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Hello again everyone. First an apology for being late with this issue. Even as I start to write I am not sure when I will find time to complete it. And it will be short I am afraid. The past month has been very hectic for me to be honest. Too much travelling, too much work — although I enjoy both — and absolutely no time for philatelic matters.

There was London Festival this past month and I have read not one review, so have nothing to report on that front. There has no doubt been many philatelic events and news worthy items and I am completely oblivious to them all. Sad but true. How can I have come to this state. I wonder to myself. Perhaps it happens to you? Do you get withdrawal symptoms or like me, do you just keep focusing on what is in the here and now.

I have moved into an apartment in Hong Kong now. I spent a few wonderful weekends back in Sydney and during one I even packed some stamp materials to take back to the apartment. Everything is still in the suitcase. I have a newly acquired printer / scanner still in the packing box. Surely this month I will make some time to get back to enjoying philatelic evenings. Encourage me with topics to research and write about please :-)

There was (supposed to be) the IPDA Annual General Meeting this past month — which with total dedication to the cause I managed to attend, even though I had to wake up at 5am in the morning — only to find there was some issue with what Board room URL people should be attending. We had 5 Directors present so we have had to reschedule the AGM.

**Notice of rescheduled 2010 Annual General Meeting of the Association
Now to be held on Monday, 18th June 2010, commencing promptly at 5.30pm (US- New York time)**

The Meeting Room will be open from 5.00pm for member's to register.
The Meeting will take place in the IPDA Private Chat Meeting Room at
www.ipdaonline.org/html/ipda_agm_chat_room.html

We have seen a few new member applications which is encouraging, especially since I have been very delinquent in promoting the IPDA. I did find a guy I now work with who collects stamps, but just a collector, and he has commented to me that he is impressed with what he has now read about the IPDA and what we stand for. And I don't think he was just being polite. So obviously there could be recognition out there if we can get the message out.

Finally, here is one thought for you. How about advertising your website on the IPDA website. As I reported last month we do get a reasonable hit rate so it could pay off for you. And word of mouth follow ons may also happen. If you are not advertised you definitely won't be seen. Get a FREE ad for one month on the IPDA website by sending me an article for publication in this Newsletter. Perhaps we can support each other better if we know more about each others businesses. Best wishesMichael

Copy date for the July 2010 IPDA Member's Newsletter is Saturday July 26th.
And, you can have a FREE advert on the IPDA Web Site for one month when you send in an article to me for publication.

Stamp of the month



Anyone now why?

Read what I think is one of the best blogs
norphil.blogspot.com/

IPDA CONTACTS

Do you ever wonder who to contact? Well here are few of the Directors you may wish to contact .

Chairman, Ken Sandford on email kaerophil@gmail.com
Secretary, Allan Oliver on email allanoliver1937@msn.com
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INDIPEX 2011

Perhaps a date for your diaries. While a challenging place to get to for many and perhaps not with the supposed glamour of US, European or many other Asian cities this exhibition does sound to be one worth a visit if it all possible.

INDIPEX 2011 World Philatelic Exhibition is to held from 12th to 18th February, 2011, at New Delhi, India. It is being organized by India Posts, Government of India, in association with the Philatelic Congress of India. The Federation International Philatelic (FIP) is extending its patronage, and the Federation of Inter-Asian Philately (FIAP) its auspices, for conduct of the Exhibition.

INDIPEX 2011 is being organized in Hall Numbers 8, 9, 10 & 11 of the prestigious and sprawling Pragati Maidan Exhibition Complex Located in the heart of India's capital, New Delhi.

This exhibition aims to bring the international philatelic community together to celebrate philately, and will provide a unique platform for interaction between all the philatelic stake-holders, including the collectors, the dealers, the philatelic journalists and publishers, the designers and security printers, and the postal administrations who issue stamps and stationery.

INDIPEX 2011 will also be celebrating the centenary of the first official airmail flight which took place in India between Allahabad and Naini on 18th February 1911.

While reading about this exhibition I noted that in the Exhibition Classes there is a class for " Philatelic journals, magazines, periodicals and columns (the whole annual volume issued on or after 1st January, 2009) Members may recall we have exhibited in this same class our 2009 IPDA Newsletter at the August 2010 APS exhibition.

I'd value members views as to whether they think it is worthwhile submitting to the INDIPEX exhibition. One small way perhaps to get our name out there in a very focused way and potentially to a very large and enthusiastic philatelic audience.

DELIVERED - ONLY 220 YEARS LATE!

A letter posted in 1790 has finally been delivered. It was posted from Paris to the town of Seix near Toulouse in south west France. It was wrongly delivered to the village of Saix some 150 miles away. The recipient could not be found, so the letter remained in the sorting office drawer through two world wars, and came to light in 1999. Another ten years passed before the decision was taken to deliver it. The letter was from officials in Paris refusing a request to recognise Seix as the main town in the area. Even Royal Mail and Australia Post can seem efficient!

(Source: ADPS Bulletin dated May 2010.)

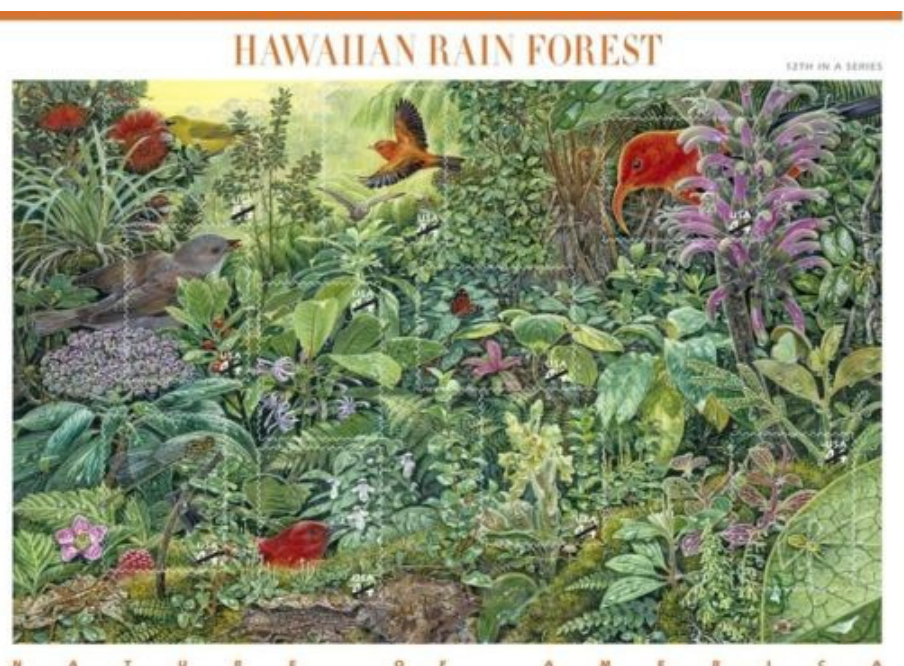
HAWAIIAN RAIN FORESTS ON STAMPS

If there is one stamp issue format that really bugs me it is this.

A lovely compilation of some scenes or whatever and the stamps embedded as part of the presentation.

Now I ask you, who is going to be buying this sheet to be using the stamps on mail? No one is my guess. Or have I found such a person. (Is this not total exploitation or what, at its worst.)

Fortunately I have such sheets in my collection, sheets that US friends and family have given me over the years. I say fortunately because I was able to use them on a stamped addressed reply envelope I recently had to send. :-)



EDITORS CLOSING REMARKS

With apology for uninspiring issue. Write me ok. I need philatelic stimulation. Hope all well with everyone Michael