## The Chichester & District Philatelic Society Newsletter



# October 2019 In Our Sixtieth Year!



#### Medieval Marvels: - Cathedrals and Churches in the Gothic Period

## Mr. Brian Doherty

Mr. Doherty certainly knows a thing or two about gothic, or Romanesque architecture in medieval churches and cathedrals. His talk was buzzing with interesting information that accompanied his collection of post cards with stamps on the wrong side. Apparently doing such a thing is anti UPU rules, putting the stamp on the picture side. But his was a full collection of just these.

All had cancellations. There were also commemorative packets and plenty of stamps all showing different cathedrals and churches he and his wife had visited. He was able to impart the views of high vaulted ceiling, pillars, gargoyles, walls, wall murals and more. His collection derives from five or six different countries! To name just a few: - Santiago de Compostela- a huge pilgrim centre in Spain, Cologne Cathedral, Wells, Durham, Ely, Gloucester Cathedrals and more, Norte Dame, St Denis in Northern Paris, Pisa in Italy, Bamberg in Germany, and many, many more. We learned much about the construction and architecture of these rich centres of religion, history, calligraphy and music from the medieval period. it was a splendid display and talk!











## August Meeting: -Members Night "Pacific"

Written by Mr. Fred Robinson

Despite being the warmest Bank Holiday Monday there was quite a good turnout, and the subject "Pacific" showed how versatile our members could be.

Chris Dudeney opened with the 1946 Peace Issues from Australia, New Zealand, and Canada. Fred Robinson continued this theme with a look at the League of Nations and the United Nations.

John Armstone showed revenues from Lord Howe Island, Norfolk Island, Papua New Guinea, and then, Hong Kong. He added some items on Greenpeace too. Mike Berry displayed Australian miniature sheets 2010-2012.

Heather Lawn showed some of her colourful thematic collection with parrots. Mike Asteris displayed King Edward VIII used on flight covers to Pitcairn, Australia and other locales

John Parsons cleverly used the title to show pages from his collection: -

**P**—Pitcairn

**A**—Ascension

**C**—Cayman Islands

**I**—India

**F**—Falkland Islands

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**C**—Cyprus

John Farmer was non-specific with a Belgian stamp paquebot in USA. Waffle now SS from WW2, and some examples of heavy felt pen obliterations used by postal officials.

### **September Meeting**

Competition Night II

It was the second competition evening in this celebratory year on 23rd September. Alan Bush Competition Secretary, ensured everything ran smoothly.

Winners of the Peal Challenge were: -

**1st Mike Rogers** with a fine display entitled 1d Red Imperforate Queen Victoria. His display highlighted numerous varieties in the corners in rose and lettering. Nineteen entity printing anomalies were explained.

**2nd John Armstone** with a WW2 Fieldpost Offices of the Allied Forces in GB. Third was Martha Brown with a display of Early Germany Postal Reply Cards.

**The Birkin Trophy** was won by John Armstone with a most interesting display entitled Stamps of the Courier Companies 1975 x 1985. This included labels from TNT, Skypak, Securicor and many more.

**The Allan Postal History Plate** was won by John Armstone with a beautifully written display entitled Railway Letter Services: - Uses & Abuses.

Second place was Ted Piper with a lovely display of Palestine Egypt Expeditionary Forces 1918. His were mint sets and several first issues.

Martha Brown won third place with a collection, all on piece, from the 1923 Hyper-inflationary German period. She had studied all the Markings, cancellations and different colour markings on each.

### NOVEMBER AGM 25th NOVEMBER 2019—60th AGM!

Our AGM is on 25th November. We will have Members Latest Acquisitions, with up to ten sheets and three minutes per member in speaking time, our 'usual rule'! We look forward to a good show of members on that evening. The President promises to bring some nice biscuits! CONTACTING US:

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There are no spaces and all are small case letters.

The newsletters from the year are also on the website.

If any member has news, an article, or any other Philatelic gems they may email me, or write it (typed preferably) and give it to me at meetings, and I will try to fit it into the next newsletter.

The next newsletter will be issued in February 2020 and will include October, November 2019 and the January 2020 meeting.

Meanwhile, Merry Christmas! And WHAT a wonderful 60th this year has been! BRAVO EVERYONE!

President/Editor Martha Brown