



Fleur de Lis

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

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Next Meeting
Oct. 6, 2023

West Valley Library
1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd
San Jose, CA 95117

Doors open 7:00 PM
Meeting 7:30 PM

Dues

Sep 1, 2023-
Aug 31, 2024

Adults - \$15.00

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CBRIS
www.cbris.org

Region 14
aisregion14.org

American Iris Society
www.irises.org

October Program

CBRISarians,

This month, CBRIS invites you to a captivating program on the world of beardless iris with our own Jane Jordan. Bring your curiosity and passion for beardless iris and join us for an evening that showcases the beauty, diversity and distinctive forms of these elegant plants. Come discover the many varieties of beardless irises and their unique characteristics, and learn the tips and tricks of successfully growing these beauties in your own garden.



A long-time member of CBRIS, Jane has held multiple leadership positions for our organization including Director, President and Vice President. She has also served as Regional Secretary for Region 14 of the American Iris Society.

2023 Fall Regional

Monterey Bay Iris Society will be sponsoring the Fall Regional on October 13-14, 2023. It will be held at the Aptos Grange 2555 Mar Vista Drive, Aptos, CA 95003.

Joe Ghio will be the guest speaker with Riley Probst and Bryce Williamson giving judges training. It is a great opportunity for all iris lovers to learn more about our favorite garden flower.

There will be a rebloomer show. Please enter irises into the show. Sometimes the Fall Regional needs more entries in order to have a sanctioned show.

The registration form may be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Dahout Digs

October 2023

Autumn is arriving and with it comes cooler temperatures, rain, falling leaves, lots of pumpkins, and iris! Your fall iris garden need not be dull. Hybridizers are introducing an ever-increasing selection of reblooming iris. Some rebloom more reliably than others and some that are not supposed to be rebloomers decide to rebloom anyway. One way to keep track of the rebloomers is to concentrate them in one area of your garden, fertilize them after the spring bloom and continue to water.

Upcoming events:

Master Gardener Fall Garden Fair, October 7, 2023, 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. Martial Cottle Park, San Jose, offering plants for sale, along with talks and opportunities to get answers to your gardening questions.

Western Hort Society Meeting, October 11, 2023, 7:30 P.M. at the Garden House at Shoup Park in Los Altos. Speaker – Andy Mariani, Topic: *Growing Stone Fruits in the Home Garden*. Meetings are free for members, non-members \$10.00.

AIS Region 14 Fall 2023 – October 13-14 – Hosted by the Monterey Iris Society at the Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr., Aptos, CA 95003 featuring a Reblooming Iris Show, Guest Speaker, Joe Ghio, two iris classes which may be taken for judges training credits; the first on Friday by Riley Probst on *Reblooming Tall Bearded Iris* and the second on Saturday by Bryce Williamson on *Color Patterns in Bearded Iris*. There will also be an iris auction, a silent auction and a basket raffle donated by member societies. (see schedule and registration within this newsletter).

California Native Plant Society – October 21, 10:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. – native plant sale. Hidden Villa, Los Altos. There will be a Native Plant Advice Table and a talk by Kevin Bryant entitled *Success with Native Plants*.

Bay Area Chrysanthemum Society – ‘A Decade of Mum Magic’, a free annual show open to the public – November 4, 2:00-5:00 P.M. and November 5, 10:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. Location: Odd Fellows Lodge, 20589 Homestead Rd., Cupertino, CA 95014. There will be both horticulture and artistic divisions. For more information, please go to www.bayareamum.org

So much to see and do!

– Carol Dahout, CBRIS President





CBRIS Treasurer's Report

Linda Lomperis	10
Carolyn Hoover	16
Richard Clarke	20
Peter Marra	23
Joe Ghio	26
Bryce Williamson	27
Chad Schroter	28
Helen Bliven	28

Beginning balance, August 31, 2023	\$21,347.36
Revenue: Dues	225.00
Canvas bags	30.00
Donation	5.00
Expenses: Library rental	40.00
Hospitality	21.47
AIS Foundation donation	50.00
Plant for Carl Boro	74.00
Ending balance, September 30, 2023	\$21,421.89

CBRIS New Year 2023-2024 Officers



- President..... Carol Dahout
- Temporary Vice President..... Trang Bui
- Treasurer..... Mary Collins
- Secretary..... Andrea Clague
- 1-Year Directors..... Linda Lomperis, Jane and Ken Reiter
- 2-Year Directors..... Chris Dickinson, Peter Marra, Lisa and Steve Chen

	<p>Club dues should have been paid by September 1, 2023 as we have started a new year. A few members still need to submit their payment. September was the grace period. If you have not paid yet, pay Mary before the beginning of our next meeting. Checks may be mailed to club treasurer, Mary Collins at P.O. Box 610906, San Jose, CA 95161</p>
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Minutes CBRIS Meeting, September 1, 2023



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

Carol announced birthdays in September and introduced our new members.

Program

Carol gave a presentation on the AIS award-winning varieties of 2023.

Business Meeting

Treasurer's Report: The picnic/auction in July raised \$1,064.00. Our sales at St Leo's amounted to only \$639.50. We will not go back there next year. At the Yamagami sale, we raised \$3,158.00. The club currently has a bank balance of \$21,347.36. Membership dues are now due.

Club Officers: The board nominated the following officers for 2023-2024:

President- Carol Dahout

VP - Trang Bui

Treasurer- Mary Collins

Secretary- Andrea Clague

Directors: Jane and Ken Reiter, Linda Lomperis, Chris Dickinson, Peter Marra, Steve and Lisa Chen

The slate of officers was approved by the membership.

Budget: Members approved the budget as presented.

Fall Regional is on October 13 and 14. Registration is due by October 10. The form is in the September CBRIS newsletter. There will be a show of rebloomers. The theme of our basket will be a beach picnic. Members are asked to bring donations to the next meeting.

Members approved a donation of \$50.00 to the AIS Foundation in memory of Marilyn Boro.

Door Prizes were awarded.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.



Respectfully written and submitted,
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Society



Minutes CBRIS Board Meeting August 25, 2023

President Carol Dahout called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present: Carol, Jane R, Ken, Mary, Jane J, Chris, Andrea, Steve, Lisa, Linda, Mikey, Diane, Peter, Trang, Naomi

Budget was reviewed and approved for presentation to the general membership for their vote.

Club's 2023 books close on August 31 and need to be audited.

Officers and directors for 2023-2024 were nominated:

- President - Carol
- VP - Trang (til January)
- Treasurer - Mary
- Secretary - Andrea
- Directors - Jane R, Ken, Linda, Peter, Chris, Steve, Lisa

These members have accepted the following responsibilities:

- Garden tours - Linda
- Hospitality greeter - Lisa
- Christmas party - Jane J
- Picnic - Chris
- Door prize committee - Jane J, Mikey, Chris
- Refreshments - Nancy
- Sunshine - Jane R

The theme for the Fall Regional is 'Iris by the Sea'. CBRIS needs to put together a beach-type picnic basket for the raffle.

Board recommended a donation to the AIS Foundation in memory of Marilyn Boro.

Board discussed using baskets instead of bags at rhizome sales. We will try it with medians at the next rhizome sale.

Respectfully written and submitted,
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Secretary

Newsletter Request

We would like to see photos of irises that rebloom in our area. Please submit images to me at m_lango@comcast.net. Also, we would be glad to accept articles on irises that you would wish to share!

Thank you!

Mikey Lango, CBRIS Newsletter Editor



October Culture

Planting bearded in September and October, you will find the big, tall growth you get from early summer planting won't happen. The growth occurs but it will be much shorter and the increase shows almost immediately. I have found that I get just as much growth and bloom from late planting as from early summer planting.

Be sure you tag your plantings and make a chart of the area with the names of the irises and how many you planted.

Now is also the time to replant your beardless irises—Louisianas, Spurias, Siberians and others except for the Pacificas. Wait on the latter to dig and replant them in early November after the weather cools down. Remember beardless will not tolerate drying out. If you can't replant them immediately, hold them over in buckets of water.

If you haven't watered your Pacificas start doing so now so they begin developing new growth and roots needed for successful replanting after early November or later.

Other things to do starting in mid-October is to plant seeds of any crosses made or seed collected. Also, if weeds are or will be a problem apply a pre-emergent just before a rainfall which will work the pre-emergent into the soil, stopping germination.

– Joe Ghio (revised a bit to suit our climate instead of Santa Cruz's climate)



Ackerman Youth Essay Contest 2024

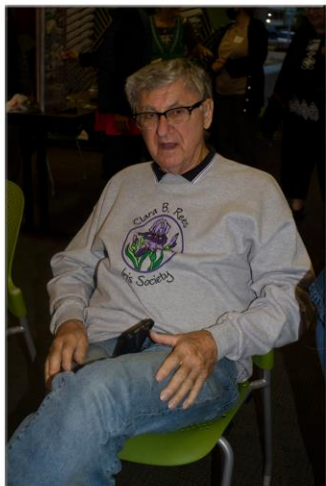
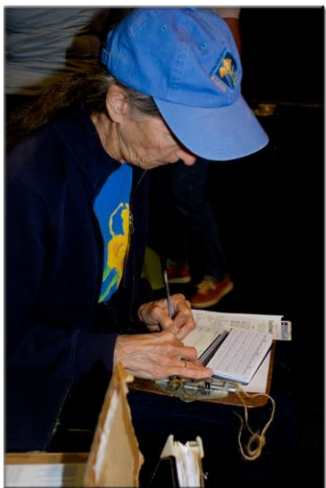


Do you know any youth who are growing irises and are good storytellers? Now is the time to start planning the essay that is being sponsored by the AIS. The theme is helping your new friend plant an iris bed. It would include tips on growing irises year-round and how to get good blooms. Essays should be 500 words or less with the deadline being June 10, 2024. There are three age groups: 9 and Under, 10-12, and 13 and Over. Please encourage our youth to enter.

For more information:

<https://aissample.files.wordpress.com/2023/09/american-iris-society-2024-ackerman-essay-contest.pdf>





SEPTEMBER 2023



Refreshments

Rosemary
Katie
Carolyn
Nancy

Drinks: Gina Johnson

We need volunteers for the November meeting. Please see Nancy.

Raffle Basket

We need to fill this picnic basket. So far we have a promise of a wine bottle! Please bring items to the Friday, Oct 6th CBRIS meeting.



Digging with Jordan

Jane Jordan greatly appreciates the efforts of the members who helped dig and divide her beardless iris: Naomi Nakata, Carol Dahout, Chris Dickinson, Mikey Lango, Lisa Chen, Iris and Francis Chien and Elaine Fischer.



How to Care for Your New Beardless Iris

Fall is the time to divide and plant beardless iris.
Do not allow the bare root rhizomes to dry out.
Keep them soaking in water until they are planted.
Plant them 1-3 inches deep.
Mulching will help retain water and deter weeds.

Spuria (SPU)

Online Culture Tips

<https://spuriairissociety.org/culture>

Neutral soil and dry summers

Full sun

Siberian (SIB)

Online Culture Tips

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

Acid soil and lots of water

Full sun

Japanese (JI) Iris Ensata

Online Culture Tips

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

Acid soil and lots of water

No bone meal or super phosphate

Full sun

Louisiana (LA)

Online Culture Tips

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

Acid soil and lots of water

Full sun, tolerates some shade

Pseudata (Pseud)

Online Culture Tips

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

Acid soil and lots of water

Full sun

Lavigata

Online Culture Tips

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

Acid soil and lots of water

Full sun

Container Culture

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



CBRIS Beardless Door Prize Iris for October from Hybridizers



Alabama Blue Fin
Copeland, 2017
Pseudata



Amethyst Actress
Harris, 2009
JI



Artesian Spring
Harris, 2010
JI



Blue Rivulets
Harris, 2013
Laevigata, SIGNA



Cape Cod Boys
Schafer/Sacks, 2009
SIB, Morgan-Wood



Fresh Notes
Schafer/Sacks 2004
SIB



Burnished Brass
Roe, 1972
SPU



Hickory Leaves
Niswonger, 1998
SPU



Kaibab Trail
Wickenkamp, 1985
SPU



Missouri Orange
Niswonger, 1998
SPU, Nies



Missouri Rivers
Niswonger, 1990
SPU, Nies



Mythical Nights
Hedgecock, 2009
SPU



Rodeo Blue
Jenkins, 1994
SPU



Russian White
Niswonger, 1983
SPU



Spiced Tea
Niswonger, 1984
SPU



Sunny Day
Sass, 1931
SPU, Nies



CBRIS Beardless Door Prize Iris from Jane Jordan's Garden



Blue Mountain Mist
Pryor, 2007
LA, Debailon



Blueberry Mousse
Jackson, 2016
LA



Cute As
Jackson, 2017
LA



Dark Dude
Betzer, 2010
LA, Debailon



Electric Storm
Jackson, 2018
LA



Margery Rose
Grieves, 2018
LA



Tarawera Flow
Jackson, 2017
LA



Violet Vision
Treadway, 2019
LA



Angel Mountain
Bauer/Coble, 2000
JI



Blue Spritz
Delmez, 1996
JI, Payne



Dewa Banri
Ichie, 1989
JI



Rosewater
Bauer/Coble 1996
JI



Silverband
Bauer/Coble 1989
JI



Columbia Deep Water
Harris, 2013
JI, Payne



Antique Brass
Harris, 2018
Pseudata

CBRIS Beardless Door Prize Iris from Jane Jordan's Garden



Black Joker
Schafer/Sacks 2013
SIB, Morgan-Wood



Ginger Twist
Schafer/Sacks 2009
SIB, Morgan-Wood



Light of Heart
Hollingworth, 2007
SIB



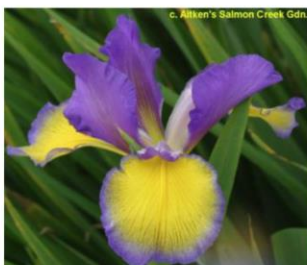
Roaring Jelly
Schafer/Sacks, 1992
SIB, Morgan-Wood



Rubies on Tap
Schafer/Sacks, 2018
SIB, Morgan-Wood



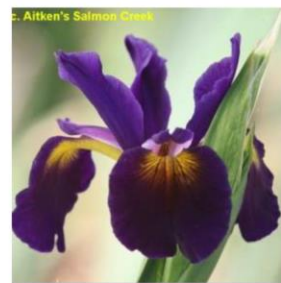
Sugar Rush
Schafer/Sacks, 2008
SIB



Adriatic Blue
Niswonger, 1996
SPU, Nies



Ibex Ibis
Kasperak, 2012
SPU, Nies



Midnight Rival
Johnsen, 1993
SPU



Missouri Clouds
Niswonger, 2000
SPU



Royal Coat
Jenkins, 2015
SPU



Salmon Sunset
Walker, 2007
SPU





AIS Region 14 Fall 2023

Meeting Agenda

'Iris by the Sea'



Friday, October 13, 2023

- 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM Registration
- 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM Reblooming Iris Show setup; Entries accepted
- 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Reblooming Iris Show Judging
- 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM Dinner break (on your own)
- 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM Riley Probst, Judges Training – *'Reblooming Iris'*
- 9:00 PM – 10:00 PM Social Evening, Silent Auction

Saturday, October 14, 2023

- 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Registration
- 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Breakfast Break: Coffee, Tea, Water, Pastries
- 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM Region 14 Budget / Board Meeting
- 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM Break and Silent Auction Bidding
- 10:15 AM – 12:00 PM Region 14 Board and General Meeting
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Buffet Lunch - Hosted by MBIS
- 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Guest Speaker, Joe Ghio *'In the Beginning'*
- 2:00 PM – 2:15 PM Break and Silent Auction Bidding
- 2:15 PM – 3:00 PM Live Iris Auction
- 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Bryce Williamson, Judges Training – *'Color Patterns in Bearded Iris'*
- 4:30 PM Silent Auction Bids
- 5:00 PM End of meeting





Iris by the Sea

American Iris Society Region 14—2023 Fall Regional
Hosted by Monterey Bay Iris Society
October 13th–14th, 2023



Guest speaker—Joe Ghio from Bay View Gardens

Registration form for Monterey Bay Iris Society Fall Regional

Aptos Grange 2555 Mar Vista Dr, Aptos, CA 95003

Registrant 1 First name: _____ Last name _____

Registrant 2 First name: _____ Last name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST ____ Zip _____

Cell Phone _____ Telephone _____

email to receive confirmation _____

Local Iris Society _____

Registration fee if paid before October 4th, 2023—\$95 number of person/s _____ Total \$ _____

if paid after October 5th—\$110 number of person/s _____ Total \$ _____

No Credit cards accepted. Please make check payable to Monterey Bay Iris Society.

Registrations received after October 10th, 2023 will be accepted at the discretion of the Registrar.

Total Amount (Please enter this amount on the check) TOTAL \$ _____

Please send this registration to Brenda Wood, Registrar
516 San Miguel Canyon Rd, Royal Oaks, CA 95076
831-818-4515 or email: woodbrenda@aol.com

Hotel recommendation: Rio Sands Hotel, 116 Aptos Beach Dr, Rio Del Mar, Aptos. 831 688-3207. Contact person is Maggie. They are offering a 20% discount and with that the rate will be \$429.83 for the 2 nights and includes tax. Their discounted Thursday night rate is \$143, plus tax; Friday and Saturday rate is \$231, plus tax.

You can also do AirBNB. Gather a group and book a house!