

USI of the ACT, Inc.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR 20015/16

Member numbers:

	30 June 2013	30 June 2014	30 June 2015	30 June 2016
Hon Life	5	4	5	5
Hon Members	1	1	4	1
Life Members	88	87	87	84
Ordinary Members	138	128	137	166
Students				
TOTAL	232	220	233	256

The big membership news for the year was the move from the old web membership system to the new web system, which is built on the Wild Apricot platform, a platform used by many other associations. As usual in such a move, there are teething problems which are being resolved, and the change brought up one or two data anomalies, now rectified. This has reduced our Life Member numbers slightly, with a commensurate gain of Members.

This year saw the loss of a longstanding Hon Life Member, Tony Ayers, the former Secretary for Defence, who was a strong RUSI supporter. The appointment of Peter McDermott as an Hon Life Member at last year's AGM sees the Hon Life Member numbers remain unchanged.

Again we gained two new Life Members in the year, both being Members converting membership. However we have lost contact with one longstanding member, presumed dead. Another has become an Hon Life Member.

Looking at Ordinary Members, the raw figures show an increase of 29 in the last twelve months, from 137 to 166. This follows last year's gain, which was the first net increase in ordinary membership for some years.

- We had 44 new members accepted though the year, an increase of 16 on the previous year, continuing the upwards recruitment trend.
- It is significant that retention appears to be improving; eight members failed to continue membership; compared to 19 last year and 20 the year before.
- As usual, transfers in and out were low, one or two in each direction.

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Treasurer

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