

WHAT IS A RING CLERK?

The Ring Clerk is an essential and integral part of the American style Ring Show and contributes much to the overall success of the Judging.

At this type of show there are no handlers or Stewards and Judge's comments are not written down, but instead, communicated verbally to the audience. In each ring there is a Judge and a Ring Clerk, (apart from a cage steward who cleans the judging cages between rings), so the Judges rely heavily upon their Ring Clerks.

The Ring Clerk has a catalogue and marks the placements made by the Judge in each colour, class and breed; cross checks breed wins and Top Ten Finals for cross judging. She or he will bring to the Judge's attention any discrepancies between the Judge's sheets and the cages on which the Judge has hung the ribbons.

The sheets, when correct are countersigned by the Ring Clerk and dispatched to the Master Clerk.

The Master Clerk receives the judges' sheets from every ring and marks the Master Catalogues, which are the official record of the placements of the cats in each ring.

These catalogues are sent to the Central Office, and copies are retained by the club and the Master Clerk. The catalogue marked by the Ring Clerk is given to the Judge at the end of the day.

A good Ring Clerk can enhance the performance of the judge by maintaining schedules, avoiding any distractions and ensuring accurate mechanics.

Clerking School

A chance to learn how this format works and be a central part of Catz Shows in the future!

Sunday, August 12th

Lagoon Stadium Lounge, 44 Lagoon Drive, Panmure
10.00am to 4.00pm

Hands on demonstration with cats!



Limited Seating!
Book by July 31st

Clerks' records of the Judges decisions must be accurate and neat, as these are the records certified by the Chief Ring Clerk. If there are any errors, they are the Ring Clerk's errors – even if they originated elsewhere!

Therefore the training of Clerks is very important and why the Clerk will enjoy the satisfaction of having contributed significantly to a successful show.



Members

Clerking School is free to members: Please bring a plate to share. Booking applies.

Signing On?

If you would like to be involved as a Clerk, please sign on - we need good clerks to help us get the shows running smoothly, and to work in tandem with our judges.

BOOK BEFORE 31st JULY

Non-members: Cost \$12

Includes a hard copy of the Clerking Manual and light refreshments. Please fill out the form below and return, or email these details to:

tohunga@xtra.co.nz

The Manual will be mailed (or emailed) to you, or you can download it from our web site. This way you will get a head start on the written material.

(After 31st July please phone to see if we have space).

CLERKING SCHOOL BOOKING FORM

Name

Phone #

Address

Email:

Catz Member?

Please tick one:

A] I would like to join, my Membership form is overleaf.

B] I have filled out my membership forms on the web site.

C] I do / do not require a hard copy of the Manual.

D] I wish to attend as a non-member, I enclose \$12

Note: If non-members wish to join on the day, their \$12 can be put towards their membership.

Tell us about yourself. Are you a: Cat breeder, Cat show Exhibitor, Show Organiser. Do you own: a Domestic, a Pedigree ?

Post this form to: Catz Incorporated PO Box 192 Waimauku, Rodney 1250.

NB If not a member, please enclose your \$12 Thanks!