

TB Symposium Report

There was an interesting discussion recently in Iris Discuss on the possibility of saving money (around \$700 annually) by binding the Symposium ballot in the Bulletin rather than keeping it as an insert. Many opinions were expressed, but no consensus was reached. Some suggestions were to bind the list of iris in the Bulletin, or to put it in a separate business-oriented volume to be sent with the January Bulletin.

My participation was limited, because I can see some good points in almost all of the suggestions. There is only one possibility I am firmly against: requiring a voter to tear a page out of the Bulletin to mail in as the ballot. If a ballot page is bound into the Bulletin, the rules have to allow sending a photocopy or hand-written copy instead.

Not knowing what format will be decided on, I have not generated a ballot, but I have sent to the Bulletin editor a copy of the list of TB cultivars that will be on the ballot.

I intend to have a program that I can distribute at the Spring Meeting to the RVP's that will do the totals for them, given as input a text file with the numbers of the voted-for iris.

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