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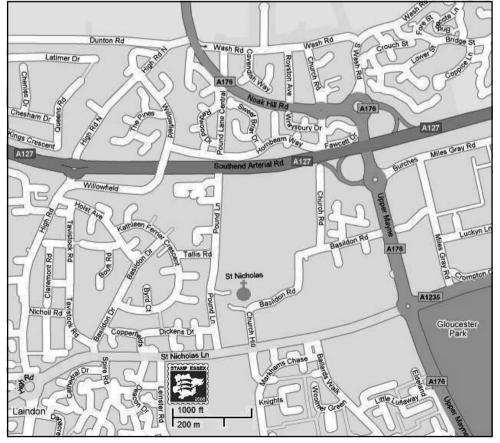
### How to Get There

The James Hornsby High School is located in Leinster Road, off St Nicholas Lane, Lee Chapel North, Basildon, Essex. The school lies at the foot of Church Hill with the landmark of St Nicholas Church on its summit and visible from some distance away.

Exit A127 at junction with A176. Take A176 southbound towards Basildon Town Centre. At roundabout take Nicholas Lane (B148) and then second left into Leinster Road.

Bus services 551 (half hourly) and 104 (hourly) run from Basildon Bus Station via Nicholas Lane and stop close to the venue.

Trains run every 15 minutes from London Fenchurch Street and Southend Central. Basildon rail station is adjacent to the bus station, see above.



### Welcome from the President of A.E.P.S.

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome members, dealers and visitors to StampEssex 2008. This is a very special event for our host society, Basildon, who are celebrating their 40th anniversary. Basildon is a very active and successful society in the county, and on behalf of the AEPS I wish the society every success in the years ahead.

These events offer collectors an opportunity to enhance their collections with new items from the many dealers in the hall, and to meet old friends and exchange news and views. I do hope you all take the opportunity to look at the exhibits and displays at the exhibition. The competitors have spent many hours assembling their exhibits, and you will see many excellent examples from all fields of philately. You may find ideas to extend your own collecting interests, or come across an area of the hobby entirely new to you.

Finally, thanks are due to the organizing committee and members of Basildon Philatelic Society for their hard work to make this day possible. You are here for the day: they have been working on it for more than a year.

David Sibley

## Welcome from the Chairman of Basildon Philatelic Society

Basildon Philatelic Society is honoured to host StampEssex 2008 in conjunction with our own Spring BasPex event to celebrate the 40th anniversary of our Society.

Much has changed since 1968. Basildon has expanded both in size and population while our hobby of philately has seen even greater changes. Who could have envisaged forty years ago that it would be possible to commission personalised stamps from the Royal Mail in the form of *Smilers* sheets. To mark the Society's anniversary a special *Smilers* sheet, presentation pack and souvenir cover have been produced. Details of these can be found elsewhere in this handbook.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you here on behalf of the Society.

Charbie Mead

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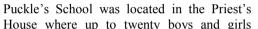
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## The Church on the Hill

The church of St Nicholas, Laindon with its broach-spire and timber belfry is perched atop a hill that has looked down over both Laindon and Basildon since the 13th century. The nave must have been standing in 1254 when the first Rector, Richard de List is recorded as having been at the parish. The south chapel and chancel were added by 1330 and the Priest's House annexe became a further addition during the 17th century. Nikolaus Pevsner in his *Buildings of England* describes the 13th century font as being of the Purbeck type, with shallow blank pointed arcades on each side.



could be educated. James Hornsby, who gave his name to the school we are using today, was the last schoolmaster at the church. He and his three wives are buried in the church-yard.

### Souvenirs

Three philatelic souvenirs will be on sale to mark the occasion of Basildon Philatelic Society's 40th anniversary.

Sheet of 20 'Smilers' stamps featuring the anniversary logo ...... £20.00 ea.

Presentation pack containing two 'Smilers' stamps ...... £2.75 ea.

Souvenir cover with 'Smilers' stamp ...... £2.00 ea.

Each item has been produced in strictly limited editions of 100 sheets, 100 presentation packs and 50 covers.

All of the above items can be ordered or purchased, while stocks last, from the Society table.





## **Non-competitive Displays**

#### BASILDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY 40th ANNIVERSARY

		sildon Philatelic Society was founded	Frame D1–7
A.E.P.S.	Football	Rhodesia	
Australia	Germany	Singapore	
Brunei	Hungary	Solomon Is.	
Canada	Malaysia	Spain	
Falkland Is.	Malta	Tristan Da Cunha	
Fiji	Nauru	United Nations	
<b>L.C. Stanway, FRPSL</b> Mails Under Londor Malaysia United Nations Orga	n		C5–6 C7–8 E4
<b>D.J. Church</b> Faroe Islands			
<b>C.W. Mead</b> Fiji Land Bird Definitives and Emergency Surcharges			
A. Potter Boxing			E5–6
<b>C.J. Cooksey</b> Rhodesia U.D.I. Tristan Da Cunha British Bases in Gra	ham Land		E7 E8 D8

# BASILDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY AUCTION

Tuesday 20 May 2008, start 8.00 pm George Hurd Centre, Fauners, off Cherrydown West, Basildon, Essex. VIEWING Here today (excluding bulky lots) and

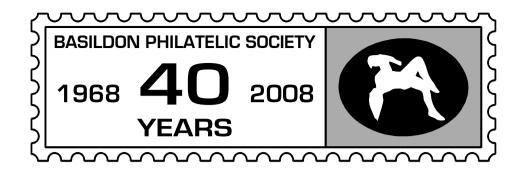
immediately prior to the auction from 7.15 pm Over 200 lots. Total value of reserves in excess of £1,200. Catalogues available from the Basildon Philatelic Society table.

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Visit the Association's website for further information. www.aeps.org.uk



The Society welcomes new members to our varied programme of meetings. Come and visit without obligation to join.

Auction (open for viewing from 7.15 pm) Tue May 20 2 40th Annual General Meeting Mon Jun 17 **Competition Night** Tue Jun 7 The Revenue Society of Great Britain Mon Jul 22 The Committee Entertains Tue Jul "Titanic" - display by Mike Routh Mon 4 Aug 8 pages from My Collection Tue 19 Aug "Scouting" - display by John Snoding Mon 1 Sep Tue 16 Sep **Recent Acquisitions** 

Meetings are held at the George Hurd Centre, Fauners, Basildon. Doors open 7.30 pm. Start 8.00 pm. Close 10.00 pm.



## **Trophy & Award Winners**

Stokes Cup (the society obtaining the best aggregate position from all classes)

<b>Place</b> 1	<i>Society</i> Bishops Stortford	<i>No</i> S3 S4 P3	<i>Entrant.</i> D. Aritage D. Jefcoate P. Denly	Position 2 4 2	Total 8
2	Ipswich	S5 P7 A4	J. Riches M. Robertson R. Swindells	3 4 3	10
3	Basildon	S1 A1 A2	C.J. Cooksey C.W. Mead L.C. Stanway	1 =7 5	13
4	Rayleigh	S6 P8 P10	E. Day J. Cowling R.E. How	5 12 1	18

#### Stamp Trophy (traditional class)

Rhodesian Federation 1954 Issue-C.J. Cooksey (Basildon)

#### **Postal History Trophy**

Milford Haven To Waterford Route—R.E. How (Rayleigh)

### **GB Postal History Trophy**

Milford Haven To Waterford Route—R.E. How (Rayleigh)

#### Aerophilatelic Trophy

Dutch East Indies Christmas Mail Special Flights-R. Swindells (Ipswich)

#### **George Pearson Trophy** (awarded to the best exhibit of foreign material) Dutch East Indies Christmas Mail Special Flights—R. Swindells (Ipswich)

### **Competitive Displays**

Traditional (Stamps), Postal History and Aerophilately classes.

#### Judges

Mr. Richard West & Mr. Brian Asquith.

#### **Basildon Philatelic Society**

1	C.J. Cooksey	<b>S</b> 1	Rhodesian Federation 1954 Issue	A1
2	C.J. Cooksey	P1	Tristan Da Cuhna 1962-63 Resettlement	Α7
3	L.C. Stanway	P2	Richmond, North Yorkshire	A8
4	C.W. Mead	A1	PanAm 1st TransPacific Flight Via Fiji	C1
5	L.C. Stanway	A2	Malaya Par Avion Imperial Westbound Flights	C2

Frame

#### **Bishops Stortford & District Philatelic Society**

1	W.I. Stevenson	S2	Belgian Precancels	A2
2	D. Armitage	S3	Canada—Special Delivery Stamps 1898-1951	A3
3	D. Jefcoate	S4	GB Revenues Used For Postage	A4
4	P. Denly	P3	Scottish Additional Halfpenny Mail Tax	B1
5	I. Stevenson	P4	Eupen	B2
6	P. Ellis	P5	Irmga—Transit Times To Germany	B3

#### **Colchester & District Philatelic Society**

1 P. Oxley	P6 Colchester—Uniform Penny Postage	B4
Hullbridge Philate 1 W. Trower		C3

#### Ipswich Philatelic Society

1	J. Riches	S5	France—Napoleon III Imperforate Issues 1852-62	A5
2	M. Robertson	P7	Mail Out Of China—The Boxer Rebellion	B5
3	R. Swindells	A4	Dutch East Indies Christmas Mail Special Flights	C4

#### **Rayleigh & District Philatelic Society**

1	E. Day	S6	Rhodesian Airmails	A6
2	J. Cowlin	P8	The Great Boer War—Caricature Envelopes	B6
3	J. Cowlin	P9	The Great Boer War—The Siege Of Ladysmith	B7
4	R.E. How	P10	Milford Haven To Waterford Route	B8

### **Basildon Philatelic Society**

The Basildon Recorder for 5th July 1968 reported that a stamp collectors club had been formed at a meeting at Woodlands Boys School. This was instigated by a group of Basildon Urban District Council employees. The venue soon moved to the Council Offices.

In 1969, we joined AEPS, the body which forms a focal point for liaison between all the societies in Essex.

We moved to the Painting Studio of the Towngate Arts Centre in 1970. This was a good central venue.

Our first exhibition, in 1971, was part of the Basildon 21st Anniversary celebrations, commemorated by a Society cover. A Stamp Day exhibition and fair has been a feature of the programme ever since. It usually attracts several hundred visitors from all over Essex and neighbouring counties.

1978 saw the 25th anniversary of Basildon's Head Post Office, and the Society co-operated in the production of a Post Office cover for the event. That year also saw us join the national philatelic body, now the Association of British Philatelic Societies.

An exchange packet was flourishing by 1981. In 1982, we hosted our first of several county events, at the newly-opened Pitsea Leisure Centre. This event attracted additional members from the Pitsea, Stanford-le-Hope and Corringham areas.

Basildon has always been active in county affairs, providing representation on both the Council and Executive of the AEPS and entering most annual competitions. Basildon's first county victories were the Quiz trophy in 1984, and the Stokes Cup and Stamps, Postal History and Novices Trophies in 1985. Our first winner of the national Award of Merit for services to organised philately was our late Chairman, Harry Smith, in 1985.

Following the demolition in 1988 of the Towngate Centre without replacement of the meeting rooms, the society eventually settled in Laindon Community Centre for both meetings and fairs, but attendances never returned to the boom levels of the 1970s, probably due to the competition from a surfeit of commercial fairs and other, newer, spare time activities.

We hosted the AEPS "StampEssex" Stamp Day in 1993 to celebrate our Silver Jubilee and, by coincidence, won the prestigious Stokes Cup at the same time. The same year also saw other Basildon successes in AEPS competitions.

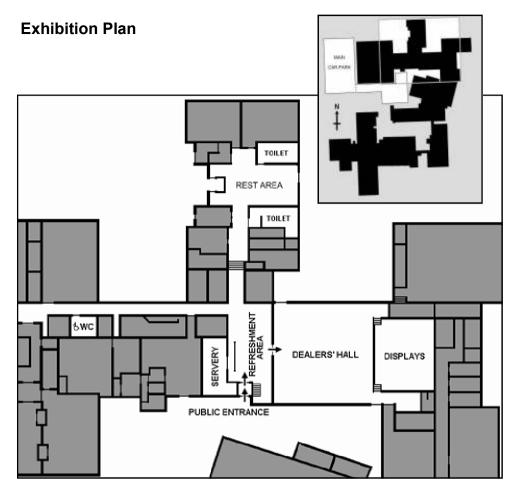
The BPS became one of the first societies in the country to operate an Internet website drawing interest from around the world.

Our society newsletter, "The Basildon Stamp Collector" was launched in January 1996 and was well received.

Two year later, in 1998, we again hosted StampEssex, but this time combined with the inter-federation Dawes Cup competition, for which purpose the title "Home Counties Stamp Day" was coined. The event was also our first "BasPex International" in that the event was graced by a display from our twin town philatelic society in France, Meaux. We had also displayed in Meaux's regional exhibition earlier in 1998.

In 2000, we moved to the George Hurd Centre, close to Basildon town centre.

We are now preparing for the challenge of the future, including the possible move to the new George Hurd Centre in 1998. We hope that you will choose to be part of that future.



### Timetable

10.00 Doors open15.00 Presentation of awards15.30 Prize draws16.00 Close

## **Clubs & Associations**

The Association of British Philatelic Societies, Association of Essex Philatelic Societies and Basildon Philatelic Society are located in the Refreshment Area.

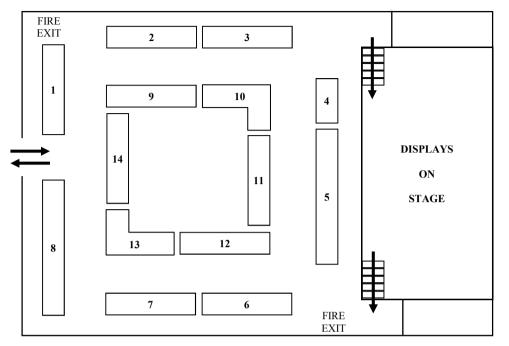
## **Next Events**

Autumn BasPex

hosted by Basildon Philatelic Society, Starturday 20 September 2008, here at the James Horsby High School. Free admission & free car-park.

AEPS Autumn Rally hosted by Witham Philatelic Society, Saturday 27 September 2008, at Spring Lodge, Witham.

### Dealers



1. Bob Lee

- 2. W. Westwell
- 3. Roger Swindells Stamps of the world, specialising in Europe.
- 4. Leukaemia Research
- 5. MW Stamps (M. Weaving)
- 6. **Stamp Search** (S.A. Search) GB, Commonwealth and some Europe .
- 7. Sheldon Kosky

8. **D.J. Church** Stamps and covers of the world and accessories.

- 9. Admiral Stamps (A. Berman)
- 10. B. Downham

11. Woodford Stamps (R. Brown)

12. Roger Hudson

13. A. McGrattan

14. **Nigel Stow** GB, Commonwealth stamps and world covers.

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