review if requested.

Ring Clerks: If interested in clerking at the show, please contact the entry clerk. Clerks receive \$40/day, are provided lunch, and a marked catalog by email. Clerks may not deduct anticipated clerking payment from entry fees.

Stewards: If interested in stewardships, please contact the entry clerk. Stewards receive \$20/day and lunch.

Registration: With the exception of cats competing in the Preliminary New Breed, Advanced New Breed, and New Traits classes, registration with TICA is not necessary in



The cat show will be held in the spacious 12,221sf Royal Palm Ballroom. It is carpeted and climate controlled with excellent lighting.

A concession service will be available for lunch. There is also a Pizza Hut in the hotel lobby. No outside food can be brought into the show hall.

order to compete in the cat's first show, but is required for confirmation of titles and scoring for TICA Regional and International Awards after the cat's first TICA show.

Kittens: To compete, all kittens must be 4 calendar months old (**born on or before February 15, 2018**). To be allowed in the show hall for exhibition and/or for sale, kittens must be 3 calendar months old (**born on or before March 15, 2018**). Altered kittens are eligible for entry.

Household Pets (HHP's)— HHP's over the age of 7 months of age must be spayed or neutered. If you are unsure of your cat's color, please send a color photo of your cat along with your entry. Printed photos will be returned at check-in.

Preliminary New Breeds and Advanced New Breeds — According to TICA Show Rule 203.19, Preliminary New Breeds (PNB) and Advanced New Breeds (ANB) must have a TICA registration number prior to entering any TICA show. PNB/ANB can't be shown as a "registration pending" status.

Health — This is a non-vetted show. Cats showing signs of ear mites, fleas, fungus, or any other illness will not be permitted in the show hall. Front and back claws must be clipped. All entries should be immunized against feline rhinotracheitis, calicivirus, and feline enteritis, and should test negative for feline leukemia and feline AIDS. Any cat or kitten from a house or cattery where there has been fungus or any infectious or contagious illness within 21 days prior to the opening date of the show is ineligible for entry and/or exhibition. Any cat which is obviously pregnant or lactating will be disqualified. All claws (front and back) must be clipped prior to judging. Declawed cats are eligible for competition, although this practice is not sanctioned. Florida laws requires any animal over the age of 4 months be vaccinated against rabies within the last 12 months. Proof of current rabies vaccination might be requested.

Liability— The show management shall take all reasonable care of cats, carriers and other personal property of exhibitors, but it is expressly stipulated that neither the show management, nor any member of the club, nor the club sponsoring the show can be held liable for the loss of or accident to the cats, carriers, or other personal properties of any exhibitor. Neither Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers, TICA, and the Park Inn by Radisson Resort & Conference Center may be held liable for loss, theft, or damage to animals, personal property, exhibitors or their guests, vendors or spectators in attendance.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Maine Coon Congress—\$250/ring (3 available) or \$750/for all 3 rings — This sponsorship helps defray the cost of the Maine Coon Congresses (specialty rings on Friday afternoon/evening). This sponsorship will help defray the cost of judge's expenses and fees, and the special Congress rosettes. Includes display signage in the sponsored ring, listing in the show catalog, as well as verbal acknowledgements in the sponsored ring(s).

Ring Sponsor—\$100/ring/day (12 available) — Includes display signage in up to 6 judging rings per day, listing in show catalog, as well as verbal acknowledgement in sponsored rings. This sponsorship can be combined with other sponsorships. Any number of rings can be sponsored. Note: Does not include vendor space of display advertising in show catalog.

Exclusive Ring Sponsorship—\$1,200/all rings Saturday & Sunday — This sponsorship includes display signage in each Judging Ring with your company name in all 12 rings Saturday and Sunday, along with verbal acknowledgement. Includes Vendor Space with skirted/clothed 8' table and 2 chairs, complimentary electricity, if required, and a 1/2 page display ad in exhibitor catalog.

Junior Exhibitor "JE" Judging Ring (1 Available) — \$75 —The JE Program is a way you can contribute to TICA's future. JE's are verbally tested on their skills as they present their cats to the audience, including their knowledge of cat husbandry and of showing their cats in TICA. Support the JE's with your donation which offsets the cost of special rosettes and the judge's fee. Sponsorship includes a listing on the website, 1/4 page ad in the Exhibitor Catalog, acknowledgement in the Exhibitor Catalog and by the JE judge (if they remember).

Judging Ring Lunches (15 Available)—\$40.00 each. Sponsor the lunches for the judge, ring clerk and steward for one of the 15 judging rings. Includes a business card ad in the exhibitor catalog, and acknowledgement in "Our Sponsors pages" in the exhibitor catalog.

Club Raffle Sponsorship — \$50.00 each. In exchange for a raffle donation of \$50.00 or more in value, you will receive a business card ad in the exhibitor catalog, along with an acknowledgement of your donation in the "Our Sponsors pages" in the exhibitor catalog.

MCV 2018 Judges

Friday Congress

Lynne Sherer
Barbara Ray
Vickie Fisher

Saturday

Lynne Sherer
D'Ann Kovic
Barbara Ray
Vickie Fisher
Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz
Laurie Patton

Sunday

Vicki Jo Harrison
Chris Unangst
Toni Jones
Brenda Russo
Nikki Crandall-Seibert
Rick Hoskinson

More Sponsorship Opportunities

Friday BBQ Sponsor — \$250.00. Show your hospitality by sponsoring the Poolside welcome party/BBQ on Friday night. Includes display signage and listing in the exhibitor catalog as an event sponsor.

Associate Sponsor — \$500. Sponsor the show as an associate sponsor. Includes signage and raffle participation. Also includes being listed on the official show flyer as well your logo on the insides of the exhibitor catalog. Note: This does not include vendor space or display advertising in the show catalog.

Co-Show Sponsorship — \$750. This sponsorship includes display signage and raffle participation, listing in the exhibitor catalog as our Co-Show Sponsor with your company logo (with other Co-Show Sponsors) on the inside of the show catalog. Note: This does not include vendor space or display advertising in the show catalog.

Patron Show Sponsorship — \$1,000. This sponsorship includes a banner with your company name and raffle participation, your company's listing in the exhibitor catalog, as well as your logo on the front cover of the show catalog. This sponsorship also includes a vendor space with skirted/clothed 8' table and 2 chairs, complimentary electricity, if required, and a 1/2 page display ad in the exhibitor catalog.

Ultimate Show Sponsorship — \$2,000. This ultimate show sponsorship includes a banner in the show hall with your company name, your large logo on the front cover of the exhibitor catalog (example: Runway Pets presents:), listing your company/brand and logo inside the show catalog, plus a full page display ad in the exhibitor catalog and raffle participation. Also included is a ring sponsorship for all 12 judging rings on Saturday & Sunday with sign showing your company name/logo and public announcements throughout the day. A vendor space with skirted/clothed 8' table and two chairs are included, along with complimentary electricity, if required. You will also receive our most appreciative thanks!



AWARDS BANQUET MENU

Romaine hearts, candied pecans, roasted tomato, gorgonzola cheese and sliced pears salad with raspberry vinaigrette.

Warm dinner rolls & butter
Key lime pie for dessert
Fresh brewed regular and decaf coffee & ice tea

Entrée options:

Herb roasted chicken breast with Bacardi pina colada sauce, served with Yukon gold mashed potatoes and vegetable medley

Grilled seasoned grouper with mango pineapple relish served with lemon cilantro white rice and steamed garlic broccoli

Grilled churrasco steak with chimichurri served with rice pilaf and asparagus and baby carrot medley

Vegetarian entree

More Sponsorship Opportunities (continued)

Saturday Cocktail Reception—\$200. Kick off the Saturday evening celebration by sponsoring the cocktail reception just prior to the banquet. Includes display signage and listing in the exhibitor catalog & Saturday evening banquet program booklet.

Judge's Saturday Banquet Dinner (12 Available)—\$49.00 each. Show your support of the judges by paying for their banquet dinner Saturday evening. Includes a business card ad in the Exhibitor Catalog as a Banquet Sponsor, and a table-top tent card noting your sponsorship at the judge's banquet seat.

Saturday MaineCoonVention Banquet—\$500. Everyone is invited to the dinner, keynote speaker and Maine Coon awards presentation. Why not make a big 'splash' by sponsoring the event. Includes display signage and listing in the exhibitor catalog & Saturday evening banquet program booklet.

Display Advertising in Exhibitor Catalog:

\$10 — business card
\$40 — 1/4 page display
\$70 — 1/2 page display
\$100 — full page display

How to Enter the Show:

Enter your cats via TICA TOES at:
<https://www.i-tica.com/en/>

Complete a summary sheet at:
<http://chemicoons.wixsite.com/scsf>

Make your Payment via PayPal
<https://www.paypal.com>
PP to: sandyclawscf@gmail.com

Questions?
Call Liz Hansen, Entry Clerk
at 636-734-9233

Maine Coon Awards Banquet

The Maine CoonConvention Banquet will be held Saturday, June 16, 2018. This event celebrates the achievements of the exhibitors Maine Coon cats from the previous night's congresses and Saturday's judging.

**Evening events:**

6:00pm—7:00pm — No Host Bar
7:00pm—8:00pm — Dinner
8:00pm—9:00pm — Keynote Speaker
9:00pm—10:00pm — Awards Ceremonies

We will NOT be accepting payment or reservations for the banquet the weekend of the show. If you don't pay in advance, you won't be at the banquet.

Banquet deadline: 10:00pm, Sun, June 10, 2018

You can make your banquet reservation, meal selection, and payment online: <http://chemicoons.wixsite.com/scsf>. **You can also print out the banquet form (found on the website) and mail it with your check or money order payable to "Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers" to:**

Liz Hansen, Entry Clerk
4899 Squaw Valley Drive
Caledonia, IL 61011

Closing Dates, Payments & Fees

All entries must be received and paid by 9:00m Eastern Time Monday, June 11, 2018. All entries received after this date/time will be refused! There will be NO LATE PAGES!

All fees/services for the show are due and payable within 7 days of entry, unless arrangements are made with the entry clerk.

By completing a summary sheet OR entering cats in the show, you agree to pay all fees whether you attend the show or not.

All fees must be paid in U.S. funds. Make money orders and bank checks payable to "Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers". Only checks issued from a United States bank can be accepted. No post-dated checks will be accepted. Returned check fee: \$35 plus any bank fees charged the club.

NO REFUNDS! Once an entry or service request has been received, only substitutions may be made until the entry deadline. Any excess payment will be considered a donation to the show.

Cats co-owned by members of two different households are eligible for multiple entry discounts only if a photocopy of the cat's TICA registration accompanies the cat's entry showing the names of both co-owners.

End-of-row benching (not handicapped) fee — \$20.
Extra catalog — \$10.

Late fee — Any exhibitor whose payment has not been received **for any reason** prior to the entry deadline of the show (10pm, Monday, June 10, 2018) will be assessed a \$25 late fee. Payment at the door will be at the sole discretion of the Entry Clerk, will be subject to the \$25 late fee, and **MUST** be paid in cash. No exceptions!

Name: _____
 Address: _____ City _____ St / Prov _____ Zip/Postal Code _____
 Phone: _____ Best time to reach you _____ Email address: _____

Benching request (*one only, please*) _____

- ☐ I am a handicapped exhibitor and will need end-of-row benching (at no charge)
☐ # of Double Spaces Needed: _____ # of Double Wire Cages Needed: _____ I own my own cages: _____ yes _____ no
☐ I can ring clerk. My preference would be: _____ ☐ I have _____ # of children that can steward.

ENTRY OPTIONS (EARLY BIRD ENTRIES & PAYMENTS MUST BE REC'D BY APRIL 1, 2018; REGULAR ENTRIES & PAYMENTS MUST BE REC'D BY 9AM, MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018)	PRICE	TOTAL
MAINE COON FRIDAY CONGRESSES One Entry	\$30	\$
MAINE COON FRIDAY CONGRESSES Two Entries	\$60	\$
MAINE COON FRIDAY CONGRESSES Three Entries	\$90	\$
MAINE COON FRIDAY CONGRESSES Four Entries	\$120	\$
MAINE COON FRIDAY CONGRESSES Five Entries	\$150	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD One Entry (in 1 double space)	\$85	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD Two Entries (in 1 double space)	\$160	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD Three Entries (in 2 double spaces)	\$239	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD Four Entries (in 2 double spaces)	\$309	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD Five Entries (in 3 double spaces)	\$369	\$
2-day EARLY BIRD Six Entries (in 3 double spaces)	\$429	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD One Entry (in 1 double space)	\$49	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD Two Entries (in 1 double space)	\$89	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD Three Entries (in 2 double spaces)	\$139	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD Four Entries (in 2 double spaces)	\$179	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD Five Entries (in 3 double spaces)	\$219	\$
1-day EARLY BIRD Six Entries (in 3 double spaces)	\$259	\$
End-of-row LIMITED (Free for Handicap)	\$20	\$
Grooming Space (LIMITED) (double cage = 22"x22"x44")	\$49	\$
Sale Cage (double opening = 22"x22"x44") (pending availability)	\$49	\$
Advertising in Exhibitor Catalog & Spectator's Guide (B & W only-call for color pricing) \$10-Business Card; \$40-1/4 page ad, \$70-1/2 page ad, \$100-full page ad	\$10, \$40, \$70, or \$100	\$
Ring Sponsorship: 1st Choice: _____; 2nd Choice: _____ For other sponsorship options, please refer to the show flyer	\$100/ring	\$
Seminars — Friday morning (Board Room) Name _____	\$30	\$
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BBQ Poolside — Friday night Name _____	\$29	\$
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Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Chicken Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Chicken Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Seafood Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Seafood Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Steak Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Steak Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Vegetarian Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Saturday Dinner—Oleander Room (Vegetarian Entrée) Name _____	\$59	\$
Donation to Club (in \$1, \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25 increments)		\$
Donation to the SE Region (in \$1, \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25 increments)		\$
Make check/money order payable to: "Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers" or send a PayPal payment to sandyclawscf@gmail.com	TOTAL DUE	\$

By entering this show, I agree to the following:

- * My cats are entered at my own risk.
- * If I have any changes, I will contact the Entry Clerk immediately!
- * Entry fees and all related costs are due and payable as soon as an entry and/or summary form has been received by the Entry Clerk whether it be by website, phone, fax, email or snail-mail. Submitting entry information via any of these methods constitutes an agreement to pay for all services ordered, even if I fail to complete the entry process, withdraw from the show, or fail to attend the show.

- * Pay all fees in U.S. Funds within 24 hours of submission of entry and/or summary information by money order, bank check, or PayPal. Make check payable to "Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers", or pay via PayPal to: sandyclawscf@gmail.com .
- * There are no refunds once an entry or service request has been received by the Entry Clerk. However, substitutions may be made up until the entry deadline. See Fees Section.
- * Any excess payment is considered a donation to the show.
- * I will abide by and uphold the rules of TICA and the Show Committee.

Go to the show website at <http://chemicoons.wixsite.com/sccf> for:

Additional Show Sponsorship Opportunities

Mail payment made out to: Sandy Claws Cat Fanciers, all entry information, and camera ready advertising copy to:
 Liz Hansen, Entry Clerk, 4899 Squaw Valley Drive, Caledonia, IL 61011