

Collecting Stamps to raise money for Wolfram Syndrome UK

I have been contacted by a gentleman called Darren Dignam, who is a collector and dealer of stamps; who had this to say:” As you may or may not be aware, the collection of postage stamps (otherwise known as Philately), is fast becoming a hobby of the past. This is mainly due to the vast reduction in the use of stamped mail as a result of the increased use of email, the Internet and of course mobile phones. As a very keen philatelist, I am looking to ensure that the hobby I have come to know and love over the past 20 years does continue, at least for the foreseeable future.

Unless you receive a vast quantity of mail as an individual, the only realistic way to collect stamps is by purchasing them in larger quantities from stamps dealers, like myself, who in turn have purchased them from charitable institutions or businesses. The only problem is of course that too few charities and companies do collect, and so less and less stamps are being collected in the first place, with most ending up in the recycling, or worse, landfill. It is hard to believe this when you take into consideration that they do have a value to a section of the population that do collect them!

What I am looking to achieve is to secure a reliable supply of stamps for my fellow philatelists by offering charitable institutions or companies with an avenue to sell stamps that they, or their donors have collected.”

What he is looking for, and how much he will pay:

“I am looking to purchase what is known as Kiloware, which put simply is a complete stamp (or postage label) torn off mail and saved in an accumulation and weighed by the kilo. Ordinarily, stamps should normally be left on the backing paper, with a border of about 4mm to 8mm left around the stamp. I am currently paying £6 per Kilogram with payments on a pro-rata basis for smaller quantities - any quantity will be accepted no matter how small.”

Ask friends & family to collect stamps & postage labels for you. Ask the company that you work for as well. The more stamps we send in the more money we will receive. Christmas & birthdays are always a good time for lots of stamps.

How to send in:

Collect the stamps and then post them in to Mr Dignam. We will then receive a cheque payment at the end of the month based on the weight of the stamps received (inclusive of envelope weight). Any postage costs incurred in sending stamps to him will also be refunded to us with the payment. Local collection is also available upon request. (Make sure you send in a decent quantity each time)

Send stamps direct to him by simply adding the following address underneath the charity name and number –

Wolfram Syndrome UK - 1152445
DCD Philatelics,
45 Wiltshire Lane,
Pinner,
Middlesex,
HA5 2LY
Email: dcdstamps@aol.co.uk
Tel: 07855556098

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