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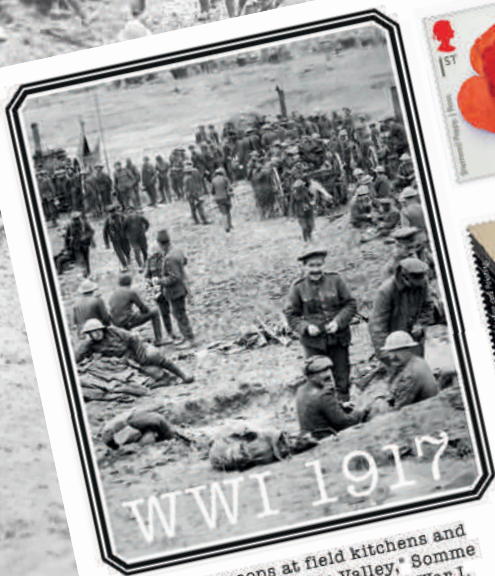
The Newsletter of the Association of
G.B. First Day Cover Collectors



31st July 2017

~~WWI
1917~~

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British troops at field kitchens and
dug-outs in "Sausage Valley," Somme
River, France, during World War I.



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Summer at last!



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Welcome to the August edition of the GBFDC newsletter.
I have just returned to cooler weather from Dubai at 44c and
I am now playing catch up after a family holiday!

We have just completed the Architectural Landscapes this
issue had a extremely varied selection of buildings a difficult
issue to design, but Harriet did a great job, I love the design

We have 100 years of WW1 1917 on the 31st of July and
Classic Toys 22nd of August rounding up the summer.

Martha who looks after both fdcovers and the work we do for
GBFDC has just passed her driving test and I haven't really
seen her since! I hope she gets back before we have to send
out the newsletter.

Next month there is the Autum Stampex 2017 between the
13th &16th of September, unfortunatly we can't be their this
year as we are exhibiting our Proper Goose products at
Hampton Court Handmade Fair.

We have a little less in this issue, it must be holiday time?
If you are going off on holiday have a great break.

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Martha

Letters to the Editor

Dear all,

I was fortunate to be invited to the opening event in respect of the Postal Museum and went on the Mail Rail - the audio commentary and visuals as we went round the track were excellent. Also bumped in to 2 Imperial German Postmen from 1900 as you do and had some photographs taken which I think are really for children. Photographs attached.

Regards,

Ian.

Ian Balcombe



It is with great sadness and regret that we have to announce the sad loss of sam downes, who passed away on the 5th june 2017 after a short illness. He has left his beloved wife jean, children david and linda and their families, our thoughts and prayers are with them all, at this very sad time.

Sam started his philatelic business with john rice in the late 1970's, with john managing the stamp side and sam providing a first day cover service to a wide range of customers. His knowledge and contacts within the first day cover industry was second to none.

He was a long standing a much respected member of the association and will be missed by us all.

If any members would like to know the arrangements for the funeral please contact david downes on 07917022603

RIP Sam

Your dear friends michael and peter maslak

Regards

Michael Maslak

2017 YEAR LIST

Special stamps

17 Jan	Ancient Britain
15 Feb	Windsor Castle GBFDC *
14 Mar	Music Giants II
06 Apr	Racehorse Legends
04 May	Songbirds GBFDC *
05 Jun	Machin Definitive Anniversary
20 Jun	Windmills and Watermills
13 Jul	Landmark Buildings
31 Jul	First World War - 1917 GBFDC *
22 Aug	Classic Toys GBFDC **
14 Sep	Ladybird Books

Oct	TBA
07 Nov	Christmas
Nov	TBA

Definitives

06 Feb	65th Anniversary Accession to the Throne
March/April	Tariff Definitives

Post and Go

15 Feb	Mail by Rail
05 Jun	Machin Anniversary
13 Sep	Mail by Air

* GBFDC Covers 2017 ** AGM Cover Only

Landmark Buildings

ISSUE DATE
13TH JULY 2017



Aquatics Centre, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, London -Library of Birmingham

Clyde Auditorium, Glasgow –Scottish Parliament Building, Edinburgh

Giant's Causeway Visitor Centre, Northern Ireland- National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff

Eden Project, St Austell, Cornwall,- Everyman Theatre, Liverpool

Imperial War Museum North, Manchester, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, London

The First World War 1917



**ISSUE DATE
31ST JULY 2017**



WW1 1917

Prestige Stamp Book



Pane 1



Pane 2



Pane 3



Pane 4

Classic Toys

ISSUE DATE
22ND AUGUST 2017



12 x 1st Class - The Merrythought Bear, SindyDoll, Spirograph, StickleBricks, W.Britain Toy Figures, Space Hopper, Fuzzy-Felt, Meccano, Action Man, Hornby Dublo.

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31st July 2017



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Scarce Covers

by Colin Young



2012 London 2012 to Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games Handover Royal Mail Commemorative cover with FULL SET. I have seen one on ebay at over £500



Medieval Life Legal and General Covercraft Official with FULL SET and also the Menu card that was used at the 150th Anniversary Dinner. I was fortunate to get this on ebay which was in a frame and the menu was on the back of the frame.



Horse Racing
Derbyshire Festival 79
Official cover with FULL
SET This was again won
on ebay for a decent
price a few years ago



1994 Golf HECG Official (possibly looks official) with a FULL SET. This is 1 of 8 covers which I bought at the Stafford Stamp Fair some time ago.



1998 Lighthouses Lighthouse Reigate with FULL SET on Lighthouse Publications
Official. This was bought off a reputable dealer.

I'm an Italian follower of the topic "Christmas". I think, that the first British Christmas FDC is not the cover of 1966, but the cover of 5 December 1952 with the slogan postmark "Post Early For Christmas". Actually the cover bears the first stamps of Queen Elizabeth II (definitives low values). During my research I was able to find only one illustrated cover, but many plain covers. For the 1966 Christmas issue: the design of the Snowman was made by a boy of London (James Berry), so I think that the postmarks of London are "appropriate" postmarks for this issue. The King of Orient was designed by a Girl of Stafford (Tasveer Shemza), but I don't was able to find a FDC (plain or illustrated) with the postmark of Stafford. Sorry for my bad English. Greetings and best wishes: Dr. Achille Ragazzoni



FDC Postmarks with advertising slogans are looked by collectors not for the location of the Post Office, but only for the wording of the slogan, it must have a good connection with the stamp issue. But it is very interesting if the Post Office and the slogan both have a connection with the issue. In the case of the Christmas 1966 issue is considered the slogan "BRITAIN LEADS THE WORLD IN HELPING SPASTICS" as appropriate; in my collection I have the slogan used at the Post Office of SHEPHERDS BUSH, and the Shepherds, it is well known, have a strict connection with Christmas...

Greetings: Dr. Achille Ragazzoni

On 6 January 2015 in honour of the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lewis Carroll, the Post Office issued a fine set of stamps, all illustrating different events from *Alice in Wonderland*, and of course several First Day Cover producers issued some delightful covers. These included those created by Adrian Bradbury.

Back in 1998, for the Centenary of the death of Lewis Carroll, Adrian issued Carroll related covers for every one of the ten issues of stamps that were produced over the year, as well as one for new definitives. For a Carroll specialist like myself, this was a real challenge. Happily Adrian knows me well (he was the person who first encouraged me to collect First Day covers 20 or so years ago), and I was able to buy examples of all the covers, both with the single relative stamp and also with the full quota – in each case. For most of these he was able to let me have No. 42 which was famously Lewis Carroll's favourite number.

At the time of the 1998 issue, Adrian serviced a few of each of his set of nine covers with the Alice stamp from the 1991 Greetings stamp book. At the time of the 2015 issue he had two copies of each design remaining complete with stamps and postmarks. To these he added the 2015 2nd Class stamp (Alice falling down the well), thus creating unusual double dated covers.

And here is the crunch. Whether he was just being nice to me, I am not sure, but he did let me know that he was only issuing 2 in all, of each of the covers. And he let me know in time – so I do have No. 1 of the 2 for all of the eleven issues. One is shown here.

Acknowledgement – I owe a huge debt of gratitude to Adrian Bradbury, who has been so understanding of my dual interest in Lewis Carroll and first day covers over many years. He has also given me valuable details I have been able to use for this article.



An unusual cover?

By Selwyn Goodacre

I wonder how often the Post Office is 'duped' into franking a cover that has no official Post Office stamps – but only Cinderella stamps? Here is one example in my collection.

It is adorned with Gerald King Alice Cinderella stamps only – i.e. no Post Office stamps at all. Yet it was posted, and has a circular date stamp cancellation – 'Walthamstow E.17 25 July 1980' – not a 'first day cover' as such, but of some interest nevertheless.

Of course, the Post Office is not in the business of playing detective, so it must be entirely possible that stamps that look a bit like the 'real thing' are assumed by the Post Office to be the genuine article. But one does wonder how often this happens. Terry Barnett tells me that he imagines my cover may well be unique, but thinks it unlikely to be of any great value.

He may be right, but I do wonder of any member, who is interested in 'Cinderella covers', has a similar item? I, for one, should be most interested to hear about it.

Readers may recognise the name and address on the cover – it is our old friend Mr C E Bossom, about whose remarkable Year of the Child FDCs covers I wrote in First Day Coverage No. 126 April 2015.

Acknowledgements - I am most grateful to Phil Sheridan and Terry Barnett for their expert advice concerning this cover.



The highlight of our 11th May auction was a set of Castles re-engraved High Values on 4 Cotswold First Day Covers cancelled with the 4 relevant dates of issue which sold for £3600. Only 3 or 4 sets of these are known.

A 1955 2/6d Waterlow Castles on unaddressed illustrated First Day Cover sold for £110 & 1970 High Values set including the £1 value on a plain handwritten First Day Cover for £100.

Among the commemoratives 1971 Literary Anniversaries Post Office FDC with Penn CDS sold for £110 & 1986 Commonwealth Games Royal Mail FDC with Mobile Post Office 2 CDS (used in the Games Village) for £95.



**These postal auctions
are held monthly.
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Castles re-engraved High Values
Cotswold First Day Covers £5 Value



1955 2/6d Waterlow Castles on
unaddressed illustrated First Day Cover



1970 High Values set including the £1
value on a plain handwritten First Day
Cover



1971 Literary Anniversaries Post Office
FDC with Penn CDS



1986 Commonwealth Games Royal Mail FDC
with Mobile Post Office 2 CDS (used in the
Games Village)

Brian Reeve Stamp Auctions

Our 31st May auction included Part 1 of the Jeffrey H.Booth Collection of GB Overprints on First Day Covers. Many of these sold for around full catalogue and above including 1935 Silver Jubilee matching registered set of 4 Morocco Agencies & Tangier which sold for £413 (Cat £300) & 1948 Tangier High Values set of 3 @£342.20 (Cat £350).

A broken down collection of Machin & Regional cylinder blocks also sold well with 1986 Northern Ireland 17p Type II Questa cylinder blocks of 6 fetching £377.60 & £342.20 and Scotland 31p Type II Waddington cylinder block of 6 fetching £472. Prices include 15% Buyer's Premium + VAT.

Our next auction on July 26th will include Part 2 of the GB Overprints on FDCs collection. Live online bidding is also available.



1935 Silver Jubilee matching registered set of 4 Morocco Agencies & Tangier £413

Brian Reeve Stamp Auctions



1948 Tangier High Values set of 3
£342.20



1986 Northern Ireland 17p
Type II Questa cylinder blocks
of 6 £377.60 & £342.20



Scotland 31p Type II
Waddington cylinder block
of 6 £472

These postal auctions are held monthly. There is no Buyer's Premium.

Date	Details	Price
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1976 Caxton on the B Library off. (No.1) Cat £50		£10
1978 Buildings Kings Lynn fdi & Sandringham catchet		£7
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1998 End. Species on the Bradbury official 1 of 50		£25
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1971	Christmas FPO 62 CDS only 150	£20
1972	Explorers FPO 62 CDS only 150	£20
1972	Gen Annivs FPO 62 CDS LA only 150	£20
1972	Churches FPO 62 CDS LA only 150	£20
1972	BBC set of 2 FPO 62 CDS LA only 170	£20
1972	Silver Wedding FPO 62 CDS LA only 250	£20
1972	£1 definitive FPO 62 CDS LA only 125	£20
1973	EEC reg FPO 62 CDS LA only 190	£20
1978	Christmas FPO 467 CDS PA only 110	£35
1979	Dogs FPO 62 CDS only 110	£35
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- 10) 18/07/06 Nat. Portrait Gallery on Sheridan Royal Society of Portrait Painters official. 61 done. £40
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- 28) 25/02/10 The Royal Society on Sheridan Catalyst Museum off. & Institute of Physics M/M. 20 done. £45
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- 30) 06/05/10 George V Accession M/S (St. George) on Sheridan King George V Collage off. 56 done. £40
- 31) 06/05/10 George V Accession M/S (St. George) on Sheridan King George V Collage official with The Royal Society of St. George meter mark. Only 32 done. £45
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- 3) 11/02/70 British Rural architecture on Sovereign FDC cancelled Gloucester FDI. Tiny A/L Fair cond. £15
- 4) 20/11/72 Silver Wedding. Royal Lancers official cover. Small very neat printed A/L. Very good £60
- 5) 05/05/78 Horses. Railway Horses, Big Four Railway Museum, Bournemouth cover cancelled FDI Bournemouth with Midland Railway stamp & cancel, Dispatched from the Museum. Good condition £70
- 6) 21/03/79 Spring Flowers on Stuart FDC top 2 stamps cancelled with 21st Spalding Flower Parade slogan. Bottom 2 stamps cancelled with Spalding, Lincs double ring **CDS**. Scarce cover £45
- 7) 06/06/79 Horse Racing. Warwick & Warwick official cover cancelled NAURU 1906-1942 Postal History Exhibition NPC Warwick. U/A in good condition £40
- 8) 18/11/81 Christmas. Keighley & Worth Valley Railway FDC. Cancelled FDI Bradford. Added 20p Railway stamp cancelled Christmas Stamp Issue, Worth Valley Railway 18/11/81. Very good condition. Tiny Haworth Station address label. £6
- 9) 16/06/82 Maritime. Nottinghamshire Lifeboat Appeal official signed by Lord Bishop of Southwell, President of Appeal. Tiny typed label. In very good condition £40
- 10) 13/10/82 Motor Cars. Rolls Royce Enthusiasts' Club official cover. £20
- 11) 01/05/84 Frama Label 12.5p on a Frama Scriptomatic Ltd. own cover with interphlag. The Leader Worldwide For Frama Postage Labels, London meter mark and Label cancelled with North Finchley **CDS**. I imagine there are not very many of these covers around. In pristine condition. £25
- 12) 26/06/84 Greenwich. Lloyds List official. Small printed A/label. V. Good condition. £20
- 13) 20/01/87 single 31p Flowers stamp on BBC Gardeners' Question Time CoverCraft cover signed by 1987 GQT Team. Clay Jones, who was question master, died a number of years ago. Pristine. £25
- 14) 05/06/90 Kew Gdns on Royal Botanic Garden Kew official cover. Royal Botanic Gardens Kew 150 Years red ink slogan. Remainder of stamps cancelled FDI Twickenham. £20
- 15) 08/01/91 Stubbs Dogs. RSPCA Pawprints Appeal official. Pristine. £8
- 16) 07/04/92 Europa on Nene Valley Railway official. Peterborough City of Europe H/S. Pristine. £15
- 17) 16/03/93 Orchids. Worshipful Company of Gardeners official cancelled with Kew Gdns **CDS** Pristine. £15
- 18) 01/02/94 Greetings. RM FDC with Write Now, Say it Better in a Letter slogan. Pristine. £12
- 19) 15/02/94 To Pay Labels (9 labels 1p to £5) on Presentation Philatelic Services FDC. Pristine. £50
- 20) 17/01/95 Cats. RM FDC with RSPCA, Stop Live Animal Transport meter mark cancelled RSPCA, Horsham postmark. Pristine. £10
- 21) 21/01/97 Great Tudor. King Henry VIII School, Coventry official. Pristine condition. £20
- 22) 11/03/97 Missions of Faith. Bradbury St Augustine official cancelled Canterbury, Kent **CDS**. Pristine. £15
- 23) 21/07/98 M. Worlds. RM FDC with P&O Stena Line, Oxford slogan. A Cuthbert produced cover. Rare. £8
- 24) 13/03/01 Weather stamps on Coldseal own cover with Coldseal Windows, Doors & Conservatories meter mark. Cancelled with Windwhistle **CDS** Pristine £12
- 25) 01/11/05 Xmas Madonna & Child stamps on Wolverhampton Art Gallery own cover. Cancelled Royal Mail Christmas Stamps Wolverhampton art Gallery. Pristine cover. Scarce covers very few done. £35
- 26) 03/10/06 Sounds of Britain. Single stamp Pudsey BBC Children in Need FDC signed by the legendary Cleo Laine & Johnny Dankworth. Pristine. £30
- 27) 16/06/09 Mythical Creatures. Cotswold FDC with Mermaid meter mark & Sea, Ilminster postmark. £8
- 28) 16/06/09 Mythical Creatures. RM FDC with Cheddar Gorge meter mark & Bideford postmark. £7
- 29) 17/09/09 Naval Uniforms. RM FDC with Sailors' Society meter mark & Nelson, Lincs **CDS**. Pristine. £16
- 30) 17/09/09 Naval Uniforms. RM FDC with Chatham Historic Dockyard 25th Anniversary meter mark & Greenwich postmark. Pristine. £7
- 31) 08/10/09 Eminent Britons. RM FDC with Royal Philharmonic Society meter mark & St. Anne's Lane Old Pye St. London postmark. Pristine. £9
- 32) 08/10/09 Eminent Britons. RM FDC with Dr. Samuel Johnson Tercentenary meter mark & Gladstone Road postmark. Pristine. £9
- 33) 03/11/09 Xmas. RM FDC with Jesus Army meter mark & Ormesby, Gt. Yarmouth postmark. Pristine. £5
- 34) 17/09/10 Birds Post & Go on Stampex official cover cancelled with Autumn Stampex Post & Go Birds of Britain H/S. Pristine. £35
- 35) 21/04/96 Save the Children Fund cover. Isle of Man & Guernsey stamps each cancelled with its own postmark. Signed by Jill Dando. Pristine. £55
- 36) 17/05/16 GBFDC No.56 Safari Zoo official cover. Pristine. £15
- 37) 02/09/16 GBFDC AGM2016 Great Fire of London. BFSa official. Pristine. £80
- 38) 15/09/16 GBFDC No.58 Agatha Christie Bijou Theatre official cover. Pristine. £20

A Date For Your Diary - 22nd October 2017

The AGM/Cover Fair will be on Sunday 22nd October 2017 at the usual venue of the Collingwood Centre, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7NF .

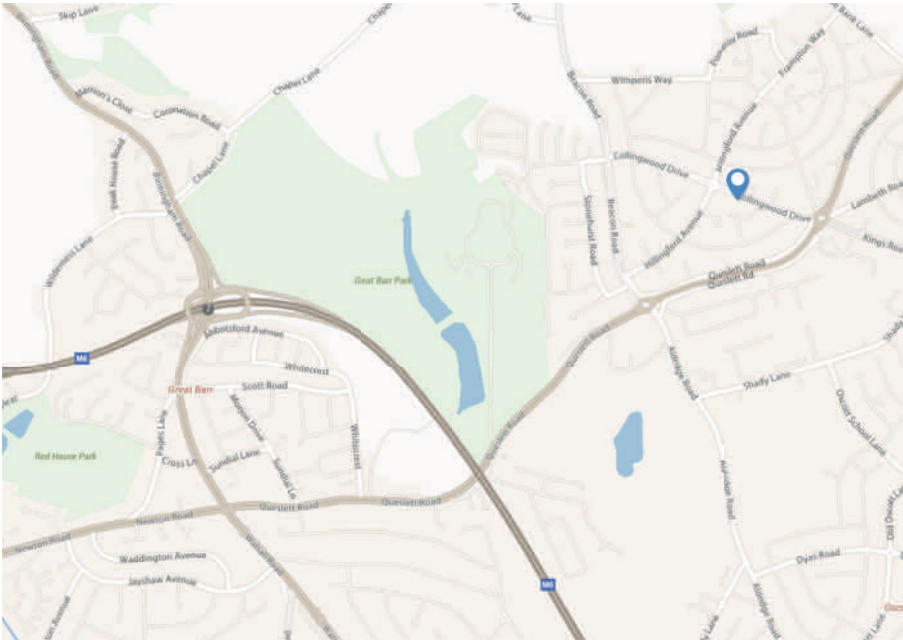
Doors open at 10am until 4pm with a buffet lunch being served around 12ish.

As always the main business of the day will be our Annual General Meeting which will commence at 1pm.

If you have any items that you wish to be added to the Agenda please let me know as soon as possible.

The dealers attending the cover fair, at the time of writing, are :-

Peter Middleton, Peter Heath, P & M Maslak, Chris Hockaday, Brian Reeve, Mark Gosling, Tony Mee, John Chidgey, Richard Park and Terry Barnett.



Autumn Auction October/November 31st August 2017

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First Day Covers ONLY, no commemorative covers please.

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If have any questions please contact Richard Park 01403 241825 or email rjpark@btinternet.com

Deadline for the next issue - 10th September

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