



## 2022 ACF GUILD SEMINAR

### WHEN

**13 June 2022**  
**1.30pm – 5.30pm**

### WHERE

**Elaine Room**  
**Glen Hotel**  
**Cnr Logan Rd & Gaskell St, Eight Mile Plains, Brisbane**

### Register

[www.catshowsonline.com](http://www.catshowsonline.com)

### REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL

\$60.00 – Day Delegate  
includes M/Tea, Lunch, A/Tea or  
\$12 – Afternoon Tea Only

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## PRESENTERS

### **Nigel Allsopp**

Cats in Conflicts

### **Dr Adriana Kajon**

Understanding The  
Genetic Bases of Coat  
Coloration in the Domestic  
Cat

### **Vickie Shields**

Assessing Structure in Cats






### **John Smithson**

There's Nothing New  
Under the Sun

### **Dr Julie Summerfield**

Catastrophic to Calm -  
Update on Feline Anxiety

## Presenters Biographies

	<p>Nigel Allsopp is a well-known author and expert on war and service animals. He is the founder of Australia's largest war animal charity which ensures the deeds and sacrifices of four legged diggers is not forgotten via establishment of memorials in Australia and internationally. Nigel is a passionate and much sought-after speaker as he's able to engage listeners with stories and factual experiences from his years of both practical and researched experiences in this field. His expertise is called upon by the Defence Department and government agencies such as Veterans Affairs, RSL Headquarters and Commonwealth centenary committee.</p>
	<p>Adriana is currently a TICA Approved Allbreeds Judge, Ring Training Instructor, Judging School Instructor, Licensed Genetics Instructor, and a member of TICA's Genetics Committee and TICA's Judges' committee. She is also the co-creator of ICAT, the <i>International Cat Agility Tournaments</i>. Adriana Kajon was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina where she grew up and received her early education. Adriana has an undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from the University of Buenos Aires, and two Ph.D. degrees in Virology. She is currently doing research in viral pathogenesis at Lovelace Biomedical Research Institute in Albuquerque, New Mexico.</p>
	<p>Vickie Shields is a TICA Approved All Breed judge, Ring Training and Judging School Instructor. She has served as TICA's Clerking Administrator, International Committee member, Judges Review Committee member, Maine Coon breed newsletter Editor. She bred Maine Coons for over twenty years, and has also worked with Oriental Shorthairs, American Wirehairs, Tonkinese, and now for the past 20 years with Singapuras. She has bred and shown many international award winners since 1979 and been honoured as TICA's <i>Member of the Year</i>. Vickie is the co-creator of ICAT, the <i>International Cat Agility Tournaments</i> Born and raised in San Francisco, California.</p>
	<p>John Smithson is an All-Breed Tutor judge with the NZCF. He has held many offices, from NZCF Editor in 1980, to Regional Director, and served a term as National President of the New Zealand Cat Fancy in 1993. He is currently curator of The Harrison Weir Collection; a Director of the CFA Foundation, Inc.; Editor of the e-magazine 'Felis Historica'; a joint founder/collaborator and writer for 'The History Project' at <a href="http://www.cat-o-pedia.org">www.cat-o-pedia.org</a>. As a feline historian, John has been a guest speaker at the World Cat Congress, has lectured on the life of British listed artist Harrison Weir, in England; researched at both the Bodleian Library in Oxford, and the Victoria &amp; Albert Museum in London, and recently published his first book 'A Persian Rhapsody in Blue' under the 'Alchemy of Cat Breeds' series.</p>
	<p>Graduated from University of Sydney in 1995 and has worked in small animal practice in Sydney and London. She also has had vast experience in the Television and Broadcast media in both Australia and the UK, with writing &amp; production, presenting, as well as commercial spokesperson, advisor, and consultant roles with various Animal Health Companies. Julie has held positions within Animal Pharmaceutical Sales and Marketing, Pet Insurance and is now proud to be one of Royal Canin's Scientific Services Veterinarians based in Sydney. Special interests include Pet Behaviour, Small Animal Nutrition, Dermatology, general pet care and education. Julie lives with husband and two teenage sons as well as a collection of animals including Zorro the handsome Husky X Kelpie &amp; Ellie a crazy Kelpie, spoilt sibling rescue cats Anakin &amp; Athena and a herd of sheep and naughty goats!</p>