

Note: There are two Membership Reports this year. Retiring Membership Secretary, Patrick Benson, wrote his final report before leaving on a trip. Our new person, George Rithaler, has updated some of the numbers. It seemed important to include both reports. Our thanks to both Patrick and George for taking on this important role.

Membership Report August 20, 2026

This year I am preparing the Annual Membership Report to the Board earlier than in recent years. As our Theatre memberships expire on September 30th each year (other than those who are Honorary Life members or Individual Life members) this should not be a big factor when comparing with recent previous years. My reason for this earlier report is that my twenty-five year reign in the incredibly important position of Membership Secretary with an enormous stipend and wonderful job conditions has come to an end. Very many thanks to George Rithaler who has replaced me. I know he will be just excellent in the position.

The following are some comparisons with the membership on September 18, 2025 and August 27, 2024. Individuals in the 'Family Category' have been added into the 'Individual Category' or the 'Youth Category'.

Our total membership has had a boost this year. The \$100 Individual Life membership continues to increase year by year. Get in early for the best value!

Number of Members by Membership Category

Category	2026	2025	2024
Individual	107	94	110
Family			
Youth	5	3	6
Individual Life	78	68	60
Business or Non-profit	2		2
Honorary Life Members	14	14	13
GRAND TOTAL	205	179	191

Honorary Life Members

- Phil Gibbs
- Jake Jacobson
- Glory Kinoshta
- Anne Marsh
- Ralph Owens
- Lyle Petch
- Jane Petch
- James Bowlby
- Cilla Budda
- Joyce Henderson
- Sherry Bowlby
- Kim MacMillan
- Susan MacMillan
- Julia Body

Number of Members by Age

Age	2026	2025	2024
0 - 17	5	2	6
18-29	12	13	14
30 - 39	10	8	8
40 - 49	25	23	19
50 - 59	27	28	29
60 +	117	95	108
Not Provided	7	7	2
GRAND TOTAL	203	176	186

Age is not recorded for Business or Non-profit.

Submitted by *Patrick Benson*
Membership Secretary
August 20, 2026