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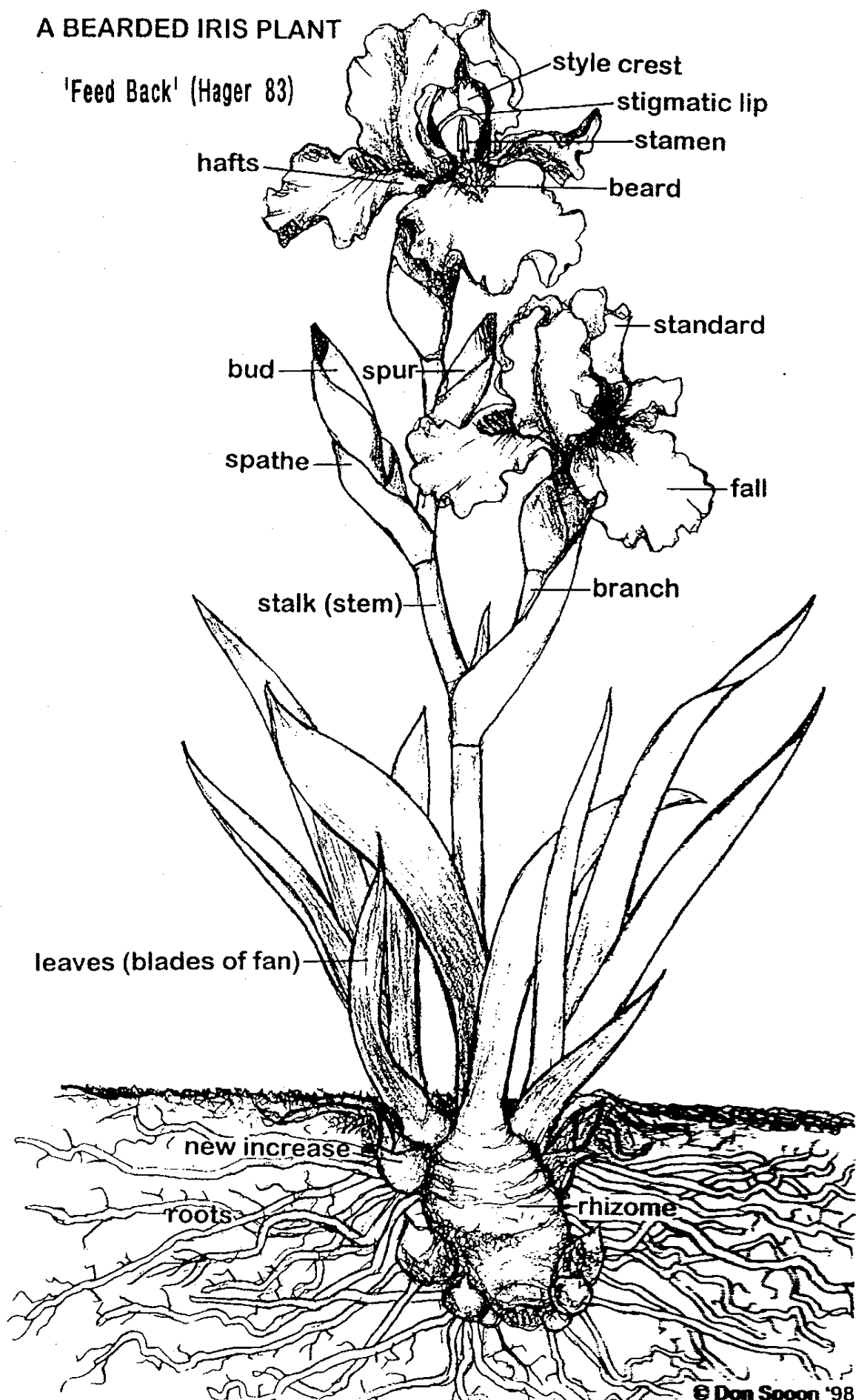
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The President's Message

Dear Fellow Irisarians:

SPRING! The very word has a joyous ring! El Nino has, hopefully, done its worst, and we can look forward to our own gardens and visiting others. Our Regionals, and especially the National, give us a wonderful opportunity to see old and new friends, both irises and people.

The Board Meeting in Denver is Tuesday, June 2, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Maroon Peak room. All members are welcome, although only Board Members may vote.

The General Section Meeting for RIS is on Wednesday, June 3, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Evergreen 1 room. Both Opal Wulf, the Midwestern Director, and Judith Earp, the Southern Director, have resigned. We express our gratitude for their service to the Reblooming Iris Society, remembering that our officers are volunteers who receive no financial award, only a personal satisfaction that is derived from the good job they do.

In accordance with the Bylaws, the President has appointed Larry Harder and Everette Lineberger to serve out Opal's and Judith's terms respectively. She has also appointed James Ennenga to the Nominating Committee. There will be a short business meeting to elect the other two members. The names of those on the Nominating Committee will be reported in the fall *RIR*. The slate will be voted upon at the national meeting in Oklahoma City in 1999.

Also at the General Meeting the Distinguished Service Awards will be presented to two outstanding men in the iris world: John Weiler and Lloyd Zurbrigg. Both have been recycled presidents, written many articles, helped raise the standards of the reblooming iris with their tireless hybridizing, and made our favorite flower a favorite worldwide. You will want to be there to see John and Lloyd receive their awards.

Last year we had an outstanding slide program about irises of the "Past, Present, and Future" given by Mike Lowe, Ginny Spoon, and George Sutton. This year we look forward to hearing John Weiler explain how Rebloomers are affected by acclimatization. This should interest everyone – everyone's irises are affected, and you may want to take notes. Come and learn!

Rosalie

Membership News

It has been another half year and dues have rolled around. By now you should know that the membership has been changed to agree with AIS years. The RIS membership year is running from January through December. Renewal notices were sent out in January (291), and I have received about 190 returns. That means that there are about 100 members that will not receive this Spring Recorder. If you have friends that have forgotten to renew, you might remind them that in order to get this issue, it will be an extra 50 cents for the additional postage for late mailing. We currently have 615 paid members. Most of our members are triennial or Life. If you know anyone who thinks they are currently a member but did not receive this Bulletin, please have them send me a note. I have received 10 returns from the Postal Service with no forwarding address and their membership is current!

Hope everyone had a great bloom season, and I hope to see you in Denver.

Charlie

Thanks go out to Bill Ackerman for his artwork on our last two covers. The inside cover artwork in this issue is used by permission from Don Spoon. Don drew a plant of 'Feedback' we grew last year, and then stylized it for our catalog.

Thanks also to everyone who contributed material for the RIR, Tim Stanek for compiling the Reblooming Symposium Results, our hard working President who works entirely too hard, our membership chairman, and everyone who loves reblooming irises. Please keep those cards and letters coming!

We all have our fingers crossed since word has it that the new Checklist may be available for sale in Denver. Let's bring some extra money along and hope it is there.

I just received the new book MAGIC OF IRISES by Barbara Perry Lawton. Barbara will be in Denver to sign copies. Barbara is an AIS member, and many of our AIS members helped with research and information on this book. I haven't had time to read all of it, but I did read the pest control and the rebloom chapters and they were right on target! Fulcrum Publishing, (303)277-1623. You can take orders for your club. Look for a complete review in our next issue.

Editor

Letters to the Editor

*from Clarence Mahan
McLean, Virginia (zone 7)
December 31, 1997*

I recently received a note from Norman Payne, who grows and sells Japanese irises in London, England, that I thought might be of interest to your readers. Norman, a kind and generous man who is retired from his regular trade, is widely recognized in Great Britain as an authority on raising Japanese irises. Here is what he wrote to me about their performance in England this past year: "Plants have grown well, but did not bloom well at all. I had more JIs in bloom in November than in June. How strange. Let's hope for a normal year in 1998."

Norman called to wish me "Happy New Year", and I asked him about his Japanese iris performance this past year. He said that his plants grew well in the spring and produced fairly normal bloom stalks. Just before they were to open, however, extremely heavy rains hit the London area. Most of the buds on the Japanese irises simply became so waterlogged that they turned to mush—and never opened. Norman said he has never had such a poor Japanese iris bloom season.

When autumn came, the Japanese irises, apparently attempting to atone for their poor bloom in spring, started blooming again. Rebloom on Japanese irises in Norman's area is normally a rare event, but this year it was nothing short of fantastic. November saw many cultivars send up bloom stalks. Norman told me that many of the cultivars bred by Dr. Currier McEwen were among the heaviest rebloomers, but that a number of other cultivars not noted for rebloom also opened flowers.

The Japanese irises in my garden performed very poorly this past year. After a late freeze of great severity, the Japanese irises just seemed to stop growing. About half of my Japanese irises did not bloom at all, and the stalks on the ones that did bloom were very poor. And I didn't even have the fall bloom to partially compensate me for the poor spring performance. I wonder if any other SJI members had an experience similar to Norman's.

*from Phil Posten
Fresno, California
March 11, 1998*

Here is some information that might be of interest for the Recorder:

Is There Life With **Jennifer Recceca**?

The answer has to be a definite YES. In 1997, after no bloom in 1996, **JR** put up a decent stalk and I decided to see if sterility was still a problem. I made seventeen crosses, five with **JR** as pod parent and twelve with **JR** as a pollen parent. Of these crosses, eight took, with **JR** as a pod parent on three and pollen parent on five. They produced a total of 286 seeds or an average of 35 per cross.

Seeds were processed through the winter and potted in Mid December with sprouting commencing about three weeks later. Due to the mild winters here in the San Joaquin Valley, I did not have to worry about freezing.

It is interesting to note that the **JR** crosses were among the earliest to sprout and by February 16, all were up. Using **JR** as a pod parent averaged 60% takes and as a pollen parent only 40%.

From this limited experiment it would appear that **JR** produces more seeds as a pod parent (149) than as a pollen parent (137).

The seedlings will be planted by mid April and hopefully produce some things of interest in 1999.

PS: List of crosses and # of seeds are available to anyone interested.



**Allan Ensminger's Rebloomers, Variegated
Rebloomers, Etc.**
by Don Spoon

Like Joe Ghio and Keith Keppel, Allan Ensminger's prime directive was not to develop rebloomers, but they did occasionally appear in his seedbeds. Surprisingly, being in zone 5 in Lincoln, Nebraska, he saw none of his introductions rebloom in his own garden and only learned about their rebloom after their distribution. He set certain hybridizing goals for himself and his Varigay Gardens, such as variegated flowers and foliage, and has grown and appraised an average of 5,000 seedlings a year, for forty years. From approximately 200,000 seedlings, he has won about 50 HM awards, 20 AM awards, and a President's Cup. He also served his Mid-west Region 21 as Editor for about six years, and RVP for three years, during which time the membership doubled. He traveled and gave many lively talks on his love for irises, recruiting many new AIS members. In 1984, he earned the AIS Distinguished Service Medal. We have all enjoyed his colorful and delightful advertisement pages and interesting articles in the AIS Bulletin. He makes it clear that his odd (his own word "weird") discoveries in iris breeding were not original to him, but he saw their potential usefulness and hybridized for attractive garden plants. In 1994, he was honored with the AIS Hybridizers Medal as our favorite "Wizard of Odds," a master of the fun and fantasy of pollen daubing and evaluating seedlings.

He has produced many fine TBs, but his medians have brought him the most major awards. His BB **Sonja's Selah** ('89), a shrimp red amoena with shrimp red beards, won the 1997 Knowlton Medal, and it has rebloom reported in zones 6 to 9. His IB **Blue Eyed Blond** ('89), a yellow with violet beards tipped blue, won the 1995 Hans and Jacob Sass Medal and was second runner up for the Dykes Medal in 1996. It came out of similar involved parentage that produced his IB **Az Ap** ('79), a cobalt blue self with gentian blue beards, that garnered the 1987 Sass Medal. **Az Ap** is

essentially sterile, but produces one of the finest garden clumps, and reblooms in zone 8. His SDB **What Again** ('91) -has an *I. pumila* great grandparent - with its wisteria blue standards and beards, and contrasting straw yellow falls, is a good rebloomer up to zone 6. Likewise, his 1984 SDB **Plum Perfect** (has *I. pumila* Welch N-503 in its involved parentage) is a ruffled plum-purple self that reblooms in zone 8. At the 1997 Detroit convention, his SDB **Vavoom** ('94) won the Franklin Cook Memorial Cup. **Vavoom** has uranium green standards, canary yellow falls, and white beards. It is from a sibling cross and may be a rebloom carrier.

Allan Ensminger has produced many variegated reblooming irises, as he said "with the help of Mother Nature." His BB (RE-6) **Color Brite** ('87), pink ground with red splashes and dawn pink beards, is out of his '71 **Stripe It Rich X Rancho Rose**, a '74 Gibson zone 9 rebloomer. **Stripe it Rich** is white with violet stripes and splashes out of his first variegated seedling #64-12 X **Stepping Out** (rebloom carrier). In the AIS Bulletin (#253, pp. 12-17) Allan told the story of how he established his variegated broken color lines. He was trying to produce a blue plicata with red beards (later approximated with Keppel's 1988 **Daredevil** with orange rufous beards). Ensminger crossed the medium blue **Helen McGregor** (the white **Purissima** X the light blue **Cloud Castle**) times **Pink Formal**. A select seedling from this cross (58-6) was crossed on **My Happiness** (a Sass blue self with tangerine beard, out of a line of pinks and blues X pollen from a seedling whose parentage was lost) to produce a seedling (61-35) that was one of the parents of seedling 64-12, Ensminger's progenitor seedling and his first variegated broken color iris. The other parent of 64-12 was a seedling (61-4) from David Hall's great white with red beards, **Frost and Flame** (from two seedlings, 52-41 X 52-02) that Ensminger crossed on **Belle Meade**, a blue plicata out of **Blue Shimmer** X **Snow Crystal**. These are nearly all inbred lines to create homozygous recessives, such as tangerine beards, pink color, and plicata, and would also produce other recessive and dominant

homozygotes (aaaa and AAAA) and low dosage heterozygotes (Aaaa). Ensminger made the observation that in variegated seedling 64-12, the rhizome had new growths on one side producing stalks with white flowers and on the other side new growths with stalks that had white flowers with variegated violet streaks and splashes. Since the variegated 64-12 flowers had good substance but an old fashioned form, Ensminger crossed it with pollen from the great purple plicata **Stepping Out** (Schreiner '64) of unknown parentage. (Like the plicata **Gibson Girl**, **Stepping Out** is found in the lineage of many rebloomers). Of 120 seedlings from this cross, half were violet and half were white with varying degrees of variegated broken color. These variegated seedlings formed the basis for Ensminger's broken color lines. One of these seedlings introduced in 1973 was the TB **Oos and Ahs**, a pale blue splashed dark violet, that reblooms in zone 9. Ensminger made the very important observation that any iris with one color masking another, as a localized reduction of anthocyanin such as in a plicata, if crossed with variegated irises would produce some variegated seedlings. We would assume this would include luminatas and possibly even the "near luminatas" such as the 1997 AM, TB **Clarence** ('91), that reblooms to zone 4. Also, what about glaciatas, earlier called ices?

Doodle Strudel ('76) is a 36" TB, a dependable rebloomer to zone 6. It is butterfly blue with moorish blue plicata markings and yellow beards. Its parentage is **Stepping Out** X 69-31: (variegated progenitor 64-12 X (64-33 X **Rococo**)). **Rococo** is a '59 Schreiner out of (Caroline Jane X **Flying Saucer**) X **Belle Meade**. Of the plicatas used in crosses that season, **Rococo** is one of several candidates for a parent of **Stepping Out**. If it was one of the parents, then Ensminger's cross for **Doodle Strudel** would be enhanced inbreeding. **Rococo** is a proven carrier of rebloom, and does rebloom in frost free areas (zone 9). Using his 1971 **Faydy Girl**, 36" tall TB from a seedling from (**Frost and Flame**, **Gypsy Baron**, Sass seedling, and **Belle Meade**) X **Rippling Waters** (a known

rebloom carrier), crossed on **Doodle Strudel** pollen, Ensminger obtained the white ground striped imperial violet variegated BB (RE-8) **Iris Bohnsack** ('81). (This Iris was a woman's name. To avoid confusion with iris species, the word "iris" can no longer be used in cultivar names.) Probably Ensminger's best variegated rebloomer is **Peach Jam** ('89), a 34" TB with pink ground streaked purple and mauve. It has orange red beards, and a sweet fragrance. It is a strikingly beautiful flower that can rebloom up to zone 4. Its involved pedigree included the variegated progenitor seedling 64-12 X **Stepping Out**, **Rippling Waters**, **Rococo**, **Doodle Strudel**, etc.

Ensminger obtained two variegated rebloomers from his '78 BB **Inty Greyshun**, amethyst violet with white flecks and stripes with the pedigree: **Stepping Out** X 69-31 : (((58-6 X **My Happiness**) X (**Frost and Flame** X **Belle Meade**)) X ((60-36 X **Dutch Doll**) X **Rococo**)). **Inty Greyshun** X **Charmed Circle** (Keppel's '68 dark violet plicata with white ground that reblooms in zone 9) produced the 28" tall TB **Purple Streaker** ('81), the popular victoria violet ground variegated with white streaks and stripes that can rebloom to zone 7. The reverse cross, **Charmed Circle** X **Inty Greyshun** produced the 31" tall TB **Pandora's Purple** ('80), purple plicata with violet ground, that reblooms in zone 8.

Throughout this breeding program for variegated irises, there seemed to be a link with shorter stalks with low bud count. In 1993, Ensminger introduced **Brindled Beauty**, a 34" TB with good branching and bud count from ((75-18 X **Rancho Rose**) X ((**Little Mark** X 73-47) X 76-14)) X **Maria Tormena**. It has white standards with campanula splashes, falls the same except adding campanula streaks, and nasturtium beards.

There are a great many challenges for further hybridizing with variegated irises. Brad Kasparek has produced some very lovely spring only bloomers, earning him five HM awards, by crossing plicatas to Ensminger's variegated irises such as **Maria Tormena** (31.5" tall TB with

phlox pink ground, pansy violet splashes, and poppy red beard). **Maria Tormena** has the exciting pedigree of **Vanity** (the pollen parent for the excellent pink rebloomers **Pink Attraction** and **Jennifer Rebecca**) X 77-54: (((64-12 X **Stepping Out**) X **Rippling Waters** X ((**Frost and Flame** X **Belle Meade**))) X **Rancho Rose**). Kasperek's cross of **Desert Realm** (Rose-tan plicata that includes in its pedigree the dark purple plicata **Cracken** as a grandparent) X **Maria Tormena** produced his 38" tall TB **Tiger Honey** ('94) with 6-8 buds, flared, laced and ruffled, with butterscotch ground with variegated golden-yellow streaks, and butterscotch beards. Brad produced a dependable variegated rebloomer to zone 5, **Elainealope** ('96) 33" TB - light lavender ground with splashes of reddish violet and gold beards tipped lavender - out of **Maria Tormena** X **Master Touch** (**Navy Strut** X **Study in Black** RE-9) showing the potential of **Maria Tormena** as a rebloom parent. There is much to be gained by crossing variegated irises, especially those that rebloom, on our best cold climate rebloomers to create more and better variegated rebloomers that will rebloom to zone 4. I would recommend the plicata rebloomers **Autumn Circus**, **Autumn Encore**, **Duke of Earl**, **Earl of Essex**, **Queen Dorothy**, and **Redelta**. Jim Hedgecock has produced the first variegated TB seedling that is also a space ager with beard appendages. How far away is the reblooming variegated space ager? The appeal of the variegated irises is that no two flowers are the same. They can be incredibly beautiful in autumn flower arrangements.

Ensminger's 1992, 28" tall **Isn't This Something** is a spectacular, ruffled TB with carmine rose standards and falls with violet stripes and splashes and brick red beards. Although not a rebloomer, its pedigree suggests it should be crossed to a good reblooming plicata. Allan created from **Isn't This Something** X **Goodbye Heart** (a non plicata) the gorgeous **Autumn Years** ('96), a 33" TB. It is a blend of cream, yellow, and gold with pink and mauve splashes "without sharp lines to define the different colors." How about a cross of **Autumn Years** on

September Replay (Frank Jones by Lowe '92), a reblooming plicata with golden tan standards, white ground falls with overlay of darker cinnamon, golden tan markings and brown midline, and orange beards? Would use of peppered iris like Dr. Charlie Nearpass' TBs **Purple Pepper** and **Roman Carnival** or my BB rebloomer **Mouse** ('96) with the maculosa pattern lead to variegated blends having multicolored pepper and polka dots like an intricate, arabesque calico pattern? The hybridizing fun has just begun! Thank you Allan Ensminger, Brad Kasperek and other hybridizers for your magnificent variegated (broken color) cultivars with their charismatic, spicy pizzazz.

Possibly, one of the most unusual iris cultivars ever produced is **Feathered Friend** ('81), a 22" BB reblooming in zone 8. It is white with basal pale violet and white tipped yellow beards and has such long lace as to be described as "deeply lacerated" like a fringed tulip. **Feathered Friend** was obtained out of a sibling cross of two seedlings from the cross 71-35 (((**Nonpareil** X (**Sugar Babe** X **Rippling Waters**))) X **Rippling Waters**) X (((**Frost and Flame** X (**Gypsy Baron** X **Sass Plicata Seedling**))) X (**Frost and Flame** X **Belle Meade**)) X **Rippling Waters**)). This is the kind of inbreeding cross needed to obtain expression as a homozygous recessive (ffff) of such a unique trait, probably a mutation. **Feathered Friend** has no pollen and is reticent to set pods, but may reward persistent efforts.

Allan Ensminger came within a hair of producing a spectrum red self iris. His first goal was to produce a pink amoena, as he said, like his wife Gladys, who had pure white hair that complemented her pink skin and red lips. He nearly met his goal, so he named this 34" TB **Almost Gladys** ('81) with white standards flushed pink at the base, coral pink falls with 1/4" edging, and red beards. Allan said it was very difficult to obtain this pattern because he had to have three recessive genes homozygous (aaaa). **Almost Gladys** is a highly inbred cross ((**Flame Kiss** X (**Extravaganza** X **Pink Formal**))) X (64-17 X **Esther Fay**)) X ((64-17 X **Esther Fay**) X

Java Dove) (Both seedling 64-17 and **Esther Fay** are from highly inbred lines.) The cross 64-17 was ((Memories X Apricot Supreme) X (Extravaganza X Pink Formal)) X (Extravaganza X Pink Formal). From the cross ((**Almost Gladys** X **Foolish Pleasure** = **Laurie** X (**Baccarat**, a **Laurie** sibling X **Laurie**) X **Almost Gladys**) - a sibling of **Sonja's Selah** - X **Christa** he obtained the 26" BB **Peace on Earth** ('90).

Allan said that **Peace on Earth** (color picture, back cover of AIS Bulletin # 279) was the most outstanding seedling he ever produced; unfortunately, all the stock died from scorch after a fierce winter. It had orient pink standards with gold glitter on the edges, peach falls, and poppy red beards. It was beautifully branched, ruffled and laced. But most exciting was that the poppy red beard color was extensively expressed in the bases of the standards and falls. This had never been seen before, or since, in any iris (except Ghio's 1998 introduction **Heaven**, a white with coral red beards and solid coral red coloring at the base of the falls extending the full length of the beards).

Iris possess the same pigment, lycopene, that make tomatoes red, and it is fully expressed as spectrum red of different hues in iris beards. To be expressed, an iris must be homozygous recessive (tttt or tangerine) for this trait. To be spectrum pink, the other carotene pigments that are not shunted to lycopene must be absent or it will be peach to orange in color. It has been proposed that there is a dominant inhibitor (It) for lycopene expression. It is known that when you cross two pink irises with red beards (tttt and It It it it), or self one of them, you can obtain a pure white flower with red beards, indicating the dosage and effect of the dominant inhibitor to the flower, except for the beard, has been increased to totality or homozygous dominant (It It It It). Possibly **Peace on Earth** had (tttt and it it it it) allowing the lycopene to be expressed in the standards and falls. Now, if these two genes (t and It), and a gene for a dominant modifier (Mt), that makes the lycopene expressed only in the beard, are linked on the same chromosome; only

a rare crossover could separate that linkage, or he may have obtained a low dosage of the modifier, such as (Mt mt mt mt). Possibly Ensminger obtained this rare event or the low modifier dosage with his pod parent for **Peace on Earth**. It may be possible to approximate Ensminger's cross by using the pod parent sibling **Sonja's Selah** X **Christa**, and then sibling crossing the seedlings to obtain the spectrum red throughout the petals by making homozygous recessive the modifier (mt mt mt mt). Crossing **Sonja's Selah** back on its parent **Almost Gladys** or on one of **Almost Gladys** grandparents like **Java Dove** might yield desirable results. Using reblooming pinks, such as **Pink Attraction**, as the pollen parent on the rebloomer **Sonja's Selah** might produce a reblooming spectrum red. Possibly the rare crossover event or low dosage modifier was brought in with Roger Nelson's **Christa** ('85), a proven rebloom carrier. The goal of a spectrum red iris, that reblooms, may be only a few crosses away. That is exciting!

At age 85, Allan's search for a cultivar with both variegated flowers and foliage continues, as do his other goals and new goals suggested by his seedbed. His work with variegated foliage has captivated our interest, but that is another story to tell.

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This design will be featured on tee shirts sold by Aid Youth of the National Convention. It is a tribute to the drawing talent of Laura Gibson, Reg. 4, and Chairman of the Society of Horticultural Artists.

Breeding for Remontancy in Other Than Tall Bearded

by Ben Hager

I have a problem when it comes to this type of cross breeding. The species I want to use in such crosses grow and bloom very poorly in this climate: *Iris pumila*, *I. aphylla* and *I. balkana*. The last one blooms well but increases slowly. It does better than the other two however. I worked with it several years ago, but that effort was cut short and I have only recently reintroduced it. I have the pumilas and aphyllas in a special bed and get enough blooms on the pumilas and more occasionally on the aphyllas to make a few crosses. May I intervene here with a plea to any of you who grow a range of aphyllas to intercross the various named or numbered varieties, especially the smaller ones. This gives progeny that are easier to grow in difficult climates. I've done this with the pumilas or wouldn't have any of that iris to work with, but I don't have the selection to use with the aphyllas.

The pollen of the pumilas as they grow here is not abundant, and does not store well. This spring ('98) six or seven pumila flowers produced some pollen --- and then disaster! The neighbor's cows got loose early one morning, invaded our place, and decided the pumila-aphylla bed would make a great dance floor. I've had one *pumila* blossom since, and the aphyllas were pretty hard hit. I don't know what to expect.

The other problem with pumilas is that they bloom so early there are no tall bearded iris to put the pollen onto. But, the remontants do bloom early and often along with the MDBs. So a few years ago, that is what I used: **Sheba's Queen** (which is not a dependable rebloomer here), Monty Byers' *luminata* and a reblooming pink *amoena* seedling of Monty's. Surprise. These crosses produced some seedlings that bloom in the fall, and almost all winter here, cold temperature not withstanding.

The flowers and plants are not perfection other than the rebloom: flowers mostly too large, stems equaling the height of IBs, etc.

A breeder should early learn that first generation results in wide crosses do not correspond to his/her dreams---sometimes, but not often. It is well to remember that the use of small TB flower or BB iris make more acceptable children than do our modern glamour iris when crossing them to such as *pumila* and *aphylla*. This will to some extent avoid the "too large" results.

With this type of breeding it is advisable to make several crosses using different parents. Put the *pumila* pollen and a few to several different TBs, or vice versa: Re TB x *pumila* or *pumila* x re TB. Intercrossing such a diversity of backgrounds will give more chances of rebloomers or what ever you are working towards. Even if you don't get rebloom the first time around you certainly should in further generations.

But PLEASE, in spite of the flack I'm getting, I still say, work toward a dependably FERTILE breeding line. Remember---THERE IS A FUTURE. Don't cross the SDB generation back to *pumila* or up to TBs. That's a subject I'm going to have to face up to in the near future and a different cover. SDBs are the result of crossing tetraploid (48 chromosome) iris with tetraploid (32 chromosome) iris. These we call amphidiploid (12 12 8 8) and amphidiploids will cross (BARRING ANAMOLIES) only with other amphidiploids of the same make-up)

I repeat---then cross the heck out of the first multiple generation seedlings and with the Weiler reblooming SDBs---and then do the same with the second generation. You will get what you're after---the long way around but the surest.

The other type of hybrid that I have been working with that is producing rebloomers is the TB x *I. aphylla*. This has been mentioned before but not in detail.

All of my early aphylla hybrids used **Thisbe** as the pollen parent---simply because Wilma Greenlee (bless her) sent me pollen of that iris from Illinois. It worked very well in giving me the size of flower and stem for the tetraploid MTBs (it shows as AMT on my seedling numbers), but only here and there a fall bloom. One cross did give a goodly proportion of seedlings that ARE dependable rebloomers in a wide range of colors---none of which were classifiable or examples of "good form". I still grow some of these and use them. The cross was (of all things) **Abridged Version** x **Gum Drops**. That pollen parent was usually too large of flower for the class and eventually bloomed out for me. Luckily the seedlings did not continue the "bloom out" fault. I will have to see another full bloom season to report on rebloom parented by one of these seedlings.

The aphylla #61-56A (that's how I received it) is a dark violet. Crossed to small flowered black TBs there were some seedlings that showed rebloom but not abundantly. The problem here was narrow petals---a further generation improved this somewhat. If I had crossed this aphylla with a remontanant TB I might have gotten more rebloom.

The aphylla that gave the most dependable rebloom in its seedlings is the white one, B66-2. Crossed with a seedling (**Ice Sculpture** x **Geometrics**) it gave good width but limply held petals in white and pale blue. Regular rebloom here. I have seedlings of these hybrids awaiting another full season of bloom for reporting (hope I make it).

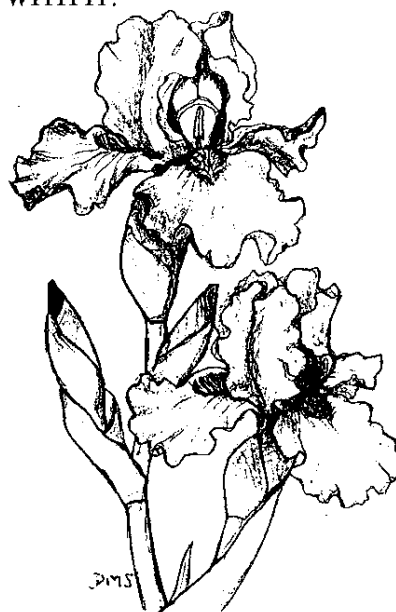
The pollen parent---yes, I actually got one bloom on B66-2 and it set and matured a pod before it said good-bye. The pollen parent of this seedling is RE3030 the parent of which is given above but repeated here (**Ice Sculpture**

x **Geometrics**) is a once-in-a-while rebloomer that breeds remontanants as note: **Bonus Mama**, etc.

I would suggest crossing B66-2 with other remontanants, (or two, or three); cross the seedlings back to a shapely (especially wide petaled) remontanant TBs and then intercross that second generation. You SHOULD get a lot of rebloom with aphylla influence (branching, of course). GOOD LUCK!

Remontanancy keeps turning up in my MDB seedlings, mostly through connections with **Ditto** which reblooms in some gardens but has no hint of rebloomers in its ancestors. It does maintain its MDB size in spite of a 100% SDB parentage. Two newer seedlings related to **Ditto** (children of) are proving even more dependable "come agains": **Doozey** and sister seedling **Trifle**. Others give spotty rebloom. Of course my MDB lines are loaded with *I. aphylla*---but not **Ditto** and some others. Rebloomng MDBs ARE possible.

What these various sections need more than anything else is BREEDERS to make these crosses. Perhaps with a little discussion of the "hows and whys" will spur the program along. LET'S GET WITH IT.



Iris Display at Glenn County Fair

by Rex L. Clark

Our Leo T. Clark Iris Society was invited to have the feature display area in the horticulture building at the Glenn County Fair in Orland, California. We secured the AIS lighted display and also used our Society's display piece. Several pass-outs were duplicated for interested fair goers to pick up.

Leo and Norma Barnard provided several tall bearded irises and Bob Annand brought a nice selection of spurias to put on display. Each evening of the fair we had a speaker talk about a different subject. Leo and Norma Barnard had a program about hybridizing and pacific coast natives. She also brought a display showing the different color patterns of irises. I gave a talk on reblooming irises and even got two new members for our society. Bob Annand gave a talk Friday evening about beardless irises and demonstrated how to divide iris clumps. His spurias were quite a hit, as many thought they only came in yellow. Saturday evening Bill Owen gave a demonstration on how to enter an iris in a show. Thanks to all the above for their help in promoting our society, the AIS and our flower, the iris.



Fall Iris Show

Leo T. Clark Foothills Iris Society

by Rex L. Clark

November 1st and 2nd brought twenty-one exhibitors and thirty-eight entries to the Chico Mall in Chico, California. The age-old question was heard again and again: How do you get these beautiful irises to bloom this time of year? Since we were also selling reblooming iris rhizomes, the answer was easy. Buy these rhizomes, plant them, water and feed them, and bring back a bloom to our show next fall. The Best Iris of the Show was **Misty Twilight**, a tall bearded brought in by Leo Barnard. Best SDB was **Dark Crystal**, exhibited by Bob Annand. Best Junior Iris was **Cayenne Capers** exhibited by Heather Cook. Heather also won best Junior Arrangement, and Best Iris poster. Best Educational Exhibit was won by Christy Howe. There were eleven junior exhibitors exhibiting iris drawings, or arrangements, and bloom stalks. I always like to read the names of the irises that were entered in the show, so I hope you do too. They were: **I Bless**, **Low Ho Silver**, **Sixteen Candles**, **Billionaire** (2), **Cayenne Capers**, **Autumn Tryst**

(several), **Blue Moonlight**, **City Lights**, **Misty Twilight**, **Immortality**, **Bonus Mama**, **Doodle Strudel**, **Autumn Circus** (2), **Feed Back**, **Touch of Spring**, **Reprint**, **St. Petersburg** (2), **Eleanor Roosevelt**, **Lichen**, **Virginia Squire**, **Returning Glory**, **Queen Dorothy**, **Buckwheat**, **High Ho Silver**, **Remember Spring**, **Rosalie Figge**, **Dark Crystal**, and **Smell the Roses**.

We thank our judges for their time and expertise. Our judges were: Fred Kerr, Larry Lauer, Marcy Lauer, and Marilyn Holloway. Most blue ribbons were won by Leo Barnard, and second most blue ribbons were won by Bob Annand.



In Memory of Richard E. Gibson

by John Weiler

The Reblooming Iris Society has lost a long time champion and friend. Richard E. Gibson, "Dick" to most of us, passed away December 13, 1997 after a short stay in the hospital following a stroke. Unassuming and gentle, he had long been an enthusiastic activist for the society and had served in several offices for us over the years as well as hybridizing for better remountants.

He served as Secretary-Treasurer for RIS from 1971-1975, as President 1975-1977, and was editor of the Reblooming Iris Recorder for two long periods stretching from 1975 to mid 1978, then rested a year, and assumed the same job again in mid 1979 through mid 1984. All this while he also served intermittently as Publicity Director for the Society, a record almost no one can match.

As if this were not enough service to the Society, he also hybridized for TB remountants releasing several over the years. His two most recent introductions were **Frequent Flyer** (94), a nice, large white with excellent branching which reblooms most years in California. Perhaps most dependable for rebloom is his **Destry Rides Again** (95) which has a garden effect of golden tan but up close shows glitters of yellow gold and tints of pinkish mauve to brighten the color. Additional seedlings are being evaluated for potential introduction by California growers.

The society has lost a good friend, and an enthusiastic booster of reblooming irises. We will miss him.

A Combined 1997 Rebloom Report by Ginny Spoon

A rebloom report has been compiled with contributions by Richard C. Richards, George Sutton, Bettie Harris of the Pecos Valley Iris Society, and Don and Ginny Spoon, which follows on the next six pages. Of these reports, George Sutton's and ours have also listed spring bloom. Richard C. Richards, located in both Corona and La Mesa, CA, said that his normal spring bloom is between March 1 and June 15. He grows his irises in two gardens in southern California. Both gardens (100 miles apart) are in USDA zone 10. George Sutton's garden is located north of Bakersfield, California, (in Porterville), located in USDA zone 9, but may be zone 8 climate in some years. His peak bloom season is in mid-April, and neither George nor Richard have a killing frost.

The Pecos Valley Iris Society is located around Roswell, New Mexico. According to the USDA map, that puts them in zone 7. We are located in USDA zone 6. We both have killing frosts around early December to early November respectively.

Richard reported that he tended to over water and over fertilize his rebloomers, and that some were killed by his "kindness". Both he and Pecos Valley said that there were "standouts" in their gardens. Richard reported that **Pure as Gold** was one of the most impressive varieties that he has added to his garden in recent years. He also liked **My Friend Jonathan** which was in bloom for five months, in addition to the normal spring bloom. He believes that it may be the best reblooming red available.

Both we and George Sutton grow many varieties of rebloomers, but we have to dig and reset many of them each year and that can make a difference on our reports. George noted on his report which ones were dug, but space was limited so this information was not included.

These four extensive rebloom reports were combined on a spreadsheet to save space. I hope you will find the results interesting and helpful.

These kinds of reports are very helpful in determining which iris may rebloom in your zone. The reblooming iris symposium sometimes leaves questions. Do people when voting in the symposium understand the rule: "vote for the iris that you saw **rebloom** in your area (USDA zone) in the last three years?" None of us want to see misinformation put in the *Reblooming Checklist* and cause confusion.

In 1997, our zone 6 garden had a late freeze which affected spring bloom. Almost 60% of the irises in our garden did not spring bloom. One of the great things about rebloomers is that if you loose your spring bloom, you can enjoy them later in the year. The standouts are the ones which spring bloom, and then rebloom in spite of the unfavorable weather conditions. Several standouts in our garden were: **SDB Baby Prince**, which was our best rebloomer, and **Total Recall**. Our favorite new one was **Romantic Evening** with **Twice Told** and **Pagan Dance** as runners up. We have a lot of new rebloomers planted, (and after composing this report, intend to add more).

The keys in the chart are as follows:

Don and Ginny Spoon (zone 6, VA)	6
Pecos Valley Iris Society (zone 7, NM)	7
George Sutton (zone 8-9, CA)	9
Richard C. Richards (zone 10, CA.)	X

I received two letters from Rae McBride in Anderson, SC who reported two bud stalks on **Low Ho Silver** this winter which were not leftover from the fall, but were new ones formed during her mild winter. **Jewel Baby** rebloomed all winter for her. In another letter written on February 23, she reported bloom stalks on **Sunstrip**, **Glacier King**, **Buckwheat** and **Glowing Seraphim**, and believes that they may have formed early because of the unusually mild winter. Rae adds super phosphate 0-46-0, one teaspoonful worked in around each clump along with her regular spring fertilizing program, and has found stalks to be much thicker and sturdier.

Another correspondence was received from G. Chermel of Fairfield Glade, TN (zone 7). He reported sparse rebloom due to the cold, wet spring, then the dry summer. MTB **Lady Emma** rebloomed for him and he asked if there was another **Lady Emma**, but of a different color. Perhaps it is MTB **Puppy Love** (pink), but he didn't state a color. He also said that July and August were the hottest and driest time of year to divide irises, and just when they were growing well they needed dividing and had a set back. We divide our irises (except the ones we ship) in September, when it is cooler, and don't divide the rebloomers unless we need to dig most of the clump for sale. We cut off pieces from the edges of others, and leave the rest of the clump to rebloom. I hope this will help.

	Type	Name	hybridizer	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	IB	ABBEY CHANT	(Sutton 98)	9		9	9							9	9
2	TB	AMANDA ERIN	(Zurbrigg 85)											9	
3	TB	ANGELIC WINGS	(B. Miller 91)									7		7	
4	TB	ANON	(J. Gibson 75)									7		7	
5	TB	ANXIOUS	(Hager 92)											9	
6	TB	ARTISTIC GOLD	(Denman 72)						X	X		X	X		
7	TB	ASPEN	(Byers 89)							X	X				
8	TB	AUTUMN BUGLER	(Jones 86)					6				6/7	7	7	
9	TB	AUTUMN CIRCUS	(Hager 90)											6	
10	TB	AUTUMN CLOUDS	(Hager 90)							X					
11	TB	AUTUMN ELEGANCE	(Smith 68)									7	7	7	
12	TB	AUTUMN ENCORE	(Mohr 77)									7		7	
13	TB	AUTUMN KING	(Sass 24)									7	7		
14	SDB	AUTUMN MAPLE	(Weiler 92)			9	9								
15	TB	AUTUMN SUNSET	(Lapham 39)									7	7		
16	TB	AUTUMN TRYST	(Weiler 93)									6	6		
17	BB	BABY BENGAL	(Sutton 90)	9		9	9								9
18	SDB	BABY BLESSED	(Zurbrigg 79)			9	9		9	9		7	6/7	6	
19	SDB	BABY BOOM	(Byers 90)			9	9		9	9					9
20	SDB	BABY PRINCE	(Zurbrigg 95)					6		6	6	6	6	6	
21	TB	BANANA CREAM	(Byers 89)											6	
22	TB	BARN DANCE	(Byers 91)										7	6	
23	TB	BAYBERRY CANDLE	(DeForest 69)							X					
24	TB	BELLEEK PASTEL	(Applegate 72)								7	7	7	7	
25	TB	BILLIONAIRE	(Byers 87)	X				6				7	X	7	X
26	IB	BLACK MAGIC	(Wayman 35)									7	7	7	
27	TB	BLATANT	(Byers 90)	X	X							7		6/7/X	X
28	IB	BLESSED AGAIN	(F. Jones 76)										7	7	
29	IB	BLESSED ASSURANCE	(Zurbrigg 95)									6	6		
30	SDB	BLITZ	(Weiler 85)			9	9	9	9	9					9
31	TB	BLUE CHIP PINK	(Niswonger 90)											7	
32	TB	BONUS MAMA	(Hager 90)					6				7	6/7	6/X	
33	TB	BOUNTIFUL HARVEST	(Hager 91)					6				7	7	6/7	
34	TB	BUCKWHEAT	(Byers 89)	X	X			6				6	6/7	7/X	X
35	TB	CANTINA	(Byers 90)								6		7	X	
36	BB	CANYON DE CHELLY	(Durrance 91)											6	
37	TB	CAROLINE GIBBS	(Byers 90)									7	7	7	
38	TB	CASCADE PASS	(R. Cooper 72)											X	X
39	TB	CAYENNE CAPERS	(Gibson 59)							X	X		X		X
40	TB	CEASE-FIRE	(Roberts 80)	X	X										X
41	TB	CELESTIAL HAPPINESS	(B. Miller 89)											6	
42	TB	CERTAINLY CERTAINLY	(Benson 81)										7	7	
43	TB	CHAMPAGNE ELEGANCE	(Niswonger 87)						X	6	6				
44	BB	CHAMPAGNE JUNIOR	(Niswonger 94)									6	6		
45	IB	CHERRY SUPREME	(Zurbrigg 77)							6					
46	TB	CHIEF HEMATITE	(Gibson 83)										X		
47	TB	CLARENCE	(Zurbrigg 91)			9	9				9	7			
48	TB	COLORWATCH	(Innerst 87)			9	9							6/7	
49	IB	CONCOCTION	(Byers 91)									6	6		
50	TB	CORAL CHARMER	(Wright 83)			9	9			6	9	7		6	
51	TB	CORN HARVEST	(Wyatt 77)			9	9		9	9	9	9	9		
52	TB	CURTAIN UP	(Byers 88)			9	9							X	X
53	MDB	CYANEA	(G&K 1899)										6		
54	TB	DANTE'S INFERNO	(Moores 79)	X			9	9				9	9		

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55	SDB	DARK CRYSTAL	(Byers 88)			9	9	9	9	9				9	9
56	SDB	DARKLING	(Byers 89)											6	
57	TB	DASHING	(Byers 91)			9	9								
58	IB	DAWN	(Yeld 1911)											6	
59	TB	DESTROY RIDES AGAIN	(R. Gibson 94)			9	9						7	7	
60	TB	DIME SPOT	(Moore 85)			9	9						7	7	
61	TB	DORCAS LIVES AGAIN	(B. Miller 84)				9		9	7	9	9			
62	TB	DOUBLE AGENT	(Maryott 88)	X			9	9	X	X					
63	SDB	DOUBLE BYTE	(Sutton 97)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9			9	9	9
64	TB	DOUBLE CHARM	(Sutton 97)			9	9								
65	TB	DOUBLE DUTY	(Austin 59)										7	7	
66	TB	DOUBLE TIME	(Hager 84)				9			9				6	
67	BB	DOUBLE UP	(Hager 84)				9				6	6		9	9
68	TB	DOUBLEMINT	(Byers 87)			9	9								
69	SIB	DREAMING YELLOW	(McEwen 71)						6	6					
70	TB	DUKE OF EARL	(Byers 87)			9	9	9	9	9	9	9/X	9	6/X	
71	TB	EARL OF ESSEX	(Zurbrigg 79)			9	9			9	9	9	7/9	7	
72	TB	EARL OF LEICESTER	(Zurbrigg 85)				9				9			9	9
73	TB	EGG NOG	(Byers 90)			9	9		X	X	X		X	X	X
74	TB	EMMA LOUISA	(Buckles 69)				9						6/7	7	
75	TB	ETERNAL BLISS	(Byers 88)				9		9	9	9	9	9		
76	TB	ETERNAL WALTZ	(Danielson 89)				9		9	9	9	7/9	7/9		
77	SDB	EXTRA CHARM	(Weiler 90)				9						7		
78	TB	FAITHFUL AND TRUE	(Spoon 98)										6	6	
79	TB	FALL PRIMROSE	(G.P. Brown 56)									6/7	7	7	
80	TB	FEED BACK	(Hager 83)	X			9	9	9	9/X	7/9	6/7/9	6/7/9	6/7	9
81	TB	FEMININE WILES	(Nelson 86)				9	9							
82	MDB	FEY	(Hager 93)										6		
83	TB	FIRE ON ICE	(Weiler 90)												X
84	TB	FLOORSHOW	(Byers 89)			9	9					9	9	6/9	
85	SDB	FLOWER SHOWER	(Weiler 90)			9	9								
86	TB	FOREVER GOLD	(Sutton 97)	9		9	9	9						9	9
87	TB	FOREVER YOURS	(Hager 93)				9					9	9	6	
88	TB	FO9Y LADY	(Nelson 88)										7	7	
89	TB	FREQUENT FLYER	(R. Gibson 94)			9	9	9							
90	TB	FROST ECHO	(Aitken 95)				9						6/	6/	
91	TB	G'DAY MATE	(Maryott 87)				9		9						
92	TB	GARDEN GRACE	(Zurbrigg 81)				9				7		7	7	
93	TB	GENTEEL	(Byers 91)				9			9				6	
94	TB	GIBSON GIRL	(Gibson 46)				9	9		9	9	9	9		
95	TB	GILDED	(Byers 89)				9			9/X	X	X	X	X	
96	SDB	GINGERBREAD MAN	(B. Jones 69)									6			
97	TB	GLOWING SERAPHIM	(B. Miller 87)			9	9								
98	SDB	GNU'S SPREAD	(Kasperek 96)				9		9	9					
99	TB	GOD'S HANDIWORK	(Ghio 90)				9	9							
100	TB	GOLD BURST	(Palmer 80)				9					9	9	9	9
101	TB	GOLD REPRISE	(Moore 88)				9				7/9		7/9	6/7/X	9/X
102	SDB	GOLDEN CHILD	(Byers 89)			9				9	9	9	9	9	9
103	TB	GOLDEN ENCORE	(Jones 73)								7	7			
104	TB	GOLDEN IMMORTAL	(Sutton 97)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
105	TB SA	GOOD FAIRY	(Byers 89)			9	9								
106	TB	GRACE THOMAS	(Zurbrigg 82)										7	7	
107	TB	GRAND BAROQUE	(Zurbrigg 69)										6		
108	TB	GRAPE ADVENTURE	(F. Jones 86)				9	6					6	7	

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109	MDB	GRAPELET	(Aitken 89)			9								9	
110	SDB	GRAY POUPON	(Byers 89)											9	9
111	TB	GREEN AND GIFTED	(Blyth 90)												X
112	TB	GREEN HOPE	(Rees 56)	X											
113	SDB	GYPSY BOY	(Blodgett 78)											6	
114	TB	HALLOWEEN HALO	(Weiler 91)			9	9								
115	TB	HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN	(Byers 86)			9	9								
116	TB	HAPPY NEW YEAR	(Byers 90)	9		9	9					9	7/9	6/7/9	
117	TB	HARVEST OF MEMORIES	(Zurbrigg 85)			9	9	9				7	7/9	7	
118	SDB	HAVEN	(Byers 91)										6		
119	TB	HEART OF ICE	(Byers 89)				9		9		9	6		6/9	
120	SDB	HEATHER BLUSH	(Hamner 77)	X	X										
121	BB	HEAVEN'S BOUNTY	(B. Miller 82)										6	6	
122	TB	HEAVENLY BLISS	(Byers 89)	X										X	X
123	TB	HELL'S FIRE	(Roberts 76)			9	9	9							
124	TB	HEMSTITCHED	(Hager 90)				9			9		7			
125	TB	HER ROYAL HIGHNESS	(Byers 89)				9							6	
126	IB SA	HI	(Byers 90)			9	9							6/9	9
127	TB	HIGH HO SILVER	(Byers 89)				9	6/9			7		6	7	
128	TB SA	HIGH IMPACT	(Sutton 98)			9	9			9					
129	TB	HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS	(Byers 89)			9	9	9			9	7	7/9	7	
130	TB	HOLY NIGHT	(Mohr 83)				9	9		X	X		7/X	7/X	
131	TB	HONEY SCOOP	(Sutton 97)			9	9	9	9	9			9		
132	SDB	HOT	(Byers 90)			9	9								
133	IB	I BLESS	(Zurbrigg 85)									7	7	9	
134	TB	I DO	(Zurbrigg 74)				9			9	9	9	7/9	7/9	
135	TB	ICELAND	(Byers 91)				9					7	9	9	
136	TB	IMAGE MAKER	(Williamson 83)							X					
137	TB	IMMORTALITY	(Zurbrigg 82)	9			9		9	7/9	7/9	9	9	9	
138	TB	INFERNAL FIRE	(Richardson 94)			9	9		9						
139	TB	ISTANBUL	(Byers 90)	9			9	9			9	7/9	7/9	6/9	
140	TB	JAUNTY TEXAN	(Denman 73)										6	6	
141	TB	JEAN GUYMER	(Zurbrigg 77)			9	9		9	9			9		
142	TB	JENNIFER REBECCA	(Zurbrigg 85)				9			9	6	6			
143	TB	JUICY FRUIT	(Byers 89)			9	9			6	6				
144	MTB	LADY EMMA	(F. Jones 86)	9		9	9		9		9	7/9	7/9	7/9	9
145	TB	LADY ESSEX	(Zurbrigg 91)			9	9			9	9	9	9	6	
146	TB	LAKE REPRISE	(Moore 90)				9	9							
147	TB	LAS VEGAS	(Byers 89)	9		9	9					9		6/9	
148	TB	LATEST STYLE	(Zurbrigg 79)				9						6		
149	BB	LEAH TRADED	(B. Miller 90)									6	6		
150	TB	LEMON DUET	(R. Smith 78)				9				X	X	X		
151	TB	LEMON REFLECTION	(R. Smith 78)				9		X	X			X	6/7	X
152	BB	LEMON UP	(Magee 94)			9								9	9
153	TB	lichen	(Byers 89)						X	X	X	X	7/X	7/X	X
154	TB	LIGHT BEAM	(Blyth 86)				9		X	X				X	
155	TB	LILTING	(Byers 91)				9	9				9	9		9
156	TB	LIMA	(Ghio 95)							X					
157	SDB	LITTLE BLUE-EYES	(Weiler 93)			9	9								
158	SDB	LITTLE BLUETS	(Weiler 92)			9	9								
159	SDB	LITTLE VIOLET CHARM	(Sutton 97)			9	9	9	9						
160	IB	LOW HO SILVER	(Byers 89)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9/X	9/X	7/9/X	7/9	7/9	9
161	BB	LUCIE ANDRY	(Spoon 97)											6	
162	TB	LUMINOSITY	(Byers 91)			9	9						7	7	

	Type	Name	hybridizer	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
163	TB	MAGIC MEMORIES	(Clark/Nichols 73)			9	9							6/7	
164	TB	MANY HAPPY RETURNS	(Hager 88)				9	9							
165	TB	MARIPOSA SKIES	(Tasco 96)		X		9								
166	TB	MATRIX	(Hall 91)				9	6					7	7	
167	TB SA	MESMERIZER	(Byers 91)				9	9							
168	TB	MIDNIGHT PACIFIC	(Foster 88)				9						6	6	
169	BB	MINI CHAMPAGNE	(Sutton 98)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9					
170	TB	MISS PORTERVILLE	(Sutton 98)	9		9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
171	TB	MISTY LADY	(Sides 94)			9	9								
172	TB	MISTY TWILIGHT	(Byers 88)	X			9			9	9	9	7/9	7/9/X	X
173	TB	MOTHER EARTH	(Hager 88)				9	9	9						
174	TB	MOUNTAIN VIOLET	(Hamner 85)				9	9							
175	TB	MY FRIEND JONATHAN	(B.Miller 94)							X		X	7/X	X	X
176	TB	MY VALENTINE	(Hager 87)						X						
177	TB	NEON VIOLET	(Jensen 75)									7	7	7	
178	TB	NORTHWARD HO	(Zurbrigg 91)	9			9		9	7/9	7	9			
179	TB	OCTOBER.	(Byers 89)				9	9							X
180	TB	OLIVE REFLECTION	(R.Smith 94)												X
181	TB	ORANGE HARVEST	(Jones 88)				9		7				7	7	
182	IB	ORANGE PETALS	(Niswonger 91)											7	
183	TB	ORCHID CLOUD	(Applegate 74)				9	9		7		7	7	7	
184	TB	PAGAN DANCE	(Blyth 89)	9			9				6				
185	IB	PALM SPRINGS	(Byers 90)			9					6	6			
186	TB	PEACH JAM	(Ensminger 89)				9		7		7	7			
187	BB	PEACH PARASOL	(Spoon 97)					6					6	6	
188	TB	PEARLS OF AUTUMN	(Hager 93)				9			X	X		X	X	X
189	TB	PEPPER BLEND	(W.Moores 77)				9							7	
190	TB	PEPPER LANE	Jensen 75)						7			7	7	7	
191	TB	PERFUME COUNTER	(Zurbrigg 72)			9	9					7	7	7	
192	BB	PETKIN	(Zurbrigg 69)				9			9	9				
193	TB	PINK ATTRACTION	(Hall 88)				9	9					6/7	7/9	
194	BB	PINK REPRISE	(W.Moores 91)				9						6	6	
195	TB	PINKNESS	(Byers 89)				9	9						9	
196	SDB	PIPI LONGSTOCKINGS	(Innerst 85)			9	9								
197	SDB	PLUM WINE	(Weiler 86)			9							6	6	
198	SDB	PLUM-PLUM	(Boswell 80)										6	6	
199	TB	PORCELAIN FRILLS	(Hager 93)				9							6	
200	IB	PRECIOUS LITTLE PINK	(Byers/Dickey 95)			9					9	9	9	9	9
201	TB	PRESUMPTION	(Zurbrigg 74)											6	
202	SDB	PRETTY AGAIN	(Sutton 97)			9	9		9				9	9	9
203	TB	PRICILLA OF CORINTH	(B.Miller 94)	X	X		9		X				X		
204	IB	PRIDE AND GLORY	(Palmer 92)							6					
205	TB	PRIDE OF IRELAND	(Noyd 71)											X	X
206	TB	PRINCE OF EARL	(Moores 89)				9				9	9	9		
208	SDB	PRINCESS BLUE EYES	(Sutton 96)			9	9								
209	TB	PRINCESS PITYPAT	(Tompkins 95)				9							7	
210	TB	PROGRESSIVE ATTITUDE	(Innerst 92)			9	9			9					
211	MDB	PUPPET BABY	(Boswell 82)			9								9	
212	TB	PURE AS GOLD	(Maryott 93)	X	X		9							X	X
213	TB	QUEEN DOROTHY	(Hall 84)			9	9		9	9			6/7		
215	TB	RADIANT ANGEL	(B.Miller 88)	X		9	9								X
216	SDB	RAINBOW SHERBET	(Weiler 88)							6			6		
217	TB	RAVENWOOD	(Lowry 71)				9					9	9		
218	TB	RECURRING DREAM	(Hager 93)				9	9	X		6	6	6		

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219	TB	RECURRING GLORY	(Sutton 99)	9			9	9						9	9
220	TB	RECURRING RUFFLES	(Hager 90)				9	9						7	
221	TB	RED GRAPES	(Zurbrigg 76)										6		
222	TB	REDELTA	(R. Smith 92)				9	9							
223	SDB	REFINED	(Weiler 87)										6		
224	SDB	REHASH	(Sutton 98)			9	9				9				9
225	TB	REITERATE	(Nelson 88)		X				X	X	X				
226	TB	REMEMBER SPRING	(Hager 85)				9					7	7	7	
227	TB	RENOWN	(Zurbrigg 92)				9					X	X	X	X
228	TB	REPLAY	(Ghio 80)				9	9							
229	SDB	ROMANITA	(Blyth 93)			9	9								
230	TB	ROMANTIC EVENING	(Ghio 96)								6	6			
231	TB	RONEY'S ENCORE	(Spoon 97)											6	
232	TB	ROSALIE FIGGE	(McKnew 93)				9			9			9		
233	ENS	ROSE FRAPPE	(A. Miller 88)						6	6					
234	TB	ROTUNDA	(Byers 91)											6	
235	TB	ROYAL KNIGHT	(R. Brown 61)									7			
236	TB	ROYAL SUMMER	(Applegate 71)				9			9	6	9			
237	SDB	RUSTY DUSTY	(Hager 88)										6		
238	TB	SAMARITAN WOMAN	(B. Miller 75)	X											
239	TB	SAXON	(Byers 90)	9									9		X
240	TB	SAY OKAY	(Burseen 90)			9	9						7		X
241	TB	SEA WORLD	(Byers 90)	X	X	9	9	9	9	X					X
242	TB	SECOND LOOK	(Muhlestein 70)				9							7	
243	TB	SECOND WIND	(Byers 89)				9					9	9		
244	TB	SEPTEMBER FROST	(Sutton 98)	9		9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
245	TB	SEPTEMBER REPLAY	(Jones/Lowe 92)									7			
246	TB	SIGN OF LEO	(Zurbrigg 76)				9			9					
247	TB	SIGN OF VIRGO	(Zurbrigg 91)				9					9	9		
248	TB	SILVER DIVIDENDS	(Zurbrigg 91)				9	9	9	9		9	9	X	X
249	TB	SILVER SCREEN	(Byers 89)				9		9	9	9				
250	TB	SISTER MIRIAM SINGS	(B. Miller 94)												X
251	TB	SKOOKUMCHUCK	(Gibson 82)			9	9								
252	TB	SKY QUEEN	(Craig 62)								7	7			
253	SDB	SMELL THE ROSES	(Byers 88)									7	7	7	
254	TB	SOAP OPERA	(Ghio 82)				9	9							
255	TB	SOLSTICE	(Weiler 92)			9	9							X	X
256	TB	SOUTHERN SPY	(Zurbrigg 69)										6	6	
257	SDB	SPARKPLUG	(Byers 89)												
258	TB	SPEED LIMIT	(Lauer 92)				9				7				
259	TB	SPIRIT OF MEMPHIS	(Zurbrigg 77)				9							6	
260	BB	SPITFIRE	(Hager 92)				9						6	6	
261	TB	SPLASH O' WINE	(Vogel 73)	X	X				X	X	X	X	X	X	X
262	TB	ST. PETERSBURG	(Byers 90)			9	9	9	9/X	9	9	7/9	7/9	6/7	
263	ENS	STAR AT MIDNIGHT	(R. Rich 64)						6	6					
264	TB	STAR PERFORMER	(Meek 84)	9		9	9								
265	TB	STARLIT VELVET	(Stahly 91)				9			9					
266	TB	STARSHIP	(Byers 89)						9	9					
267	TB SA	STINGRAY	(Byers 89)											6	
268	TB	SUGAR BLUES	(Zurbrigg 85)				9	6/9					6/7	7	
269	TB	SUKY	(Mahan 91)				9				9			7	
270	TB	SUMMER HOLIDAYS	(Zurbrigg 75)				9	9	9	9	9	9	7/9	9	9
271	TB	SUMMER MAGIC	(McWhirter 88)									7	7		
272	TB	SUMMER OLYMPICS	(R. Smith 80)				9						7		X

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273	TB	SUMMER TIME BLUES	(Sutton 99)				9	9		9	9			9	9
274	TB	SUNNY DISPOSITION	(Zurbrigg 91)				9				9/X	9/X	9	9	9
275	TB	SUN SNAP	(Gibson 75)							9	9				
276	MDB	SURPRISE ORANGE	(Collins 75)										6		
277	TB SA	SYLVAN	(Byers 90)				9	9							
278	IB	TAWNY	(Pray 74)									7	7	7	
279	TB	TEA LEAVES	(Byers 87)	9		9	9	9	X		9	9	9/X	9	9
280	TB	THEN AGAIN	(Byers 89)				9				9	9	9	6	
281	TB	THREE SEASONS	(Sutton 97)	9		9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
282	BB	TIME OF SNOW	(B. Miller 87)											6	
283	TB	TOTAL RECALL	(Hager 92)				9	6	9/X	6-X	6/9	6-9	6-9	6-X	9/X
284	TB	TWICE TOLD	(Maryott 94)				9			7	6	6			
285	SDB	TWINKLE TWINKLE	(Byers 89)											6	
286	BB	ULTRA ECHO	(Rich 72)				9	9		9					
287	MDB	VELVET TOY	(Dunbar/Sindt 72)										6		
288	TB	VIOLET CLASSIC	(Zurbrigg 76)				9					7	7	7	
289	TB	VIOLET MIRACLE	(Zurbrigg 79)				9							6	
290	TB	VIOLET MUSIC	(Mahan 91)				9				9	9	9	7/9	9
291	TB	VIOLET RETURNS	(Hall 88)				9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
292	TB	VIRGINIA BAUER	(Richardson 93)				9						9	9	
293	BB	WATERS OF MIRABA	(B. Miller 91)						9	9					
294	TB	WAVES OF GRAIN	(Byers 94)			9	9								
295	TB	WELDON GIBBS	(Byers 90)				9	9	9						
296	TB	WELL ENDOWED	(Ghio 79)				9	9							
297	SDB	WHAT AGAIN	(Ensminger 91)			9	9	9							
298	BB	WHOOOP 'EM UP	(Brady 74)	X	X										
299	TB	WINESAP	(Byers 89)			9	9	6			9	9	9	6/9	9
300	TB	WINGS OF DREAMS	(Woodside 75)	X											X
301	TB	WINTERLAND	(Byers 90)				9			X	X	9/X	7/9	9/X	9/X
302	TB	WITCH OF ENDOR	(B. Miller 77)				9					7	7/9	7	
303	TB	YOUTH DEW	(Zurbrigg 80)				9						6		
304	TB	ZURICH	(Byers 90)				9	6	X	X	9	9/X	6/9	6/7/9	9

We were saddened to learn of the death of Jane McKnew on Sunday, April 29th. Jane was the hybridizer of the reblooming iris 'Rosalie Figge' which many of us grow and love. Jane brought lovely seedlings to the iris shows and was an active and much loved member of Region 4 and the Francis Scott Key Iris Society. We will miss her greatly.

1997 REBLOOMING SYMPOSIUM RESULTS

Tall Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
71	Immortality	Zurbrigg 82	5	16	19	16	3	8	4
69	Feed Back	Hager 83	2	9	14	15	5	18	6
56	Queen Dorothy	Hall 84	4	17	15	13	3	4	0
52	Harvest of Memories	Zurbrigg 85	1	10	15	11	5	8	2
52	Pink Attraction	Hall 88	4	11	16	8	3	9	1
50	Champagne Elegance	Niswonger 87	4	7	13	11	4	9	2
47	Earl of Essex	Zurbrigg 80	1	7	11	11	3	11	3
46	Corn Harvest	Wyatt 77	4	11	7	13	5	3	3
45	Clarence	Zurbrigg 91	1	3	11	16	2	10	2
43	Autumn Circus	Hager 90	1	4	6	7	6	15	4
39	Rosalie Figge	McKnew 93	2	1	10	6	3	15	2
38	Jennifer Rebecca	Zurbrigg 85	2	5	9	12	1	6	3
37	Buckwheat	Byers 89	1	3	8	9	5	8	3
36	Bountiful Harvest	Hager 91	2	9	4	6	2	11	2
33	Coral Charmer	Wright 83	2	11	9	6	0	2	3
31	Matrix	Hall 91	3	7	7	7	1	6	0
30	Zurich	Byers 89	1	4	6	4	5	6	4
29	Autumn Bugler	Jones 86	3	4	14	6	0	2	0
29	Billionaire	Byers 87	0	5	4	8	4	5	3
27	I Do	Zurbrigg 74	4	6	7	8	0	2	0
26	Bonus Mama	Hager 90	2	3	3	6	2	6	4
25	Eternal Bliss	Byers 88	3	3	4	10	3	0	2
25	Northward Ho	Byers 91	1	2	7	8	2	5	0
24	Happy New Year	Byers 90	1	2	6	6	1	6	2
24	Speed Limit	Lauer 92	0	4	2	2	0	11	5
24	Total Recall	Hager 92	1	1	5	5	2	8	2
23	Hemstitched	Hager 88	0	0	2	10	1	6	4
23	High Ho Silver	Byers 89	1	5	5	3	2	3	4
23	Holy Night	Mohr 83	0	0	3	7	1	10	2
23	Juicy Fruit	Byers 89	0	4	3	2	4	6	4
23	Mother Earth	Hager 88	1	1	3	3	2	11	2
23	Perfume Counter	Zurbrigg 72	1	4	8	6	1	3	0
22	Anxious	Hager 92	3	1	1	10	0	5	2
22	Sunny Disposition	Zurbrigg 91	0	2	7	10	1	2	0
22	Violet Returns	Hall 88	4	3	5	6	0	4	0
21	Autumn Tryst	Weiler 93	2	4	3	5	3	4	0
21	Sugar Blues	Zurbrigg 85	2	5	5	5	1	3	0
20	Duke of Earl	Byers 87	1	4	3	4	1	4	3
20	English Cottage	Zurbrigg 76	2	3	4	8	3	0	0
20	Pure as Gold	Maryott 89	0	2	1	1	3	12	1
20	Summer Olympics	Smith 80	1	3	6	6	0	2	2
20	Victoria Falls	Schreiner 77	1	1	4	6	3	3	2
19	Grape Adventure	Jones 86	1	5	7	4	1	1	0
19	Istanbul	Byers 89	0	0	2	6	2	6	3
18	Blazing Sunrise	Black 85	1	1	2	1	5	5	3
18	Lichen	Byers 89	3	6	6	0	0	2	1
18	Misty Twilight	Byers 88	2	4	0	5	3	3	1
18	Winesap	Byers 89	0	2	2	1	1	6	6
17	Brother Carl	Zurbrigg 83	0	2	7	5	0	2	1
17	Cantina	Byers 90	0	2	5	2	0	7	1
17	Halloween Halo	Weiler 91	0	0	0	5	2	8	2
17	Spirit of Memphis	Zurbrigg 77	0	1	2	12	1	1	0

Tall Bearded (cont.)

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
17	Stellar Lights	Aitken 86	0	0	2	8	1	4	2
17	Tea Leaves	Byers 87	0	4	6	1	2	2	2
17	Violet Music	Mahan 91	1	1	5	7	1	1	1
17	Winterland	Byers 89	1	2	3	5	0	3	3
16	Golden Encore	Jones 73	4	4	3	4	1	0	0
16	Tennison Ridge	Begley 89	0	0	3	1	1	7	4
16	Witch of Endor	Miller 78	0	3	4	6	1	2	0
15	Belvi Queen	Jensen 76	2	7	4	2	0	0	0
15	Jean Guymer	Zurbrigg 77	1	4	3	4	0	2	1
14	Autumn Encore	Mohr 77	1	2	4	5	0	1	1
14	Best Bet	Schreiners 88	1	3	2	4	0	3	1
14	Orange Harvest	Jones 88	1	3	3	3	0	4	0
14	Orchid Cloud	Applegate 74	3	1	3	3	2	2	0
14	Pinkness	Byers 89	0	3	5	2	0	4	0
14	Recurring Ruffles	Hager 90	1	1	2	3	1	1	0
14	Sunny Shoulders	Hager 90	1	0	1	3	1	6	2
14	Then Again	Byers 89	0	3	3	3	3	1	1
14	Violet Miracle	Zurbrigg 79	0	0	4	8	0	2	0
13	Dorcas Lives Again	Miller 84	1	5	2	1	1	2	1
13	Double Scoop	Ghio 81	0	1	0	2	3	5	2
13	Her Royal Highness	Byers 89	0	4	1	2	1	3	2
13	Sign of Leo	Zurbrigg 77	2	2	3	5	0	1	0
12	Cayenne Capers	Gibson 59	0	0	2	5	2	2	1
12	Colorwatch	Innerst 87	0	7	1	1	0	2	1
12	Frappe	Byers 91	0	0	2	6	1	2	1
12	Late Lilac	Niswonger 74	1	7	0	3	0	1	0
12	Lemon Duet	Smith 78	0	3	4	3	0	2	0
12	Peach Jam	Ensminger 89	2	3	2	2	2	1	0
12	Reincarnation	Byers 89	0	3	1	2	2	3	1
12	Renown	Zurbrigg 92	0	1	2	6	0	2	1
12	St. Petersburg	Byers 90	0	2	2	1	2	4	1
12	Suky	Mahan 91	0	2	3	6	1	0	0
11	Grace Thomas	Zurbrigg 80	0	2	2	3	1	2	1
11	Saxon	Byers 90	1	1	0	3	0	4	2
11	September Replay	Jones/Lowe 92	1	1	2	6	0	1	0
11	Stingray	Byers 89	0	0	1	2	1	5	2
11	Waves of Grain	Byers 94	0	1	1	3	0	5	1
10	Belvi Cloud	Jensen 88	1	4	5	0	0	0	0
10	Blue Moonlight	Byers 89	0	1	3	4	0	2	0
10	Floorshow	Byers 89	1	1	0	0	0	6	2
10	His Royal Highness	Byers 89	0	1	0	3	1	3	2
10	Lemon Reflection	Smith 78	0	0	3	3	1	3	0
10	Recurring Dream	Hager 93	1	1	2	0	1	3	2
9	Amanda Erin	Zurbrigg 85	0	3	1	4	1	0	0
9	Cease-Fire	Roberts 80	0	0	0	0	1	3	5
9	Christopher Columbus	Hager 92	0	5	0	1	0	3	4
9	Dantes Inferno	Moore 79	0	0	0	1	1	3	4
9	Glacier King	Carson 86	0	0	0	4	1	3	1
9	Pearls of Autumn	Hager 93	0	0	2	1	0	3	3
9	Remember Spring	Hager 85	1	1	2	3	1	1	0
9	Royal Summer	Applegate 71	2	1	3	1	2	0	0
9	Second Look	Muhlstein 70	1	1	0	5	2	0	0
9	Skookumchuck	Gibson 83	0	2	0	0	2	5	0
9	Tang Fizz	Annand 93	0	2	0	1	1	5	0
9	Touch of Spring	Applegate 72	1	1	4	2	1	0	0
9	Violet Classic	Zurbrigg 77	0	0	6	2	0	1	0

Border Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
17	Lenora Pearl	Nichols 90	0	5	1	4	1	5	1
13	Color Brite	Ensminger 86	1	3	0	3	0	5	1
12	Whoop 'Em Up	Brady 74	0	0	1	3	0	5	1
10	Baby Bengal	Sutton 90	0	0	0	7	0	6	2
10	Marmalade Skies	Niswonger 78	0	0	1	2	0	6	1
10	Sonjas Selah	Ensminger 89	0	0	0	4	0	4	2
9	Faux Pas	Keppel 90	0	0	0	0	0	8	1
6	Pink Reprise	Moores 91	1	0	2	1	0	1	1
5	Little Susie	Quadros 70	0	0	2	2	0	1	0

Intermediate Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
47	Low Ho Silver	Byers 89	3	8	7	12	2	9	6
33	I Bless	Zurbrigg 85	1	5	12	12	1	1	1
23	Eleanor Roosevelt	Sass H.P. 33	0	2	7	4	2	6	2
23	Honey Glazed	Niswonger 83	0	4	6	1	1	8	3
22	Blessed Again	Jones 76	1	2	5	11	0	2	1
11	Pink Kitten	Wood 77	0	0	0	1	0	8	2
9	Black Magic	Wayman 35	0	3	0	5	0	0	1
8	Hi	Byers 89	0	1	2	0	0	4	1
8	Sixteen Candles	Byers 89	1	0	2	1	0	2	2
8	Tawny	Pray 74	0	0	2	3	2	1	0

Miniature Tall Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
39	Lady Emma	Jones 86	1	7	11	12	2	5	1

Standard Dwarf Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
65	Baby Blessed	Zurbrigg 79	2	16	16	18	5	8	0
40	Jewel Baby	Hall 84	1	10	9	7	3	7	3
38	Plum Wine	Weiler 86	3	3	10	6	2	11	3
38	Smell the Roses	Byers 88	2	9	10	4	1	10	2
33	Dark Crystal	Byers 88	3	7	4	5	2	9	3
30	Little Showoff	Hall 89	0	3	10	7	0	10	0
29	What Again	Ensminger 91	0	5	7	3	2	10	0
20	Flower Shower	Weiler 90	1	1	1	2	2	12	1
20	Third Charm	Weiler 82	1	5	3	7	2	2	0
19	Thrice Blessed	Weiler 81	0	2	2	2	5	8	0
16	Darkling	Byers 89	0	2	1	6	3	4	0
14	Little Blue-Eyes	Weiler 93	0	1	0	3	1	7	2

Standard Dwarf Bearded (cont.)

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
13	Autumn Maple	Weiler 92	0	0	5	2	0	6	0
13	Golden Child	Byers 89	3	1	2	4	1	2	0
13	Refined	Weiler 87	1	3	5	2	0	2	0
11	Baby Boom	Byers 90	0	1	5	3	0	2	0
11	Rainbow Sherbet	Weiler 88	0	1	0	2	1	5	2
10	Sunstrip	Weiler 86	0	2	0	4	0	4	0
10	Little Bluets	Weiler 92	0	0	2	1	1	4	2
10	Gray Poupon	Byers 89	1	2	1	3	0	3	0
10	Golden Violet	Weiler 93	0	1	1	2	1	4	1
8	Auroralita	Weiler 90	0	3	2	0	0	3	0
8	Extra Charm	Weiler 90	0	0	2	0	2	4	0
8	Little Bishop	Weiler 84	0	5	1	0	0	2	0

Miniature Dwarf Bearded

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
15	Ditto	Hager 82	1	0	2	3	4	4	1
4	Gnuz Spread	Kasperek 96	0	1	1	0	0	2	0
3	Velvet Toy	Dunbar 72	0	1	0	0	2	0	0

BEARDLESS IRISES

Louisiana

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
4	Red Echo	Rowan 84	0	0	0	3	0	1	0
3	Blue Duke	Arny/Carjoy 63	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

Siberian

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
9	Pink Haze	McGarvey 80	0	1	0	3	0	3	2
6	Reprise	Warburton 87	0	3	1	2	0	0	0
3	Chartreuse Bounty	McEwen 83	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
3	Helicopter	Shidara, Ho by Hager 88	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
2	My Love	Scheffy R.49	0	0	0	0	2	0	0

Japanese

Total Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer & Year Introduced	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8	Zone 9	Zone 10
6	Royal Crown	Marx 61	0	1	0	1	0	2	2
3	Taffeta and Velvet	Ackerman 90	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
2	Star at Midnight	R. Rich 64	0	0	2	0	0	0	0

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1998 INTRODUCTIONS

CAMEO BLUSH (Weiler '98) BB 25" E-L & RE. Sdlg. 89-180-1RE. On the coral side of peachy pink the 4x 4" flowers have flaring falls, slightly waved on the margins, and peachy yellow beards. Three branched stalks have seven buds. Consistent height and flower size for a border bearded in California. Has not failed to RE abundantly for seven successive years. Eternal Bliss X Reiterate. RE: CA (9). \$35.00

CARIBBEAN AHOY (Zurbrigg '98) 40" ML. Sdlg. KK 41-3-2. Primrose yellow standards and style arms. White falls bordered yellow with bright yellow-gold beards with long deep violet appendages. The appendages are akin to horns, but longer and "softer". Strong growth and stalks bearing many buds, including three buds in the terminal. The name was given by Raymond Oakley who grows it extremely well. Fred Stephenson sdlg. 82-14-01: (Song of Norway x Miss Jupiter) X unknown. Fred's seedling won Best Seedling on 2 different occasions, but was, unfortunately, never introduced. \$35.00

CHARLIE'S CLOUD (J. Roberts '98) 37" M. Sdlg. 733-1. Named to honor the memory of my nephew Charlie Holmes. The iris is the color of clouds on a bright sunny day. A reverse amoena, with pale blue stands, white ruffled, flaring falls and pale blue beards. Beautifully branched with 9 buds. Breakers x Honky Tonk Blues. \$35.00

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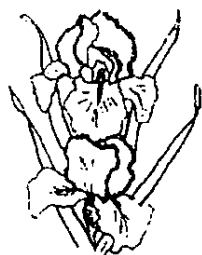
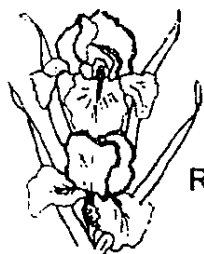
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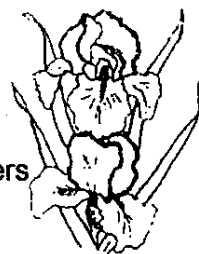
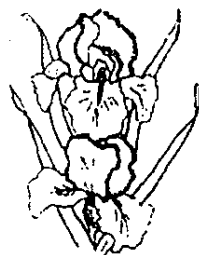
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HIGH IMPACT (Sutton '98) TB SA 39" M-L and RE A beautifully ruffled white infused pale pink. The falls have golden brown shoulders with bright golden orange beards. The 3 1/2" white and pink appendages curve upwards and end in small upside down spoons! A unique iris that surprised us with rebloom. G-19-BRSA Heartbreak Hotel sibling.....\$35.00

MINI CHAMPAGNE (Sutton '98) BB 25" M-L and RE White standards blended peach at the midribs with white and apricot style arms. Lovely champagne peach falls with soft orange beards tipped white. Nicely ruffled with a slight sweet fragrance. This cutie **bloomed for 7 months** last year! G-95 (((Cloudless Sunrise X Brown Lasso) X (2-14 X Frizzy Lizzy)) X ((Cloudless Sunrise X Brown Lasso) X (Blazing Sunrise X Gypsy Wings))).....\$25.00

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