

## Mid Anglia Philatelic Federation

Newsletter

September 2022

Welcome to a new and hopefully more 'normal' season of philately. Already 'things' are looking more positive, though we wait to see the effects of the pandemic on the numbers of collectors who are willing to return to face to face meetings.

We had a good turnout for our Convention in July with 28 entries and many collectors from the area coming to see the entries on display and to see the results and presentations carried by our President, John Spencer.

### MAPF Competitions 2022

#### Inter Society Competition (9 sheets)

##### Traditional

East Prussian Plebiscite	GR	Wojciech Kierstan	85	Gold
French occupancy of Cilicia	KL	Terry Harrison	76	Silver
Ascension Island	LB	John Spencer	81	Silver Gilt
GB One Penny Black	C	Graham Wylde	85	Gold

##### Postal History

Australia; Flying Doctor Service	GR	Mark Ellis	78	Large silver
Ship letters of St Vincent	KL	Terry Harrison	73	Silver
Basel Mission	LB	John Powell	67	Silver Bronze
Maltese Cross cancellations	C	Graham Wylde	72	Silver

##### Thematic

Spain, Goya and controversy (judges marked as traditional)	GR	Josephina Martinez-Peres	68	Silver Bronze ***
Kingfishers	KL	Dahlia Harrison	73	Silver
Hydro-Electricity	LB	Sidney Dunbar	69	Silver Bronze
Shakespeare and music	C	Geoffrey Datson	76	Silver

#### Individual Classes (16 sheets)

##### Traditional

Sarawak: the 1932 Waterlow issue	KL	Jon Higgins	86	Gold
GB: Telegraph and Sample stamps	KL	David Leathart	78	Large Silver
GB: Postage Dues	KL	David Leathart	74	Silver
1935 Jubilee stamps, overprinted for Morocco Agencies	SH	Tony Taylor	85	Gold

##### Postal History

St Helena: Boer War censor marks	EAPHS	Bernard Mabbett	91	Gold
GB: India Ship Letters during the Additional ½ period	KL	Mike Kentzer	75	Silver

GB: King's Lynn Penny Post	KL	Mike Kentzer	83	Silver Gilt
Saudi Arabia – Multi-purpose labels	KL	Martin Lovegrove	85	Gold

### Thematic

Orchids	LB	Paul Peacock	69	Silver Bronze
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### Open Class

Praga 1968	GR	Wojciech Kierstan	69	Silver Bronze
Microscopes	Kett	James Dickinson	78	Large Silver
GB: The life of the ½d stamp	KL	Terry Wagg	71	Silver

### Aerophilately

First England/Australia air mails, 1934	Hunt	John Sims	89	Gold
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### Picture Post Cards

Cyprus – castles	Hunt	John Sims	77	Silver
Royal Mail post buses	Kett	James Dickinson	88	Gold

### Junior

GB: Evolution of the Wildings issues	GR	Maria McLoughlin	80	Silver Gilt
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### Inter Society 9 sheet Competition

Society	Traditional	Postal History	Thematic	Total
Cambridge	85	72	76	233
Grantham	85	78	68	231
King's Lynn	76	73	73	222
Leighton Buzzard	81	67	69	217

## Winning entries for 2022

### Inter Society 9 sheet classes

#### Traditional

Wojciech Kierstan	Grantham
Graham Wylde	Cambridge

#### Postal History

Mark Ellis	Grantham
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#### Thematic

Geoffrey Datson	Cambridge
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#### Junior, Youth Class

Maria McLoughlin	Grantham
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## Individual 16 sheet classes

### Traditional

Jon Higgins

King's Lynn

### Postal History

Graham Mabbett

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### Thematic

Paul Peacock

Leighton Buzzard

### Open Class

James Dickinson

Kettering

### Aerophilately

John Sims

Huntingdonshire

### Picture Post Cards

James Dickinson

Kettering

## BEST IN SHOW



Bernard Mabbett  
with MAPF President John Spencer

East Anglian Postal History Society

## Cover of the quarter

This is a wrapper only, the letter being retained by Newfoundland University's archives, though a full transcript has been supplied.

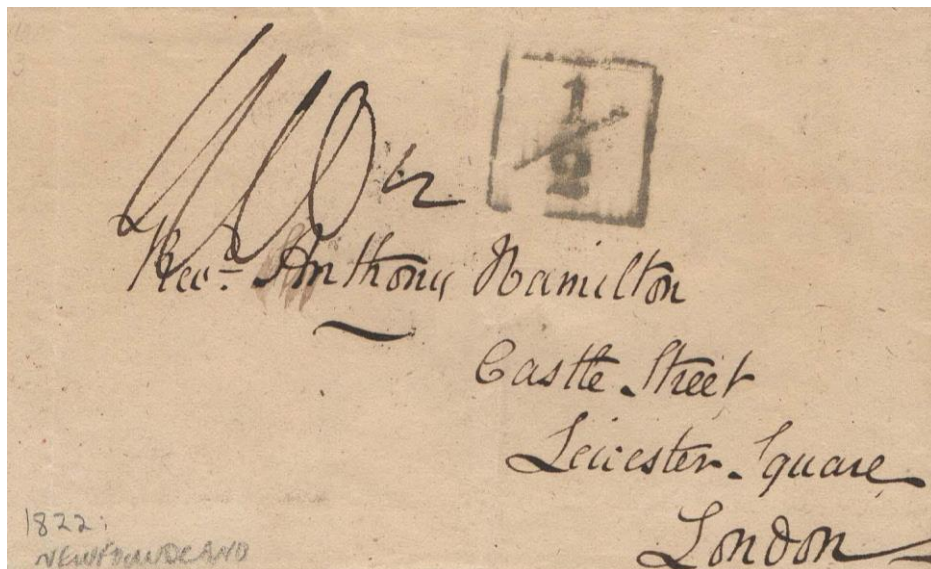
Addressed to Rev. Anthony Hamilton, the letter is written to the right Rev. Lord Bishop of London.

It is written by the secretary of the church, Mr F G LeGeyt and signed by four senior parish representatives from the fishing community of Twillingate concerning their minister Mr T G Laugharne who is their Episcopal Missionary.

In the letter concerns are raised about the abuse of the church's ordinances and in his character and conduct. Mr Laugharne's behaviour includes low morals, the vice of falsehood, inappropriate sermons and distortion of the language of services and indeed the psalms.

Furthermore, he failed to attend 85 on successive Sundays. He has also been the source of turbulence and slander within the parish thus causing great social anguish.

The correspondent asks that the bishop carry out an investigation: "We have thus trespassed on your lordship's attention and have stated a few facts for your consideration. From so distinguished a Church Dignatory as your Lordship we have no anxiety but it will meet with its due and necessary importance.



The letter was sent to London, but entered the UK at Greenock, stepped, framed GREENOCK/SHIP LETTER, S9 RE 108, with a dated Greenock mileage mark, RE 40b, a Glasgow double ring receiver with mileage 405 – G GW 50 and a red London receiving hand stamp.

Charged 1/10½ for postage, made up of 8d ship letter fee, 1/2 from Greenock to London plus the additional ½d in manuscript, on arrival in London the extra mail tax was reinforced using London's L 187(2) hand stamp.

### **Federation Day and A.G.M.**

**We are awaiting confirmation of our being able to hold our next Display Day and AGM at Buckden on 6<sup>th</sup> November. Details will follow as soon as they are available.**

### **Autumn Stampex**

This national event is due to be staged at The Business Design Centre, Islington, Ni OQT from Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October. From now on it will be held only **ONCE** a year

The PTS, who organise the show, require attendees to register online irrespective of which day you attend. There is a fee for entrance on the first day but there is no charge for the following days. On registering you will receive an e-ticket by email and this should be presented when you arrive at the BDC.

One of our societies, the **East Anglian Postal History Society** is holding a meeting on the Saturday afternoon. This will be a chance for those of you who collect postal history, local, national or international to meet fellow collectors and see a number of interesting displays presented.

### **Machin Watch with Peter Morton**

#### **General Stamps**

Very little has happened in respect of new Machin stamps over the past three months. For the specialist a few printing differences in respect of the application of the phosphor bands has occurred giving rise to inset bands appearing.

#### **Regional Stamps**

The real surprise in the period has been the introduction of barcoded stamps for the four regions: England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. The values involved are: 2<sup>nd</sup> class; 1<sup>st</sup> class and £1.85.

Though the general designs have not been changed, they have been rehashed into the larger format in line with the other barcoded recent issues, and all the Queen's head are white. Personally, the overall result is far from ideal, especially with the English 2<sup>nd</sup> class. At the end of the day, the stamps are ALL NEW, due to the fact that they are self-adhesive.

### **Society Programmes**

#### **September**

1	Isle of Ely	Subscriptions, new acquisitions	
1	Northamptonshire	members' displays, 5 – 10 sheets;	Holiday acquisitions
2	King's Lynn	Zoom – Guernsey; King Edward VIII	Julian Bagwell
7	Cambridge	King George VI	John Spencer
7	Spalding	Post and Go	Bruce Townsend
9	King's Lynn	Kingsford Smith and his Bus	Sue Berman
12	Sheringham	Society auction	

13	Huntingdonshire	President – Danish Railway Parcel Stamps	Lillian Smith
15	Fenland	Members' meeting – items beginning with G, H or I	
16	Cambridge	Zoom – by Harrogate P S	
23	King's Lynn	New Hebrides	Richard Moss
27	Spalding	Competition E; Bring & Buy	
27	Huntingdonshire	On the edge of empire	Peter Pugh
28	Leiston & District	Aspects of South America	Ken Burr

## October

5	Cambridge	President's display	
5	Spalding	Sweden	Angela Cooper
6	Isle of Ely	GB Revenues	Ed Hitchings
6	Northamptonshire	GB George VI postal & social history	Terry Wagg
		Taxed mail to Scotland from abroad	Mike Kentzer
6	Fenland	Something from the Sub-continent?	John George
7	King's Lynn	Zoom – Four Railway Themes	James Wigmore
<b>8</b>	<b>Kettering</b>	<b>STAMP FAIR</b>	
10	Sheringham	Iceland	Peter Boyce
11	Huntingdonshire	Members' displays, letters H, I & J	
14	King's Lynn	QV Jubilees, 1887 -1900	Phil Waud
20	Fenland	Pot Pourri	Terry Wagg & Mike Kentzer
	Cambridge	Zoom – TBA	21
22	Huntingdonshire	<b>St Ives Stamp Fair</b>	
25	Spalding	Members displays – Anything British	
26	Leiston & District	British Honduras/Belize	Kevin May
28	King's Lynn	Another Bloody Railway, Part 2	Peter Pugh

## November

2	Cambridge	Submarines – history	Michael Kemp
2	Spalding	Competition A; Thematic – "Transport"	
3	Isle of Ely	Humanitarian Aid	Dahlia Harrison
3	Northamptonshire	Stamps of Rajasthan	John George
4	King's Lynn	Zoom – 'Ladies from heaven'; Parachuting	Barry Stagg
8	Huntingdonshire	Potpourri of Musical French miscellany	Geoffrey Datson
11	King's Lynn	Rajasthan	John George
14	Sheringham	Quiz Night	
18	Cambridge	Zoom – TBA	
22	Spalding	Fairy Tales to Fantasy	Dahlia Harrison
22	Huntingdonshire	French miscellany	Geoffrey Datson
		Scarborough & Whitby Railway	Mike Kentzer
23	Leiston & District	Society Auction	
25	King's Lynn	9 sheet competitions; bring & buy	

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## **Federation Committee**

### **Officers**

President	John Spencer	Leighton Buzzard
Vice President	Richard Husband	Cambridge. Grantham
Secretary	Peter Morton	Cambridge
Treasurer	Richard Husband	
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Webmaster	Martin Lovegrove	King's Lynn

### **Committee Members**

Mike Kentzer (Past President)	
David Belton	North Herts.
Terry Wagg	King's Lynn
Jon Higgins	King's Lynn

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Superbly redesigned by Martin Lovegrove and contains more information including competition results, presentation photographs, displays and much more.

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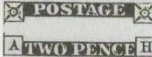
SPECIALISTS IN THE POSTAL HISTORY AND  
POSTAGE STAMPS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

**LIST 166 GREAT BRITAIN.**


1. 1840 1D INTENSE BLACK PL1B (SG1)(AD). Fine used 1840 1d intense black pl.1b (SG1) lettered AD with four close to fine margins and cancelled very fine strike red Maltese cross. Stamp shows 10 o'clock ray flaw NW square and is an excellent example of the very scarce intense shade. (Ref 132946). **£300.00**



2. 1840 2D BLUE PL.1 (SG5) LETTERED AH WITH RE-ENTRY (SPEC DS5b). Fine used 1840 2d blue pl.1 (SG5) lettered AH with four close to fine margins and cancelled good strike black Maltese cross. Stamp shows RE-ENTRY MARKS IN 'G' OF POSTAGE, 'O' OF ONE AND 'C' OF PENCE. Few constant varieties are found of the 1840 2d blues and the re-entries are not so prominent as seen on blacks and reds. (Ref 133069). **£575.00**

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