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IAH SOUTH AFRICA

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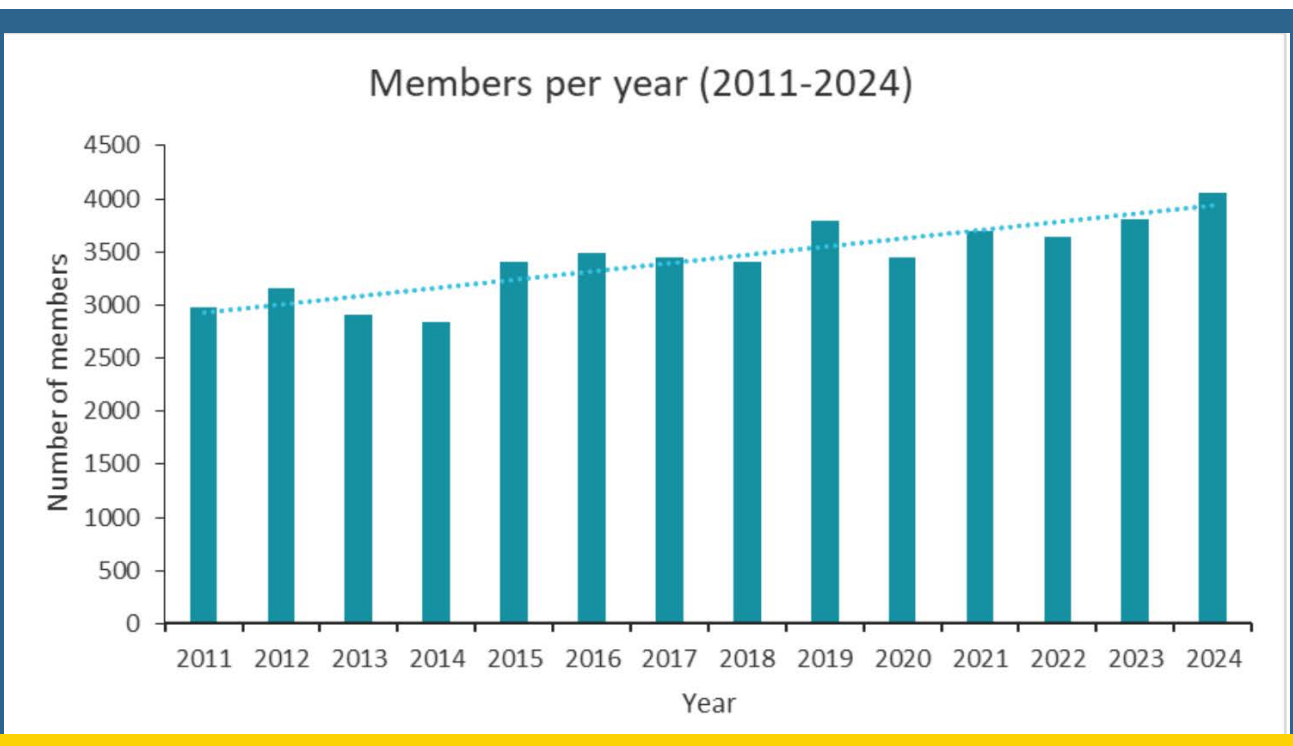
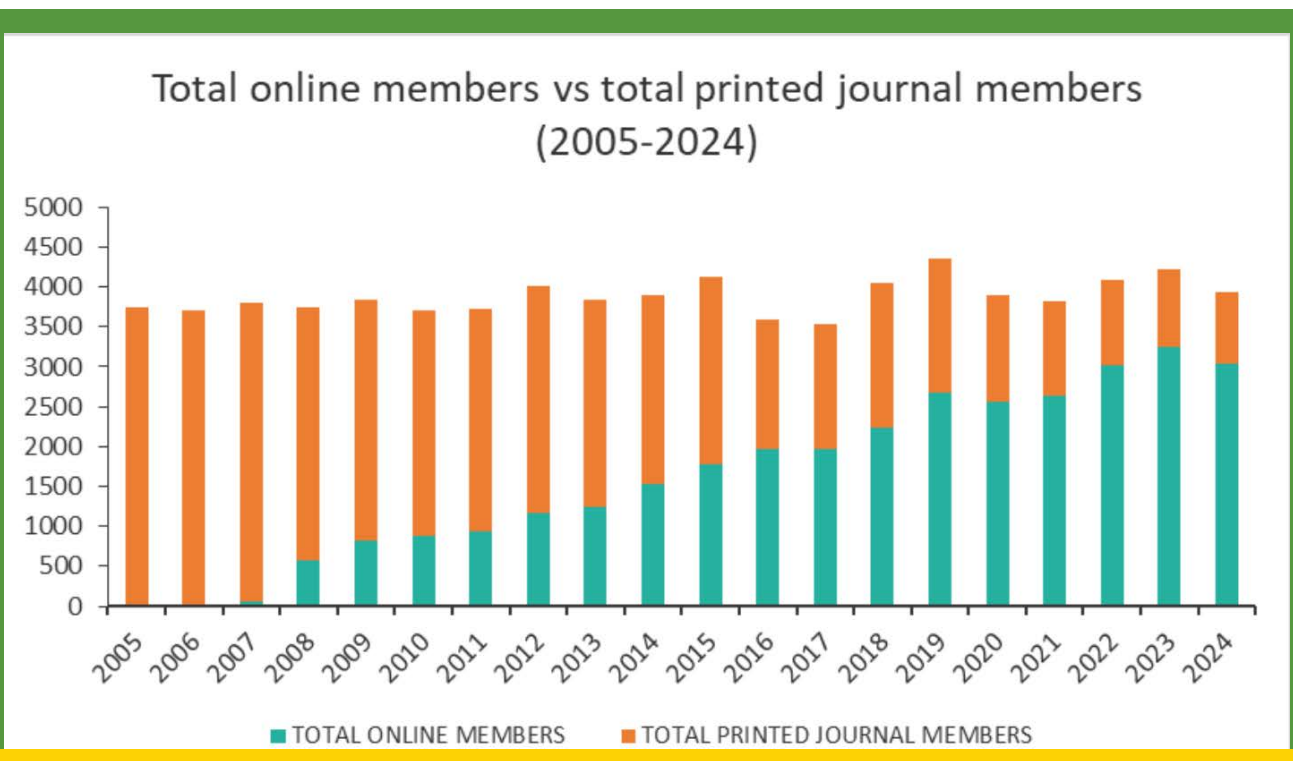
Dear IAH-SA member,

We hope you had a good year and are no doubt looking forward to a rest with family and friends. Many positive events took place in 2024, with numerous hydrogeological workshops, seminars and conferences taking place worldwide. The flagship Congress in **Davos** was very successful. Seeing how the IAH globally has great momentum and relevance is terrific.

With the election of the **new IAH Executive Committee** at Davos and **Julian Conrad** being the **Vice-President** (membership and finance) of the IAH, there is much to learn and do. **Graph 1** reflects the growth in the **IAH membership**. Australia is the leading country, with **696 members** in 2024. It is interesting to note how the swing has taken place from hardcopy to online subscriptions regarding the **Hydrgeology Journal** (Graph 2).



Graph 1: *The steady growth in IAH membership globally.*



Graph 2: *Online vs printed journal subscriptions.*

2025

For 2025, there are several significant events taking place.

- **The Darcy lecture series** will be in South Africa from **4 to 18 March 2025**. **Grant Ferguson** (from Canada) is the speaker, and by all accounts to date, his presentations are innovative and excellent. More on the lecture series in due course.
- **The International Symposium on Managed Aquifer Recharge (ISMAR12)** will take place from **28 April to 2 May 2025** and will be held in Stellenbosch, South Africa. The event planning is progressing very well, and the programme looks excellent. *Sponsorship opportunities are still available* (and much needed), so please step forward if you can.

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- We look forward to seeing you there. It is going to be a fantastic event. For more information, visit: https://ismar12.org.za/
- The **2025 IAH Congress** will be held in Melbourne, Australia, from **14-19 September 2025**. Please visit: https://iah.org.za/the-52nd-congress-of-the-international-association-of-hydrogeologists/
- IAH-SA are planning several events next year, including webinars, courses (Python for Hydrogeologists) and excursions. More to follow on that next year.

All the best for a peaceful and restful year-end, and we will be in contact in 2025. Thank you for being so supportive and we look forward to your support next year and, hopefully, with additional new members.

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