

**Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society Gallery, Roseangle, Dundee
on 8 January 2015**

Members' Night – Annual Competition

Welcome: President Francis Podger welcomed the members and visitors (Lynn Podger and Pat Pickles).

Apologies for absence: Colin and Sandra Campbell, Norman Kelso, Ron Goodfellow, Alec Steele.

Attendance: 14 members and 2 visitors were present.

Minutes: The Minutes of 11 December 2014 were not available. They will be tabled at the next meeting (22 January).

Display: There were three entries in the National and General Category:
David Easson – Horizon Labels since their introduction
Harry Jackson – Three small Indian States (Barwani, Morvi & Idar)
Doug Howkins – The Seebeck issues (of Nicaragua, El Salvador & Ecuador)

In the Thematic Category there was a single entry:

Charles Lloyd – Heroes or Villains (People featured on the stamps of Rhodesia and Zimbabwe)

Two entries were submitted in the Postal History Category:

Charles Lloyd – The Surcharging of Rhodesian Mail

Francis Podger – Singapore, incoming postal stationery.

Finally in the Social History Category, there were also two entries:

Charles Lloyd – Tintin au Congo

Peter Dix – The Union Castle Line.

Members voted using ballot papers. Robert Duguid and Lynn Podger acted as the scrutinizers and announced the winners. They were pleased to inform the meeting that all entries had received good scores, though there were clear winners:

National and General: Harry Jackson

Thematic: Charles Lloyd

Postal History: Charles Lloyd

Social History: Peter Dix

The President presented the trophies. In addition, he presented Harry Jackson with our rose-bowl trophy for the “One Sheet Competition”, a competition that he had won in December.

Business:

Secretary: He had e-mailed members who had represented Dundee in the past on visits to other societies, to gather a team of 4 to visit Falkirk on the 29th January. This was done to allow individuals to check their commitments. The team will be Peter Dix, Harry Jackson, Doug Howkins & Charles Lloyd.

He showed copies of 3 articles that members have published. They will be deposited with George Lewthwaite who is acting as our archivist. He asked members to give copies of their publications to maintain a comprehensive record.

Morning meetings: David Easson informed us that there had been 7 members at the most recent morning meeting, held earlier in the day. Four of these were individuals who do not come to evening meetings, which demonstrates the value of morning meetings to both members and the Society.

There were no other reports

AOCB:

When the decision was taken to have a Social Philately Category in our annual competition we decided to delay buying a trophy until viability was proven. This the third year that Social Philately has been in our competition programme and it is popular. The President proposed purchasing a trophy, which was warmly received. The Treasurer agreed. David Easson will order this when the other trophies are taken in for engraving. The winners in 2013, 2014 as well as this year will be added to the new Social Philately shield.

Date of Next Meeting: Morning meeting - 5th February 10am to noon.

Evening Meeting - January 22nd: Alec Steele (Dundee DPS). British South Africa Company & Early Rhodesia