



Fleur de Lis

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

June 2023

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Next Meeting

June 2, 2023

West Valley Library

1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd

San Jose, CA 95117

In person only

Doors open 7:00 PM

Meeting 7:30 PM

Dues

**Sep 1, 2022-
Aug 31, 2023**

Adults - \$15.00

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CBRIS President

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CBRIS

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Region 14

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American Iris Society

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June Program

The CBRIS Iris Show Awards presentation will take place at our June meeting this Friday, June 2! Please join us in celebrating a "Showers of Flowers" as we recognize the winners of each category and their outstanding entries, the beautiful specimens on display and everyone who helped make the event a success!

Following our awards presentation, we will share a recap of Region 14's Spring Show, "Bees, Butterflies and Beauty." And finally, in anticipation of our upcoming rhizome sales in July and August, we will be presenting an AIS video demonstration on digging and dividing rhizomes.

See you Friday!



CBRIS is headed back to West Valley Library for this upcoming meeting. The address is 1243 San Tomas Aquino Road, next to the fire station near the corner of Saratoga Ave. Spread the word to one and all especially those that do not read the newsletter!



Dahout Digs

June 2023

“Showers of Flowers” Awards Night



Don't miss the last meeting before our summer break on this Friday, June 2nd at the West Valley Library, 1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd., San Jose. Doors will open at 7:00 PM and our meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

Find out who won the People's Choice awards for the Artistic Division and Horticulture Division! Ribbons, rosettes, and revolving trophies will be given out. Congratulate the winners!



We will also have a review of the Spring Regional from those who attended.

We will go over how to dig, divide, and label your iris for the upcoming rhizome sales. The St. Leo Festival is on July 29th and the Yamagami Sale is on August 5th. We will have sign-up sheets for set up and tear down and sales.



I will be passing around the AIS Symposium so that we can vote as a club. This is the iris popularity contest and you do not have to be an AIS member to vote. Please look it over and find your favorite iris to vote for.

Our annual picnic is coming up on Sunday, July 23rd. This year will be a potluck so be thinking about what kind of fabulous dish you would like to bring to share. We will also have a sign-up sheet for that.

Hope to see you all on Friday!!!

Carol Dahout
CBRIS President



Save the Date

July 23, 2023

It's time to mark your calendar for the CBRIS Annual Rhizome Picnic and Auction/Raffle.

Where - Ortega Park in Sunnyvale. We will be located in the gazebo area. Parking is on either Harrow Way or Inverness Way. **The earlier you arrive, the better your chance is of finding a good parking spot.** Please let us know if you will need help getting from the parking lot to the gazebo so we can have people ready to assist you.

When - Sunday, July 23, 2023. Plan to be there by 9:00 AM so that we can set up and organize the tables for the auction and raffle. The auction will start promptly at 10:00 AM, with a picnic lunch to follow. Parking, and possibly warm weather, are two reasons for us to get an early start on our festivities.

Why - At this event members can pick up their Door Prize rhizomes and participate in an auction for newer varieties of irises. There will also be a raffle of older irises that our members dig and donate.

What to Bring - This year we will be going back to having a pot-luck luncheon. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at our next meeting to give you ideas of what to bring. "Must Haves" are plates, napkins and utensils. CBRIS will provide bottled water. Bring a chair, a bag for your rhizome purchases, and don't forget your **CHECKBOOK!!** Also, please bring cleaned, trimmed and marked iris rhizomes for our raffle. Something else you might consider bringing is a list of previous CBRIS Door Prize favorites, since some of these will be on the auction table. If you have recent iris catalogs ('20, '21, '22) that have pictures of our Door Prize irises please bring those along to help others with choosing what they might want to bid on.

You must pick up your door prize irises at the picnic, or arrange to have someone pick them up for you. If someone else is going to pick up your door prizes please contact Mary Collins before July 21st at mc.rescuesgreys@gmail.com to let her know. **If Mary has not heard from you by that date your door prize winnings will end up on the auction table.**

As in previous years we remind you to leave your pets at home.

If you have any questions about the picnic, contact Christine Dickinson at cdickins@aol.com, 408-257-3904 Home or 408-569-4300 Cell

See You There!!



Minutes CBRIS Meeting, 2023

President Carol Dahout called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Guests: Judy Hecht and Joanne Alvis

New members: Kristy Louie, Iris and Francis Chien

Minutes were approved as read.

Officers' report: Ending balance in bank account was \$15,973.50.
City of Campbell needs to return our \$300 deposit on our spring show venue.



Refreshment Chair: We need a new refreshment chair to set up coffee, tea, and ensure that people are signed up to bring refreshments.

Andrea, Bryce, and Trang are to bring refreshments to the next meeting. Mikey will bring drinks.

Show: We had a great show with participation from new members.

Pot sale raised \$1,343.

Tour: Thank you to Nancy for organizing the tour and thank you to those who opened up their gardens.

Picnic is on July 23rd. It will be pot-luck. Chris will send out information.

Rhizome sales will be on July 29th at St. Leo's, and August 5 at Yamagami's.

Program:

Judy Hecht gave a lecture on the cultivation and propagation of succulents. Her most important point was to warn us against over-watering our succulents. Succulents should only be watered when the top three inches of soil is dry.

Door Prizes were awarded using Mark's Wheel of Fortune.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully written and submitted,
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Society



June Birthdays

Garry Knipe	2
Jane Jordan	5
Marie Kerlau	6
Jane Reiter	6
Elaine Fischer	14
Shirley Trio-Probst	25



Clara B Rees Iris Society Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance, May 1, 2023	\$15,973.50
Revenue: Donation	255.00
Dues	45.00
Pot sales	224.00
Sales Tax	21.00
Deposit returned by Campbell	300.00
Expenses: Fee for St. Leo's rhizome sale	50.00
Library rental, May	40.00
May program speaker	50.00
Ending balance, May 31, 2023	\$ 16,678.50

Member sign-up for refreshments

- Trang Bui
- Andrea Clague
- Bryce Williamson
- Drinks - Mikey Lango



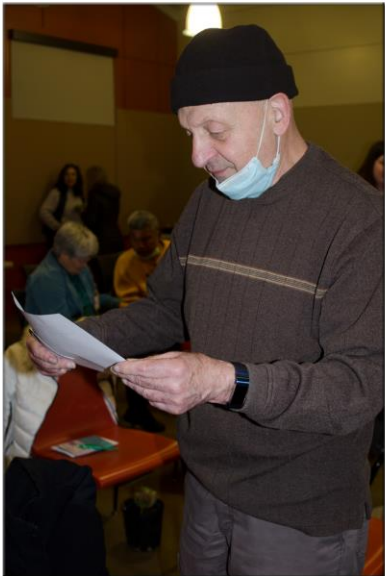
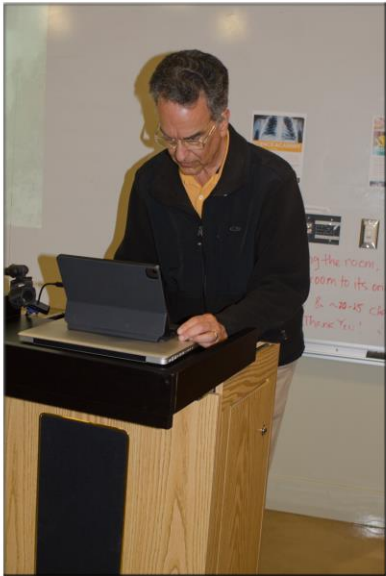
June Culture

Keep your iris beds neat and tidy. Remove spent stalks and pull off old leaves. Continue to water if you want good sized increases. Make sure that your Japanese irises are getting plenty of water. Hopefully, you checked your labels for correct names when your irises were in bloom! Making a garden map of your iris bed is a good idea in addition to labeling. Keep those iris beds weed free! Send in photos of your Japanese, spuria, and species irises. They will be featured in next month's CBRIS newsletter.



May 2023

CBRIS



Minutes CBRIS Board Meeting May 29, 2023

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Present: Mikey, Carol, Andrea, Jane J., Ken and Jane Reiter, Chris, Mary, Peter, Linda, Trang, and Mark



It was decided that a sort night before the rhizome sales was not necessary because people already bring their rhizomes in bags and Mary has labels for most of them.

Board determined that a video demonstration at the next meeting of how to dig and divide iris would be helpful for new members.

Board discussed what refreshments CBRIS should provide for the July picnic and decided that the picnic would be a pot-luck and the club would only provide bottled water.

Mary needs door prize iris from growers by July 19. Chris will transport them to picnic.

Officer recruitment was discussed and will be voted on at a future meeting.

Square app was discussed.

Mark and Peter agreed to audit the club's books for the last two years. Mary will provide checkbook and bank statements so they can get started on last year's accounts.



Rhizome sales at St Leo's and Yamagami's: We need two shifts of workers at each sale. Mary will prepare sign-up sheets.



Website: Jane, Mikey, Carol, and Peter have been working as a committee to update the CBRIS website. Their next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on June 7th. Suggestions for changes to the website should be emailed to the committee.

Carol asked for comments on our show. The purpose of a show was discussed: is it to reach out to the public and educate it about irises or is it to have a social event for the club members to hang out and admire one another's irises? The two goals are not necessarily mutually exclusive, but an event without a lot of public participation does not justify the expense and labor of a formal AIS show. To bring in the public we need to choose a venue with a lot of foot traffic like a mall or an accessible place with good parking. We also need a lot of publicity.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully written and submitted,
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Secretary





Cala



Rose E Chadband



Rooster



Dark Dude



Lois Setser



Lakeland



Tarawera Flow



Jerry's Boutonniere



Our Caroline



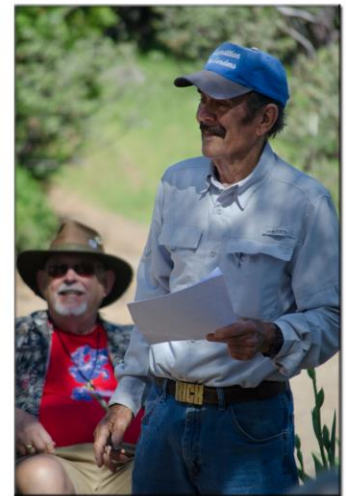
Boro Garden

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**Photos by
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Ron Betzer
Carl Boro
Karen Boro
Jane Jordan
Mikey Lango**



Bees, Butterflies, and Beauty



Region 14 Spring Regional

The Spring Regional 'Bees, Butterflies, and Beauty' hosted by Yosemite Iris Society, was held in the Sierra Foothills area May 12 -14. Check-in began at 3:00 PM as an iris show was held on Friday evening. Best of Show was won by Phyllis Wilburn's tall bearded entry 'Bohemia After Dark.' In the future, look for Rick Tasco's seedling '19.TB.22.04', a stop you in your tracks plicata iris, that has a dark background with speckled dots throughout. Region 14's general board meeting began at 7:00 PM. A report will be given in the next Region 14 Bulletin.



19.TB.22.04 Tasco

The following day people were divided into two groups for guest iris garden viewing. Our group first went to view Laura and Peter Gonzalez' guest iris garden in Ahwahnee.



40RLC6 Ford sdlg

The irises were in good bloom. Diana Ford had some outstanding seedlings. Rick Tasco's Arilbred 'Rosy Celebration' was big and tall; Anna Cadd had a great seedling '30-91-1' as well as her 'Poetry in Bloom' showing fine colors.

The group then headed to Mariposa Iris Garden owned by Doug and Diane Kanarowski. It was a bit early for iris bloom there as the elevation is higher and spring was late in arriving this year. Box lunches were available as well as a delicious berry cobbler made by Diane. Judges training, 'Bearded Iris in the Garden', was given by Sandi Mann.

Ballots for garden awards needed to be turned in by 4:00 PM. That meant that guest irises needed to be viewed and voted for throughout the day.

We met back at the Oakhurst Community Center for cocktails and dinner. The main course for dinner was a spaghetti station where you could choose your pasta and type of sauce. Doug Kanarowski was the guest speaker. Kaleidoscope was the name of his presentation. Doug gave a bit of his history of becoming an iris hybridizer with his main point addressing the attending judges was the importance of voting for tall bearded irises that follow the guidelines in the AIS judges manual. He specifically referred to the fact of voting for an iris that has the correct number of buds.



Doug Kanarowski

After Doug's talk Bill Fink announced the garden winners. Rick Tasco's 'Rosy Celebration' won best recent regional introduction and his 'Dark Storm' won best plicata. Diana Ford's seedling '40RLC6' won best seedling. The complete list may be found in the next Regional Bulletin.

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The evening ended with the closing of the silent auction and raffle basket tickets called. You will be glad to hear that Mark Greene won the High Desert Society basket and Mikey won the CBRIS one. Yes! Thank you for the societies' generosity.



Photo by Terry Toney

Sunday morning was spent at John and Carolyn Honnette's Bee Haven Iris Garden in Coarsegold. Pastries, coffee, tea, and juices were served for a light breakfast. There a judges training 'Judging Bearded Iris in the Garden' was given by Rick Tasco. There is always something to learn from Rick! The garden was in good bloom. So many good irises to be observed and plenty of camera clicks could be heard. If you stayed long enough, you would have seen the bear cub that wandered into the area. (See photo taken by Terry Toney, Fresno Iris Society.)

The regionals are fun events. Not only do you get to view some amazing irises, you are around people with the same love of irises that you have. You get to catch up on old friendships and always have the opportunity to make new ones. Try the Fall Regional that will be held in Santa Cruz this coming October! The next Spring Regional will in Auburn on April 19-21, 2024. There will be three gardens to see at that time. I guarantee that you will love attending both events!

Region 13 Spring Regional



Jeff Bennett



Christine Dickinson and Keith Keppel

-Photos courtesy of Chris D



SUMMER FEST '23

**Saturday
July 29
11 AM - 7 PM**

**Join us for a fun Summer's day
with St Leo's Parish!**

88 Race St. San Jose

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BEER & WINE
TALENT SHOW, LIVE MUSIC
PLANTS & CRAFTS MARKET
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AUCTION ITEMS
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Backyard Hero Burseen 2020 TB; 35"; EM; S. cream blended rose; F. red (63A); B. red; Slight musky fragrance.

Birthday Candle H. Dash 2022 TB; 32"; L; S. orange; F. red-brown, faint gold rim; B. orange.

Bulbhead Burseen 2022 TB; 37"; ML; S. yellow; F. Dark red, yellow sunburst, veined maroon, apricot edging; B. gold.

Certain Riches Blyth 2022 TB; 39", ML; Light burgundy self; B. white tipped with lavender.

Citrus Squeeze Steve Kelly 2016 TB; 36; EM; S. mango-yellow; F. lemon; beards orange; Slight fragrance.

Dare To Be Different Johnson 2022 TB; 36"; M; S. yellow. F. creamy yellow, lined and rayed violet. Purple wire rim; B. gold / white.

Delldicated Burseen 2020 TB; 35"; EM; S. light blue, darker centers; F. creamy yellow, violet-blue wash; B light blue, tips orange; Slight sweet fragrance.

Felix The Cat Paul Black 2022 TB; 36" ML; S. tan sanded cinnamon; F. yellow, wide burgundy plicata bands; Slight sweet fragrance.

Fried Green Tomatoes H. Stout 2019 IB; 25" ML; S. lemon chiffon, cream; F. yellow, olive green veining; B. lavender, tipped gold; Slight musky fragrance; HM

Heck Yeah Man H. Stout 2022 IB SA; 25"; ML; Yellow self; B. orange gold ending in white.

Karlu L. Tasquier 2016 SDB; 13"; EM; S. gold; F. caramel, veins on green-gold caramel, green-gold dart; B. gold-orange.

Little Critter R. Skaggs 2018 MDB; 7"; E; S. lavender; F. white signal on purple thumbprint, lavender edge, purple veins and line; B. gold, white; Pronounced sweet fragrance.

Mystic Wind Stout/Burseen 2018 TB; 35"; EM; S. violet-purple; falls violet-purple, large pale center; B. white, tips yellow; Slight sweet fragrance.

Own The Night Johnson 2022 TB; 35"; M; S. medium purple; F. deep purple, narrow light purple edge. B. mustard.

Quicksmart H. Stout 2022 SDB; 14"; EM; Luminata in white and blue with glowing yellow highlights; B. white.

Shannon Hiatt Steve Kelly 2021 TB; 39"; EM; S. terracotta, style arms gold; F. bronze, yellow striping, purple streak; B. yellow; Pronounced sweet fragrance.

Smoldering Passion Thomas Johnson 2021 TB; 35"; ML; S. black cherry; F. deep black cherry; B. tangerine; Sweet fragrance.

Spine Tingler Johnson 2022 TB; 40"; ML; S. purple, gold edging; F. violet edged in gold, white patch and dart around orange beard. Sweet fragrance.

Taboo Johnson 2021; 35"; M; S. light yellow, washed and veined darker; F. lavender-blue, dark maroon wash, lavender band and center stripe; B yellow; Sweet fragrance.

Troll Road Anita Moran SDB; 10"; M; S. blue, yellow veins; F. khaki brown, grey edge, white starburst and dart; B. blue, yellow.



CBRIS Door Prize Iris for June 2023



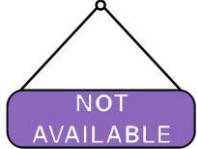
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