



The Association of British Philatelic Societies

EXHIBITIONS NEWSLETTER

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The latest news on philatelic exhibitions in the UK and abroad.

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AUTUMN STAMPEX

When: Wednesday 11 September - Saturday 14 September 2019
Where: Business Design Centre, Islington, London N1

Autumn Stampex is almost upon us and once again the ABPS will be holding a national exhibition. For the first time it will include all the FIP classes. The preparations are well advanced, and we are looking forward to seeing another fascinating range of exhibits that will remind us just what a diverse and fascinating activity philately is.

The exhibition The National Philatelic Society will be the lead society and will bring a wide variety of exhibits. There will also be contributions from India and elsewhere. As a further attraction following the addition of Ephemera as an exhibition class at Stampex, the Ephemera Society will be giving a special display to illustrate the (almost limitless) range and potential of this material.

There will also be a Court of Honour display by Brian Asquith on 'Faster than a Bullet: The Concorde Story'.

NEW TOURS AND SEMINARS Isobel Klempka has arranged a programme for visitors in conjunction with the ABPS. Details and booking forms are at <https://www.stampexinternational.co.uk/whatson.html>

Information is also available at tours@thepts.net – anyone can sign up.

In summary the programme is as follows:

Tours of the Exhibits For anyone who would like to have a quick guided tour round the exhibition frames to see some highlights, Isobel Klempka has organised two tours:

Thursday 12 September: Led by Bill Hedley, starting at 3.00 pm

Friday 13 September: Led by Graham Winters, starting at 11.30 am

The tours will be free of charge and will last for about half an hour. If you would like to join one, please meet in the Reception area at the BDC, beside the dealers' booklets.

Seminars

There will be a programme of seminars lasting up to an hour with something every day for visitors. All seminars are free and open to anyone who would like to come. Why not use this opportunity to take the weight off your feet for a few minutes?

The seminar programme is:

2.30pm 11 September: 'Exhibiting competitively'. Bill Hedley

4.00pm 11 September: Matt Hill (Publisher of Stamp Collector) chats to Edward Klempka and Frank Walton

11.00am. 12 September: '100 Years of Transatlantic Airmail'. Stuart Aitken (Curator of Philately, Postal Museum)

4.00pm. 13 September: '60 Years of Gibbons Catalogues'. Hugh Jefferies (Editor of Stanley Gibbons catalogues)

The seminars on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be held in one of the Gallery Bays above the Royal Mail stand.

And, last but certainly not least:

11.00am Saturday 14 September, in the Executive Centre:

Dr Peter McCann (former Vice-President of the FIP) will give a presentation on the theme of:

'Postal History Treatment'

Peter lives in Florida and is a West Indies collector who has specialised in 'Montserrat'. This presentation is full of useful and up-to-date advice and draws on several examples of Commonwealth exhibits. Although its focus is postal history it will be of interest to all exhibitors.

Booking in advance

To secure your seat, book in advance using the following links:

Bill Hedley: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stampex-talk-how-to-exhibit-competitively-tickets-65030938287?aff=blog>

Matt Hill: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stampex-talk-matt-hill-chats-to-philatelists-frank-walton-rdp-frpsl-edward-klempka-frpsl-tickets-65662657777?aff=onlineblog>

Stuart Aitken. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stampex-talk-the-airmail-centenaries-1919-2019-tickets-64302738221?aff=website>

Oscar Young. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stampex-talk-history-of-collecting-beyond-tickets-65663550447?aff=website>

Peter McCann. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stampex-talks-postal-history-treatment-tickets-65036587183?aff=affiliate1>

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FORTHCOMING EXHIBITIONS

National Exhibitions in the UK

Autumn Stampex 2020

The British Thematic Association will be the lead society and there will be a seminar led by José Ramón Moreno, currently President of FEPA and an FIP judge, on 'How I could improve the evaluation of my thematic exhibit'. There will also be an Inter-Federation competition. Look out for further details.

Spring Stampex 2021 and Autumn Stampex 2021

I understand that the PTS will revert to the normal pattern of holding two Stampexes annually after 2020 which is good news for exhibitors. We will give further information as it becomes available.

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International Exhibitions with UK Participation

LONDON 2020

2 - 9 May 2020

Business Design Centre, Islington, London N1

London 2020 will be the UK's next decennial World Stamp Exhibition with patronage from Her Majesty The Queen. The exhibition has FIP patronage and FEPA recognition.

To enable as many exhibitors as possible to participate, two exhibits will be shown in each frame during the show. The exhibits will be changed on Tuesday 5 May. In total the exhibition will contain about 3,000 frames.

Full information is available at www.london2020.co.

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INDONESIA 2020 WORLD STAMP CHAMPIONSHIP Indonesian Parliament Building, Jakarta

6 – 11 August 2020

The Indonesian Philatelists Association is organising a Specialised World Stamp Championship with FIP patronage to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Indonesian Independence Day. The 76th FIP Congress will also be held in Jakarta.

John Jackson is being nominated as UK Commissioner. He can be contacted at john.w.jackson@care4free.net. Further details about the show and the application procedure will be circulated when available.

IPEX CAPE TOWN

17 – 20 March 2021

IPEX will be a specialised international exhibition under FIP patronage, held at the CTICC 2 I Cape Town International Convention Centre in South Africa.

Details on classes, dates and the IREX are at www.capetown2021.org

Jon Aitchison is being nominated as UK Commissioner. He can be contacted at britishlocals@aol.com. Further details on how to apply will be circulated when available.

NOTOS 2021

19 – 22 November 2021

Athens

NOTOS will be a European exhibition with FEPA Patronage and FIP recognition. All classes will be invited.

For further information go to <http://www.hps.gr/notos2021>. Further details will be published when they become available.

OTHER FORTHCOMING FIP / FEPA EXHIBITIONS (no details as yet)

ANKARA 2020	7-10 October 2020 in Ankara. FEPA patronage.
MALAYSIA 2020	November-December 2020 in Kuala Lumpur. FIP patronage.
IBRA 2021	6-9 May 2021 in Essen, Germany. FIP patronage.
PHILANIPPON 2021	August 2021 in Yokohama, Japan. FIP patronage.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY TO INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

If you are interested in exhibiting at an FIP exhibition we recommend that you check the FIP's General Regulations for Exhibitions (GREX) carefully. They are available at <http://www.f-i-p.ch/>.

If you are in any doubt regarding eligibility please contact the Commissioner for the exhibition in question or the Exhibition Secretary at exhibiting@abps.org.uk.

Other International Exhibitions

FORTHCOMING FIAP EXHIBITIONS

A brief reminder of forthcoming exhibitions being held under the patronage of FIAP (the Asian and Australasian Federation):

NEW ZEALAND 2020	19-22 March 2020 in Auckland (http://nz2020.nz)
TAIPEI 2020	21-23 October 2020 in Taipei
MELBOURNE 2021	February 2021 in Melbourne

Entry to these shows would have to be through an organisation that was affiliated to FIAP.

THE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS CALENDAR

There is a good summary of the programme of forthcoming national and international exhibitions in Europe and beyond up to the end of 2021 at <http://fepanews.com/>

OTHER NEWS

National Exhibitions Secretary

Deborah Gooch will be retiring from the position of Exhibition Secretary after Autumn Stampex. She has done a magnificent job of keeping us on track for several years, looking after the preparatory work, making sure that everything is done on time during the exhibition, and clearing up afterwards. We are extremely grateful to her for everything she has done. All is not lost, however. Deborah will be taking over the role of Bin Room Manager from Peter Cockburn next year (who also deserves our thanks, having been heading the Bin Room for at least eight years) and will certainly make sure that order is maintained in that department.

To replace her, I am pleased to announce that Nick Martin has kindly agreed to become our Exhibitions Secretary. Nick will be with us at Autumn Stampex to learn the ropes and will become the voice of exhibiting@abps.org.uk once the dust on Stampex has settled. I am extremely grateful to Nick for taking on this role which really is the clever bit in the middle without which the rest of the machine would not turn, and I would ask everyone to bear with us while he is picking up the reins. As it happens, because London 2020 is taking place next May, there will not be another National until Autumn 2020 so he has a little time to get his feet under the desk (he hopes).

Exhibiting and Judging Seminar, 2-3 November 2019

The ABPS will be holding another seminar for those interested in extending their knowledge of exhibiting and judging. It is designed for anyone interested in becoming a Federation judge, or for existing judges who want to brush up their skills, but it is also highly relevant to anyone who wants to learn more about exhibiting. The seminar will stretch over two days and include presentations, discussions and some practical experience of judging.

The seminar will be held at the Sun Hotel, Hitchin, Herts on 2-3 November. There are still a few spaces available so, if you would like to come, please contact David Alford at aps@ntlworld.com or on 01462 648727.

MANCHESTER 2019, 23-24 November 2019

To mark its 50th anniversary the Manchester and District Philatelic Traders Association will be holding the MANCHESTER 2019 Stamp Fair at Stockport Town Hall Stockport SK1 3XE.

30 dealers from across the UK will be there as well as some philatelic societies. For further details go to www.mdpta.co.uk or contact Terry Barnett on 0151 486 2610.

With best wishes

Bill Hedley

Chairman, ABPS Exhibitions and International Committee