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PRESIDENT SID'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Reading my recently received copies of BNA Topics (2022 second quarter) and the April 2022 Maple Leaves, Journal of the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain has again been both pleasurable and most informative.

In Maple Leaves, I particularly enjoyed Bill Burden's article "*Constant Plate Flaws on The Admiral Stamps*" with a focus on the one cent green war tax issue. Now, knowing what the flaws look like will result in many hours of "the thrill of the hunt" as I carefully inspect my war tax stamp accumulation in hopes of finding examples of the seven images shown.

As well, having an interest in social philately, Brian C. Plain's article, "*Hotel forwarding label redirected from Vancouver to Petrograd*" in BNA Topics captured my attention and caused me to ponder what stories and new learnings are hidden in the covers in my collections.

Each of these journals will deepen the knowledge and interests of any WTSC member. If you have yet to join the British North America Philatelic Society <https://bnaps.org/> or the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain <http://www.canadianpsgb.org.uk/> consider doing so.

To date we have experienced two successful in-person meetings. Returning members eagerly shared, enjoyed the company of stamp collector friends and bid enthusiastically at the auctions.

Our **May 10th in-person meeting** will include our **Single page WTSC Exhibition**, the **election of Officers** and **new this year, a Club Donation Auction**.

The 2022 WTSC Exhibition

- Members are encouraged to display their "single page philatelic story" and speak to it at the meeting. Online members can send a scan of their single page and a brief description to sidmensinga@gmail.com. The submission will be shown, and the description read at the club competition. This year, exhibition entries will be judged by Robert Pinet, a qualified national judge and WTSC member. The Single Page competition winner will have his / her name engraved on the **FRANK ALUSIO** award and receive a **free WTSC membership for the 2022/23 club year**.

Election of the WTSC Board for 2022-24

- There are still openings for Board Secretary and one director, as well as an opportunity for you to put your name forward to be part of the WTSC leadership team. Please advise ted.swain@sympatico.ca of your interest to serve.

CLUB Donation Auction

- This first CLUB Donation Auction will feature: a worldwide collection consisting of 21 binders (stamps and covers by country to be sold by binder), annual collections, bulk lots, and individual philatelic items. In addition, if there are items you wish to donate to support the club, they would be gratefully received. (This will be an auction of quality lots with a minimum reserve of \$5.)

Again, this month I am please to welcome a new member to the club. Welcome to Liviu De Cuseara. Also welcome back to reinstated member Alan Duncan Conroy. To both members, we appreciated your eager participation at our recent in-person meetings.

May - Philatelic opportunities for WTSC members via Zoom.

1. **Learning Workshop, 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2022**, is entitled ***“Illustrated Commercial Mail.”*** A time to share illustrated philatelic treasures of the past.
The Learning Workshop for June 7th is detailed on pages 4-6.
2. **Discussion Group, Tuesday May 17: Town Hall and CAPEX 22** an opportunity to provide input to ensure that the Discussion Group meetings and topics are meeting the interests and requirements of our members. The second portion of this meeting will be a discussion of the upcoming CAPEX 22, Canada’s first international stamp show of the 21st century.



Thursday, June 9 – Sunday, June 12, 2022
Metro Toronto Convention Centre (MTCC).

Volunteers needed!

<https://capex22.org/the-show/volunteers/>



There are many roles to fill leading up to the show dates, during the show and even after the show.

Various roles are available, including the following: Setup, Welcome Desk, Registration Desk, Youth Table, Teardown, or “Place Me anywhere”.

CAPEX 22 gifts produced only for registered volunteers and commensurate with the hours served will be provided to all volunteers after the show conclusion.

Volunteers committing to serving a total of 8 hours of volunteer time over the course of the show will also be registered for a 4-day pass



<https://capex22.org/event/capex-22-international-one-frame-stamp-championship-exhibition/>

UPCOMING DISCUSSION GROUP MEETING

The next Discussion Group Meeting entitled, **“CAPEX 22 Review - What did you; experience, learn, purchase?”**, will be held **Tuesday June 21 7p.m.** via Zoom

This meeting will be another most interesting evening for members and guest participation as we share the success of CAPEX 22!

Congratulations Newly Recognized WTSC Loyal Members

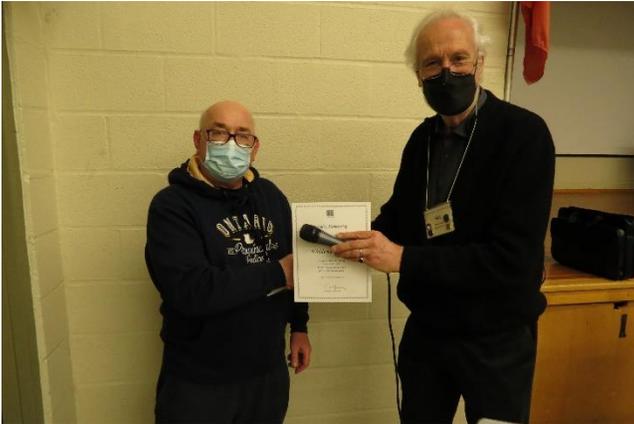
Loyalty Membership Certificates are awarded to the following WTSC members who have been associated with the WTSC for 25 continuous years.

Status gained in 2019/20 Waldemar & Ann Stoeckl joined in 95/96

Status gained in 2020/21 Ted Kupka joined 96/97

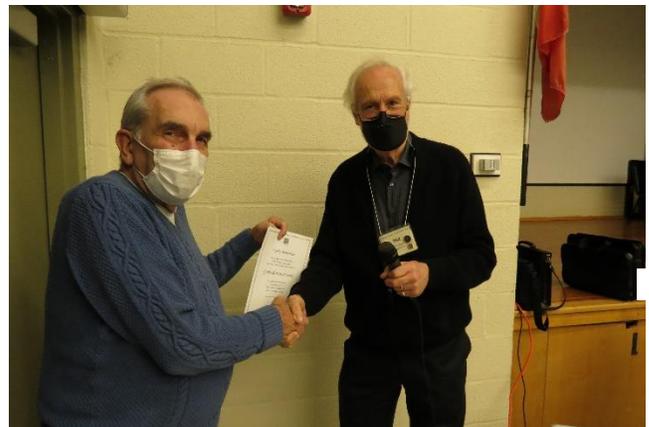
Status gained in 21/22 Garfield Portch joined 97/98

Thankfully our resumed in-person meetings allow us to present these awards publicly.



West Toronto Stamp Club member Ted Kupka receives his 25th anniversary WTSC certificate from President Sid Mensinga on April 26, 2022

West Toronto Stamp Club member Garfield Portch receives his 25th anniversary WTSC certificate from President Sid Mensinga on April 26, 2022



Pictures of recipients; Waldemar and Ann Stoeckl will be taken and included in the next Bulletin

OTHER MAY PHILATELIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR WTSC MEMBERS AND GUESTS



Royal Philatelic Society of Canada: Stamp Talk and Stamp Panel sessions. Registration in advance required. <https://www.rpsc.org/>

STAMP TALKS

Monday May 9 – Ed Kroft *“Politics and Postal Circulars: Lester Pearson’s Role in the 1948 Evolution of Postal Relations Between Canada and the State of Israel”*

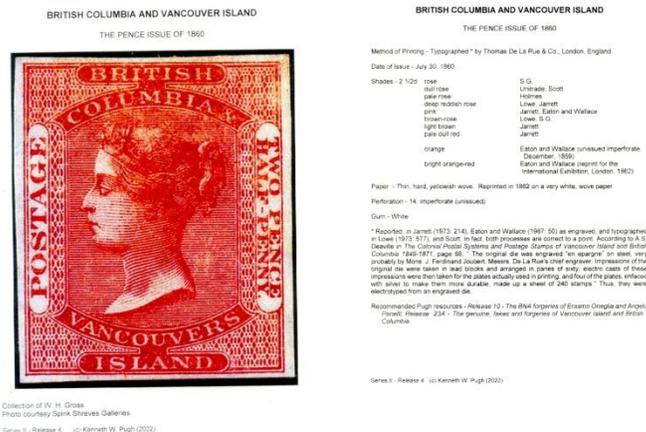
STAMP PANELS

Monday May 16 – *“Collecting Post Cards”* - Speakers Jane Sodero, Branda Hoyles, Dawn Hammon, Ken Lemke (Moderator)

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i/p - in prep, o/s - temp. out of stock

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Release 3	<i>The Western Canada postal history Proof Book cancel fakes (b&w)</i>	o/s
Release 4	<i>The genuine issues of the Canadian provinces with update (b&w)</i>	\$85.00
Release 4A	(as above) - <i>The genuine colonial Van.Is and B.C. issues (colour updated edition)</i>	\$25.00
	4A - with standing order for the complete genuine provinces set of 5	\$22.00
Release 4B-E	The remaining genuine colonial provinces - N.B., N.S., P.E.I. and Nfld.	<i>i/p</i>
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	(as above) - Section C - 4-hole	\$25.00
	Complete set of 3 - Detection tech plus 5 and 4 hole perfins (colour)	\$90.00
Release 5B	The genuine and faked overprinted official O.H.M.S. and G stamps of Canada (colour)	\$65.00
Release 6	<i>Canada faked used souvenir and booklet fakes (b&w)</i>	\$30.00
	(as above) - New colour edition (2021)	\$60.00
Release 7A-B	<i>The genuine, fakes, forgeries, and bogus issues of Prince Edward Is</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 8A	<i>The postal counterfeits of Canada - sheets and coil stamps</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 8B	<i>The postal counterfeits of Canada - booklet stamps</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 9A	<i>The genuine and fake Ottawa Crown Cancels</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 9B	<i>The genuine and fake B.C. Crown Cancels</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 10	<i>The B.N.A. forgeries of Erasmo Oneglia and Angelo Panelli, (b&w)</i>	\$85.00
Release 11	<i>The B.N.A. progressive die proofs and essays of Gregory Prosser (b&w)</i>	\$50.00
Release 12	<i>The Canadian fancy cancel fakes of Erik Nordin (colour)</i>	\$65.00
Release 13A	<i>The B.N.A. fakes of Andre Frodel (colour)</i>	\$140.00
Release 13B	<i>The US and world fakes of Andre Frodel (colour)</i>	\$40.00
Release 13C	<i>Andre Frodel - biography</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 14	<i>The faked and forged postal stationery of Canada and Henry Hechler creations (b&w)</i>	\$85.00
Release 15	<i>The 1851-1859 pence issues of Canada</i>	\$65.00
Release 16	<i>The 1859-1864 cents issues of Canada</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 17	<i>The F.E. Eaton fakes and forgeries attributed to Andre Frodel (b&w with colour dvd)</i>	\$75.00
Release 18	<i>The fakes and forgeries of the Admiral issues of Canada (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 19	<i>The genuine, forged and faked Large Queen stamps of Canada 1868-1976 (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 20A	<i>The genuine printings of the Small Queen issue of Canada (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 20B	<i>The forgeries and fakes of the Small Queen issue of Canada (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 20C	<i>The genuine, fakes and forgeries of the registration stamps of Canada (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 21	<i>The genuine, forgeries and fakes of the Jubilee issue of Canada (b&w with colour dvd)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 22	<i>The genuine, forgeries and fakes of the Victoria to Edward issues 1897-1908 (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 23A	<i>The genuine and forgeries of British Columbia and Van. Island (b&w with colour dvd)</i>	\$70.00
Release 23B	<i>The genuine and forgeries of the 1865 3d issue of B.C. (colour)</i>	\$90.00
Release 23C	<i>The genuine and forgeries of the surcharged issue of B.C. (colour)</i>	\$90.00
Release 23D	<i>The faked cancellations on genuine issues of B.C. and Vancouver Island (colour)</i>	\$20.00
Releases 23A-D	(as above) The complete set of B.C. releases	\$225.00
Release 23E	<i>The fakes, forgeries and genuine express locals of British Columbia (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 24A-B	<i>The genuine and forgeries of Newfoundland 1857-1897 (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 25	<i>The fakes and forgeries of the revenue issues of Canada and provinces (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 26	<i>The B.N.A. forgeries of Giovanni Patroni (colour)</i>	\$70.00
Release 27	<i>The Placido Ramon de Torres forgeries of B.N.A. (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 28	<i>The Spiro bros. forgeries of B.N.A</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 29A-B	<i>The genuine and forged issues of New Brunswick (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 30A-B	<i>The genuine and forged issues of Nova Scotia (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 31	<i>The airmail fakes and forgeries of Canada and Newfoundland (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>
Release 32	<i>The philatelic fantasy cinderella Stamps of B.N.A. (colour)</i>	<i>i/p</i>

Shipping is not included, but costs are combined on multiple orders. Binders nor included. Quantity wholesale discounts are available. Standing order for the complete set - less 25%.

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WTSC members if you are aware of philatelic excellence to be shared, please send to sidmensinga@gmail.com

JUNE LEARNING WORKSHOP

Starting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2022 via Zoom, our 9th virtual Learning Workshop of the 2021-2022 season is a celebration — *‘Happy 96th Birthday, Queen Elizabeth.’*

That may seem strange, since Canada’s reigning monarch was born April 21, 1926. But while she marked that occasion quietly, as she has each year, the official celebration is always on a Saturday in June. It will be held June 11 in traditional British royal fashion, with a horse-drawn carriage and a “Trooping the Colour” procession. Other Royals will join her on Buckingham Palace’s balcony to address waiting crowds. The tradition dates back to 1748, when King George II combined an annual summer military march with his birthday celebration, despite him being born Nov. 10, 1683.

Cover collectors could prepare one franked with a ‘P’ - Permanent Postage - Platinum Jubilee commemorative Canada Post issued Feb. 7, that features British designer Arnold Machin’s well-known sculptural image. They could then try to get it cancelled at a post office on the big day.



Her platinum jubilee celebrates a 70-year reign and, as Canada Post noted, she is our country's "only sovereign to achieve this milestone.

"More than 70 stamps have honoured Her Majesty since her reign began," including definitives, plus commemoratives related to special occasions, historical events, and Royal Visits. For the record, she officially visited Canada 22 times, 21 with Prince Philip (1921-2021).

There were also previous commemoratives, which provides a great avenue to explore tonight: Stamps and postal history related to her as Princess Elizabeth, in addition to those as Queen Elizabeth. Canada released four stamps depicting the eldest daughter of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth — the Queen Mother — who succeeded him after he died Feb. 6, 1952.

The first commemorative Canada produced was released in May, 1935. Princess Elizabeth's portrait on that engraved green one-cent is based on a photo London photographer Marcus Adams took, which shows the nine-year-old's head facing slightly forward. A major variety, the "Weeping Princess," with a scratch below her right eye, occurred on position 21 on panes of 100 printed from Plate 1.



The world's first commemorative with her image, however, was issued by Newfoundland in 1932. That engraved six-cent blue stamp's portrait was based on a 1929 photo by Adams. Wearing a frilly, sleeveless dress, the-then 3 1/2-year-old princess is holding a toy, with a long-stemmed English rose on the left side, and a long-stemmed Scottish thistle on the right.

"This was for some years one of the most popular stamps in the world," Robson Lowe wrote in his 1973 book, *The Encyclopaedia of British Empire Stamps*, Vol. 5.



Newfoundland released a second Princess Elizabeth stamp in 1938, which was reprinted in 1941, with different perforations and a slightly wider engraving. The British colony's last issue, on April 21, 1947, commemorated her 21st birthday.

The second Canadian stamp featuring Princess Elizabeth, a 1939 one-cent commemorative that also shows her sister, the late Princess Margaret, was in a set celebrating their parent's cross-country Royal Visit. Released in 1948, an engraved four-cent showing Princess Elizabeth commemorated her marriage in 1947 to Prince Philip — instead of a farmer, which she considered as a child, in order to be close to cows and horses. That stamp was followed in 1951 by a four-cent depicting the couple, for their first Royal Visit to Canada.

Several other British Commonwealth countries issued stamps featuring the princess, including: Australia, Bechuanaland Protectorate, Malta, New Zealand, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia and South West Africa. Many commemorated her participation in Royal Tours. Several Commonwealth country commemoratives had her parents and sister in the designs.

Although many Queen Elizabeth stamps Canada issued are attractive, the public was not amused by either the first definitives in 1953, or the Coronation stamp released a month later. A longer-lasting 1954 set had an engraved portrait based on a photo by London photographer Dorothy Wilding — who took the photo used for the 1948 commemorative.

Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip's 1957 black-and-white five-cent Royal Visit stamp pleased famed Ottawa photographer Yousuf Karsh, who had provided the photos for the 1953 stamps and joined the subsequent hue and cry.

The omnibus Coronation set prepared for use on other Commonwealth country's stamps were more readily accepted.

Following the birth of the royal couple's children, Prince Charles in 1948, Princess Anne in 1950, Prince Andrew in 1960 and Prince Edward in 1964, many more Royal commemoratives were prepared for use around the world.

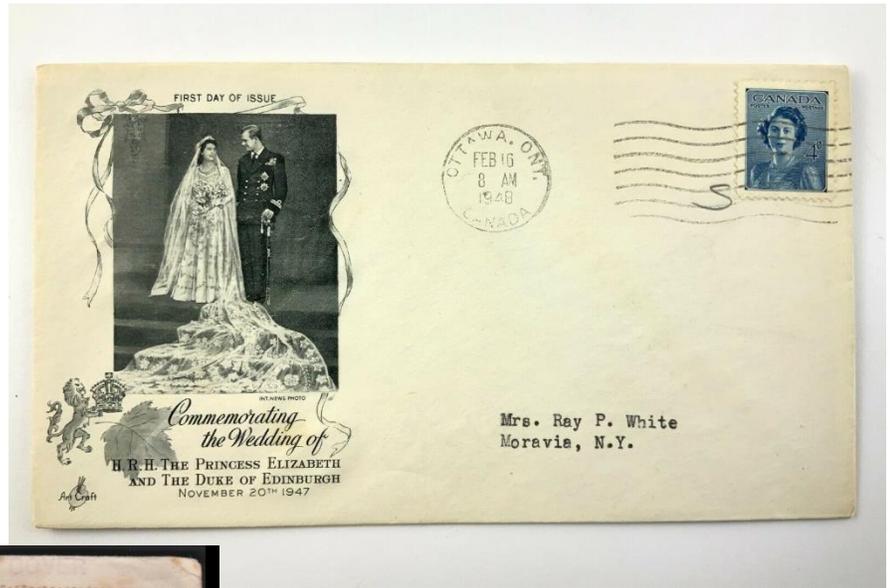
Since their mother's accession seven decades ago, the Royal Family has certainly had its highs and lows. But throughout it all, our Queen remains a well-respected, steadfast defender of life and ancient traditions, though some republican-minded people would prefer the Crown be retired.



Royalty-on-Stamps has long been a popular topic and, in addition to stamps, many art covers have been prepared, some based on photographs, others on artwork.

Whether you are keen on stamps, postal history — or both — join us for a salute to the former princess. She was crowned at Westminster Abbey in London on June 2, 1953, with representatives of 129 nations and territories present, including Canada's new prime minister, Louis St-Laurent.

- Ian Robertson



WTSC MARKET PLACE:

FREE/FORSALE/WANTED

FOR SALE: Extensive Israeli Collection - Mint NH 1977 to 1994 appears complete with mini sheets, mint blocks, and stamps with tabs and a first day cover collection. (Also noted a few from the 1960s). Open to offers – Reserve \$100. Contact Sid at sidmensinga@gmail.com

WANTED: Covers with corner cache "Harbord Stamp & Coin Store, 203 Harbord St., Toronto" - Circa 1925 – 1950. Contact Don Hedger at don.hedger@gmail.com

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WANTED: Canadian Centennial covers 1967-1972 to foreign destinations other than Europe. Contact Sid at sidmensinga@gmail.com

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GTAPA News

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