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From the Editor's Desk



Welcome to the February, and first edition of First Day Coverage for 2016. We apologise for it being dispatched later than usual. Fault lies with editing and not with

dispatch and we are very grateful for your understanding and patience.

We have another bumper 24 page newsletter for you this edition.

The news that's buzzing around just now is the RM500 miniature sheet Stampex Overprint. It has collectors in a highly excitable state. Not something you necessarily associate with sedate stamp/cover collecting people. This is the second such sheet which will be, once again, limited and numbered to 7500. It is primarily for encouraging visitors to the Spring Stampex 17–20 February 2016. It very much looks like the Europhilex overprinted sheet was such a success that it is to be repeated for Stampex shows. This may well be excellent for collectors but not good public relations for the Trade or small cover producers. Small cover producers lose out to larger business and that's plainly unfair.

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DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL 2016 EDITION

Items for publication MUST be with the editor by
7th March 2016

Thank you to everyone who has sent in material for publication. If you haven't seen your article in this newsletter, please be assured that we will use it in a future edition. We require more articles and features so that we have them in have for forthcoming newsletters

From the Editor's Desk

continued.....

Small business cannot hope to be on a par with big business in the philatelic world so there will never be a level playing field. I hope as many of our members manage to acquire one of these sheets at least on cover eventually. Going by the Europhilex Show last May, if you go down yourself before 2pm then you stand a good chance at getting 3 sheets. Keep one mint example and do two on cover. Remember to look for the Stampex Post Office somewhere in the building. You may be able to acquire a very scarce CDS on your cover. Good luck to everyone attending on any of the four days.

We are very pleased to announce that the winning bid for the Sheridan Europhilex numbered sheet cover was £135. We would like to thank Henry Pugh for his very welcome cheque for Cancer Patient Support Fund at Warrington Hospital, and to the anonymous donor of the cover. An update is on page 10.

Thank you to everyone sending in their lists of covers for the MCS this issue. We are delighted with a full sales list starting on page 11 through to page 16.

We would like more members to take advantage of the MCS feature by submitting covers for sale lists for future newsletters. It's a feature that is free to use for all members and we all have covers we want to sell for numerous reasons. What better way than sell them to other collectors who will give them a good home!

We are very grateful to members for sending in the articles we have published inside this edition. Mike Brazier is well respected in cover

circles and his article about a handstamp for the Composers stamp issue in 1980 is excellent. You can read it on page 3.

Richard Bennett once again supports your newsletter with another very good article about BAC Concorde FDCs from 1969. You will find this on pages 4 and 5.

E. Stredwick asks for members' help about a 1974 Fire Service cover in the Letters to the Editor page. Please send all replies to your editor and we will publish them.

On page 9 is an excellent illustrated article from Nick Larnar on producing your own covers. It shows what can be done with a little thought and ingenuity.

More Rare Covers are illustrated on pages 17 and 18 by Colin Young.

Selwyn Goodacre tells us about registration marks on older covers and shows, what is probably, the only full sheet of stamps first day cover. Yes, I did a double take when I read that! If anyone knows of other covers like it then please write in to your editor and, if possible, please include a good quality photocopy of said item.

We hope you enjoy this edition of 'Coverage' and we apologise again for it being late. We hope it hasn't spoilt your enjoyment.

That's it from us for this edition. We will see you in April. Please send in your material as early as possible. Thank you.

Happy Collecting.

*Phil Sheridan & Dot,
Hon. Editors.*

PROBABLY THE BEST HANDSTAMP.....

In 1980 Sponne School, where I taught, was intending to celebrate its 550th anniversary and I was asked to produce an official FDC to commemorate the event, my first school official. The cover design caused no problem, depicting the original chantry school, still in the market square, and a modern part of the present school.

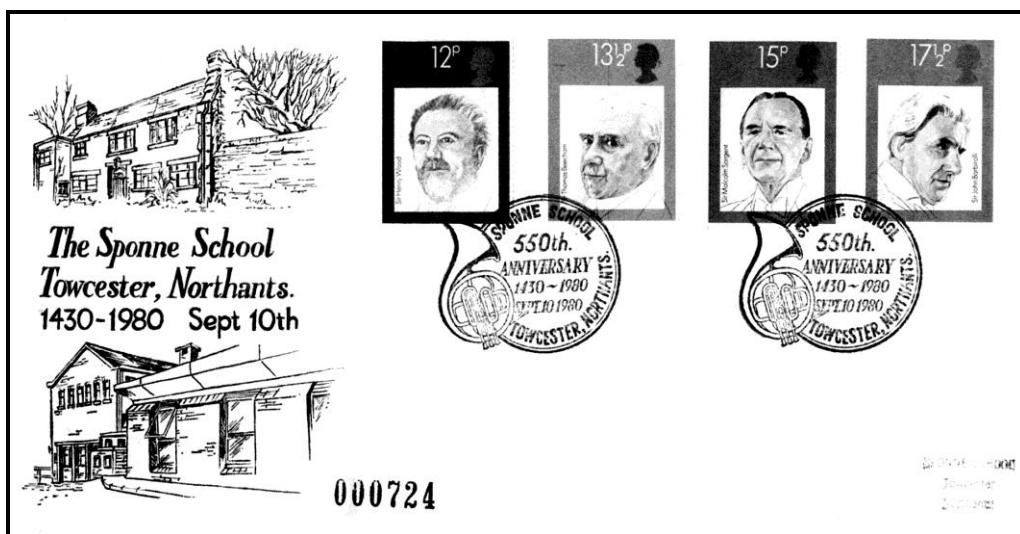
However the handstamp proved more difficult as there was much to include, and after several failed attempts by "A" Level Arts Pupils, the art teacher said he would produce one adding the comment, "No Problem, Mike" (Note it was way before the availability of computers which could do the job, or so I am told!)

The result is the illustration below but not his comments as to how difficult he found it!



However I found out later it took up the best part of a weekend and involved the use of a drawing board, and final reduction to a more manageable size. The result I think is one of the best I've seen (yes, of course I would say that wouldn't I?) Somehow he managed to incorporate a lovely diagram of a French horn together with the rest of the wording as I had told him the cover would have the 1980 Composer stamps due to strong music tradition of the school.

The number sold maybe of interest to you. We sold around 1700, a huge number by today's sales, and decided to service only about 10 extra over and above what was paid for. Of the total I estimate no more than 60-70 were sold to serious FDC collectors.



The vast majority were bought by pupils, their parents and ex pupils, and no doubt most of these are now being used as bookmarks, or languishing drawers and subject to fading
How scarce is the cover? How often does it appear in auctions? Its catalogue value was 40.00 for years and years and still stands at around that price I think. So.....?

However the quality of the handstamp compares favourably with the best and I wish I could take the credit for its design. Sadly I can't, and even with the aid of a computer the thought of designing a handstamp gives me nightmares so I take my hat off to all those cover producers who do their own designs.

(P.S. I do not have any copies of this cover for sale.) Mike Brazier www.mbrfdc.co.uk

BAC Concorde FDC's from 1969 by.....Richard Bennett

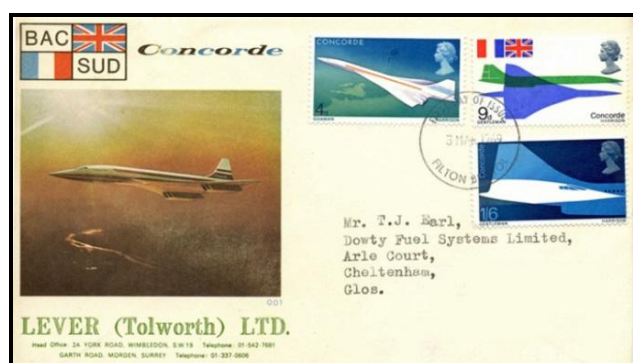
1969 saw the first flight of Concorde 001 on the 2nd March 1969 in France, followed closely by 002 on the 9th April 1969 here in the UK from Filton aerodrome, where it was built, to RAF Fairford in Gloucestershire. To commemorate this first flight, a set of stamps were produced by the Royal Mail and a range of FDC illustrations were produced by both the Philatelic Bureau and many other FDC manufacturers. BAC official cover

The British Aircraft Corporation produced an "official" cover for the issue, this example having a Bristol FDI cancel rather than the more frequently encountered Filton FDI.



As can be seen, the Wyvern in the lower left corner confirms the covers were produced by Wessex Covers. Being one of the less common designs, this FDC usually commands a small premium above the P.O. Bureau and other common cachet FDC's.

The interesting thing is that, while 99% of these covers were made for BAC, very small numbers were produced for other companies that contributed to the construction of Concorde. Perhaps the most common is that with a Lever (Tolworth) LTD. inscription, (this example with a Filton FDI) which would merely appear to have had the BAC wording replaced by Levers'.



As well as this, I have FDC's produced for three other contractors - Rose Bearings (above) with a similar substitution, but including the Wyvern symbol, and also for C.F. Taylor and Universal Fisher Engineering (below) both with an additional "Official Cover" text above and below "Concorde".

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Other types

As well as the different contractors, I have also seen an example for MEA (Middle Eastern Airways) one of the airlines that initially had options on two Concorde's. So my question is – does anyone in the GBFDC have other examples? If MEA had some made, did the other airlines which had options also have some? And what of the other suppliers like Rolls Royce (Olympus engines)?

These contractor customised FDC's would actually appear to be rarer than hen's teeth, so I would be really interested to learn of any other examples with different logos. If you have any, do please send me details or a scan to: sermb1@yahoo.co.uk and I'll collate them and revert back in a future edition of the newsletter with any additional variations.

Please send in your letters, articles and covers for the MCS, for the April 2016 Newsletter. We have nothing in hand at all so please don't forget us over the coming weeks, Please look at your collection and see if you can put a small article together or find duplicated or unwanted covers you may be able to sell via the MCS. Also please send in your letters on all things philatelic.

Thank you. Phil & Dot



*to the Editor, P.O. Box 99, Widnes, Cheshire
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Dear Editor,

I have to ask my fellow members to help on the history of a FDC. The cover concerned is for the 1974 Fire Service (SG. 950-3). The said cover is on a plain envelope. The postmark is a single ring, and Town name is "Marton in Marsh". What makes this cover so interesting to me is the address, which is "FIRE SERVICE TECHNICAL COLLEGE".

The cover has no insert and no clues to its origins. Was it done by the college or just by a FDC collector at the college?

If any fellow member has one of these covers, or any information on this cover, I would be grateful if you could pass on any information via our newsletter. Thank You,

E. Stredwick

FREE PRIZE DRAW

Don't Forget - Every letter and article published gains free entry into our Prize Draw for a sought after AGM cover. Draw for 2016 will take place during the AGM on Sunday 16th October 2016 at the Collingwood Centre, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7NF
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Charity Auction Update

The Charity Auction has produced £135 for the Cancer Patient Support Fund, Warrington Hospital. Full details are on page 10.....Phil

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We do understand that for a variety of reasons many members do not want to receive their copies via email and would prefer to continue with a hard copy. This is not a problem and we would be happy to continue to send them out via the post.

From the point of view of our European and Overseas members emailing your newsletter would mean that you could be on a par with everyone else when it comes to the opportunities of purchasing items advertised in the newsletter, for instance in the Members Cover Sale.

Emailing the newsletter also saves your association money in paying for the newsletter printing and in postage costs. At the time of writing we are emailing the newsletter to 100 members and are keen to increase this number.

Would you be willing to receive your A4 colour newsletter via email instead of a black and white A5 hard copy in the mail ? Yes, then please contact Terry Barnett with your email address.

If you already receive your newsletter by email then please don't forget to let us know if you change your email address.

That's it from us for this edition. Please do look in your collections and see if you can put together an article for us. It will be most appreciated.

MCS How to submit your covers for sale

Please submit your list either by post or email (typed in a Word Doc.) Please make it LEGIBLE otherwise it will not be included. Send them by e-mail to sheridanfdcs@aol.com. We would prefer you NOT to list covers in a table as it makes formatting difficult. Any member can sell covers via the newsletter free of charge. If you require further details then please contact the Editor.

Please, if possible, only send the list of covers for the next newsletter rather than sending a large list or several lists. It is becoming a little confusing to work out which list belongs to whom and which edition it is for. Thank you

- 1) Please list them in a Microsoft Word Document (NOT in a table though). The more details you include then the less space there will be for your covers and less covers will be listed.
- 2) Either email your list or send it by post to Phil Sheridan. Hon. Editor, GBFDC Association, P.O. Box 99, Widnes, Cheshire WA8 0NN. E-mail: sheridanfdcs@aol.com When posting hand-written lists please make sure we can read them. It is probably best to print all lists.
- 3) Deadline for all items for inclusion in to any newsletter is ALWAYS 7th of the previous month to the newsletter publication. Please see top of page 2 and inside back page in EVERY newsletter

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Whilst we are happy to receive lists of covers for the MCS written in long hand for members who do not have a computer (or access to email), we would ask those member who do have a computer and (or) access to email to take the trouble to type out their lists in a Word Doc. or directly in to an email and email it to us. This will save us a lot of work and time in transferring the list to computer and trying to decipher hand writing. If you submit a list in long hand and we know you have a computer and email then we are sorry but we can't guarantee to put your list in the newsletter. We hope you will understand. We are trying to make things a little easier for Phil & Dot due to their ongoing health problems

LITTLE GEM NESTLING AMONGST MY COVERS

BM / Lufthansa card with a full set of Art & Craft stamps cancelled 2nd May 2000

I bought this card sometime in 2001/2002 and the person I got it from told me to hold on to it as it was one of those cards that would rise in value. As he said that about many covers I purchased from him and most of them didn't realise their projected potential, I thought this one would be the same. After all it's only a card!!

It has nestled safely in my album ever since. At the middle of 2015 I found out my mobility will never get any better, indeed, it will get worse. After being told this I took stock of my situation and I realised I would need a power wheelchair. So, in order to finance this, I decided to sell my cover collection to people who would appreciate them. I did include the cover below in one of my lists in the MCS last year. A very kind GBFDC member telephoned me to tell me that the cover was valuable. Phil did some research for me and she found one that was offered for sale by Steven Scott in 2004 for £250. So I contacted a friend in the know and he confirmed its value.

Apparently there are two versions of this card, a British one and a French one. The French one has a French address printed in the bottom right of the card, the UK versions don't as the stamps are usually put on the card lower down so you can't see the French address. The French cards DO have the French stamp on the rear the UK ones don't have anything. There were around 10-15 UK cards serviced, and no more than 10, maybe less, of the French cards serviced. I am reliably informed that the UK card would be valued in the region of £200-£250 and the French card £250-£300



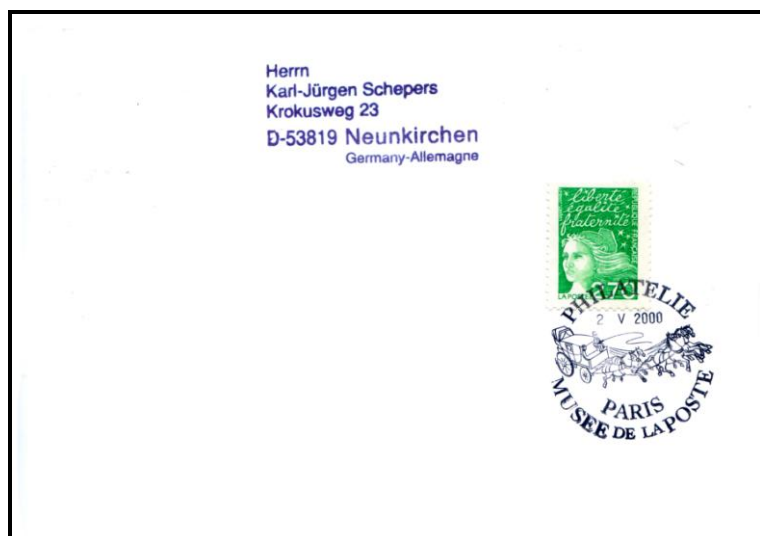
Here are two scans of the card I have. The front bears the French address but underneath the stamps is glued (very professionally) an oblong piece of white paper and the stamps are affixed very neatly over this. The stamps are then cancelled with the official handstamp. It is highly possible that the paper is covering an address but one cannot see underneath it to be certain.

On the reverse of the card is the necessary French stamp cancelled with a Paris handstamp. It is addressed to a gentleman in Germany.

So my card is quite valuable and should sell for a lot more than the price I had on it last year.

I thought other members would be interested in this card as it will be missing from most collections. If you do have one then check it to see which version, British or French, that you have. Both are fairly valuable.

Dot R.



Producing your own covers

Below are three covers produced by Nick Larner and it excellently illustrates what great covers you can put together yourself with just a bit of forward thinking and planning. All covers here are excellently produced.



Fig.1 - Is a Brittany Ferries own A5 envelope to which had been added a Condor Ferries Royal Mail generated label (these are taking over meter marks very quickly. So this could be a new area of collecting?) Nick has affixed two sets of Post & Go Sea Travel stamps and all are cancelled with Post & Go Sea Travel, Southampton 16.9.15 handstamp. Your efforts paid of Nick, a very nice, and unusual, cover indeed.



Fig 2. Is a Royal Mail fdc for the Sea Travel Post & Go stamp issue. Nick has, once again, affixed a Condor Ferries Royal Mail generated label and a full set of Post & Go Sea Travel stamps. This time the stamps are cancelled with Bon Voyage, Dover handstamp.



Fig. 3. Is another of Nick's special FDCs, this time for the Bees issue on the 18.08.15.

Nick is an avid collector of beer labels on cover and this cover has an exceptional connection. The beer is called Waggle Dance, you will see it on most supermarket shelves; the Bees miniature sheet depicts the Waggle Dance. Bees perform this dance to communicate the direction and distance to flowers yielding nectar and pollen. The stamps are cancelled by St. Bees handstamp.



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16 December 2015

Dear Philomena,

On behalf of the Breast Care Unit at Warrington Hospital, we would like to thank you kindly for your donation of £135.00.

With kind regards and best wishes,

Yours sincerely

Michelle Griffiths
Breast Form Advisor

*We would like to thank everyone who bid on the Sheridan Europhilex Limited Edition miniature sheet cover advertised on page 4 of the October 2015 First Day Coverage. The cover fetched **£135.00** and a cheque for that sum was presented to Michelle Griffiths, Breast Form Advisor, Warrington Hospital Breast Care Unit, for their Cancer Patient Support Fund. Above is a photograph of your Hon. Editor, Phil Sheridan, presenting the cheque to Michelle on the 16th December 2015. Also above is shown a receipt obtained at the same time. Thank you very much to the winning bidder, Henry Pugh.*

Spring Stampex – 17th – 20th February 2016

RM 500 miniature sheet pack with Stampex overprint and limited to 7500, each sheet individually numbered.

This sheet is especially produced to encourage visitors to attend Stampex. No more than **7500** will be printed and, I am given to understand by a reliable source, they will be issued as those were for Europhilex, **3** sheets per visitor. As these sheets are becoming quite valuable, particularly on cover, then I would encourage our members to try to attend if possible. You can help raise attendance at Stampex and acquire a valuable cover regardless to the handstamp put on it. I do think Royal Mail staff at their stand will be more stringent in who they issue the 3 sheets to. RM was aware that a number of visitors attending Europhilex did go around twice and three times and obtained more sheets than they should have. RM has promised that this will be looked at this year so be careful if intending to try this again.

We hope you all enjoy this year's Spring Stampex.

AGM Cover Auction

We would like to thank everyone who sent in a bid for one of the six AGM covers available.

We are pleased to say that the winning bid was £70 which continues to show the popularity of these covers.

Terry Barnett Hon. Sec.

Members Cover Sale

If you are an ordinary member and would like to sell your covers free of charge, then be sure to let the editor have your list in good time for publication.

All the covers listed are being sold by the member whose contact details appear at the beginning of their listing. We have laid out each set of listings as requested by the vendor so layouts will probably differ from person to person. If left to the editor to arrange then the listings will take on a more uniform appearance. Prices given are the cost of each cover and buyers must contact the seller direct to negotiate the sale. The seller may or may not add postage costs so it is up to the seller and buyer to come to their own arrangement. All that remains is to wish you good luck.

Contact: John Phillips, Email: johnphillips91@btinternet.com Phone: 01737 362189
Postage £1.00. (NB. All covers are Royal Mail covers except as stated.)

1974	Winston Churchill	Oldham H/S on Official cover	14.00
1979	Year of the Child	NSPCC Bethlehem H/S. BOCS (SP) 1	4.00
1981	Year of the Disabled	Guide Dogs H/S. BOCS (2) 2	3.00
1981	National Trusts	Haslemere CDS on Cotswold cover	14.00
1982	Youth Organisations	Frist For Boys, BOCS(2)10a	4.00
1982	British Theatre	Arts Theatre, Cambridge H/S on Official	20.00
1982	Information	Technology Best of Prestel Official cover	4.00
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1984	British Cattle	Chillingham CDS on Rare Breeds (LFDC) cover	8.00
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1985	Safety at Sea	Manston CDS	4.50
1985	Safety at Sea	Coltishall CDS	4.50
1985	Royal Mail	Southend CDS + 350 years Slogan	7.00
1985	British Film Year	Elstree CDS on G & P cover	4.50
1986	Royal Air Force	Stanmore BO CDS	4.00
1986	Royal Air Force	Newton RAF Station CDS	9.00
1986	Royal Air Force	Wyton RAF Station CDS	9.00
1986	Royal Air Force	Lindholme RAF Station CDS	9.00
1986	Royal Air Force	Middle Wallop CDS on PPS Silk cover	5.00
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1988	Sports	Aviemore CDS	5.50
1988	Sports	Lytham St. Annes CDS	5.50

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If you would like a photocopy or a scan of any cover please contact me.

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1985	10	Trains	Kings Cross Station
1985	11	Insects	R. Hooke Isle of Wight
1985	12	Composers	LPS Society
1985	13	Safety at Sea	Lukins Patent Hythe
1985	16	Films	Richmond

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1985	17	Christmas	Aladdin Nottingham
1986	18	Industry	Ironbridge Telford
1986	19	Halleys C	Giotto Bristol
1986	20	Queens 60th	Southend
1986	21	Nature	RSNC London
1986	23	Sport	ARA London
1986	26	RAF	Scampton
1986	27	Christmas	Folkestone
1986	28	Christmas 12p	Telecom Showcase
1987	29	Flowers	BFPS2150
1987	30	Newton	Hemel Hempstead
1987	31	Architects	London W1
1987	32	St Johns	Hyde Park
1987	33	Heraldry	RSA Edinburgh
1987	34	Victorian Brit.	Windsor
1987	35	Studio Pott.	Craftsmen Potters Ass.
1987	36	Christmas	Bureau
1990	55	1d Black Ann.	Kidderminster
1990	56	RSPCA	Pett Hastings
1990	57	Europa 1990	Edinburgh
1990	58	Queens Awards T	eddington
1990	59	1d Black Ann. m/s	MB Clarke London
1990	60	Kew Gardens	Reading
1990	61	T Hardy	Dorchester
1990	62	Q Mothers 90th	Hitchin
1990	63	Gallantry	Brentwood
1990	64	Astronomy	Stonehenge
1990	65	Christmas	Church Ringers St Pauls
1991	66	Dogs	NCDL London
1991	67	Scientific Ach.	Malvern
1991	68	Europe in Space	London SW
1991	69	Sport	Sheffield
1991	70	Roses	Belfast
1991	71	Dinosaurs	Plymouth
1991	72	Maps	London
1991	73	Christmas	R. Mail London
1992	74	Wintertime	Brecon
1992	75	Happy and G.	Windsor
1992	76	Tennyson	Bude
1992	77	Europa	Columbus Liverpool
1992	78	Civil War	Chelsea SW3
1992	79	Gilbert & S	Penzance

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2013 Falkland Islands Margaret Thatcher FDC Official Cover	£14
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1997 GB8 Derek Williams Post Office Official	£20
1997 GB9 Derek Williams Queens Golden Jubilee	£19
1997 GB10 Derek Williams Christmas Crackers Official	£19
1998 GB11 Derek Williams Queens Beasts	£19
1998 GB12 Derek Williams Skerries Lighthouses	£19
1998 GB 14 Derek Williams Health	£19
1999 GB27 Derek Williams Scientists Tale Official	£22
1999 GB31 Derek Williams Christians FDC Official	£25
2000 GB33 Derek Williams Above and Beyond Official	£18
2003 GB75 Derek Williams Shackleton	£75
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21/06/72 Village Churches (Full Set) St. John's Birkswell Official	£175
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Rare Coversby Colin Young



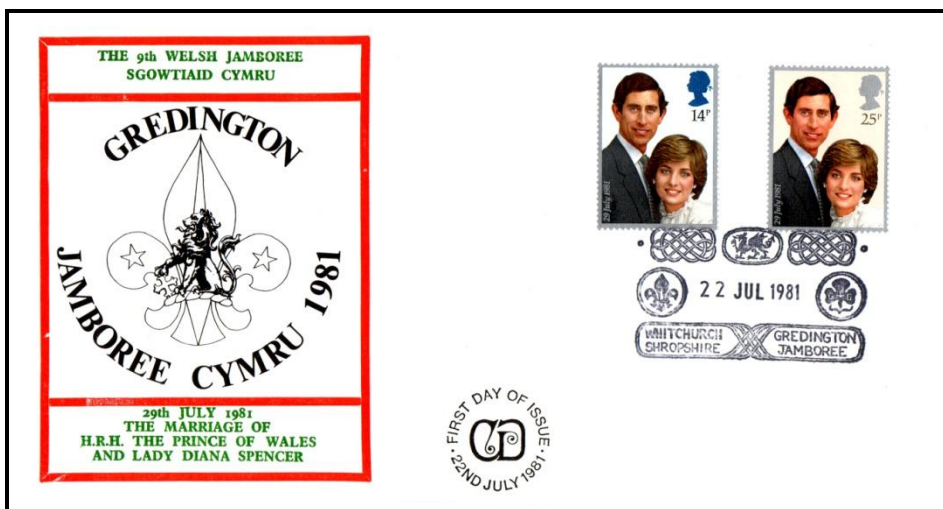
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Famous People
Eisteddfod OFFICIAL
with a FULL SET (slight
foxing but still scarce)

This was obtained
when I went to a stamp
fair in Loughborough
and found it in a box of
assorted covers and
was marked up at a
few pounds



No.2 - 24th June 1981
National Trusts
Spastics OFFICIAL
with FULL SET.

This cover I got in an
auction where I had
sent away for the
catalogue. There were
a few bids but I got it
for a fair price although
the postmark is feint on
one side. Only ever
seen two of this cover



No.3 - 22nd July 1981
Royal Wedding
Gredington Jamboree
OFFICIAL with a FULL
SET

This cover I got from a
friend who was selling
up his collection of
covers and this was the
best cover he had. It
did cost me quite a
bit as he knew a lot
about covers but have
only ever seen two on
my travels etc.

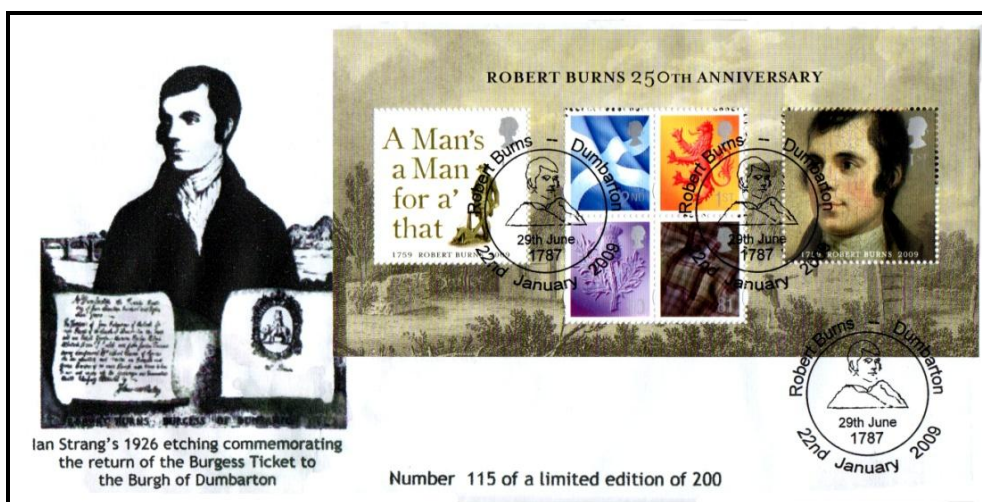
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No.4 - 5th September 1995
Rowland Hill FULL SET on the Royal Mail OFFICIAL cover.

This cover was produced by Royal Mail and was only done with TWO STAMPS. So some enterprising person put the rest of the stamps on and got

them cancelled to make the FULL SET I presume that NOT many were done so possibly makes it rather scarce



No.5 - 22nd Jan 2009
Rowland Hill J Moir Nelson OFFICIAL with the FULL MINIATURE SHEET.

These covers were done with the one stamp from the miniature sheet but I got my cover from a reputable dealer who did only TWO covers with the FULL MINIATURE SHEET



No 6 - 6th Nov 2007 St Pancras OFFICIAL with a FULL SET and MINIATURE SHEET

These TWO covers were done by myself where I had to beg for the covers off the sponsor but gave a

donation to their charity which was fair enough as I think now that they are quit scarce. I have seen these covers on ebay but NOT with full set and never seen the miniature sheet.

Concerning Registration marks on older covers

By Selwyn Goodacre

I am encouraged by Richard Bennett's excellent and interesting article on Registration marks (*FD Coverage* 130, December 2015) to expand a little on my own article on such covers (*FD Coverage* No. 95 April 2010).

Richard restricts his account to years up to 1957 only. But of course the system of registering and numbering covers persisted for some while after 1957 – up to around 1993 when the system gave way to 'Special Delivery'. In trying to ascertain just how many Registered covers in any one issue were processed in this way, one is dependent on specialist collectors like Richard – and myself (in all modesty) who collect covers in series, rather than just buying a single example.

As regards my own speciality of the Year of the Child issue, I mentioned in my earlier article that I had good reason to think that 'some (of the registered) covers were almost down to single figures'. Let me explain:

As regards registered covers with the Far Sawrey CDS, I found that every one I had details of (most of them in my collection) were all numbered between 157450 and 157510 – i.e. 60 in total. Further – the numbers in each commercial category were even more closely linked.

Philart Covers numbered 157450; 157453; 157454; 157456; 157457; 157459.

Cotswold covers came next - 157460; 157462; 157464; 157468 (note that they follow sequentially from the Philart covers)

Next came Post Office covers – 157477; 157479; 157482; 157483; 157484; 157486; 157487; R157505; R157510

Two Peter Scot traffic light gutter pairs slot in the middle of the Post Office covers - 157498; 157499

My conclusions from this are that the Philart covers were only 10 in total; as were Cotswold covers; Post Office covers probably numbered between 30 and 40. Peter Scot – the numbers are too small to make an educated guess, but allowing for the 'Post Office gap' of 18 the number is unlikely to be more than 10 in total (traffic light gutter pairs are expensive and quite tricky to organise). (It is pleasant to think that I own 20 of the likely total of 60 of Far Sawrey covers!)

As regards registered covers with the Child's Hill, Cricklewood CDS, I have 18 examples, all are Post Office covers – and the numbers all fall between 281509 and 281547 – i.e. 38. All were issued by the same dealer in Markton Hickling, though my covers came from varying sources. It seems pretty likely to me that the total number is unlikely to have been more than 40 – or 50 at a stretch.

The Greetings issues of 1990, 1991, and 1993 all also included a number of registered covers – with CDSs for relevant places such as Giggleswick and 'Bear Park.' But of these I have only a few examples, so have not been able (as yet) to estimate how many covers might have been processed in total. By the time the Greetings issue for 1994 arrived, registering had given way to the 'Special Delivery' system. These also do have numbers involved, but the details are not clear (to me, at any rate).

It is an intriguing area of collecting – and, as Richard Bennett has suggested, we need more cooperation between individual collectors to be able to tie down details even further.

Selwyn Goodacre

Complete Sheet First Day Covers

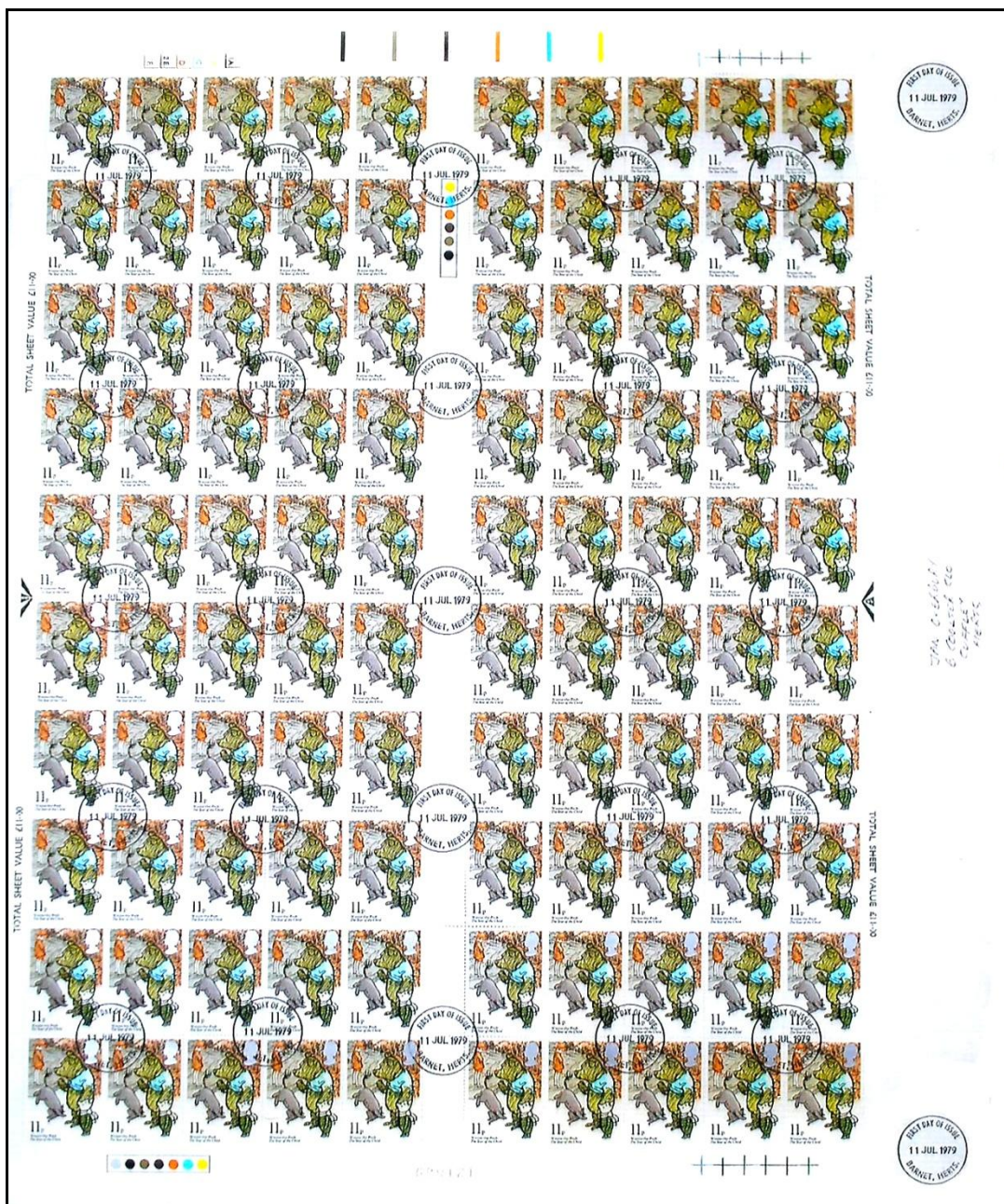
Until I acquired such an item, I could hardly believe that covers with a complete sheet of 100 stamps could possibly exist. But I do now have four examples. All are (inevitably for me!) from the Year of the Child issue. The accompanying illustration shows one of my four (the other three are for the other three stamps in the issue).

Incredibly every stamp has part of the FDI cancellation on it – and the covers are indeed complete with the name and address of a recipient. The sheet is affixed to a huge card – which measures 46.8 x 39.8cms.

I wrote a speculative letter to the name on the cover, but as I rather expected, it was returned to me, as unknown at that address (It is after all 36 years on!).

I can't think the creator did more than one each of these covers – but I may be wrong – does anyone know of other examples of a 'complete sheet cover'?

Selwyn Goodacre



Member Cover Dispatch Survey - update

We carried out the above survey in the December 2015 Edition of First Day Coverage. By the deadline date of 11th January we had not received one letter regarding this survey, either in favour of the present arrangement or against it. So the present system of posting out GBFDC Official covers stands as it is now. Each cover will be dispatched inside a board-backed manilla envelope.

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Phil & Dot and your committee.

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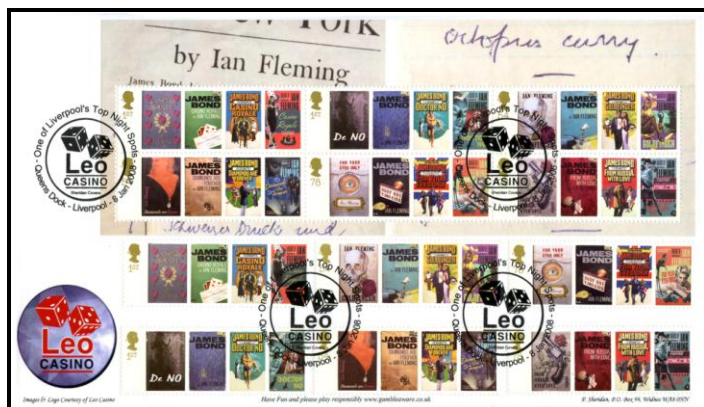


Scarce Sheridan Double official covers.
Only one of each left.

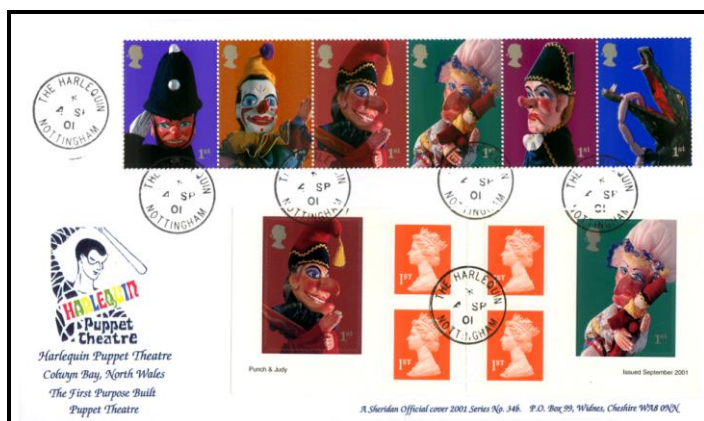
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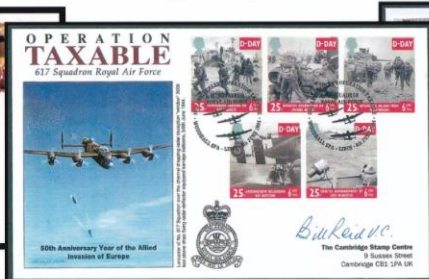
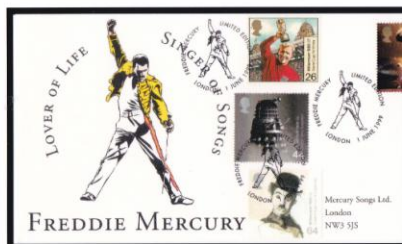
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