

- written statement of permission from the previous registrant.
- Names will not be released as obsolete unless there is proof that no stock now exists and that the iris was never used as a parent.

INTRODUCTIONS

An introduction is an offering for sale to the public. Catalogs, printed lists, and advertisements in the American Iris Society BULLETIN are acceptable mediums of introduction. It is a requisite for the awards of the Society above that of High Commendation. *An iris is not eligible for these awards until one year after its introduction has been recorded with the Registrar.* Send Mrs. Nelson a copy of the catalog, list or advertisement and she will acknowledge the fact that the introduction has been recorded. (For irises introduced in the AIS BULLETIN, notify her of the BULLETIN number and page on which the introductory advertisement appears.)

Exhibition Committee Report — 1978

JILL COPELAND, Chairman

Everything looked great in '78! 116 shows have been reported at the time of this writing. Region 22 (Arkansas and Oklahoma) has slipped down to be tied with Region 14 (northern California and Nevada) for the largest number of shows for this reporting year—each staged fourteen. The size of shows ranged from thirty-one entries to 582 entries, and the number of visitors at shows ranged from fifty-five to 30,000.

The Nelson Award for most times an iris was Queen of the Show goes to STEPPING OUT. It is interesting to note that three shows listed species irises as Queen.

Exhibition Certificates were awarded to 87 irises this year with at least two going to youth members. One is Randy Pekle with 77-7 and the other Jimmy Copeland with 108.4.

The youth are on their way with twenty-three shows having youth participation, three with enough classes to qualify as a separate show. They are Southwestern Michigan Iris Society in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Grand Lake Area Iris Society in Grove, Oklahoma, and Washington Iris Club in Washington, Missouri. The Twickenham Iris Club is a youth club in Huntsville, Alabama, and put on their own show.

Please send in show schedules for next year sixty days before show date, and order show supplies between January 1st and March 31st.