

BOAMBEE EAST PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Here we are again. Another three months have whizzed passed us with exciting happenings occurring within our club. The state election was held recently and, not to be outdone, we had our own election to settle the question of a new (or old) name for ourselves. The result ? Read on to find out. The planning for our upcoming postal auction is progressing well - thanks to hard work from members. Our juniors again have done exceptional work on their projects. They really are an amazing bunch of young philatellists. . . well . . . stamp and coin collectors. We also extend a hearty welcome to new members. We hope you find plenty of interesting information in this newsletter.

Our Election

Over the past few months the question of a new name for our club has arisen. There was much indecision as to which name was the most popular and, of course, the most appropriate one for our club.



New name or not?

Six different names were suggested :-

1) Coffs and Boambee East Stamp and Coin Club.

2) Coffs Coast Stamp and Coin Club.

3) Boambee East Stamp and Coin Club.

4) Boambee and Sawtell Stamp and Coin Club.

5) Sawtell and Coffs Coast Stamp and Coin Club.

6) No Change.

So we decided to hold a postal ballot to settle the question. Ballot sheets with the suggested names were sent out to all members. We were so glad that these sheets weren't like the state election ballot sheets.



Counting. Counting.

Of the 46 eligible voting members 35 sent in their preferences.

On the night of our April meeting, the envelopes were opened. A tally board was set up. As the counting progressed different names were eliminated until there was one left. The count was in - the members had voted - and the result? No change. We will remain Boambee East Philatelic Society.



Cheering the Result

We then settled down to browsing the circuit books etc.

The Upcoming Auction.

Our up-coming auction is progressing extremely well. It will be held on the Saturday 28th May, 2011. This auction will be a postal bid auction only. All bids must be in at our club by Friday 27th May, 2011.

A catalogue is on-line at our web site. If you want to have a look at it go to www.philas.org.au/boambee. The catalogue (\$5) is available at the stamp and coin stall at the Coffs Harbour downtown markets (on every Sunday). See someone in a green and black B.E.P.S. shirt.



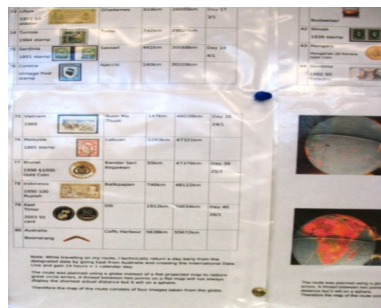
Set up of lots for viewing

Local people who wish to be in the auction can view lots on Tuesday 3rd May at 6pm at our monthly meeting. Anyone who is interested is quite welcome to attend.

There is a wide range of material available. Check out the lots in the catalogue (and at the viewing) thoroughly. There may be some stamps or coins that you have had difficulty in finding. It is your chance to see stamps over 100 years old. Put your bids in and be part of our second auction.

Juniors Corner.

What amazing work our juniors and Bepettes have done! The projects of 'Round the World' that the juniors presented were truly of an international standard.



One junior, Phillip, traversed the world in a under 60,000 kilometers. As he traveled from place to place he played the tourist to the hilt.

The souvenirs he acquired included a few national treasures such as the discus from the famous statue *The Discus*

Thrower. Feelinging hungry, he had Swiss cheese secreted away in his pack.

We were a bit worried when we discovered some Czechoslovakian alcohol among the souvenirs. But we were reassured when we realized the bottles were unopened.

At our last meeting, Joel lead his team to victory in the "A" challenge with the answer to what country has 4 A's in it. Madagascar of course. Well done Joel. Most juniors received mail. They have been allocated a senior for the "Take 2" challenge due on our 2nd birthday party. The Armidale bepettes sent in an exceptional mosaic entry for the March March March project. We are so proud of the achievements of all our juniors. Well done.

A quick thank you to the Sydney Youth Group who donated a welcome set of International Encyclopedia of stamps. Very much appreciated.



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