

Publications Committee Report

April 2008

The Publications Committee continues to struggle to launch or complete projects. Our volunteers seem to be stretched thin. A call for more volunteers will be made soon.

Status of Projects

1. Floral Arrangements with Irises -- Work has been suspended.
2. Hybridizing Through the Ages – Betty Roberts is reviewing past Bulletin articles on hybridizing with a view to publication in 2009. Bulletins have been reviewed up to 1985. Articles identified are attached. All articles will be compiled into chapters and various individuals will be asked to write an introduction and comment on the chapter topic.
3. Hybridizers' manual – Terry Aitkens is continuing work. Completion for 2010.
4. Irises for Everyone – Unable to reach George Waters. Need to consider alternative.
5. Chronicles – no activity, next chronicle expected to be on Ben Hager. I will be looking for someone who would be prepared to coordinate the production of chronicles.
6. Coffee Table book – being carried out by Publicity Committee
7. AIS Centennial Publication – Working group to be established over the next year with terms of reference. There will be strong interest in this project. I have two volunteers and possible others who have expressed interest. Possible candidates for a project chair would be appreciated.

New Projects

1. New book on Bertrand Farr by George Edmonds expected to be completed by Fall 2008. A proposal for purchasing copies and selling through the AIS Storefront will be available Sept/Oct.

Respectfully submitted,

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Iris Hybridizing Bibliography

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