# Membership Secretary's Report – Board Meeting 4th December 2015

## 1. Membership Totals

As of 25/02/2015 we had 5860 members, with a further 1005 who have yet to renew their membership from 2014. I sent out 1204 reminder emails in January which (has so far) persuaded 401 to renew. We are still receiving renewals.

| | | | Commuted | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Main Members * | J: Dec 2014 | 904 | | |
| | K: Dec 2015 | 3379 | 3379 x 1 = | 3379 years |
| | L: Dec 2016 | 289 | 289 x 2 = | 578 years |
| | M: Dec 2017 | 395 | 395 x 3 = | 1185 years |
| | N: Dec 2016 | 388 | 388 x 4 = | 1552 years |
| | R: Dec 2017 | 329 | 329 x 5 = | 1645 years |
| | | 5684 | | 8339 years |
| Household Members | J: Dec 2014 | 101 | Commuted | |
| | K: Dec 2015 | 389 | 389 x 1 = | 389 years |
| | L: Dec 2016 | 38 | 38 x 2 = | 76 years |
| | M: Dec 2017 | 42 | 42 x 3 = | 126 years |
| | N: Dec 2016 | 65 | 65 x 4 = | 260 years |
| | R: Dec 2017 | 39 | 39 x 5 = | 195 years |
| | | 674 | | 1046 years |
| Life Members | Free | 507 | | |
| | | 507 | | |
| | | 6865 | | |

| Overseas | |
|---|---|
| J: Dec 2014 | 36 |
| K: Dec 2015 | 44 |
| L: Dec 2016 | 8 |
| M: Dec 2017 | 9 |
| N: Dec 2016 | 8 |
| R: Dec 2017 | 8 |
| Life | 11 |
| | 124 |

| Life Members taking Arrivee | |
|---|---|
| J: Dec 2014 | 0 |
| K: Dec 2015 | 440 |
| L: Dec 2016 | 23 |
| M: Dec 2017 | 26 |
| N: Dec 2016 | 32 |
| R: Dec 2017 | 30 |
| | 551 |

| Lapsed | |
|---|---|
| Main | 1005 |
| Household | 0 |

* includes Life Members taking Arrivee and Overseas

The Overseas Members are paying a supplement of £4 which is insufficient to cover the additional postal charges. Each European mailing costs about £2 more than it would to the UK. On the other hand, Overseas Members do not receive Insurance cover. We may wish to review the Overseas Supplement.

## 2. Renewals

Of the 5525 renewals notices sent out in November

- 3067 had membership fees due (2144 have renewed, 70%)
- 782 were life members (331 have subscribed to Arrivée, 42%)
- 1676 had no fees due Renewals

Of the 197 new members we "acquired" from OCD, 42 have renewed for 2015. I have been notified of 11 who had died before the merger took place.

## 3. Delegates

I visited Richard Jennings early in January to induct him as Enrolments Delegate. Richard sends out welcome packs to all new members between February-April and August-October. I will be visiting Peter Davis in Evesham during April to induct him as a second delegate to undertake this role between May-July and November-January.

Allan Taylor acted as Standing Order Delegate this December-January, analysing the bank statements and processing the renewals.

I commend all three delegates to the Board. For the record, the Membership Team is currently

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Peter Davis | Richard Jennings | Findlay Watt |
| Peter Gawthorne | Allan Taylor | Mike Wigley |

I have a number of volunteers which I am not able to use as delegates, and will be delighted if any other Board member were able to use them in some way.

## 4. Accounts

| Membership Transactions (01/08/2014 - 25/02/2015) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Action** | | **Fee** | **number** | **total** |
| Life membership | (1 year) | £9 | 394 | £3,546 |
| | (5 years) | £45 | 29 | £1,305 |
| Enrolments | (1 year) | £19 | 772 | £14,668 |
| | (5 years) | £61 | 56 | £3,416 |
| Renewals | (1 year) | £14 | 1757 | £24,598 |
| | (5 years) | £56 | 219 | £12,264 |
| Late Renewals | (1 year) | £14 | 54 | £1,026 |
| | (5 years) | £56 | 3 | £183 |
| Household membership | (1 year) | £5 | 309 | £1,545 |
| | (5 years) | £20 | 36 | £720 |
| Overseas Supplement | (1 year) | £4 | 35 | £140 |
| | (5 years) | £20 | 7 | £140 |
| Donations | | | | £304 |
| **Total Membership Income** | | | | £63,855 |

See http://www.aukweb.net/users/common_files/membership/MembershipAccounts_2015-02-25.xlsx for a full breakdown (of the figures, and possibly your mental health).

## 5. "Other" clubs

I emailed the 142 AUK members who claimed "other" as their club, inviting them to suggest clubs which should be included in our drop-down lists. This generated 28 new clubs and I'll submit these to Jean-Gualbert FABUREL shortly to register them with ACP.

## 6. Z prefixes

We have a number of members registered with a Z prefix. This is simply a mechanism to include them in the Arrivée distribution, but they wouldn't otherwise be expected to enter events (e.g. British Library based in Wetherby, to whom we are obliged to submit a copy of our magazine). It occurs to me that, should we want to remove the privilege of on-line entry to events, I could include such members in the "Z" class (the naughty step), and explore with Francis the possibility of removing access for all "Z" members from the online entry screen.

## 7. Arrivee mailing List

I sent the wrong mailing list to Headleys in January. This was only spotted when they ran out of copies while packaging Arrivée for mailing. This involved them having to open and repackage Arrivée, which introduced a delay

of a couple of days and there was a cost implication. While I'm disappointed that Headleys failed to spot the discrepancy between the number of records in the file and the numbers I had given them, this was still my error, and I've taken steps to check for this in the future.

## 8. Website-upgrade

Pressures of time have meant that I have been able to make a very limited contribution to the subcommittee progressing the upgrade of the website and I cannot make a report.

## 9. Handbook

The loss of the Handbook has been missed by a number of members and I've had to explain that we have stopped publishing this. Any announcements seem to have gone unnoticed and in hindsight I realise it would have been helpful to have said something in the recent Arrivée.

I have a stock of 2014 Handbooks and made an offer on the forum to send a copy on request, for which I've had 2 requests to date.

One item that will be missed for the very small number of members not on the internet is a 2015 Event Entry Form. I suggest we should consider including an event entry form within Arrivée.