EAST ANGLIAN CIGARETTE CARD CLUB

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One of the nice things about our club is, you never know what is going to happen each month, we broke a record this month, read on to discover what that

It seemed ages since we last met and like a good secretary (and I have since discovered Auctioneer and Chairman) I returned from a 11 day fishing vacation in the outer reaches of Lincolnshire on the Friday not to miss a EACCC meet, (Alan has been golfing in Yorkshire, Les/Ann return next month in time for the meeting). Such dedication I hope the members appreciate our efforts even if our wives don't always understand why!

This month's meeting was spent apologising - me for the One mistake in last month's newsletter + one or two incorrectly described lots in the auction and Alan for getting the date wrong on the Auction sheet (at least 4 people came to the club on Sunday 15th - I ask you when was the last time we met on a Sunday we always meet on the 3rd Saturday (except December). If you're not sure ring us up we will tell you.

The bad news this month is only 47 members put in an appearance -- our lowest for several years - with two dealers dropping out as well, the hall seemed a bit empty at times. It is getting harder and harder to get dealers to venture east. It appears gone are the halcyon days of turning dealers away we seem to have room for anyone who wants to come nowadays. Next month we clash with the Northern Convention so now is the time to book a table and have a sale perhaps get together with a friend. Check out who is coming to us in October at the end of the newsletter.

It was nice to catch up with all EACCC friends in the morning and I discovered we have a new TV star amongst the members - Peter Beer has been on Look East being interviewed by none other than Stuart White. I haven't seen it yet but will check it out on 'catch up'; apparently Stuart got put in his place well done Peter. Cliff Waller was back with us after a break, he's been in hospital and on one of his safari's and is off to Ethiopia soon), nice to see you again. Tony Colman was with us offering very diverse suggestions for lunch and at the same time getting hot under the collar at all the Ipswich Town shirts in evidence this month. Don't be surprised to see him wearing Canary yellow next month.

Other news ... a new cigarette card forum has been set up on the internet specifically for buying, selling and swapping cigarette cards, check it out, if you're that way inclined... www.cardcollecting.org.

... There will definitely be no more Murray catalogues ever produced. It has been suggested to me that the club buys 12 copies of LCCC Cigarette and Trade card catalogues. What do you think, would you buy one?

.... Christmas Dinner Saturday 14th December 2013 The decision has been made, the turkey buffet booked, all we need now is for you to tell us your coming. The total cost to the club for the complete 'shebang' including food, wine, crackers etc. etc. is going to be £15, after some discussion the Chairman agreed all members should be asked to pay the ridiculously low amount of £5.00 each for this sumptuous feast and only £7.50 for non-members, is there no end to our overwhelming generosity!

The raffle will be for Macmillan Nurses (a really worthwhile cause) and Alan has prepared a special 160/180 Lot auction of delectable delights. Two dealers will be with attending wearing Christmas hats and smiles to match – Paul Lynch/Geoff McMillan –

... one thing I did achieve this month I sold all the second-hand Albums I had left, so next month I will bring only new ones.

One o'clock soon came round and spot on time we were sending the excellent items to new homes. There were 285 quality lots on offer this month and many bargains for the discerning card collector. If I were a new collector coming into the hobby I could build up a great collection of cards for just a few pounds, our members know where the quality cards can be found. There were quite a few Postal bidders this month so we knew beforehand that this was going to be a good one. All the usual suspects were seated in their usual places and Ann was soon passing the sale cards around the hall.

Total Income £3714

16 Postal bidders spending £2056

17 In house bidders spending £1658

5 Vendors

61 unsolds

Top spot Lot 110 Three B.Morris Beauties catalogue £525

knocked down for £240

We have plenty of material to include in future auctions, but they seem to be the financial security for the club's future so keep the rare stuff coming. Alan is currently Lotting up January 2014.

Next month we meet on Saturday 19th October 2013 from 9.00am.

Auction as always at 1.00pm.

Dealers booked in to be with us include Ken Courtney John Haddon-Silver Peter Beer Martin Toms and Ken Sandeman plus 'of course' our own Club table with bargain Albums and Pages. Plenty of room for anyone else who wishes to dispose of any cards.