

# The Rossiter News

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We regret to report the death of **Geoff Osborn GM**, in the USA aged 89. A renowned postal historian and author of several works including: "Naval Officers' letters" The Daily Telegraph published an obituary including a reference to his books and the story of his gallantry which won him the George Medal

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/obituaries/military-obituaries/air-force-obituaries/8675953/Flt-Lt-Geoffrey-Osborn.html>



This is a research paper of interest both to naval and postal historians. It covers mail sent from all over the world illustrated by covers from the author's collection and written up in his own hand. A number of official postal regulations and rates are reproduced and the Introduction describes the way that research of this kind can be carried out. 133 pages, soft bound, available from the Trust for £15 (+ p+p)

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Australian Philatelic Federation has given the Australian Philatelic Order's Research Award to **Colin Tabcart**. This award has been given to 18 people since it was inaugurated in 1997.

**Colin** is the first Briton to receive this prestigious Australian honour, and he will be giving **The Stuart Rossiter Memorial Lecture 2011** on Friday 4th November at the Royal Philatelic Society London at 5.00pm. The talk is entitled "**The More the Rail the Faster the Mail**".

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