



# THE KIWI



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## EDITORIAL

### OUR NEXT MEETING

2.30 p.m. SATURDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1958. at the KINGSLEY HOTEL, LONDON

At this meeting Mr. Campbell Paterson will entertain the members and, those members who have had the pleasure of hearing him will need no persuasion to attend but, to those who have not had the pleasure, may I urge them to make every endeavour to attend for they are in for an informative and enjoyable session.

FUTURE MEETINGS: The Officers and Committee wish all Members a very happy and peaceful 1958 with the very best of good health, good hunting for those elusive items and success in your studies and research; the Editor requires them desperately for future issues of the "KIWI".

Dates for subsequent meetings are as follows:

March 29th (Saturday) 2.30 p.m. Peter Davey, Esq., of Truro.  
May 28th (Wednesday) 6.30 p.m. Robinson Lowe, Esq., Chalon Hds.  
July 30th ( " ) 6.30 p.m. Members' unusual exhibits.

Have you seen this? Also queries on Perforations.

Sept. 24th. (Wednesday) 6.30 p.m. Annual Competition.

The Committee have decided to try a change in the conditions of awarding the "Stacey Hooker" Cup and "Kiwi" Shield. Instead of the Cup being awarded to the Competitor with the highest marks on a subject of his own choice and, the Shield to the runner-up, the following conditions will apply for the 1958 and 1959 Competitions.

The Cup will be awarded for the best Exhibit of stamps, covers, cancellations etc. from 1855 (Chalon Heads) to the issues of King Edward VII (Stanley Gibbons type 52 inclusive or Campbell Paterson's J8a).

The Shield will be awarded for the best Exhibit from King George V issues (S.G. type 60) to the present day. Next year the procedure will be reversed, i.e., the Cup for the best exhibit from K.G.V onwards and the Shield for the older issues. It was thought that this method of awarding the prizes would give equal chances to collectors of modern issues and the early issues of winning the Cup.

November 29th. (Saturday) 2.30 p.m. A.G.M. Details later.

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NEW MEMBERS:

Edwin Pryah, 6, Clifton Park Road, Davenport Park,  
Stockport.

W.A. Searle, 149, Hook Lane, Welling, Kent.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

R.G. Barnes, late of Harpenden.

New address: "Hillcrest", Mill Green Way,  
Goathland, Yorkshire.

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I have to remind you that subscriptions for 1958 were due on 1st January (see report on A.G.M.) Members may if they wish submit their subscriptions with their packet purchases.

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The President wishes it to be known that the Society has accepted an invitation to provide a display of New Zealand stamps before the members of the Bromley and Beckenham P.S. on March 5th. Members who are able to attend will be welcome and any members who have sheets they would like to display, please contact Mrs. Margarete Erskine.

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The Committee have agreed that the Society will give its support to the International Stamp Exhibition to be held at the Festival Hall, London, in 1960 by means of a donation towards the prize fund. This donation can be supplemented by members' voluntary donations if they so wish.

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The 40th Philatelic Congress of Great Britain will be held at Folkestone from 27th - 30th May, 1958, and the Society will provide a New Zealand Study Circle, Leader: Mr. H. Ia Goste Bartrop.

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The A.G.M. of the Society was held at the Kingsley Hotel, London, on 30th November, 1957.

After the Minutes of the previous A.G.M. were read and approved, the President, Mrs. E.C. Moore gave a report on the previous year's satisfactory activities.

Following this the President made a presentation of an illuminated Scroll, signed by all the Members present, to Mr. Campbell Paterson, in commemoration and appreciation of his visits to the New Zealand Society of Great Britain during his stay in this country. Mr. Paterson was surprised and delighted at this gesture and suitably responded.

The next pleasant duty the President had to perform was a presentation to the retiring Secretary, Mrs. Margarete Erskine, for her untiring work and devoted service to the Society, ably assisted by her genial husband, Gerry. The presentation was a combined lighter and cigarette case, subscribed for by Members of the Society. Mrs. Erskine thanked all for this wonderful gift and was highly delighted when showing it to the Members present.

To complete a trio of presentations, the President handed to Mr. H. Gordon Kaye a Certificate of Hon. Life Membership of the Society for services rendered. Mr. Kay was the first member to be accorded the honour.

After the reports from the Treasurer and Packet Secretary the election of Officers resulted as follows:-

President: Mrs. Margarete Erskine  
Vice-President: H. la Coste Bartrop.  
Hon. Secretary: W. Hasler Young, coupled with  
Packet Secretary.  
Hon. Treasurer: Noel Turner.  
Committee: Messrs. Erskine; Farrow; Givan;  
Williamson and Mrs. Moore.  
Hon. Auditor: G.B. Erskine.  
Hon. "Kiwi"  
Editor: Albert A. Hard.

Before other business was proceeded with Mr. Noel Turner presented the retiring President, Mrs. Moore, with a charming spray of *Cypripedium* Orchids.

The Treasurer, Mr. Noel Turner, proposed that members' subscriptions should, in future, fall due on 1st January of each year, commencing 1st January 1958. The proposal was seconded and carried unanimously.

At the conclusion of the business session, the President presented the Stacey Hooker Cup to Mr. J.D. Evans (East Sheen) for his entry of Chalon Heads and, the Kiwi Shield to Mr. J.R. Hinvest for his entry of 1d. Universals, in the Annual Competition.

With the formal business of the A.G.M. completed, two members of the Australian Specialists Society of Great Britain had come along to entertain us with a display and talk on stamps of the Australian Commonwealth. They were Mr. I. Ash, son of the late Mr. John Ash, Australian Stamp and Note Printer, and Mr. E.E. Watson. The displays consisted of out of the ordinary items which included albino prints and crash covers, etc.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the visitors by Mr. Bartrop, and seconded by Mr. Hopkins.

Tea was then taken which gave members a chance to meet one another in informal talk on philatelic matters of New Zealand interest. It was noticed that several members had brought items for inspection and Campbell Paterson's expert knowledge was much in demand.

After tea there was an auction of approx. 80 lots and a list of "prices realised" will be found elsewhere in this issue.

The Annual Dinner had to be cancelled owing to insufficient support, regrettable, I think, that with a membership of well over 100 in Great Britain, many of whom correspond with one another throughout the year, and yet enough members cannot be persuaded to meet in the flesh once a year to attend this function.

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Prices Realised at Auction Sale - A.G.M. 30th November 1957

Lot No.	1 - 5/-,	2 - 12/6,	3 - 10/-,	4 Unsold,
	5 - 6/-,	6 - 8/-,	7 - 4/-,	8 - 6/-
	9 - 1/-,	10 - 3/-,	11 - 7/6,	12 - 11/-,
	13 - 10/-,	14 - 6/-,	15 - 5/-,	16 - 12/6,
	17 - -	18 - 14/-,	19 - 17/-,	20 - 16/-,
	21 - 17/6,	22 - 22/6,	23 - 35/-,	24 - 27/6,
	25 - 30/-,	26 - £5.15,	27 - 25/-,	28 - 55/-,
	29 - £3.10	30 - -	31 - 5/-,	32 - 3/6,
	33 - 3/6,	34 - 30/-,	35 - 2/6,	36 - 2/6,
	37 - 2/6,	38 - 2/6,	39 - 2/6,	40 - 2/6,
	41 - 5/-,	42 - 5/-,	43 - 5/-,	44 - -
	45 - 12/6,	46 - 10/-,	47 - 2/6,	48 - 2/6
	49 - -	50 - 3/-,	51 - 23/-,	52 - £3.5.
	53 - £3.	54 - 50/-,	55 - 25/-,	56 - 7/6
	57 - 57/6,	58 - 47/6,	59 Withdrawn.	
	60 - 25/-,	61 and 62 - 50/-,	63 - 10/-	
	64 - 32/6,	65 - £10,	66 - 10/-,	67 - 15/-,
	68 - 17/6,	69 - 3/6,	70 - 3/6,	71 - 20/-

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Members may wish to know of some prices realised at Robson Lowe's auction of New Zealand Stamps on 11th December, 1957, which the Editor attended in company with other members of the Society.

The fourth lot and most spectacular item to be offered was a 1/- green bisected for the 6d. rate beautifully tied by "18" obliteration to cover front, dated Otago Nov. 20 - 1858 - addressed to London, valuation £100, bidding started at £200 and finished at £220. An 1862 - 2d. ultramarine on pelure paper fine copy tied by "12" obliteration to piece, valuation £15, fetched £24. 1900 - Penny Universal perf. 11 Waterlow paper, pane of six in experimental 1/0½ booklet, incomplete, valuation £6, fetched £20, similar but 2 panes of six, complete booklet valuation £15 fetched £27. Next lot similar booklet, same valuation and price realised. Definitive booklet Cowan paper perf. 14, two panes of six, imperf, at sides, dated 1902 at back, valuation £6, fetched £16. Similar booklet but complete with five panes 2/6½ marked 1902 at back, valuation £12, fetched £32.

As last but three panes only, incomplete booklet marked "5569 - 1902" at back, valuation £8, fetched £11.10.0. 1906 Christchurch Exhibition ½d. tad die proofs in colours close to issued colours, valuation £16, price realised £28. K.G.V 5d. light blue. mint block 4 top pair imperf. all round, lower pair perf. 13½ vertically and 14 at foot. Valuation £30, fetched £45.

A similar pair of the 4d. bright violet, valuation £28, fetched £36. Cover dated 29 Aug. 1864, bearing 6d. watermark N.Z. cancelled "Queen's Redoubt" valued at £28, fetched £26. Similar cover Oct. 1865, bearing 2d. cancelled at Auckland showing "Queen's Redoubt" on reverse, valuation £16, fetched £19. A collection from about 1900 T.P.O's, Paquebot and other Maritime items many on pieces, valued at £5, fetched £17.

Out of approx. 120 lots, 82 lots realised the valuation price or well over, which is a good omen for the market value of New Zealand material.

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