

## **Secretary's Report for AGM 2026**

Four full committee meetings have been held since the last AGM, predominantly via Zoom, but we also held one physical meeting at Copthorne which proved very productive. As well as full committee meetings there have been various meetings to further organisations of events and to discuss matters in-depth.

General updates were sent throughout the year using Mailchimp and the newsletter has now been discontinued as the nature of disseminating BVF news changes.

The main project this year has been the design of the new website which was launched in January, after Guildford had taken place. This has been a huge task, for which I was mainly responsible, although I have had a lot of input from other committee members. I particularly appreciate the support and help given by Carl Morris, who has been a sounding board, tester and adviser throughout the process. The final result has had teething problems, but does have great scope to provide BVF with a robust solution for membership and entry which can be managed well into the future. With the sad loss of John Mason earlier in the year, the timing of the new website is poignantly apt.

Thank you for all your support over the last year and I look forward to communicating with you all over the next 12 months.

Lucy Wright

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