

DVO Membership Report

AGM - October 2013

We currently have 238 signed up members and the comparison with previous years is given below. Note that as Family Membership is no longer appropriate the 2013 figure excludes that box and the total number has changed dramatically from the last AGM report. I have done a rough analysis of the membership figures and it looks as if we have lost 39 family members where one or more of the family are still DVO members. I suspect that British Orienteering's reduction in the membership fee may have backfired as far as headcount is concerned though income may not vary much.

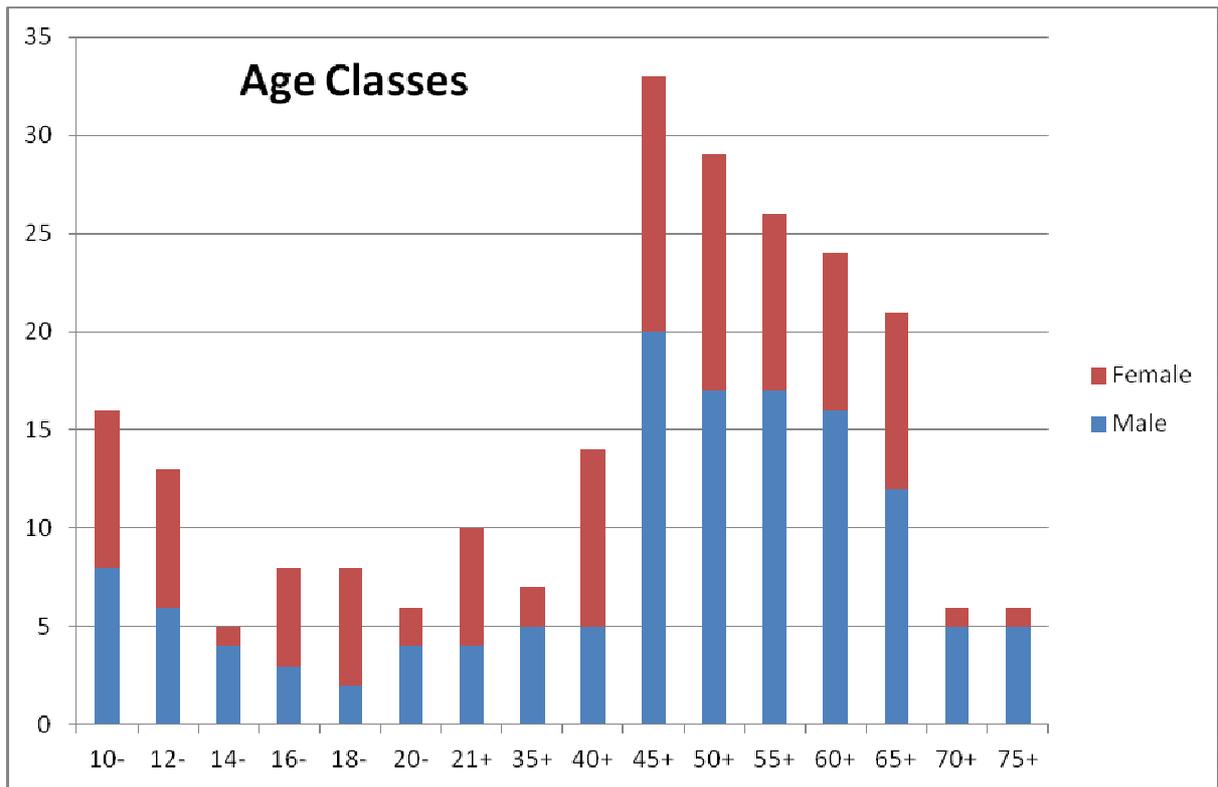
Comparison of membership over the last five years

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Seniors	61	61	69	83	176
Juniors	13	11	11	5	56
Family	254	187	224	206	
Others	5	0	3	5	6
Total Individuals	333	259	307	299	238

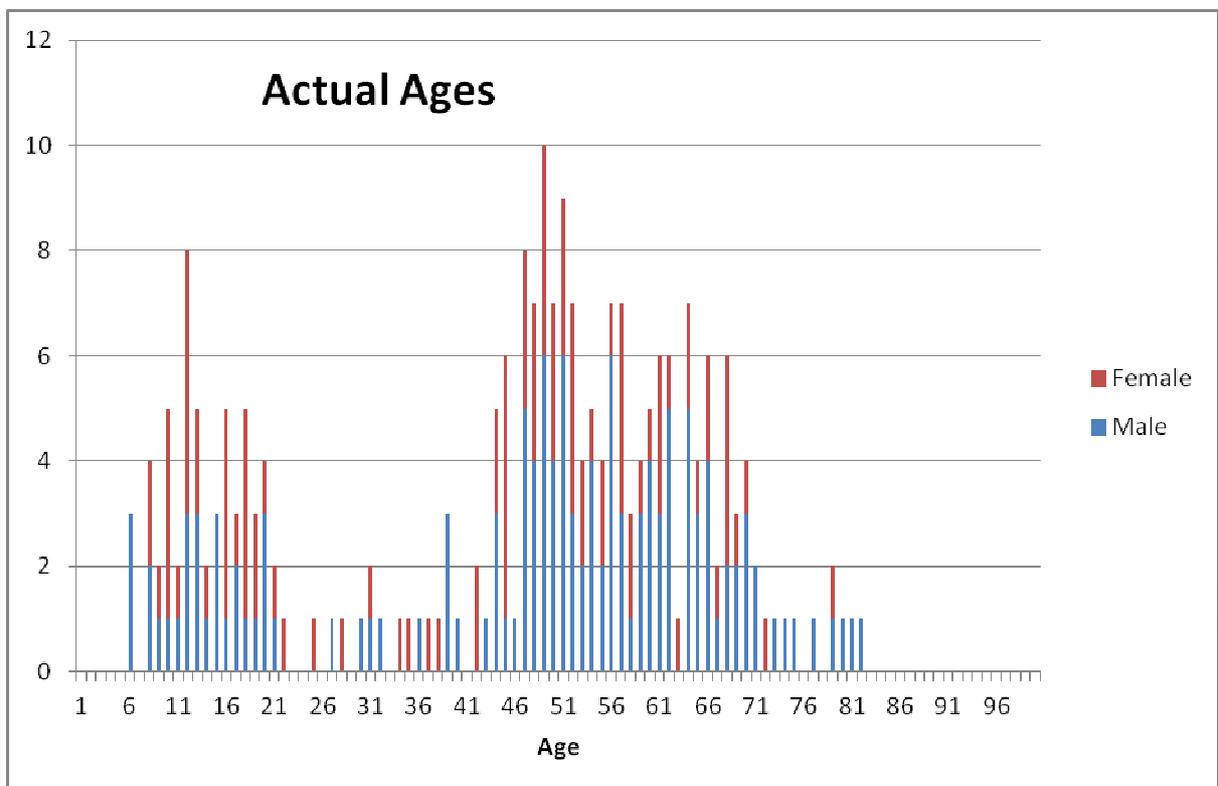
Others in this table refers to Life(5) and Dual Memberships(1). Life Members are orienteers who belong to other clubs now and may not be in this country or those who have retired from the sport. Dual Membership is where DVO is a secondary club.

Age Analysis

The breakdown into the age classes of our members is as follows

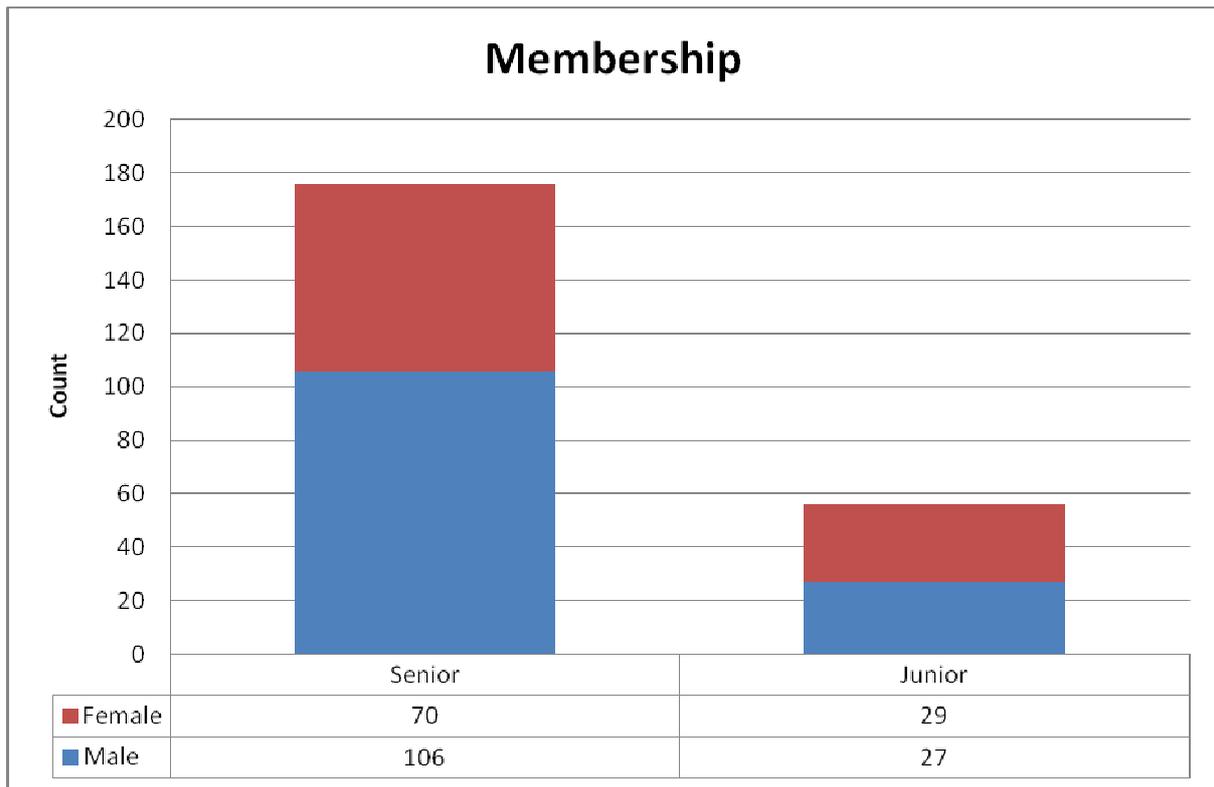


The full age analysis is below as the classes above span differing lengths.



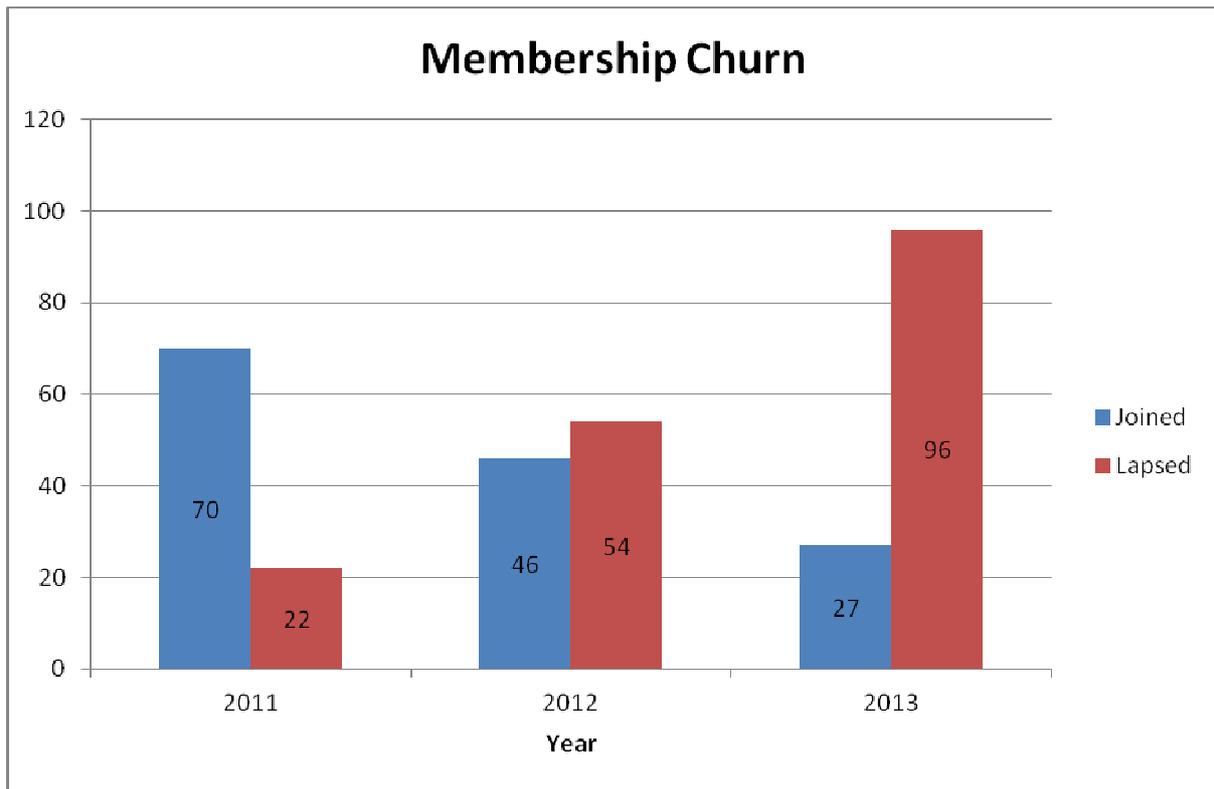
Gender Classification

The breakdown of our membership by gender, split into Juniors and Seniors is as follows



Membership Churn

The stable membership numbers I have shown in previous reports is no longer a feature in this picture of Membership Churn (the number of members who leave compared with the number who join in any one year). Below is the current graph of the club starting in 2011, using an estimated number who joined in 2011 to balance the current number. I start counting those that join or leave from November each year as that is when renewals start. The trend lines for those joining and those leaving do not present too happy a picture but I believe we will see some stability when the current membership scheme has been working for a while.



Summary

The membership level of DVO has dropped dramatically from previous years but I believe this is a better representation of those that do partake in the sport. We are now at the phase of seeing the renewals and new members starting to appear for 2014. I hope to see a more stable picture.

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