

## **MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**for the**

### **Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 4 April 2023**

Thank you for coming, I volunteered to be Croydon Fellowship Membership Secretary in 2017. I keep a record of all our members and their details on a database. (I also organize the odd event or two, you might have noticed ! ).

Recently, I completed a full reconciliation of the database, against the records held by XPS in Perth. As you can imagine it takes a lot of time checking through 700 plus members, to make sure all details are correct and up to date.

This is when we find out for sure, those who have been “gathered” up, those who have moved abode, correct addresses, phone numbers and, in particular, email addresses.

This is the way of the world now, emails, social media, and the internet.

As a result, the Croydon Fellowship, at today's date, has 670 **members** in Croydon and surrounding areas.

**In 2023** so far, we have

**9 new members.**

**3** of which are the **wives** of recently departed members.

**7** Members are Resting in Peace

**4** members moved area to Dundee/Leeds/Maidstone/Chelmsford

**2** Members moved accommodation and stayed in Croydon Fellowship

**12** members have opted out between **2020 and 2023**

During **2022** we **gained**

**20** new members – down by 8 on 2021

**26** members passed away – sadly **5** more than 2021

**4** members moved and stayed

**10** members moved address and left Croydon - **7** less than **2021**

(Brighton seemed to be the place to go!)

Just out of interest:

We have **388** members with email addresses, which is **11** more than **2022**.

The oldest member to have an email address was born in **1923 (100)**

followed by one member in **1927 (96)**, and **3** members born in **1931 (92)**.

The oldest member to have a mobile phone is **90** !

So the moral of the story is: you are never too old to embrace technology!!!

Remarkable birthdays in **2023**:

**1** member will be **100** this year.

**3** members will be **95** years and

**13** members will be **90** years old

Oldest member is: **104 - (1919)**

Finally – to reassure you - your details are held safely and securely, in accordance with regulations.

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*Vjm – 03.04.2023*