

# Scottish Printing Archival Trust

## Annual Report for 2009

After the celebration of the quincentenary of Scotland's printing industry, 2009 was a much quieter year for the Trust.

The main focus of the year was work on a number of Trust publications. The booklet to celebrate the introduction of printing to Scotland (*500 years of printing in Scotland*. ISBN-13: 978-0-9563043-0-8), which had been delayed from 2008, was published with generous support from Montgomery Litho. Two other publications remained at the planning stage: Professor John Gennard of Strathclyde University continued to work on the history of the print employers' organisation in Scotland, and Richard Honour produced and distributed draft copies of his work on the development of printing education in Edinburgh. The *Edinburgh Printing Trail* leaflet, produced in 2008, continued to be popular and by the end of the year, more than a third of the 10,000 copies printed had been distributed.

The Trust continued to maintain two websites, its own ([www.scottishprintarchive.org](http://www.scottishprintarchive.org)) and the '500 years of printing in Scotland' project site ([www.500yearsofprinting.org](http://www.500yearsofprinting.org)). A list of the books related to printing in Scotland which are in the possession of the Trust was compiled.

The Trustees held three meetings during the year. In October 2009, Richard Honour retired as Trustee, and Bernulf Clegg retired as Honorary Secretary, while remaining as Trustee. Helen Williams took over as Secretary to the Trust.