

GUERNSEY – Independent Post

HERM ISLAND – Postally comes under the Guernsey Post Office. In 1948 the then owner of the Island introduced Local Carriage Labels, these continued until 1st October 1969 when they were suppressed by the Guernsey Post Office

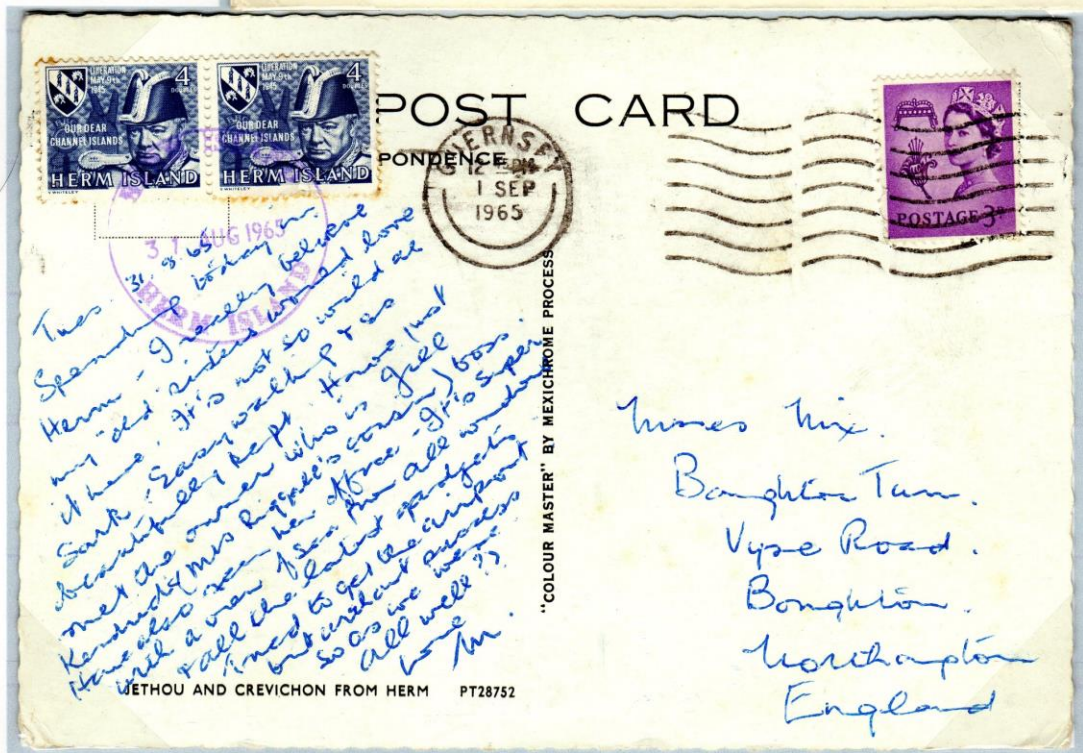


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HERM ISLAND – Use of Local carriage Labels – Note that on letters they are affixed to the rear, they were allowed on the address side of cards so as not to deface the picture. Similar arrangements applied to Lundy.

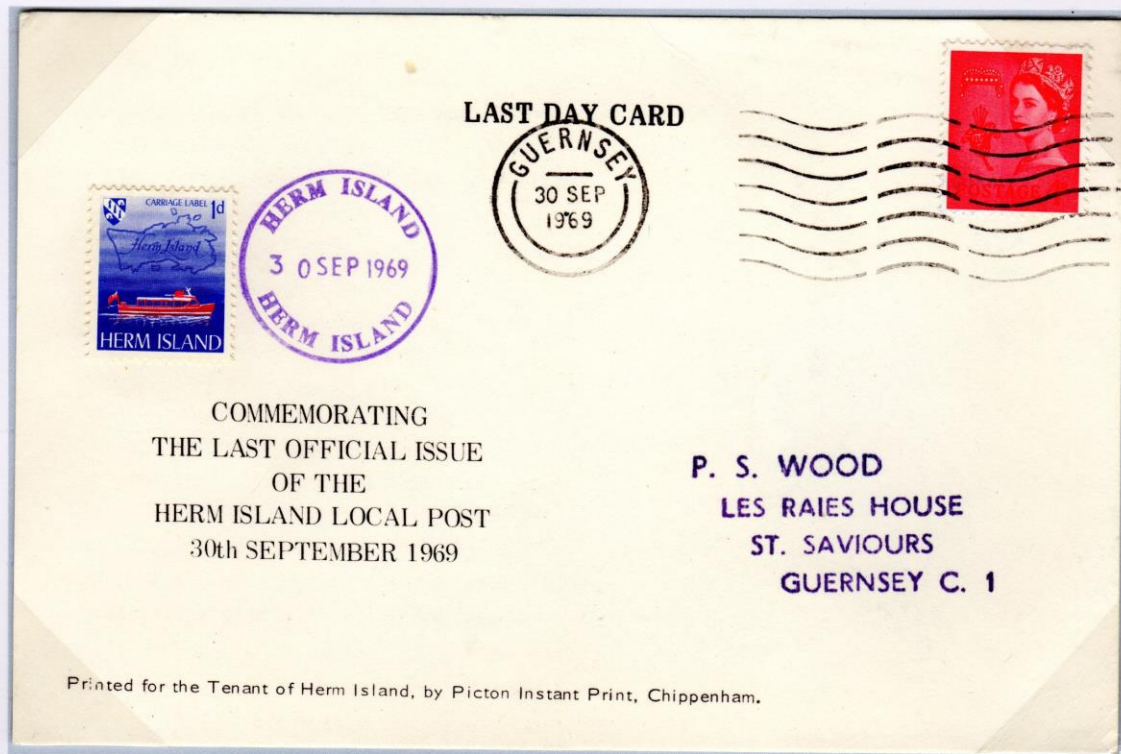


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HERM ISLAND – Last Official use of Local carriage Labels



Herm Island issued its own postage stamps on the 26th May, 1949, to pay for the carriage of Mail to Guernsey, 'as the British Post Office had refused to re-establish postal facilities on the Island.' These issues were with the knowledge and under the auspices of the G.P.O. and, since that time some 23 issues have been made.

The service has catered for the needs of permanent residents, daily visitors and seasonal guests carrying more than 200,000 items of mail annually. As from 1st October, 1969 this task will be taken over by the Guernsey Post Office Board, who are establishing a full postal service on the Island.

Philatelists the world over will regret the end of this Colourful phase of the Island's Postal History and will be a little saddened at the passing of this unique postal service.

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SARK – Postally comes under the Guernsey Post Office. Adhesive labels were issued by the Commodore Shipping Co. and the Isle of Sark Shipping Company for the carriage of parcels between Guernsey and Sark.

