

**THE BRITISH SOCIETY
OF
AUSTRALIAN PHILATELY**



**MEMBER'S
HANDBOOK**

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THE NEW CONSTITUTION

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HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY

The Society was founded in 1933 by W.B. Marriott as a correspondence society for the study of stamps of the Australian Commonwealth. Its activities ceased in 1939 at the beginning of the second world war. It was reformed in 1946 as an ordinary society and since then meetings have been held in London on a monthly basis. For a number of years there have been Northern and Southern Sections and Scottish meetings however the Southern Section along with a South West Section are the only ones running other meetings during the year.

The title of the Society when it was reformed in 1946 was The Australian Commonwealth Specialist' Society of Great Britain. On 1st April 1970 a new constitution was adopted with the main purpose of extending the interest to include the Australian States, the title of the Society being changed to:

THE BRITISH SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN PHILATELY

OFFICIALS

Presidents:

1946	Major H. Dormer Legge, T.D., FRPSL	1997	B.R. Peace, FRPSL
1953	T.E. Field, FRPSL	1999	N.M. Russell FRPSL
1954	I. Ash, FRPSL	2001	R.C. Occleshaw
1956	Dr. Gordon Ward, R.D.P, FRPSL	2003	Dr. P.J. Clarkson
1958	S. Stobbs, FRPSL	2005	A. Forbes
1960	W.E. Tinsley	2007	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
1962	E.E. Watson	2009	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
1964	S. Tucker	2011	C.J. Crowe, FRPSL
1966	A.S. Davidson	2013	C.V. Mount, FRPSL
1968	A.W. Rowntree	2015	L.J. Kimpton
1970	J.B. Williamson, FRPSL	2017	T.D. Gillespie
1972	F.B. Scrivener, FRPSL		
1974	H.J. Eldridge		
1976	R.C. Emery, FRPSL		
1978	R.W. Wright		
1980	I. Ash		
1981	P.W.R. Bolton		
1983	E.W. Alderman, FRPSL		
1985	A.G.W. Scott		
1987	D. Ray		
1989	R.E. Pearce		
1991	N.M. Russell, FRPSL		
1993	A.J. Brander		
1995	W.H. Legg, FRPSL		

Secretaries:

1946	S. Tucker
1951	D.R. Taylor
1955	M.J. Tubbs
1959	S. Tucker
1960	I. Ash, FRPSL
1963	A.S. Davidson
1965	Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL
1975	G.W. Alexander
1978	A.G.W. Scott
1984	T.R. Finlayson
1993	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
2009	Dr P G E Reid FRPSL

Treasurers:

1946 S. Tucker
1951 S. Stobbs, FRPSL
1954 H.J. Hattey
1968 A.C. Kirk, F.C.A.
1975 H.J. Robinson, F.C.A.
1975 A.G.W. Scott, F.C.A.
1982 G.N. Durham
1986 A.J. Barrett
1991 J.A. Cresswell
1996 S R Irwin FCA
2006 K.E. Hayes
2018 M.J. Price

Editors of "The Bulletin"

1946 S. Tucker
1949 I. Ash, FRPSL.
1957 D.R. Taylor
1966 B.R. Peace
1970 G.N. Durham
1974 R.C. Occleshaw
1978 G.N. Durham
1982 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
1990 Dr. P.G.E. Reid
2003 M.E. Paulson
2004 C.G. Salt
2013 Dr. P.G.E Reid FRPSL (Acting)
2015 G.J. Keates

Librarians:

1950 I. Ash, FRPSL.
1953 C.B. Taylor
1955 H.C. Lacey
1957 A.G. Rigo de Righi, FRPSL
1968 H.J. Robinson
1973 Professor H.A.S. van den Brenk
1974 Dr. W.L.B. Leese
1981 A.E. Coles

From 1997 the Library was split into Books and Periodicals

1997 Miss Ann Hughes (Books) 1997 A E. Coles (Periodicals)
1998 A.J. Brander (Books)

2002 T.D. Gillespie (Books)

Auction Organisers:

1946 S.Tucker
1965 E.E. Watson
1968 P.W.R. Bolton
1970 E.W. Alderman
1974 L.E. Blake
1986 A.H. Wilcox
1989 H. Kenlin
2001 T. Green
2003 H. Kenlin
2004 L.J. Wallis
2011 D.D. Speer
2018 H.C.J Williams

Exchange Packet Superintendents:

1950 A.E. Hammond
1952 L.H. Newberry
1954 W.S. Tinsley
1959 S. Tucker
1960 F.H. Stringer
1968 J.A. Stephens
1972 F.J. Prophet
1976 A.J. Brander
1993 Mrs. D Pullan/D. Trimmer
1995 D. Watson
1999 B.H. Sullman

THE SOCIETY'S AWARDS AND TROPHIES

The Society's Silver Medal and Honorary Life Membership:
(Combined in 1968)

W.B. Marriott
S. Tucker
Major H. Dormer Legge, T.D., FRPSL
I. Ash, FRPSL
H.J. Hatley
P.W.R. Bolton
H.J. Robinson
D.R. Taylor
N.M. Russell, FRPSL
Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL

T.W. McLean
A.S. Davidson, FRPSL
J.B. Williamson, FRPSL
R.C. Emery, FRPSL
R.W. Wright
J.P. Meara
A.G.W. Scott, FRPSL
L.E. Blake
A.J. Brander, FRPSL
G.N. Durham
A.W. Rowntree
F.B. Scrivener, FRPSL
R. Chapman, A.M, M.B.E., R.D.P., FRPSL
T.C. Tapp, FRPSL
B.R. Peace, FRPSL
A.E. Coles, FRPSL
T.R. Finlayson
D. Ray
H. Nelson Eustis
A.N. Deane
R.E. Pearce

The Society's Silver Medal

J.A. Kilfoyle, FRPSL
E.E. Watson

Honorary Life Membership:

J.R.W. Purves, LLB., R.D.P., FRPSL
A.A. Rosenblum, O.B.E., B.Sc.
A.R. Butler, R.D.P., FRPSL
M.J. Williams
N.J. Fordham

The Thomas E. Field Trophy – awarded for Services to the Society or to Australian philately:

1949 S. Tucker
1950 I. Ash, FRPSL
1951 A. E. Hammond
1952 S. Stobbs, FRPSL
1953 D. R. Taylor
1954 L. H. Newberry
1955 J. A. Kilfoyle, FRPSL
1956 W. S. Tinsley
1957 H.J. Hattey
1958 M. J. Tubbs

1959 P.W.R. Bolton
1960 E.E. Watson
1961 N.M. Russell
1962 F.H. Stringer
1964 D.R. Taylor
1965 A.S. Davidson
1966 H.J. Robinson
1967 P.W.R. Bolton
1968 F.H. Stringer
1969 V.W. Dix, FRPSL
1970 B.R. Peace
1971 J.B. Williamson, FRPSL.
1972 H.J. Eldridge
1973 R.W. Wright
1974 G.N. Durham
1975 A.N. Deane
1976 E.W. Alderman
1977 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
1978 R.C. Occleshaw
1979 F.B. Scrivener, FRPSL
1980 A.G.W. Scott
1981 L.E. Blake
1982 G.N. Durham, C.A. Sinfield, M.B.E., and D. Bradley
1983 A.C. Kirk
1985 H.J. King
1986 R. Mead
1988 A.R. Butler, R.R.P., FRPSL
1990 A.J. White
1991 K.A. Yardley
1992 Dr. P.G.E. Reid
1993 A. Forbes
1994 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
1995 T.R. Finlayson
1997 P.J. Bassett
1998 A.E. Coles, FRPSL
1999 A.J. Brander
2000 D. Watson
2001 A.E. Coles, FRPSL
2002 S.R. Irwin

In 2003, The Thomas E Field Trophy was replaced by the Tony Brander Trophy, still awarded for services to the Society or Australian Philately

2003 B.H. Sullman
2004 Mrs. D. Pullan, FRPSL,
2005 A. Forbes

2006 C.J. Clark-Hutchinson,
2007 T.D. Gillespie,
2008 A. J. Griffiths, FRPSL,
2009 T.R. Finlayson,
2010 K.E. Hayes,
2011 C.G. Salt,
2012 L.J. Wallis
2013 B.H. Sullman,
2014 T.R. Finlayson,
2015 D. Plant
2016 C.V. Mount, FRPSL,
2017 K.E. Hayes
2018 D.D. Speer

The President's Trophy – awarded for Research work:

1947 D.M. Neil
1948 A.A. Hard
1949 Major H. Dormer Legge, T.D., FRPSL
1951 Major H. Dormer Legge, T.D., FRPSL
1952 A.W. Rowntree
1953 "The Penny KGV team led by E.N. Palmer
1954 Dr. G.R. Ward, R.D.P, FRPSL
1955 S. Stobbs, FRPSL
1956 H.C. Lacey
1957 E.E. Watson
1959 Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL and A.W. Rowntree
1961 P.W.R. Bolton
1965 H. Bare
1966 A.S. Davidson and E.E. Watson
1967 A.A. Rosenbaum, O.B.E., B.Sc.
1969 "The KGV 1d Die One Team" (A.W. Rowntree, Julie Resch, J. Biggs,
Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL
1970 T.C. Tapp, FRPSL
1971 C.A. Sinfield, M.B.E.
1972 G.N. Durham
1976 T.C. Tapp, FRPSL, R.C. Occleshaw and G.N. Durham
1977 A.S. Davidson, FRPSL and Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL
1980 Major H. Dormer Legge, T.D., FRPSL
1981 A.S. Davidson FRPSL, A.W. Rowntree and Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL
1982 T.C. Tapp, FRPSL
1983 Professor V.W. Dix FRPSL, D.H. Jewers, A.W. Rowntree
1984 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
1985 I. Ash
1986 Dr. R.F. Parsons
1987 I. Ash

- 1988 D. Ray
- 1989 B.J. Wajer and J.M. Sandy
- 1990 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
- 1991 M.J. Hill
- 1992 Dr. R.F. Parsons and J.M. Sandy
- 1993 G. Watson, the late J. Webster and D. Wood
- 1994 Dr. A.E. Orchard
- 1995 D. Ray
- 1996 W.E. Bell
- 1997 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 1998 G.N. Kellow, FRPSL and R.A. Guy
- 1999 T.R. Finlayson
- 2000 Not Awarded
- 2001 Not Awarded
- 2002 Dr. P.J. Clarkson
- 2003 G Pope
- 2004 A.D. Banwell, FRPSL and R.E. Parsons
- 2005 A. Wajer and G.J. Monk
- 2006 D. Adams, W. Bell and G. Pope
- 2007 L.J. Kimpton
- 2008 A. Forbes
- 2009 Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
- 2010 C.G. Salt
- 2011 R.A. Guy
- 2012 C Tabcart
- 2013 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 2014 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 2015 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 2016 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 2017 B.R. Peace, FRPSL
- 2018 G.J. Monk, B.M. Wajer, the late P Kaigg

ANNUAL COMPETITIONS – for Philatelic Displays:

The Society Cup:

- 1947 J.B. Williamson, FRPSL
- 1948 J.B. Williamson, FRPSL
- 1949 Dr G.R. Ward, R.D.P., FRPSL
- 1950 W.P. Sheargold, FRPSL
- 1951 W.P. Sheargold, FRPSL
- 1952 W.P. Sheargold, FRPSL
- 1953 A.A. Hard
- 1954 E.E. Watson
- 1955 R.H. Corfield
- 1956 A.G. Rigo de Righi, FRPSL

1957 R.H. Corfield
 1958 Professor V.W. Dix, FRPSL
 1959 E.W. Alderman
 1960 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 1961 E.E. Watson
 1962 E.W. Alderman
 1963 H.J. King
 1964 D.R. Taylor
 1965 Lt Cdr C.A. Sinfield, R.N.
 1966 D.R. Taylor
 1967 G.N. Durham
 1968 R.C. Occleshaw
 1969 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 1970 R.C. Occelshaw
 1971 G.N. Durham
 1972 R.C. Occleshaw
 1973 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 1974 J.B. Williamson, FRPSL.

From 1975 onwards, the Annual Competition was divided into two sections – stamps and postal history.

The ALLAN DAVIDSON Trophy is awarded for stamps and the J.B. WILLIAMSON Rose Bowl for postal history, each to be held by the winner for one year.

STAMPS:

1975 D.G. Davies
 1976 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 1977 -
 1978 R.W. Wright
 1979 R.C. Occelshaw
 1980 T.W. Ilbery
 1981 E.W. Alderman
 1982 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 1983 R.C. Occleshaw
 1984 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 1985 F.E. Kiddle, FRPSL
 1986 D.G. Davies
 1987 -
 1988 T.R. Finlayson
 1989 T.R. Finlayson
 1990 T.R. Finlayson
 1991 A.J. Griffiths
 1992 D. Ray

POSTAL HISTORY:

R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 A.G. Rigo de Righi, FRPSL
 -
 -
 B. R. Peace, FRPSL
 B. R. Peace, FRPSL.
 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 B. R. Peace, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 N.M. Russell, FRPSL
 G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 R.C. Emery, FRPSL
 Dr P.G.E. Reid

1993	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
1994	G.R. Linfield, FRPSL	Dr P.G.E. Reid
1995	C.V. Mount	R.W. Moreton, FRPSL
1996	D. Ray, FRPSL	B.R. Peace, FRPSL
1997	I.P. Greig, FRPSL	P.J. Basterfield, FRPSL
1998	G.R. Linfield, FRPSL	L.J. Kimpton
1999	I.P. Greig FRPSL	G.R. Linfield, FRPSL
2000	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL	Mrs. D.R. Pullan
2001	I.P. Greig, FRPSL	L.J. Kimpton
2002	C.V. Mount	J.F. Sims
2003	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL	T.R. Finlayson
2004	C. Clark Hutchison	I.P. Greig, FRPSL
2005	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL	C.J. Crowe, FRPSL
2006	I.P. Greig, FRPSL	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
2007	I.P. Greig, FRPSL	J.F. Sims
2008	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	D. Watson
2009	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	A. Whittaker
2010	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	C.J. Crowe, FRPSL
2011	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL	C.J. Crowe, FRPSL
2012	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
2013	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	B.R. Peace, FRPSL
2014	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
2015	I.P. Greig FRPSL	Not Awarded
2016	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	M.J. Price
2017	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	Not Awarded
2018	Dr. A.A. Mortlock	W. Whitaker

In 1999 a new class was introduced for Postal Stationery. The trophy is the Bob Emery Tankard

1999	Dr P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
2000	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
2001	T.R. Finlayson
2003	A.J. Griffiths, FRPSL
2005	N.M. Russell, FRPSL
2006	T.R. Finlayson
2009	A.J.Griffiths, FRPSL
2010	Dr. A.A. Mortlock
2011	T.R. Finlayson
2012	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL
2015	R.J. Elliott
2017	Dr. P.G.E. Reid, FRPSL

In 2015, A separate class was introduced for Aerophilately, following the presentation of the Crowe Aerophilately Cup by John Crowe.

2015 L J Kimpton
2016 J F Sims
2017 C J Crowe FRPSL
2018 L J Kimpton

This section will be expanded to include records for the Derick Ray Salver for the Open Competition and the David Plant Salver for the Eric Ash Display

CONSTITUTION AND RULES

1. **Name:**

The Society shall be known as:

THE BRITISH SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN PHILATELY.

2. **Objects:**

The objects of the Society shall be to foster interest in, and promote the study of, all aspects of Australian philately by:

- (a) Holding meetings in accordance with a published programme.
- (b) Encouraging the formation of study circles and the forming of regional sections.
- (c) Publishing the results of members' research, items of interest, members' philatelic enquiries and maintaining a record of Australian philatelic events.
- (d) Maintaining a library of books, periodicals and photographic slides and records on other media of Australian philatelic interest.
- (e) Circulating exchange packets among members of the Society in Great Britain.
- (f) Holding auctions of members' philatelic material.
- (g) Procuring suitable philatelic material for sale to members on a non-profit basis.

3. **Membership:**

(a) **Application:** Application for membership must be made on the Society's form and shall be dealt with by email circulation to Council, who shall have the right to accept or refuse any application without stating a reason for their decision.

(b) **Subscriptions:** The annual subscription, being such sum as the Council shall from time to time determine in the light of the Society's financial position and thereafter be approved at the next AGM or EGM is payable in advance and shall become due on the 1st of January each year. Those members renewing their subscriptions before January 31st in the year due shall be entitled to a discount which shall be determined by the Council whenever annual subscriptions are reviewed. Members joining between 1st October and 31st December shall pay a full year's subscription which will cover the period until 31st December of the year following that in which they joined.

(c) **Honorary Membership:** Honorary membership may be granted to such persons and for such periods and subject to such conditions as the Council shall determine.

(d) **Termination of Membership:** The Council may terminate the membership of any person whose subscription has not been paid by the 1st April in any year.

(e) **Restoration of Membership:** Ex-members who have been excluded under Rule 3(d) above may be reinstated by the Membership Secretary without reference to the Council, upon payment of the entrance fee and the subscription at the current rate.

(f) If the Council at any time shall be of the opinion that the interests of the Society so require they may, by letter and without giving any reasons, invite any member to resign from the Society within a time specified in such letter and in default of such member's resignation submit the question of their continued membership to the next meeting of the Council; if thereupon two-thirds of the Council members present shall vote for their exclusion he/she shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Society without the Council being required, or under any duty, to give reasons for such decision.

4. **Management:**

The affairs and business of the Society shall be managed by a Council comprising three Officers: - President, Secretary and Treasurer plus up to nine ordinary members.

The President, who shall be appointed by the Council from the total membership as a mark of esteem, will hold the Office for a term of two years, the term commencing at the end of the Annual Dinner which follows the Annual General Meeting held in the year of appointment. The President shall preside at the AGM or any EGM.

The Council shall, at their first meeting held in each year after the AGM for that year, appoint a Chairman from one of their number, who shall preside at all Council and general meetings of the Society. The Chairman shall also preside, in the absence of the President, at the AGM or any EGM.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for three years but may offer themselves for re-election. Ordinary Council members shall also serve for three years, one third of whom shall retire each year, but may offer themselves for re-election. Nominations for Secretary, Treasurer, or as an ordinary member of the Council shall be invited in 'News and Notes' and must be received by the Secretary at least twenty-one days before the AGM. Any member nominating another member for office shall confirm that the proposed nominee is able and willing to serve. The election of Officers and ordinary members of the Council shall take place at the AGM by show of hands, unless any member present requests a Ballot to be held, in which case the Ballot shall be taken forthwith. The names of persons nominated shall be published in the notice convening the AGM which shall be circulated with 'News and Notes' issued before the date of the AGM.

The Council shall also, at their first meeting held in each year after the AGM for that year make appointments for the tasks other than those undertaken by Officers, namely: - Editor, Exchange Packet Superintendent, Programme Secretary, Auction Organiser, Librarian, Librarian publications, Publications Stockholder, Webmaster, Data Controller, Publicity Officer. (NB The Webmaster will default to the Secretary and the Data Controller will default to the Membership Secretary). In addition, the Council shall have the power to appoint Committees and working groups, fill casual vacancies and co-opt members as they deem necessary.

At any council meeting a quorum shall consist of five members, of whom at least one shall be the President, Secretary or Treasurer. Any Committee shall consist of at least three members, of whom one should be the President, Secretary or Treasurer.

5. **Meetings:**

(a) **Annual General Meeting:** The Council shall fix the date of the AGM of the Society which shall be held not later than 30th June each year, such date to be published in the Programme.

Resolutions which members may wish to have considered at the Annual General Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary, in writing, at least three months before the date thereof and will be published in 'News and Notes'.

Members who may wish to discuss a subject under 'Any Other Business', which is proper to an Annual General Meeting, should notify the Secretary in writing at least 24 hours before the opening of the Annual General Meeting.

A quorum shall consist of 12 members and at least 3 officers from the Council.

(b) **Extra-Ordinary General Meeting:** The Secretary shall convene an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting at the request of the Council, or at the written request of at least ten members sent in writing to the Secretary. Such a request shall state the purpose of the meeting and shall include the wording of any resolution which the members making the request wish to be considered by the meeting. At least 21 days' notice of the meeting shall be given, and a quorum shall consist of 8 members and at least two officers from the Council.

(c) **General meetings:** Meetings of the members for philatelic purposes shall be held in London monthly, except in the month of Convention (normally May) and July and August on dates and at venues to be fixed by the Council. Meetings in other parts of the United Kingdom may be held by local arrangement, with prior sanction of the Council, who will defray the expenses incurred thereby, but may fix a limit to the expenditure.

(d) **Convention:** An Annual Convention shall be arranged by the Council and held in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting. The Convention shall include the annual philatelic competitions, an auction, any other suitable items of interest to members and shall conclude with the Annual Dinner and the presentation of the awards.

(e) **Council meetings:** Meetings shall be held as determined by the Council, providing that there are not less than three meetings held in any financial year.

6. **Finance:**

The financial year shall run from 1st January to 31st December.

The Treasurer shall keep proper books of account, which shall be open to inspection by any member of the Council at any time and shall produce to each Annual General Meeting a Statement of Income and Expenditure, and a balance sheet, made up to 31st

December preceding the meeting, which accounts shall previously have been scrutinised.

An Honorary Scrutineer, professionally qualified, shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting to hold office until the close of the next Annual General Meeting, save that a casual vacancy in the office may be filled by Council.

All the assets of the Society shall be vested in the Council for the time being as Trustees, who shall take reasonable care of them, including adequate insurance, but shall otherwise be exempt from personal liability.

7. **‘News and Notes’:**

‘News and Notes’ shall be prepared by the Bulletin Editor and circulated to all members within the Bulletin. It shall contain reports of meetings, additions to the Library and any other matters relevant to the business of the Society. Matter included shall be the subject to the overall control of the Council.

8. **‘The Bulletin’:**

‘The Bulletin’ shall be sent either physically or electronically to all members of the Society concurrently with ‘News and Notes’ and contain matters of philatelic interest relevant to the objects of the Society. It shall be compiled under the direction of an Editor, who shall be appointed annually by the Council, but matter included shall be subject to the overall control of the Council. Names and addresses of the current officers shall be recorded within the Bulletin.

The Society shall make available for purchase by members a searchable file of all content of the BULLETIN up to 2015. Additions to this file shall be made every five years.

9. **Library:**

A reference and lending library shall be maintained by the Society and placed in charge of a Librarian, who shall be appointed annually by the Council.

A library of photographs or photographic slides relative to the objects of the Society may be maintained by the Society and shall be in the custody and under the control of the Librarian.

A reference and lending library of Publications shall be maintained by the Society and placed in charge of a Librarian, who shall be appointed annually by the Council.

Relevant material stored on other media, such as DVD, CD, Memory Card or Memory Stick may also be stored by the Librarian

10. **Publications:**

Publications will be reviewed by Council who shall:

(a) consider whether the Society will publish and or distribute any work of research or study undertaken by a member. Any member may submit a draft manuscript for consideration.

- (b) obtain printing and or binding estimates, decide upon the quantity and arrange for production.
- (c) decide and agree upon the sale price structure of any book or monograph to be published by the Society.
- (d) deal with the legal obligations of depositing copies of works published by the Society.
- (e) arrange for ISBN registration of works published by the Society.
- (f) arrange for reviews of works published by the Society to be undertaken in appropriate journals.
- (g) consider entry into approved competitions.
- (h) effect the disposal of remaindered works.

11. Exchange Packets:

Exchange packets shall be circulated amongst members in accordance with the Exchange Packet Rules, which shall be fixed from time to time by the Council. Exchange packets shall be under the control of an Exchange Packet Superintendent, who shall be appointed annually by the Council.

12. Auctions:

Private auctions of philatelic material shall be held by the Society from time to time at the discretion of the Council. Only members of the Society shall be entitled to bid and submit lots for sale. The Auctions shall be under the control of an Auction Organiser, who shall be appointed annually by the Council.

13. Awards:

The Council may, at their discretion, make awards of either silver or bronze medals, or other awards, for services either to Australian philately or to the Society. An award of the Society Silver Medal shall entitle the recipient also to Honorary Life Membership of the Society.

A recipient of the Society's Silver Medal or the Tony Brander Trophy, wherever those are awarded, shall be appointed to Fellowship of the Society. Additional appointments to Fellowship of the Society may be made each year by the Council, at their discretion. Recipients of Fellowship may use the letters FBSAP after their name if they so desire.

Awards will be announced and presented at the annual dinner which follow the Annual General Meeting. They will not be made posthumously, other than in the case of multiple recipients where some are still living.

14. Variation and Application of the Rules:

Any variation of these Rules may be made only at the Annual General Meeting, or at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting specially convened for the purpose and shall take effect from the beginning of the next Society year, unless the meeting fixes some other

date upon which the alteration is to become effective. The Chairman of the meeting, or any twelve members present at the meeting, may, before the conclusion of the meeting, demand a ballot of all members of the Society on a proposal to change the Rules and if such ballot is demanded it shall be taken by post under the direction of the Council within 28 days of the demand and the result shall be announced in the next convenient issue of 'News and Notes'.

15. **Privacy Policy:**

The Privacy policy shall form part of the Rules of The British Society of Australian Philately (BSAP). The Policy shall be reviewed by the Council of the Society on an annual basis. The purpose of this policy is to confirm that the Society is compliant with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) requirements or any relevant subsequent or replacement legislation.

In the event of any Member of the BSAP Council requiring the use of membership data, the Data Controller will provide such data to the Council member to ensure the ongoing efficient running of the Society.

BSAP will use and hold the supplied data for the purpose of organising the Society, running the Exchange Packet, running Society Auctions, promoting Australian and General Philately and providing services to the membership.

Data is collected from the Membership Application form and then updated yearly on completion of a Membership Renewal Form by all members.

The data that is collected will generally be members' names, addresses, 'phone numbers, email address, membership status (including but not limited to whether a collector or trade member), collecting interests (if and where declared), whether taking the Exchange Packet and details of annual subscriptions received. Only data that is required for the efficient running of the Society will be kept. No Special Categories of data, as defined under Article 9 of the Regulations, will be collected.

Data is held electronically on computer or portable media or may be in a written document, stored securely at the homes of the Council members of the Society. All out of date data will be deleted or destroyed after an appropriate time.

If a member dies or resigns, data may be held for an appropriate period as decided by Council, but if a member, or next of kin/executor, requests that the data be deleted immediately, then that will be done.

Information held on record will not be shared with any outside person or organisation, other than for the purposes of distribution of the Bulletin.

If a member wishes to see the data being held about themselves, they should contact the Data Controller by email or in writing.

The Data Controller, or in their absence the Secretary, will inform the relevant authority of any data breach.

16. Interpretation:

Any dispute from the interpretation of these Rules or any contingency for which no provision is made in the Rules, shall be referred to the Council, whose decision shall be final.

17. Winding-up of the Society:

The Society may be dissolved by the consent of three-quarters of the members, who shall have replied to a letter sent by the Council to all members proposing the dissolution, such consent being testified by their signature to an instrument of dissolution in a form provided by the Society. If, on the dissolution of the Society, there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, such property shall be disposed of to a charity to be specified in the instrument of dissolution, but so that no member of the Society shall profit individually from such disposal.

EXCHANGE PACKET RULES

1. These regulations are designed to safeguard members and assist the Exchange Packet Superintendent (Superintendent) to provide an efficient service to both sellers and buyers.
2. **Membership:**
 - (a) Any member of the British Society of Australian Philately (Society) resident in England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, is eligible to receive the Exchange Packet (Packet), provided that member is contactable by telephone, preferably at home.
 - (b) Application to receive the Packet may be made at the time of joining the Society or directly to the Superintendent and such application will be deemed to imply acceptance of these Regulations.

A MEMBER FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THESE REGULATIONS WILL BE PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF ANY RESULTANT LOSS.

- (c) The right to receive the Packet shall cease immediately:
 - that person ceases to be a member;
 - the member removes from the prescribed area; or
 - the member is informed, in writing, that his/her name has been removed from a Circulation List by order of the Council.
- (d) Both the Superintendent and Society Secretary must be notified, as soon as possible, of a member's change of address and / or telephone number.
- (e) A member wishing to be deleted from a Circulation List should give not less than one month's notice, in writing, to the Superintendent.

3. The Packet:

- (a) Packets will contain "booklets" which shall include "envelopes". Usually each item will be numbered i.e. the Packet Number and a sequential number, in the top right-hand corner of the front cover.
- (b) Where possible, the circulation of Packets will be organized into locality or Special Interest "Groups".
- (c) The related Circulation List will state the number and total value of the booklets

included.

- (d) A member receiving a Packet is responsible for passing it to the next member on the Circulation List, by hand or post (see Reg.No.6). A member shall not pass the Packet to a non-member.
- (e) A Packet must not be retained for longer than three full days, except that the Packet may be held for a few days longer if that would enable passing on by hand; otherwise, if delay is unavoidable the Superintendent must be informed accordingly.
- (f) A member shall not, in any circumstances, amend the selling price against a stamp etc. in a booklet or remove a booklet from a Packet except a vendor may remove an item from one of his/her own booklets, provided the space is signed and noted “removed by owner”.

4. **Booklets for inclusion in the Packet:**

- (a) ALL members of the Society are invited to submit stamps, covers etc. for sale via the Packet and wide participation will lead to more varied and interesting Packets. Booklets for circulation may be handed to the Superintendent, personally or forwarded by post. The submission of a booklet will be deemed to imply acceptance of these Regulations.
- (b) The Society cannot accept any responsibility whatsoever for loss prior to the receipt of new booklets by the Superintendent, so members must make their own insurance arrangements, if they so wish.
- (c) The Society’s booklets (12 pages) and/or pre-printed envelopes for the circulation of covers, etc. may be purchased from the Superintendent; other types may be used **ALWAYS PROVIDED THAT A BOOKLET OR ENVELOPE DOES NOT EXCEED A5 IN SIZE.**
- (d) The pages of each booklet must be consecutively numbered in ink in the top right- hand corner and the total number of pages noted on the front cover, with the total value (Minimum £50).

Brief details and price of each item contained within an envelope, a sequential number and the total value must be entered on the front thereof (Minimum £50).

- (e) Stamps etc. **MUST BE SECURELY MOUNTED BY MEANS OF NEW HINGES** and must not be on both sides of the booklet opening. The net selling price must be marked plainly in ink **ABOVE THE STAMP(S)**. (Any reference to a catalogue price should be in pencil).

Unmounted mint and high value used stamps may be displayed in a transparent envelope, at the owner’s risk, provided that the envelope is **SECURELY ATTACHED** to the booklet. When a number of items are enclosed in an envelope, but priced for sale

individually, the Society will not be liable for pursuing losses from such envelopes.

HAWID STRIPS AND SIMILAR MOUNTINGS MUST BE AVOIDED (the content tends to fall out – and the Society cannot accept responsibility for any loss).

The Superintendent shall have the right to refuse to circulate any booklet which does not comply with the foregoing conditions or which, for any other reason, is considered unacceptable.

- (f) Whilst all due care will be taken neither the Superintendent nor the Society its Officers or Officials shall be held responsible to sellers for any losses through, or arising from, theft, damage, debt, substitution, or otherwise.
- (g) Society Packets in circulation are covered against loss. However, no Packet shall have a value exceeding £750. It is suggested that sellers do not exceed (say) £350/£400 when compiling a booklet.
- (h) Commission will be charged to sellers at the rate of 10% (ten per cent.) on sales. In addition, the Society will levy a 3% (three per cent.) charge based on the initial value of each booklet. These monies will be used to offset the costs of the Packet operation and insurance.

5. Procedure on receipt of Booklet:

- (a) On receipt of a Packet the member must carry out the following checks:
 - (i) confirm that the number of booklets agrees with the total on the Circulation List;
 - (ii) confirm that each booklet contains the stated number of pages of stamps/items etc.
and
 - (iii) confirm that every space from which a stamp etc., has been removed has been duly signed. Any space unsigned should be marked with an asterisk, a note made on the blank page opposite “Space unsigned when received by me” and signed by the member.

Any discrepancy found as a result of these checks **MUST** be reported immediately to the Superintendent **AND THE FORWARDING MEMBER**. The latter will be held liable for the value of any missing stamps, etc. If any other discrepancy or misdescribed stamp is apparent the Superintendent should be informed, and the booklet noted accordingly.

- (b) Any member removing stamps, etc. from a booklet must apply a rubber stamp or sign his/her name **LEGIBLY IN INK** (initials are not acceptable) in each space from which

an item has been removed.

- (c) A member removing stamps, etc. from a booklet must make a record, giving the total number and value of items removed, on the cover of that booklet.
NB: A set, a block or other multiple of stamps, a cover or set of covers counts as ONE ITEM.
- (d) When the selection of items from a Packet has been finalized, a Remittance Slip must be completed. This Slip, with a remittance to cover the cost of any items purchased, must be sent to the Superintendent WITHIN 24 HOURS OF DISPATCHING THE PACKET to the next member on the Circulation List. (Cheques to be drawn payable to “B.S.A.P”.)
- (e) Even if a member does not remove any items from a packet a “NIL” Remittance Slip must be completed and sent to the Superintendent, as above.
- (f) It is most important that the complete Packet number be quoted on all occasions, especially so, when “part Packets” are circulated together.

6. **Forwarding a Packet**

- (a) The member sending the Packet shall contact, by telephone, the next member on the Circulation List to confirm availability and **MUST NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, SEND THE PACKET UNTIL CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE.**

NB: leaving a message on an Answerphone does NOT constitute compliance with this Regulation.

- (b) If it is not possible to make contact with the next member on the Circulation List within 48 hours, then that member should be bypassed and contact made with the subsequent member.

On confirming his/her availability, endorse the Circulation List accordingly and send to that member.

- (c) A member due to receive a Packet must notify the sending member, by telephone, if it has not been received within five days and the sending member shall notify the Superintendent immediately of the circumstances.
- (d) A Packet must be forwarded to the next member or returned to the Superintendent as follows:
 - (i) by hand (the **PREFERRED OPTION**) in which case the receiving member must sign the Remittance Slip to confirm receipt; or
 - (ii) by post, (see below) subject to the following conditions:
 - the contents of each Packet must be secured within a plastic (waterproof) wrapper before

sealing

- the Packet, on its front, must bear only the name and address of the receiving member and on its reverse the name and address of the sender, clearly noted "From."

THERE MUST BE NO REFERENCE TO THE SOCIETY OR THE CONTENTS WHATSOEVER.

- Packets may be dispatched by ordinary Second Class post. A Royal Mail Certificate of Posting (P326) or Post Office Ltd. "proof of posting" Receipt must be obtained on each occasion.

- when a Packet is being returned to the Superintendent, the completed date stamped Certificate of Posting / Receipt should be retained by the sender until the Superintendent acknowledges

receipt of the Packet. The Remittance Slip and payment may be included with the Packet.

- when a Packet is being forwarded to another member, the completed date stamped Cert. of Posting / Receipt should be sent to the Superintendent with the Remittance Slip and payment.

(e) A member is responsible for the safety of a Packet from its receipt by hand or Royal Mail delivery until it is handed over against signature to another member or a Certificate of Posting / Receipt has been obtained from the Post Office.

AUCTION RULES AND GUIDE

The Society normally holds up to three auctions of philatelic material of interest to members of the Society each year, one of them at the Annual Convention. The Council appoints an Auction Organiser, whose decisions on the acceptance of material to be included, or bids, respectively, are final. All members, whether at home or overseas, may submit material or make bids. No outside material or non-members are allowed to participate in the Auction.

1. **Selling:** Members having suitable material for sale should send it to the Auction Organiser, carefully protected, with the following information relating to each lot:
 - (a) Full description.
 - (b) A reference number to the material either from the Brusden-White Australian Specialists' Catalogue or Stanley Gibbons British Commonwealth Part 1 or another appropriate catalogue.
 - (c) Value according to the catalogue quoted.
 - (d) Reserve Price: This should be set by the Vendor and be expressed in sterling. A reserve shall be the lowest acceptable starting bid.
 - (e) No lot with an anticipated value of less than £2.00 will be accepted.

Lots for sale should be sent to the Auction Organiser on the basis that they will be included in the first available auction; if a time limit is to be imposed by the vendor, this must be arranged in advance with the Auctioneer.

2. **Insurance:** Lots should be sent to the Auction Organiser by Special Delivery or by Recorded Delivery, at the decision of the Vendor. The Society is not responsible for lots until they have been received and acknowledged by the Auction Organiser. When lots have been acknowledged by the Auction Organiser they are covered under the Society's Insurance until sale or return to Vendor. Lots may be handed to or collected from the Auction Organiser, by prior arrangement, at Society meetings.
3. **Commission:** A commission at a flat rate of 10% on the price realised is charged by the Society to the Vendor and will be deducted from the proceeds of the sale. No commission is charged to the purchaser.
4. **Buying:** Auction lists are prepared by the Auction Organiser and dispatched to all members. The method preferred to receive the Bulletin by the member (hard copy or Dropbox) will enable overseas members to submit their bids in time. Auction Lists describe the lots as accurately as possible, but frequently they are based on the vendor's description and the Society, therefore, does not accept responsibility for errors or inaccurate descriptions.

Postal bids can be made on the Form provided with the auction list and Email bids can be made on the Form provided as an attachment or within the contents of the Email. Both receive careful attention. The bidding starts at one rise above the second highest bid received. Lots cannot be sent by post for viewing, but the Auction Organiser will

upload photographs of lots onto Dropbox and provide any other information about any particular lot. 'Buy' bids are not accepted.

5. **Bidding:** Rises in bids are as follows:

£2 to £5 in 25p steps; £5 to £10 in 50p steps; £10 to £20 in £1 steps, £20 to £50 in £2 steps, £50 - £100 in £5 steps and £10 thereafter. Bidding steps may be varied at the discretion of the Auctioneer.

All bids must conform to these steps and those which do not will be rounded down, i.e. a bid of £2.65 will be reduced to £2.50 and a bid of £28.50 will be reduced to £28. The highest bidder will be the purchaser. If two or more postal/email bids are received, the first received will have the preference. Lots will start at the reserve price or one step above the second highest book bid received.

6. **After Sale:** A list of prices realised will be published with the next auction list. An invoice will be sent to all postal/email bidders advising them of whether they were successful or not. The invoice must be paid within 14 days of receipt.

Payment can be made by bank transfer, cheque (made payable to B.S.A.P.) or PayPal IN STERLING. Any payments by PayPal MUST include any charges payable. (The Auction Organiser will prepare a separate invoice for this purpose).

A purchaser may reject a lot within 14 days of receipt by giving written notice to the Auction Organiser if he considers the lot either not genuine or was incorrectly described.

If the purchaser considers that an expert opinion is necessary, he must give notice to the Auction Organiser, within the 14 days allowed for rejection, who will be authorised to grant an extension of up to three months, during which extended period the lot may be rejected if the expert opinion is unfavourable to the vendor.

The Society will pay the vendor of lots sold at auction within two months of the date of the auction, except in cases where an expert opinion has been called for. In such cases the Society will withhold payment until the expert opinion has been received by the Auction Organiser, but the vendor will be notified.

When invoices are sent to successful buyers, they will include the cost of sending the items. It will be the responsibility of the buyer to choose which type of postal service (normal/signed for/Special Delivery or international airmail/tracked and signed). Bulk lots will have the same type of invoice.

The cost of forwarding lots to purchasers is to be paid by the purchasers. The cost of returning unsold lots shall be borne by the owner.

Any member bidding successfully in the room during the Convention Auction will be expected to pay before removing any lots. Should there be any doubt as to the sum owing, the member will be required to leave a blank cheque, payable to the Society, suitably endorsed with a predetermined maximum figure.

Overseas members should note that payments will only be acceptable in pounds sterling.

RULES FOR THE ANNUAL COMPETITION

The date of the Annual Competition will be announced in 'News and Notes' but is normally held as part of the Annual Convention.

1. All members of the Society are eligible to submit entries for the Competition. The results will be announced at the Annual Convention and in 'News and Notes'. The purpose of having two levels of competition is to encourage members to develop their display towards a level suitable for entry in National competition.

2. (a) All entries must be in the hands of the Competition Steward no later than 1.30pm on the day of the Competition.

(b) Postal entries from members who will not be present in person must reach the Secretary not later than one week prior to the Competition. All possible care will be taken, but such entries are at the risk of the member. They will be returned by Recorded Delivery post in the week following the Competition.

3. All the material in an entry shall be the property of the entrant and the writing-up shall be his/her own work. Any form of writing-up may be used.

4. There shall be five formal competitions: Club, Stamps, Postal History, Aerophilately and Postal Stationery.

(a) In the Club competition the entry shall consist of not more than sixteen sheets of standard size (maximum size overall - 11½ x 10½). In order to show a complete sheet, a complete pane, a single large cover, several long covers or a single document, larger sheets may be used, provided that the whole display can be shown in a standard size sixteen sheet frame which will hold sheets as described above. The entrant shall classify each entry as Stamps or Postal History and mark their entry accordingly.

(b) In the other four Competitions the entry shall consist of either sixteen or thirty-two sheets of standard size (maximum size overall - 11½ x 10½). In order to show a complete sheet, a complete pane, a single large cover, several long covers or a single document, larger sheets may be used, provided that the whole display can be shown in a standard size sixteen sheet frame which will hold sheets as described above.

5. (a) The winning entry in the Club Competition shall be awarded 'The Club Trophy'

(b) The winning entry in the Stamps Competition shall be awarded 'The Alan Davidson Trophy' to be held by the winner for one year, and the Gregson Medal

(c) the winning entry in the Postal History Competition shall be awarded 'The J.B. Williamson Rosebowl', to be held by the winner for one year.

(d) the winning entry in the Aerophilately Competition shall receive the John Crowe Aerophilately Trophy to be held by the winner for one year

(e) the winning entry in the Postal Stationery Competition shall receive the Bob Emery Tankard to be held by the winner for one year.

(f) Each entry shall receive a certificate indicating the level of award attained relative to the national marking scheme. Awards shall be determined as follows:

Gold	90 + marks
Large Vermeil	85-90
Vermeil	75-85
Silver	70-75
Bronze-Silver	60-70
Bronze	50-60
Certificate of Merit	40-50

6. A member may submit as many entries as he/she wishes on any Australian philatelic subject, provided that each entry is on a different stamp issue or subject. The title and scope of the entry should be clearly stated on the first page. In the event of the number of entries in any competition being considered too great, the Competition Steward may ask multiple entrants to reduce their number of entries to no more than two in any one class.

7. All five Competition classes – Club, Stamps, Postal History, Aerophilately and Postal Stationery shall have points awarded by the Judges on the following basis:

Philatelic Knowledge	35%
Treatment, Originality and Importance	30%
Relative condition and Rarity	25%
Presentation, write up and arrangement	10%

8. A winning entry shall be excluded from future competitions, for a period of five years. Past winners of the competitions (before 1993) are barred from entering the Club Competition. If an entrant wins the Club Competition, then they are barred from entering again with an entry of the same class. For example, an entrant who wins with a Stamp entry may not submit a further Stamps entry but may submit a Postal History entry. Once they have won with both classes of entry, they are barred from the Club Competitions.

The Council reserve the right to refuse or accept any entry submitted for the Club Competition.

9. A panel of two or three Judges, who are not competing, at least one of whom shall be qualified to judge at National level, shall be appointed by the Council. The awards shall be at the absolute discretion of such Judges, whose decision will be final.

10. If none of the Judges have sufficient knowledge of an unusual entry, the opinion of a member of the Society who is not competing in the class and who has such knowledge, may be obtained through the Competition Steward.

11. In addition to the above competitions, there will be an informal Competition that is displayed before the Saturday Dinner. Entries may be on any Australian Topic, and there are no rules other than that there shall be at least 50% philatelic content in the display. Entries may be of sixteen or thirty-two sheets. The entries will be judged by all attendees at Convention, who will be asked to choose First, Second and Third, and write this on a voting slip to be given to the Competition Steward. Points will be awarded: three for First, two for Second and one for Third. The winner shall be the entrant with the highest overall total. In the event of a tie, the entrant with the higher number of Firsts shall be the winner. The winner shall be awarded the Derick Ray Salver to hold for one year.

LIBRARY RULES

1. Items from the Society's Library may be borrowed from the Librarian, whose name and address will be found on the inside page of the Bulletin and the current programme. If a specific article is required from a particular publication, then the Librarian (Publications) will supply a scan or photocopy. Costs and Postage to be covered by the member.
2. Books may be kept for one month, or, BY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE LIBRARIAN, for a longer period if the book is not required by another member.
3. The Society makes no charge for borrowing, but the member is responsible for paying postage both ways.
4. Members borrowing library items are asked to acknowledge promptly their receipt and obtain a Certificate of Posting receipt from the Post Office when returning borrowed items by post.
5. Members are responsible for the care and safe custody of the library items whilst they are in the members' charge. This includes ensuring that the library items are adequately protected to withstand the rigours of the postal delivery service. Replacement of lost or damaged items may be charged to the member.
6. Considerable damage may be caused to library books (by breaking the backs when forcing the book to lie flat) if photocopying is attempted on unsuitable machines. Many of our books are irreplaceable or can be replaced only with great difficulty and expense. Library books are sent on the understanding that members will not abuse books in this fashion.
7. A Library List is circulated to members from time to time and items added to or removed from the Library are notified in 'News and Notes'.
8. Non-compliance with these rules may result in the member being refused further loans.

N.B. Publications not included in the Library List may be solicited from members who have no further use for them via requests in News and Notes.

Suggestions for the purchase of library resources are welcomed at all times and will be considered at the next Council Meeting.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BULLETIN

1. All members of the Society, but especially those who are engaged in a study of a particular stamp, or series of stamps, or other philatelic projects, are urged to submit the results of their research to the Editor of 'The Bulletin' for publication. Questions are also welcomed by the Editor where the opinion of other members, possibly with similar material available, is desirable.
2. It is only by contributions of this nature that knowledge may be disseminated for the benefit of all, including those who carry out the original study. It is also a way of ensuring that new information is both recorded and published.
3. The following guidance for contributors will help the Editor if they are adhered to. Articles should be submitted in electronic form as a Microsoft WORD file. Double spacing should be used for typewritten articles if this method is used; All work should be original, but if the work of others is incorporated, or quoted, the source should always be given; Items from copyright material must be accompanied by written permission for reproduction; Manuscripts and drawings will be returned only if requested and a stamped addressed envelope of suitable size is provided.
4. Particular rules apply to illustrations. Where possible, the original photos/scans should be submitted to the Editor separated from the article, but clearly identified by a Figure Number. This allows the Editor greater freedom of layout.
5. Line drawings, including tracings of postmarks, cachets, maps, censor marks, etc. may be submitted if the original is not available, but they should preferably be scanned or have high resolution photographs taken.
6. The size of any illustration should be suitable for reproduction on one page of 'The Bulletin' allowing for margins and Header and Footer.
7. If more than one drawing accompanies an article or query, the drawings should be numbered to correspond with references in the text.
8. The pages should not be numbered.