

The Library
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Librarians from the 1972 Archive

See the original for the list of librarians from 1937 to date.

The selfless work for philatelic publications, carried out by the people named,
deserves thanks. They are expressed here on behalf of us all.

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Pretty well every club – ours included – was proud of its library. As early as the 3rd meeting of the Club on 13th February 1888, the foundation was laid for a collection of journals and catalogues. The first catalogue appeared in the year 1908, and was replaced by a second in 1933. In the year 1940 **Dr. Karl-Th. Meyer** issued, as no. 321 of the “old series”, a tribute number in honour of three veteran librarians of the club, all still alive then: **Dr. Kalckhoff**, **Hoffmann** and **Pauli**. Housing and constant attention was always a problem. This club library containing many valuable items was in storage because of the terror bombing, and was lost in Berlin at the end of the war in 1945. The personal library of **Dr. Kalckhoff** formed the basis of a new collection. This later *Privy Councillor Kalckhoff Memorial Library* was then joined in 1969 with the library of the Berlin section of the Society for German Postal History (**Gesellschaft für Deutsche Postgeschichte**), and the library of the local section of the Berlin Philatelic Society for Postal History and Philatelic Libraries (**Landesverbandes Berliner Philatelisten-Vereine e.V. zur Postgeschichtlichen und Philatelistischen Bibliothek**). This library was housed at the time at 1 Turnstrasse, Berlin 21 (Moabit district), and was then transferred to the **Berlin Post and Telegraph Museum**. This still remains in Berlin and is always available to research philatelists in Berlin and the neighbourhood.

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