PSWA PHILATELIC FORUM

Record of meeting of the PSWA Philatelic Forum, 7 April 2025 held at Philatelic House, Wellington Fair, Unit 18, 40 Lord Street, East Perth. Meeting opened at 7.55pm with Glen Stafford in the Chair. Fourteen people in attendance: Glen Stafford, Gavin Woodward, John DiBiase, Mike Kouwen, Brian Morrey, David Mazitelli, Dianne Saunders, Anna Friis, Susan Lally, George Morris, Andrew Watson, Jeannine Millsteed, Ian Culshaw, Steve Hoath.

Apologies: Rod Kantor.

Corrections: R. Todd / G. Stafford - Boston 2026 is now confirmed that it will be an FIP Exhibition.

Business Arising: Nil.

Correspondence: WAPC minutes for 4 March 2025 meeting.

Agenda for WAPC proposed meeting, 4 March 2025

APF Report (G Stafford)

Philatelic Events Report – Mike Kowuen

Publications: London Philatelist – Mar 2025; Stamp News – Feb-Mar; PSWA Stamp Hinges (electronically), Sydney Expo 2025 catalogue.

Ask The Forum: Ian Culshaw asks if there has been any progress on 'Special Studies' Sub- Class. Glen Stafford reports that Canada has withdrawn from Boston 2026.

Display Tips: Glen Stafford suggests that exhibits be brought to Forum for checking spelling etc.

Book Reviews: Nil.

Exhibitions / Showtime: Philakorea (FIP) 17-21 Sept 2025; Europhilex Birmingham 2025 (FEPA) 7-11 May, Geoffrey Lewis, Commissioner; SWANPEX 2025 (State) 3 Aug (Rockingham); Thailand 2025 (FIAP) 8-12 Aug; UAE 2025 (FIAP) - 8-12 Oct; Hobart 2025 (Nat One Frame) 31 Oct-2 Nov; AUSVIPEX 2025 - Virtual One Frame - 27 Nov - 28 Feb 2026; Dubai 2026 (FIP) 4-8 Feb 2026; Boston 2026, USA (FIP) 23-30 May; Brisbane (Full National) 5-7 June 2026; Macao 2026 (FIP), 26 June - 1 July; Phila Taipei 2026 (FIP) 14 - 19 Nov 2026; Melbourne (FIAP) postponed to late 2027 (TBC); Rockingham National One Frame (Oct 2027, TBC).

Results: Sydney Expo: R. Todd – Gold; G. Stafford – Large Gold; Brian Morrey – Gold; Dianne Saunders – Large Silver (to be reviewed) plus Special Prize; Jeannine Millsteed – Bronze (Novice).

General Business: Swanpex 2025 (Organising Chair) Mike Kouwen – Progressing well.

Topic for the Evening: "Ending an Exhibit".

Thirteen exhibits were shown on the display boards, mainly consisting of the Title Page and the Last Page of an exhibit to showcase an ending to a story. The topics consisted of a wide variety of subjects. The following people submitted sheets: John DiBiase, Susan Lally (2), David Mazitelli, Ian Culshaw, Geroge Morris, Steve Hoath (3), Jeannine Millsteed (2), Glen Stafford (2).

Next Meetings: 5 May "Judging First Day Covers" Glen Stafford

2 June "Thailand 2025" exhibition entries

Agenda for 5 May 2025: Apologies / Corrections / Business Arising / Correspondence / Publications / Ask the Forum / Display Tips / Book Reviews / Exhibitions / General Business / Topic for Evening / **Meeting Closed** at 9.45pm

John DiBiase, Hon. Scribe,

3 May 2025.