## **CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY:**

## NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023:

At the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Shirley Methodist Church **David Rennie**, a member of Croydon Philatelic Society since 1982 and currently the President of Bromley & Beckenham Philatelic Society, gave a display entitled **Mixed Frames**:



The first frame was of **British Stamps.** A variety of Ship Letters with a Liverpool mark were shown dating from 1817. David detailed the markings on the letters such a late fees. From 1840 Penny Black stamps were used and a number of covers displayed followed by Penny Red and Twopenny Blue stamps. In 1890, 1940 and 1990 stamps were produced to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup> and 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries of the first issue of the Rowland Hill stamps. Examples of the stamps were shown on cover, miniature sheets and as single stamps.

The next frame showed stamps of **New South Wales** which were hand engraved. There was a variety of plates, papers used and watermarks.

Following an interval for refreshments the stamps of **Tasmania** took up the next frame. Again, the stamps were hand engraved on a variety of papers. There were various colours of the

stamps for the various values, a number of watermarks and some were imperforate whilst others had perforations.

There was a frame of **Registered covers** from a variety of destinations including Malta, China and Switzerland.

The frame of **Burma stamps** from 1937 were firstly overprinted on Indian stamps before producing their own. Amongst the stamps were some fakes.

The final frame showed the stamps of **North Borneo.** The 1939 George VI issue was a complete set and later stamps were issued for the Japanese Occupation. Finally, there were a number of registered letters on display as well as stamps on covers.

The meeting concluded with the President, Pauline MacBroom, thanking David for his interesting and varied presentation. Members enjoyed looking at the material.

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