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Hello everyone, and let me start with BIG apology, this is latest I have ever issued the Newsletter. Sincere apology. This is in fact the first evening I have had free for the past few weeks. I am back in Hong Kong and putting my mind to writing something tonight. If I don't finish it I don't know when I will, as I do not have a free evening for over a week. Lucky me you may be saying. Or maybe big deal!! Either way it is appropriate I try to get something together for us all to stay connected.

One way to stay connected is to participate in the AGM next month. I do hope you can join your Board at the meeting. Details will be coming out soon, but as I have said in previous issues it will be held on **on 16th July (17th in southern hemisphere)**. **So, please make a note in your diary to attend. I will be there.**

Our chat room sessions with various Internet auction house representatives has gone well and I do hope to publish a summary of the questions and outcomes from that in a future issue. Sadly I did not attend any since they were at 2:30AM my time here in Hong Kong and I was either asleep or flying at the times they were held.

One matter to ask you, is, please can you help us promote the IPDA by putting the IPDA logo on your website and state something to the effect you abide by the IPDA code of conduct. It not only helps promote the Association but it might also help establish a little bit more credibility for you. Best Wishes . **Michael** michaelatipda@gmail.com

NEW MEMBER

Welcome to Shankar Shrestha who is now a member of IPDA. You can visit his website at <http://www.nuphil.com/> Shankar and colleagues are a group who specialise in philately and notaphily issues from Nepal . Some really interesting material displayed on the website. Good to see the use of the IPDA logo on his site as well. Welcome Shankar

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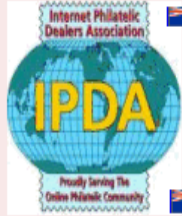
Stamp of the Month



Ooops, sorry not a stamp but a new aircraft. I cannot wait to get my flown covers back. One free to the first person to tell me the aircraft type.

JUNE BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting is in a week and we have a busy agenda. In addition to some of the more administrative matters we will be discussing follow up events to the 10th Anniversary of the IPDA (a few months ago but we want ideas to keep attention on the fact the Association is 10 years old this year, the topic of Archiving our various documentation – there are so many options these days and most are basically free as many of you know I am sure, and nominations for any upcoming openings of directors/officers. If you have ideas, please write to one of the directors, or me, michaelatipda@gmail.com so we can include your ideas in our discussions. After all, while there are a number of us who act as your Board we do like to get your ideas and feedback.



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IPDA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It is that time of year again, well it will be in a few months. The IPDA AGM will be held on 16th July (17th in southern hemisphere). Please make a note in your diary. Plenty of time to schedule your time to attend.

STAMPS - KILOWARE IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT

Our Member from the Philippines is Philippe Poppe as many of you might know. I have had the pleasure of meeting Philippe and although I threaten a visit I have still not made it to Cebu to visit him. Here is a motivation I think. He has been kind enough to share a few words about a trip he took a few months back to Europe and I cannot wait to see this collection. It's good to share these experiences I think and perhaps we can learn from each other. So if you have questions please write to me and I'll try to publish questions and answers. Thank you Philippe and I am trying to get there, honest I am.

Most of March we stayed in Europe, traveling between Antwerp, Brussels and Paris. At the end of our stay we could manage to spend a Saturday on ANTWERPFILA, the International Stamp and Coin Fair.

The weather that day was nice but cold: excellent for indoor activities such as this international stamp and coin fair organized by the FNIP. As a consequence there were thousands of visitors of which several hundred were constantly browsing the many more thousands of stamps on offer.

We noticed dealers from many countries, but mainly from Belgium and the Netherlands. The offer was stunning and we took the opportunity to acquire over 1300 collections, totalling an amazing 1250 kg of books. All this material is now on a boat travelling to the Philippines. Paper is heavy, so we could only take a few collections with us in the plane.

It was also an opportunity to renew contacts and to meet new people. We could acquire much expertise that we still didn't have, and the very good news is that collaboration with major European dealers is getting closer. A happy encounter was also Mr. Sebastien Delcampe, a fellow of this kind of event and a major player today in the philatelic world online. (Editor's note: Sebastian is also an IPDA Member)

Please notice that we now have MUCH FASTER delivery of stamps worldwide thanks to a new DHL-service. Orders now take only 7 DAYS to be delivered. This kind of postage is also CHEAPER.

Sincerely Yours, Philippe Poppe.

Editor's Note You can see Philippe's web site at <http://www.poppe-stamps.com/> lots of learning for us all I think.

CLOSING REMARKS

Sorry for late issue. Next month might be same as I am off to Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur, London and Singapore before returning to Hong Kong, after flying another A380 inaugural with Malaysia Airlines. KL to LHR on 1st July. Self promotion (sorry) but if you have FFC collectors as your customers and you don't like to see them waste their money on some of the fake rubbish that is sold on eBay please send them my way. I will reciprocate where I can. Stay safe and successful working together. Good night. Michael michaelatipda@gmail.com

