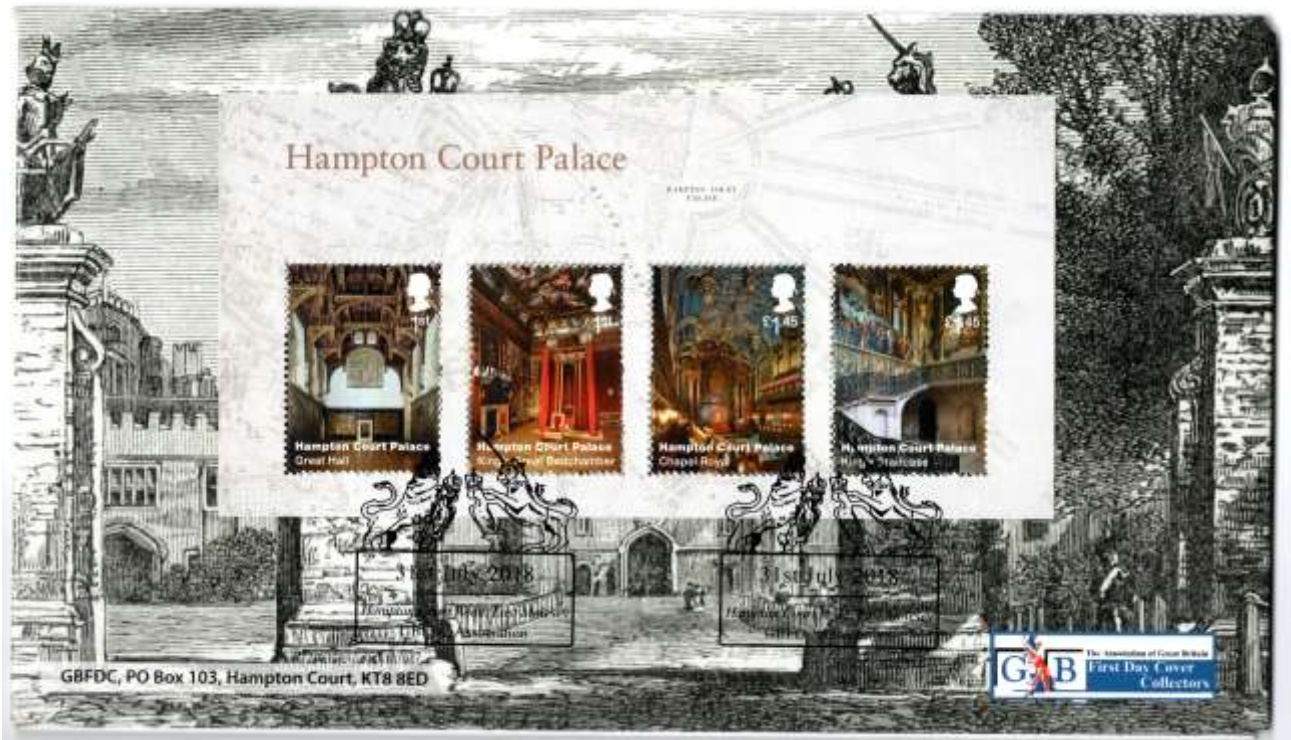


FIRST DAY COVERAGE

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The Association's FDC for the Hampton Court Palace issue of 31st July 2018.

A limited edition FDC for the Captain Cook issue will be available to members attending the AGM.

Any covers not sold on the day will be offered to members via an auction.

Please see the next newsletter for details.

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2018 Annual General Meeting

The AGM/Cover Fair will be held on Sunday 21st October 2018 at the usual venue of The Collingwood Centre, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7NF .
Doors open at 10am - 4pm with a buffet lunch being served around 12ish.

As always the main business of the day will be the Associations AGM which will commence at 1pm.

If you have an item that you would like adding to the Agenda please let me know as soon as possible.

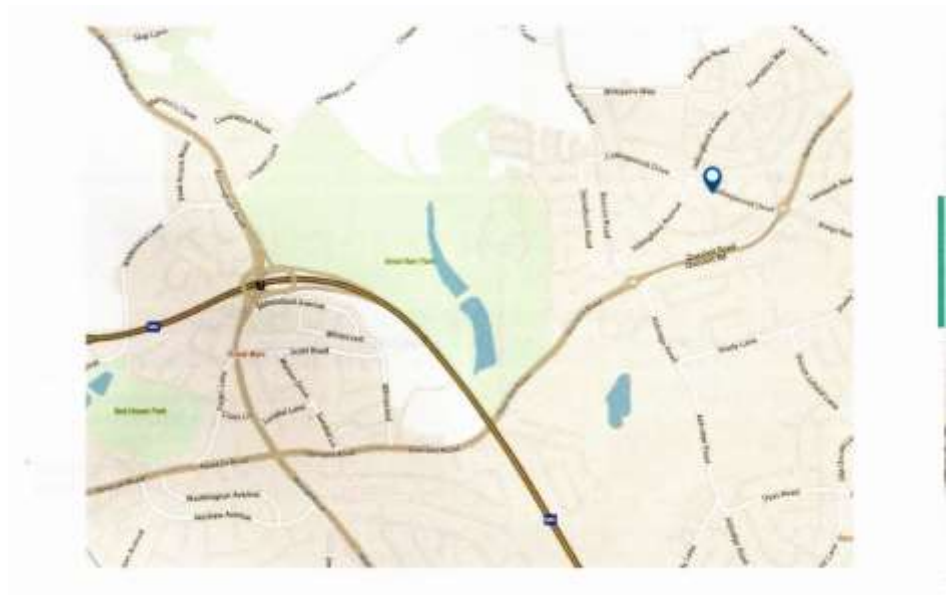
The dealers attending the cover fair, at the time of writing, are :-
Peter Heath, P&M Maslak, Chris Hockaday, Buckingham Covers, John Chidgey, Brian Reeve, Tony Mee, Richard Park and Terry Barnett.

Terry Barnett Hon. Sec.

AGM TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY
21ST OCTOBER 2018
AT THE COLLINGWOOD CENTRE B43 7NF

AGENDA

1. Chairmans welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2017 AGM
4. Matters arising
5. Chairmans report (RP)
6. Auction report (RP)
7. Newsletter report (PH)
8. Treasurers report (DC)
9. Publicity officers report
10. Appointment of Newsletter Editor
11. Any other business




John Cook 1945-2018

It is with sadness that I have to report the death, at the age of 72, of John Cook of Yorkshire in May of this year, after some years of problematic health. John was an avid producer of first day covers for his own collection and - like some others - a few extra to sell and subsidise his efforts. But what efforts he went to! He designed and printed his covers, but the most effort went into obtaining CDS postmarks and/or meter marks relevant to the stamp issue. As others do, he resorted to sending stamped covers in advance for cancellation on the day and return, but he also travelled widely, especially through the north of England. John first contacted me when I put a notice in Coverage about arrangements for the Harry Potter issue in 2007. Although the idea floated came to nothing, from then on I supplied John with stamps in advance of issue, eventually having them delivered direct to him from Talents House. Looking back through our exchanges I recorded that he used CDSs of Ramsbottom for the Post & Go Sheep, Middleton for the wedding of Prince William, Pool for Freshwater Lakes, meter marks of Bradford Bulls RLFC for the Post & Go Cattle, Blackpool Transport for the A-Z of the UK, the National Space Centre at Leicester for the Space Science issue, Yorkshire Eye Hospital for Medical Breakthroughs, and Shepherd Neame (brewer of Spitfire Ale) for the Spitfire stamps (did I mention he was a real ale buff?). He was caught up in the Canary Wharf PO debacle for the London Underground issue which took about five months to resolve, but his biggest adventure to the south that I can recall was for the Endangered Plants which involved the New Covent Garden Market Traders Association, Royal Horticultural Society (for Chelsea Flower Show) and Royal Botanical Gardens Kew for meter marks, and Deptford, Kew Gardens and Covent Garden PO branches for CDSs! Such stamina! He was an enthusiastic fan of his beloved Bradford City Bantams, and was delighted when they got to Wembley. He was also a prolific bowls player representing club and county, travelling as far as the south coast. He often came south to the Potters Resort at Hopton, near Lowestoft, and it was to our mutual frustration that even with these visits we never met, either here in East Anglia or at Stampex. John was, like many from Yorkshire, blunt and told it like it was, especially when dealing with Royal Mail inefficiencies. Our condolences to his family, and friends.

Ian Billings

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Thank you for the wonderful flowers.

We received a magnificent bouquet of flowers recently (shown below) from the GBFDC Committee on the behalf of the club. Phil was in hospital for 10 days, 18th to 27th June with Sepsis. She was very poorly but she fought a brilliant fight and became well enough to come home to continue her recovery. Sepsis is a very serious illness and the danger Phil was in wasn't lost on me.

Being disabled and not being able to drive our car due to a) not having driven since 2012 as too poorly, and b) our car, although automatic, is very big and I have not learnt to drive it yet. I have few family and they were only able to take me in to see her twice. Phil and I were in constant touch with each other by telephone though. We both have iPhones and FaceTime was a great comfort to us both. Modern technology

is taken for granted a lot of the time but it was a big help to us and we were totally thankful for it.



I happened to mention that Phil had only just come out of hospital in an email to Terry in reply to his asking how we were and a few days later the flowers arrived. It cheered us both up a lot. We can't tell you how much it meant to us, such beautiful booms and two big sunflowers too.

Phil continues to recover although she is experiencing the terrible after effects caused by Sepsis. Sepsis is a killer and we know how lucky Phil has been. She was very fortunate that it was got early and treatment was initiated immediately. She will continue to have problems for some months to come.

The UK Sepsis Trust has information for anyone who experiences Sepsis or has a relative or loved one who has/or had it and is wondering why the person is not recovering as quickly as one might think they should. Just being clear of the infection is only half the story. During Sepsis the blood pressure plummets and this starves vital organs of oxygen and can cause ongoing issues for the person who has had Sepsis. Patience and understanding is what is required of family and friends. The patient needs to rest a lot if they are to recover fully. Their weeks are peppered with good, not so good, and bad days. It can take between 6-18 months to fully recover. It all depends on if there has been lasting damage to vital organs. Phil had an abdominal and pelvic scan and chest x-ray and she was told there doesn't appear to be any damage to kidneys or other organs. She has been very fortunate but we wanted to tell Phil's story in the newsletter to highlight the higher risk of Sepsis in modern society. One has to move very quickly if Sepsis is suspected.

We would like to thank the GBFDC Committee and the whole club for the beautiful flowers and good wishes. Thank you all so very, very much.

Love, Dot & Phil xx

'Greetings' Covers 1994

By Selwyn Goodacre

Following on from my account of the Greetings issue for 1993 (*First Day Coverage* March 2018), let us have a look at the Greetings covers for 1994 - the last of the Greetings issues one that has a particular interest for me (a dedicated Lewis Carroll and Beatrix Potter collector!). This time the theme was 'Messages', and again there were ten first class stamps - Dan Dare, The Three Bears (the Goldilocks story), Rupert Bear, Alice in the White Rabbit's house, Noggin the King, Peter Rabbit posting a letter, Red Riding Hood, Orlando the Marmalade Cat, Biggles, and Paddington Bear.

There were some fine official covers with brilliantly different pictorial hand stamps - like the elaborate one for Rupert at the Daily Express, the Hatter drinking his tea for Daresbury, Paddington (and yes you can get it signed by Michael Bond)

We see 'old friends' - CDSs from earlier Greetings issues - like the CDSs for Bear Park, Bearsdon, Glasgow, Bunny, and Rupert Street, But there are new ones like 'Wolfs Castle' and 'Wolfsdale' for Red Riding Hood, and 'Catsfield Battle' for Orlando, even 'Eagle', Lincoln (Dan Dare appeared in the 'Eagle' comic).



The concept of 'letters' (i.e. conveying messages) was catered for by CDSs from 'Letters, Erniskillen', and 'Letterston, Haverford West'.

In these two articles I have concentrated on covers in my own collection - but there are more out there, that is certain. Long may the quest continue!





"From the Editor" on Page 3 of the June newsletter really struck a chord / resonated with me...

I ceased ongoing collecting of G.B. F.D.C.s (ie re new issues) back in 1990. What finally "finished me" was Royal Mail, on the face of it, (attempting) rewriting history... I refer to the "double xxxx" issue of 10-1-1990.

Most people know that this was the 150th anniversary of the Uniform Penny Post (viz 10-1-1840—10-1-1990).

However, our beloved R.M. Issued first day covers printed, referring to the anniversary of the Penny Black...! (which some catalogues and dealers, lamentably follow).

Most people know that the Penny Black was not issued until MAY 1840.

I regarded this as a ploy by R.M. Ie they could not wait to try to further "corn it". Needless to say, come May 1990, they issued again (re the Penny Black anniversary).!

Oh, if I had a pound for every occasion I've heard a G.B. F.D.C. Collector saying he or she had had enough (of Royal Mail's policy, referred to by many as printing (for themselves money).

But I agree, they do not seem to bother at all about the number of "gooses that laid golden eggs" for them that they're killed off..

The beauty of philately though, is that it is such a wide subject and so one does not need to be a slave to practices as such of those by R.M. One can just walk away, which I (and x number of other collectors) have done.

Paul Howard

In the December 2016 issue of *First Day Coverage* I had an article concerning 'Official covers with other than Official cancellations'. In this I mentioned the limited issue of the British Library cover with London WC FDI having the design coloured, signed and numbered by Ryan Mansell, and said how strange it was that the cover with the British Library SHS did not.

I was wrong. I have recently acquired a copy of the cover with British Library SHS that *is* part of the limited issue - No. 454 in fact, coloured and indeed signed by Mansell (though in thin black biro whereas my examples of the London WC FDI are signed in thick blue biro). Rather curiously Mansell has not coloured Pooh himself in this British Library SHS copy, unlike the one with the London WC FDI (where he is coloured brown (of course!).

It's all rather intriguing!

Selwyn Goodacre



CAN YOU HELP MICHAEL

When I was in England a couple of years back I purchased two First Day covers as investments for my daughter Victoria. At the time I noted: -

This is the actual Diamond Jubilee Cover ex Buckingham Palace (not the previous set issued with the same error, but only the commemoration issue - this one is one of just 12 with this error that were the official Buckingham Palace issue) - mis-cut sheets of 12 sets, so one stamp is missing to RHS (see evidence - the perforations but no stamp).

Would you or one of your members please mind helping me understand more about what I have?

I suppose these sorts of questions -

- How many were actually issued?
- Is there a market - viz. have any sold and, if so, what seems to be their approximate value today?
- What is the SG or other catalogue number, so I can track value from time to time?

Regards, Michael Cybulski



Royal Mail First Day Cover



Royal Mail 'Talisman House' 21 Southgate Street London E1 6AN

A response from Dot R.

My personal view on these miscut covers is they are easy to manufacture if one purchases the miniature sheet Press Sheet that is issued at the same time. For that issue a sheet of I think 8 miniature sheets was issued. I purchased several sheets myself and cut them properly and I serviced Press sheet miniature sheet covers. Some people were a bit unscrupulous and they manufactured fake 'miscut' sheet covers (it was also done for the Penny Black Anniversary Miniature Sheet issue in 2015.) All they have to do is miscut the sheet themselves using a paper cutter or Guillotine. The monetary return on the sale of these covers more than compensated for any sheets that were unusable after the miscutting. I think you will find that these covers come under the heading of 'fakes' but that does not mean they are worthless. As with any 'fake' covers they are valuable and I note that Richard Park of CoverCollecting.com has them listed for £185. (Cont overleaf)

A response from Dot R. Cont.

In summary, these covers are fake. There were no miscut sheets done by Royal Mail or Buckingham Palace, as in genuinely miscut sheets. But they are not worthless. It all depends on how much you paid for them at the time. If you purchased them for £100 then, as Richard Park is selling them for £185, you can safely say they have increased in value. People in the philatelic world, especially in GB, know these covers are 'fakes' and a cover is only worth what someone will pay for it. Fake covers can be valuable especially in the future but it's important for you to put documentation in with your covers to the effect that they are 'fake'.

NEW AUSTRALIAN TAX from Noel Almeida

I have received the following article about a new tax from Noel Almeida, a member in Australia which may be of interested. It is reprinted from Stamp News Australasia.

GST to you Bill for stamps and shipping—WHETHER that actual seller is doing \$A 75,000 a year in sales to here, to need to register for GST or not.

EBAY Buyers in for a nasty shock.

And I suspect the stamp buyer will only know about that extra \$US50 at invoice stage. Bid US\$500 or Euro 500 at an eBay stamp auction or "Buy It Now" and you do NOT see that looming 10% until you get around the paying the bill. The 10% GST will also be added to the cost of all shipping, as the "S" in GST is for Services.

All the large overseas Auctions like Spink and Feldman and Gartner etc. will clearly all do more than \$A75,000 annual sales to here, and will need to register for Australian GST the Feds here blissfully imagine, and will need to add the same 10% levy at invoice point I surmise.

Given how totally muddled and confusing and contradictory Spink London are even on their own website, at even outlining all the relevant British taxes, VAT and fees to foreign buyers, as we saw for recent sales, they will simply charge it on ALL invoices to here I would not be surprised, not just the under \$A1,000 ones.

So a \$US500 online purchase of a stamp album on eBay with \$US50 shipping will cost you \$US55 (= \$A75) more from about the date you read this, it seems. Even if you only bid \$500. A very expensive lesson for many readers of this article, who I am sure had NO idea this stealthy change occurred on July 1st 2018.

Much more discussion here on stampboards—tinyurl.com/eBaysGST and right up to time of eing implemented. I cannot see that eBay have had the courtesy to tell local buyers that all purchase from overseas will now cost them 10% more than it appears to cost, when ordering.

I am surprised eBay are not outright refusing to collect it as it penalises THEIR buyers and only their buyers right now, and buying stamps or cameras etc off other sites do not have tax added at invoice point and probably never will.



Since retiring 2 years ago, & closing Bletchley Park Post Office in 2015, 21 years to the Day after it first opened in 1994, I have been concentrating on producing Commemorative Stamps (Smilers) & Covers for Specific Events and a number of Charitable Organisations. Schools, Masonic 300th, A Charity for recent VC recipients. & continuing supplying the demand for Bletchley Park Historic Covers. whilst less frequently now.

I would like to let collectors know that some special Historic anniversaries like WW1, Christmas etc are still being produced under Bletchley Park former P.O.

Due to the closure in 2015 many Collectors are not aware of the above & I would ask that you mention my email address for those that may like to catch up with recent activities.

John Chapman Email: chapdjman@gmail.com

Editor — I had not realised that the Post Office at Bletchley Park had closed, dismantled and moved. John sent me details and it has been re-housed at Oakham Treasures, Oakham Farm, Portbury, Bristol BS20 7SP.

Request for Help

In response to your request in the last newsletter please find attached pictures of 2 FDCs for the 1969 Investiture. The first FDC was done by myself as I was on a school trip and excited to actually be at the Investiture on the day. I thought at the time getting the set of stamps and related Caernarvon h/s was really special! How little I knew at the time that the Caernarvon p/m would be so widely available, and as a hand written FDC no longer in pristine condition it has no value, only personal interest.

On the other end of the scale I have subsequently managed in 2013 to buy a FDC (with same postmark), but this time it has been signed by Charles. Obviously a very relevant signature and definitely the most expensive FDC I have purchased to date. So for an outlay of 15p to several hundred pounds I have two FDCs at either end of the scale!

I would be interested if anyone knows how many covers were signed by Prince Charles for the 1969 Investiture issue and if there are any other FDCs which he has signed.

Anne Tucker



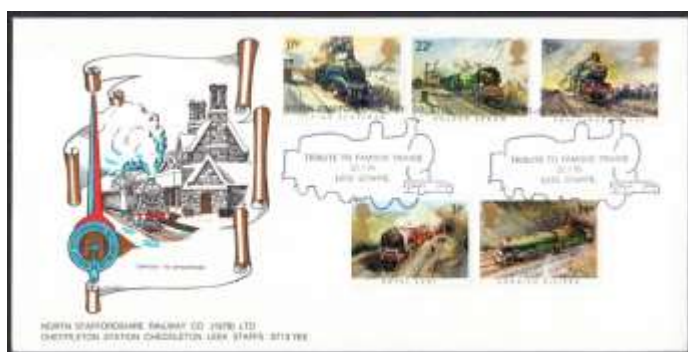
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The star item in our March 15th sale was a 1985 Famous Trains North Staffordshire Railway Company Leek Official FDC which realised £1300 (Cat £200).

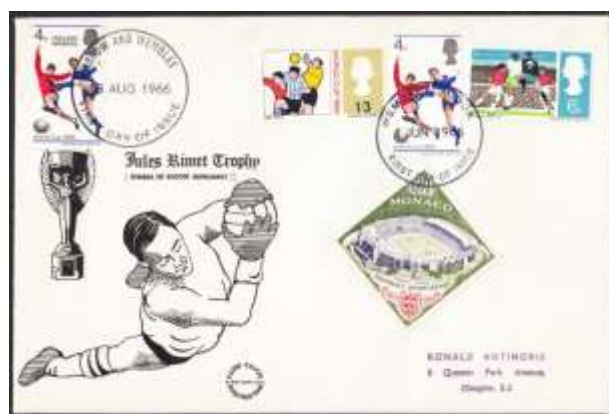
Other rare covers included 1964 Geographical Congress with Greenwich First Day of Issue slogan £330 (Cat £300), 1965 Churchill GPO FDC with Marlborough CDS with handwritten address £360 (Cat £250), 1966 World Cup + England Winners combination FDC with Wembley FDI handstamp on both dates £220 (Cat £275) & 2003 High Values set with Windsor pictorial FDI handstamp, the £2 value with Missing "£" sign error £525.

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



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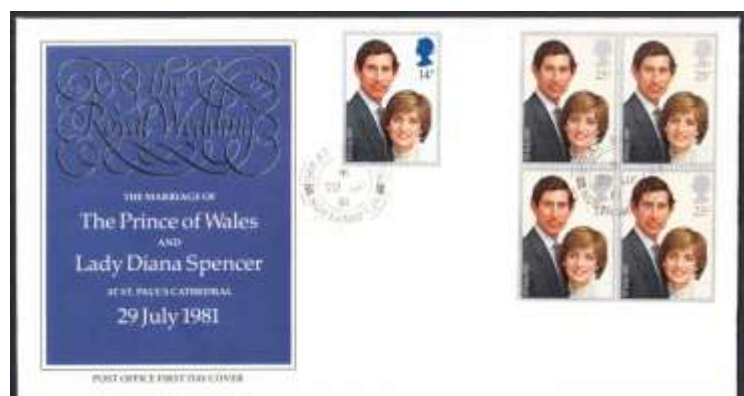


1965 Churchill GPO FDC
with Marlborough CDS
with handwritten address
£360 (Cat £250)

Our May 10th sale again saw some spectacular prices for some of the rarer covers that hardly ever appear on the market including 1969 Anniversaries The Grammar School Centenary Doncaster Official FDC £160 (Cat £200), 1981 Royal Wedding Post Office FDC with Great Brington CDS £625 (Cat £100), 1991 Maps Maps & the Post Office National Postal Museum Official FDC £625 (Cat £125), 1993 Marine Timekeepers Royal Mail FDC with "Swatch the World" slogan £160 (Cat £250) & 1996 Classic Cars In Celebration of Lux Malmesbury Official FDC £180 (Cat £150).



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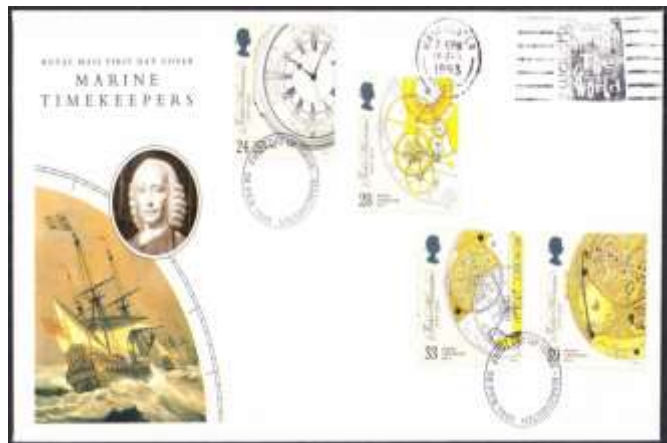
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1993 Marine Timekeepers
Royal Mail FDC with
"Swatch the World" slogan
£160 (Cat £250)



1996 Classic Cars In
Celebration of Lux
Malmesbury Official
FDC £180 (Cat £150)

Have a look at the Association's pages on Facebook and visit
the web site for up to date information.

The Association of Great Britain First Day Cover Collectors



WHERE ARE THEY NOW

BOB STEVENS METER MARK FIRST DAY COVER DEALER FROM 1995 TO 2012.

I moved from Woking to Dorset with my wife Val in 2007, and at that time decided to stop servicing covers, but I had been involved with it for such a long time that I found it impossible to do this, it's what I did and what I enjoyed doing, so I decided to carry on. All that said, it was getting far more difficult to obtain Meter Marks and I found myself going back to the same organisations (if the stamps were of course relevant) which I was finding rather embarrassing and to be honest a little bit stressful, so I cut right back on the number of covers I was servicing.

So, at the end of 2012 I decided to call it a day on Meter Marks and just service covers with a Special Handstamp for those customers who would like to carry on, which some did and with whom I am still involved today, with no pressure involved.

I was asked a couple of weeks ago if I would kindly give a talk on my First Day Covers to a group of people in a club that I belong to, naturally I said I would be delighted.

I took along a selection of my older covers i.e. 1953 Coronation, 1957 Scouts, and various Royal covers, plus quite a few signed covers, Malvina Dean on a Bradbury Titanic cover, (which they seemed very impressed with), plus various covers signed by politicians. Not so many of them were impressed with these, no surprises there then! They did seem impressed with the 2008 Carry on and Hammer Films covers, one depicted Barbara Windsor and was signed by her, and the other depicted Christopher Lee and was also signed by him. For those who don't know, Christopher Lee starred in virtually all the Hammer films, usually as Count Dracula. Both of these covers were from Buckingham Covers. Anyway, everyone enjoyed the 45 minute talk, many of them asked lots of questions like how is it the covers have no addresses on, and how do you obtain the special postmarks. Everyone applauded and no one threw rotten tomatoes at me. I have been asked to go back again later in the year as I have many covers relating to Dorset, especially Thomas Hardy, Dinosaurs in Dorset, and the sailing Olympics in Weymouth, so I look forward to that.

Funny really that the Dinosaurs issue from 1991 now means so much more to me than when I lived in Woking. I have a lovely double ringed Lyme Regis C.D.S. cover, and as I have now been there many times since we moved here it just seems more significant. Lovely place Lyme Regis, especially out of season.

Apart from my involvement with covers, my wife and I enjoy exploring the Jurassic coastline from Swanage down along Chesil beach and on to Lyme. This is the area which is world famous for its fossils, so I feel I am amongst very good company!

Bob Stevens

AUTUMN SPECIALS

The covers below are all scarce Sheridan covers. All my low run and double covers increase in value very quickly. Postage at cost. **FOR THIS NEWSLETTER ONLY A MASSIVE –**

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25.03.03 Fun Fruit & Veg on RM cover with Eire's Fruit of the Loom M/M cancelled Sainsbury Opens First Shop, Drury Lane 1869, signed dedication to me by David Sainsbury (Lord). **Only 1 exists – £70** (*Genuine signature because I got it myself when he visited the Catalyst Science Discovery Centre, Widnes. Cert' included*)



16.09.10 Medical Breakthroughs on Sheridan British Orthopaedic. Assoc. Joint Action official cover with BOA M/M. **Only 36 done – just one left – £45**



07.06.05 TTC set on Sheridan official cover – **just one left – £50**



07.06.05 TTC Mini-sheet on Sheridan official cover – **just one left – £50**



25.02.10 The Royal Society PSB Panes on 4 Sheridan Catalyst Science Discovery Centre official covers. **Only 32 sets done - last one - £60**



07.06.05 TTC single set on Sheridan official cover for the M/S of the issue (as shown above). No non-M/M covers done on this cover. **Only 12 done – just one left – £55**

(All 3 make a lovely set of TTC covers)

Tel: 0151 510 1409 or 07975 858 815

E-mail: Sheridanfdcs@aol.com If we are not available then please leave your message & telephone number and we will get back to you.

Hand Painted Covers - Peter Herring

In the early 1990's I purchased some hand painted covers from J & H Covers. These covers were produced in low numbers (less than 20) and the covers were illustrated and hand coloured by Fiona Vickery.

I have only seen one advertised for sale and was rather surprised that it was offered at a low price, which I think was £7. Considering the work that had gone into designing and colouring the cover, I would have thought they were worth a higher valuation.

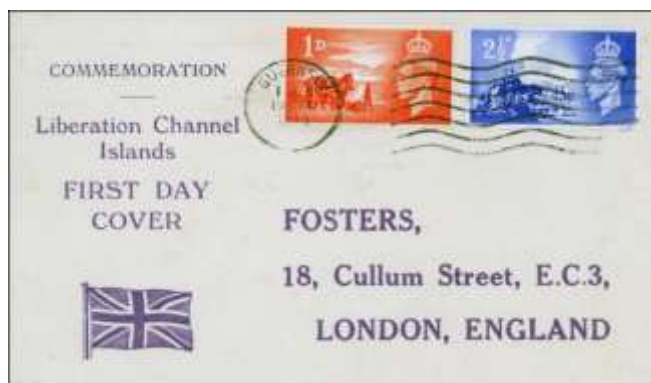
Obviously the use of a special handstamp and not being official affects the value. I have not seen any other hand painted covers but presume there must be some out there somewhere. Does anyone have any examples?



Great Britain Channel Islands — From Noel Almeida

England seldom issues a set to commemorate anything, but this complete set honours the liberation from German occupation of the 8 islands in the English channel, near France, namely Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Brechou, Herm, Jethou, Lihou and Sark, which won self-government in the 14th century by helping King John and had to win it again in the 20th century.

Valid for postage anywhere in the British Isles, most FDC's were cancelled in London, hence the few that can be found now bearing such cancels. But the interesting thing about the one you hold in your hand is that it was cancelled in Jersey or Guernsey—the very islands being honoured. Vraic-raking is the subject of the two stamps. Vraic is a kelpish seaweed whose ashes yield valuable sodium and potassium for making soap and glass. This set is very scarce as stamps and FDCs with island cancels are like the proverbial hen's teeth.



Coronation Souvenir

Just a wee token to remind us of the majestic pomp and circumstance that bore a "fairy princess" to the highest ruling seat of world empire. A princess who otherwise, so to speak, might just have been Betty Windsor or Mrs Philip Mountbatten. This once in a lifetime event is indelibly recorded in this authentic souvenir cover at a trivial cost: FDC of 21/2pence in multicolour. With only 2,500,000 issued, one wonders how everyone needing this stamp will be able to get it. Dorothy Wilding photo, designed by E. R. Fuller, coin artist on his first stamp design. Olive branches left and right. Imperial State Crown (right) and St. Edwards's Crown (left) with the Orb, Sceptre and Ampulla, symbols of royal power and divine right of kings. Central crown on Her Majesty was Victoria's diamond culet, with gems covering 9 centuries of history.



COVERS FOR SALE



Unique opportunity to purchase scarce 1972 Village Churches FDC's.

21/06/72 Festival of Berkswell Official FDC. Fullset.

Scarce. £150.00



Scarce. Uaddressed. £250.00

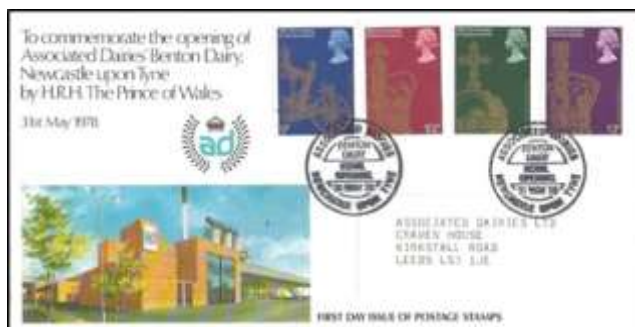
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Some realisation from GBFDC No.33



Lot 307 Appledore Lifeboat station FDC North Devon FDI £95



Lot 390 1978 Coronation Associated Dairies Newcastle Official FDC £800



Lot 834 1996 Children's TV Blue Peter Official FDC £350



Lot 1329 1913 KGV 6d Royal Cypher FDC £3950

COVERS FOR SALE

Contact Details: Phil Sheridan, P.O. Box 99, Widnes, Cheshire WA8 0NN. Tel: 0151 510 1409

Mobile: 07975 858 815 E-mail: sheridanfdcs@aol.com Covers scans available. Photocopies send 2 x 1st class stamps and SAE

AUTUMN SPECIALS

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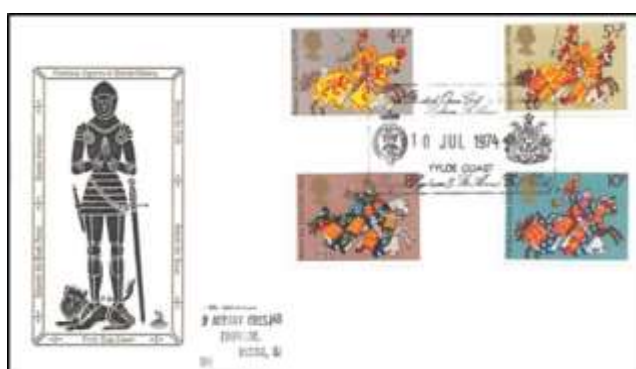
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