

Membership Report 2010 AGM

The year has started with a flourish. Posting out reminders at the end of last year and offering the early bird reduction in fees has encouraged people to renew their membership. The recent email on Yahoo also encouraged renewals. At a busy time of the New Year these prompts seemed to be needed and whatever is the easiest way for people to renew their membership seems to work.

We have been steadily increasing our membership. In 2007 we had 101 members, 152 in 2008, and this year already 54 old members and 34 new members have signed up. A total of 88 already. The cards have made life a lot easier.

We have some cobwebs in the Direct Debit system whereby members are not willing to place their personal details on the membership form. This means we have a lot of holes in the membership data. It does become difficult at times with payments made without names.

In our busy lives sometimes we do miss people but hopefully that is at a minimum now.

The number of schools and people paying without their names has become less this year. So thank you to members and Bursars for assisting with this. Paying by Postal Order or cheque is still the most popular way for memberships and all data is usually included on the forms.

We look forward to another prosperous and creative year.

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