

**Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society, Roseangle Gallery, Dundee
on 24 September 2015**

President's Night

Welcome: The president welcomed members and visitors to the first meeting of the new year. The President also outlined the new presentation format to be used on future displays.

Apologies for absence: Charles Lloyd, David Millar, Alan Roy, Doug Howkins and David Cree

Attendance: 18 Members and 2 Visitors

Minutes: The minutes of the 9th April were approved on the proposal by Norman Kelso and seconded by Sandy Sloss.

Display: President Francis Podger started off the season with a display of Censorship of Mail through Singapore between 1939 and 1942. Francis explained the history of how the censorship worked in Singapore up until Japan took over control of Singapore and Malaya. The display covered civilian mail and military mail and showed a variety of handstamps used as well as meter marks and the different types of official censor labels used e.g, triangular, framed and unframed with numbers. Mail by air and sea were included and some anomalies in postage rates were included in the display. Francis also described how mail was being used during the war with a number of stamps on it as a type of code. One letter was on display that had 3 different censors, Singapore, Dutch East Indies and GB.

Business:

Secretary: In the absence of the Secretary Robert Duguid assumed his duties. Robert informed members of the Gold and Silver Awards achieved by President Francis Podger at Singapore 2015, the Jupp Award presented to member Ron Goodfellow by Aberdeen Philatelic Society and the Silver/Bronze award won by member Alan Roy at Europhilex in May. Francis and Ron brought their awards in for members to view.

Packet Secy: £50 has been passed over to the Treasurer from packets so far this year. David has approx. Still has approx. 100 booklets to put into more packets.

Librarian: Work still continuing

Publicity: Dundee Courier no longer appears to have a local news section so no news of meeting mentioned.

Webmaster: Nothing to report, although Norrie did advise members there may be a delay in updating the website due to a catastrophic failure of his PC.

ASPS Rep: A delegates meeting will be held on 17th October during Scotex.

Vote of Thanks: The vote of thanks was given by Robert Duguid who complimented President Francis Podger on an excellent display.

Date of Next Meeting: Morning Meeting – 1st October 10am till Noon
Evening Meeting – 8th October Japanese Military and POW Mail by Terence Pickering FRPSL