

**THE MIDLAND (GB)  
POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

**ABOUT THE SOCIETY**

The Midland (GB) Postal History Society was formed in 1975 to promote interest in British Postal History, particularly (but not exclusively) of the English midland counties.

Meetings are held monthly, on a Saturday, from September to May. A number of these meetings are in the Birmingham area, while others are held in the south midlands and at Warwick. Traditionally there is an all-day meeting with lunch in December at Burton on Trent and a further all-day meeting with one or more related postal history groups, including the Somerset & Dorset Postal History Group, the Bristol PHG and the Northamptonshire Philatelic Society.

Members receive the Society's journal 'Midland Mail' four times a year. This includes original articles on a wide range of topics relating to the postal history of the Midlands. It also includes detailed reports of the displays given to the Society and news of the Society's research projects. The Society gained the prestigious Rowland Hill Award for Research in 1996 and its publications and journal have won major awards, both at home and abroad. It also gained a Gold Award at the 2007 New Zealand Philatelic Literature Exhibition for its book, 'The Midland Counties Mileage Marks and Mail Routes to London, 1784-1840'. In 2013 the Society published the "British County Catalogue of Postal History – Midlands Edition", based on the classic catalogues of British postal history, which were published by the late Martin Willcocks and the late Professor Barrie Jay.

The Society participates in MIDPEX, the Midland Philatelic Federation's bi-annual exhibition and fair for specialist societies, where the Society has a table and display. A popular auction is held after the Annual General Meeting in April and the Society has an excellent library available to its members.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Membership is open to anyone interested in GB postal history, particularly of the Midland counties. Residence in the Midlands is not necessary. Subscriptions are due on 1<sup>st</sup> September each year. The annual subscription is £10.00 and payment may be made by cheque (see below), direct bank payment or Paypal (Contact Hon Treasurer on 01789 765385 or email [alandgodfrey@hotmail.com](mailto:alandgodfrey@hotmail.com) for payment details). To join, please complete the application form below and send to the Alan Godfrey (MPHS Treasurer) at 8 Gerard Road, Alcester, Warwickshire B49 6QG:

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To: Alan D Godfrey, 8 Gerard Road, ALCESTER, Warwickshire B49 6QG

I enclose a cheque for £10 as my annual subscription and apply for membership of the Midland (GB) Postal History Society:

Full Name:  
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Address:  
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Telephone Number:  
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Mobile Phone Number (if any):  
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Email address:  
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My particular postal history interests are:  
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Please give the name & phone number of a proposer in the Society or a referee, such as a philatelic dealer or auction house:  
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **PRIVACY POLICY**

TO COMPLY WITH THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

**Membership data held** - Name, address, telephone number, mobile phone number, email address & collecting interests.

**Purpose** – Midland (GB) Postal History Society will process and hold the supplied data for the purpose of organising the Club, communicating with members, running the annual auction, promoting postal history in the Midlands area and to provide services to the membership.

**Period of holding the data** – Midland (GB) Postal History Society will hold the data until instructed otherwise. Members who fail to renew their subscription will have their data removed eighteen months after their membership was due for renewal.

**Cancellation** - You can cancel this agreement at any time in writing and your details will be removed within 28 days. Please contact the Secretary of Midland (GB) Postal History Society.

**Security of data** - Midland (GB) Postal History Society will handle the data in a secure form and will not distribute to third parties other than for the purpose outlined above. Data is held electronically on computer, tablet or memory stick by the Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman. In addition, members of the Committee and Past Presidents have access to members' contact details for the Purpose defined above.

**AGREEMENT - I understand that:**

**the data I have provided will be used for the purpose outlined above**

**the information I have provided is accurate and any changes will be authorised by me**

**I agree to abide by the rules of the Society.**

**I undertake to give due notice to the Hon Secretary if at any time I should change my address or desire to resign my membership of the Society.**

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....