

Member Survey 2023

Where do we go from here?



A brief 10 question survey was sent to 64 out of our 73 RPA members with emails on file to get their thoughts on a number of issues dealing with club activities. Twenty seven members responded.

This has been a transition year for the club, returning to a pre-Covid meeting normality, clearing out our storage room at the JCC, moving to our new meeting facility, and more.



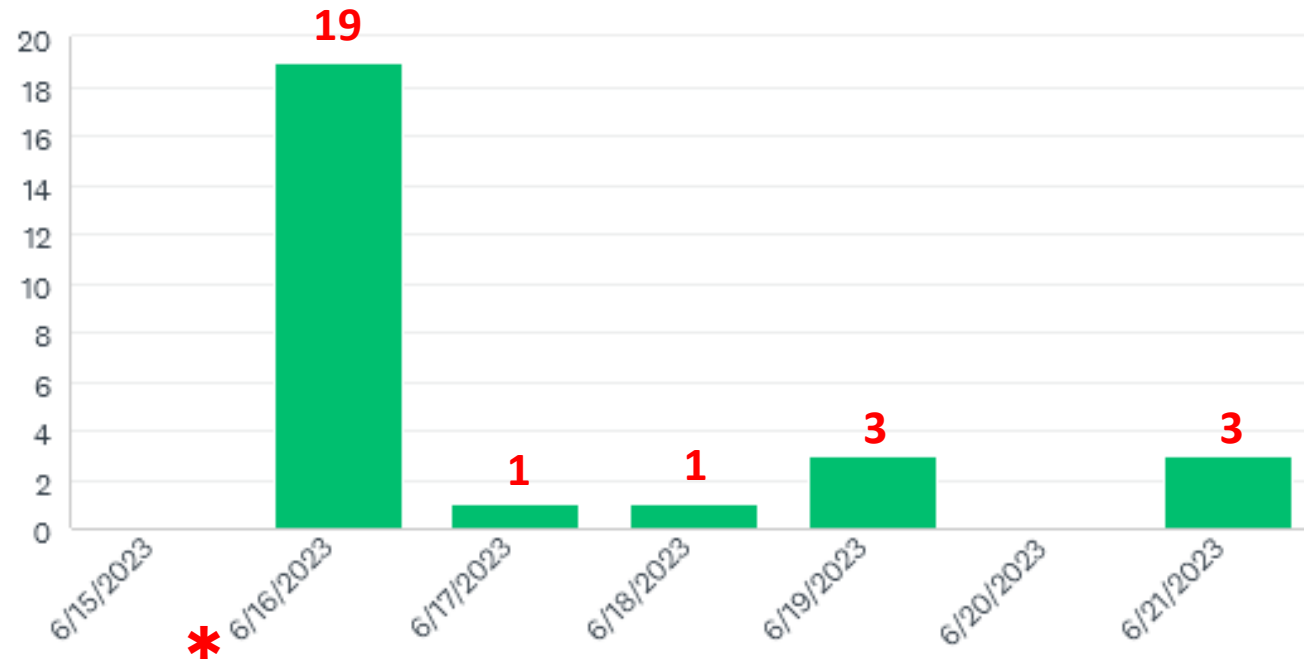
When did members take the survey?

Responses (by day)

Chart Type ▼

Trend by... ▼

First: 6/16/2023 Zoom: 6/15/2023 to 6/21/2023



Question 1: Are you a...

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ Regular Member *	92.59% 25
▼ Life Member	7.41% 2
▼ Honorary Member	0.00% 0
TOTAL	27



Question 2: Have you been able to attend a RPA meeting in person in the past 6 months?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ Yes *	66.67% 18
▼ No- I live in the area and am busy when meetings are held	11.11% 3
▼ No- I live in the area and am unable to drive/get a ride to the meetings	0.00% 0
▼ No- I live in the area and opt to attend by Zoom instead	7.41% 2
▼ No- I live in the area and am not interested in the meeting subjects	0.00% 0
▼ No- I live in the area but feel the meeting place is too far away from where I live	3.70% 1
▼ No- I am a snowbird and live away from the area during the winter	3.70% 1
▼ No- I do not live in the greater Rochester area	7.41% 2
TOTAL	27



Question 3: Have you joined any RPA meeting by Zoom in the past 6 months?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ No- I do not use or have access to a computer during meeting times	0.00% 0
▼ No- I am unavailable when meetings are held	7.41% 2
▼ No- I have no interest in participating in a Zoom meeting	11.11% 3
▼ Yes	33.33% 9
▼ No- I attend in person *	48.15% 13
TOTAL	27



Question 4: I prefer RPA meetings be held...

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ on the same second and fourth Thursdays of most months Sept-June at the same time in the evening *	60.00% 15
▼ only once a month Sept-June on a Thursday at the same time in the evening	8.00% 2
▼ once or twice a month but on a weekend during the daytime instead	4.00% 1
▼ once or twice a month but on a weekday (M,T,W,F) other than Thursday during the evening instead	4.00% 1
▼ once or twice a month but on a weekday Monday-Friday during the daytime instead	8.00% 2
▼ it doesn't matter, as I would be unable to attend a RPA meeting	16.00% 4
TOTAL	25



Question 5: In general , how would you rate RPA presentations during our meetings?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
▼ I do not/can not watch RPA presentations during meetings	0.00%	0
▼ Rarely of interest to me	0.00%	0
▼ OK	7.69%	2
▼ Good/Very Good *	65.38%	17
▼ Excellent	26.92%	7
TOTAL		26



Question 6: In general, how would you rate our newsletter, Hinges & Tongs?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ I do not read Hinges & Tongs	3.70% 1
▼ Rarely of interest to me	0.00% 0
▼ OK	0.00% 0
▼ Good/Very Good	44.44% 12
▼ Excellent *	51.85% 14
TOTAL	27



Question 7: If a small one day bourse of 6-8 dealers could be sponsored by the RPA on a Saturday in the fall or spring I would...

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
not support the idea	0.00% 0
be in favor of it, but probably would not attend	7.41% 2
be in favor of it, and would try to attend *	74.07% 20
be in favor of it and would work on an organizing committee to make it happen	11.11% 3
Other (please specify) Responses	7.41% 2
TOTAL	27



- I would attend and provide labor on the day, but not to organize.
- In favor and would try to time visit to relatives to attend.



Question 8: Do you plan to attend the APS Great American Stamp Show scheduled for August in Cleveland?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ No *	55.56% 15
▼ Unsure at this time, but probably not	18.52% 5
▼ Maybe	14.81% 4
▼ Yes	11.11% 3
TOTAL	27



Question 9: Do you regularly check out the RPA web site?

ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
▼ No		44.44%	12
▼ Yes, mainly for meeting information		11.11%	3
▼ Yes, mainly to see the schedule of area stamp shows		0.00%	0
▼ Yes, for a variety of items *		44.44%	12
▼ Other (please specify)	Responses	0.00%	0
TOTAL			27



Question 10: Would you like to leave a brief comment in the 'Other' box (limited to 100 characters)?

ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
▼ No		53.85%	14
▼ Other (please specify) *	Responses	46.15%	12
TOTAL			26

Comments are on the following slides.



- **Great place to get together and talk what we love.**
- **I just joined recently, so I have not been able to attend any meetings. I am readjust to attend more meetings.**
- **I am rarely able to get to meetings, as I can't drive at night. Would love a daytime meeting sometimes.**



- **Once a month would be OK with me. Would appreciate uncoupling meetings from coin club.**
- **I would like things to stay the same and would also like to see the club regain some of its past strength with better attendance and participation, but my fear is that we are going downhill.**



- I attend as few public events, including RPA meetings, because of a pre-existing condition with respect to COVID.
- I enjoy the meetings. I know it must be difficult, however the President and Tom do a great job. Thank you both.
- Thank you for leading the RPA.



- **Maintain membership out of loyalty to Rochester, stamp collecting and the fact that I know a dozen or so members and like to follow their activities/ services via the newsletter. I mourn the passing of ROPEX.**
- **Is the club considering a ROPEX show May 2024. Would the current meeting location support it?**



- **I'm sorry to see ROPEX go. If we sponsor bourses in the future, I'd like to see (informal) exhibits encouraged.**
- **ROPEX was the most important part of RPA for me. I still try to be active, but it's now much less interesting.**



Thanks to everyone who participated and added their comments to the discussion tonight.

