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Editorial:

Happy New Year. Why not make a resolution to recruit a new member for the club during 2011? The new programme card should be available by the time you read this. We will be experimenting with a daytime meeting in March - We hope that as many members as possible will come along, including some that we do not usually see at evening meetings.

National News

PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Congress 2011 will be at Queen's Hotel, Southsea from 16-19 June. As an experiment, it will incorporate the National one-frame competition.

Congress 2012 will be held at Queen's Hotel in Perth, Scotland, from 19-22 October, overlapping with the National exhibition (q.v.).

ABPS COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be at Congress 2011. Please advise your Editor of anything to raise.

WORLD POST DAY

How can we get the society and hobby noticed on World Post Day 9 October 2011, which marks the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union? Tell us now!

2011-2012 NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

The 2011 ABPS National Exhibition will be hosted by Sheffield Philatelic Society on 6-7 May at Ponds Forge International Sport Centre, Sheffield. (The one-frame national competition will be held at Congress, q.v.).

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. (A national multi-frame thematic, open and postcard competition will also be held at Stampex from 22-25 February.)

ABPS WEBSITE

The all-new ABPS website contains a wealth 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 of those who were handling them and subsequent technical problems. The post of Editor for these publications was advertised in the latest issue of ABPS News.

ABPS AWARD OF MERIT

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 2011 on 2 July 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, 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

Rayleigh society is planning to run a coach to the event. If you are interested in joining it, please contact Ray How (01702-544632).

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

SOUTHEND CLOSES

Essex's oldest philatelic society has closed its doors for the last time, just six years short of its centenary. Formed in 1916, Southend's closure in September, with immediate effect, was brought about by a lack of new volunteers able to take on the key administrative posts, a story familiar to many societies today. Its assets and members have been transferred to Benfleet society, which is now to be known as "Benfleet & District Philatelic Society incorporating Southend Philatelic Society".

AEPS EVENTS

AEPS Annual General Meeting and Council Meeting was held on 13 November 2010. The society was represented by Len Stanway. The association made a small profit on the year, so no change in capitation was requested. StampEssex Festival of Stamps at Colchester was approximately break-even - bills are still being settled. David Armitage was appointed President 2010-2013, with Bill Trower as Vice-President. John Dickenson was appointed Secretary, as Lynn Roberts had stood down due to ill health. Lynn and Malcolm Roberts were both elected Life Members in recognition of long and exceptional services to the Association.

The **Autumn Rally** at Witham on 2 October was reasonably well attended with a good variety of dealers. Witham issued a Smiler

sheet which is already selling at a premium. The society did not bring home any awards.

SPRING COMPETITION ENTRIES WANTED!

16-sheet Traditional stamps or postal stationery, Postal History / Postmarks or Aerophilately entries to represent Basildon in the Country competitions must be given to Ray How by 1 March. Charlie Mead would appreciate offers of entries from any member

NEXT AEPS EVENTS

The next Council meeting, to which we can send up to 3 delegates, will be at 11.30am on 26 March at StampEssex. If you have issues to raise, please contact Len Stanway, Alan Taylor or John Cowlin.

Spring StampEssex will be held on 26 March at Sweyne Park School in Rayleigh from 10am to 4pm.

Autumn StampEssex will be held on 15 October at Runnymede Hall, Benfleet.

The next **AEPS Workshop** will be held on 29 January 2011 at Henry Dixon Hall, Rivenhall, and will focus on "Open Class", led by Birthe King. Book through Ray How (01702-544632).

ALBUMS CLOSED

Stuart Duggan, a Life Member of the AEPS and formerly of Colchester, passed away in October 2010, having retired to Trowbridge, Wiltshire, some years ago.

Society News

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY:

On behalf of the Society, may I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Now that the dark nights are here, while you are going through your stamps, don't forget that our next Auction is not far away. Our next auction is on 19 April, so lots have to be in by 25 January. David Church would be grateful for raffle prizes, such as unwanted Christmas presents! I am looking forward to seeing you next year. Our first meeting will be on

10 January and David's next Laindon fair will be on 8 January. Alan.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: STOP PRESS!
DAYTIME MEETING, 15 MARCH 2011.**

Many societies are now finding that meetings held during the daytime, which open their doors for people who do not find it easy to attend evening events, are proving very popular.

We have decided to put our toe in the water and hold a daytime meeting on 15 March. The meeting will take place at the George Hurd Centre from 2pm to 4pm, using an upstairs meeting room accessed by lift. Passengers can be dropped at the Centre, but, for reasons beyond our control, cars must be parked in one of the town centre car parks, the nearest being about 200 yards away. The talk will be "The Union of South Africa" by Chris Oliver, who is not normally available to us for evening meetings. As this event will be additional to the normal programme, people attending will be invited to make a voluntary donation to the cost of running the event.

Based on experience of this event, the Committee will discuss whether/how to incorporate daytime meetings in future programmes, so please give it your support.

MEETING REPORTS by "Fly On The Wall"
**4 October - Postal History & Postcards of
Richmondshire (Len Stanway).**

Displaying the Yorkshire flag throughout, Len started with a description of Richmondshire, one of the historic shires that form part of today's North Yorkshire. The earliest surviving postal history is from Catterick in AD90, part of the Vindolanda Roman correspondence. More conventional postal history followed, interposed with postcards. The tour started with Richmond with an extensive display of both, supported with anecdote about some of the places. This was followed by an alphabetic journey around the smaller towns, villages and features from Askrigg to Willances's Leap. The final card warned of the need to avoid confusion with the "cardboard replica" on Thames!

19 October - Display by Hullbridge P.S.

Four members of Hullbridge society visited us with their displays, giving us a varied and interesting evening. Chairman Bill Tower led off with the Imperial Airways Bermuda and Transatlantic services, including early experiments with in-flight refuelling. Malcolm Roberts then showed recent issues of New Zealand. Secretary Brian Morriss showed early Great Britain from 1801 to the Penny Red, then a selection of exhibition covers. Finally, Lynn Roberts showed modern Albania between 1986 and 2000.

1 November - College Stamps (Chris Harman).



Chris, a former President of the Royal Philatelic Society, travelled down from Ipswich to present two sessions of rare and often unique material, described entertainingly with great skill, background and anecdotes. He started with the parcels stamps used by road hauliers on the Victorian and Edwardian eras, mainly based in Liverpool but some having a wide network of branches at home and abroad. He then gave us a comprehensive display of the stamps and postal stationery used on internal mail and local delivery by the Oxford and Cambridge University Colleges, from their inception by Keeble College Oxford in 1881 to their suppression by the Post Office.

16 November - Auction.

The auction was quite well attended, but a larger attendance would have helped raise more for club funds. As it was, many lots went to postal bidders. Claude Crowder officiated in his usual efficient manner. Please let Claude

have lots for the April auction as soon as possible. Realisations were as follows:

1	£6.25	78	£3.00	191	£3.00
2	£26.00	80	£3.50	197	£11.00
3	£2.00	83	£3.20	198	£10.00
4	£3.20	85	£2.00	200	£5.00
7	£2.00	86	£10.00	201	£15.00
9	£5.00	92	£3.00	206	£4.50
10	£3.20	100	£33.00	209	£2.00
11	£3.00	105	£2.00	210	£5.00
14	£3.20	108	£3.00	211	£2.00
16	£5.20	109	£5.00	212	£12.00
20	£8.00	112	£15.00	213	£30.00
22	£2.00	117	£4.00	215	£25.00
23	£2.00	120	£10.00	217	£3.00
26	£5.00	121	£2.25	224	£8.00
28	£6.25	129	£35.00	225	£2.00
31	£2.00	130	£9.00	227	£4.00
32	£5.50	132	£2.50	234	£6.00
33	£2.00	133	£3.00	237	£3.50
34	£5.00	134	£4.00	239	£4.20
35	£3.20	135	£4.00	240	£2.00
37	£4.60	142	£5.25	244	£10.00
38	£3.00	143	£2.00	255	£6.00
39	£2.00	145	£5.00	256	£3.20
41	£2.00	148	£2.00	257	£11.50
45	£3.00	150	£2.00	258	£3.40
47	£2.00	151	£4.00	259	£2.00
48	£6.25	153	£2.00	262	£20.00
50	£4.50	154	£5.20	264	£10.00
51	£2.00	155	£5.20	266	£2.00
52	£3.00	156	£10.00	267	£5.00
53	£18.00	165	£7.00	274	£5.00
54	£10.00	168	£4.00	278	£2.00
61	£6.00	169	£2.00	A	£2.00
65	£8.00	170	£10.00	B	£2.00
66	£8.00	171	£2.50	C	£2.60
67	£5.25	172	£4.50	D	£4.00
68	£7.50	173	£25.00	E	£4.00
69	£6.25	184	£10.00	F	£3.00
70	£15.50	189	£10.00	G	£5.20
76	£2.40	190	£5.00	H	£2.00
77	£3.20				

6 December - Emergency Currency (John Cowlin)



Notaphily is not a subject that the society has seen much of over the years, but it is a very

interesting field with many active adherents. John's collection of "Wars and Rebellions" bridges the gap between Philately and Notaphily. His fascinating display of "Emergency Currency" showed related paper money beginning with a 17th Century Norwegian ship-owners credit note. He moved on chronologically to colonial North America, the War of Independence, the French Revolution and Napoleonic Wars (including several sieges), USA state issues, Scandinavian small change, Italian War of Independence, Hungarian Revolution, the US Civil War, Paraguay and South African states. He finished with Russian Navy notes, General Gordon's notes for the Siege of Khartoum and notes issued by British Charities. Sadly, attendance was low because of the severe weather, but those who attended found the effort amply rewarded.

21 December - Festive Night.

Because of the holiday season, this issue closed for press before the event.

FORTHCOMING BASILDON MEETINGS:

10 January - "An Evening of British Rubbish" presented by Ian Crane FRPSL, Librarian of the Royal Philatelic Society London. Don't let the title fool you - this should be a great evening!

25 January - Members displays - "A is for ?". Bring your own displays - Aardvarks, America, Antarctica, Asia, 'Apennines, Apathy, Anything, etc., - The choice is yours!

7 February - "Wembley Exhibition 1924-1925" and "Man's Maritime Adventure" by Capt. Peter Denly, Treasurer of the British Thematic Association. Traditional philately meets Thematics in this display of two halves.

22 February - Display by Brentwood & District Philatelic Society. Three members from our near neighbours will come to entertain us.

7 March - "Faeroes" by our own David Church. David will give us an insight into this "new" country with a long history.

15 March - Experimental Daytime Meeting. see separate announcement. above

22 March - Spain by Terry Hawkins of Cheshunt. Spain has a long and complex postal and philatelic history and Terry's display is awaited with anticipation. Doors open 7.30 except 15 March.

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 spread the workload.

LIBRARY NEWS, by Ann Coltman

I have been looking after the library for over a year and would like to know if you feel that there is anything that I need to change about the way the library operated. I have found that the system now in place works for me, but it may not be suitable for the club in general. There has been a dramatic increase in the number of books being issued, but I know we can do better.

Each meeting sees a different batch of books bought for your perusal and now and again I am asked to bring a particular book along to the next club night, which I am happy to do. I have found them very interesting to look into and I must admit that some of the information has found a corner of my brain to rest in - not much, but some! One book has put me on the path of another subject for collecting.

If you have a book or two on stamps and you would like to donate it/them to the library, please let me know. All donations will be gratefully received.

COMPETITION ENTRIES WANTED

The AEPS Spring Competitions will be displayed at Rayleigh on 26 March. 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 **1 March**, we need 16-sheet entries in stamps / postal stationery, postal history / postmarks 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

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.

Forthcoming engagements known include:
 25 January - Chelmsford - Aspects of Rhodesia - Chris Cooksey.
 3 February - Billericay - Saar Area of Germany - Maggie Thompson.
 6 April - Goodmayes - Aspects of British Borneo - Len Stanway.
 12 April - Bury St. Edmunds - United Nations Postal Administration - Len Stanway.
 27 April - Ipswich - Southern Rhodesia in World War 2 - Chris Cooksey.
 9 June - Hullbridge - Bank Notes - John Cowlin.

Displaying Away From Home - My First Experience, by Ann Coltman

In September, I gave my very first solo display to the Hullbridge club. It was called "Pot Pourri" and covered the majority of my collections. I was asked to do two displays of 48 pages - how could I do that? A compromise was reached and three displays of roughly 50 pages each was agreed upon. Trying to sort out what to take and what to leave was worked on for months - everything changed at least once a month - even the night before I was still not sure if what I had was right.

Mick came with me as I had visions of landing in the river, and we arrived in plenty of time with all the sheets and accessories like quilts and teddies, etc. I had typed-up all my notes and before I started the display

apologised for (a) reading my notes (my memory has been bad since the accident last year) and (b) going red in the face (as you all know I do).

Because it was a small room and I knew just a few people, I found it easier than I thought it would be. The displays were Teddy Bears, Cotton, Antelopes, Wild Africa, African Animals and Toys. Also included were Chloe's collections on Sherlock Holmes. As she had just started at her new school, she was unable to come with us for the evening.

All things considered it was a wonderful evening and when they ask me to do it again, I will jump at the chance, so long as they give me time to get over the shock of actually enjoying myself!

[Editor's Note: In an unusual gesture, the Chairman of Hullbridge wrote to our President to say how impressed he had been by Ann's display. Well done, Ann! You will find it much easier next time, now that you are over the initial hurdle of standing up!]

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

The Whyte Arrangement (Part 2) by Len Stanway



The 0-2-2 locomotive (described in Part 1) with its big wheels at the front was inherently unstable, so a major improvement was achieved by Robert Stephenson for the

Liverpool & Manchester Railway by the simple expedient of turning the frame around. The leading wheels of the 2-2-0 "Planet"-type locomotive guided it through curves and junctions with ease, allowing higher speeds and smoother journeys. The biggest snag, shared by all types without trailing wheels,

was the problem of fitting the grate into the vicinity of the driving axle and getting a weight balance.

The next step was therefore to fit a third, trailing axle, which also enabled the locomotive to travel backwards as fast as forward without stability



problems. The 2-2-2 was an extremely successful format, being built by Stephenson to the order of Daniel Gooch for the opening of the Great Western Railway and subsequently used for many of the first locomotives of railways all around the world. The last 2-2-2s remained in use on secondary express trains until the end of the Victorian era.

As train sizes grew, the first response was to add a second leading axle. As this produced a long fixed wheelbase, greater sideplay had to be provided to allow the leading axle to move on curves (2-2-2-0 or 2-2-2-2-2).

To give more freedom, the two axles were mounted on a sub frame which pivoted on an arm mounted at a point near the centre of the locomotives. This Bissell Truck was successful for single axles but for two axles something more was needed and the centrally-pivoted Adams Bogie, on which most modern rolling stock runs, was invented. A highly-successful type, the last 4-2-2 express locomotive was built as late as 1886.



Before finishing with Singles, mention should be made of a number of more unusual variations. Thomas Crampton believed that the driving axle should be right at the back of the locomotive, behind the grate, so his biggest engines had no less than three leading axles - 2-2-2-2-0!

Francis Webb of the London & North Western Railway did not believe in coupled axles, so he built large locomotives with two independently driven axles (4-2-2-2) with mixed results. The biggest problem was when the two axles started in different directions!



The last use of singles was often to haul inspection trains. Dugald Drummond of the London and South Western Railway went

one better in 1899 by building a coach on the back of a tank locomotive producing a 4-2-4T, known as "The Bug".

(Part 1 was published in issue 14-4)

ARTICLES WANTED

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



Philatelic Events in AEPS Societies January - March 2011

January 2011:

- 3 Frinton - Members' Displays.
- 4 Benfleet - Competitions & Mini-auction.
- 4 Sudbury - Afternoon Meeting.
- 5 Bishop's Stortford - Competition and Party Night - Society entertains the Committee.
- 6 Witham - Informal / Bring & Buy.
- 8 Leytonstone & Wanstead - David and Tony show.
- 10 Basildon - An Evening of British Rubbish (I D Crane).
- 10 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 10 Frinton - Rural Russian Postal Services-Zemstvos (R Calvert).
- 10 Rayleigh - Annual Quiz.
- 11 Braintree - Islands (Members).
- 11 Bury St Edmunds - Irish postal history & air mails (R E How).
- 11 Chelmsford - Swiss National Exhibitions (E Lienhard).
- 12 Brentwood - Beginning with B, C, D (Members).
- 12 Clacton - Competitions.
- 13 Hullbridge - My Latest Philatelic Acquisitions.
- 15 Epping Forest - Auction (2pm for 2.30pm).
- 17 Frinton - President's Night.
- 18 Sudbury - Films.
- 19 Bishop's Stortford - Letter S (Members).
- 19 Goodmayes - Evening with Stuart Henderson.
- 20 Billericay - Vexillology – Whose flag is that? (D Bremner).
- 20 Witham - Annual General Meeting.
- 21 Colchester - Competitions.
- 24 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Informal and Members Display.

- 24 Rayleigh - The Ken Seymour Display.
- 25 Basildon - A is for ? (Members).
- 25 Braintree - I and J (Members) & Bring and Buy.
- 25 Chelmsford - Aspects of Rhodesia (C Cooksey).
- 26 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 26 Ipswich - Theme Evening - I and 14.
- 27 Shoeburyness - AGM & Bourse.
- 29 AEPS - WORKSHOP - Open Class.

February 2011:

- 1 Benfleet - USA Valentine Cards & Civil War Pictorial Covers (M Fuller).
- 1 Sudbury - Afternoon Meeting.
- 2 Bishop's Stortford - Irish Stew (P Wood).
- 2 Clacton - A Touch of Blarney (R E How).
- 2 Goodmayes - How to collect Thematically (S A Moorcroft).
- 3 Witham - Anything beginning with M (Members).
- 3 Billericay - Saar area of Germany (Mrs M Thompson).
- 7 Basildon - Wembley Exhibition 1924-1925 and Man's Maritime Adventure (P Denly).
- 7 Frinton - Greece (A H Boyce).
- 8 Braintree - A Touch of the Blarney (R E How).
- 8 Bury St Edmunds - Pre-stamp mail (K Burr).
- 8 Chelmsford - Something beginning with C.
- 8 Epping Forest - Transport (Members).
- 9 Brentwood - Committee Entertains.
- 9 Goodmayes - Visit to Havering P.S.
- 9 Ipswich - Libya (A H Boyce).
- 10 Hullbridge - Auction.
- 12 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Aden (A Wood).
- 14 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 14 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 15 Sudbury - The Nyassa Company on Trial (J Dahl).
- 16 Bishop's Stortford - My favourite 8 sheets.
- 16 Goodmayes - Competitions.
- 17 Billericay - Open Night with dealers.
- 17 Witham - Two Members Display.
- 18 Colchester - Bourse and Auction.
- 19 Bury St Edmunds - Stamp Fair.
- 19 Witham - Stamp Day, Royal British Legion Memorial Hall Newlands St, Witham CM8 2AZ.
- 21 Frinton - Competitions and Displays.
- 22 Basildon - Display by Brentwood & District P.S.
- 22 Braintree - Mixed Bags (T Gill & C Evans).
- 22 Chelmsford - Postcards and Postal Regulations (J Copeland).
- 23 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 23 Ipswich - Competitions.
- 23-26 London - Spring Stampex, Business Design Centre.
- 24 Shoeburyness - Competitions.
- 26 Ipswich - Visit to Stampex.
- 28 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Stuart Henderson.
- 28 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).

March 2011:

- 1 Benfleet - Thematic Evening (P Drake).
- 1 Sudbury - Competitions and informal.
- 2 Bishop's Stortford - Sierra Leone (G Mobbs).
- 2 Clacton - Members displays.
- 2 Goodmayes - Chairman's Night.
- 3 Billericay - Annual General Meeting.
- 3 Witham - Competitions & Bourse.
- 7 Basildon - Faeroes (D J Church).
- 7 Frinton - Falklands (T Thompson & G E Miller).
- 8 Braintree - 8 Sheets or £1 (Members).
- 8 Bury St Edmunds - Autographed covers of the world (D Saunders).
- 8 Chelmsford - Stuart Henderson.
- 8 Epping Forest - New Zealand & Greek Islands (A H Boyce).
- 9 Brentwood - Law and Order (R E How).
- 9 Ipswich - Union of South Africa since 1910 (E F Day).
- 10 Hullbridge - Competitions.
- 11 Kent - Federation Day incorporating Dawes Cup, Paddock Wood.
- 12 EAPHSC - Annual General Meeting and Sudbury (H Ruse) (at Stowmarket).
- 12 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Third Reich, Part 2 (A Dodkins).
- 14 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 14 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 15 Basildon - Union of South Africa (C Oliver) - NOTE: Daytime Meeting at 2pm.
- 15 Sudbury - Display by Clacton P.S.
- 16 Bishop's Stortford - Papers, Perfs, Printing.
- 16 Goodmayes - King George V slogans (K Cooper).
- 17 Billericay - Animals on Stamps (Members).
- 17 Witham - Albania (Mrs L Roberts).
- 18 Colchester - Egypt, Czechoslovakia - Changing Empires (K Burr).
- 21 Frinton - Churchill (S A Moorcroft).
- 22 Basildon - Spain (T R W Hawkins).
- 22 Braintree - The Committee Entertains.
- 22 Bury St Edmunds - Scotland (D W Sibley).
- 22 Chelmsford - Russia - Post Perestroika (G Fryer).
- 23 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 23 Ipswich - Scotland (Scotia Philately).
- 23 Sudbury - Annual Dinner (ticket only).
- 26 AEPS/Rayleigh - STAMPESSEX. Sweyne Park School, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, SS6 9BZ, followed by Annual Dinner. AEPS Council meeting will be held at 11.30.
- 28 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Members' displays.

28 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
 31 Shoeburyness - Munich Crisis 1938 (A Hickey).
 31 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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