

THE MALAYA STUDY GROUP

You are invited to join the **Malaya Study Group**. It has 300 members and is open to all collectors of Malayan philately, whatever their chosen interest or degree of specialisation. General collectors who share the passion for Malayan areas are certainly welcome. Material collected covers the whole spectrum from the pre-stamp period in the Straits Settlements through to the modern Malaysian and Singapore issues and the wealth of material in-between.

The Malaya Study Group was formed in 1959 by Howard Selzer in the United States. It is now administered by an elected committee in the United Kingdom with national representatives in Australia, Malaysia, and Singapore.

All members receive *The Malayan Philatelist* incorporating the *Newsletter*, and separate auction catalogues. They can have access to the members' area of the website and can attend Group meetings.

Display meetings are held regularly in the UK, mainly in London but also annually in Leicester. Overseas meetings are held appropriately to coincide with Exhibitions. We also hold four Zoom meetings each year.

The Malayan Philatelist (TMP) is the highly regarded society journal produced with colour illustrations and issued four times a year. It contains articles and information about Malayan, Malaysian and Singaporean philately. A *Newsletter* is issued with the TMP and this contains all the society news, information on forthcoming meetings/members' activities in competitions, Group auction results, changes of membership and information relating to the running of the Group.

A website includes society information. There is a private area on the website for the benefit of all members, which includes past issues of TMP back to 2010; other philatelic reference publications, and colour scans of many of the lots in the auction. Its address is www.malayastudygroup.com.

Auctions of Malayan material take place once a year to enable members to buy and sell. Lots vary from members' duplicates to their actual collections with estimates ranging from £10 to £1000s. There is no buyer's premium. The auctions are conducted with integrity and many bids are received from our overseas members, who very often win.

The Group has produced publications covering many aspects of Malayan, Singaporean and Malaysian philately.

Membership currently covers the United Kingdom, Malaysia, Singapore, Asia, Australia, Europe, Canada and the United States. A 'packet circuit' operates in the UK.

Membership costs £20 per annum discounted to £15 for prompt payment. Included are all issues of *The Malayan Philatelist* incorporating the *Newsletter*, and separate auction catalogues, with all postage paid.

Please visit www.malayastudygroup.com where full details of the Group and overseas representatives will be found. Or contact the membership secretary: Martin Roper. 25 King Edward Avenue, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 7JD, United Kingdom, or email martinsroper@gmail.com for more information.

