

## ***Request for Bearded Guest Iris Virginia, May, 2003***

The Chesapeake & Potomac (C & P) Iris Society in Region 4 will host the Convention of the American Iris Society in the year 2003. Hybridizers are invited to send guest rhizomes of recent introductions and seedlings of **BEARDED** irises under consideration for introduction.

Please observe the following guidelines when you send guest irises:

1. Up to four rhizomes of each variety will be accepted.
2. The guest irises will be accepted from July 1 through August 31, 2001.
3. All official guest bearded irises must be shipped to:

Harry Reed  
646 Lower Valley Road  
Strasburg, Virginia 22657  
540-635-5074

4. The name of the variety or seedling number should be clearly marked on each rhizome. In addition, the following information should accompany each plant on a separate packing list:

- a) Hybridizer's name and address
- b) Name or seedling number or variety
- c) Type of iris (SDB, IB, TB, etc.)
- d) Height, color, and bloom season (E, M, L)
- e) Year of introduction (if introduced)

5. If a guest seedling is named, it will be the responsibility of the hybridizer to notify the Guest Iris Chairman no later than December 1, 2002.

6. A receipt will be mailed to all contributors. Shortly before the convention, contributors will be asked for instructions regarding the distribution of the plants. Failure to reply by June 15, 2003, will be interpreted as permission to destroy all stock. All official guest plants which are to be returned will be shipped postpaid, except to foreign addresses.

7. The Convention Committee and the owners of the tour gardens will follow the Code of Ethics as printed in the AIS Convention Handbook.

The Guest Iris Committee will not be responsible for losses beyond its control, and only irises received through the Guest Iris Chairman will be listed in the convention booklet.