



LUNDY

COLLECTORS NEWS

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I welcome you to the Club's new publication, the *Lundy Collectors News* which will be published every summer.

As already explained, the Newsletter will not contain articles but will instead cover Club business and with the help of the new team, future editions will contain information from more than just me!

This year started off well with a very successful five-day stay on Lundy after which it was planned to hold a day-long event in the Autumn on the mainland. However, when we returned from Lundy, life as we used to know it had already changed. On Lundy there are no televisions, radios or newspapers and during our five-day visit a lot in the world had changed. Naively, I thought that after a few weeks we would go back to doing as we wanted, but as the weeks of lock down passed the reality of the situation hit home.

The Coronavirus affects all aspects of life and sadly our love of Lundy is not exempt and social distancing applies to all of us. As I write this, there is no indication of when meeting places will reopen, nor when social distancing will be relaxed and I have no news of when Lundy will reopen to visitors. I also think that when the restrictions are relaxed, not everyone of us will be rushing out to meetings or to see a stamp display because, in my opinion, it will take time to rebuild confidence.

In these difficult times I wish you all good health and ask for your continuing support for both the Club and Lundy because we will come through this. I believe that dealing with adversity builds strength and I am confident that this will apply to Lundy.

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Lundy Postal News

I would first of all like to welcome to the Lundy Collectors Club Tiina Pehkonen who is Lundy's new Postmistress and wish her all the best.

To our surprise, Lundy has produced two new philatelic items for 2020. The first item which is a postal stationery card was issued on 17th March 2020 to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the construction of the Old Light. The second item is a card to commemorate the Lundy Collectors Club 2020 Spring meeting which was held over five days on Lundy during March. Lundy produced this special card which can be purchased with stamps cancelled by a special black postmark which was only used during the Club's visit. Both items can be bought with or without stamps.

Lundy has also issued a set of 14 postcards based on the watercolours produced by Sharon Smart which compliments a set of four that she produced in 2017.

Full details of all of these items will appear in the Autumn issue of the *Journal*.

Because of the Coronavirus, Lundy is closed and is now being maintained by a skeleton crew. Please send in your orders as usual but PLEASE be patient because the Oldenburg is now running very occasionally and it will take several weeks before you receive a reply. However, please keep supporting Lundy during this difficult period.

Obituary

It is with great sadness that I announce the death of Olivia Cole who lost her fight with illness on 1st March 2020.

Olivia, who was the wife of Club member Chris Cole, attended most meetings and won the *Keith Hand Memorial Shield* for Lundy photography in 2014 and 2015.

Olivia always wanted to see a puffin in the wild but sadly never achieved her lifelong wish.

The Club's deepest sympathy was sent to Chris.

Treasurer's Statement

By James Thomas

Statement of accounts from 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2019

	INCOME (£)	EXPENDITURE (£)
Balance C/F 1-1-2019	549.89	0.00
Subscriptions	1551.15	0.00
Advertisements	60.00	0.00
Auctions	3241.76	2849.30
Meetings	346.20	625.40
Journal/Printing	0.00	1312.88
Postage	0.00	386.16
Miscellaneous	22.00	2.55
Badge/Binders	26.00	0.00
	5797.00	5176.29

The Club's turnover for 2019 was lower than in previous years, which is mainly due to smaller auction receipts. However, at the end of 2019, the Club had a surplus of £620.71 which is £70.82 more than the year's opening balance. The Club's annual subscription rate has only increased by £1.00 since 2013 which demonstrates prudence and good management by all involved.

After 16 years in the post of Club Treasurer, I have handed the accounts over to Graham Chadwick who has kindly stepped forward to take on this important aspect of the Club's administration.

2020 Club Meetings

After considerable deliberation and consultation, Sue Leather our new Meetings Organiser has decided that the Club will not hold any further meetings in 2020. The reason, of course, for this decision is the uncertainty surrounding the Coronavirus.

However, Sue has a few ideas for the 2021 meetings and will soon start organising a Summer weekend in North Devon and an all-day Autumn meeting. More details will follow in next year's *Journals*.

LCC Stock

The Club holds the following back issues which are for sale while stocks last. All stock is available from James Thomas, 5 Manor Drive, Kingskerswell, Devon, TQ12 5HB, England and please send your remittance with your order.

Back Issues of *The New Puffin Journal*

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Copies of the following issues are available although some issues are down to the last copy.

Spring 1997	Summer 1997	Autumn 1997
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Spring 2001	Summer 2001	Autumn 2001
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Spring 2004	Summer 2004	Autumn 2004
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Spring 2009		Autumn 2009
Spring 2010	Summer 2010	Autumn 2010
Spring 2011		Autumn 2011
Spring 2012	Summer 2012	Autumn 2012
Spring 2015	Summer 2015	Autumn 2015
Spring 2016		
Spring 2017		
Spring 2018	Summer 2018	
	Summer 2019	Autumn 2019

Please note that colour printing was introduced in the Summer 2002 issue.

Each of the above publications will cost (inclusive of p+p) £2.00 for delivery in the UK, €4.00 cash for Europe or \$5.00 US cash for rest of the World.

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