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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY WILL BE HELD AT THE UNION JACK CLUB ON  
MARCH 28TH, 2009 STARTING AT 11.00

THE MORNING WILL BE FOR NEW ACQUISITIONS AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST  
AND THE AFTERNOON FOR THE BIENNIAL 12 SHEET COMPETITION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, SEE PAGE 26 OF THIS ISSUE OF *THE KIWI*

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**ENCLOSURE**

With this issue of *The Kiwi*, you should find enclosed:

- ❖ A copy of Campbell Paterson's Newsletter advertising the disposal of Stamp Designer, Lindy Fisher's Archive.

If it is missing, please contact the Honorary Treasurer

**SOCIETY NEWS:**

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS:**

**NEW MEMBERS:**

We welcome:

D. R. Tanswell, Devon

**DECEASED:**

R. W. Johnson, Bedfordshire

B. Stonehouse, Cheshire

**NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY**

The biennial 12 sheet competition will be held at the next Meeting of the Society. Full rules for the competition can be found on page 32 of this issue of *The Kiwi*. The judging will be undertaken by those present. These events depend on a lot of entries, please participate if you can.

The meeting will begin at 11.00 and the time before the competition will be used for those attending to show recent acquisitions and other items of interest.

### **NEXT MEETING OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL GROUP**

The Spring meeting of the Western Region Group will take place at 13.30 on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 at St. Jame's Church Hall, St. Jame's Street, Taunton TA1 1JS.

Members are invited to bring any new additions to their collections plus any Cook Islands or Samoa items. The Hon. Sec. will also report on our entries and displays at the Torquay weekend last Autumn.

For further information, please contact Paul North: ☎ 01392 877054.

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### **NEXT MEETING OF THE SCOTTISH REGIONAL GROUP**

The next meeting of the Scottish Regional Group will be held on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Dewar's Centre in Perth, starting at 12.30.

It is an informal get-together during the Scottish Philatelic Congress and will take place over a drink/lunch in the room on the first floor adjoining the bar and overlooking the Congress Meeting Hall.

For further information, please contact Michael Kirwan at [Michael@kirwans.net](mailto:Michael@kirwans.net). or on 0131 447 3420.

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### **VOLUNTEER REQUIRED FOR THE ANNUAL AUCTION**

A volunteer is needed to assist with the Annual Society Auction. The task requires approximately 10 days work commencing immediately following the auction. Access to e-mail and a local Post Office is essential. The job includes the following: collecting the lots at the end of the auction, notifying postal bidders of the results, receiving payment from successful postal bidders and then packing and despatching lots. He/she will then need to return unsold lots to vendors. Finally, he/she will send cheques received and the amounts due to the vendors to the Hon. Treasurer who will arrange payment.

Derek Diamond has undertaken this role for the last 3 years and should be contacted for more details and with offers of help.

This years auction was very successful and much enjoyed by all those who participated. Without a volunteer for this important role, there will be no auction in 2009.

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### **NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY HELD IN LONDON ON JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2009**

Our Chairman, Derek Diamond, opened the meeting by welcoming those present. He informed us that the next *Kiwi* would include the latest Campbell Paterson Newsletter which included the description of Lindy Fisher's Archive that is currently for sale. He also commented that the catalogue for the sale of Joseph Hackmey's Chalon collection at Shreves's Auction House in New York was available through Spink. This is almost certainly the best collection of the issue ever made and the catalogue is likely to become the definitive work on the subject.

The meeting was a discussion about perforations. Derek Diamond opened by saying that he had found 'Fundamentals of Philately' by LN and M Williams very helpful. He defined perforation and said that the essence of the process was the removal of paper to allow easier separation of the stamps. This was either achieved by combs, line or rotary perforators or by die cutting. As a side effect of the process, some paper was removed and this could cause problems as well.

The question of the reasons for perforating was then posed. Derek said that he had five possible reasons:

- To separate stamps on the sheet to assist in separating them for sale,
- Perfins – for security,









































