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Meetings September to December 2017

September

6th 1st Wed. Q & A and swaps (everyone)

14th American Civil War; John Church

28th Malta stamps & p. history;

Colin Searle (phil Congress of GB)

October

4th 1st Wed "Why I Collect" (Bruce Frost)

5th Annual Dinner at La Gondola

12th Visit from Wakefield P S

26th Members' night

<15 sheets, "my favourite item(s)

November

1st 1st Wed "Photo-editing" (Donald Radley)

9th The 4 great Norwegian explorers;

Stephen Allen, Oslo

23rd Early G B + caricatures; Peter Chadwick

December

6th 1st Wed "Royal Occasions" (Keith Branigan)

14th Members' night - anything. 10 sheets or £1

Contact us:-

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Your Committee

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Members & n'letter: Ken Rutter
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Donald Radley

It is with great sadness that I have to report the death this summer of Steve Mendelsson, who was a member of the Society for many years, though not actively so recently. He had been an engineer, and was an energetic member of the Sheffield Jewish community, and (having been saved by the Kindertransport in 1939) travelled widely to educate about the Holocaust.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

At this year's AGM, it was decided that subs (which have been held at £5 for 11 years) will be increased to £10, to offset diminishing income from packet and membership. Members who pay by Standing Order are asked to amend the Order before 1st January, please.



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Society News

- * Thanks to John Colton for his work as President in 2016-7.
- * The Society had 43 members in 2016-7
- * The SPS website is to be renewed and linked to the ABPS site. The name is unchanged.

Y P A News

The new Officers on the YPA Committee are Secretary: Daphne MacMillan Treasurer: Peter Chadwick Competition Sec: Robert MacMillan

What's happening this season in the region

monthly stamp fairs

Huddersfield 1st Saturday

St Thomas' Ch Hall, Manchester Rd (opp Wickes) HD1 3HU

Derby 2nd Saturday

Nunsfield Ho Comm Centre, 33 Boulton Lane, Alvaston, Derby DE24 0FD

Chesterfield 2nd Sunday

Chester St Club, Ashgate Road (?), Chesterfield.

Hull 3rd Saturday

New venue St James' Centre, 169 First Lane, Hessle, Hull, HU13 9EY

Dronfield 3rd Sunday

Coal Aston Village Hall, Coal Aston, S18 3AY

Morley 4th Saturday

St Mary's Hall, Commercial St, Morley, Leeds LS27 8HZ

less frequent

Doncaster Sunday 28th May

Park Social Club, Eden Grove Rd, Edenthorpe, DN3 2LS

Pudsey Sunday 7th May

Civic Hall, Dawson's Ciorner, Pudsey, Leeds, LS26 5TA

YPA stamp fair Saturday 10th June

The Lawns Conference Centre, Hull HU16 5SQ

York Racecourse Stamp & Coin fair Friday 21st July



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COMPETITION NEWS



Y P A competition 2017 results

Large Gold

Frank Walton – Aerophilately Class – Chinese International Air Mail to 1949 Frank Walton – Traditional Class – GB Small Formal Wildings

Large Vermeil

John Colton – Postal History – Disallowed Free Letters and the Franking System within England and Wales 1715 – 1840

Neil Ritchie - Postal History – Russian Censorship of Civilian and POW Mail in the North and North West Military Districts July 1914 – March 1919

Vermeil

John Penrose – Postal Stationery – Iceland Postal Stationery – Single Postcards 1879 – 1932

S P S competition 2017 results

R. S. Sanderson Memorial Trophy - Commonwealth Class — Australian Marginal Inscriptions or Imprints — **James R Hartley** — Silver Bronze.

Eric Eagle Memorial Trophy for Foreign Class — Republic of Poland Propaganda & Stamp Issues 1944 to 1947 - **Neil Ritchie** —Silver.

The Silver Cup for Postal Stationery - Iceland Postal Stationery - Single Postcards 1879 to 1900 - **John Penrose** - Silver Gilt.

Eric Buckley Tankard for Postal History - Republic of Poland 22 July 1944 – 1 June 1947 Postage Rates – **Neil Ritchie** – Silver.

E. K. Parker Salver for Aerophilately – Barakoma Airfield – Barrie Knowles - Silver.

Arnold Gabbitas Trophy for the overall winner - Postal Stationery - Iceland Postal Stationery - Single Postcards 1879 to 1900 - **John Penrose**.



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Sheffield Philatelic Society Competition 2018.

In 2018 our Competition will be judged by a panel put together by the North West Federation. I have spoken several times with Adrian Jones who is making the arrangements from their end and I am now in a position to set out the procedure.

- a) I must have your entries no later than the Thursday meeting on 8th February as I need to let the North West have the entries by the 15th of February.
- b) Entries must be in colour (they are used to making allowances for printer's variations light green of early GB being a particular problem)
- c) one copy only required on ordinary photocopying paper (no need for card)
- d) number each sheet in the bottom left or right
- e) I have suggested and he has agreed that sheet protectors should not be used to save on the expense of return postage.
- f) The entries (again to save on postage) will not be returned unless specifically requested.
- g) They will use our marking sheets which will be returned to me before our Competition Night on the of March 22nd.
- h) They will agree a winner in each class and an overall winner
- i) Those entering the Competition should display the original entry in the usual way on Competition Night in order that it, together with the marking sheet/critique, can be viewed by the membership

John Penrose



Just a final note

Although the Society has adequate funds at present, dwindling numbers, reduced packet income and increased costs for roomier etc., mean that we need to take some thought for the financial future.

The Committee has asked me to make 2 suggestions to the membership. Firstly, if you are making or revising your Will, you might give some thought to including a bequest to the Society.

Secondly, if anyone would like to help create a "Friends of SPS" group to support the Society by means of fundraising initiatives, we would like you to let us know.

You can contact any of the Committee, but James Hartley, our Treasurer, would be especially glad to hear from you.