

Many join Society

We had a large number of new members joining the Society over the last few months

Themed Steam Sunday

A new promotional activity is being tried next month and the Printing Society is being the guinea pigs and going first

New Workshop Open hours

With more groups and members wanting to make use of the Workshop it is now open on more occasions. Check out the times and groups using it

Builder wanted

We are in desperate need of a builder for some urgent repairs to the woodwork of the Printery. We are looking for possibly a semi-retired or older builder who is sympathetic to the needs of the Society and the condition of the building. Any contacts for someone suitable greatly appreciated. Please contact Howard Pettigrew on 021 353 886.

For Sale

One of our members has a platen printing press for sale - just the thing for one of our new members. Check out the details on the next page

In this issue

Lots of new members!

It's been great to have so many new members joining our Society. We have had 23 paid up new members join the Society since February with a number of others in the process of applying as this goes to print. New members have come from many backgrounds including young people joining the Junior Print Group and students from the Design and Arts College. We are also delighted to welcome several tradesmen who have spent many years in the industry into our ranks. We will look forward to them passing on their skills and expertise to our enthusiastic



New member of the Junior Print Group Isana Yazdani with a lovely quote she set and printed at a recent Junior Print Group session.

novices, especially when it comes to operating some of our powered presses. Because of this growth, we are now providing more opportunities for members to make use of our facilities, including a twilight session. The new times are listed below.

Come along and join in the fun. We'll be very pleased to see you!

Themed Steam Sunday - Sunday 4th September

This is a new promotion by Ferrymead where one Society is heavily promoted one Steam Sunday - the first Sunday in the month. And the Printing Society are the guinea pigs and we are being promoted for next month (Sunday Sept 4th) - listen in to The Edge - 95.3FM for the radio advert about our Society's special day.

We are hoping to have as many presses operating as possible as well as lots of hands on activities for adults and children. So we need some help from members. If you can lend a hand, even for a short time, please make contact with Gary, our President on 021 047 9621. There will also be a small book stall in the foyer where a suitably dressed Jon Armstrong, (son of Jane and a very keen librarian) will be selling some of his books plus a few lesser items from our Library.

New sessions / times for the Workshop / Studio

Here are the times when the workshop is now open. Lots of opportunities to come along, seek assistance for your great project or just catch up on all that is happening at The Printery. Please note that while these are targeted toward certain groups, these sessions are very inclusive and you are welcome at any session.

Every Sunday

We are open every Sunday to work on your project and / or help out with our visitors, both young and old!

Thursdays 11:00 - 3:00

Open day for the public to come and see printing in action (and possibly join in). Many of our printing craftsmen will be working and demonstrating - great opportunity to catch up with old friends or learn how to typeset / use some of our powered equipment.

Steam Sunday (first in month) 10:00 - 4:00

Junior Print Group - A group of 10 - 15 year olds who are enjoying learning to typeset and print their own projects, e.g. printing their own inspirational quotes and binding them into books or framing them.

Third Saturday in the month 10:00 - 4:00

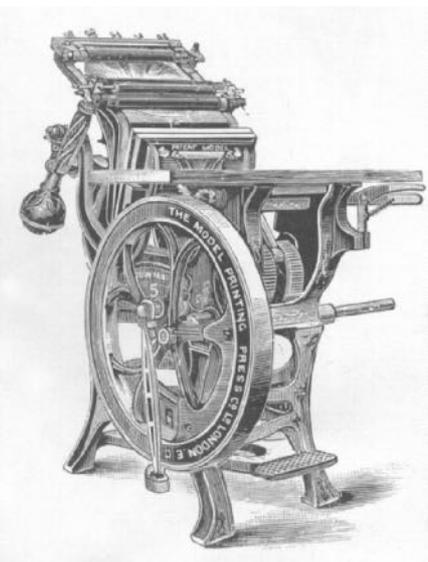
Print Group - A group of people new to printing who enjoy working and learning together, creating a wide range of varied, unique and interesting printing projects while learning about letterpress typesetting and vintage printing.

Every Second Thursday (with an even date) 7:00 - 10:00pm

(Note - the day has changed to that shown in the last Scoop!)

Twilight Art Group - A group of young artists developing a passion for print art, experimenting with colour and various print finishes and effects.

For Sale



LETTERPRESS PRINTING PLATEN for restoration \$500

1877 MODEL number 5 Platen, 7x11 Chase size, 6x10 Image size. Hand fed, foot operated and small enough for home use.

Coming up to 140 years old now and has been saved and dry stored by me for 25 years. This machine weighs 270kg and will need only common sense to dismantle and restore. Very little missing, the treadle to flywheel connecting rod is one item I can see so possibly there will be some other little things too.

First patented in 1874 in USA, Carlo Giuseppe Squintani took out the British patent in 1877. C G Squintani & Co was a Printers Broker who sold complete printing outfits from its London showroom. A similar press, perhaps a number 6 is in Kelly Tarlton's Museum and is the actual press used for Shackleton's Expedition to Antarctica. If this was on the ship the Discovery it would have to be in 1907 rather than the 1915 voyage seeing as how the Endurance was crushed in the ice and lost.

If you miss this opportunity you may never find another press of this age and handy size again!

Call Alan Gulleford on 03 307 2986 or 021 811 267