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Editorial:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has expressed their sympathy to Anne and I on our recent bereavement and to wish all our readers every best wish for Christmas and the New Year!

A Message from your Secretary:

It's about a year since I last put pen to paper. From my cosy armchair, I write this message on behalf of the Committee wishing you a happy Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Our first meeting in the new year is on 6 January. The display is called "Flightpath Pacific" by Bill Trower.

Programme cards are ready to be given out. If you would like to see a subject or a topic that interests you or any other suggestion, please fill in the suggestion slip. Would, for example, you like to see more workshop style evenings? If we can, we will try to accommodate you in our 2015 Programme, so please let us know as soon as possible. Finally, a reminder that everyone who walks through the door must pay the attendance fee - some Members or visitors are forgetting to put their pound in the tin!

I must end now as my pen is running out. Have a good holiday! Alan.

International News

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

The only UK way to qualify for international competitions is through ABPS national exhibitions. To be eligible for five frames at an FIP, FEPA or other Continental Federation competition, it is necessary to achieve 75 points and a vermeil medal at a national exhibition.

Forthcoming international exhibitions are:

Salon du Timbre "Planète Timbres", Parc Florale Paris 14-22 June 2014. FEPA exhibition.

Philakorea 7-12 August 2014.

London 2015 Stamp Exhibition 13-16 May at the Business Design Centre. Under the auspices of FEPA, this European International will have 1400 faces of exhibits. Following a last-minute concession by the organisers, Spring Stampex 2014 (q.v.) will be the last chance to qualify for entry in all classes. **The closing date for entries is 28 February 2014.**

Singapore World Stamp Exhibition 2015, 11-16 August.

World Stamp Show - NY 2016, Javits Convention Center, New York City 28 May - 4 June 2016.

National News

CONGRESS

This year's Congress will mark the 70th anniversary of the outbreak of the Great War with a visit to Ypres, Belgium from 11-14 July, the second time that Congress has been held abroad and it is bound to be a memorable occasion. Put it in your diaries now!

ABPS HANDBOOKS

The current editions of the ABPS Directory and ABPS Register of Speakers and Judges are held by Alan Taylor for members to consult when necessary.

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 2014 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.

Nominations can be submitted by an ABPS member society or by a federation. The closing date for entries is 1 March 2014.

ABPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held in the UK at a date and place to be announced later.

STAMPEX

Future Stampex events and themes will be as follows:

Spring 2014: 19-22 February. Following a last-minute concession by the organisers, this will be the **last chance to qualify for entry into**

London 2015 in all classes. The closing date is 15 January.

Autumn 2014: Full National Exhibition - Germany & Colonies 50th Anniversary and Centenary of the outbreak of World War One. 17-20 September.

Spring 2015: Limited exhibition (200 frames). Diamond Jubilee of the Great Britain PS.

Autumn 2015: Full National Exhibition - GB Overprints Society 45 Years.

Spring 2016: Pictorial Classes: Thematic, Open and Postcards.

Autumn 2016: Full National Exhibition - Portuguese P.S or King George VI Collector's Society.

WORLD POST DAY

How can we get the society and/or the hobby noticed on World Post Day 9 October 2014, which marks the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union? Tell us now!

ABPS EXHIBITING SEMINARS

Are you interested in seeing these events but unable to go to London? Whilst you get much more out of being there, you can now view them in the comfort of your own home. The ABPS has posted the PowerPoint presentations in PDF form on its website at <http://www.abps.org.uk/Exhibiting/Seminars/index.xalter> for you to view or download. Several titles are available and others are added from time to time.

BRITISH THEMATIC ASSOCIATION

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

ISSUES TO TAKE UP WITH ABPS?

Then contact the AEPS Secretary, John Dickenson, who is the ABPS point-of-contact for the member federations and thus with grass-roots societies. John can be contacted at 9 Southbrook, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. CM21 9NS, 01279-722297 or dickenson17@ntlworld.com.

ABPS WEBSITE

The ABPS website contains a wealth of valuable information. Please visit it at <http://abps.org.uk/>. All ABPS societies are listed with their contact details. Please advise the ABPS of any necessary changes.

Essex News

AUTUMN STAMPESSEX 2013

This took place at Cheshunt on 28 September. The venue at Cheshunt School was spacious with plenty of parking, but was not ideally placed for public transport. Business was brisk in the morning, but tailed off in the afternoon. In the AEPS competitions, Basildon members had mixed results. Geoff Hammond achieved a creditable first-time fourth place in the Modern Stamps competition, Chris Cooksey won the Cinderella competition, Ann Coltman came fourth and Len Stanway second in the Thematic competition. **Chris' win was sufficient to secure the President's Trophy for Basildon for the second year running.** Other trophy winners were: Thematic: Mark Edwards (Rayleigh), Modern Stamps: David Armitage (Bishop's Stortford), Social: Bill Trower (Hullbridge), Chris Rauch Novices: Robin Calvert (Witham).

ALBUMS CLOSED

Robert Seaman, a well-known collector of Africa, who was AEPS Assistant Secretary from 1993-1995, passed away in October after a long illness.

George Mills, a Brentwood member, passed away in December.

AEPS YOUTH OFFICER

The AEPS President, David Armitage, is also the Association's Youth Officer. He can, in conjunction with the Stamp Active Network, assist societies undertaking promotional work on youth philately. His e-mail address has recently changed to davearmitage18@btinternet.com. He can also be contacted on 01279-503625.

AEPS EVENTS

The November **AEPS AGM and Council Meeting** approved the introduction of a 100 Club, instead of the annual raffle. Finalisation of the

rules was delegated to the Executive Committee. David Armitage having concluded his term of office as President, Bill Trower was elected President, with Len Stanway as Vice President.

PHILATELY IN ESSEX 2014

The 2014 Supplement will soon be available from the AEPS for £5 or the whole loose-leaf book can be purchased for £10. Contact Len Stanway if you would like to buy a copy.

NEXT AEPS EVENTS

The next Council meeting, to which we can send up to 3 delegates, will be at 11am on **22 March** at **Sweyne Park School, Rayleigh**. If you have issues to raise, please contact Len, Alan, Ian McElwain or John Cowlin.

The annual **Seminar** provides a chance to learn more about various aspects of philately and view excellent material in the company of friends from across the county. The 2014 event will be held on 25 January at Henry Dixon Hall, Henry Dixon Road, Rivenhall End, Witham, Essex CM8 3HR. The theme will be the "Traditional" category and "Writing-up", with guest speaker Chris Harman (not Christine Earle as previously stated), who is an experienced exhibitor at national and international level. The cost (which includes lunch and refreshments) will be £20. Contact Ray How (01702-544632) to book.

Spring StampEssex 2014, marking the 70th Anniversary of the Association, will be held on 10 May at Marconi Social Club, Beehive Lane, Chelmsford CM2 9FH from 10am to 4pm, organised by AEPS officers. A new feature will be the "Classic Trophy" special award for material in the Traditional or Postal History competitions issued or used prior to 1 January 1901. This was donated by Bill Barrell, the dealer, a good supporter of AEPS events. Support will be vital from members of all AEPS societies, so put it in your diary now! The annual **Awards Dinner** will be held at the same venue after the show closes.

Autumn StampEssex 2014 will be on 25 October at Stanway Village Hall, Colchester. This event will include the first AEPS "Open Philately" competition.

Basildon Society News

FROM THE PACKET SECRETARY

One of the hardest parts of running the packet is auditing the books when they return from the circuit. Please check:

- If you take an item, please make sure that you do not remove the price at the same time, especially if removing a packaged item, or write over the price. If I cannot read the price, it is hard to ensure that the vendor gets the correct return.
- That all the spaces are signed and there are no unsigned spaces. If you miss one and the next member reports a space, you will be charged for the missing item!
- That your addition is right. Everyone makes mistakes, including me. An account is kept for every circuit member for inevitable discrepancies and most members have a positive or negative balance. Over time, these often balance out. If you get too far in the red, I may have to ask for something on account!

Finally, please try to pass on packets within the three days time limit specified in the rules. This is not rigidly applied, but some members have been holding packets for an unreasonable period recently, to the disadvantage of both other members and the vendors to whom the material belongs and on whose good will we depend.

AUCTION

Members are reminded that our next auction will be held at 7.45pm on 22 April, with viewing at 7.15pm. Please come and support your society's fund-raising efforts and fill gaps in your collection at the same time! If you have not received a vendor's sheet, contact Alan Taylor as soon as possible.

SUGGESTION BOX

Members are invited to make suggestions with regard to possible future or past events and the way the society is run. A box and suggestion slips is now provided at meetings. Suggestions may be made anonymously or members can leave their name for follow-up. All suggestions will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

MEETING REPORTS by "Fly On The Wall"**7 October – Auction.**

The auction was well-attended with a majority of lots sold, mostly to room bidders, although postal bidding still represented an important source of sales. Realisations were as follows:

| Lot | Sold | Lot | Sold | Lot | Sold |
|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|
| 1 | £5.50 | 97 | £2.00 | 229 | £9.00 |
| 2 | £2.00 | 101 | £10.50 | 230 | £5.00 |
| 3 | £7.00 | 102 | £4.20 | 231 | £5.00 |
| 5 | £2.00 | 104 | £20.00 | 232 | £2.50 |
| 6 | £6.00 | 105 | £31.00 | 233 | £2.00 |
| 7 | £10.50 | 106 | £4.20 | 234 | £33.00 |
| 8 | £10.00 | 108 | £5.00 | 235 | £33.00 |
| 9 | £5.00 | 109 | £2.00 | 236 | £10.00 |
| 10 | £7.50 | 110 | £4.00 | 238 | £38.00 |
| 11 | £4.00 | 113 | £5.00 | 240 | £3.00 |
| 12 | £3.00 | 114 | £6.80 | 244 | £13.00 |
| 13 | £5.00 | 115 | £5.00 | 247 | £7.80 |
| 14 | £2.00 | 116 | £2.00 | 249 | £3.00 |
| 15 | £2.00 | 117 | £5.20 | 252 | £8.00 |
| 17 | £4.20 | 118 | £5.00 | 254 | £18.00 |
| 18 | £2.00 | 119 | £3.20 | 255 | £18.00 |
| 20 | £5.50 | 123 | £15.00 | 257 | £6.00 |
| 22 | £8.00 | 124 | £28.00 | 262 | £15.00 |
| 23 | £2.00 | 129 | £3.80 | 263 | £17.00 |
| 24 | £2.50 | 132 | £15.50 | 264 | £15.00 |
| 25 | £6.00 | 134 | £2.20 | 267 | £4.00 |
| 27 | £3.00 | 136 | £6.00 | 269 | £4.00 |
| 28 | £8.00 | 137 | £3.00 | 270 | £3.00 |
| 29 | £36.00 | 138 | £9.00 | 271 | £16.50 |
| 30 | £5.20 | 139 | £2.50 | 272 | £7.00 |
| 31 | £2.00 | 140 | £12.20 | 273 | £8.00 |
| 32 | £2.00 | 142 | £2.00 | 276 | £2.50 |
| 33 | £2.00 | 143 | £2.00 | 277 | £2.00 |
| 34 | £2.00 | 147 | £3.00 | 278 | £15.00 |
| 35 | £2.00 | 148 | £3.00 | 279 | £25.00 |
| 36 | £2.00 | 149 | £4.20 | 280 | £3.00 |
| 37 | £4.00 | 150 | £2.00 | 281 | £5.00 |
| 38 | £2.80 | 151 | £10.00 | 282 | £2.50 |
| 39 | £2.00 | 152 | £3.50 | 294 | £4.50 |
| 41 | £2.00 | 153 | £4.00 | 302 | £4.00 |
| 42 | £2.00 | 154 | £5.20 | 303 | £6.50 |
| 43 | £3.20 | 156 | £20.00 | 320 | £15.00 |
| 45 | £2.50 | 157 | £4.00 | 321 | £4.00 |
| 46 | £9.20 | 161 | £7.20 | 322 | £13.00 |
| 47 | £8.20 | 166 | £25.00 | 324 | £4.00 |
| 48 | £7.00 | 167 | £8.00 | 325 | £5.20 |
| 50 | £10.20 | 168 | £4.20 | 326 | £4.20 |
| 51 | £8.00 | 175 | £8.00 | 328 | £4.00 |
| 52 | £6.00 | 177 | £5.00 | 330 | £5.00 |
| 53 | £2.20 | 184 | £2.00 | 331 | £2.00 |
| 55 | £3.20 | 186 | £7.00 | 332 | £2.00 |
| 56 | £6.00 | 187 | £11.20 | 333 | £10.00 |
| 57 | £5.20 | 188 | £9.00 | 334 | £5.00 |
| 58 | £3.00 | 190 | £11.50 | 335 | £5.00 |

| Lot | Sold | Lot | Sold | Lot | Sold |
|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|
| 60 | £3.00 | 194 | £3.80 | 336 | £16.00 |
| 61 | £11.00 | 195 | £2.50 | 338 | £2.50 |
| 63 | £10.00 | 196 | £5.20 | 339 | £3.20 |
| 65 | £5.20 | 197 | £2.50 | 346 | £3.00 |
| 66 | £6.00 | 198 | £4.80 | 347 | £8.00 |
| 67 | £5.00 | 199 | £2.00 | 349 | £4.00 |
| 68 | £3.00 | 200 | £5.00 | 350 | £7.20 |
| 69 | £2.00 | 202 | £10.00 | 352 | £3.50 |
| 70 | £4.50 | 206 | £12.00 | 355 | £4.00 |
| 71 | £3.80 | 208 | £2.00 | 356 | £5.00 |
| 72 | £6.00 | 209 | £2.00 | 357 | £2.00 |
| 73 | £6.00 | 214 | £4.50 | 358 | £3.50 |
| 74 | £9.00 | 215 | £2.00 | 359 | £3.00 |
| 75 | £2.00 | 217 | £2.00 | 365 | £2.00 |
| 76 | £2.00 | 218 | £10.50 | 366 | £2.70 |
| 77 | £4.50 | 219 | £11.00 | 378 | £10.50 |
| 85 | £21.00 | 220 | £2.00 | 381 | £5.00 |
| 89 | £2.00 | 221 | £6.00 | 384 | £5.00 |
| 90 | £2.00 | 223 | £5.00 | 385 | £15.00 |
| 91 | £5.20 | 224 | £12.00 | 386 | £12.00 |
| 96 | £4.50 | 228 | £5.00 | | |

22 October – C is for (Members).

John Cowlin started the very varied proceedings with "Cartes Postales", followed by Alf Potter "Constellations", Vivienne Holloway "Chess and Crocodiles", David Church "Canada Officials, Postage Dues and Special Deliveries", Ian McElwain "Coronation 1937", Ann Coltman "Camaraderie" (Girl Guide badges and stamps), Claude Crowder "Commonwealth Caribbean" and Len Stanway "Catterick".

4 November – Egypt (Paul Green).

It is a very long time indeed since Egypt was last displayed at the Society. Paul started with the various consular posts of the nations who had interests in Egypt, followed by the private monopoly of "Posta Europea". Next came the first Egyptian post office issues, including many

essays and proofs. He then took us through subsequent issues of stamps and postal stationery to the reign of King Farouk. Next came the Army stamps, Graf Zeppelin flights, meter marks, Paquebot and maritime mail, and other fascinating material completed an excellent evening.

19 November – Ladies' Night.

Four of our ladies (Vivienne Hollaway, Maggie Thompson, Ann Coltman and Sue Howe) entertained the members. Sue made her maiden display with 27 sheets on Forestry and Conservation, for which she was awarded a certificate of congratulations.

2 December - British & Foreign Treaty Ports in China (Jeremy Gaskell).



Jeremy gave a fascinating and comprehensive talk and display on the history of western involvement in China and the various ports to which China gave foreigners access for trade in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Each country's post offices in China were taken in turn, including British, French, German, United States and other countries' offices.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for 2013-2014 are now due. The rates remain at £13 for full Membership, £2 for Juniors and 50p for Associate Members (exchange packet and auction vendors). Members attending meetings also pay £1 attendance fee at the door to cover refreshments and assist with hall hire. Subscriptions should be paid to Mick Coltman.

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.

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.

Non-members are also invited to join the e-mailing list to receive this newsletter and other society information.

MISSED YOUR STAMPESSEX SOUVENIRS?



The society still has a number of copies of its 45th Anniversary Smilers sheet and presentation pack available at £22 and £3 respectively, plus £3 postage and packing per order where necessary. Please help us liquidate these assets as soon as possible! Orders to the Editor please.



ARTICLES WANTED

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

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Ann Coltman holds the **Society Library** with many catalogues and reference books that members can borrow to research their collections and to find out how to get more from our hobby. The library also contains philatelic aids, such as the Signoscope watermark detector and ultra-violet lamps. Sample stamps and a catalogue is brought by Ann to most meetings. Members can ask her to bring particular items to the next meeting for them to borrow until the following meeting. If you are disposing of redundant catalogues, Ann would welcome donations, which may either be added to or replace items in the library or sold to raise society funds.

Ann also holds the **Society Archives**. If you find any old documents, programmes, etc., or see any reference to the society in the current press, Ann would welcome them in case they fill gaps in the collection.

If you are not taking advantage of the society's **Exchange Packet**, you are missing out on the chance to fill those annoying gaps in your collection. Contact Len Stanway for how to join.

Do you want details of other societies in Essex, Suffolk, Hertfordshire or East London? If so, Alan Taylor holds the society's copy of **Philately in Essex**, the AEPS handbook, and brings it to most meetings.

SUBSCRIPTION TO THIS JOURNAL

This newsletter is published in both electronic and hard-copy formats. The hard-copy version is distributed only to members of the society who do not have e-mail facilities. The electronic version is sent to all members who have e-mail. It is also available free-of-charge to any interested collector outside the society. To request addition to the distribution list, please contact the Editor.

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.

Stamp Fairs – Methodist Church Hall, High Road, Langdon Hills SS16 6EX. 11 January, 8 March, 12 July, 13 September, 8 November 2014, 10am-3.30pm. Organised by David Church 01268-543371.



Philatelic Events in AEPS Societies

January 2014

- 2 Billericay - (Provisional date).
- 2 Witham - Informal/Bring and Buy.
- 6 Basildon - Flightpath Pacific (W E Trower).
- 6 Frinton - Burma (A Skilling).
- 7 Benfleet - Competitions and Mini-Auction.
- 7 Sudbury - P, O, N, M (Members) (afternoon meeting).
- 8 Bishop's Stortford - Competitions and Society Entertains the Committee.
- 8 Brentwood - Something beginning with L, M or N (Members).
- 8 Clacton - (Provisional date).
- 8 Ipswich - (Provisional date).
- 9 Harlow - General Discussion & Bourse.
- 9 Hullbridge - My Recent Philatelic Acquisitions (Members).
- 11 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Informal – Member's displays.
- 13 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 13 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 14 Braintree - O or P (Members).
- 14 Bury St Edmunds - Members' Evening – 5 sheets for 5 minutes.
- 14 Rayleigh - Quiz.
- 15 Goodmayes - Australasia (Members).
- 16 Billericay - Scotland (D Bremner).
- 16 Witham - Annual General Meeting.
- 17 Colchester - Recent Acquisitions (Members).
- 18 Epping Forest - Auction (1.30-4.30pm).
- 20 Frinton - Thematic Mix (P Drake).
- 21 Basildon - Thematic Evening (Members).
- 21 Sudbury - Round the World by Container Ship (P Hesketh).
- 22 Bishop's Stortford - Letters D or F (Members).
- 22 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 22 Ipswich - Competition – Nature.
- 23 Harlow - To be advised.
- 25 AEPS - Seminar, Henry Dixon Hall, Henry Dixon Road. Rivenhall End, Witham, Essex CM8 3HR.
- 27 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Members Entertain the Committee.
- 27 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 28 Braintree - Caribbean & Central America (Members).

- 28 Chelmsford - Something Beginning with F (Members) (afternoon meeting at 2.15pm).
- 28 Rayleigh - The Ken Seymour Display.
- 30 Shoeburyness - Annual General Meeting and Bourse.
- 30 Witham - Anything Beginning with "O".

February 2014

- 3 Basildon - Malayan Airmails (L C Stanway).
- 3 Frinton - Competitions.
- 4 Benfleet - Colne Valley Postal History Museum (S Knight).
- 4 Sudbury - L, K, J, I (Members) (afternoon meeting).
- 5 Bishop's Stortford - Canada Northern Territories (S Henderson).
- 5 Clacton - (Provisional date).
- 5 Goodmayes - My Favourite Cover/Postcard (Members).
- 5 Ipswich - French Colonies, including Cameroon and Togo (S Holder).
- 6 Billericay - USA (A Ritchin).
- 8 Leytonstone & Wanstead - British & Foreign Treaty Ports in China (J Gaskell).
- 10 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 10 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 11 Braintree - France (B Wilkinson).
- 11 Bury St Edmunds - Competitions.
- 11 Chelmsford - Eritrea (A Wood).
- 12 Brentwood - Chairman's Choice.
- 13 Harlow - Talk by a member.
- 13 Hullbridge - Auction.
- 13 Witham - Two members display.
- 15 Bury St Edmunds - STAMP FAIR (venue to be advised).
- 15 Witham - STAMP DAY, Royal British Legion Memorial Hall Newlands St, Witham CM8 2AZ.
- 17 Frinton - From the Chair (Chpaiman and Vice Chairman).
- 18 Basildon - Display by Bromley P.S.
- 18 Sudbury - Competitions, informal and auction viewing.
- 19 Bishop's Stortford - All types of covers (Members).
- 19 Goodmayes - Competitions.
- 19 Ipswich - Display by Frinton P.S.
- 19-22 London - Stampex, Business Design Centre, Islington.
- 20 Billericay - Bring & Buy - Open Evening.
- 21 Colchester - Machins (W Mole).
- 24 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Bring and Buy.
- 24 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 25 Braintree - Choose a number (Members).
- 25 Chelmsford - Mint Imperials (G P Green).
- 26 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 27 Harlow - General Discussion & Bourse.
- 27 Witham - Competitions and bourse.
- 27 Shoeburyness - Competitions.

March 2014

- 3 Basildon - Great Britain Line Engraved (B Barrell).
- 3 Frinton - World War I (D Hacker).
- 4 Benfleet - The World of Dr. Who (M Routh).
- 4 Sudbury - H, G, F, E (Members) (afternoon meeting).
- 5 Bishop's Stortford - Airmails of the South Pacific (J Hawkes).
- 5 Clacton - (Provisional date).
- 5 Goodmayes - The Committee Entertains.
- 6 Billericay - M to O (Members).
- 8 EAPHS - Annual General Meeting and Bring & Buy (at Stowmarket).
- 8 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Wartime Southern Rhodesia (C Cooksey).
- 10 Cheshunt - (Provisional date).
- 10 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 11 Braintree - Display by Sudbury & District P.S.
- 11 Bury St Edmunds - Law and Order (R E How).
- 11 Chelmsford - Up to 16 sheets (Members).
- 12 Brentwood - A Picture Tour of Ireland (R E How).
- 12 Ipswich - United Nations (L C Stanway).
- 13 Epping Forest - End of the Line (Mrs L Roberts).
- 13 Harlow - Annual General Meeting.
- 13 Hullbridge - Competition.
- 13 Witham - Informal / Bring and Buy.
- 17 Frinton - Visit by Warwick & Warwick.
- 18 Basildon - Olympic Games 1908, 1948 & 2012 (R Wilcock).
- 18 Sudbury - Auction.
- 19 Bishop's Stortford - Postcards (front or back) (Members).
- 19 Goodmayes - New Zealand (A H Boyce).
- 20 Billericay - Annual General Meeting.
- 21 Colchester - Miscellany (Ms M Evans), London Underground (S Clayton).
- 24 Leytonstone & Wanstead - Tony Hoad entertains.
- 24 Rayleigh - (Provisional date).
- 25 Braintree - Ian Kelly Entertains.
- 25 Bury St Edmunds - Display by Kings Lynn P.S.
- 25 Chelmsford - Bourse.
- 25 Ipswich - Visit to Norwich P.S.
- 26 Brentwood - Open Evening.
- 26 Ipswich - Display by Ely P.S.
- 26 Sudbury - Annual Dinner (ticket only).
- 27 Harlow - Quiz and Bourse.
- 27 Shoeburyness - The German Occupation of Austria 1938 (A Hickey).
- 27 Witham - Speaker to be announced.
- 28 Harlow - Annual Dinner, Toby Carvery, 7.30pm (ticket only).

For venues, times, etc., contact the Editor or visit <http://www.wherecanwego.com>, which is updated with the latest available information.

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FORTHCOMING BASILDON MEETINGS:

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are held at
George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon SS14
2FL (doors open 7.30pm):

January

- Monday 6 Flightpath Pacific. *A display by
Bill Trower.*
Tuesday 21 Thematic Evening. *A display by
Society Members.*

February

- Monday 3 Malayan Airmails. *A display by
Len Stanway.*
Tuesday 18 Display by members of Bromley
P.S.

March

- Monday 3 Great Britain Line Engraved -Gold
Medal Collection. *A display by Bill
Barrell.*
Tuesday 18 Olympic Games 1908, 1948 &
2012. *A display by Bob Wilcock.*

Press Date

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should be with the Editor by 20 March at the
latest.



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