## Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society Gallery, Roseangle, Dundee on 13 November 2014

## Members' Night 'The Great War'

**Welcome:** President Francis Podger welcomed the members and visitor Christopher Podger.

Apologies for absence: Alan Roy, David Cree, Dennis Collins, Sandy Forbes, Ron Goodfellow,

David Easson and Doug Howkins.

**Attendance:** 14 members and 1 visitor (Christopher Podger) were present.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of 23 October were approved on the proposal by Peter Dix and

seconded by Charles Lloyd.

**Display:** Seven displays were given by the attendees at the meeting and all the displays were

related to the events of WWI (The Great War).

Visitor Christopher Podger FRPSL kicked off by displaying letters and postcards relating to Cyprus including censored mail from a POW camp and a 48 hour pass. Robert Duguid then followed on with a story of Captain Fryatt (a British mariner)

who was executed by the Germans for attempting to sink a u-boat.

Peter Dix displayed stamps from Bosnia and Tristan da Cunha commemorating the end of WWI (with paintings by War artists). Also present were stamps from South West Africa depicting the Kaizers yacht along with postcards of hospital ships. Sandy Sloss followed this with postcards relating to the Macedonian front and gave a detailed picture of the events which took place during the attacks on Thessaloniki. Finishing off the first part of the night Harry Jackson displayed postcards sent by military personnel serving on the Western Front, the Eastern Balkan Front and from Naval Warfare. In part 2 of the night Chad Neighbour started off by showing postcards which including the victory parade in Paris.

Charles Lloyd ended the evening by displaying stamps from Portuguese East Africa and the Nyasa Field Force, followed by postcards sent from the Belgian Congo to Belgium and France with feldpost marks (including a letter which arrived a year later as the war commenced the day after the letter was sent). Charles also brought examples of Hard Tack and Trench Cake (baked by daughter Kate) which would be sent to British soldiers.

To round off the evening members then tucked into the Hard Tack and Trench Cake.

## **Business:**

Secretary: Reported on a successful visit to the Scottish PS by Peter Dix, Robert

Duguid. Doug Howkins and himself. (About 20 members were present).

Webmaster: Website up to date following last meeting.

ASPS Rep: Nothing further to report.

## AOCB:

Chad Neighbour announced details of the upcoming Stamp Fair in Broughty Ferry on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

**Vote of Thanks:** The vote of thanks was given by Charles Lloyd who asked all members to

congratulate each other on their wonderful displays.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Morning meeting- 4 December 10am to noon.

Evening Meeting- November 27<sup>th</sup>

Visitor James Podger FRPSL (Farnham & District PS) with a

display of 'Africa and Adjoining Oceans'