

## Membership Secretary's Report for Monaro Folk Society AGM 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020

As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic the MFS has not been able to hold its usual activities. At an online general meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020 a motion was passed in favour of free membership for the current financial year. This applies to all members who were financial on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

On 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020 there were 198 financial members plus 17 which are complimentary. As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 135 members had renewed. This is 68% of those who were financial at 30<sup>th</sup> June. 1 member didn't renew on grounds of ill health. 3 of the non-renewers are committee members. The average number of members over the past 5 years has been 155.

The breakdown of the figures shows single members 89 (117 last year), couples 35 (43 last year), families 3 (3 last year) and remote memberships 8 (6 last year).

As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020, 2 % (14% last year) of members elected to receive their Musings as a hard copy. The remaining 98 % (85% last year) received the Musings via email. This is a big savings in both time and cost for the society.

There has been a rise in those who receive their membership cards as a pdf. Now 50% (37% last year) receive a PDF and a corresponding drop in hard copy cards to 50% (63% last year).

My appreciative thanks to our retiring president, Geoff Kell, for his continued help and support this year. Best wishes in your 'retirement' Geoff.

Christine Gifford  
MFS Membership Secretary  
30<sup>th</sup> September 2020.