CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY:

NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH SEPTEMBER 2022:

The meeting began with a minute's silence to honour Queen Elizabeth II followed by an acclamation God Save the King for Charles III.

The 2022-23 Season began with a visit by two members from **Epsom and Ewell Philatelic Society.**

The first half was a presentation by **Simon McArthur** who told of the history of Munich in the Nazi period under the heading **Munich – Capital of the Movement.**



With the aid of stamps, postcards, miniature sheets, hand stamps and covers Simon told the story of the rise of Hitler and the way the Nazi Party had influenced Munich including the construction of many of the buildings which still exist in the city centre. All material was carefully written up and provided a most interesting presentation.

In the second half Henry Coward showed a display under the heading Birth of the Machin.



The story began in 1965 when Arnold Machin won the competition for the design of the Queen's head on stamps to replace the Wilding head. The first Machin stamps were issued in 1967. The material presented was varied with cylinder blocks, gutter pairs, traffic light gutter pairs, booklets, imperfs, perfins, machine vending books, package labels, higher values, specimens and ending with the new definitive stamps just recently issued. All material was well displayed and enjoyed by members and guests present.

President Pauline MacBroom thanked both speakers for their detailed and interesting displays and presented each of them with a certificate to mark their visit.

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