## RMS INSTA-POLL

## "What is your major complaint(s) about the hobby?"

[September - responding]

-Decline in availability of matches		
-Regional clubs are declining		
-Doesn't attract younger members		
-Dwindling interest in trading		
-Dues should be reduced for e-bulletin recipi-		
ents		
-Conventions are too long		
-Hobby is dying		
-Difficulty in disposing of your collection		
-Lack of foresight about the future of the hobby		
and how to preserve it.		
-Non-collectors don't understand us		
-High cost of postage		
-Pricing expectations of non-collectors		
-Dwindling number of collectors		
-RMS dues too high		
-RMS roster should be annual		
-RMS Bulletin should be monthly		
-Membership report page in the bulletin should		
show suspended members		
-The difficulty in receiving the RMS bulletin		
(subjective) on line		
-No preservation		
-People that don't use e-mail		
-Inadequate means for estate auctions at the		
RMS Convention		
-Too time-consuming		
-Not enough conventions in the South.		
-Location of RMS conventions		
-Low interest in full books		
-Space requirements		
-Should be a more member friendly way to get		
together and trade matchbook covers		
-Some people at RMS Convention weren't help		
ful		
-Should merge with other ephemera meetings		
-I was a hobby member in the 50's and 60's		
-The website needs work		
-Too much traveling required		
-Lack of information		
-Cost to attend convention		
-Auction bidders buying lots to sell on e-bay		

-No complaints

Pertinent	comments:
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-Nothing is perfect to satisfy everyone. I, however, don't have any complaint's. I attended RMS this year and had no issues with that either.

-Non-phillumenists (including my wife) just do not understand why we are so fascinated by matches, matchbooks, and matchboxes.

-Lower the RMS dues from \$20.00 a year to \$10.00 to get and retain more members

-It would be nice if the yearly convention was held at the same CENTRAL location, so we all could attend. Right in the middle of the U.S. And, of course, it would be accessible by mass transportation....air, car, train, bus, etc.

-My complaint is really a lament of being involved in a dying hobby

-Distance, distance, distance....between traders, to attend an R.M.S. convention and travel to the rare event or club meetings! Also, because of the ban on mailing matches, I must limit distance traveled to pick these up myself. I can't see driving across country where these full books turn up.