PSWA PHILATELIC FORUM

Record of meeting of the PSWA Philatelic Forum, 1 May 2017 held at Philatelic House, Wellington Fair, Unit 18, 40 Lord Street, East Perth. Meeting opened at 7.55pm with Bruce Haynes in the Chair. Nine people in attendance: Bruce Haynes, Brian Pope, John DiBiase, Brian Barrett, Mike Rhodes, Rod Kantor, Ross Duberal, Mike Kouwen, Penny Wells.

Apologies: Ken Moore, George Morris, David Lee. Mike Rhodes tendered apologies to decline taking part in the discussion regarding "Aspects of Melbourne Judging" due to conflict of interests.

Visitors: Nil. Corrections: Typo 'Zimbabwe' Business Arising: Nil.

Correspondence: WAPC minutes for 4 April 2017 and Agenda for 2 May. Information sought from Philas regarding Dennison Stamp Hinges for proposed play on 'Blue Mauritius'. Secretary replied.

Publications: London Philatelist – Apr; The Informer – Apr; Sandafayre – 3 & 9 May; Stamp News – Apr; Postal Stationery Collector – May; Pacifica – Apr.

Ask the Forum: Rod Kantor asks 'how to distinguish varieties' in an exhibit. It was suggested that research be published showing the different types of varieties and scarcity range.

Display Tips: Nil

Book Reviews: Ross Duberal reviewed the publication "Pacifica, South Seas Islands". The book published in the United Kingdom is very useful for students studying this area of philately.

Exhibitions / Showtime: Finland 2017, 24-28 May (David Figg); Bandung 2017, (FIP) 3-7 Aug, Geoff Kellow; Brasilia 2017 (FIP) 24-29 Oct, (Specialised) John Moore (new commissioner). SRSS 2017: New Venue, Loftus Centre, Leederville. 21-22 October. Prospectus on web-site. Picture Postcards Class will be incorporated with the Philatelic Classes. Jury Chair, Ross Duberal. Chairman of Organising Committee – Mike Rhodes.

Topic for the Evening: Finlandia 2017 entries. Unfortunately, the exhibit had already departed with the Australian Commissioner. As a back-up, John DiBiase provided about 70 sheets of Priority Mail in Australia. Many suggestions and comments were well received.

General Business: Penny Wells tendered apologies for June meeting.

Bruce Haynes re-visited Melbourne 2017. He had a reply from Bernie Beston regarding judging in Melbourne 2017. Bruce suggested that an Electronic Exhibition be investigated. He will prepare a letter to be presented to the WAPC outlining the intent and workings of such an exhibition.

Motion: That the WAPC be requested to authorise the development of a State based Electronic Exhibition.

The motion was moved by Bruce Haynes and Seconded by Brian Barrett. (4 in favour; 2 against, 2 abstained – carried). The letter to be organised by Bruce Haynes and presented to the next Forum meeting for discussion.

Next Meetings: 5 June Postcards – Mike Rhodes & Mike Kouwen 3 July Bandung 2017 entries

Agenda for: 5 June 2017: Apologies / Visitors / Corrections / Business Arising / Correspondence / Publications / Ask the Forum / Display Tips / Book Reviews / Exhibitions / Topic for Evening / General Business / Next Meeting.

Meeting Closed at 9.45pm.

John DiBiase, Hon. Scribe, 31 May 2017.