

**Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society, Roseangle Gallery, Dundee  
on 25 February 2016**

**Visit from Aberdeen P.S.**

**Welcome:** The president welcomed members and visitors to the meeting

**Apologies for absence:** Doug Howkins, David Cree

**Attendance:** 18 Members and 5 Visitors

**Minutes:** The minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> February were approved on the proposal by Robert Duguid and seconded by Ron Goodfellow.

**Display:** Joe Richie began the evening with a display of stamps and covers from Jammu of Kashmir. Joe provided a brief history of the state and how the first Maharajah created the first post office. The first stamps produced were circular stamps produced from 3 dies and were hand-stamped. Joe's display also included what are termed Old Rectangular and New rectangular stamps. Jammu suffered from a lot of reprints and forgeries of their stamps, indeed it has been found that some stamps were recreated using new dies but these dies have never been found. Joe then went on to display some covers explaining the postmarks and how British India also ran an external postal service at the same time.

In the second display of the night Bruce Walker displayed stamps and covers from Aden and Zanzibar. The first part of his display concerned Aden with a display of a range of covers from 1880 onwards, with one letter being posted on the last day of the Indian administration in Aden. Bruce displayed sets of stamps from the reign of KGVII and some military and censored mail. He then went on to show some stamps and covers from Zanzibar which again started with Indian Post Offices. Bruce then displayed stamps showing a variety of Sultans who ruled Zanzibar up to the revolution in 1964. Bruce finished his display with a series of covers from French and German Post offices (the German PO being short lived).

**Business:**

Secretary: Mentioned that the next council meeting was scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> April and that officers' reports will be required.

Treasurer: Nothing to Report.

Packet Secy: Nothing to Report.

Librarian: Group met today. David also highlighted the collection of Robson Lowe Catalogues.

Publicity: Nothing to Report

ASPS Rep: Updated members on status of Post & Go facilities at congress and asked for volunteers to assist in set up and dismantling of Congress as well as manning of society desk. Congress covers/postcards available for purchase at 50p.

**Vote of Thanks:** The vote of thanks was given by Robert Duguid who congratulated the members from Aberdeen P.S. on excellent displays, and also thanked Jeff Jefferies for providing the transport for both speakers.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Morning Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016      10am till Noon  
Evening Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016      'Malaya – Four Unfederated States'  
by David Mekié