

Electronic Services Report

A short report about what has been happening the last few months.

First, with the launch of the new website, it has been the priority to find and fix problems. The following progress has been made.

When problems are brought to our attention, we attempt to fix them in a timely manner. Some of those problems include:

Broken links.

Bringing information up to date including the commercial directory.

Recently we updated the information about international societies, finding a new Ukrainian iris society that most of us did not know existed.

A larger project was to update the awards and metal lists. These were either a few years out-of-date or had not been changed since 2012. That has been done. I am not happy with the formats, but at least the information is now correct.

We have been adjusting wording where a specific year is mention and rewording it to a more generic version that does not require fixing every year.

Finding and linking missing AIS documents.

My sincere thanks to everyone who has helped and special thanks to Wayne who gets things done in a timely manner. I have had to remind, on occasion, that all of this relies on volunteers and they deserve our thanks and patience when appropriate.

We now know why the first page does not display correctly on various devices, but we are still stalled on the solution. I appreciate Randall taking the time to figure this out.

When I was asked as Administrator of Facebook's Iris Lovers for the most popular irises in the US, I learned of the policy that the popularity poll cannot be released until the bulletin is in the hands of members. Since many of us had already read the bulletin and supplement online, this policy may need changing to reflect our electronic age.

Bryce Williamson