

**CRC WEB SITE COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT 2016**

John Marshall (*Chairman*) Morgan Bunday (*Site Editor*)

Elected members: Paul Mileham, Vyv Wainwright.

Others: Alan Wakely (*CRC Sec.*), Gertrud Sollars (*CRC Vice Chair*), Richard Havergal (*Treasurer*).

The CRC website contains information and resources related to Reader ministry and therefore provides an important communication channel.

In 2016 our committee meetings were held online via Skype on 13th January, 1st June and 14th September. The committee is responsible for oversight, development and forum moderation of the Reader website. Day-to-day running, editorial control, technical issues and web related queries are dealt with by our site editor Morgan Bunday.

In addition to our committee and attendance at CRC executive meetings, the Chairman and Editor also provide support at conferences and events, such as the 150th anniversary celebrations at All Souls Langham Place and Follow2016 at Leicester. Event photographs were taken and subsequently uploaded to our website where Follow audio recordings are available.

The CRC website continues to attract more than 60,000 page hits per month on average. Information is regularly added to the site but submission of more news stories, photographs and articles from around the Dioceses would be most appreciated!

Among the variety of resource topics and reference material on our website, the Reader magazine is archived back to 2000. The site search facility has been enhanced. By way of example, the word 'healing' when entered in the home page search box reveals a 'quick search' result link to articles featured in the 2000, 2007 and 2010 editions of The Reader. A full search option will bring up a total of 70 references.

Website Forum membership, reached 1,123 by the end of the year - a further increase on 2015. Postings have covered numerous topics. Popular board headings have been concerned with 'The Role of a Reader' and 'The Future of CRC'. A brief update and national press comment generated speculation as to the content and recommendations of the 'Lay Ministries Working Group' report and the possible impact on Reader ministry.

Our committee also administer the 'CRC Readers Group' facebook page (link from our website). Readers do need a personal facebook account to log on to our page. This is a non public facebook group and membership is verified before admission, by registration on our website forum. Membership remains small but increased in 2016.

Thank you to our site editor Morgan Bunday, other committee members, forum moderators and members of the executive, for their support during the year.



John Marshall – Chairman