

East Anglian Cigarette Card Club

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REPORT OF A MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 17th OCTOBER 2009 AT ROYDON VILLAGE HALL, ROYDON

The boys arrived bright and early and we soon had all the chairs and tables out ready to go. By 8.00.am three of the main dealers had arrived and were busy setting up but no caterers! This worried me as they are usually here on the dot. When they had not arrived by 8.30am Barry Allen used his mobile to find out why and was told that owing to a mistake at their end our meeting had not been entered in the book, however they would do their best to get there as soon as possible. Another half an hour passed then the phone rang to tell us that very unfortunately they wouldn't be able to make it at all. By this time Colin had arrived and he immediately sorted out two volunteers i.e. Barry and Ken and despatched them, with some cash, to purchase adequate supplies of tea, coffee, biscuits etc. When they returned, loaded down, we had two volunteers from the ladies, ie Vera Summers and Margaret Wareham, who immediately carted off all the goodies into the kitchen and, in no time at all, were dispensing hot drinks all round. Before finishing this saga I would like to give our very grateful thanks to all who helped and kept the refreshments flowing for the rest of the meeting. I would particularly like to point out that this was Margaret Wareham's first visit to the club and yet, without a moment's thought, she plunged in to help and did sterling service. Good on you Margaret.

The next thing I must mention is the Christmas Lunch. Colin tells me that so far he has only received 60 names and this includes wives and visitors. Both he and I are puzzled by this low figure. Our intake through the door at normal meetings is now averaging some 70 plus. I have had words with people who have had previous experience of this caterer's Xmas Lunch and all are loud in his praises. This meeting is to be, as far as possible, a normal meeting with some 7 dealers, an auction and a raffle. The Hall will be cleared at one end so that you can all sit down for the lunch. Now this is provided free to all members and only £5 for non-members and yet, at this moment in time, we have many less entrants than the 70 or 80 who used to sit down to a Christmas Lunch at full price. Colin and I both hope that this is because many of you are slow in sending in your names. I would remind all these members that the last day of acceptance will be the November meeting, so please, if you intend coming, pick up the 'phone and give either Colin or me a ring.

AUCTION We are still doing quite well at the auctions, this month we totalled some £2000. Since my last appeal Colin says he has been receiving a reasonable amount for sale. However, this stock carries a very large percentage of common or garden stuff. To keep the interest of the buyers we need a certain proportion of good stuff. I would ask all members to have a look through their collections and see if there is anything in the good to excellent range that they would like to part with. One member recently found the odd set in his collection which sold for some £700. You never know, it could be one of yours. One further note, we intend to slightly change the format of our auction examples. Instead of showing you examples of prices raised, we will now be showing examples of good cards coming up for sale in forthcoming auctions.

COMING UP FOR AUCTION IN DECEMBER

Set	Issuer	Description	Grade	Price Guide	CV
SET	HUNT & CROPP	CHARACTERS FROM DICKENS	VG	£42-45	£180
SET	OGDENS	SOLDIERS OF THE KING	VG	£55-60	£225
SET	WILLS	1902 KINGS & QUEENS	EX	R£90	£300
SET	BASSETT	HANNA BARBERA CARTOON CAPERS	EX	£23-25	£72
SET	GALLAHER	VOTARIES OF THE WEED	VG	£175	£350
SET	WILLS SCISSORS	DERBY DAY SERIES	EX	£40-42	£175

LATEST INFORMATION - MURRAY INFORMS US HE WILL NOT BE ISSUING HIS PRICE CATALOGUE THIS YEAR.

RAFFLE We like to make the Christmas raffle the best of the year. So far I have only received two items. If you know you are not coming to the Christmas meeting and would like to donate a prize, please bring it along and give it to the ladies at the Reception desk at the November meeting.

MEMBERSHIP It was very nice to welcome guests to the October meeting from the following areas, Taverham, Norwich, North Weald, Poole, Dorset and Enfield. We hope it helped to spread our fame. You will all be sorry to hear that member Herbie Nevill is very poorly in Felixstowe hospital suffering from a broken hip. I am sure we all wish him well.

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DEALERS FOR NEXT MEETING

BEER	COURTNEY	HADDON-SILVER
HEARD	JOHNSON	NORMAN
REYNOLDS	SANDEMAN	TOMS

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

**SATURDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2009
AT ROYDON VILLAGE HALL, ROYDON COMMENCING 9.00.AM.**