

Croydon Philatelic Society.
Notes of meeting held on 3-10-2023

An excellent display and presentation by Chris Forwood in two parts.

The first part "Stamps and symbols" showed how images on stamps have been used for subtle propaganda using the dispute between Korea and Japan over the ownership of the Dokdo islets in the Sea of Japan as an interesting example.

He then covered the long running claim by Argentina over ownership of the Falkland Islands or "Malvinas" as referred to by the Argentinians including Argentinian map stamps showing them as part of their territory.

There was also a display of stamp design which was clearly wrong, most notably a Liberian stamp showing US president Kennedy congratulating Martin Luther King on winning his Nobel prize in 1964 though Kennedy was assassinated in 1963!

The second part of the display was a superb showing of Great Britain George V.

This began with Downey Head definitives , including proofs , followed by the Mackennal Heads and photogravure issues.

An impressive selection of stamps and covers covering the George V commemoratives, both British Empire Exhibitions, the Universal Postal Union and the Silver Jubilee were also displayed including first day of issue and control items.

Members present were treated to a presentation of some truly outstanding items and our thanks go to Chris for a very enjoyable afternoon.

