

## Affiliates Report

Spring, 2015

The affiliate renewal process this year ran relatively smoothly, particularly for my first cycle.

A total of 158 affiliates are confirmed for 2015.

We lost 6 clubs that either disbanded or are not renewing, caused by an aging membership.

Two new affiliates in Region 24 joined. Many thanks to the RVP, Don Nelson!

The RVPs were, in the most part, responsive and timely. There were a couple who had health problems but their assistants or treasurers stepped in to help. In the Region 8, which is without an RVP, Jack Worel helped.

Several RVPs sent their forms to Susan, who forwarded them.

The biggest problem was incorrect checks; some to the Region, some to the RVP. The second issue was affiliate presidents who could not be reached. I believe that both these problems could be addressed by adding the treasurer's contact information to the affiliation application.

There were no complaints about the rise in affiliation fee. I am very happy to be proved wrong.

I have begun documenting the process, with help from Susan Boyce and Tom Gormley. It will be presented at the fall board meeting.

A few statistics (because I love doing them):

Region with the most affiliates – Region 14 with 16 affiliates

7 Regions have 10 or more affiliates.

Regions completed by the April 1 due date – 12 Regions (80 affiliates)

With thanks again to Susan and Tom,

Respectfully submitted,

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