

Regional Group Report

The Regional Group System is comprised of fifteen distinct areas, and during the past twelve months, all but two of the regions have held at least one meeting. These get-togethers ranged in scope from half-day events through to overnight functions involving companions / spouses. The agendas were just as varied, with some consisting of purely philatelic activities, others involving meals, and still others with the more elaborate plans to cater to collectors and non-collectors alike.

Similarly, depending on the area, groups may hold only one or two gatherings a year while there are several that meet six to eight times in the same period. The Regional Group Rant, which appears in each issue of *TOPICS*, provides details of the happenings at each of these meetings.

Mark Isaacs has spear-headed a campaign to form a new Regional Group in the state of Florida, and to that end held an exploratory meeting this Spring, which seemed to generate a reasonable amount of interest. This group would be separated from the current Dixie Beavers Group.

In reviewing the attendance figures from the meeting reports, it would appear that less than 15% of our members attend a regional group function.

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