

Forces Postal History Society.

The Society was formed in 1952 to bring together collectors interested in the postal history of the Armed Forces of all countries at all times, whether in war or peace time, including the study of postmarks, cachets, postage rates, prisoner-of-war mail, stamps and stationery, censorship and the organisation of postal services.

The Society has around 250 members in many parts of the world.

A Journal is published quarterly and postal auctions are held quarterly when possible. Regular meetings are held in London and other centres. For further details of membership write to:

Martin Hopkinson, FRPSL
Trewinney Barton, Mevagissey,
St Austell, Cornwall PL26 6TD
martinhopkinson@hotmail.co.uk

ANNUAL AWARDS FOR 2018

The Harry Cope Memorial Award 2018 - **Dr Nick Colley** for
"World War Two Censor Marks (2nd Edition)"

The Alan Brown Trophy 2018 - **Gary Diffen** for his
"Australian Prisoners of War at Gallipoli"

The John Daynes Plate 2018 - **Alan Baker** with his entry on the
"Portuguese Army on the Western Front (Corpo Expedicionário
Português)"

The President's Cup 2018 – **Richard Berry FRPSL** with
"Second Italo-Ethiopian War - Military Post Offices"

**FORCES
POSTAL HISTORY
SOCIETY**



Founded 1952

Affiliated to The Association of British Philatelic Societies

Programme 2019

HONORARY OFFICERS

President **RICHARD BERRY FRPSL**
2017-2020

Vice-Presidents **ROBIN DAVIS FRPSL,**
GEOFF HANNEY FRPSL & MIKE GRIMWADE

Immediate **EDMUND HALL** (deceased)
Past President.

Hon. Secretary **MICHAEL DOBBS** 020 8402 5409
52 Leamington Avenue,
Bromley Kent BR1 5BL
michael.dobbs@ntlworld.com

Hon. Treasurer **ALAN BAKER** 01865 327294
5 Dark Lane, Sunningwell,
ABINGDON, Oxon OX13 6RE
scapabaker@btinternet.com

Membership **MARTIN HOPKINSON FRPSL,**
Secretary 01726 843887
Trewinney Barton, Mevagissey,
St Austell, Cornwall PL26 6TD
martinhopkinson@hotmail.co.uk

Packet **IAN MUCHALL** 01507 328124
Secretary Holmegarth, Louth Road,
North Cockerington,
Louth, Lincs. LN11 7DY
raffian@raffian.plus.com

Journal **CHRIS GRIMSHAW** 07892 861240
Editor 11 Warwick Gardens,
Hinckley, LE10 1SD
grimman60@gmail.com

Librarian **RICHARD BERRY FRPSL,**
01444 452795
Bodiam, 66 Wood Ride,
Haywards Heath RH16 4NJ
richard.berry66@tiscali.co.uk

Publicity **PETER HARVEY** 01858 571362
Officer Malt Shovel Cottage, Walcote Road,
South Kilworth, Leicestershire LE17 6EQ
peter.harvey@militarymail.co.uk

**Auction
Manager** **GEOFF HANNEY FRPSL** 01689 820402
14 Allington Road, Orpington, Kent BR6 8BA
geoff.fphs@btinternet.com

**Committee
Members** **Dr NICK COLLEY, PETER O'KEEFFE
& COLIN TABEART**

**Programme
Secretary** **PETER HIGH** 01737 479849
33 The Green, Burgh Heath, Tadworth,
Surrey KT20 5NP
peter.high94@hotmail.co.uk

**Publication
Sales** **PETER HIGH**
33 The Green, Burgh Heath, Tadworth,
Surrey KT20 5NP
peter.high94@hotmail.co.uk
01737 479849

Books available via Peter High - contact Peter for prices and ordering:

- British Naval Post and Censor Marks of the First World War
Volumes 1 & 2 by Dr M. H. Gould
- World War Two Censor Marks edited by Dr N. Colley (a vastly
extended work based on the original by J. Daynes)
- The Field Censor Systems of the Armies of the British Empire 1914-
1918 Unit Allocations by F.W. Daniel
- The Postal History of the British army in World War I; Before & After
1903-1929: A. Kennedy & G. Crabb
- Airgraph by E.H. Keeton

War & Philately - 10th August 2019

This is a stamp and postal history fair held at Banstead Community Hall, Park Road, Banstead, Surrey SM7 3AJ. Sponsored by the Society, the fair is in its eighth year and has about 17 tables of dealers of Stamps, Postal History, Postcards, books and Memorabilia, mostly but not exclusively military in theme. In addition, local philatelic societies have tables and there are displays of postal history. A grand meeting place for members, friends and public alike. Ample parking and refreshments (food and drinks) provided throughout the day. Two local pubs are located nearby and good shopping in the High Street with many charity shops just a few minutes away.

Why not make a date to meet old and new friends? 15 minutes from J8 M25. Members' selling tables welcome. Details from Peter High.

MEETINGS

Meetings are usually held on the second SATURDAY of each month (August excluded) at the

UNION JACK CLUB
SANDELL STREET, LONDON SE1
(opposite Waterloo Station, London)

For security reasons please ensure you bring this programme card with you to meetings

Afternoon meetings commence **1.30 pm**
(room available from 1 pm for early arrivals)
All-day meetings commence 10.30 am
(room open from 10.00 am for informal gatherings)
Visitors and new members always welcome

Society Contacts for Meetings

LONDON MEETINGS

PETER HIGH.....01737 479849

Dates for your Diary – 2019-20

York Stamp & Coin Fair	18-19 January 2019
Spring Stampex	13-16 February 2019
Midpex, Leamington Spa	6 July 2019
York Stamp & Coin Fair	19-20 July 2019
Autumn Stampex	11-14 September 2019
London 2020 International	2-9 May 2020

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU BRING THIS PROGRAMME
CARD WITH YOU TO MEETINGS**

- R 12 Jan 1.30pm Presidential Display: Conscientious Objectors in WWI Richard Berry FRPSL
- B 9 Feb 1.30pm John Daynes' Plate 15-page Competition (members decide the winner) and Members' Displays
- R 2 Mar 1.30pm Ambulance and Hospital Trains Dr Brian Robertson OStJ, TD, MICPEM
- B 13 Apr 10.30am ALL DAY: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and Live Auction
- R 18 May 1.30pm The French Ambulance Steve Ellis
(members to also bring any examples from their own collections)
- R 8 Jun 10.30am ALL DAY: Joint Meeting with the East African Study Circle Members' Displays
- 6 Jul MIDPEX: the Society will have a table at this event
- R 20 Jul 1.30pm Emergency Currency John Cowlin
- 10 Aug WAR & PHILATELY at Banstead Community Hall. Dealers of stamps, Postal History, Books & Ephemera; Fair sponsored by the Society - EIGHTH Year - see separate details
- R 14 Sep 1.30pm President's Cup 9-page Competition (members decide the winner) and Members' Displays
- R 19 Oct 10.30am ALL DAY: Joint Meeting with KGV Society Members' Displays
- R 9 Nov 1.30pm The Great War – Aftermath 1919 and Beyond Members' Displays
- B 14 Dec 1.30pm New Acquisitions and Queries and a chat over Coffee, Biscuits and Mince Pies

Key to meeting rooms: R: Reserved Bar Lounge (Ground floor); B: Burns Room

SOCIETY SERVICES

Website: www.forcespostalhistorysociety.org.uk

ON LINE FORUM

Access to the Society's Members only on-line forum is via the above website address. Members are encouraged to place queries and replies and exchanges of views and comments on the forum.

AUCTION

The Auction Managers are always pleased to receive better items for inclusion in the Society Auction. Lots should have a minimum value of £2. The Society commission charge is 12.5%.

EXCHANGE PACKET

Ian Muchall would be pleased to receive your duplicates of Forces Postal History covers for inclusion in the Society Exchange Packet. Contact details for Ian can be found under "Honorary Officers".

JOURNAL

Chris Grimshaw, our Journal Editor, is always pleased to receive news and articles for publication. Please do not hesitate to contact Chris for more details - contact details can be found under "Honorary Officers".

LIBRARY

The Society has an extensive library of books and cuttings relating to Forces Postal History. Books can be loaned within the UK by means of special delivery letter post. Some books may be loaned to members in the European Union. Most books are loaned on the condition that they are not photocopied due to the risk of damage. For further details contact our Librarian (Richard Berry) - contact details can be found under "Honorary Officers". It is not possible to provide any photocopying at present, although it may be possible to provide a limited number of scans and email them to you.

Our Library list is available online - go to our website for details.

MEETINGS

Members living outside the London area are encouraged to arrange meetings on behalf of the Society. Advice and assistance is available, as well as expenses. Any member interested in setting up a meeting please contact Peter High, details under Programme Secretary overleaf.