## **Report of the Registrar-Recorder and Registrations Committee**

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## **Registrar-Recorders – John Jones & Joanne Prass-Jones**

Status

The fillable PDF iris registration form which can be filled out electronically with Adobe Reader is being used on a limited, but successful basis.

To date we have entered 696 registrations and 113 reserves. The numbers have increased somewhat from the 650 Registrations and 132 Reserves reported this time last year. Considering the variability from year to year and the timing within the year I do not find these differences significant. We have a backlog of about 200 registrations with several set due to arrive from European Associate Registrars.

To date we have received about \$5215 (\$6060 last year) in North American registrations and reserves and about \$4015 (\$5575 last year, normalized to this reporting period)) in foreign registrations and reserves. (The Registrar's fiscal year differs from the AIS Treasurer's fiscal year and "to date" numbers not reflect payment for some North American registrations in the backlog.) The use of Paypal for registration payments is limited to foreign registrations due to the Paypal transaction fee (2.9% of the transaction amount + USD\$0.30.)

In early March this year we delivered a PDF list of the introductions for the 2016 registration year for publication on the AIS website for use by show personnel to qualify show entries. As evidenced by some questions I received and the fact that some members of this body did not remember that it was published, I think wider notification of its existence is appropriate. Remember, as per the *Handbook for Judges and Show Officials*, "... to be eligible for AIS official awards above the level of High Commendation Award (sic), the iris introduction must be recorded with the AIS Registrar". That recordation is evidenced by the publication of the annual *Registrations and Introductions* booklet.

We are looking at ways we could have other individuals at remote locations (meaning not at our house) help with this process and there are some possibilities, BUT the integrity of the master database is my responsibility and I need to be sure that, whatever I do, database is secure, and that whomever might have access to it understands the very complex set of guidelines, procedures, and procedures that are associated with it. I have yet to work my way through the somewhat complex remote access protocols.

Respectfully submitted, John Jones & Joanne Prass-Jones Registrar-Recorders