

## Affiliate Chair Report Spring 2019

As of April 5<sup>th</sup>, there have been 125 affiliation forms received. There are a total of 156 clubs to be renewed. 31 clubs are outstanding.

The deadline for the renewals is April 1. This is the largest number of outstanding forms I've seen.

While there are some RVPs who sent their information in early and on time, there are several who have either waited until the last minute or not responded after several attempts to contact them

My sincere thanks to those who sent them in early and as they received them. It helps so much.

The initial renewal information goes out at the end of December, asking for confirmation of receipt. A reminder goes out in January, and February, and March. I follow up with individual RVPs as the process progresses.

One lingering issue with the clubs is the requirement that all officers be AIS members for the full year. There is a lot of resistance to their renewal of AIS membership prior to their expiration date. It has been explained many times that they will NOT lose anything by renewing early. The additional time is added to their existing expiration date. However, several people asked to see the citation for this requirement. It will be stressed again at this year's Affililate meeting.

We saw one club disband and one lapsed club return.

What is the consequence for a club to lapse? Nothing that I know of. Because of the timing of the renewal process, their show schedule may already be approved and show supplies sent. Insurance coverage may still be provided. Is it time to think about enforcing the affiliations?

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Starting this year, the Affiliate Chair will begin filing the 990N forms with the IRS. I will add this duty to the Affiliate Chair job description.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Affiliate Chair