



ABPS

The Association of British Philatelic Societies Ltd

EXECUTIVE BULLETIN November 2019

Please circulate this bulletin to any philatelic friends to show what the ABPS is doing to promote philately across the UK. Also please visit www.abps.org.uk

NEW SECRETARY

George Henshilwood has now taken over as Secretary.

Our new postal address for all ABPS correspondence (except membership queries) is:

ABPS, c/o 15 Abchurch Lane, London, EC4N 7BW

ABPS BANNERS

A set of pop-up banners has now been produced to enable Federations to promote ABPS at local and regional events. They will be distributed shortly.

EXHIBITIONS

Simon Richards is replacing Bill Hedley as Chairman of the Exhibitions Committee from 1st December. Bill is standing as Chairman of FEPA at their AGM shortly.

Jon Aitchison has been appointed as a Director of Stamp World Exhibitions.

Please note there will be no Spring Stampex in 2020 because of the proximity to the London 2020 International Exhibition in May.

Entries for the International competitions at London 2020 were heavily over-subscribed.

Details of the entries accepted for London 2020 will be advised to applicants shortly.

Stands for the exhibition are fully sold.

A series of seminars will take place at the Show. Details to be announced.

STAMP ACTIVE NETWORK

Latest information can be found on their award-winning website at www.stampactive.co.uk

Email: stampactive@btinternet.com

JUDGING SEMINARS

A two-day seminar on judging at Federation level was held in Hitchin on November 2nd and 3rd. 17 delegates attended and they can now progress their accreditation. These seminars are

usually held annually. A “live” Accreditation requires that judges should have attended a seminar within the last ten years or exhibited within the last five years.

If you are interested in attending a future seminar please contact secretary@abps.org

A Seminar for National judges will be held on 18th & 9th February 2020.

Alan Godfrey would like to hear from anyone who believes they are a qualified Federation Judge to make sure you are correctly listed on the ABPS database.

Please email: communications@abps.org.uk

PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF GREAT BRITAIN

The 2020 Congress will be held in Market Harborough at the Three Swans Hotel, 3 - 6 September.

For more information contact gerald.marriner@gmail.com

In 2021 Congress will move to Harrogate to recognise 100 Years since its formation there.

ABPS AWARDS

Nominations for an Award of Merit or the Congress Medal should be submitted by 1st March 2020. Full details and forms can be found on the ABPS website.

ABPS NEWS

The deadline for submission of articles and photographs for the next issue is 15th January.

It has been suggested that ABPS should launch a FACEBOOK page. Is anyone interested in taking on this role?

Contact: communications@abps.org.uk

ABPS FREE WEBSITE

Under this initiative by the ABPS the Yorkshire Philatelic Association website is up and running. A total of 13 Societies have, so far, taken up the offer of a free website.

See ABPS News for more information about this free ABPS service or contact secretary@abps.org.uk

ABPS SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

The ABPS is always there to help! If you are planning a local event to promote philately and may need financial assistance, please have a look at this scheme on our website as you may be eligible for a grant.

DIRECTORY AND SPEAKERS LIST

Neil Richie's work on a National Speaker List is still ongoing and the details of those who have responded to emails positively have been sent to the ABPS webmaster for inclusion onto the ABPS website. A speakers' listing is now downloadable available from the website and will be regularly updated.

If you have any queries, please contact secretary@abps.org.uk

DATA PROTECTION ACT

There are changes in the law that require philatelic societies to get express consent for any data they may hold on their members. Please look at the ABPS website for more information and draft forms.

If you have any queries, please contact secretary@abps.org.uk

FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO GIVE YOUR COMMENTS,

please contact those mentioned above, or E-mail: secretary@abps.org.uk

Any feedback or ideas, or if you would like to help, please contact our Chairman, Graham Winters, by email: j.g.winters@hotmail.co.uk

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