

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

E. Roy Epperson

- Directors absent from this Board meeting:
 1. Robert Pries (family medical concerns)
- The American Iris Society silver medal has been engraved, sent to Clive Russell, and presented to Zara Evans.
- The Australian Iris Society is compiling the Australian Judges' Manual and are requesting permission to utilize some of the line drawings and diagrams from the *AIS Handbook for Judges and Show Officials*. **ACTION REQUIRED.**
- John Baker has issued an invitation to TBIS for them to hold their 2010 spring board meeting as a part of the 2010 AIS Convention. The TBIS Board voted to accept this invitation "...if we were to receive the AIS's blessing." TBIS has requested that the AIS Board of Directors bestow their blessing. **ACTION REQUIRED.**
- The *Handbook* (page 28) needs to be modified to clearly state the AIS policies on eligibility of iris for the American Dykes Medal. The following statement needs to be reaffirmed. **ACTION REQUIRED.**

The American Dykes Medal is awarded annually by the British Iris Society through The American Iris Society and is restricted to irises first originated and introduced in the United States or Canada. Irises originated elsewhere, although not eligible for the American Dykes Medal, are eligible for other AIS awards provided that the iris was first introduced in the United States or Canada.

- The *Handbook* (page 24) under THE HONORABLE MENTION AWARD, 2nd line is incorrect. In keeping with the original intent of SIGNA the words "...and bearded SPEC and SPEC-X.." need to be deleted. **ACTION REQUIRED.**

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