

Sheffield Philatelic Society

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NEWSLETTER

October 2026

Meetings in October

- 1st** 1st Thursday [Zoom](#), 7.30pm
Jamie Smith
British military (part 2)
- 14th** 2nd Wednesday, 2.00pm
President's display
- 28th** 4th Wednesday, 2.00pm
Members;
Countries beginning A - C

PLEASE NOTE the Thursday Zoom
meeting codes are as follows:
Meeting ID: 673 358 1237
Passcode: 78kTY0 (NB 0=zero)

Stumped by a stamp



Bonanza month!

- One from James Grayson -
somewhere in the Balkans, I think.
- One with no country or value
(unless it's 2 carp)
- One which I think may be Persia, but
I can't find.
- Answers next month (if received)

THE PACKET

Some of our members may be aware of the Society's circuit boxing the important part it plays in the Society.. About half of our members are on the circuit, and each month we send out a box with about 20 books and packets, containing items for members to buy.

The books and packets contain stamps which will hopefully appeal to a wide spectrum of collectors - British, Commonwealth and foreign, as well as thematic stamps. Prices range from 5p (or less!) to perhaps £10+ for scarcer items.

Boxes are passed hand-to-hand or at the Society's meetings, so there are not postal costs involved; there is not subscription fee to join the circuit.

The May box has just been returned, and 85% of circuit members have bought something - so it's obviously filling a need.

With the disappearance of stamp shops and stamp fairs, the box is becoming, for many, the only source of stamps - and from the comfort of your own home!

Vendors are charged 10% on sales, and the box has become the biggest source of income for the Society, overtaking membership fees, and helping to peg the rates!

So, if you don't presently take the box, think about it. Here's a chance to help both yourself and the Society. Talk to Andrew or Keith at a meeting, or phone (Keith on 0114 258 1523, or Andrew 0114 235 9994

Society News

SPS Annual Dinner

This year's Annual Dinner will be held on Monday 12 October at 6 PM (eating from 6:30) at the University Arms.

For those of you who are new or have not been before, the University Arms is the pub for the University of Sheffield located near the University roundabout. It is accessible by both bus and tram. There is limited parking nearby.

For more info, or to book your place/s, please contact James Grayson.



SPS is advertising for new members.

The Committee has arranged for adverts to be placed in local magazines inviting people to come to meetings and join the Society.

Hopefully, this will increase our membership and add to the interest and variety at meetings.

Corny corner

Today I went to the post office to mail 20 letters... so I bought 20 stamps...

and the clerk just handed them to me. So I said "Am I supposed to stick all these on myself?"...and she said "No. Stick them on the envelopes.."

New issues from Royal Mail

October 14, 2026: Winnie the Pooh

Stamp fairs in the local area

2nd Sunday **Chesterfield**

Chester St Club, Ashgate Rd, Chesterfield

2nd Saturday **Derby**

Nunsfield Ho., 33 Boulton Rd,
Alvaston DE24 0FD

3rd Sunday **Coal Aston**

of alternate months:

(Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, Dec)

Village Hall, Coal Aston, S18 3AY

4th Sunday **Doncaster**

Park Social Club, Eden Grove Rd, DN3 2LS

Last Saturday **Wakefield**

Outwood Memorial hall, 1-2 Victoria St,
Outwood, Wakefield WF1 2NE

1st Sunday (July, Oct, Jan, Apr) **Teeside**

Norton Methodist Church Hall
High Street, Norton, Teesside TS20 2QQ

You may also find this website useful

<https://www.stampfairsdiary.co.uk/>

Auction Houses

Cavendish

Cavendish House, 153/7 London Road, Derby
DE1 2SY. 01332 250970
www.cavendish-auctions.com

Warwick & Warwick

Chalon House, Scar Bank, Millers Road,
Warwick CV34 5DB
www.warwickandwarwick.com

Sheffield Auction Gallery

Windsor Road, Sheffield S8 8UB.
0114 281 6161
www.sheffieldauctiongallery.com

Also, you may like:

<https://www.stampfairsdiary.co.uk/>

Coming events in October

Sat 31st, 2.30, GBPS

52 Upper St, The Angel, London, N1 0QH
Alan Paice FRPSL

"K Edward VII, 1902 - 26 - 125 years of study"