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PRESS RELEASE

Royal's President display to the Society

The President of The Royal Philatelic Society London, Frank Walton RDP FRPSL, presented a display from his own collection of Chinese International Air Mail to 1949, at the Society's meeting on 8 June. It was a fitting climax to his two-year term as President, for which he had personally chosen the displays and presentations.

Frank divided his presentation into three sections, covering the period before, during and after the Second World War. Before the war there had been fierce competition among airlines, creating a multitude of marginally different rates. A vast array of routes was used during war, to avoid flying over countries experiencing hostilities. The shortage of aircraft and personnel meant it took a while to resume normal services after the war, a period of hyperinflation and currency revaluations.

Paul Davey FRPSL gave the vote of thanks, thanking Frank for showing a fascinating area of postal history. In turn Frank presented Paul with the Society's Tilleard Medal for the best afternoon display given to the Society in the previous year, an overview of China, presented in June 2016.

Those wishing to visit The Royal Philatelic Society London at 41 Devonshire Place, London W1G 6JY, or be a guest at one of its meetings, are asked to contact the Administrative Office (020 7486 1044).



Paul Davey FRPSL receives the Tilleard Medal from Frank Walton RDP FRPSL, President of The Royal Philatelic Society London, following the President's own display to the Society.

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