

Membership Report – AGM 2015 – Marie Owen

I always like to start my report by thanking everyone who's sat here this evening, as well as those members who aren't able to be with us tonight.

No members – no club.

So, thank you for supporting BBRC, and for being a member of this club.

The committee have discussed membership fees, and we have looked at fees of similar clubs as a comparison, and in light of our rent with Geldeston Farms being increased, plus the BRC are again increasing affiliation fees, just by 50 pence per person, but it's another increase, making BRC fee £11.50 each, plus an annual club fee of £155 to the BRC. We therefore propose keeping the Senior membership fee the same as last year at £28, but would like to raise the Junior membership fee from £18/junior to £20/junior. With £11.50 going straight to the BRC per member, for juniors we are left with just £8.50 per junior member into our funds to pay towards the rent of the club field and barn storage. I say 'towards' because even this doesn't cover our rent, so we also have to rely on making some profit at some events.

This year (2015) we have had exactly the same amount of members as 2014, that is 180. 57 of those being juniors. This is up on 2013, when we had 169 members.

Our rent is £3000 per year.	BRC fees £155 + 180 members x £11.50 = £2070	3000 + 155 + 2070 = £5225
Our income is Junior members 57 x £20 = £1140.	Seniors 123 x £28 = £3444	1140 + 3444 = £4584
So £5225 - £4584 – give us already £641 less to cover our expenditure.		

Subscription renewals are due from January.

We have booked some show jump training at Humberstone mid Jan and mid Feb, and then we have our first ridden event on 8th March – indoor dressage – all details will be on our website. So if you'd like to come along to those, and take advantage of reduced members entry fees, then please pop your renewal over to me.

Finally, I'd like to thank Linda Reed and her husband Bob for looking after the membership log ons to our website.