

2017 Report from Membership Secretary

Over this year and the last few years the number of ECR members has been falling.

ECR Members 2017

January 624

March 620

September 606

A similar trend is shown by other groups and the national membership total numbers.

National membership numbers

September 2015 107,388

March 2017 105,402

August 2017 104,991

The downward trend is due to numbers joining not matching with those no longer walking due to illness or age. However, the number of our active members remains steady.

We are already actively encouraging new members to join, using the weekly posts in the newspapers. Ramblers leaflets are distributed in social areas around the towns and given out on walks during the Bollington Walking Festival and on Health Walks. We have an excellent website giving details on all the walks and a varied social programme which is very popular.