

Exhibition Committee Report—1975

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1975 was a late season weatherwise in most parts of the country. Some shows were canceled and many postponed. The Exhibitions Chairman approved a total of 128 schedules. 121 shows were reported, 113 qualified for awards, two were disqualified because they were not judged by AIS judges, five were canceled because of weather conditions, one was held but had too few entries to make a formal report. Of the remaining seven, one will probably meet requirements when reported properly, the other six have not been heard from although reminders have been sent to them. The 113 accredited shows approved for awards are listed by region.

Region	No. Shows	Region	No. Shows	Region	No. Shows
1	4	9	3	17	9
2	1	10	1	18	9
3	4	11	1 + 1*	19	2
4	3	12	1	20	1
5	2	13	5	21	1
6	11	14	10	22	16
7	6	15	10	23	4
8	7	16	0	24	2

113

This is an improvement over the 1974 report of 109 total. Regions 1, 3, 4, 7, 13, 17, 19 and 22 gained in number of shows, the rest stayed the same as last year or lost in number. Region 22 (Arkansas and Oklahoma) was first in number of shows and Region 6 (Indiana, Ohio and Michigan) was second. This is a repeat of last year. However, Regions 14, 15, 17 and 18 were not far behind.

Youth participation showed tremendous gain, young people qualifying for awards in 18 shows, compared with 10 in 1974. Central Arkansas Iris Society presented a separate Standard Junior show on the same day as the adult show. Many shows had excellent Junior sections, namely: Region 6, Southwestern Michigan Iris Society, Kalamazoo and Mio Irisarians, Mio, Michigan; Region 7, Blue Grass Iris Growers Association, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; Region 18, Parsons Area Iris Society, Parsons, Kansas; Region 22, Tulsa Area Iris Society, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Region 24, Huntsville Chapter, AIS, Huntsville, Alabama.

The Nelson Award cannot be presented this year. There is no way to break the five-way tie for the most votes for Queen of the Show. CUP RACE, FOGGY DEW, NEW MOON, PROSPERITY and STEPPING OUT were voted Queen three times each. FULL TIDE, GRAND VIZIER, MILESTONE, PALE CLOUD, PINK PIROUETTE received two votes each.

Exhibition Certificates were issued to 119 irises exhibited in accredited shows as indicated by the report.

The Exhibition Chairman is grateful to those clubs who submitted schedules for approval well in advance of the show and sent in reports promptly, also, to the RVPs who checked to see if all their shows had been reported properly.

PLEASE READ THE SEPARATE ARTICLE ENTITLED "CHANGES IN EXHIBITION PROCEDURES" TO BE FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE. IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT TO YOU IN PRESENTING FUTURE SHOWS.

* 1 additional show presented but too few entries to qualify.