

EAST ANGLIAN CIGARETTE CARD CLUB

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Report of a meeting held on Saturday 17th April 2010 at Roydon Village Hall

Our April meeting dawned well and with Bill and Barry Allen, together with Ken Short, agreeing to arrive early and set up I could have a later start than recent months and picked up Colin Gamble and Alan Neale at 8.00am. When we arrived at Roydon everything was ready for the days business and a few dealers already raking in the cash from our early members. Nice to see Jim Jackson with us again all the way from Manchester and the effervescent Neil Daniels from Leeds also with us this month after a long absence Mike Prior. Obviously Icelandic volcanic ash doesn't stop enthusiastic dealers and collectors seeking out those rare cards.

I had called in to see Jack Chilvers on the Friday and although he hasn't been to the club for a few years he has maintained his membership and still collects, albeit mostly Manchester United ephemera and Cricket figurines. He sends his best wishes to all who remember him and love's receiving his monthly newsletter.

Back to the business of the day, great to see Muriel back in her regular place and looking a lot better. They were soon kept busy and at the end of the meeting reported 80 members in attendance along with 7 visitors and 9 dealers another good turn out.

As it was April it was our AGM month and as usual was very brief, all officers were prepared to continue again for another year and the treasurer told me we have a very healthy bank balance, so what else could we talk about. There have been some minor changes of responsibility with the management team (?), Alan is going to be lotting up all the auction lots in future and take care of the postal bidders whilst I'm going to be doing the newsletter and try and get the Clubs History done. Bill is going to continue being treasurer. We will share the responsibility of sorting the dealers out each month.

The Kenny boys asked me earlier in the week if they could run a raffle for a Giant Easter egg supplied by John Lewis for a local Bowel Cancer Charity and were delighted with the £80 they took, the lucky winner was Kenny from the catering department.

It was good to see Cliff Waller and his son Harry with us; Cliff should have been in Turkey but with all flights grounded visited us instead. With Alan taking over the full Auction responsibilities we had a lot to talk about and share. We have decided to have a 'BIG' auction in August to clear some of our backlog and I can promise you some real quality lots coming up. Check out our website www.eaccc.co.uk for all Club auctions to October, if you haven't got a computer why not visit your local library and use their computers they are absolutely free and the helpful staff will always get you to the right place. Our auction today was getting bigger as the morning progressed with 'lots on the day', 228 was the final total number resulting in a £3700 income and £370 for the club.

The bargain's in this month auction were Taddy Famous Jockeys £310, Tetley Birds £74, Gallaher Sports series 84/100 £220 and Players Royal Family £90. Where as the quality items coming up next month include a set BAT set Indian Chiefs, a part set Players Bookmarks, rare set Snider's Coin Tricks and FJ Smiths Fowls Pigeons and Dogs set. Don't forget if you cant make the meeting we will happily bid on your behalf in complete confidence. In all 200 mouth watering lots. In June we have several lots of Cameric Notes and News from the 1930's some fantastic reading.

Membership fees are now due... Alex and Val Woollard did a sterling job of collecting our yearly subs at this meeting that less than a quarter members have yet to pay. You have one more month to rectify this and avoid the dreaded RED spot on your newsletter. If you cant make the next meeting then please send your payment £5 to Bill ASAP. we will be closing the book in early June and preparing the list, we hope to include to email address of members this year for those that are electronically minded and continue to move the club into the 21st century.

Four new members joined us at this meeting, so welcome to the fold, full details below...

- David Gosling, 7, Suffield Close, Thurston, Norwich. NR 152JJ Tel. 01508 532112
- David Moffatt, 39, Riverside Road, Water foot, Glasgow G760DQ
- Margaret McGough, 5, Blackberry Close, Dereham, Norfolk NR203TB Tel 01362 691686
- Jim Jackson, 450, Cheetham Hill Road, Dukinfield Cheshire SK165LB

Two members have moved since last month.....

- Ron Newstead, 2, Mayfair, Shipdham Lane, Scarning, Dereham NR192LN Tel 01362 687539
- Joan Barratt-Lennard, 'Crossways' 2, Onehand Way, Fleggburgh, Norfolk NR293AY Tel 01493 368431

Finally I cant let this newsletter go by without a word about this year Cartophilic Convention, well done to the members from East Anglia who made the long journey to Southport, I counted 10 of our members present, more if I added the dealer members. Thanks especially to Dave Scuffham who presented our report and who was been elected as Treasurer to the Cartophilic Society. For those of us who went it was an adventure, thanks to the complicated rail network we have in this country but it was well worth it and a long day out. Sorry we didn't make the golf this year but it was won by a Essex bandit playing off 28, remind me not to buy any football cards off him for a year.

Dealers coming in May....

- National Mike Heard Derby, Keith /Jan Johnson Camberley, Martin Toms Ruislip
- Local John Haddon-Silver, Jim Reynolds, Dave Norman, Peter Beer, Ken Courtney

Next Meeting Saturday 15th May 2010 Roydon Village hall from 9.00am.