



# INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

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TO: ISASI International Council

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## Activities Since the last International Council Meeting

The Membership Committee currently consists of 3 members – myself as Chair and Alister Buckingham (NZSASI) and Frank Hilldrup (USSASI & NTSB) as members. Our principal work is in assessing applications for prospective members and managing the Wild Apricot/Personify Membership Management system in collaboration with the Office Manager and, in particular, with the excellent staff at SRCA. Where necessary, we will follow up for particular details on applications where this is necessary to assess the appropriate grade of membership.

The introduction of the Wild Apricot/Personify Membership Management system has been successful, with only minor glitches along the way. As well as providing clarity, the payment system is a great improvement on the regular transmission previously of unencrypted credit card details. The system appears to be gaining the confidence of the membership.

Current total membership nominally stands at some 1,344 members, of which 769 are full Members, 115 Corporate members and 116 Student members. Naturally, many in the ISASI community are employed and covered by their employer's Corporate membership. Considering the effect of the Covid emergency, these numbers appear reasonable and stable, although there is a clear area of concern in the number of memberships where renewal/payment has to be chased.

## Council action items

The Membership Committee does not have any particular Recommendations at this time and comments that driving up membership interest tends to come best from Society activity, particularly on a National or Regional society level.

One open item for discussion is the importance to be applied to the 'Referrals' section of the application. In the old 'paper' system there was a lot of emphasis on Referrals as being required in the application. Wild Apricot does not apply any restriction this way and there is an argument that

leaving this as a 'nice to have' will encourage applications from people without easy access to actual ISASI members to refer.

Signed/Print:

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