

# *BPS NEWS*

*Welcome to the BPS news*  
*The newsletter of Bristol Philatelic Society*

## **January 2022**

Happy New Year to you all

The first meeting of the year held on the 6th of January was the "**One Page Competition**" voted on by members.

The meeting was well attended with a total of 12 members and guests.

### **The 7 entries comprised of:**

The Capercaillie - Mik Breward

Rare Lilac and Greens - John Roe

Australian Railway Stamps - Ian Spencer

GB Polar Explorers error "Wandering Eyes" - Peter Miller

Boys Brigade Queens Letter - Ron Gillard

New Zealand GVI Coronation stamp error - Neil Jones

Hurtgruten Coastal Shipping Route of Norway -

Arlene Powell

The winner was Neil Jones and he was presented the trophy by President Ron Gillard.



### The 1937 Coronation


Introduction

Prince Albert Frederick Arthur George, Duke of York, second son of King George V and Queen Mary, unexpectedly succeeded to the throne when his elder brother King Edward VIII abdicated on December 11th 1936. His Coronation took place on May 12th 1937 - the date set aside for Edward's Coronation, at Westminster Abbey.

The Stamps

On January 6th 1937 approval was given for a set of 3 stamps to commemorate the event. The High Commissioner in London was instructed to approach Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. regarding design and production, suggesting that they be based on the 1935 Jubilee issue.

Approved photographs were obtained and a die cut, from which a printing was made in blue. A frame for the 2 1/2d. stamp was then hand-drawn with pen and ink to show the general effect. This was approved and steel dies for each value were then completed.



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The only recognised flaw in the issue. An orange dot to the right of the 6d. in the top right hand corner.

A Bourse also took place where members brought items from their collection to sell to fellow philatelists.

The next meeting on the 20th January is

**Presidents Evening, Entitled:**  
**Mystery and intrigue\_**  
**Stowaways Uncovered**  
**A Secret Panel Revealed**

***Organised by Ron Gillard***

Other topics include:  
Display Methods  
and

What started me on the Road to Collecting.

Non-Members are welcome.

If you are interested in stamps and stamp collecting come along and have a chat to our members.

# FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

**THURSDAY THE 10TH – VISIT FROM NEWPORT SOCIETY**

**THURSDAY THE 24TH – JOHN ROE ENTERTAINS**

Visitors always welcome  
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