

Final Preparations for LONDON 2010

By Don Peterson



We anticipate a good showing of Philippine collectors at **LONDON 2010** -- this year's big international show at the Business Design Centre, Islington, London, UK, May 8-15, 2010. The IPPS has planned an informal dinner and meeting. Undoubtedly, there will also be innumerable casual get-togethers. Many Philippine collectors have already volunteered their time to help make this a success. In advance, a big thanks goes to **Peter Harradine**, who is arranging reasonable lodging and organizing the Sunday evening dinner; **Nigel Gooding**, for coordinating the purchase of first day admission tickets; **Geoff Lewis**, for setting up the IPPS meeting at the British Postal Museum and Archive; and **Doug Lehmann** for his graphics and notice in the website and Journal. It looks like a great turn out. Here is a summary of happenings:

London 2010 Location

The Business Design Centre, at Islington, London, is easily reached via the London Underground (Tube). It is a 5 minute walk from **Angel Station on the Northern Line**.

First Day Tickets

Admission is free, except on the first day (May 8) at £10. Tickets can be ordered in advance online from www.london2010.org.uk, but no later than **April 19**. The cost online will be £10.50 each, plus £1 postage fee.

Nearby Lodging

Lodging near the Business Design Centre is expensive. Contact Peter at phonecardpete@btinternet.com for the latest information on hotels he has identified with reasonable rates near the stamp exhibition. Accommodations can also be booked by going to www.alpharooms.com

May 9 (Sunday) – Evening Get-Together

All Philippine collectors and guests are invited to a casual dress dinner get-together at Weatherspoon's Public House (restaurant), THE ANGEL STATION, which is 40-50 yards walk from Angel Tube station, **May 9, Sunday, 7:30 PM**. For any additional information, contact Peter Harradine at phonecardpete@btinternet.com.

May 10 (Monday) -- IPPS Meeting

An informal meeting of Philippine collectors will be held:

Time: 9-11 AM

Where: British Postal Museum and Archive, Freeling House, Phoenix Centre, London WC1X 0DL.

Directions: From King's Cross St. Pancras Tube Station, take bus #63, or the tube to Farringdon Station. Then walk to Rosebery Ave, then to Mt. Pleasant, and then to Phoenix Place to the Phoenix Centre. This is a 10 minute walk from Farringdon Station. **See map below.**

Program: Welcome, Introductions, What's New at IPPS, Feedback on PPJ and Auction, Availability of current IPPS books, and **Show and Tell**. Sponsored by IPPS. For more information, contact Geoff Lewis at glewis@custom-made.com.au.

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London 2010 Website

For details on London 2010, and related activities at the British Postal Museum and Archive, see show website at www.london2010.org.uk.

If you are planning to attend, please let Peter and I (dpeterson4526@comcast.net) know so we can provide you with the latest updates and information. While in London, I can be reached at London House Hotel (telephone 0207-243-1810) from May 5-11.