The Rossiter News

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Corresponding Trustee

Rex Dixon is the new Corresponding Trustee of the Stuart Rossiter Trust, replacing Nigel Gooch who has resigned.

The Trustees thank Nigel for his work, and welcome Rex to the rôle, he can be contacted at 39 Braybank, Bray, Maidenhead, SL6 2BH, U.K. email: <u>rexdixon@btinternet.com</u>

The corresponding trustee is the first point of contact for authors seeking to discuss a possible project with the trust.

INDIPEX Award

Congratulations to Max Smith and Robert Johnson, who have been awarded a Large Vermeil medal at Indipex, February 2011, for their book **'Express Mail, After Packets and Late Fees in India Before 1870'**, by published by the Trust in 2008.



The book presents original information into a hitherto unresearched field using data from the Asia, Pacific and Africa Collections in the British Library. It describes the Overland mail within India particularly between Bombay, Calcutta and Madras and the ways by which a sender could get mail across India quickly in either direction.

The period covered is from about 1840 up to about 1870, as mail cart and railway services gradually took over carriage of the Overland mail. For the first time, the Express, After Packet and Late Fee services and charges are described from official sources and their successes and failures explained.

294 (A4) pages, profusely illustrated in B/W with 8 colour plates, Card cover.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

5th -7th May Essen Germany

2nd July **Midpex**, The Warwickshire Exhibition Centre, near Learnington Spa. The SRT will be at this event with books for sale. If you want a specific book, feel free to contact Richard Wheatley as above.

In 2003, the Trust published Ken Sanford's book "Air Crash Mail of Imperial Airways & Predecessor Airlines", which is now sold out by the Trust, Vera Trinder and Leonard Hartman. The author, Ken Sanford, still has a few copies available. Contact him at <u>kaerophil@gmail.com</u>

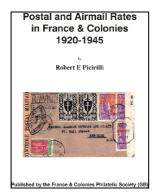
Research Grants.

The Stuart Rossiter Trust gave a Research Grant for the project which has resulted in a new book:

"Postal and Airmail Rates in France & Colonies 1920 – 1945" by Robert E. Picirilli

Published by The France & Colonies Philatelic Society of Great Britain

This A4 format, 234 page, card backed volume covers the letter rates and airmail surtax for French colonies from the start of commercial aviation to the end of WW2, and provides for the first time a comprehensive source of information to explain the postage rates applied to pre 1946 French colonial airmail covers. With a CD of extra information.



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The Stuart Rossiter Trust Objectives

Postal History publishing, and sale of books, sponsorship of authors and postal history research, through grants, guidance and support - are the main objectives of the Stuart Rossiter Trust. If you are an Author working on a Postal History subject, please contact our Corresponding Trustee to see what the Trust can do to help your project reach publication

Circulation

If you found this newsletter interesting, please forward it to your friends.

If you received this from a friend and would like to be on the distribution list just email us.

To 'unsubscribe' email us, we hate to lose you, but we will not intrude.

Constructive suggestions for improvements are welcomed.

Postal Charges

Royal Mail are increasing their postal charges on 4th April 2011. Regrettably this means that the Trust will be revising our postal charges,the revised charges will be on the Trust's website <u>www.rossitertrust.com</u> in due course.

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