

**Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society, Roseangle Gallery, Dundee
on 14 April 2016**

Philatelic Miscellany

Welcome: The president welcomed members and visitors to the meeting

Apologies for absence: Robert Duguid

Attendance: 18 Members and 2 Visitors

Addendum to Minute of 24th March: On the agreement of all members present we were delighted to welcome Mark Lendon as a new member of the society.

Minutes: The minutes of the 24th March were approved on the proposal by Colin Campbell and seconded by Norman Kelso.

Display: Members were treated to a night of Philatelic Miscellany which was organised by the Vice President David Millar and which was presented by three local members. David Millar opened the evening with a topic of Luminescence and Phosphorescence, providing an explanation as to what their uses were in relation to stamps of Great Britain and other countries of the world e.g. Canada. David provided explanations of the various types of Fluorescence used and identified what tools could be used to identify Fluorescence/Phosphorescence e.g. Short Wave and Long Wave UV Lamps. He also explained that fluorescence could either be printed on the paper prior to printing the stamp or, on the stamp after printing. David finished his part of the display by discussing the use of microscopes which are useful for identifying thins and repairs to stamps which are not easily identified by the naked eye. Next up was Harry Jackson whose topic for discussion was Paper Texture. Harry outlined how paper was manufactured and its implications on philately. He then went on to explain the differences in the types of hand-made and machine-made paper, moving on to the different textures of paper namely, Wove and Laid paper showing the differences between each, and backed this up with a computer display highlighting the differences. The last display of the night was by Doug Howkins who gave an entertaining view of how to provide a display of the 20 Latin American countries by the use of a talk, stamp display and a slide show.

Business:

President: Has invested in a projector and screen which can be used for future meetings.

Secretary: Informed members that the programme for next year is nearly complete. Copies of the menu for the annual dinner are available and David Millar will contact members to ascertain numbers attending.

Packet Secy: Cheque for £60 handed over to Treasurer. Packets 104/105 are now circulating with 106/7 due to go out shortly.

Librarian: David highlighted more books of interest being found in the Library.

Publicity: Reported that the Courier still publishing details of our meetings.

Vote of Thanks: The vote of thanks was given by Francis Podger who congratulated David Millar for organising the night, and also the three members who carried out the presentations.

Date of Next Meeting: Morning Meeting – 5th May 2016 10am till Noon
Evening Meeting – 28th April 2016 Society AGM