FIRST DAY COVERAGE

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





A limited edition of 60 covers only available to members attending the AGM. The cover will be £10 again this year.

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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Autumn

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The South of England Stamp Fair & Sussex Convention



GBFDC AGM



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Orpington Stamp & Postcard Fair

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I hope you all enjoyed the summer, Autumn seems to have come early this year.

We are now coming to the end of the stamp issues for the year, with the second issue of Star Wars stamps next, which hopefully completes the series. Then there is the traditional religous Christmas stamps this year, the Royal Mail have also included a 1st and 2nd class Childrens competition stamps and I believe there is still one more TBA sometime in November.

This year I aquired a 1965 Battle of Britain cover signed by Air Chief Marshall Hugh C. T. Dowding, he signed this 5 years before he died in 1970 as you can see from his signature he was frail.



Unfortuantely I will not be able to attend the AGM as have an aray of gift fairs to attend with Proper Goose with our Christmas gifts.

I hope all that are going enjoy the day.

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Mike Seddon 1957 – 2017

It is with great sadness we report the death of Mike Seddon sometime during the weekend of 9-10th September 2017. Mike was a valued member of the GBFDC Committee for many years. He was also a friend. He enjoyed collecting First day covers and many members will know him through their dealings with him when he decided to sell his vast collection. He was a lovely man who cared a lot about people. He had a wonderful sense of humour and made us laugh out loud many times.

He was fiercely protective of his family who meant the world to him. He was rightly proud of all three of his sons, and his wife Anne. Family meant more to Mike than anything else and our deepest sympathies are for his family and friends who will miss him so much.

We didn't see a lot of Mike in the last few years but we still regarded him as our friend. He bought covers from me in the early years when he first began collecting first day covers and we enjoyed his company when he came to visit us. He was easy to get along with and he did good work for the Association.

His death is a great shock to both Dot and I, and the rest of the GBFDC Committee, and we mourn the loss of a friend and colleague.

Phil & Dot

I first met Mike at a stamp fair in Wigan in around 1996. He arrived on a Sunday morning with one of his lads and started to look through my first day covers. We was collecting anything at that time, local cancels, hand addressed RM covers, etc. etc. . I offered some guidance as to what he should becollecting and gave him one of my old Bradbury catalogues saying that he should read the notes at the beginning and consider changing his collecting habits.

A few months later he told me that he now collected official covers and subsequently joined GBFDC in December 1997. In 1999 he introduced me to GBFDC and generously put my name forward as the new Hon. Sec.

Such was his nature Mike acquired a vast knowledge of first day covers which he was more than happy to share with his fellow collectors.

Mike became the GBFDC cover co-ordinator in 1999 and produced his first cover for the Association in June 2000 and continued until October 2009, working firstly with Peter Barrett and then with Phil Sheridan and Dot Radley.

In more recent years Mikes interest in first day covers waned, mainly due to health reasons and he resigned his membership in 2013.

In his private life Mike was a very religious person, a very good golfer and a keen guitarist. His three sons Richard, Dan and Mark have certainly followed in his footsteps with their golfing skills. Mike was immensely proud to see his 'boys' go off to university and they are now the sons that every father would be proud of.

Mike will missed as a cover collector, a friend to many in our hobby and of course as a lovely person.

On behalf of the Association and its members our deepest sympathies go to Anne and all Mikes family.

Terry Barnett Hon. Sec. GBFDC

2017 YEAR LIST

Specia	ıl 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	Star Wars II
07 Nov	Christmas
Nov	TBA
Definiti	ves
06 Feb	65th Anniversary Accesssion to the Throne
March/Ap	oril Tariff Definitives

Post and Go				
15 Feb	Mail by Rail			
05 Jun	Machin Anniversary			
13 San	Mail by Air			

^{*} GBFDC Covers 2017 ** AGM Cover Only

Ladybird Books











2nd Class	Adventures from History
1st Class	Key Words Reading Scheme
£1.40	Hobbies and How it Work
£1.57	Nature and Conservation

2nd Class Well-loved Tales

1st Class Early Tales and Rhymes

£1.40 People at Work

£1.57 Achievements

Star Wars II





















8 x 1st Class Stamp Set









Retail Stamp Book - Aliens



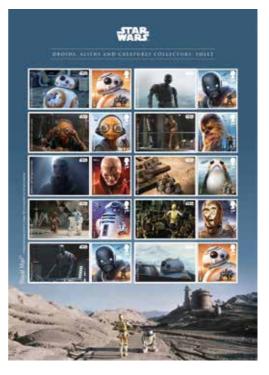






Retail Stamp Book - Droids

PSB issued on 14th December 2017



Droids Aliens and Creatures Collector Sheet

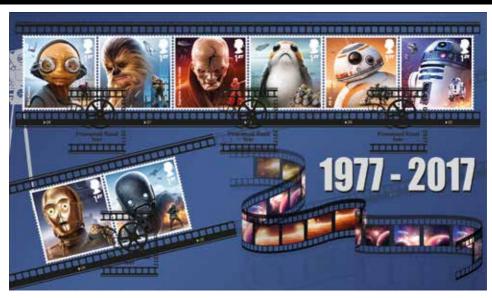
Ladybird Books





fdcovers Official Cover limited to only 30

Star Wars II



fdcovers Official Cover limited to less than 50

Scarce Covers

by Colin Young



1- 2011 Thomas the Tank Engine T. Dyke Official Cover with the RETAIL BOOK.

This was done by the sponsor and was bought off him.
ONLY 2 PRODUCED

2- 2011 Crown Jewels Ian Balcombe Official Cover with the RETAIL BOOK.

This cover was bought off the sponsor and ONLY 10 PRODUCED





4- 2011 Christmas T. Dyke Official Cover with the 12 First Class stamps . This was done by the sponsor and ONLY 2 PRODUCED

5- 2011 Christmas T Dyke Official Cover with the 12 Second Class Stamps. This was done by the sponsor and ONLY 2 produced



2013 Queens Portraits Arctic Convoy Official Cover

I sent away for the blank covers and put on a full set and as far as I know there were NOT MANY PRODUCED probably less than 20



2015 Battle of Waterloo Official Cover with a FULLSET European History BF3190PS

I managed to get some blank official covers from the BFPO OFFICE and put on a FULL SET

Although the stamps do slightly overlap the illustration still SCARCE (Probably less than 10) 2015 Battle of Waterloo Official Cover with FULL SET The Scots Greys BF3192PS



This again was done on the blank covers I obtained from the BFPO office. The stamps do overlap the illustration but still SCARCE (probably less than 10)

2001 Submarines Cody War Kite Capt Randle Official Cover with FULL SET.and managed to get the full set handstamped (Probably less than 10)

This was actually done with a single stamp but a friend managed to put on a FULL SET and managed to get the full set handstamped (Probably less than 10)



Subject: Grosvenor October 25/26 Auction

I am selling the first part of my Royalty Post Cards fdc collection through Grosvenor in October. There will be some 70 Lots - all illustrated in the auction catalogue - ranging from KEVII, KGV, KEVIII and part of KGVI. There are many really nice and attractive Post Card fdc's in the Auction which I am sure will interest some members of the GBFDC association. A mention in the next Newsletter advising of the sale would be appreciated.

I attach a couple of examples. The KEVIII cover has the 1d Stamp on the reverse, as do a number of the covers in the Auction.

Regards,

Jeffrey Booth







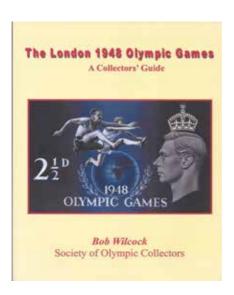


The London 1948 Olympic Games – A Collector's Guide, by Bob Wilcock: The Society of Olympic Collectors, Brentwood 2012. ISBN 978-0-955236-1-9 £17.14 (Amazon)

This is a remarkable book. A goodly part of it is devoted to a wonderfully full account of the four stamps issued to celebrate the Games. Here you can see the early trials and how and why the final four stamps were chosen. There is a fine account of the various minor errors and flaws that have been recognised. More importantly for our readers, several pages are devoted to a study of the relevant first day covers. The Booth catalogue gives you a good idea of the basic covers produced – but in this book you can see them all displayed, with all the variants. The book appears to include examples of just about every single cover that was ever produced for this issue. Here you can see covers created by now long forgotten stamp dealers, as well as several philatelic societies. There is a full account also of post offices issuing covers around the country, concentrating on those more closely involved with the Games – so you can see a whole host of CDS covers, registered items etc. etc. Not content with simply listing all the UK covers produced, there is also extensive coverage of other countries celebrating the Games – with stamps and first day covers.

It all goes to show that concentrating on single issues by keen collectors reveals a whole mass of information of which the standard catalogues can only give you a glimpse. If you also want to know about programmes, postcards, cigarette cards, labels newspaper specials, newsletters, etc. then there is a wonderfully full account of all these as well

I commend this book highly, the full colour pictures are superbly detailed and accurate, the photography exemplary. A book to savour and enjoy.



Sajal Philatelics Cover Auctions

Unit 120, Trident Business Centre, 89 Bickersteth Rd, Tooting, London, SW17 9SH Tel: (020) 8672 6702. Fax: (020) 8682 2752



1972 Churches with St Augustine's Church Kilburn handstamp £170



1974 Great Britons with Trustee Savings Bank Sunderland handstamp £260

Auction Results

1971 Anniversaries with Royal British

Legion handstamp £230

Village Churches



1979 Flowers with previously unrecorded Meet Your Post Office Portsmouth handstamp £360



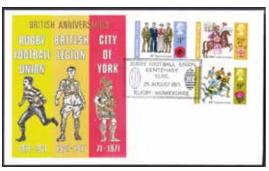
1993 Roman Britain with 75th Anniversary of No. 120 Squadron handstamp £310

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1971 Anniversaries with Rugby Football Union Centenary Twickenham handstamp £110



1972 Churches with Festival of Berkswell Coventry handstamp £140



Auction Results

1970 Philympia with First Flight I.O.W. Calne Bembridge I.O.W. handstamp £180



1971 Anniversaries with Rugby Football Union Centenary Year Rugby handstamp £130



1971 low values set with Hythe slogan "Decimal Currency in the Post Office. Take a leaflet" sold for £210

Brian Reeve Stamp Auctions



1963 Paris Conference with "Norwich Addresses Need Postal Codes" slogan £210 1957 Scouts set of 3 all from coils with Jubilee Jamboree slogan £130



1964 Botanical Congress (Phosphor) with Kew Gardens CDS £130



1971 Literary Anniversaries with First National Collectors Fair Royal Horticultural Hall London SW1 special handstamp £420



Post Office
First Day Cover

Good Ring
Wenceslas
Christmas 1973

1973 Christmas with Birth of Lewis Carroll Daresbury Warrington special handstamp £280

Concerning Official Official Covers

by Selwyn Goodacre

In 1979, the Leicester Toy Firm Palitoy issued an Official First Day Cover for the Year of the Child (11 July 1979). Not being too familiar with collectors' views that first day covers should have the full complement of stamps, the only true official official cover, issued by the firm, simply had the one stamp – usually (?always) the 9p Peter Rabbit stamp.

But we all know that there are in existence examples of this official cover – with the full complement of four stamps. (Dot R discussed it in First Day Coverage June 2008, and I commented in the August 2009 issue)). Such examples have become a famous rarity, and if one becomes available for sale, it tends to sell for several hundred pounds. Of course what happened is that an enterprising dealer (or dealers?) obtained a small number of examples and added the other stamps, got them cancelled with the official date stamp and there we are. Some have the A G Bradbury address stamp – but not all. The one shown by Dot R does not, and nor does the one advertised by Steven Scott on the back cover of several issues of First Day Coverage (e.g. the issues for 2011), and nor does it appear on examples with the stamps in a square (First Day Coverage August 2009).

But however desirable such covers may be, they are not really the official official covers – are they? Surely those are the ones produced by the organising body?



Another example occurred with the Games and Toys stamp issue of 16 May 1989. I became interested in this issue simply because the firm of Zanders issued an official Lewis Carroll related cover – with a 'Lewis Carroll 1832-1898' Oxford Pictorial Hand Stamp, and an insert about Lewis Carroll.

Like Palitoy in 1979, in their innocence Zanders only issued the cover with one stamp. At the time, I wrote to the firm and they confirmed that they never authorised covers with all four stamps. They were simply engaged in an advertising ploy – and to confirm this, they let me have a number of covers that were earmarked for certain clients, all with just the one stamp.

But, again we know there are in existence examples of this official cover – with the full complement. Those that I have seen all have the Benham address stamp at the bottom right hand corner. These covers, whilst not as well known as the Palitoy rarity, do command good prices, when they come up for sale. I understand that there were only 50 serviced with all four stamps.

As a Carroll specialist I, of course, need to have the covers with the full complement, as well as ones with the single stamp (as well as looking out for examples of the Palitoy and Zanders hand stamps on Cotswold, Philart, etc. commercial covers).

But, for the purist– which is the official official cover? The one issued by the sponsor, or the one artificially augmented? Me, I have to have both, of course...

My experience is limited to my areas of interest. Is this phenomenon widespread in the world of First Day Covers collecting?

Members Cover Sale

Terry Barnett cover sales

Date	Details	Price
1963 Cable Typ	ed add. London EC fdi	£8
1967 Christmas	printed label add. Oct/Nov double	
dated Bet	hlehem fdi	£2
1974 Churchill u	unadd. Action This Day cancel	£10
1989 Greetings	on the Brad. off. Ironbridge cancel (beige)	£3
1989 Greetings	on the Brad. off. Lover cancel (blue)	£3
1989 Greetings	on the Brad. off. St. Valentine cancel (green)	£3
1989 Greetings	on the Brad. Off. Bureau cancel (pink)	£2
1991 Sport LFD	C97 Rugby School cancel	£3
-	CS80b Comber Co Down cancel	£2
1995 £3 defin. o	n the Benham small silk BSP6 with a	
Carrickfe	rgus cancel	£3
2001 Punch and	I Judy on six Covercraft covers with a Puppeteers	
Bicester o	•	£3

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GBFDC Newsletter

Would anyone be interested in taking over the editing and design of the GBFDC newsletter in 2018? We have been using Adobe Illustrator and Indesign since we took over production.

For more details please contact Richard Park

rjpark@btinternet.com

Members Cover Sale Brian Keizer cover sales

Date	Details	Price
The following are all	RAF BRUGGEN FDCs.	
1076 Christmas FDO	62 CDS I A only 150	£20
	62 CDS, LA only 150	
	986 CDS, UA only 100	£35
1982 Cars, FPO 127 (•	£45
	72 CDS UA only 50, hinge marks on back,	£30
1983 Fish FPO 127 C		£45
1983 Commonwealt	h FPO 93 CDS UA, only 50,	£45
1983 Fairs, as above,		£45
1983 Christmas, as a	bove	£45
1987 Flowers FPO 93	3 CDS UA, only 33,	£50
1987 Victorian Britai	n FPO 93 CDS UA only 35,	£50
1988 Transport, as a	bove,	£50
	s above but only 34,	£50
1988 Christmas, as a	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£50
1989 Birds, as above	•	£50
·	aeology, as above but only 33,	£50
	how, as above, but only 38,	£50
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1989 Christmas, as a		
1990 RSPCA, as abov	re, but only 35,	£50

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23.04.70 England M/S on SPECIAL Sheridarcover (only 40 done) - just 2 left - £40



09.11.06 Lest We Forget M/S on Sheridan Cenotaph official cover. (Only 16 done - just one left - £55



26.03.13 Dr. Who M/S on Sheridan official cover produced for the Retail Booklet. Just 16 M/S's affixed to these covers at the time £50 (16 done - One Available)



18 98 08 RAF Uniforms on Sheridan Western Front Association official cover. Scarce - £55 (17 done. Last one)



20.09.07 Army Uniforms on Sheridan Western Front Association official cover. Scarce - £55 (12 done. Last one)

(35 sets done, Last set)



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03/10/00 GBFDC No. 2 Body & Bone	£20
05/12/00 GBFDC No. 3 Sound & Vision	£20
15/05/01 GBFDC No.5 Buses set	£20
06/02/02 GBFDC No. 7 Queen's Jubilee	£20
02/05/02 GBFDC No.7? Aircraft.	£20
10/09/02 GBFDC No.10 London Bridges	£20
25/02/03 GBFDC No. 11 Secret of Life	£20
15/03/05 GBFDC No.18 Magic.	£20
14/10/08 GBFDC No.29 Women of Distinction	£20
16/06/09 GBFDC No.31 Mythical Creatures	£20
01/09/09 GBFDC No.32 Fire & Rescue Service	£20
07/01/10 GBFDC No.34 Classic Album Covers	£20
08/10/09 GBFDC No.33 Eminent Britons William Gladstone	£20
11/03/10 GBFDC No.35 Battersea Cats & Dogs Home	£20
13/04/10 GBFDC No.36 Action for Species - Mammals	£20
02/11/10 GBFDC No.37 Xmas set	£20
22/03/11 GBFDC No.38 World Wildlife Fund	£20
09/01/13 GBFDC No.46 London Underground	£25
26/03/13 GBFDC No.47 Dr. Who M/S	£20
11/07/13 GBFDC No.48 Butterflies National Wildflower Centre	£25
13/08/13 GBFDC No.49 Auto Legends Chester Vintage Enthusiasts' Car Club	£25
15/04/14 GBFDC No.50 Buckingham Palace M/S	£45 £20
13/11/14 GBFDC No.52 Post & Go Winter Greenery 14/10/14 Great Britons GBFDC 20th Anniversary Cover	£20 £20
05/03/15 GBFDC No.53 Bridges. Ironbridge	£20
06/05/15 GBFDC No. 54 Penny Black M/S	£25
18/06/15 GBFDC No.55 Battle of Waterloo	£25
15/09/16 GBFDC No.58 Agatha Christie Bijou Theatre	£25
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AGM official cover. These are short run covers and were only available to members who a	ttended the
GBFDC AGM on the day. So very sought after covers.	
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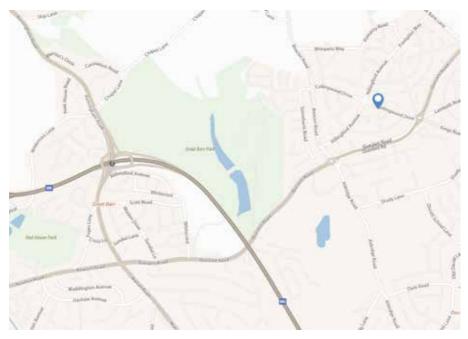
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AGENDA

Before commencing with official business of the Day we would request a minutes silence of the late Sam Downes

1. Chairmans welcome(RP)

2. Apologies

3. Minutes of thAGM held on Sunday 16th October 2016

4. Matters arising, 5. Charmans report(RP), 6. Auction report (RP)

7. Cover & Newsletter report, 8. Treasurers report (DC)

9. Election of Officers, 10. Any other business.

Any member that would like to stay overnight at the Holiday Inn on the Saturday. The cost will be £47.70 which the Assoc. have already paid (excluding breakfast)

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