

The Annual General Meeting of MAPF was held on Sunday 6th October 2019 at Buckden village hall the meeting was chaired by Terry Wagg, the MAPF accounts were presented by the treasurer, voted on and passed as a true record by the committee, the independent examiner had agreed to continue to examine the completed accounts for the ensuing year, as usual the secretary prepared the necessary paperwork for the AGM in his usual efficient manner. At the end of the meeting the Immediate past president presented the chain of office to Mike Kentzer who had been elected as president for 2019-2021 seasons. The committee members elected to remain in office with the exception of Bill Gibb who retired and was thanked in his absence, Martin Lovegrove volunteered to join the committee and was elected. John Spencer was elected as the new vice president.

The AGM was followed by the MAPF annual stamp day of which 16 members from societies in the Federation attended, the event was organised by John Spencer.

The displays for the first session were given by Graham Wylde on Queen Victoria Jubilee Issues followed by Richard Husband's display of Great Britain Perfins.

John Davies the main speaker for the day was taken ill and David Belton stepped into the breach with a display entitled "Mail by Ship, Train and Plane" featuring items of Plymouth and Devonport mail.

Lunch was organised by Mike Kentzer at a local pub and in the afternoon session David Belton completed his display. Votes of thanks were given by John Spencer who thanked the speakers for their displays. MAPF president Mike Kentzer also thanked the speakers and John Spencer for organising the event.





JUDGES TRAINING SEMINAR ABPS

On 2nd & 3rd November 2019 A Federation seminar for training and retraining of Judges took place at Hitchin, there were 17 delegates present. The training seminar was organised by David Alford, instructors were Graham Winters Chairman of ABPS, Bill Hedley ABPS International & Exhibitions chairman, Ben Palmer International Judge.

The introduction and programme of lectures was given by Bill Hedley using a Powerpoint presentation, during the day five teams of the delegates were given the chance of judging competition entries on Postal History and traditional classes, the instructors, who were all International Judges, formed a team and also judged the entries. At the end of each session there was a discussion and advice on the results of each team's findings.

Some delegates were there to update their accreditation and several others will go on to the next stage by some judging at next September's Stampex in London.

KING'S LYNN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

KLPS was founded in 1938 and at present we have 31 paid up members of KLPS, our twice monthly meetings are well attended and we have a varied programme organised by programme secretary Dr John Higgins. Several of our members belong to specialised societies. We also have 8 Royal Philatelic Society members of which 3 now join me as Fellows and I am proud to announce that they are Dr John Higgins, Mike Kentzer and David Leathart.

Terry Wagg FRPSL
Hon Secretary King's Lynn Philatelic Society

CAMBRIDGE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

This very active society which has a very full programme which runs throughout the year celebrates its centenary in 2020 and plans are afoot to mark this auspicious occasion. An exciting programme of events will no doubt be in the pipeline for Cambridgeshire's largest philatelic society.

The society are planning to stage a centenary display at Philanglia

COMPETITIONS AND CONVENTION 2020

This year's Convention was a success, not least because of the wider range of classes available at the 16 sheet level. We shall continue with these for next year.

At the judging seminar, held last month, new and clear advice was offered on some of the classes and this will be incorporated into the rules and guidelines that will be sent out in January along with the invitation for societies and individual members to take part.

As I am rather involved in London 2020, judging will not take place until at least the middle of May. One thing to note is the date of the Convention. Because of a clash with the big Stafford Show moving to 'our weekend' Tony Hender of Arun Stamps has had to book the Burgess Hall at St Ives for **SATURDAY 6TH JUNE**.

MAPF WEBSITE

There are features of this website which are not up to date, one of which is society programmes. David Alford would be delighted to receive these from those societies who have yet to send them to him.

LONDON 2020

The organisation of this international exhibition is advancing well with around 145 dealers and auction houses taking part together with specialist societies holding many meetings and others having table displays on the Wednesday, 6th May, the anniversary of the introduction of the Penny Black for postal use.

One particularly difficult job was to allocate competition exhibits as the number of entries exceeded the number of frames available. In the end the organisers managed to find space for 1700 frames and with a complete changeover of entries on the Tuesday evening, half way through the show, there will be a total of 3400 frames. The entries will be on show as follows:

Saturday to Tuesday

Postal Stationery
Revenue
Postal History
Modern
Open
Post cards

Wednesday to Saturday

Championship
Aerophilately
Thematic
Youth
Traditional

Several of our societies' members have been accepted in the 5 and 8 frame competitions, and maybe one or two in the single frame classes. DO PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANY ENTRIES FOR LONDON 2020 FROM YOUR SOCIETY.

We should celebrate those who have been successful in being accepted.

Volunteering

If you would like to be involved with some of the running of the exhibition do get in touch with Mike Roberts on: staffing@london2020.co. There is some support available with transport and sustenance!

HELP FOR SOCIETY PROGRAMME ORGANISERS

It is hoped to update a list of speakers and topics first produced a couple of years ago.

It was designed to give societies an idea of the range of subjects available so that if a speaker was of interest to a society then the officer could contact the host club to find out all relevant details.

Perhaps this time the updated list might actually prove useful.

MACHIN WATCH WITH PETER MORTON

Walsall sheet stamp printings (self adhesive)

New "19" date codes have now appeared as follows:

Value	Printer	Code	Comments
£0.01 crimson	Walsall	No code	sheet printing (15.04.19)
£0.02 dark green	Walsall	No code	sheet printing (19.92.19)
£0.10 light tan	Walsall	No code	sheet printing (16.04.19)
£0.20 light green	Walsall	No code	sheet printing (19.02.19)
£1.00 wood brown	Walsall	No code	sheet printing (20.02.19)

NVI stamps

Older "18" date stamps added:

Value	Printer	Code	Comments
2 nd bright blue	Walsall	T	Ex series SAC33D booklet; reversion to Type 1 backing paper

New "19" date stamps have now appeared as follows:

Value	Printer	Code	Comments
2 nd deep bright blue	Walsall	T	Ex series SAC33E booklet
2 nd large deep bright blue	Walsall	No code	sheet printing
1 st Royal Mail dull red	Walsall	No code	sheet printing
1 st Royal Mail dull red	Walsall	B	Ex type 15D business sheets
1 st Royal Mail dull red	Walsall	C	Ex D-Day booklet, SAM66
1 st Royal Mail pale red	Walsall	T	Ex series SAC33D booklet
1 st large Royal Mail red	Walsall	F	Ex series SAC34D booklet

For the specialist please note that Walsall reprints across the range of stamps have more colour changes than the previous De La Rue printings. The concept of dull or bright shades and pale or deep shades is more apparent.

Special NVIs

Special Delivery up to 100g	Walsall	No code	Date code 19, ex 26.03.19 printing
High value £2.00	Walsall	No code	Date code 19, ex 22.07.10 printing
High value £3.00	Walsall	No code	Date code 19, ex 22.07.19 printing
High value £5.00	Walsall	No code	Date code 19, ex 23.07.19 printing

Country issues

Cartor Litho printed stamps issued as follows:

Wales	1 st Dragon (deep grey dragon, pale turquoise background) (Reversion to the original sans-serif typeface in error)	ex 30.01.10 printing
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SOCIETY PROGRAMMES

December

4	Spalding	Egg Cup and Christmas social
4	Grimsby	CHRISTMAS AUCTION
4	Kettering	Christmas Fun Night
4	Cambridge	Christmas Party

4	Grantham	Club competitions, Kirk Hillard Cup; Christmas snacks	
5	Northamptonshire	Warren Trophy; post cards, 10 sheets	
5	Fenland	Members' afternoon, own displays	
5	Peterborough	Christmas Social; members' displays	
5	Isle of Ely	Christmas Social; members display 'things of interest'	
6	King's Lynn	Christmas Special	John Shaw
10	Hinckley	Single sheet & open competitions; Christmas Party	
10	Huntingdonshire	Anything to accompany mince pies	
12	Loughborough	Christmas Party	
18	Grimsby	Messrs Robinson, Mileman, Mc Mann & Lacey entertain	
18	Leighton Buzzard	(Afternoon) Members' displays; bourse	
18	Leighton Buzzard	(Evening) Christmas Social at Milton Keynes P S	

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January

1	Grimsby	Africa – members displays, two boards only	
2	Northamptonshire	Tristan Brittain entertains	
2	Fenland	Labuan 1894-1906; Borneo 1945-64	Jon Higgins
7	Hinckley	Members' night – post cards	
9	Isle of Ely	Competition evening; bourse	
9	Loughborough	What else do we collect, or stamps	
10	King's Lynn	Members' one frame displays	
14	Huntingdonshire	Scouting – from the beginning	
15	Leighton Buzzard	Display G, H or I; bourse	
15	Grimsby	Quiz Night	
16	Peterborough	President's afternoon	
16	Fenland	Bring & buy; members' displays	
17	Cambridge	GB surface printed – covers	Graham Wylde
21	Hinckley	Bosnia	John Anthony
21	Spalding	Auction; transport	
23	Loughborough	Past favourites resurrected, stamps or covers	
24	King's Lynn	Postal History of Edinburgh; Levant	Tony Crowther
30	Huntingdonshire	Competition evening; More princely states	John George

February

4	Hinckley	Visit from Rugby P S	
5	Spalding	'L' is for	
5	Grimsby	Hospice Presentations; David McMann; 'anything you decide'	
5	Cambridge	Belgium	Mike Brindle
6	Northamptonshire	President's evening	
6	Fenland	Royal Biographies	Russell Biggs
6	Isle of Ely	Displays by Barry Ross-Bain, Alan Hall & Chris North	
6	Peterborough	Members' afternoon: planes and boats and trains	
13	Loughborough	Garth Taylor & David Gade to display	
14	King's Lynn	5 frames by 4 members	
18	Hinckley	Members' night, the letter 'V'	
19	Leighton Buzzard	9 sheet competitions; bourse	
20	Fenland	Big business in China – Part 2	Peter & Rosemary Pugh
21	Cambridge	Competition evening; St Helena plus ...	Ray Jones

25	Spalding	Annual competitions; bring & buy	
27	Loughborough	Bring and buy	
28	King's Lynn	Morocco Agencies	Anthony Taylor

STAMP FAIRS

December

1	Bedford	St Marks Church Hall, MK41 7UY	01623 621143
1	Hopton (Norfolk)	Hopton Village Hall, NR31 9BE	01502 563759
7	Leicester	Holiday Inn, LE1 5LX	0116 235 0441
7	King's Lynn	Gaywood Church Rooms, PE30 4DZ	01328 829318
8	Sandy	Scout HQ, Sunderland Road, SG19 1 QY	01494 446004
11	Northampton	The Abbey Centre, East Hunsbury, NN4 0RZ	01283 820151
30	Rickmansworth	Mill End Community Centre, WD3 8HD	07957 158299

January

4	Leicester	Holiday Inn, LE1 5LX	0116 235 0441
5	Milton Keynes	The Irish Centre, Manor Fields, MK2 2HX	01494 446004
16	Slip End, Luton	Village Hall, Grove Road, LU1 4BU	01494 446004
19	Rickmansworth	Mill End Community Centre, WD3 8HD	07957 158299
19	Norwich	Brook Hotel, NR5 9JB	01328 829318
25	Northampton	The Abbey Centre, East Hunsbury, NN4 0RZ	07597 158299
26	Peterborough	Holiday Inn, PE3 6SG	01945 700594
26	Potters Bar	Wyllotts Theatre, Darkes Lane, EN6 2HN	01428 717848
26	Stevenage	Novotel, Knebworth Park, SG1 2AX	01494 446004

February

1	Leicester	Holiday Inn, LE1 5LX	0116 235 0441
2	Bedford	St Marks Church Hall, MK41 7UY	01623 621143
2	Hopton (Norfolk)	Hopton Village Hall, NR31 9BE	01502 563759
8	King's Lynn	Gaywood Church Rooms, PE30 4DZ	01328 829318
9	Sandy	Scout HQ, Sunderland Road, SG19 1QY	01494 446004
16	Slip End (Luton)	Village Hall, Grove Road, LU1 4BU	10494 446004

SOCIETY CONTACTS

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FEDERATION COMMITTEE

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President	Mike Kentzer	King's Lynn
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Secretary	Peter Morton	Cambridge
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Competition Secretary	Mike Kentzer	
Webmaster	David Alford	North Herts

Committee Members

Terry Wagg (Past President)	King's Lynn
David Belton	North Herts
Jon Higgins	King's Lynn
Martin Lovegrove	King's Lynn

DISPLAYS TO OUR SOCIETIES

Terry Wagg FRPSL and I have displayed to most of the societies in our Federation, just as Bill Gibb FRPSL did during his term of office as president of the federation.

To those societies whom we have not had the pleasure of visiting may we please come and give you an evening's display while we're still young enough to get around our area.

My apologies to **BILL BARRELL**, I have not been able to incorporate his advertisement this time. However:

BILL BARRELL Ltd is one of the top GB dealers in Europe if not the world and yet his loyalty to his local customers is well documented. If you are in need of some GB material, particularly in the field of postal history then Bill and his son, Sam, are the people to contact:

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