Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society, Roseangle Gallery, Dundee on 24 March 2016

Harry Jackson - 'India & States from the East India Co. to Independence'

Welcome: The president welcomed members and visitors to the meeting

Apologies for absence: Robert Duguid, Peter Dix, Dennis Collins

Attendance: 16 Members and 2 Visitors

Minutes: The minutes of the 10th March were approved on the proposal by Ron Goodfellow

and seconded by George Soutar

Display: Members were treated an entertaining display from a local member Harry Jackson.

Harry has displayed parts of the display at previous meetings so it was nice to see him

put it all together for one large display.

The display consisted of stamps and covers from 1850 until just after independence with all being from stamp producing areas of British India. Harry explained that the display was in chronological order based on the dates of the first issue for each state. The display started with British India which included the first adhesive stamp issued in the whole of East Asia. Also included were dies of the imperforate issue of 1854. Harry then progressed onto the European possessions of Portugal and France and followed this up with Nepal. Harry finished his first half of the display with Indian stamps issued abroad in such places as Zanzibar, Bahrain, Burma, Tibet, Straits Settlements.

In the second half of the display Harry continued with displays of stamps and covers covering more of the Indian States, some of which displayed religious motifs, and others from Bundi which included sacred cow issues. The display then went on to cover the Independence partition states. Harry explained that in 1947/8 Britain withdrew and the countries of India and Pakistan were created, from which Harry displayed the first and seconds sets of definitives. These included pictorial motifs of buildings and the five year plan on the second issue from India. Harry finished his display with issues from the new country of Bhutan and also some issues from Bangladesh.

Business:

Secretary: Reminded members that there would be a council meeting on the 21st April

and that the AGM is on 28th April.

Treasurer: Books are currently with the examiner.

Packet Secy: Preparation of new packets progressing.

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

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

ASPS Rep: Reminded members of Congress opening in 3 weeks' time.

Vote of Thanks: The vote of thanks was given by Charles Lloyd who congratulated Harry

Jackson on an excellent display.

Date of Next Meeting: Morning Meeting – 7th April 2016 10am till Noon

Evening Meeting – 14th April 2016 'Philatelic Miscellany' organised by

David Millar