

Membership 2018/2019 – MEMBERSHIP REGISTRAR'S REPORT

There continues to be a consistent increase in membership, particularly new members and female lifters. Female lifters last year totalled over a third of the total membership. In 2018 just less than half of the membership (41%) was from lifters new to British Powerlifting. (1,797 were renewals, 2,552 were new members).

Year	Total Membership	No. of Female Members	Female Percentage of Membership	Total Membership Increase from previous year	Female Increase From Previous year
2011	741				
2012	815	154	18%	10%	
2013	1006	161	16%	23%	5%
2014	1573	320	20%	56%	99%
2015	2242	518	23%	42%	62%
2016	3051	826	27%	36%	59%
2017	3940	1249	32%	29%	51%
2018	4349	1502	35%	10%	20%

The automated system of making applications online and printing envelopes continues to make the process much smoother.

With so many members there is also an increase in queries regarding membership. The best way forward now is to have an electronically produced membership card, which can be shown on a lifters mobile phone or a printed out copy shown at weigh ins by the member. The aim is to have this operational for 2020 memberships. Not only will this save a considerable amount on postage (which has just increased by an additional 3p per stamp) but it will also save a considerable amount of time.

The membership statistics on the website dashboard are available for everyone to see.

There is still some confusion regarding valid memberships. To clarify: ALL current members will have a 2019 membership card regardless of when they applied or renewed or whether it was taken out as an early membership or extended membership.

Every 2019 member will have been posted a 2019 membership card and ALL 2019 memberships expire on December 31st 2019, regardless of when they were issued.

All lifters who took out an extended membership 2018 – 2019 will have received both a 2018 membership card and a replacement 2019 membership card on December 31st 2018.

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