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Editorial:

The London exhibition may be behind us but it remains a busy year in the world of philately. Please give the remaining events your full support.

National News

PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Congress 2010 will be held at the Holiday Inn, Kenilworth on 22-25 July and a very interesting programme has been announced. Your Editor will join the Essex participants.

Congress 2011 will be at Portsmouth, but the dates have still to be published.

Congress 2012 will be held at Queen's Hotel in Perth, Scotland, from 19-22 October, overlapping with the National exhibition (see below). Unlike at Croydon, the two events have been arranged to allow attendance at both events, if people so wish, without repeating the error of trying to integrate them.

ABPS COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council and AGM will be held on 25 July during PCGB at Kenilworth. Please advise your Editor of issues to raise.

"LONDON 2010" IS OVER, BUT THE "FESTIVAL OF STAMPS" CONTINUES!

As the dust settles on the Business Design Centre after nine frenetic days, we must not forget that the Festival of Stamps London 2010 is both a year long and a nationwide event. Dedicated regional teams around the country have spent the last two years developing exhibition and fair events to bring Festival 2010 to somewhere near you. Supported by the ABPS and the BPMA, these events form an integral part of the Festival and seek to promote philately to the general public and society membership to collectors who do not currently enjoy the benefits of belonging to

a group with shared interests. The regional programme runs to October and the latest information on forthcoming events follows:

Federation events:

- 3 July. SWIPEX 2010. Plymouth Guildhall.
- 10 July. KENTPEX 2010. Tonbridge School.
- 21 August. East Midlands & East Anglian PF. Girton College, Cambridge.
- 4 September. Middlesex Philatelic Federation. Amersham Community Centre.
- 11 September. Federation of Surrey PS. United Reformed Church Hall, Croydon.
- 18 September. Association of Scottish Philatelic Societies "A Festival of Stamps & Postcards in Edinburgh and Lothians". St John's Church Hall, Edinburgh.
- 25 September. Nephilex 2010. The Royal Station Hotel, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.
- 9 October. The South of England Stamp Fair and Sussex Convention. The South of England Centre, Ardingly.
- 16 October. Hampshire Philatelic Federation. Wickham Community Centre.
- 23 October. Cornex 2010. Liskeard School and Community College.
- 30 October. North-Western Philatelic Federation. Horwich.

Partner events:

In addition, partners of the Festival continue to hold exhibitions around the country including:

- Until 25 July. Exhibition - Empire Mail - George V & the GPO. (Royal Collection & BPMA) Guildhall Art Gallery, London.
- Until September 2010. Exhibition - Fe:MAIL - Suffragettes and the Post. The Women's Library, London Metropolitan University, 25 Old Castle Street, E1 7NT.
- Until 30 October 2010. Exhibition - King George V. Bath Postal Museum.
- Until 31 October 2010. Exhibition - Rugby Post. Twickenham World Rugby Museum.
- Until 14 Nov. 2010. Exhibition - Impressions of Africa: money, medals & stamps. British Museum Money Gallery, London.
- Until 31 December 2010. Exhibition - Philatelic Rarities. British Library.

Until 31 December 2010. Exhibition - Treasures from the Archive. British Postal Museum & Archive, Clerkenwell.

Until 27 Feb. 2011. Exhibition - Posted. Post Office, 67 Wilton Way, Hackney E8 1BG.

10 July 2010. Open Day. Colne Valley Postal History Museum, The Laurels, 109 Head Street, Halstead, Essex CO9 2AZ.

18 July - 14 November. Exhibition - Marine Philately. Aberdeen Maritime Museum.

22-25 July 2010. Philatelic Congress of Great Britain. Holiday Inn, Kenilworth.

1-31 August 2010. Exhibition - New Stamps Acquisitions. Marylebone Cricket Club, London NW8 8QN.

29-30 August 2010. The Post Office At War. Bletchley Park Museum.

11-12 September 2010. Open Weekend. Colne Valley PHM (see above).

(Note: Most of these events are likely to be small adjuncts to existing museum displays. Guildhall, British Library, Congress and Bath Postal Museum are major philatelic displays) For further details and additional events, see website www.london2010.org.uk or the Editor.

WORLD POST DAY

Have you any ideas how we could make a splash and get the society noticed on World Post Day, which marks the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union, on 9 October 2010? If so, tell us!

2010 NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

Entries for the 2010 ABPS National Competitions close on 16 July. The entries will be displayed at Autumn Stampex on 15-18 September at the Business Design Centre. Entry forms can be obtained from Chris King (chris.king02@googlemail.com).

2011-2012 NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

The 2011 ABPS National Exhibition will be organised by Sheffield Philatelic Society on 6-7 May 2011 at Ponds Forge International Sport Centre, Sheffield.

The 2012 ABPS National Exhibition will be held in Scotland on 18-20 October 2012 at Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth PH2

0TH. Expressions of interest have been requested from dealers and exhibitors.

ABPS WEBSITE

The ABPS website has been heavily rebuilt and now contains a lot of valuable information, with more to come. Please visit it at <http://abps.org.uk/>

ABPS HANDBOOKS

Publication of new editions of the Handbook and the Lectures & Displays list have been long-delayed by illness on the part of those who were handling them and subsequent technical problems. The new editions are in preparation.

ABPS AWARD OF MERIT

Congratulations to Ed Hitchings of Sudbury & District P.S. on becoming the first AEPS winner of the ABPS Award of Merit for 14 years. Ed has been a leading member of Sudbury for many years, as well as being very active in AEPS and the Revenue Society, amongst his many activities. The award was presented at the Sudbury AGM on 18 May.

Each year, the ABPS honours up to 15 grass roots philatelists that have made an outstanding contribution to a local or specialised society. Nomination forms for the 2011 awards can be obtained from Susan Oliver, ABPS Awards Committee Chairman/Secretary, 46 Woodville Road, Ham, Richmond-upon-Thames, TW10 7QN 020 8940 9833 susan.m.oliver@virgin.net.

MIDPEX

MidPex 2009 was the victim of its own success with attendance outstripping the space available. Midpex 2011 on 2 July 2011 will be at the Warwickshire Exhibition Centre, just south of Leamington and close to the M40. It has more than double the floor area of the previous venue, all on one level, and free parking for 2000 vehicles (including coaches). Specialist societies will have twice the frame space for each participating society, plus table and seating on each stand. Friends of Thematica will hold their competitions.

Catering will be on a mezzanine overlooking the stands with drinks available at ground level. There will be a free Shuttle Bus between Leamington Station (Chiltern Railway) and the Centre throughout the day. A preliminary booking has also been made for Midpex 2013 on 6 July 2013. For further information contact bobharper@btinternet.com

BRITISH THEMATIC ASSOCIATION

For more information on BTA activities, contact Peter Denly, 9 Oaklands Park, Bishops Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2BY or www.brit-thematic-assoc.com.

Essex News

AEPS EVENTS

AEPS Council Meeting Report 24 April 2010. The attendance at the meeting was disappointing - perhaps it being the warmest day of the year so far had something to do with it. Nevertheless, those who did attend received reports on progress with arrangements for Colchester StampEssex.

The 2011 AEPS events would be Spring StampEssex on 26 March at Rayleigh and Autumn StampEssex at Benfleet on 15 October.

Autumn competition entries will be required at the 4 September meeting.

AEPS StampEssex - Festival of Stamps.

Despite a hot, sunny day and its proximity to London 2010, more than 400 people attended the biggest philatelic event in Essex since Basildon 2004. There were some 30 dealers, who are reported to have had a good time at this impressive, but expensive, venue.

Bishop's Stortford seems to have a monopoly on the Stokes Cup, with its fifth consecutive win. Chris Cooksey kept Basildon's honour up by winning the Postal History Trophy. Other prize winners were Ray Rabetts (Bishop's Stortford, Stamps) and, all from Rayleigh, Eric Day (Aerophilatelic), Ray How (GB Postal History), Malcolm Roberts (George Pearson Trophy for Foreign).

The Home Counties inter-federation Dawes Cup was won by Surrey with 427 marks.

Essex and Kent came joint second with 410 marks. The Essex team was Chris Cooksey, Eric Day, Chris Harman, Ian Stevenson and Roger Swindells.

The BPMA Award was the subject of a public vote for "best in show" and was presented to Eric Day.

AEPS issued a Smiler sheet for the event. Featuring the original AEPS emblem, the sheet costs £20 and is still available from Len Stanway while stocks last. Also available for £3 is a presentation pack marking the centenary of organised philately in Essex containing two stamps. Postage and packing is £2 per order for sheets or £1 for packs.



NEXT AEPS EVENTS

The next Council meeting will be at 2.30pm on 3 July 2010 at the Red Cross Hall, Chelmsford. We can send up to three delegates. If you would like to have issues raised, please contact Len or Alan.

Autumn StampEssex will be held at Spring Lodge Community Centre, Witham CM8 2HE on 2 October from 10am to 4pm.

AEPS Workshop. The next AEPS Workshop will be on 29 January 2011 at Henry Dixon Hall, Rivenhall, and will centre on "Social Philately". Put it in your diary now!

Society News

PROGRAMME CHANGES

As previously advised, the meeting on 6 December will be held in the Small Hall (not our usual Main Hall).

The Christmas meeting shown in the programme card as 14 December will now take place on 21 December.

MEETING REPORTS

12 April - Transatlantic Mails (Marc Fuller).



Marc's display began in 1685, with a letter from Barbados to Sheffield reporting that the writer had to "go across to America" on business, followed by a 1690 cover from Boston, New England to Boston, Lincolnshire. He then took us in a most comprehensive and enthralling manner through the eras of the Falmouth Packets, letters carried by favour by ship's captains, competition between British and US ships for the mail, the US/Canada War of 1812, the first steam ships (including covers by the two voyages of the S.S. "Sirius" in 1838 and one of four known covers from the grounding of S.S. "Great Britain" in Ireland in 1846, the routes used by West Coast US and Canadian mails, the Californian Gold Rush of 1856, the US Civil War with its currency complications, quarantined mail, accelerated mail overland via Ireland, the disastrous French Ligne Héroult et de Handel, the 1849 Treaty setting rates and sharing arrangements between USA and Great Britain, US postmaster provisionals and proofs of the 1869 US stamp issue. He concluded with a selection of airship mails including USAS Los Angeles, LZ129 trial flight, the three USA Graf Zeppelin stamps correctly used on cover, the exchange of mails between ship and airship by "skyhook" and finally the British R34 airship. The Chairman gave the Society's thanks for an excellent evening.

20 April - Visit to Sudbury P.S.

The Society's team to visit Sudbury was Geoff Miller, John Cowlin and Len Stanway. John started with Emergency Currency notes, mostly of the French Revolution. Geoff followed with War Tax stamps. Len finished the evening with Metropolitan Railway and early Underground stamps and other material.

27 April - Norway (Pat Adams).



Pat introduced us to Spitzbergen, the largest of the Svalbard Islands. It has been a cruise ship destination since the 1890s and Pat showed us a large amount of such mail, mostly pre-World War One, profusely illustrated with photographs and postcards. She also introduced us to some of the famous visitors. The islands are a popular starting point for attempts to reach the North Pole and she regaled us with some of the sad tales of failed attempts by balloon, ship and airship. The local stamps and etiquettes were shown, as were the 1925 issue marking Norway's sovereignty over Svalbard and that year's expedition by Dornier Wal flying boat.

Her second half was mostly concerned with the mail ships, with mail illustrated with pictures of the ships concerned. She closed with a tour of the Telemark Canal in postcards.

18 May Competitions and "No Talking" members' displays.

There were entries in all five classes of the annual competitions, comprising eleven entries from six different members including one junior. Bill Trower and Eric Day judged that the winners were:

Traditional: Charlie Mead "Fiji Free Franks".
Chris Cooksey came 2nd and Len Stanway 3rd.

Postal History: Chris Cooksey "Tristan Da Cunha".

Aerophilately: Len Stanway "Malayan Airmails". Chris Cooksey came 2nd.

Thematic: Anne Coltman "Antelopes of Africa". Runners-up were Mick Coltman and Chloe Coltman.

Cinderella: Chris Cooksey "BSAC Quitrents".

Meanwhile, silent displays were David Church, Anne Coltman, Chloe Coltman, John Cowlin, Claude Crowder, Alf Potter and Len Stanway.

7 June - Annual General Meeting and Auction Viewing.

A well-attended AGM received the usual reports and, for the first time in many years, an election! The Treasurer reported a loss for the year, but substantially improved over the last comparable year. The exchange packet remains healthy but is in need of more members and more vendors if it is to continue thus. The existing committee was re-elected. Claude Crowder was elected Vice Chairman and Ian McElwain was re-appointed Public Relations Officer. The subscription remained unchanged at £11 and is now due. The President thanked everyone who had contributed to the running of the society and its activities during the year.

Geoff Miller was named, in his absence, as Member of the Year for his conscientious completion of the 2010 programme despite being in the process of relocating to Frinton.

22 June Auction.

The auction was reasonably well attended, despite the World Cup football, with a higher than usual proportion of lots sold. Ian McElwain acted as Auctioneer in Claude Crowder's absence. Ann Coltman acted as Teller and Anne Stanway and Alan Taylor undertook the "behind the table" tasks. The realisations were as follows:

Lot	Sold	Lot	Sold	Lot	Sold
1	£4.00	96	£2.00	204	£2.00
2	£3.00	97	£7.00	206	£2.00
4	£2.00	99	£4.00	207	£2.00
7	£2.00	102	£2.00	208	£5.00
8	£12.00	103	£8.00	209	£2.25
9	£16.00	106	£2.00	210	£2.00
10	£2.00	111	£4.00	211	£2.50
11	£4.00	112	£6.00	212	£3.00

Lot	Sold	Lot	Sold	Lot	Sold
12	£15.00	114	£3.00	215	£2.00
13	£2.00	115	£3.00	219	£4.00
15	£4.50	116	£4.50	220	£2.00
16	£2.80	117	£2.00	226	£2.50
17	£2.00	118	£4.00	227	£4.25
18	£2.00	119	£2.00	228	£12.00
19	£3.00	120	£2.00	229	£8.00
20	£3.50	124	£2.00	236	£6.00
21	£3.50	125	£6.00	237	£2.75
22	£5.00	128	£4.50	249	£8.00
26	£2.00	130	£3.00	251	£12.00
27	£4.00	131	£6.00	252	£2.00
28	£4.25	133	£2.00	254	£4.00
29	£11.00	135	£3.00	255	£2.00
30	£5.00	136	£2.00	258	£2.00
31	£3.50	137	£3.00	261	£2.00
32	£2.00	138	£3.00	262	£3.00
33	£2.75	139	£2.00	263	£4.00
34	£4.50	140	£4.00	264	£2.00
35	£6.50	141	£2.00	265	£2.00
36	£2.00	142	£2.50	266	£10.00
37	£3.00	143	£6.00	267	£6.50
38	£3.50	144	£3.00	268	£3.50
41	£7.00	145	£2.00	269	£4.00
42	£8.50	146	£5.00	270	£7.50
43	£6.00	148	£2.00	271	£2.00
44	£4.00	149	£8.00	273	£3.75
45	£10.00	151	£3.00	274	£3.00
46	£3.00	152	£2.00	275	£3.50
52	£2.50	153	£5.00	276	£2.75
56	£5.00	163	£2.00	277	£8.50
58	£3.00	164	£16.00	278	£4.50
59	£3.00	165	£2.75	279	£2.00
60	£2.00	166	£6.00	280	£2.00
62	£5.00	169	£2.00	281	£4.00
63	£2.00	170	£4.50	282	£5.50
64	£2.00	171	£6.00	285	£2.00
66	£2.50	172	£2.25	286	£2.00
67	£2.00	173	£2.00	287	£2.50
68	£6.00	177	£3.00	291	£4.00
69	£2.50	178	£4.00	292	£4.00
73	£12.00	179	£4.00	293	£3.00
74	£2.00	180	£3.00	294	£17.00
75	£2.00	181	£3.75	295	£2.00
76	£7.00	183	£7.00	299	£2.25
77	£2.50	184	£2.50	302	£2.00
80	£2.50	186	£2.00	306	£2.00
81	£2.00	187	£2.50	308	£2.50
82	£2.00	188	£2.00	312	£3.00
83	£2.00	189	£2.00	314	£4.25
84	£2.00	190	£2.00	315	£2.00
85	£20.00	192	£3.00	317	£5.00
86	£2.00	194	£2.25	318	£5.50
92	£4.00	196	£2.50	L2	£1.50
93	£2.00	202	£3.00	L3	£5.00
94	£2.50	203	£2.00		

NEXT BASILDON MEETINGS:

5 July - Hindenburg Propaganda (Ian Nutley).

20 July - Thematic Evening (Peter Drake).

2 August - Airmails of World War Two (John Rawlins).

17 August - Birds of the World (Ralph Bridgeman).

6 September - Basildon v. Billericay Quiz.

21 September - Display by Edenbridge Stamp Club, from Kent.

NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Beth Stevens has stepped down from the Committee due to ill health. The Committee thanked her for her contribution.

John Cowlin has volunteered to become one of the Society's representatives at AEPS.

If you wish any issues to be raised at the next committee meeting, please tell a committee member as soon as possible.

MORE PUBLICITY

To supplement our own website, we now have an additional free publicity site at <http://basildon-philatelic-society.clubbz.com>. Clubbz.com is one of a number of operators offering free publicity opportunities to clubs and societies.

WANTED - YOU!

We require the help of all members. If you see or hear about anything that you feel should be mentioned in this journal, please let the Editor know. We also need volunteers to do a brief report of each meeting, to reduce the workload on the Editor.

COMPETITION ENTRIES WANTED

The AEPS Autumn Competitions will be displayed at Witham on 2 October. I'm sure that you would agree that we want to see the Society well represented in the displays at this event. How do we achieve that? Well, it is down to **YOU**. By **4 September**, we need 16-sheet entries in thematics, Cinderella, literature, social and modern (stamps, postal history or aerophilately) categories. If you can

fill one of our two allocated places in each competition, please tell Charlie Mead asap.

ARE YOU E-CONNECTED?

If you have an e-mail address, you could save the society money and keep yourself up to date with local philatelic news, programme changes and auction catalogues by sending your e-mail address to the Editor.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Basildon members have been very active outside the club during the first half of 2010!

Maggie Thompson displayed "More Triangles" to Billericay on 4 February.

Chris Cooksey showed "Post Town of Petworth" to Billericay on 18 March and "South Atlantic Islands & British Antarctic" to Rayleigh on 12 April and Colchester 21 May.

John Cowlin took "War and Rebellions" to Witham on 18 March.

Len Stanway gave "Singapore" to Braintree on 13 April and "60 Years of Essex Philately" to Brentwood on 9 June.

The Malaya Study Group has announced publication of "Malaysia and the Federation of Malaya - Their Stamps and Postal Stationery, Volume 2 - Malaysia 1963-1994 and postage dues" by Len Stanway. It costs £80 (members £55) plus £5 postage and packing from MSG, 1 Woodfield Grove, London SW16 1LR. The remaining volume taking the story to 2009 is expected to be published in the Autumn.

Are you doing something outside the society that members may be interested to hear about? Have you heard about another member's activities or achievements? If so, please let the Editor know.

SMALL ADS

Society members are entitled to insert one small advertisement free of charge in each issue. Please send your advert to the Editor.

Malaysia - First day covers for sale. Many issues available. Wants lists to Len Stanway.

Article

Part 2 of "The Whyte Arrangement" has been held over to the next issue for lack of space.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR (1)

I am the appeal co-ordinator for the RNIB's stamp recycling and get so many franked envelopes from so many different sources.

I do have a chap who buys some, but can not catch up with the amount I have given him lately! I feel that it is sad that the envelopes are at the moment going into the recycling sacks where someone may want to buy some.

I can sell a full sack for £5 and if you can collect that is great - if not, I can deliver if selling at least five sacks.

If you do not know anyone, I would be grateful if you could ask around as all money raised will go to help provide over sixty services for blind and partially sighted people in the UK.

Please note that I can not sell stamps to any of your members. Sorry!

Mrs Terri Bush, RNIB, 20 Bowers Road, Benfleet, Essex SS7 5PZ. 01268 565646. RNIBstamps@rnib.org.uk

LETTER TO THE EDITOR (2)

As a stamp enthusiast without transport, it is difficult for me to visit many stamp venues. On purchasing several list of commemorative (GB) kilowares, from various mail order services, I have accumulated large quantities of duplication but unfortunately completed very few sets. My (off-paper) duplications are from 1971 onwards and I would like to exchange for similar stamps. I wonder if any of your club members have quantities of duplication which they would also like to exchange. Example, if I were to forward a club member, let's say, a packet of (100) all different, could they do the same? If so, I look forward to hearing from you.

Andrew Medcalf, 22 Peters Road, Chellaston, Derby DE73 6UU.

ARTICLES WANTED

Members are invited to write short articles for inclusion in the newsletter. Please contact the Editor.



Philatelic Events in Essex July-September 2010

See also the list of Festival events on page 1.

July 2010:

- 1 Billericay - Croatia 1941-1945 (A J Bosworth).
- 2 Harlow - (Provisional date).
- 3 **AEPS COUNCIL**, 2.30pm, Red Cross Hall, 200 New London Road, Chelmsford, CM2 9AD.
- 5 Basildon - Hindenburg Propaganda (I Nutley).
- 6 Benfleet - Birds of the World (R Bridgeman).
- 7 Bishop's Stortford - An Evening with the AEPS Chairman (P Denly).
- 8 Hullbridge - Television General History (M Routh).
Witham - Islands (Members).
- 12 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
Rayleigh - The Trial of the Portuguese Nyassa Company (J Dahl).
- 13 Epping Forest - Sport (M Chapling).
- 14 Brentwood - War Tax Overprints (G Miller).
- 15 Billericay - Postal History of the Isle of Wight (L Keeley).
- 16 Colchester - AGM & Chairman's Cup.
Harlow (Provisional date).
- 20 Basildon - Thematic Evening (P Drake).
Southend - A Touch of Blarney (R E How).
- 21 Bishop's Stortford - Letter B (Members).
- 22 Witham - To be announced.
- 26 Rayleigh - Acquired in 2009 (Members).
- 28 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 29 Shoeburyness - Lighthouses (M K Roberts).
- 30 Harlow - (Provisional date).

August 2010:

- 2 Basildon - Airmails of World War Two (J Rawlins).
- 3 Benfleet - Indian and Australia (J Rawlins) (at Swans Green Hall, Hart Road, SS7 3PE).
- 4 Bishop's Stortford - Competitions & The President Entertains.
- 5 Witham - Belgium (W I Stevenson).
- 9 Rayleigh - Bourse.
- 10 Epping Forest - Recent acquisitions (Members).
- 12 Hullbridge - Informal Bring and Buy.
- 13 Harlow - (Provisional date).
- 17 Basildon - Birds of the World (R Bridgeman).
Southend - (Provisional date).
- 18 Bishop's Stortford - Postal Advertising.
- 19 Witham - The Committee Entertains.
- 23 Rayleigh - Sir Winston Churchill - His Life and Times (S A Moorcroft).

- 25 Brentwood - Open Evening.
 27 Harlow - (Provisional date).
 28 EAPHSC - Competition (at Stowmarket).

September 2010:

- 1 Bishop's Stortford - Display by Witham P.S.
 Goodmayes - (Provisional date).
 2 Billericay - The Titanic (Part 1) (Mrs J Taylor).
 Witham - Informal / Bring & Buy.
 4 **AEPS COUNCIL**, 2.30pm, Red Cross Hall, 200
 New London Road, Chelmsford, CM2 9AD.
 6 Basildon - Basildon v. Billericay Quiz Night.
 7 Benfleet - Auction (at Swans Green Hall, Hart
 Road, SS7 3PE).
 Sudbury - (Provisional date).
 8 Brentwood - Occupation of Greece (A H Boyce).
 Ipswich - (Provisional date).
 9 Hullbridge - Teddy Bears & Others (Mrs A
 Coltman).
 10 Harlow - (Provisional date).
 11 Leytonstone & Wanstead - (Provisional date).
 13 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
 Rayleigh - The EU (Members).
 14 Braintree - (Provisional date).
 Chelmsford - New Acquisitions (Members).
 Epping Forest - (Provisional date).
 15 Bishop's Stortford - More than 50 Years Old
 (Members).
 Goodmayes - (Provisional date).
 16 Billericay - Belgium 1849-1860 (R Alexander).
 Witham - Chairman's Evening.
 17 Colchester - (Provisional date).
 20 Frinton - (Provisional date).
 21 Basildon - Display by Edenbridge S.C.
 Southend - Annual General Meeting.
 Sudbury - (Provisional date).
 22 Brentwood - Open Evening.
 Ipswich - (Provisional date).
 24 Harlow - (Provisional date).
 25 Frinton STAMP FAIR, Triangle Community
 Centre, 10am-4pm.
 27 Leytonstone & Wanstead - (Provisional date).
 Rayleigh - 1908 Olympic Games (R Wilcock).
 28 Braintree - (Provisional date).
 Chelmsford - Through the Letter Box (G
 Morgan).
 30 Shoeburyness - Aspects of Egypt (G P Green).
 Witham - Informal / Bring & Buy.

For venues, times, etc., contact the Editor.

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Future programme:

We have a vacancy for a Programme
 Secretary - Speak to Alan or Charlie now to
 volunteer!

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