

East Anglia Card Collecting Club

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Right let's start this month with something we did wrong ! The date and time on the December auction list we sent out last month was wrong. It is **Saturday 13th December** at **11.00am** not as published on the list. We do not want anyone turning up on the wrong day.

This month I had a full house of dealers with Gary Challis booking in late and filling the room nicely. It was a slow start only a few early birds in evidence but as the morning developed more familiar faces filled the room looking for that elusive card. Laid back Richard Buckle turned up with a relaxed 'I've got all day', attitude and why not I say. I didn't do a number check but there must have been 55 members and two visitors. All the dealers did well I understand. Little bit perturbed to see one or two dealers clearing away a little early (so they don't disturb the auction) but that will change in the new year when our auction moves back to 1.00pm (and 250 lots).

Enclosed with this newsletter besides the first auction list for 2026 is a list of club meeting dates for the next two years so don't forget to put them in your diary/calendar and like us book your holidays around them. No excuse now for missing a meeting. Hope you like the Christmas card kindly donated by Butterworth Cards. We also have had some NEW club pens made and every member will eventually get one each. If you come to club you can collect it on your next visit, otherwise we will post it. If you would like more than one, just ask us. I think £1 for all extra pens, as they are top quality Gel pens this time.

Now a strange request, one of our members ordered the wrong ink for his printer and has 4 boxes of HP920XL, he would like to pass on to a member at a silly price (ink is very expensive), if your printer uses this size, talk to me if you're interested.

The full programme for our Christmas meeting is enclosed, note all timings are approximate. Thank you to all members who bought their prizes in this month, please don't forget to bring yours next month, we had nearly 100 last year surely we can surpass that this year. The charity we are supporting this year is a really worthwhile cause Tapping House , based in West Norfolk but serving Norfolk and North Suffolk, providing excellent 'end of life' care to hundreds of people every year. Les spent this meeting selling tickets and we have already banked £160 for this worthwhile cause.

You are welcome to bring any friends and family to our December meeting, we will have to charge them £10 each (for the buffet) and hope they will bring some prizes and buy some tickets. It is always a good day, Sally will provide the usual drinks and snacks up until 11.00am then we close the back room to give her time to prepare our 'Christmas themed buffet.

We had a short meeting this month, firstly to tie up the final details for the Christmas meeting but also to chat about our hosting next year's CSGB convention in Kings Lynn. It's a great opportunity for members to develop their collections and meet other collectors from all over the country (even perhaps the world, last time we welcomed CSGB members from America and New Zealand). We have a few month's to decide what we want to do, but ideas are beginning to develop so watch this space.. In the mean time put Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th April on your calendars.

The bulk of this month's auction was from our good friend John Haddon Silver who died last year, his wife Bridget had found a few more items after we had lotted up his collection so Alan decided to add them to this month's auction so we had 305 lots to go under the hammer. It finished up a 'okay' auction (our last one of 300 lots), total sales were £3030. There were 17 successful in house bidders who spent £1034 on 155 lots, where as 23 successful postal bidders spent £1996 on 113 lots. There were 6 vendors and 32 remained unsold and were either returned to their owners or will appear on Ebay eventually depending on the instructions we have received from the seller. Top lot was early o Lot 29a lovely set of the very rare Barratt Test Cricketers being knocked down for a ton.

Next month we meet on **Saturday 13th December** at Roydon Village Hall

from 8.30am to about 3.30pm Auction at 11.00.

Dealers booked in to attend are Peter Beer, Paul Lynch Mike Heard

See the proposed timetable for the day enclosed

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Christmas meeting Saturday 13th December 2025

7.30am Doors Open for Dealers and Caterer

Dealers Mike Heard, Peter Beer and Paul Lynch

Hall set up

8.00am Doors open for members

Auction available for viewing

Raffle Prizes set up on table

Raffle Tickets available for sale

8.30am Hot Drinks and Snacks available

11.00am 250 lot Auction

12.45pm Words of Wisdom from Chairman Les

1.00pm 'Christmas themed' Buffet -- free to members

2.00pm Giant Raffle (in aid of Tapping House Norfolk)

**3.30pm Time for home and be thankful for another exciting
12 month's of club meetings.**

All times are approximate

**It's that time again, bring out your Christmas Jumpers,
lets see who is in the Christmas spirit**

