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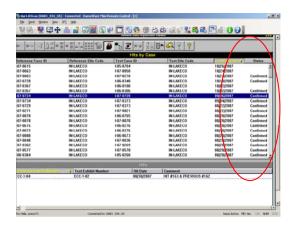
Call for Articles

We would like to have our users provide an article for the next Newsletter. This is a good way for you to bring attention to your lab or department and highlight your successes or a topic that might be of interest to others. Please contact Karen Molina at the **NIBIN Branch or** Nanette Rudolph at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement if you would like to provide an article. Email your suggestions or articles to: Karen.Molina@atf.gov or nanetterudolph@fdle.state.fl.us

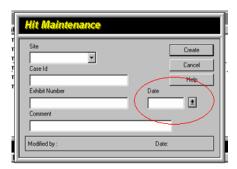
Entering Confirmed and Unconfirmed Hits in IBIS 3.4.6

IBIS™ version 3.4.6 allows operators to enter two types of hits: hits that have been confirmed by a firearms examiner and possible associations that have not yet been confirmed. All hits will appear in the Hit List screen. The status of the hit (Confirmed or Unconfirmed) is indicated in the Status column:

STATUS:



To enter an unconfirmed hit in IBIS™, leave the date field blank when entering the demographic information in the Hit Maintenance screen:



The possible association appears as an unconfirmed hit in the Hit List screen so that it can be easily retrieved. viewed and updated. If the association is confirmed by a firearms examiner, the IBIS™ operator simply modifies the hit and enters the confirmation date. The hit will then have a status of "Confirmed" in the Hit List screen. If the possible association cannot be confirmed by an examiner. the IBIS™ operator can delete the unconfirmed hit from the Hit List screen.

DART also allows the operators to print a report showing all unconfirmed hits in the system.

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Announcements:

We wish to welcome Jay Dobyns and Michael O'Neil to the NIBIN Program Office. Jay will be the Regional Coordinator for the Western Region and Michael will be the interim Regional Coordinator for the Eastern Region. We also wish to Congratulate Hamilton Bobb on his retirement after 24 years of service with ATF.

San Diego PD - 200th IBIS HIT

In November 2007, NIBIN Contractor Frank Spizuoco, Los Angeles / Southern California area, presented the staff of the San Diego Police Department's Forensic Science Section a plaque commemorating their 200th IBIS hit.

Congratulations San Diego Laboratory for your outstanding achievement.



Pictured left to right: Gene LaChimia, John P. Durina, Mary Jane Flowers, Lisa Wilson, Bill Loznycky.

Jay Dobyns Special Agent NIBIN Program