



Fleur de Lis

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

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Meeting Place

First Baptist Church
17765 Daves Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Next Zoom Meeting
October 2, 2020
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82639036080>

Meeting ID: 826 3903 6080
7:15 P.M.

Dues

Sep 1, 2020-
Aug 31, 2021

Adults - \$15.00

Carol Dahout & Mark Greene
Co-Presidents

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CBRIS
www.cbris.org

Region 14
www.aisregion14.org

American Iris Society
www.irises.org

October Program

This month's topic is Beardless Iris. Jane Jordan has prepared a slide show that covers all the beardless iris classes that the American Iris Society recognizes --- Louisiana, Japanese, Siberian, Spuria, Species, and Species Crosses. Note that Pacific Coast Native Iris are also beardless, but they are so special they get their own program next month. The program will cover the culture requirements for each class as well as pictures, many of which Jane grows in her garden.



Alabama Blue Fin SPX



Enchanted Lake JI



Velvet Ensemble LA

Dues

CBRIS dues are now past due. Please send your dues to
Mary Collins
P.O. Box 610906,
San Jose, CA 95161.

You must be a paid up member to participate in the monthly door prize drawing.



Dahout's Digs

CBRIS Needs New Digs!

We have been notified by the First Baptist Community Church that we can no longer hold our meetings there due to liability and insurance issues, and COVID concerns. The CBRIS Board has been busy thinking of new locations and have come up with some good suggestions. Mary Collins plotted out the most central location for all members and it is around the intersection of Hwy. 280 and Saratoga.

One possibility is the West Valley Library at Saratoga Ave. and San Thomas Aquino. They have a community room that would be available from 7 pm to 9:30 pm. There is a sink, but no kitchen. We would be allowed to bring food in as long as we clean up and take all trash home. The rent would be \$40 per meeting.

If any of you have a suggestion, please research the details and email them to me.

We will have our regular Zoom meeting on Friday, October 2nd, at 7:30 pm. I will open the meeting at 7:15 pm to give members time to log in. If you have an issue you would like discussed or an announcement, please let me know and I will put it on the agenda.

See you on Friday! Be well and stay safe!

–Carol Dahout, Co-President

Treasurer's Report



Beginning balance, September 1, 2020	\$ 16,437.37
Revenue: Dues	135.00
Refund of picnic deposit	100.00
Expenses: Stamps	34.65
AIS memorial donation	50.00
Ending balance, September 30, 2020	\$ 16,587.72

Guess that I will be good to go outdoors for many more years!



Minutes CBRIS Meeting, September 4, 2020

Program

Jean Richter gave a presentation entitled '100 Years of American Iris Society'. Her talk featured pictures of trend-setting irises hybridized in each decade since 1920.

Fall Regional

The 2020 Fall Regional will be held on Saturday, October 3. The meeting will be online via Zoom. The speaker is Andi Rivarola, who will give a judges' training on spuria iris.

Registration form for Fall Regional can be found on AISregion14.org.

Dues

Annual dues should be paid to Mary.

Donation in Memory of Jane Anne Walters

A motion to donate \$50 in name of Jane Anne to Region 14 was passed.

Door prizes

We have enough door prize growers. Door prizes were selected using Mark's Wheel of Fortune - very fun.



Jane Anne Walters

Respectfully written and submitted,

—Andrea Clague, CBRIS Secretary



John Pesek	19
Peter Marra	23
Joe Ghio	26
Bryce Williamson	27
Helen Bliven	28
Chad Schroter	28



—Facebook—Iris Lovers, posted by Mary Yeager Farley



Culture

Japanese, Louisianas, Siberians, Species, Spurias

Fall is the time to plant beardless irises. The above irises need a sunny location with 6-8 hours of sun. Some afternoon shade is helpful in our area. The beardless like more water than the tall bearded – except Spurias. Spurias require dry conditions during the summer. Siberians want a deep soaking, Japanese want as much moisture as you can provide, Louisiana and some Species are happy with standing water though they will adapt to a damp garden situation. Beardless like a rich, loose, organic soil. Add aged manure and compost to the garden soil. Japanese prefer an acid soil. All may be mulched 2-3 inches except Spurias. The mulching will keep the soil cool, retain moisture, and suppress weeds.

When transplanting, NEVER let beardless roots dry out. – They should remain in water.

Apply a balanced fertilizer in the spring, giving Japanese an extra dose before bloom time as they are heavy feeders. Japanese may be given camellia fertilizer.

Log on to CBRIS' October Zoom meeting for a more complete understanding of the beardless iris. It is an excellent program given by our very knowledgeable CBRIS Co Vice-President, Jane Jordan.

See page 8 of this newsletter for a list of websites in regards to beardless iris.

–in part:

<http://stlouisirises.com/about-irises/beardless-iris-culture/>

<http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/siberian-iris-culture-and-care>

Almost that time...

Fall is here and the weather will soon start cooling off, believe it or not! Some of you might want to store your patio furniture for the winter. All of us should give our garden tools a good check-up. Scrub off excess dirt and oil the metal parts to prevent rust. Store the tools in a cool, dry place away from the wet weather.

Remember our feathered friends during these coming months by filling up the bird feeders. Jane Jordan can give you tips on what is good for them in our area.





**Dividing
beardless iris
at Jane's**



Minutes of CBRIS Board Meeting, September 4, 2020

Present: Carol Dahout, Mark Greene, Mary Collins, Andrea Clague, Peter Marra, Chris Dickinson, Jane Jordan, Alice Gary, Mikey Lango, Elaine Fischer, Trang Bui.

A quorum was declared.

The Board reviewed the proposed 2020-2021 budget.

It was decided to maintain \$25 per month payment to church for meeting room even though we are only meeting via Zoom now. (Issue is moot now that church just withdrew the option of meeting there.)

CBRIS' books need to be audited.

Dates for next year's events were chosen:

- April 10 Show (Carol needs to confirm with Westgate.)
- April 17 Master Gardeners Sale (MG may not invite vendors this year.)
- May 8 Spring Regional
- July 18 Picnic
- Aug 7 Rhizome sale

Alice and Mikey volunteered to chair Christmas party.

Respectfully written and submitted,
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Society

What irises do you have blooming now?

In Jane and Ken Reiter's gardens...



Definition



Rosalie Figge



Unicorn



Wild Vision



Clara B Rees Iris Society Budget for 2020-2021

Sept 1, 2020 through Aug 31, 2021

EXPENSES

1. Chairperson expenses

A. Christmas Party	30.00		30.00
B. Hospitality	25.00	13.08	25.00
C. Advertising (bookmarks)	100.00		100.00
D. July Picnic	140.00	100.00	140.00
E. Librarian			
F. Membership			
G. Spring Show/ Exhibition	1000.00	114.51	1000.00
H. Sunshine	40.00	27.50	40.00

2. Club Officer's expenses

A. President	150.00		150.00
B. Vice-President (Speakers/Programs)	300.00	137.09	300.00
C. Secretary/Treasurer	25.00		25.00

3. Fund Raising Expenses

A. Master Gardener Spring Garden Market	50.00		
B. Sales tax (State Board of Equalization)	350.00	236.00	220.00

4. Club Purchased Iris

A. Bearded Iris	1000.00	1255.44	1000.00
B. Beardless iris	250.00		250.00

5. Copies/Literature/Educational Materials

	100.00	80.51	100.00
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6. Donations (Reg. 14)

7. Hall use

	275.00	275.00	275.00
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8. Iris Pots (and potting mix)

	70.00	78.00	80.00
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9. Web Site

	215.00	203.88	210.00
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10. Shirts, Sweatshirts

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11. Memorial Gifts

	150.00	100.00	150.00
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12. Miscellaneous

	35.00	49.99	35.00
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13. Square Fees

		16.61	20.00
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14. Outgoing President's Gift

			75.00
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16. AIS Contribution & Reg 14 Membership Donation

	270.00	246.00	250.00
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	\$4,575.00	\$2,933.61	\$4,475.00
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INCOME:

1. Beardless Raffle

	100.00	240.00	200.00
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2. CBRIS Logo Item Sales

		15.00	
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3. Fund Raising subject to sales tax

A. New rhizome sale location (Elaine's)	0.00	336.00	
B. Master Gardener Sale	500.00		
C. Yamagami's	800.00	1101.50	900.00
D. Other Rhizome Sales	150.00	300.00	300.00
E. Spring Show or Exhibition	800.00		900.00
F. Potted iris sales		841.00	
G. Sales tax collected		207.70	300.00

4. July Auction and Raffle at Picnic (online this year)

	700.00	368.00	700.00
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5. Donations to CBRIS

	25.00	25.00	25.00
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6. Membership Dues

	850.00	765.00	800.00
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7. Miscellaneous

	50.00	133.00	50.00
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8. Other Fundraising - Garage Sales

	600.00		300.00
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	\$4,575.00	\$4,332.20	\$4,475.00
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Gain /(loss) for the year

1398.59

Online Resources for Beardless Iris

Louisiana Iris

Society for Louisiana Iris <https://www.louisianas.org/index.php>

On Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/LouisianaIris>

Culture Tips <http://www.zydecoirises.com/Culture/CultureZydeco.htm>



Japanese Iris

Society for Japanese Iris <https://socji.org/>

On Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/126881790693817>

Culture Tips <http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/japanese-iris-culture-and-care>



Siberian Iris

Society for Siberian Iris <https://www.socsib.org/>

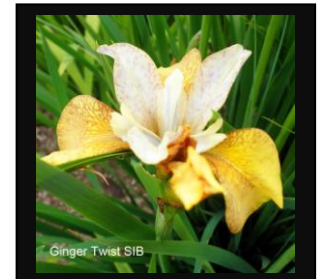
Culture Tips <http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/siberian-iris-culture-and-care>

Spuria Iris

Society for Spuria Iris <https://spuriairissociety.org/>

On Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/spuriairissociety>

Culture Tips <https://spuriairissociety.org/culture>



Species and Species Cross

Species Iris Group of North America (SIGNA) <http://www.signa.org/index.pl?Intro>

On Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/speciesiris>

Laevigata Culture <http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/laevigata-iris-culture-and-care>

Pseudata Culture <http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/pseudata-species-cross-culture-and-care>

Container Culture <http://mtpleasantiris.com/culture-and-care/container-culture>



—photos by Carl Boro and Mikey Lango



2020 Online Fall Regional: October 3, 2020

The 2020 Fall Regional will be held on Saturday, October 3. Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the meeting will be online via Zoom. Our guest speaker is AIS 1st Vice President Andi Rivarola, who will be giving a 1.5 hour judges' training on spuria iris.

Although this is an online meeting, we are asking for a \$5.00 donation to help defray costs for engaging our speaker. No one will be turned away from the meeting for lack of funds, however.

The tentative schedule for the meeting is:

- 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. Region 14 budget meeting
- 10:45 – 10:50 a.m. Brief break
- 10:50 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Region 14 general meeting
- 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch break
- 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Judges' training on spuria iris by Andi Rivarola
- 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. Q&A, meeting wrap-up

When you register, you will be given links to the Zoom meetings for the morning session and the judges' training session.

American Iris Society (AIS) Membership Rates: (applicable to USA, Canada and Mexico)		
Annual	Triennial	Lifetime*
\$30.00, Single, annual	\$70.00, Single, triennial	\$1000.00, Single, lifetime
\$35.00, Dual, annual	\$85.00, Dual, triennial	\$1500.00, Dual, lifetime
Emembership – \$15.00 Annual, no printed Bulletin, online Bulletin viewing, access to the online Irisregister database of registrations and introductions		
<small>*Senior Life (age 65+): 15% discount. (For Dual Senior Life, both members must be 65 or older.) 15% Senior Discount applies only to Life Membership.</small>		

See <https://www.irises.org/aismembers/>



AIS REGION 14 FALL MEETING

Saturday, October 3, 2020

Featured Judges' Trainer: Andi Rivarola giving 1.5 hour training on Spuria Iris

Registrant 1 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Registrant 2 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City, St., Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Iris Club Member? ____Y ____N If yes: Local Iris Society _____

Do you wish to receive credit for judges' training? ____Y ____N

Registration fee: \$5 x ____ person(s) = Total \$ _____.

Checks payable to AIS Region 14.

Mail to Bonnie Petheram, 1226 High St., Alameda, CA 94501.

Registrar Bonnie Petheram, 510-864-7962: bpetheram@gmail.com

RVP: Jean Richter jeanrichter@berkeley.edu

Reminder

You do not have to be in judges' training to participate in this event.
It is always interesting to learn something new about our favorite garden flower!