

Dear CQ Member,

In the December 2021 Newsletter, it was announced that the annual subscription was planned to increase from £10 to £15 in 2022. QGBI's Trustees had approved this for 2021 but it was postponed for a year. However, this increase is tied to the implementation of the Guild's website. Some of you may be aware that the website has been delayed, for many reasons, and therefore the increase in subscriptions cannot yet be applied.

As you know, 2022 is the 20th anniversary of CQ and our most recent challenges have been planned specifically to be exhibited widely during this celebratory year. Maggie Pearson, Exhibitions Coordinator, plus the CQ@20 working group, have done a marvellous job in ensuring an (almost!) UK wide tour of the work of CQ members. Your committee had budgeted for the costs of exhibiting, based on the revenue available from the increase in subscription costs.

So...we will now not have that extra revenue, meaning that CQ will run in deficit this year, and we may need to cut down on some activities such as arranging online talks. Everyone is pulling in their belts, many having to pull in harder than others.

However, please could you consider donating the £5.00 that would have been this year's increase in subscription to CQ? If so, please use the bank details below to make a bank transfer. If half of our 700 members donated £5.00 each, it would clear half of our deficit. Thank you very much if you are prepared to do this. We hope to see you at one of the shows this year.

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