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BASILDON
PHILATELIC SOCIETY



45
YEARS

1968 - 2013

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Welcome from the Chairman of Basildon Philatelic Society

Basildon Philatelic Society is honoured to host StampEssex 2013 in conjunction with our own Spring BasPex event to celebrate the 45th anniversary of our Society.

Much has changed since 1968. Basildon has expanded both in size and population while our hobby of philately has seen even greater changes. Who could have envisaged in the Sixties that it would be possible to commission personalised stamps from the Royal Mail in the form of *Smilers* sheets. To mark the Society's anniversary a special *Smilers* sheet, and presentation pack have been produced. Details of these can be found elsewhere in this handbook.

The Society is hosting the Association of Essex Philatelic Societies spring competitions and a fantastic display of the world's first postage stamp, the Penny Black. All of which are well worth spending some time to enjoy.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you here on behalf of both the Basildon Philatelic Society and the Association of Essex Philatelic Societies.

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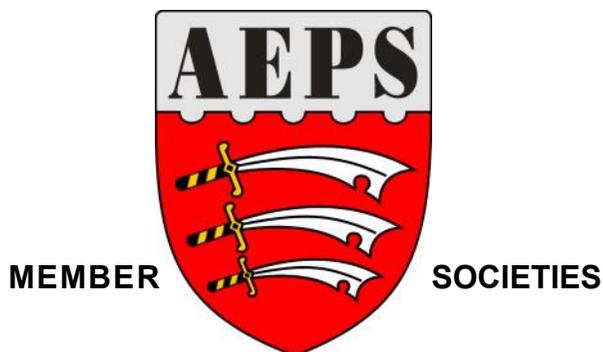
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Hullbridge Philatelic Society
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Moulsham Lodge Philatelic Society & Collectors Club
Rayleigh & District Philatelic Society
Shoeburyness & District Philatelic Society
Sudbury & District Philatelic Society
Witham Philatelic Society



The Society welcomes new members to our varied programme of meetings. Come and visit without obligation to join.

Mon	6	May	Bank Holiday – <i>no meeting</i>
Tue	21	May	“South Africa” – <i>display by Nicholas Harris</i>
Mon	4	Jun	“A Philatelic Journey Through Life” – <i>display by David Church</i>
Tue	18	Jun	45th Annual General Meeting – <i>including election of officers</i>
Mon	1	Jul	Competition Night – <i>8 sheets all classes</i>
Wed	4	Jul	Basildon v Billericay Quiz – <i>at Billericay</i>
Tue	16	Jul	“Aspects of British Borneo” – <i>display by Dr. J. Higgins</i>
Mon	5	Aug	“12 Pages from My Collection” – <i>members’ displays</i>
Tue	20	Aug	Visit from Epping Forest & Dist. S.C. – <i>displays by our visitors</i>
Mon	2	Sep	“Essex Postmarks” – <i>display by Jon Copeland</i>

Meetings are held at the George Hurd Centre, Basildon. Doors open 7.30 pm. Start 7.45 pm. Close 9.45 pm.

Basildon Philatelic Society

The Basildon Recorder newspaper for 5 July 1968 reported that a stamp collectors club had been formed at an inaugural meeting held at Woodlands Boys School, at the instigation of a group of Basildon Urban District Council employees.

On 1 March 1969, we joined the Association of Essex Philatelic Societies, in which we have played a prominent role ever since. Some subsequent meetings were held in the Council Offices, before moving in 1970 to the Painting Studio of the Arts Centre (later the Towngate Centre), the town centre home for the Society until its demolition without replacement in 1988.

We held our first exhibition in 1971 as part of the Basildon 21st Anniversary celebrations, issuing a commemorative cover. A number of Stamp Days were held at St. Martin's Church Hall. In 1978, we helped the Post Office produce a cover for the 25th anniversary of Basildon Head Post Office. 1978 saw us join the British Philatelic Federation, predecessor of today's Association of British Philatelic Societies.

By 1981, an exchange packet was flourishing. A 1982 event at the new Pitsea Leisure Centre attracted new members from Pitsea, Stanford-le-Hope and Corringham, where membership had hitherto been sparse. Basildon Stamp Day transferred to St Teresa's Church Hall in Laindon in 1986. 1988 was a problem year for the Society, with the demolition of the

Towngate Centre and thus a move, initially to the Unemployed Workers Centre, and then to Laindon Community Centre. Stamp days moved to the same venue in 1989. Although growing attendances at meetings outstripped available room capacity, fair attendances never returned to the level of the 1970s, probably due to a surfeit of commercial fairs.

We hosted AEPS StampEssex in 1993 to celebrate its Silver Jubilee and won the Stokes Cup and became one of the first societies in the country to operate an Internet website. Our newsletter was relaunched in January 1996. In 1998, "BasPex International" combined StampEssex with Home Counties Stamp Day and a display from twin town philatelic society in France, Meaux. From the start of 2000, we moved from Laindon to the George Hurd Centre in Fauners, close to Basildon town centre.

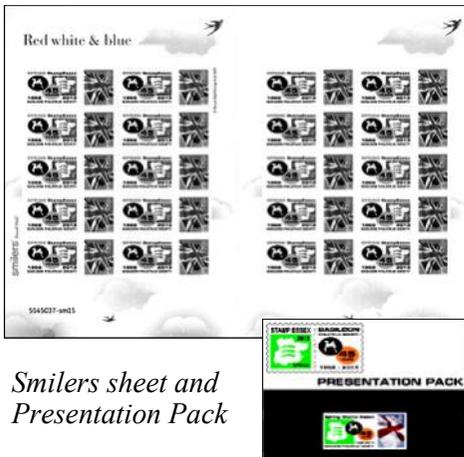
In May 2008, that Centre was relocated to a new building in Audley Way and we moved to this new town centre venue, which has seen a small resurgence in attendances.



Exhibition Plan



Souvenirs



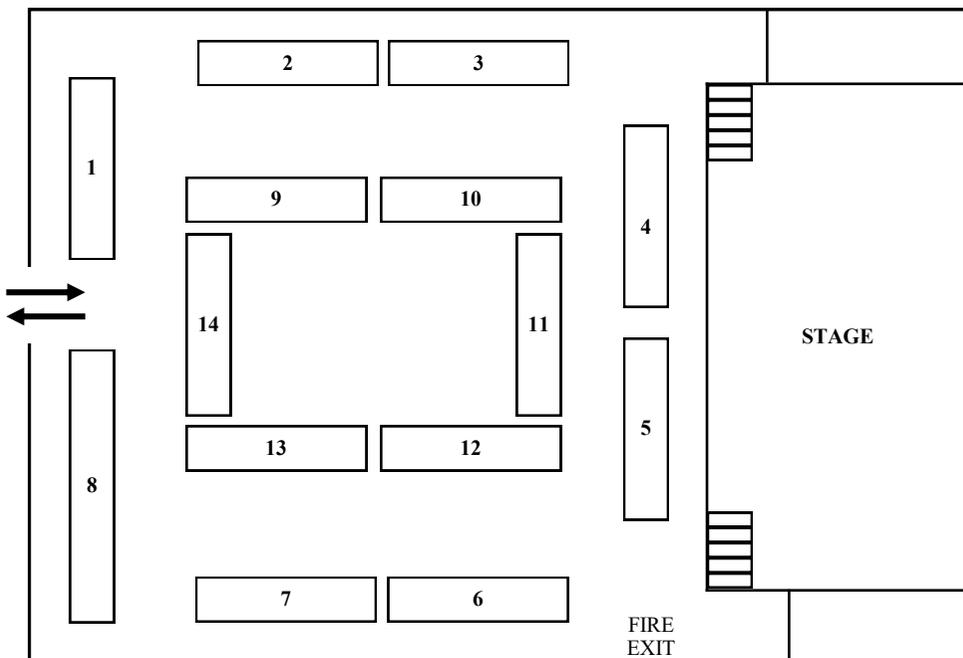
Smilers sheet and Presentation Pack



Timetable

- 10.00 Doors open
- 15.30 Prize draws
- 16.00 Close

Dealers



1. **Stamp Search**
Stamps and covers of the world.
 2. **Ray Watts**
Great Britain stamps and postal history.
 3. **Sarah Brooks & Eric Whitehead**
Stamps and covers of the world .
 4. **Roger Swindells**
European stamps.
 5. **Thematrix**
Thematic Stamps and covers.
 6. **Andrew Meir**
Commonwealth, European and U.S.A.
 7. **Select Stamps**
Stamps & covers of the world.
 8. **D.J. Church**
Mint and used stamps and covers of the world plus accessories.
 9. **Sheldon Kosky**
World postal history, thematics - poster stamps.
 10. **Barry Mead**
Great Britain.
 11. **St. Francis Hospice**
Stamps and covers of the world and postcards.
 12. **Roger Hudson**
World postal history and cinderella material.
 13. **Nigel Stow**
Great Britain and Commonwealth stamps and postal history.
 14. **Basildon Philatelic Society**
Exhibition souvenirs, Raffle, Tombola and further information about joining the Society.
- An appetising range of refreshments is available from the Servery, conveniently located just outside the Dealers' Hall.

Competitive Displays

Classes

S—Traditional (Stamps), P—Postal History, A—Aerophilately, C—Postcards.

* *Stokes Cup entries*

Judges

Messrs Bill Hedley & Maurice Flack.

Basildon Philatelic Society

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| 1* | L.C. Stanway | S1 | Federation of Malaya 1957 Definitive Aerogrames |
| 2* | J. Cowlin | P7 | The Great Boer War 1899-1902 |
| 3* | C.J. Cooksey | A1 | 1932 First Official Airmail—Rhodesia to London |
| 4 | A. Coltman | C2 | Abbeys |
| 5 | L.C. Stanway | C3 | Richmond Castle |

Bishops Stortford & District Philatelic Society

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| 1* | B. Watson | S2 | Under the Magnifying Glass |
| 2* | I. Stevenson | S3 | Prisoner of War & Forces Postal Stationery |
| 3* | P. Denley | P2 | Additional Halfpenny Mail Tax |

Brentwood & District Philatelic Society

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| 1 | J. Copeland | C4 | Bells Photo Company Ltd |
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Chelmsford & District Philatelic Society

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| 1* | G.P. Green | S4 | Mesopotamia—Iraq Postal Stationery |
| 2* | N. Harris | P3 | Bermuda King George VI Censored Covers WW2 |
| 3* | A. Boyce | A2 | Patagonia Greek Airmails |
| 4 | P. Adams | C5 | The Great Fire of Aalesund, Norway 23 January 1904 |

Cheshunt & District Philatelic Society

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| 1 | D. Haskell | P4 | Postal Service by Liberation Forces, Apr-Dec 1971 |
| 2 | T. Hawkins | P5 | Aspects of the Postal History of Cadiz |
| 3 | S. Reeves | C6 | Southwold—History |
| 4 | T. Hawkins | C7 | Aspects of the History of Scarborough |

Hullbridge Philatelic Society

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| 1 | W.E. Trower | A3 | Flightpath South Pacific |
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Rayleigh & District Philatelic Society

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| 1* | M. Roberts | S5 | South West Africa |
| 2* | I. Tickell | S6 | Sudan Use of Egyptian Stamps Prior to 1879 |
| 3 | L. Roberts | P6 | The Clyde Steamer—Greenock & Andrishaig Service |
| 4 | P. Harris | P8 | For Letters Foreign |
| 5 | M. Thompson | P9 | Introduction of Meter Frankings in the Saar |
| 6* | W.E. Trower | A4 | Flightpath Congo |

Witham Philatelic Society

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| 1* | D. Davies | S7 | Emblem Issue of Victoria—1d Value 1857-1861 |
| 2* | R. Calvert | P10 | City Post Destination St. Petersburg |
| 3* | D.W. Sibley | A5 | CNC Airmail Routes in China |

Trophy & Award Winners

Stokes Cup

The trophy is awarded to the society obtaining the best aggregate position from the Traditional, Postal History and Aerophilately classes.

<i>Place</i>	<i>Society</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Entrant</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Total</i>
1	Witham	S7	D. Davies	1	9
		P10	R. Calvert	1	
		A5	D.W. Sibley	7	
2=	Rayleigh	S6	I. Tickell	3=	13
		S5	M. Roberts	7	
		A4	W.E. Trower	3=	
2=	Bishops Stortford	S2	B. Watson	2	13
		S3	I. Stevenson	5	
		P2	P. Denley	6	
4	Basildon	S1	L.C. Stanway	3	15
		P7	J. Cowlin	10	
		A1	C.J. Cooksey	2	
5	Chelmsford	S4	G.P. Green	6	26
		P3	N. Harris	8	
		A2	A. Boyce	12=	

Stamp Trophy (traditional class)

The Emblem Issue of Victoria, 1d value 1857-1861 — D. Davies (Witham)

Postal History Trophy &

George Pearson Trophy (awarded to the best exhibit of foreign material)

City Post Destination St. Petersburg — R. Calvert (Witham)

GB Postal History Trophy

Additional Halfpenny Mail Tax — P. Denley (Bishops Stortford)

Aerophilatelic Trophy

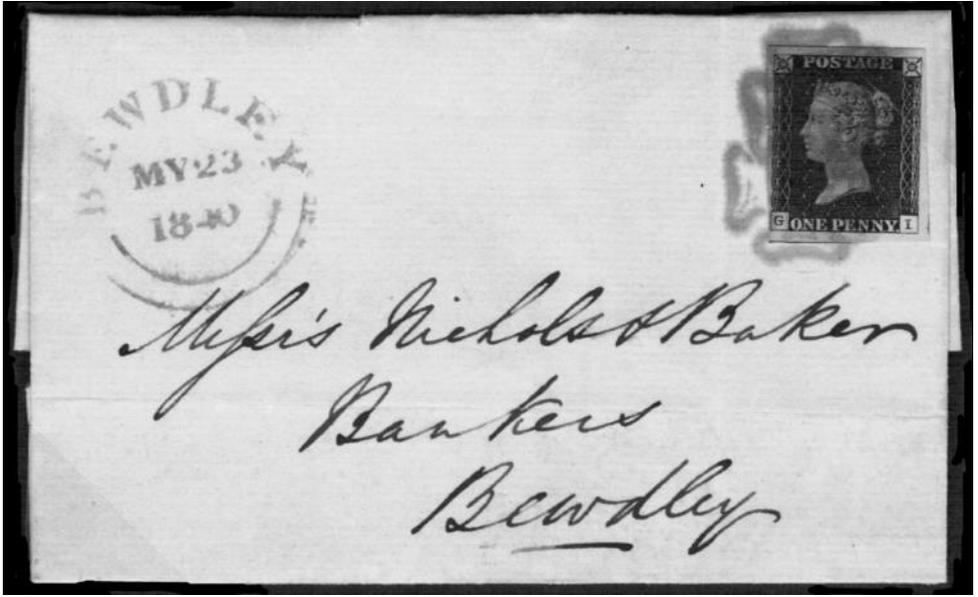
1932 First Official Airmail from Rhodesia to London — C.J. Cooksey (Basildon)

Postcard Trophy

The Great Fire of Aalesund, Norway 23 January 1904 — P. Adams (Chelmsford)

Invited Display

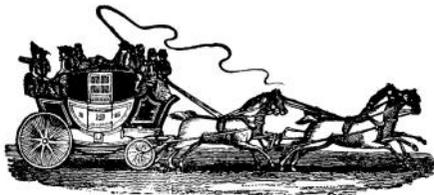
THE PENNY BLACK — MAY DATES



Penny Black used on 23 May 1840

The “Penny Black” is one of the world’s great design icons, but it is amazing how many people have never seen one. We present a great opportunity to see, not one, but a great collection of the world’s first postage stamp. The Penny Black was issued in May 1840 and was in use for just a year.

Basildon collector and dealer David Church has amassed an outstanding collection of twenty-seven items of mail posted using Penny Blacks during the very first month of use. These are on display here today.



The Church on the Hill

The church of St Nicholas, Laindon with its broach-spire and timber belfry is perched atop a hill that has looked down over both Laindon and Basildon since the 13th century. The nave must have been standing in 1254 when the first Rector, Richard de List is recorded as having been at the parish. The south chapel and chancel were added by 1330 and the Priest's House annexe became a further addition during the 17th century. Nikolaus Pevsner in his *Buildings of England* describes the 13th century font as being of the Purbeck type, with shallow blank pointed arcades on each side. There are two brasses depicting priests. One dates from c.1480 and is 99 cm long, the other is 30 cm and dates from c.1510.

Puckle's School was located in the Priest's House where up to twenty boys and girls could be educated. James Hornsby, who gave his name to the school we are using today, was the last schoolmaster at the church. He and his three wives are buried in the churchyard.

The school which bears Hornsby's name was originally known as the Nicholas Secondary School. It was built to a design by the then county architect, H. Conolly, although now much changed.



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The Malaya Study Group

The MSG has a world-wide membership circa 400, mainly in the United Kingdom, Malaysia and Singapore. The newsletter and "The Malayan Philatelist" are issued quarterly.

Display meetings are held in London throughout the year, with occasional meetings elsewhere. Auctions and the exchange packet are open to members only. The group has produced many specialist publications and is open to all collectors of Malayan philately, whatever their interest or level. Material collected ranges from the pre-stamp period in the Straits Settlements through to the modern Malaysian and Singapore issues.

Membership is £20 per annum with an early payment discount of £5 if payment is made prior to 30 June. New members joining after 30 June pay £22.50, including the next whole membership year.

For further details, please contact the membership secretary, David Tett by post at PO Box 34, Wheathampstead Herts, AL4 8JY or email at DavidTett@aol.com. For more information about the group and its activities, please visit the group website at: www.malayastudygroup.com.

The Sarawak Specialists' Society

Founded in 1947, the SSS is devoted to the study of the stamps and postal history of Sarawak, Brunei, North Borneo (Sabah), and Labuan. Membership circa 300 is in 16 countries, but mainly the UK, USA, Australia and Malaysia.

"The Sarawak Journal" is published quarterly. It contains original research and Society news. The library is available to members. An Annual General Meeting weekend takes place, usually in the Midlands in October, at which members

give talks and displays, with a shorter Spring event in the West Country. Both include major auctions. Detailed catalogues are distributed to all members. Exchange packets operate in Great Britain and in Australasia.

Membership is £15.00 per year, due on 1 August. No matter what your level of knowledge new members, novices as well as "experts" are very welcome.

Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Richard Garbett, Lymore House, Greenhill, Wombourne, Wolverhampton WV5 0LD. For more information about the group and its activities, please visit the group website at:

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