150th Anniversary Update – 8th July 2018

This update includes a major announcement about the Past President's Displays to be held on 11 April, 2019, a celebration in Hong Kong and progress relating to other events. Inevitably there is slightly less activity after the AGM and during the holiday period although the superb weather currently experienced in the U.K. (for those who like it hot!) may also be responsible.

Our forthcoming 150th Anniversary is now dominated by the move to our new home at 15 Abchurch Lane next summer. Work is progressing and the next two seasons will be the most significant and important in the history of the Society.



Past President's Displays at 41 Devonshire Place on 11 April 2019

I am very pleased to inform Fellows and Members that material from the Royal Philatelic Collection will be displayed at 41 Devonshire Place on 11 April 2019 by gracious permission of Her Majesty The Queen. It will be the last occasion on which material from the Royal Philatelic Collection will be displayed at our present home.

Spring Stampex 2019 – themed exhibition 'King George V'

The exhibition will include competitive and non-competitive exhibits. To date we have received applications from 37 exhibitors for 144 frames. Material from RPSL collections will also be exhibited.

Foundation day lunch at Stationers' Hall on 10 April 2019

Tickets for this important event will be available during the latter part of the autumn. The date and price will be notified to all members. Demand is likely to be high and Council has decided that individual bookings only (member and one guest) are appropriate on this occasion. Bookings will be accepted in the order in which they are received and payment must be made when booking.

Stockholmia International Exhibition

The exhibition is oversubscribed and exhibitors will be notified by 31 August 2018. Bulletin 2 will be issued in September 2018. Please click the 'Program' tab on the Stockholmia website for important information about a wide range of meetings, seminars, presentations and workshops to be held throughout the exhibition.

Publication – 'The Royal Philatelic Society 1869 – 2019'

The text of this publication is complete and good progress is being made with the indexing and typesetting.

Hong Kong Celebration

Anna Lee FRPSL and Danny Wong FRPSL have kindly agreed to organise an event in Hong Kong on a date in February 2020, probably the 29th, consisting of 50 one frame displays entitled 'Gems of Asian Philately' to commemorate our 150th anniversary. On behalf of Council I wish to express our sincere appreciation to Anna and Danny for hosting this important 150th Anniversary celebration.

Publication – 'Members' Collections 2019'

Contributions to this fundraising project continue to be received. To date 475 pages have been contributed by members .

Sesquicentenary Certificate

A draft of the certificate may be viewed on the 150th Anniversary page of the RPSL website.

150th Anniversary events brochure

A detailed illustrated brochure describing each event will be issued in November 2018.

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