

The Rossiter News

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Stuart Rossiter Trust Lecture

On **Friday 3rd November, 5:30 pm.**

At The Postal Museum Phoenix Pl, London
WC1X 0DA

By Chris Taft

A History of the Post Office underground railway

In 1927 the world's first electrified driverless railway opened. Its purpose was to move the nation's post across the capital, connecting London sorting offices with two of London's railway termini. For the next 76 years Mail Rail, as it came to be known, continued to perform that same function until it was moth-balled in 2003. This illustrated talk explores the development, design, construction and operation of the railway and draws on records from the Royal Mail Archive.

Chris Taft is a historian and Head of Collections at The Postal Museum. Chris has researched widely on the history of the Post Office underground railway and has for over 13 years been involved with a number of projects in the railway, including the current work to open up part of the railway to visitors as part of the new Museum being developed in London.

Admission is by Free non transferable ticket. Places will be limited so apply as early as possible to:
Rex Dixon FRPSL rexdixon@btinternet.com

Seminar on Writing and Publishing

Whilst we are still in the process of resolving some of the technical issues mentioned in e-news 36, we will be running a 'pilot' seminar to clarify the aims, objectives and scope for use later in a second seminar which we intend to video for people to view.

The 'pilot' seminar will be held between 2pm and 4pm on Thursday 16th November at the Royal Philatelic Society, 41 Devonshire Place, London W1G 6JY and will be limited 12 people.

If you are interested in attending please contact us.

Email responses to srtcorr@gmail.com

NEWS

David Tett, FRPSL, has retired as a Trustee of the Stuart Rossiter Trust after 15 years as a Trustee including 13 years as Treasurer. The Trustees thank David for his hard work, his sound wisdom and his friendship.

One of his objectives lately was seeing the production of the German language version of 'Fleeing from the Führer' another was seeing the printing of the 'Suffolk' book. David has played an important role in both of these, and now they have been achieved.

See the SRT website www.rossitertrust.com for more about 'Suffolk Postal History and Postal Markings to 1844' By Tom Slemons FRPSL. Available from the Trust for £49 + postage

'Fleeing from the Führer' in German includes additional text of letters.

Fleeing from the Führer: Exil und Internierung in Briefen 1933-1945

Published by Philipp van Zabern
ISBN 978 -3-8053-5075-4

www.abebooks.co.uk lists several booksellers who have it in stock.

The English language version is available from the SRT. www.rossitertrust.com

Midpex

The SRT had a table at Midpex on Saturday 8th July - it was good to meet and chat with so many people. We sold some books, but more importantly met some of our readers. A great day out for all.

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