

Membership Secretary's Report – AGM 2022.

The Membership Secretary reported last AGM that at the end of the 2021/22 membership year (October – September) we had 38 Annual members and 10 Life members.

Currently we have 40 annual members, and 14 Life members.

Thus membership has steadily grown to number into the 50s. Annual membership does fluctuate – but as some members inevitably do not renew membership, other support our efforts by joining the Club.

For example, in the last year 16 new members joined and a good number have renewed (20 to be exact).

We have also attracted four new Life members, three from the UK.

The Membership Secretary treasures all members – but Life members are wonderful; he hasn't got to chase them for renewals!

Our current membership (annual and life) encompasses members from Australia (2), New Zealand (3), the USA (3), France (1), Germany (1), Denmark (1) and Norway (1); there are 54 annual and life members.

We have had 65 individuals purchase annual membership over the three years of the public membership scheme; clearly 24 have chosen not to renew at some point through that period.

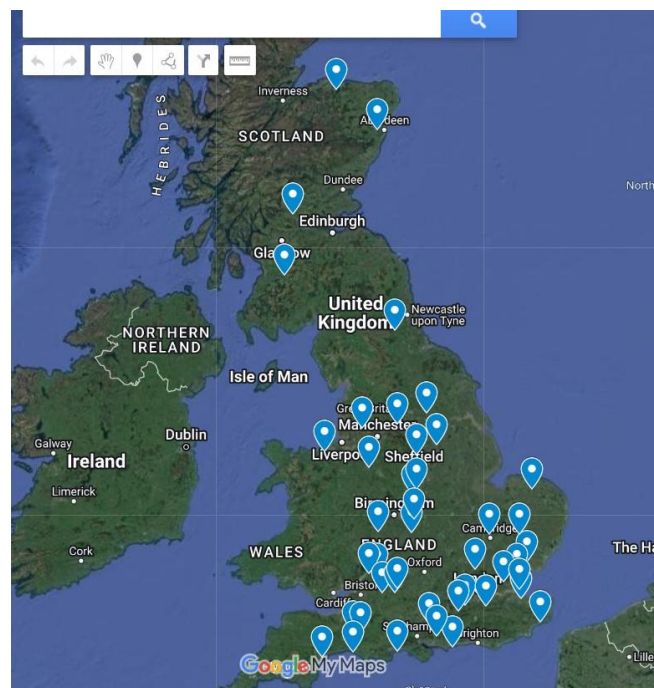
All those initial annual membership fees, subsequent renewals and the life memberships have added an important £6325 (minus PayPal fees, and approximately £200 in costs) to the project coffers - over the full three-year period of the membership scheme.

During this last year we have continued to send regular Newsletters to all Members – one every quarter and we have had a few Club Nights whereby we invite all members to join in on a Zoom call where we have tried to give members more direct knowledge of those brave airmen that flew the Westland Whirlwind, and to give a first-hand account of how the progress is going of building the static replica of P7056 – the Pride of Yeovil.

From time-to-time the Membership Secretary sends out interim notices to the membership if a particularly interesting or significant element of the build comes to pass.

It is (still) hoped that, given the slowly improving health situation in this country, and round the world, some members can actually meet at air shows and such-like events!

Map of Current UK members, by post code:



With grateful thanks and best regards to all members,

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