



ABPS EXECUTIVE BULLETIN

June 2010

REORGANISATION OF ABPS

The Executive Committee has been restructured to include solely the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairmen of the International, Exhibitions, Communications and Awards Committees

The day to day business of the ABPS will be run through Sub Committees, which are:

Communications:	Chris Oliver (NPS) plus John Davies (PR), Colin Searle (Publications), John Gledhill (ABPS News), Paul Gaywood (Advertising Manager), Maurice Flack (Federations), Gerald Marriner (Congress), Dane Garrod (Specialist Societies),
Membership:	Willie King (ABPS Sec) plus Alan Godfrey (Membership Sec) Dane Garrod, Maurice Flack, Chris Oliver
International:	Francis Kiddle plus Richard West, Brian Trotter, Nigel Gooch, Chris King
Exhibitions:	Brian Trotter plus Gerald Marriner, Chris King, John Sussex, Francis Kiddle
Awards:	Susan Oliver plus Brian Sole, Alan Griffiths, Pat Rothnie, John Hammonds John West
Finance:	Nigel Gooch (Treasurer) Willie King, Ian MacPherson

John Baron, as Executive Chairman may attend all of the Sub Committees.

WEBSITE

The new ABPS website is up and running. It was officially re-launched on 8th June and has been designed and produced by an agency called Elysium Limited. There is now information in most sections (about 60% complete) but a lot of work remains to be undertaken over the coming months. You will find lots of information about Clubs around the country and their activities. Please take a look, check your local societies and tell us of any errors including the meeting place postcode.

Please send any material for inclusion to John Baron: Email: chair@abps.org.uk

The new site is: www.abps.org.uk

NEW ABPS HANDBOOK & DIRECTORY

NEW LIST OF PHILATELIC LECTURERS AND DISPLAYS

The long-awaited new issues of these important publications are now nearly ready for print and should be available soon. Final checks are being made via Federations to validate information about Societies before going to print. We can also make sure that the website information is completely up to date by doing this.

Apologies for the delay in providing this important publication.

The speakers list is also ready for print and should be distributed by the end of July. It is intended that the individuals who are listed as speaker will be contacted over the next month to obtain agreement that they will allow their name, subject and contact details (Email or telephone) to appear on the site. The intention is that all programme secretaries will always have an up to date listing when they are working on their society programmes.

ABPS NEWS

Please remember to send in your reports to John prior to the copy deadlines. They should be sent by e-mail to: editor@abps.org.uk typed in a clear format and posted to him. He needs more photos too!

ADVERTISING MANAGER FOR ABPS NEWS

Paul Gaywood has now taken over this important role. He can be contacted by Email: gaywood@talktalk.net

CONGRESS

This will be held at Kenilworth, Warwickshire from July 22-25th 2010 at the Holiday Inn.

The theme will be King George V. The handbook and programme is now being finalised. Highlights will be talks by Douglas Muir on the stamps Of King George V, the Kay Goodman Lecture by John Sussex called "Are stamps dead? And the signing of the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists.

The ABPS AGM will be held on Sunday afternoon at 12.45.

You can now book you place. Please contact Paul Gaywood. His e-mail is: gaywood@talktalk.net

Tel: 01772 713917

Copies are still available of the new full-colour publication celebrating "100 Years of the Philatelic Congress of Great Britain" is now available to ABPS members at the usual 50% discount - £18 plus £3 p&p.

PCGB website www.abps.org.uk

2011: 16th to 19th June, Portsmouth

2012: Plans are also moving forward for Congress at Perth in October 2012.

Their Committee desires to host the national competitions around the same time.

DEALER PATRONS

This important scheme to support youth philately has been well supported in 2010 by:

Stanley Gibbons	www.stanleygibbons.com
Andrew Vaughan	www.stampsgb.co.uk
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The Magpie (Bill Pipe)	www.magpiebillpipe.com
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Please acknowledge their support by mentioning ABPS when you use their services. Thank you.

ABPS EVENTS AND EXHIBITIONS

A training programme for jurors has been rolled out at Federation level. There have also been seminars for Exhibitors at Stampex. Post 2010 we are now looking at grass roots philately. A weekend workshop is being planned in the North East from 4th to 6th March 2011. Further details can be found on the ABPS website.

Please contact Brian Trotter if you would like an event in your area. Email: events@abps.org.uk

COMMUNICATIONS TO FEDERATIONS

Members of the Executive Committee are willing to attend Federation and other regional events by invitation to talk about the role of ABPS. If you would like to know more about ABPS and its activities, please contact Maurice Flack e-mail: federations@abps.org.uk

STAMP ACTIVE NETWORK

Stamp Active Network will again be Autumn Stampex with youth activities and an auction.

Starter Packs are now available to new organisers of junior or school stamp clubs free of charge, sponsored by Stanley Gibbons.

For more information contact Beverley Davies. Email: bev.stampactive@btinternet.com

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR ABPS AWARDS OF MERIT

If you know of anyone who deserves recognition for their support of our hobby, why not recommend them for this award. Details can be found on the ABPS website or contact Susan Oliver for more information.

Email: awards@abps.org.uk

FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO GIVE YOUR COMMENTS,

please contact those mentioned above, or the ABPS General Secretary

Willie King, ABPS, 41 Devonshire Place, London W1G6JY

E-mail: secretary@abps.org.uk

FESTIVAL OF STAMPS

A tremendous year is ahead for philately in the UK with a full range of events across the UK under the umbrella of "The Festival of Stamps". We will keep you updated with all of these as the year progresses.

The first Federation event will be hosted by the Thames Valley federation at Thatcham on 27th March.

FESTIVAL OF STAMPS CALENDAR:

18 January - 30 June 2010	Exhibition - Abolition of Slavery on stamps. <i>Museum of London in Docklands.</i>
1 February - 30 October 2010	Exhibition - King George V. <i>Bath Postal Museum.</i>
1 February - 31 December 2010	Exhibition - Philatelic Rarities. <i>British Library.</i>
3 May - 30 September 2010	Rugby Post. <i>Twickenham World Rugby Museum.</i>
6-7 May 2010	Exhibition. <i>Royal Philatelic Society London, 41 Devonshire Place, London W1G 6JY.</i>
7 May - 25 July 2010	Empire Mail - George V and the GPO Exhibition. <i>(Royal Collection & BPMA) Guildhall Art Gallery, London.</i>
7 May - 31 December 2010	Treasures from the Archive Exhibition. <i>British Postal Museum & Archive, Clerkenwell.</i>
8-15 May 2010	Festival of Stamps London 2010 Exhibition. <i>Business Design Centre.</i>
c.Jun-Oct 2010	Railway Philately. <i>Crewe Heritage Centre.</i>
26 June 2010 10am - 4pm	North of Ireland Philatelic Federation. Portadown Town Hall, 15-17 Edward Street, Portadown, BT62 3LX Contact: John Proctor (Secretary) jproctor@dunbia.com
3 July 2010 10am - 4pm	Wessex Philatelic Federation, Cornwall Philatelic Federation and Somerset & Dorset Philatelic Federation "SWIPEX 2010". Plymouth Guildhall, Armada Way, Plymouth PL1 2AA. Contact: (Wessex) David Chamberlaine. 22 Brockton Gardens, Plymouth PL6 6BY. rmbx3084@tiscali.co.uk 01752 789622. (Somerset & Dorset) Tony Osmond. 48 Addison Grove, Taunton TA2 6JG. 01823 286268. (Cornwall) Neil Sargent. 26, Marlborough Avenue, Falmouth, Cornwall, TR11 2RW. neil.sargent@btinternet.com 01326-316017.
10 July 2010 (time?)	Kent Federation of Philatelic Societies "KENTPEX 2010". Tonbridge School, High Street, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1JP. Organised by Tunbridge Wells Philatelic Society. Contact: David Rennie. 35 Wheathill Road, London SE20 7XR. 020 8778 7001. davidjrennie@ntlworld.com http://kentphilately.weebly.com/
10 July 2010	Open Day. <i>Colne Valley Postal History Museum, The Laurels, 109 Head Street, Halstead, Essex CO9 2AZ.</i>
18 July - 14 November 2010	Exhibition - Marine Philately.

22-25 July 2010

Philatelic Congress of Great Britain.
Holiday Inn, Kenilworth.

21 August 2010
(time?)

East Midlands & East Anglian Philatelic Federation
Girton College, Cambridge CB3 0JG.
Organised by Cambridge Philatelic Society. Contact: John Pearce (Chairman, Cambridge PS 2010 event committee). cjtemple@btinternet.com 01223-880957. www.cambridgephilatelicsociety.co.uk.

29-30 August 2010

The Post Office At War.
Bletchley Park Museum.

4 September 2010
(time?)

Middlesex Philatelic Federation.
Amersham Community Centre, Chiltern Avenue, Amersham, HP6 5AE.
Contact: Vic Punter. 11 Colne Way, Watford, Herts, WD25 9DB.
apunter@btinternet.com. 01923-678873.

11 September 2010
(time?)

Federation of Surrey Philatelic Societies.
United Reformed Church Hall, Addiscombe Grove, Croydon CR0 5LP.
Contact: Peter White. 26 Silver Birch Close, Woodham, Addlestone
KT15 3QW. petdor@btopenworld.com 01932 345798.

11-12 September 2010

Open Weekend.
Colne Valley Postal History Museum, The Laurels, 109 Head Street, Halstead, Essex CO9 2AZ.

18 September 2010
(time?)

Association of Scottish Philatelic Societies - Edinburgh Group "Festival of Edinburgh & Lothian Stamps & Postcards Open Day".
St John's Church Hall, 140 Princes Street, Edinburgh EH2 4BJ.
Contact: Bob Catto.

24-26 September 2010
(times?)

North-East of England Philatelic Federation "Nephilex 2010".
The Royal Station Hotel, Neville Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE1 5DH.
Contact: Tony Walker, Steering Group Chairman. 3 Nazareth Mews, Newcastle upon Tyne NE2 1EW. walker369@btinternet.com 01912 819193.
www.nephilex2010.org.uk

9 October 2010

10am to 4.30pm.

Association of Sussex Philatelic Societies "The South of England Stamp Fair and Sussex Convention."

The South of England Centre, Ardingly, West Sussex RH17 6TL.
Contact: John M Wright. 12 Milchester House, Staveley Road, Meads, Eastbourne BN20 7JX. 01323 438964.

16 October 2010
(times?)

Hampshire Philatelic Federation
Wickham Community Centre, Mill Lane, Wickham, Hants. PO17 5AL.
Contact: John Campbell, 9 Gatcombe Gardens, Fareham, PO14 3DR.
john.campbell41@virgin.net. 01329-845496

23 October 2010
(time?)

Cornwall Philatelic Federation "Cornex 2010".
Liskeard School and Community College, Luxstowe, Liskeard, Cornwall PL14 3EA.
Contact: Neil Sargent, Chairman, CPF. 26, Marlborough Avenue, Falmouth, Cornwall, TR11 2RW. neil.sargent@btinternet.com 01326-316017.

30 October 2010

North-Western Philatelic Federation.

(time?)

Thornleigh Salesian College, Sharples Park, Bolton, Lancashire, BL1 6PQ.
Organised by Bolton Philatelic Society. Contact: Adrian Jones. 3a
Westhoughton Road, Adlington, Chorley PR7 4EU. 01257 480442.