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The Benevolent Confraternity of Dissectologists (Established. 1985)

International Joining Form and Information Leaflet

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The BCD, or Benevolent Confraternity of Dissectologists to give it its full expanded title, is a subscription-based club for followers of Jigsaw Puzzles. Based in the United Kingdom but with a worldwide membership, the club was founded in 1985 when a small group of jig-saw puzzle enthusiasts met for a most enjoyable evening, assembling puzzles together and sharing information about them. As a result, they decided to create a club for like-minded enthusiasts, calling themselves “Dissectologists” after John Spilsbury, who invented the original puzzles in England in the 1760’s, called them “Dissected Maps”.

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From these foundations the club has grown considerably to its current standing of several hundred members. Following on from those earliest events, we now meet quarterly in venues (usually village halls) around the UK and produce four colour-printed magazines each year which are crammed full of news, pictures and information about puzzles, along with details of puzzles for sale and wanted by the members. We also organise a weekend of puzzling, or “House Party” event every year or so, at which some of the World’s finest and most fiendish puzzle examples usually put in an appearance, much to the delight and entertainment of our resident “Experts”! These functions allow us all to share and discuss our particular interests, along with being a great social occasion, also providing much of the material to appear in each subsequent publication.

Our aims are simple and have remained the same since 1985. They are:-

- 1 To undertake research into the history and development of jig-saw puzzles.
- 2 To encourage the manufacture, collection, preservation and restoration of jig-saw puzzles.
- 3 To compile and maintain an archive of jig-saw puzzle related material.
- 4 To keep members in touch, to advertise their special interests and to encourage members meetings.
- 5 To produce and circulate regular newsletters and magazines to members.
- 6 To arrange and/or participate in public or other events which will further the aims of the BCD.
- 7 To encourage assembly of jig-saw puzzles to promote the enjoyment of our hobby.

BENEVOLENT CONFRATERNITY OF DISSECTOLOGISTS

The BCD is open for membership, so if you would like to join our ranks and share your puzzling knowledge or interests with our members please get in touch. You will also be able to join and participate in our Facebook and Flickr groups.

Current subscriptions are:

UK and the British Isles - £15.00 per annum

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Rest of the World - £28.00 per annum

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