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## PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE FROM THE SPCNI TREASURER

### Diseases of the Pacific Coast Iris

Lewis and Adele Lawyer: ALMANAC, Fall 1986 issue  
22 pages, 9 photographs. \$3.50 postage paid.

### Third Cumulative Check List

Francesca Thoolen: 36 pages. Lists and describes  
Pacific Coast native iris and named hybrids through  
1985. \$4.00 postage paid.

### A Guide to the Pacific Coast Irises

Victor A. Cohen: The British Iris Society 1987.  
Booklet, 5½x8½, 40 pages, 16 line drawings, 8 color  
and 6 black-white photographs. Brief description of  
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Lee W. Lenz Photocopy reprint from *Aliso* original  
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### Hybridization and Speciation in the Pacific Coast Irises.

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finitive work on naturally -occurring inter-specific  
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## SEED AVAILABLE

Seed of species and garden hybrids is available for  
\$1.00 per packet from the Seed Distribution Chairmen  
Louis & Caroline Fry, 4 Renata Court, Novato, CA  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi!

Everybody makes mistakes sometimes, but why did it have to be me?

Last year I planted out around 3000 PCN seedlings, and like everyone, I was full of hope; but because of my past year's schedule, (driving 160 miles a day to and from work), they got planted very, very late. A few bloomed, and some were very satisfying; but the largest percentage did not, although they are growing vigorously.

Unfortunately, or better yet, "fortunately", we've sold our house and lot and purchased 6.5 acres of fine land in Silverton, Oregon, which will hopefully grow our PCNs well.

The rough part is when I go out to the garden and visualize digging and wrapping all of them prior to trucking them up there and transplanting with a

minimum loss of plants. No matter how hard I try to ignore the task, it's still there. So this week we "move 'em out!"

Its going to be very strange not to be able to have local contact with the Lawyers, Gigi, LaRue, and Jean, so we could easily discuss ideas and decisions to be made. Plus, I appreciate all the great effort they, as well as many others, have given to make SPCNI what it is today.

Come see us when you can and see how our garden grows.

7872 Howell Prairie Road NE, Silverton, Oregon 97381 is our new address.

Love ya all,



## FROM THE EDITOR

There is something very special about being in a wild or undeveloped area, a tangled woods, a remote ocean beach, a needle-carpeted forest, a quiet desert, or a twisting ravine leisurely walking around, climbing over rocks, or even sitting still, as the occasion dictates. You may have a camera, drawing or painting materials, and be searching for a pleasing composition or a just-right flower or plant. You may be looking for rocks or pretty pieces of wood. You may be a fisherman, or you may just be there because you like the solitude or the smell of the surroundings,

This is something that you can do alone, but it is probably something that is better shared with someone. Adele and I like to "explore" together. We may not stay together, in fact we are most likely to be wandering in different directions, but when either finds something special, the other one has to come

and share it.

Occasionally we "explore" with a small group of friends. Twice we have been with larger groups, the first time in the Australian bush, and more recently on the SPCNI trek to the Oregon-Northern California iris fields. Both times, the sharing of the mutual interests of a large group has added a dimension to the experience. It is different, but it is something special, (perhaps "infectious" is the word), and I think everyone in the group felt it.

Those of you who like to "explore" but who missed the SPCNI 1989 Spring Expedition this time should not let another opportunity go by. You may find it to be something special for you, too.



## NOMINATIONS FOR NEW OFFICERS

In accordance with our bylaws, the following slate of officers is submitted by the nominating committee of SPCNI for consideration by the membership.

President	Gigi Hall
First Vice President	Joanne Derr
Second Vice President	David Lennette
Secretary-Treasurer	Adele Lawyer
Editor	Lewis Lawyer

Our bylaws state that if there are no additional nominations, these officers shall be installed without balloting. If, however, there are other nominations, the signatures of five members in good standing must be obtained as endorsement and the document mailed to Duane Meek. The nominee must then provide a written acceptance of the nomination. Following this, ballots must be sent to all SPCNI members for voting.

## LENZ PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Two publications by Dr. Lee W. Lenz of the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, long out of print, have been reprinted by SPCNI and are now available. "A Revision of the Pacific Coast Irises" and its companion piece, "Hybridization and Speciation in the Pacific Coast Irises", were first published by the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in their journal, *Aliso*, in 1958 and 1959.

"A Revision.." was reprinted in part

in ALMANAC issues between the years 1981 and 1984, but it was felt that this left the material too widely scattered and largely unavailable to new members.

The new reprints are 5½ by 8½ inches, 72 pages each, photocopied directly from the original pages, and staple-bound with paper covers. They may be obtained from the editor of the ALMANAC or the secretary-treasurer of SPCNI for \$6.00 each, or both for \$10.00 postpaid.

## IN MEMORIAM

### MARGORIE BRUMMITT

Margorie Brummitt, a giant in the field of breeding Pacific Coast native iris, passed away after a long illness. At the time her last variety was released in 1976, Margorie was the leading hybridizer of this group, having introduced 32 varieties, slightly more than Dr. Lee Lenz had introduced at the time. It was Dr. Lenz, however, who inspired Margorie's interest in the PCNs.

In the Spring 1977 issue of the ALMANAC, Mrs. Brummitt writes, "How does it come about that someone living in the centre of England should become a hybridizer of Pacific Coast native iris?"

"Many years ago, Dr. Lenz came to England and stayed with us for awhile; he and my husband had growing orchids in common. When he returned home he sent us slides of his Pacific Coast iris seedlings growing in long rows, and a beautiful sight they were. As a floral art enthusiast I fell in love with the dainty, colorful little gems, a love

that lasted many years. I still think they are the best of the whole genus."

"When Dr. Lenz sent us some plants it was decided that I should have these while my husband concentrated on the tall bearded." And Margorie and her husband Leonard went on to cross and select seedlings and varieties which are still grown all over the world. Both received three British Dykes Medals in their separate fields of endeavor, and in 1979 they jointly received the Hybridizer's Medal. Quoting the British Yearbook, "... and it was apparent to those who knew the two of them, working and demonstrating in the 'Patch', that a joint award would acknowledge a partnership which, while complimentary, was cooperative and probably unique in our annals."

Margorie received the British Dykes in 1976 for the charming, NO NAME. No *Californicae* has yet achieved this distinction in the United States. Two Siberian iris varieties of her breeding also received the British Dykes Medal,

CAMBRIDGE in 1971, and ANNIVERSARY in 1979.

Margorie had many prizewinning PCNs. Her first AMs were for TWINKLE and BANBURY BEAUTY in 1960, and BANBURY BEAUTY later won the Hugh Miller Trophy, as did BANBURY WELCOME. Other PCNs winning AM or more notable awards in England were BANBURY MAGIC, BANBURY VELVET, and BANBURY MELODY.

In 1977, the Society for Pacific Coast Native Iris made Margorie Brummitt an honorary life member and the following citation was published in the Spring 1977 issue, edited by Olive Rice:

"For her enthusiasm for Pacific Coast native irises over many years: - For the discrimination shown in her selection of seedlings for registration, eschewing as she has novelty for its own sake; - For the artistry with which she has time and again displayed these irises at shows of the British Iris Society, and especially the magnificent display at Westminster on the occasion of the BIS Jubilee; - And for her generosity in sharing the results of her work, which has done so much to bring Pacific Coast Native Iris to the forefront in gardens everywhere: The Society for Pacific Coast Native Iris hereby names Margorie Brummitt an honorary life member."

This citation captures the essence of this productive lady, and we know now that her contributions insure that she will have membership in memory far beyond her physical presence. Margorie Brummitt will live forever through the beauty of her varieties, both in themselves, and as parents for further variations in the series *Californicae*.

MARGORIE G. SCHMIDT

#### *Adele Lawyer*

Margorie Schmidt, a valued, long-time member of the Society for Pacific Coast Native Iris, died on April 10, 1989. She was a lover of the *Californicae* and grew them wherever she lived, most recently in Berkeley, California.

In 1987, she generously wrote to us, as editors of the ALMANAC, to tell us how much she appreciated the quality and variety of the articles. She noted that she, too, especially admired *Iris munzii* which she grew in Los Gatos where she lived "many years ago." She also

grew *Iris fernaldii* at that time and mentioned that "It used to be plentiful in the dry woods above Big Basin State Park, and along the road from Saratoga to the Summit Road. In some of these areas there were flowers heavily veined in chocolate, - very striking. Seedlings gave me some nicely veined flowers, but more often in maroon, or a deep lavender shade, mostly with a cafe-au-lait base color."

Margorie continued her intimate acquaintance with native iris when she lived at Hayfork in the Trinity Alps in the midst of *Iris macrosiphon* and *I. tenuissima* and their natural hybrids. Her article "Some Native Iris of Trinity County", written for the Fall 1977 issue of the ALMANAC, during Olive Rice's tenure as editor, demonstrates her knowledge of the species and her skill in communicating that knowledge.

Margorie Schmidt was a member of the California Native Plant Society, the California Horticulture Society, and the Western Chapter of the American Rock Garden Society; and she was respected and admired in each.

CARL STARKER

Carl Starker, who, along with Fred DeForest, was the first to introduce Pacifica varieties in the United States, passed away in a nursing home in Portland, Oregon in mid-1988.

Originally a florist, according to the AIS Membership List of 1931, Carl was a member of AIS starting in 1927 and continuing through the 1950s. In 1939 he selected and introduced the following varieties, principally from native *I. douglasiana*: AGNES JAMES, GOLD RIVER BLUE, FAIRY BLUE, and ORPHEUS. BY-A-BEE (named by Roy Davidson), was a selected natural hybrid between *I. tenax* and *I. sibirica* which Starker also selected and introduced.

Bill Ferrell of Philomath, Oregon tells us that Carl Starker was an artistic man, with a flair for flower arranging. He published several books on the subject. And he was a friendly and generous man, as well. When Bill first met him 25 years ago, he was running a nursery of rare and unusual native plants at Jennings Lodge, Oregon where he resided during the years when he was active in AIS.

## SPCNI BREEDING PROJECT UPDATE

The SPCNI breeding project proposed in the 1988 spring ALMANAC is off to a good start. Over 450 packets of seed were distributed to the 27 members who requested them. According to word received from seed recipients, germination has been good.

Several members have offered to send us seed this summer, especially from species, for distribution next year. Seed production this year in our garden is almost nil, (4 pods on 106 clumps of named varieties). This is also true for the species iris in U.C. and the Regional Parks botanic gardens. We saw no picket lines, but it looks as if the bees were on strike because our hand-pollinated crosses set normally. There will be more on the availability of seed in the fall ALMANAC.

Another unanticipated source of seed which may materialize is through Bill Ferrell. Bill and Jeanne Ferrell were on the 1989 Spring Expedition and are going to retrace our route in August to collect seed from sites where we saw them blooming in May. If the plants set well, as expected, the Ferrells will be collecting *Ii. innominata*, *chysophylla*, *thompsonii*, *bracteata*, *douglasiana*, and *I. tenax* from the Siskiyou area, and the seed will be distributed to those who went on the trip, and to others if the supply permits.

Bob Ward, SPCNI member from Little-

rock, Arkansas and new ALMANAC representative for the Central area of the US, has sent a request for seed to be forwarded to a botanic garden in the USSR. According to Bob, Dr. Vladimir K. Negrustuev would like 25 or more seeds of each of the Pacifica species for the botanic garden in Baku. We will send Bob packets of any species seed we have or receive from you as part of the SPCNI breeding program, or you can send seed directly to him at 54 Belmont Drive, Little Rock, AR 72204.

Bob says that seeds he sent to Dr. Rodionenko in 1987 are growing without any problems. This includes *Ii. douglasiana*, *innominata*, and *tenax*. We hope eventually to get some feedback in the form of an article for the Almanac on the outcome of these plantings.

This is also a good time to remind all members that we need your open-pollinated seed from newer, named varieties for sale in our ongoing seed sales program. This project, in contrast to the breeding program, was initiated to distribute seed of good garden plants to flower lovers so that more people become aware of the potential of Pacificas. Send seed to the seed distribution chairman listed on the inside of the front cover. This is an important objective of SPCNI, and all members should participate, even you!

## NEW SPCNI BOARD

Of recent years the officers of SPCNI have been exclusively from the northern California area. Although it was the opinion of the leadership that a more efficient organization would result if all officers lived close enough to get together for meetings, we do not feel that this practice has been of benefit to all areas where Pacificas are grown. In Southern California, for instance, interest has diminished; and this is the area that founded and provided the groundwork for SPCNI.

We are now making a special effort to recruit staff members from all areas in the ever-increasing zones where PCNs

are being grown. Although this program is still in progress, the current status of our efforts are reported here:

First on the list is our first vice president nominee, Joanne Derr of Estacada, Oregon. Both Joanne and her husband, Claude, will doubtless work together; but since there is no precedent for a two-person first vice president, we chose Joanne, who has been a member of SPCNI for a longer period than her husband. We will tell you more about this couple in the fall ALMANAC.

As district ALMANAC representatives we have obtained the following individuals to date:

Oregon: William Ferrell, Philomath.  
Washington: Jean Witt, Seattle.  
Central States: Bob Ward, Littlerock.  
Eastern: Richard Kiyomoto, North Haven.  
Other positions for ALMANAC representatives not filled as we go to press are: Southern California, Northern California, Europe, and Australia-New Zealand. There are probably too few members in Japan and Hawaii for representation at this time.

To replace long-time Seed Distribution Chairman, LaRue Boswell, we have obtained Louis and Caroline Fry of Novato, California. Compulsive seed collectors themselves, both of native iris in the wild and wildly from seed catalogs, they are admirably suited for the job.

Establishing the positions of Trip Chairman and Publicity Chairman is also being considered.

## THE 1989 SPCNI SPRING EXPEDITION

Forty three intrepid and dedicated irisarians braved the ominous threat of stormy weather and the uncertainties of a harrowing bus ride over tortuous logging roads of the southwest Oregon mountains, just for the pleasure of seeing their favorite iris species growing and blooming in the wild. Actually, the weather was ideal, the bus was comfortably equipped with modern conveniences, its driver congenial and cooperative, and everyone had a memorable experience.

So it is that the first (annual?) SPCNI-sponsored trip to view native iris has become history. Historically, this was by no means the first PCN trek, people having explored hillsides and gardens singly and in groups looking for native iris ever since the times of the earliest botanical collectors. Modern day treks date back to the late 1950s, some 15 years before the establishment of SPCNI, when a dozen or so irisarians from Washington and Oregon got together each year for 4 different years to explore Oregon and Northern California iris stands. In April, 1977, 4 years after the SPCNI was founded, members from Southern California organized a trek to visit the gardens of George Stambach and the McCaskills in Pasadena. Last year a group of SPCNI members and others from the Santa Rosa area organized a visit to iris stands around their area and westward to the coast. They reported having such a good time that others, perhaps out of sheer jealousy, wanted to do it, too. It was from this beginning that our SPCNI-sponsored tour became first a goal and eventually, largely through the efforts of Adele

Lawyer and the help and advice of friends both in and out of SPCNI, a reality.

As planned, the group gathered at a motel in Roseburg, Oregon on the evening of Friday, May 12, arriving by air and surface travel as suited their circumstances. After dinner, everyone met in the motel conference room for introductions, a briefing, and a slide presentation showing pictures of the species and means of identification. Introductions revealed participants from Oregon, northern and southern California, and, notably, Dora Sparrow, who had come all the way from New Zealand just for this trip.

The bus left the motel promptly at 8:30 am Saturday and made the first stop a half hour later on a little lane off Highway 42, which leads from near Roseburg to the coast. There we had our first view of *I. chrysophylla* and *I. tenax*, growing among ferns and evergreens. Here, also, Wayne Roderick started what was to become a major feature of the trip; for while everyone else was looking at iris, Wayne was gathering samples of the surrounding plants to identify for us as we proceeded in the bus toward our next stop. Wayne is well suited for this role, having managed both the University of California and the Regional Parks Botanic Gardens, and collected extensively not only in the region through which we were traveling, but also world-wide for both gardens. He is an authority on Indian uses of the native plants and was able to share some of his knowledge with us.

Our next stops were along a logging road a mile south of China Flat between Powers and Agness. Here we saw *I. innominata* in all shades of bright orange to yellow and in many configurations of petal shapes and markings. It was easy to see why *I. innominata* has been such an important genetic source by hybridizers of our modern cultivated clones. Here, too, we experienced our first confrontation with what was to become the most difficult part of the trip: tearing people away from the flowers and getting them back on the bus.

At the summit of the Powers-Agness road where we stopped for lunch, we found more *I. innominata*, but this time in pale yellow to cream colors.



Pale yellow form of *I. innominata* seen near our lunch stop

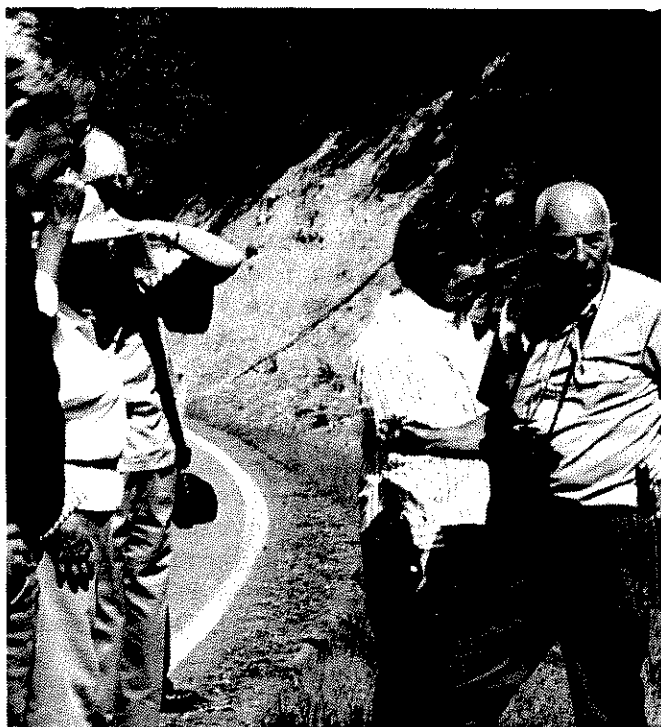
Three more stops were made on our way down to the coast. As we came closer to the coast *I. innominata* merged into *I. douglasiana* colonies, and on the final stop in a large area which was being reforested, we found clumps of pure *I. douglasiana*.

Saturday night was spent in a motel at Brookings, Oregon, where Gigi Hall made attractive and colorful name tags for everyone.

In the morning, we made a short stop at Azalea State Park to see fragrant

native azaleas, some of which were said to be over 300 years old. That and a second brief stop at a Redwood State Park along Highway 197 in California, were the only non-iris stops of the trip.

The first iris stop of the day was to have been on a road off Highway 199 at Gasquet, California; but before we got there someone on the bus yelled, "Irises!" The bus driver found a wide spot on the highway and everyone poured off the bus to brave the very real danger of 60-mile an-hour traffic on a major state highway with only 4 or 5 feet of flat space between the pavement and the bank on which the iris were growing.



The highway department left little room along state route 199 for Wayne Roderick to tell us about the plant he is holding

Fortunately no one was killed, and when we did arrive at Gasquet, we turned left off Highway 199 on a road which circled in back of town. About a mile from the highway the bus driver found a good place to stop. Here we found irises similar in color and configuration to those seen earlier along the highway, that is a pale cream-yellow background marked and washed with purple. These correspond to the interspecific crosses between *I. innominata* and *I. douglasiana* known to occur in the area and formerly called *I. thompsonii*.





Swallowtail butterfly contemplating  
the pollination of *I. thompsonii*  
during our stop at Gasquet

From there we cruised back into Oregon, turning left on a logging road out of the little town of O'Brien. This road, the second scheduled stop of the day had been recommended by Jon Splane, a SPCNI member from Eugene, Oregon; however, Wayne Roderick also knew of the road, having previously collected there. This was fortunate because

Wayne knew of a wide place on the gravel road about 5 or 6 miles from the highway where the 50-foot bus would be able to turn around. This "wide place" also proved to be a delightful spot where the logging road crossed over Whiskey Creek, and we quickly chose it as the ideal place for lunch.



Wayne conducting a "Botany 1A Class"  
in the wide place on the road near Whiskey  
Creek. Whiskey Creek bridge is in the background.

Here we found our first *Darlingtonia californica*, (pitcher plant or cobra lily), in a little bog area a few feet from where the bus had stopped. There must have been a hundred or more of these odd cobra-shaped, insect eating plants and everyone went wild snapping cameras and crowding to get a better look. Of course, we later found them by the thousands in swampy seepage slopes, not more than a hundred yards or so down the road, but that first sight was a real thrill.



Mass of *Darlingtonia californica*



Cream-yellow flowers of *Iris bracteata* rising above a clump of brilliant pink phlox

We took our lunches where our fancy dictated: to the edge of the rushing stream or into the woods, and everyone felt the magic of the surroundings. Some nice plants of *Dicentra oregonum* were much photographed and Wayne identified surrounding plants and trees at a roadside gathering.

From there we traveled back down the road for a couple of miles, either on



Lacy, white *Iris chrysophylla* on Cow Creek Loop





Beautifully patterned form of *Iris innominata* on Cow Creek Loop Road

foot or hitching a ride on the bus from time to time. Irises and other flowers were plentiful all along the way and the bus traveled just fast enough to pick up the stragglers until these hitch-hikers spotted a place where they wanted to get out and start looking again. Our "hike" ended at a wide, gently sloping field of flowers of all kinds including, of course, irises, in this case *I. bracteata*, a pale golden beauty. These were growing among drifts of showy pink phlox, and were surrounded with violas, daisies, silene, delphinium, purple allium, castilleja, Lewisia, and the ever-present beautiful calochortus (the "pussy ears" type), not precisely identified by our resident botanists, Wayne Roderick and Ted Kipping.

By pleading and threatening we got everyone back on the bus and started on the long drive between O'Brien and

the Cow Creek loop, some 20 miles north of Grants Pass, where we were promised some beautiful *I. chrysophylla*.

The Cow Creek loop is a paved road that leaves I5 at Glendale and eventually meets and follows Cow Creek to join I5 again at Riddle, Oregon. Patches of *I. chrysophylla*, *I. tenax*, and *I. innominata* grow along the road and it is a good area to see many interspecific crosses. We had time to stop at only one area, but lucked out to land in a colony of pure creamy yellow *I. chrysophylla* whose flowers were enhanced with long, feathery crests on the style arms.

Back at the motel at 6 pm, we exchanged reluctant goodbyes to kindred spirits among this very congenial group. We must include here a very pleasant bus driver whose willingness and skill helped make the trip so enjoyable.

Now we will let you see the trip through the eyes of two of the participants, Walter and Alene Dean of Fairfield, California, members of SPCNI since 1985. Walt is usually seen with his video camera pointed toward an iris flower, but as you will see, he also collects through other senses.

## PCN FEVER

### *Walter and Alene Dean*

It would have been impossible to have asked for better weather on the two-day bus tour of southwestern Oregon and northwestern California to see Pacific Coast native iris and to show their true and glorious colors.

Saturday morning, May 13, at Roseburg, we met the participants, a few we already knew and others that we would come to know, 43 people from California and Oregon and one from New Zealand. The bus headed west on State Route 42 for Mt. Cama Summit and here we got our first glimpse of *I. chrysophylla*. Not a single one went unnoticed. every type of lens from wide to telephoto probed their innermost secrets. Several Camcorders were also probing the scene as hidden recesses were searched for the more bashful beauties, be they the iris or the wide assortment of flora that greeted our eyes everywhere.



The first PCN of the trip

There wasn't any shrill whistle to summon the far flung intrepid travelers, the horn of the bus was so weak that it sounded like a very distant train whistle. When we were all settled in our seats as the bus was wending its way to our next destination, we were treated to Botany Class 101, conducted by our resident professor, Wayne Roderick. He had collected a number of samples of stems and branches of the local native vegetation that he discoursed upon. Scientific and popular names, range, growth, habitat, and many other bits of information were given as the items passed up and down the aisles for closer perusal.

Just before Myrtle Point we headed south and passed thru the small town of Powers. Arriving at China Flat in Siskiyou National Forest, we turned up a gravel road along the side of a mountain to locate *I. innominata*. My main interest was IRIS, but even the most avid of the irisarians had to admire the beauty of the scene and the myraids of other spring bloom, some so tiny that it would take several blossoms to cover a dime.



*Iris innominata* near China Flat

After our next vegetation discourse, we returned to the main road and continued to Iron Mountain where we dined in luxury of views that even the most exclusive dinner club in some great city could not match. After lunch, a little exploring turned up a few more iris. It was also the end of the paved road and the air conditioning on the bus had to be turned off when traveling on gravel.



We looked at more iris near Lake of the Woods before reaching the black top again near the town of Agness where we turned west along the Rogue River.

At milepost 13 from Gold Beach, we found *I. douglasiana* along the side of the road. There were many plants with last year's pods that had not dropped all of their seed which was quickly collected. Several miles down the road we found an extensive area that was being reforested. Large clumps of iris were scattered thickly over the area along with foot-high, newly-planted pines, spaced about 10 feet apart. The various colors of white, blue, and purple, each in their separate clump, were separated by a few feet of tall grass and the tiny pines, all laced with poison oak and ticks.

About 10 miles further along, we arrived at the mouth of the Rogue River at Gold Beach where we turned south along the spectacular coastline to arrive at our motel in Brookings. For me, it was dinner and early to bed and early to rise.

After breakfast, everyone was eager to board the bus for our second day of discovery. Gigi Hall must have spent the entire night making custom-made name tags in the color each person had

selected the day before. These were passed out on the short trip to the Azalea Garden. It is very invigorating to walk thru acres of blooming azaleas early in the morning while the dew is still on the grass. Wandering thru a grove of tall old pines, a few lone-some lavender *I. innominata* were located, a few here and there in widely separated places.

We continued down US 101 across the California border, catching State Route 197 to pass Jedemiah Smith Redwood State Park. One of our tour members, Dora Sparrow, from New Zealand, had never seen the Big Trees, so a short stop provided everyone a chance to see them before proceeding on to US 199, passing along and overlooking the incredible, clear water of the Smith River, where patches of *I. innominata* attracted our attention.

A short detour at the small town of Gasquet provided a view of *I. thompsonii*. Here, as in many places, our idling bus parked at the side of the road and 40 or so people swarming over the landscape, stooping, squatting, kneeling, bending over, or sometimes even prone to get a closeup, or just standing and gazing at the scene, would bring a passing car to a halt with questions



Clumps of "*Iris thompsonii*" in a grassy field near the town of Gasquet

as to what could possibly cause such odd behavior. Those in the cars had probably passed the iris daily with only a glance and no idea that we had traveled many miles just to see them for a brief moment in time.

Onward, ever onward, the intrepid travelers pressed on! We crossed back into Oregon, and at O'Brien, detoured up into an area that our Guru of rare avaris flora, Wayne, declared to be unique in its range of different and sometimes rare plant material. In wet, boggy areas we saw hundreds of cobra-headed, carnivorous, insect-eating plants. There was also a wide assortment of beautiful spring flowers. We dined on an excellent lunch of beef and ham sandwiches, coleslaw, chips, fruit juice or soda, and oranges. It's amazing how good food can taste while sitting on a log or rock in the fresh spring air with the soothing sound of water rippling over stones, and accompanied by the music provided by the birds in residence. A bright sunny day with a gentle breeze made the idyllic scene perfect. Our real reason for the stop, of course, was to see iris, this time *I. bracteata*.

Back on US 199, we continued to wend our way to Grants Pass, then north on the Interstate to the Wolf Creek turnoff, westward around Greyback Mountain. Here,



*Iris chrysophylla* on the last stop of the trip

on our one stop, we saw *I. chrysophylla* and *I. innominata*. By the time we reached Cow Creek, the road was so narrow and twisting that there was no place to park the bus safely to allow us to get off when we began seeing *I. tenax*. We were all disappointed that we couldn't get out to get a closer look, but a stop was made just long enough for Wayne to jump off to collect samples. These were passed back through the bus for all to get a closeup look at these little beauties as the bus continued on to return us to our starting point in Roseburg.

Everyone signed a card of appreciation for Adele and Lewis Lawyer for arranging such a marvelous expedition and voted that the occasion should become an annual event. A collection was taken up for our bus driver for putting up with 43 people infected with a most virulent form of PCN IRIS FEVER.

## FURTHER COMMENTS

Now for some comments from participants written in response to a request made at the conclusion of the trip.

*Richard Richards*

We will start off with a couple of paragraphs from Richard Richards who, with his wife, Marty, came all the way from La Mesa in Southern California to be with us.

"Where can I start in talking about the trek? I could say that the best part of the trip was the beautiful scenery. I could say that the best part of the trip was the great people we met and the friendships we renewed. All these things would be quite true. But the best part for me was the excitement of seeing *I. innominata* in its native range. The colors of gold, yellow, and near-orange were so intense. Just like the sun had broken into pieces and fallen in the meadows and underbrush. I do think I will never forget those flowers so gloriously in bloom.

"You both deserve special thanks for making all this possible. There are a lot of happy people as the result of your efforts. It is a good thing that those who could not come do not really know what they missed or their heads would be all lumps from hitting themselves."

### *Georgiana Combs*

Georgiana Combs, a new member from San Leandro, California, sent us the following thoughts from herself and her husband, Paul:

"The plans and accommodations, maps, etc., were excellent. Adele deserves a big hand for all her work. How did she manage two ideally perfect weather days? Her secret would make you a fortune!

"The tour group was very friendly and knowledgeable about PCN and other flora. Having Wayne Roderick about was an especially fine touch. I have always dreamed of having a botanist tell me all those botanical names for lovely woodland and meadow plants.

"Do hope this will be an ongoing affair, but realize all the work involved. Would love to join you anytime!"

### *Margery Edgren*

Margery Edgren, longtime member of SPCNI, present Chairman of the Western Chapter of the American Rock Garden Society, plant propagator for the Strybing Arboretum, stresses the fact that we did see a lot of interesting plants other than iris.

"One of the highlights of my trip was a small population of *Silene hookeri* we encountered near O'Brien in Oregon. It truly was the most beautiful form of the species I have ever seen, with flowers of soft rosy peach and petals beautifully rounded. The rich pastel color looked fresh and smooth even in the full midday sun. A real delight!

"We had a jolly and congenial group of people, enjoyed perfect weather, and saw some beautiful iris in its natural habitat. It was a most rewarding trip!"

### *Colin Rigby*

As on all excursions, however, there is always something to complain about. For that story we go to Colin Rigby's account of his experience as a photographer.

"One of the delights of any trip is the discovery of new things, and the SPCNI weekend trip was no exception. There were lots of new plants, made especially interesting with so many learned people aboard who took the time to tell us what they were. When the bus would stop, we were like a bunch of butterflies flitting from one plant or flower to another, always searching for

a more perfect bloom. With our cameras always at hand, we would assume amazing feats of contortion trying to get a more perfect shot of the more perfect flower. There were a lot of people taking pictures of people taking pictures. It was a photographer's paradise, the discovery of an *I. innominata* bloom with a red flush on the falls, the bi-colored violets, the calochortus, and the tiny wild roses, to name a very few. All these were photographed - carefully composing, focusing, and metering, - only to discover that there was no film in the camera! Frustration and anger! Anger that we could be so stupid, - the chance of a lifetime ruined! Oh, well, no matter. The pictures are firmly locked away in memory and who knows, they may get better with time."



A narrow-petaled form of *Iris innominata* at China Flat

### *Jean Erickson*

Now to a couple of paragraphs from Jean Erickson, our valued associate and past president and editor of SPCNI, who includes an interesting thought from David Lennette:

"Seeing the wonderful bloom on the innominatas in an area where they did not compete with other plant material made me think a little about that enjoyment. David Lennette said it best when he wondered out loud about the clearing out of vegetation for a road which scars the earth so badly, but actually makes it easier for the plants to grow and for us to enjoy them. There's one thing in favor of road building!"

*Bill Ferrell*

Next are a few paragraphs from Bill Ferrell of Philomath, Oregon. Bill's interest in iris became rekindled after a hike along the Rogue River in 1988.

"Like any fine experience in life, our weekend in PCN land left me with many strong impressions. First, there was the opportunity to see how different and how alike the species were. I have much more of a feeling of continuity between species: introgression at work.

"I also had a strong aesthetic impression of the trip. Those maroon and violet-veined golden, yellow, and buff innominata flowers on the side road out of China Flat! They were like so many lovely butterflies, fluttering their falls in the breezes.

"And finally, there were the many fine people enjoying the flowers and the scenery to their fullest. It was a rare experience to share our enthusiasms."

yelling, 'IRIS, IRIS, - yellow, - blue!!' while traveling via the bus!

"This was my first time in Oregon and Northern California. I could not have had a better introduction to the area by such a diverse and wonderful group. I now understand the logging scene better through the help of several of the Oregon members with us. I also learned much from Ted Kipping about geology as well as plants, and from Wayne Roderick I picked up so much information about plants, I am sure he will be giving me a test at the end of the month!

"As a child I grew a few carnivorous plants in a small greenhouse, and my dream of someday seeing them growing in the wild was more than fulfilled at O'Brien. The list goes on: Gigi Hall and Colin Rigby for identifying the iris. I just had a great time meeting all the interesting people and exchanging ideas. Thank you for an extraordinary adventure!"



*Iris chrysophylla* along Cow Creek

*Mark Brunschwiler*

The account of Mark Brunschwiler, of Cambria, California, the youngest member on the trip follows. Mark joined SPCNI in early 1987 and has been an enthusiastic member ever since. The following was excerpted from a letter received just after the trek.

"Thank you for the exciting trip you put together. Everyone was so excited,

*Adele Lawyer*

Our final reaction to the trip is related by Adele Lawyer, who probably has more reaction than anyone!

"It was early in February when the first information sheet on the Siskiyou trip was mailed to interested individuals, and I had been engaged in researching the route and the arrangements for some months before that time. The tension built up for me as the date of the event approached. Would the motels be as great as the brochure descriptions? Would the bus be first class? Would we ever receive written confirmation from the bus company? Would the box lunches be edible? Would the constant Oregon rains I heard reported on TV cease during our trip? And most especially, would the iris be at peak bloom on the dates we picked?

"Because of other activity pressures, Lewis and I were not able to pre-tour our course until the day before "blastoff". On Friday, May 12th, we started off with Mark Brunschwiler accompanying us, and I was a tense, gloomy, nervous companion. This, in spite of Mark and Lewis' "Polyanna"-like, disgustingly cheery reassurances that everything would turn out fine. We drove along Route 42 for what seemed to me to be 100 miles of road construction and



saw some isolated, inaccessible PCN blooms along the way. And then there were many more miles of anxious perusal of both sides of the Powers-Agness road. We finally saw a single, magnificent clump of purple tenax nestled in some poison oak. One clump, however magnificent, does not a tour make! I was depressed.



One (1) magnificent clump of *I. tenax*

"We stopped at the Powers District Siskiyou National Park Ranger Station and they knew nothing about the location of PCNs. At Powers we stopped for lunch snacks at the local grocery store and asked if anyone knew where wild iris could be found. "Sure," said a clerk, and she looked like a shining angel to me. "Go up one street and turn left to the end. There's a

whole field of wild iris. You can pick all you want! We shot out of there and around the corner; and, sure enough, in a field (an empty lot), there were plenty of tall bearded iris which had escaped from captivity, (probably in 1925), and had surely become wild in the interim!

"Well, prospects had been going from bad to worse until I perused my notes and found one from Ron Lutsko recommending some fine flowers near China Flat. We headed up the road and when we made the turn at China Flat and found the glorious yellow-orange iris, not only in full bloom, but also in drifts and clusters all up and down the road, the tension disappeared, and all the blue in me turned to gold!"



When all at once I saw with bliss,  
A host of golden irises:  
Beside the road, beneath the trees,  
Swaying and dancing in the breeze.

*Wordsworth*

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

### SOCIETY FOR PACIFIC COAST NATIVE IRIS

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

1988

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1988: \$634.60

#### RECEIPTS:

Dues collected	\$575.00
Dues collected AIS	397.00
Sale of Cohens, Check List, Back issues Almanac	494.00
Interest	48.91
	<u>\$1514.91</u>

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Spring ALMANAC	\$481.19
Fall ALMANAC	437.79
Secretary-Treasurer Exp.	334.12
10 Mitchell Award medals	381.00
Tax-exempt fee	150.00
Artifacts	31.46
	<u>\$1815.56</u>

BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1988:

\$333.95

# SUMMARY OF SPCNI MEETINGS

## 1. BOARD MEETING

Memphis, April 29, 1989

Present were LaRue Boswell, Jean Erickson, Adele Lawyer, Lewis Lawyer, Colin Rigby, Teressa Rigby, Olive Rice Waters.

Agenda: New Officers It was the opinion of those present that the officers of SPCNI should not continue to be exclusively from northern California. An effort will be made to obtain representation from a wider geographical area. Lewis Lawyer proposed the appointment of regional representatives of the ALMANAC to help foster more input from the members. Various names were suggested and it was left to Lewis Lawyer to contact them. Adele Lawyer moved that we have a Seed Chairman to replace LaRue Boswell who requested that she be relieved of the position which she has held for many years. Louis and Caroline Fry were suggested replacements. We also need a Trip Chairman and a Publicity Chairman.

Finances There was some discussion on raising dues since we are losing money on foreign members. It was decided that dues should not be raised since SPCNI dues are on the high side in comparison with other Sections of AIS. Only the Median Section is higher. It is more difficult for us to maintain a large balance since we have the smallest number of members. We make money on our book sales and will also be making money on the field trip since we charged about \$5 extra for each participant. Our current balance is \$1157.02.

We have had two major expenditures lately: \$381 for ten Mitchell Award medals. This amounts to \$38 per year and this expense will not recur for 11 years since there was no Mitchell Award presented this year. We also paid out \$342.40 for 100 each of the two Lenz reprints. We are charging \$6 for a single copy and \$10 for both, postpaid; so this should eventually make money for us.

We will discontinue sending out complimentary copies of the ALMANAC to new members at .65 to .85 each, (.80 to \$2.40 for foreign). The welcoming letter should be rewritten to simply tell when their first issue will be arriving.

Display Gardens The subject of establishing display gardens was discussed. Suggested sites in the northern California area were Portable Acres, the Lennettes, the Lawyers, and possibly a single day at Joe Ghio's, whose garden is now closed to the public.

Almanac format It was suggested that the availability of PCN seed be put in each issue of the ALMANAC on the first page where other sale items are listed.

## 2. BUSINESS MEETING

Memphis, May 2, 1989

Gigi Hall, in the absence of President, Duane Meek, welcomed the audience to the SPCNI Section Meeting and announced that there would be a short business meeting after which a program would be presented showing the PCN species and a few of the varieties which have been developed from them.

Adele Lawyer announced and described the SPCNI upcoming field trip to the Siskiyou in Oregon and California. She explained that this area was chosen because more PCN species can be seen within a short distance of each other than in any other location.

Publication of the two Lenz reprints was announced and they were offered for sale.

Lewis Lawyer noted that more representation from different areas is needed. We need editorial staff people from southern and northern California, Oregon, Washington, from middle America, and perhaps from the east coast. The SPCNI started in southern California and there were a lot of hybridizers there. Now that group has dwindled and the whole organization representation is from northern California. We hope to remedy that situation.

Gigi Hall then commented that one of the ways in which SPCNI is promoting the cultivation of PCNs in wider areas is by the distribution of seed, since seedlings are more easily adapted to diverse growing conditions. LaRue told a little about her experiences as seed distributor and said that she had brought seed with her which she will distribute to any of those present who would like to have some.

Gigi announced that she would give two nice *I. douglasiana* prints away as door prizes and those present were asked to sign slips to be used for a drawing. She then presented the program in which the PCN species were differentiated in slides reproduced from Cohen's book. Following each diagram, color slides of representatives of each group were shown with a final presentation of hybrids derived from these species.

A question and answer period took place between two sections of the program, with Lewis Lawyer chairing this portion.

Only approximately 40 people were present since this section was concurrent with the Reblooming Society's Section Meeting.

**CHECKLIST FOR YEARS 1986-1988  
SUPPLEMENT TO THE 1985 CHECKLIST.**

Francesca Thoolen, Editor

**BENALLA** (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84-41. CA, 18" (46 cm), E-L. Rich gold with brown ray pattern on F. From sdigs.

**BOGONG** (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 87-37. CA, 15" (38 cm), E-M. Mauve to pastel mauve with deeper ray pattern on F., small lemon signal. From sdigs.

**BOTTOM DOLLAR** (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-233H. CA, 12" (30 cm), EM. Gold, deep gold signal. Roaring Camp X PN-315H3: (Linda Vista sib x Montara sib). Bay View Gardens 1989.

**BRETFROTON** (J. D. Taylor, R. 1986). Sdlg. MM3. CA, 10" (25 cm), M. Ruffled orange self; orange beard. Hargrave sdlg. x Hargrave sdlg. HC (Wisley) 1986.

**BUBBLY** (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-277KK. CA, 10" (25 cm), ML. Red-purple self. PP-337J: (Go Wild x Oval Office sib) x (Oval Office sib x Carbonero).

**BUNYIP** (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84-5. CA, 18" (46 cm), M-L. S. lilac, washed and infused light violet; F. velvety violet, edged white. From sdigs.

**BUTANO** (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PK-290-62. CA, 13" (33 cm), ML. Golden apricot, deepening to red brown on shoulders of F. PN-305FF: ((Banbury Candy x Simply Wild) x (Native State sib x Emigrant)). Bay View Gardens 1989.

**CALIFANCY** (B. Hager, R. 1988). Sdlg. P14. CA, 18" (46 cm), M. Pale yellow veined mauve purple, yellow overveined signal. Californian X Poppy. Melrose Gardens 1988.

**CANDY BANNER** (L. Lawyer, R. 1986). Sdlg. XP41E. CA, 13" (32 cm), M. S. white with narrow purple rib; red-violet styles, darker purple rib; F. white, veined with thin purple lines, narrow pale yellow signal. Sugar Candy X Valley Banner. EC 1985. Lawyers, Inc. 1986.

**CELTIC COPPER** (M. Foster, R. 1986). Sdlg. 3P64. CA, 11" (28 cm), E. S. pastel russet red, rimmed lemon; F. deep russet red, rimmed lemon, cadmium yellow signal lightly veined russet; lightly ruffled. Simply Wild X Quintana. SC(Wisley) 1986.

**CHEZ PEYO** (V. Wood, R. 1986). Sdlg. 85-4. CA, 12-14" (31-36 cm), M. Lightly ruffled mid blue-violet, wide white band below signal with blue-violet veining, dark yellow signal veined darker. From Ghio sdigs. Portable Acres 1986.

**COLAC** (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-24-4. CA, 18" (46 cm), M. S. tan-buff, infused red; tan style arms; F. red, gold signal. From sdigs.

**CUP OF TEA** (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-241M. CA, 8" (20 cm), VE. Ocher self. Going West X San Tomas.

**DIFFERENT DRUMMER** (V. Wood, R. 1987). Sdlg. 85-6. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), E-M. S. pale cream, grape purple center line; green styles, deep cream in center of flower; F. pale cream with pronounced grape purple thumbprint; ruffled. From Ghio seed of unknown parentage. Portable Acres 1987.

**ECHUCA** (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84-24. CA, 16-18" (41-46 cm), VE-M. S. violet; F. deeper violet, cream signal. From sdigs.

**ESPERANTO** (D. Meek, R. 1987). Sdlg. 269-A. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. S. white, thin bright yellow midline; F. white with pronounced pointed golden yellow signal. B12-1-7: (Garden Delight x Pacific Moon) X B28-1-7: (Pacific Moon x Sierra Sapphire) Portable Acres 1987.

**FLEUR PAPILIO** (A. Bailey, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84/5. CA, 11" (28 cm), E. Ruffled cream with gold veining. Banbury Pageant X Pacific Moon. Show Commendation (BIS) 1987.

**FLEUR POUR TOI** (A. Bailey, R. 1988). Sdlg. 84/4. CA, 19.5" (50 cm), E. Lavender with violet veining, deep violet at throat of F. feathering out to pale violet over lavender; milky lavender styles. Banbury Pageant X Pacific Moon. Selected for trial at Wisley 1988.

**FORT POINT** (V. Wood, R. 1987). Sdlg. 85-9. CA, 16-18" (41-46 cm), E-M. S. white with pale blue-violet infusion at edge; blue-violet style crests; F. white with heavier blue-violet infusion, faint yellow signal ending in a touch of blue; ruffled. From J. Ghio seed of unknown parentage. Portable Acres 1987.

**GALAPAGOS** (G. Gessert, R. 1987). Sdlg. T84-9. CA, 15" (38 cm), M. Full dark violet, white signal. I. tenax species collected along Lorane Highway, Lane County, Oregon, 1984.

**GINGERBREAD HOUSE** (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-294-O. CA, 10" (25 cm), L. S. light brown; F. mustard. Going West x Peanut Gallery sib. Bay View Gardens, Longview Iris 1988.

HONDO (D. Meek, R. 1988). Sdlg. 212. CA, 4-6" (10-15 cm), E-M. S. lightly ruffled very pale lavender, golden mid-lines; F. very pale lavender, veined darker, small dark purple pattern at end of small golden signal area. B12-1-7: (Garden Delight x Pacific Moon) X B55-4-5: (Native Warrior x Pacific Moon). Portable Acres 1988.

IDRIS (D. Sparrow, R. 1987). Sdlg. 83/1. CA, 11" (28 cm), M-L. S. white, softly shaded mist blue; F. mist blue wash, pale mustard blaze, pale violet ray. Santa Rita open pollinated sdlg.

IDYLWILD (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PL-312X. CA, 18" (46 cm), ML. White ground washed blue, edged white. ((Simply Wild x Camp Capitola sib) x (Big Wheel x (Pacific Moon x California Native))) X Miramar. Bay View Gardens 1988.

IGNACIO (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-231-63. CA, 12" (30 cm), ML. Rusty red, edged gold. (PO-218-0: (Banbury Candy x Gone Native) x Foreign Exchange) X PO-207R, Elberta Peach sib. Bay View Gardens 1988.

INDIAN PAINT (N. Scopes, R. 1988). Sdlg. 10PC. CA, 10-12" (25-30 cm), M. S. light maroon; F. dark maroon with brilliant gold markings; lightly ruffled. M. Brummitt sdlg. X Hargrave sdlg.

IN THE MONEY (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-208JJ. CA, 10" (25 cm), M-L. Bright deep gold self. PO-207R, Elberta Peach sib X Roaring Camp. Bay View Gardens, Longview Iris 1988. EC 1986.

JUNIPERO (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-299-63. CA, 10" (25 cm), E. Rosy tan blend, blue signal. ((Gone Native x Camp Capitola sib) x Mission Santa Cruz sib) X San Gregorio. Bay View Gardens 1989.

KATINKA (N. Scope, R. 1988). Sdlg. 8PC. CA, 14" (36 cm), M. S. lilac mauve; F. purple mauve. Unknown parentage. Commended (Wisley) 1987, 1988.

LAGUNA CREEK (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-312Y. CA, 18" (46 cm), EM. Fluorescent red lavender, 'munzii' turquoise flush on F. ((Simply Wild x Camp Capitola sib) x ((Big Wheel x (Pacific Moon x California Native))) X Miramar. Bay View Gardens 1989.

LAGUNA SECA (C. Rigby, R. 1988). Sdlg. 85-7. CA, 8-10" (20-25 cm), M. S. mid-violet, white area at base, deep yellow mid-line; F. mid-violet, mid-yellow signal area with pronounced white border around signal veined mid-violet, lighter hairline edge, slightly ruffled. Honta Yo X lavender sdlg.

LATIN BLOOD (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PM-195C. CA, 8" (20 cm), ML. Garnet self with lighter hairline edge on all petals. San Gregorio X Reflecting Pool. Bay View Gardens 1987.

LEONGATHA (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 85-17. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), E-L. S. pale pink, deeper at midrib; creamy white styles, lacy mauve edge; F. deeper rosy pink, white signal. From sdgls.

LINDO (D. Meek, R. 1987). Sdlg. 269-A. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. Ruffled pale yellow, heavily veined purple on F., gold signal; lavender-purple styles. B12-1-7: (Garden Delight x Pacific Moon) X B28-1-7: (Pacific Moon x Sierra Sapphire).

LOS CALIFORNIO (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-312-52. CA, 18" (46 cm), ML. Purple, gold sunburst signal. ((Simply Wild x Camp Capitola sib) x (Big Wheel x (Pacific Moon x California Native))) X Miramar. Bay View Gardens 1989.

MILDURA (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-1-1. CA, 16-18" (41-46 cm), M. S. white, veined violet at midrib; F. velvety violet, sharp 1/8" white edge. From sdgls.

MIMSEY (V. Wood, R. 1988). Sdlg. 86-7. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. Ruffled gold, mid-brown veining on F., small deeper yellow gold signal area. Three Cornered Hat X 84-6. Portable Acres 1988.

MISTS OF TIME (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-312-E3. CA, 15" (38 cm), ML. White, washed and lined blue overall. ((Simply Wild x Camp Capitola sib) x (Big Wheel x (Pacific Moon x California Native))) X Miramar. Bay View Gardens 1989.

MITTA MITTA (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-8-1. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), E-M. S. creamy pink, deeper at midrib; F. heavily ruffled rosy pink, lemon signal veined rose. From sdgls.

MORAGA (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-292J. CA, 12" (30 cm), VE. Brandy peach self, red violet signal. Montara sib X PP-3371: (Go Wild x Oval Office sib). Bay View Gardens 1987.

MORETON (J. Taylor by Carilla Taylor, R. 1988). Sdlg. MM3/12. CA, 16" (41 cm), M. Mid violet blue (RHS 97B) flushed violet (87A); F. greyed yellow (160C), blending to greyed orange (163C) at center, edged purple. Hargrave seed. Commended BIS (Wisley) 1988.

MUNRAS (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PL236I. CA, 15" (38 cm), E. Lemon yellow self, deep gold signal. Tunitas X ((Pacific Moon x California Native) x San Vicente sib).

- NAGAMBIE (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-25-4. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M-L. Navy blue, inconspicuous signal. From sdlg.
- NATIVE BLUSH (B. Hager, R. 1988). Sdlg. P18. CA, 28" (71 cm), M. Light apricot with rose blush over inner half of F., yellow signal. Canyon Snow X Amiguita. Melrose Gardens 1988.
- NATIVE LAND (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PM-249C. CA, 12" (30 cm), EM. Dark brown self. Going West X Peanut Gallery sib. Bay View Gardens 1987.
- NAYOOK (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-2-2. CA, 14" (36 cm), M-L. Cream self; ruffled F.; gold signal. From sdlg.
- NEERIM (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-10-4. CA, 15-16" (38-41 cm), M. S. rosy violet to lilac; F. rosy violet with satiny black overlay around small white signal. From sdlg.
- NIGHT EDITOR (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-277WM. CA, 10" (25 cm), ML. S. purple; F. same with black sheen. PP-337J: (Go Wild x Oval Office sib) X PP-375: (Oval Office sib x Carbonera). Bay View Gardens 1987.
- NURMURKAH (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84-7. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), E-L. S. reddish rose to wine red; F. velvety ruby wine, old gold signal. From sdlg.
- OMED (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-20-2. CA, 18" (46 cm), M-L. Light to mid powder blue with lemon veining on F., white signal. From sdlg.
- PACHECO (D. Meek, R. 1987). Sdlg. 269-A. CA, 10-12" (25-38 cm), M. ruffled smoky lavender-pink, darker spray pattern at base of inconspicuous yellow signal. B12-1-7: (Garden Delight x Pacific Moon) X B28-1-7: (Pacific Moon x Sierra Sapphire). Portable Acres 1987.
- PACIFIC CUTIE (V. Briody, R. 1986). Sdlg. 203-V. CA, 14" (36 cm), M-L. White with blue wash radiating through center of F. Canyon Snow sdlg. X Soquel Cove.
- PACIFIC DAZZLER (B. Hager, R. 1988). Sdlg. P16. CA, 18" (46 cm), M. Bright yellow with red veining over F. Half Time X Poppy. Melrose Gardens 1988.
- PACIFIC HIGH (L. Belardi, R. 1986). Sdlg. B-RDM1-5. CA, 15" (38 cm), M. S. white with medium blue midrib; F. light blue, 3/16" dark blue border around yellow signal. SCB-1-3: (Ghio blue sdlg. x Soquel Cove) X Rio Del Mar.
- POPINJAY (N. Scopes, R. 1988). Sdlg. 13PC. CA, 13" (33 cm), M. S. ruffled smoky lilac saufe; F. deep maroon, brilliant gold stripes at hafts. Sdlg. from Hargrave's deep blue line.
- RARE REWARD (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-268L. CA, 14" (36 cm), ML. S. orchid; F. deep red violet, black signal. Cupertino X Bubbly. Bay View Gardens 1989.
- REFUGIO (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-31466. CA, 12" (30 cm), ML. S. light brown; F. same, veined darker. PQ-235Z: ((Californian x Casa Pacifica) x Emigrant) X PP-355B, Montara sib. Bay View Gardens 1987.
- RHETT'S MEMORY (C. Jenkins, R. 1988). Sdlg. B11-4A. CA, 12" (30 cm), M. S. purple, cream blaze. San Gregorio sib X Californian.
- RIVA (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PL-280-03. CA, 10" (25 cm), M. Rose red self, dark red signal. PN-306YY, Villa Branciforte sib X San Gregorio. Bay View Gardens 1988.
- SANTA CRUZ BEACH (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PM-248-E3. CA, 8" (21 cm), ML. S. gold; F. gold, red-brown center shading out to edge. Campaigner sib X Roaring Camp. Bay View Gardens 1987.
- SIERRA DELL (L. Lawyer, R. 1987). Sdlg. XP 67B. CA, 13" (57 cm), M. S. heavily ruffled gentian blue (HCC42/3); F. ruffled gentian blue (42/2), turquoise blush with darker blue veining, blending to pale greenish yellow at hafts. XP 4P: (Soquel Cove x (Abell 66-44-30 x unknown)) X Sierra Butterflies. Lawyers 1988.
- SMALL TOWN (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-2856. CA, 8" (20 cm), E. S. henna; F. same with blue blaze. PP-354K: (Gone Native x Camp Capitola sib) X Mission Santa Cruz. Bay View Gardens 1987.
- SMOKY BANDIT (H. Blyth, R. 1986). Sdlg. 2-13-1. CA, 20" (51 cm), VEM-ML. S. smoky lavender-pink; F. smoky, gold signal. From two sdlg.
- SMUGGLER'S COVE (V. Wood, R. 1988). Sdlg. B6-17. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. S. lightly ruffled deep yellow gold; F. ruffled deep yellow gold, large ray pattern of brown veining radiating from base of darker golden signal area. Three Cornered Hat X B4-6. Portable Acres 1988. EC 1988.
- SOLID CITIZEN (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PN-312-0. CA, 10" (25 cm), ML. S. light blue; F. deep blue-violet. Los Olas X PP-375: (Oval Office sib x Carbonera). Bay View Gardens 1987.
- SOMBRIEL (V. Wood, R. 1986). Sdlg. B4-9. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. S. mid-yellow with wine purple midrib; F. wine purple, edged mid-yellow, darker veining at end of small gold signal; ruffled. From Ghio sdlg. Portable Acres 1986.

SOMETHING WILD (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-2081. CA, 10" (25 cm), M. Gold self, deep red-brown signal. PO-27R, Elberta Peach sib X Roaring Camp. Bay View Gardens 1988.

STROKE OF MIDNIGHT (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-269-J2. CA, 16" (41 cm), E-L. S. dark red black; F. black. Cupertino X Deepening Shadows. Bay View Gardens 1989.

TACO (D. Meek, R. 1986). Sdlg. B217. CA, 23-27" (31-36 cm), M. Pale yellow with dark red veining on F., gold signal ending in slight red flush. Garden Delight X Pacific Moon. Portable Acres 1986.

TANJIL (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 84-42. CA, 18-20" (46-51 cm), E-L. S. icy lavender, deepening with blue flush; icy lavender styles; F. pastel lavender over white, veined deeper, old gold signal. Inv. sdgls.

TIA MARIA (D. Meek, R. 1986). Sdlg. HA-111. CA, 12-14" (30-36 cm), M. S. ruffled pale lavender; F. slightly ruffled deep lavender, fading lighter, darker flush below yellow line signal. From Hargrave seeds.

TIDY WHITE (B. Hager, R. 1988). Sdlg. P17. CA, 20" (51cm), M. Pure white with small yellow signal. Canyon Snow X Pacific Moon. Melrose Gardens 1988.

TONGALA (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-10-1. CA, 14" (36 cm), VE-M. Champagne creamy pink, veined lavender, gold line down center of heavily ruffled F. Inv. sdgls.

UP ALL NIGHT (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PL-309-F2. CA, 12" (30 cm), EM. Deep red-black self. PN-283-B3: ((Big Wheel x California Mystique) x (Oval Office sib x Carbonera)) X PN-296JJ: ((Oval Office sib x California Mystique) x (Oval Office sib x Carbonera)). Bay View Gardens 1988.

UPPER ECHELON (J. Ghio, R. 1988). Sdlg. PL-225W2. CA, 22" (56 cm), ML. Rusty mahogany self. PeanutGallery X PN-315H3: (PQ-235Z, Linda Vista sib x PP355R, Montara sib). Bay View Gardens 1989. EC 1988.

VASONA (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-203E. CA, 15" (38 cm), ML. Henna self, veined deeper; contrasting gold style arms. Reflecting Pool X (San Vicente x Emigrant). Bay View Gardens, Longview Iris 1988.

VILLA BRANCIFORTE (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PH-306SS. CA, 10" (25 cm), ML. Smooth apricot self. PP-406Q: (Big Wheel x (Pacific Moon x California Native)) X PP-355R, Montara sib. Bay View Gardens 1987.

WARRAGUL (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-25-3. CA, 12" (31 cm), M. S. cyclamen pink, edged white; F. rosy cyclamen, deeper around white signal; ruffled. Inv. sdgls.

WELSH AMBER (M. Foster, R. 1986). Sdlg. 3P75. CA, 14" (36 cm), M. S. pastel gold and russet blend; F. gold, finely veined russet overall, 1/4" soft russet rim, hairline edge of pastel russet. Quintana X Simply Wild. SC (BIS) 1986.

WESTERN WORLD (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PM-279U. CA, 10" (25 cm), E-L. S. lavender; lavender styles; F. near black, edged lighter. (Linda Vista x PS-AST-4, from Hargrave seed) X PO-216I: (Oval Office sib x Linda Vista sib). Bay View Gardens 1987.

WILDMAN (J. Ghio, R. 1987). Sdlg. PM-195V. CA, 11" (28 cm), M. Gold with uniform brown line pattern overall. San Gregorio X Reflecting Pool. Bay View Gardens, Longview Iris 1988.

WILD TIME (J. Ghio, R. 1986). Sdlg. PM-192R. CA, 10" (25 cm), E. Maize gold self, maroon signal. Roaring Camp X PP-251L: (Simply Wild x PR-319M, Camp Capitola sib). Bay View Gardens 1987.

WONGA (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-26-1. CA, 15" (38 cm), M-VL. Rich gold self, deeper egg yoke outpouring on F. Inv. sdgls.

WONTHAGGI (B. Blyth, R. 1987). Sdlg. 78-25-1. CA, 16-18" (41-46 cm), E-M. S. velvety violet; F. blacker velvety violet. Inv. sdgls.

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BERLIN SIBCAL (T. Tamberg, R. 1986). Sdlg. 8119. CAL-SIBE, 29.5" (80 cm), M. Reddish violet, veined yellow on F., small yellow signal. Induced yellowish 40/80 chr. SIB sdlg. X induced red-violet 40/80 chr. CA-SIB hybrid: (Berliner Reisen x I. fernaldii). Shoepfinger Irisgarten 1986.

IN STITCHES (L. Reid, R. 1987). Sdlg. HCS 74-1. CAL-SIBE, 20-24" (50-60 cm), M. S. violet (RHS 85D), veined deeper (86D); violet styles with light yellow overlay; F. outer third violet (85D), large gold signal cut by deep violet (86A) veins, deep violet (86A) halo effect of veins below and around signal. AIS-MC-R2-3, Mirza Citronella sdlg. X "Golden Nymph". Laurie's Garden 1987.

LYRIC LAUGHTER (J. Witt, R. 1988). Sdlg. 82-08-XC. CAL-SIBE, 24" (61 cm), VL. S. very pale yellow; F. yellow (Munsell 5Y 9/9), darker yellow (5Y 8/12) signal outlined with brown veins. 40 chrom. yellow siberian sdlg. X lemon I. innominata sdlg.