

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Minutes of a Meeting held in Dundee Art Society Gallery, Roseangle, Dundee on 24 October 2013</b></p>
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## **Early Europe**

**Welcome:** The president welcomed the guest speaker, members and guest visitor Val Beeken.

**Apologies for absence:** Chad Neighbor.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous two meetings were approved on the proposal by Robert Duguid and seconded by Len Stoneman.

**Display:** Stuart Gardiner explained how he developed his European collection as his interest in one country was satisfied and replaced by another. The first half display featured Greece and Turkey. He displayed scarce 1861 stamps printed in France along with further printings and covers. The Turkish collection also showed a variety of stamps and covers. The second part of the evening was devoted to the Italian States of Sardinia, Tuscany and Lombardy Venetia the German state of Thurn & Taxis and France. There were examples of rare early issues, varieties and forgeries as well as covers. Stuart also displayed a large 'Album of Facsimiles'.

### **Business:**

President: Encouraged members to enter the various ASPS competitions to be held next April.

Secretary: The Society visit on 5 November to Glasgow PS would be by Charles Lloyd, Robert Duguid and Colin Campbell. A stamp fair organised by Chad Neighbor would be held in Hillside Village Hall, Dubton Road, Hillside DD10 9HB. Hillside from 10am to 3pm on 26 October. The Dundee Philatelic Weekend takes place from 25-27 October in the Queen's Hotel.

Treasurer: Subscriptions were virtually all paid.

Packet Secretary: New booklets had been purchased. Five boxes were ending there circulation two new boxes were expected to be issued before Christmas. Second-hand albums were available for a donation.

Librarian: A duplicated binder of stamp magazines was offered to any interested member.

Publicity: Aimee McCulloch, a final year student at Duncan of Jordanstone, was introduced. She requested the opportunity to photograph some members as part of her project to illustrate collectors on stamps.

Webmaster: The web-site is up-to date.

ASPS Representative: Information on the ASPS competitions were tabled and could be accessed from the Society website. Copies could be made available for any member who did not have internet access or printing facilities. A copy of the report of the Delegates Meeting on 19 October was issued.

A.O.B.: David Millar offered to produce a CD of philatelic information that members may have gathered over the years and so make this available to others. This suggestion was warmly welcomed. Information should be sent to David at dm010b6500@blueyonder.co.uk

**Vote of Thanks:** The vote of thanks was proposed by Sandy Sloss.

**Date of Next Meeting:** The next evening meeting will be on 14 November.  
The next morning meeting on 7 November will be held in the Methodist Church, West Marketgait.