



MIDLAND G.B. POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY



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Editorial

The success of our Postal History Society depends a lot on communication between our members as well as regular attendances at our Meetings. You can help with both - there will may be some meetings that you are unable to attend but the Bulletin pages are open to everyone to make some sort of contribution. From Wants and Sale or Exchange items, short articles and illustrations of 'unusual' postal strikes and marks. We now have the facility to photostat covers to illustrate short articles. If every member can make one contribution a year, however small, we then remain an active and growing Society.

How about making a New Year Resolution to send 'something' for the Bulletin in 1977 ???

Thank you

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NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 15th January 1977
Birmingham & Midland Institute, Margaret Street
Birmingham.

Commencing at 2pm until 5pm.

Teas available in Basement Cafeteria.

Will members bring along up to nine sheets for
small display

How about bringing a potential New Member
with you ?

LAST MEETING

Held in Coventry on Saturday 20th November and 20 of our 30 members attended - which was quite good. Let us see if we can reach a 75% attendance in January i.e. 22½ members - a guest can count as half a member.

Members Displays

C.W.E.Coles	Private Cancellations of Firms
P. Gray	Misc. Marks with a Midland theme
A.R.Lloyd	Uttoxeter 1743 to 1841
T.P.L.Sharpe	Leamington from 1819
T. Heath	Libraries on Postcards
R.E.Farman	Burton on Trent (Mis-sents etc)
Mrs E. Lewis	Herefordshire (around Leominster)
R. Lewis	Leominster starting at 1770
D.T.Keen	Birmingham - suburban p/mks etc
G. Parker	History of Atherstone
J. Baker	Caricature covers
W.S.Chester	Examiners and Inspectors Marks
B. Paul	Coventry and associations 1636

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COUNTY 'ORGANIZERS'

The Society intends to collate and publish a Catalogue of the various types and styles of 'Midland' postal cancellations of all types from 1840 to the present day. To assist in the collection and investigation into this subject the following members have agreed to be elected as County Organizers, and with your help will collate and collect the wide range of information which is no doubt available from our members.

Further details will be issued in due course but bear the subject in mind and start thinking about the numerous postal markings of the following County Organizers :

SHROPSHIRE	S.Stubbs of 28 Rosafeld Ave Halesowen
WARWICKSHIRE	W.S.Chester of 17 Rock Close Coventry
STAFFORDSHIRE	A.R.Lloyd of 5 Marsh Lane Penkridge, Staffordshire
WORCESTERSHIRE & HEREFORDSHIRE	Mrs. E.Lewis of 27 Rathbone Road, Smethwick, Warley.
BIRMINGHAM	P.D.Baxter of 72 Midhurst Road, Kings Norton, Bmghm.

An open discussion on the best way to get this information will be held at the January meeting.

subscriptions

The annual subscription is only \$1 and is due on the 1st of April of each year. At the moment of typing this there are nine members who do not realise that they have not paid the current subscription. If there is a cross

here : : you are one of them.

Our Treasurer is P.D.Baxter of
72 Midhurst Road
Kings Norton, Birmingham

so slip him a pound in an envelope for Xmas.
(with your name and address - thank you)

Notepaper

XMAS QUIZ : The 'heading' of this Bulletin comprises of three variations of early postal strikes used in the 'provinces'. A small prize will be sent to the member who sends to the Editor details of the 'originals' of these three types of strikes. Correct answer will be published in the next issue of Bulletin. (or at least the correct answer according to me).

Wishing you a Happy Christmas and in return can the Society expect an article and a new member enrolment from you next year ?

ADVERTS

(Wants, For Sale, Exchange etc.)

Nonereceived this time - vacant space in next issue