

PRESIDENT SID'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

The 2022- 23 WTSC stamp club year is off to a very fine start.

- Our two September in-person meeting were well attended. Members enjoyed the comradery and participated actively in the auctions with total September sales of about \$2000. The WTSC Circuit book and vest pocket dealer tables were also very busy as eager members sought out treasures to add to their collections.
- The September Discussion Group presenter, WTSC member Dr. Gregg Redner, set the bar high for the Discussion Group session to follow. Gregg's excellent presentation skills enabled him to effectively share his scholarly, informative research on "Belgium's 1920 3-centime stamp issue".

http://www.westtorontostampclub.org/resources/df_gp_WTSCDG_Dr%20Gregg%20Redner_Belgium_1920_3-Centime_Stamp_Issue.mp4



Ian Robertson awarded his RPSC Volunteer Certificate and Pin

During the Sept 27 meeting we were again able to recognize the significant contributions of this past year's five WTSC Royal Philatelic Society of Canada (RPSC) Volunteer recipients. RPSC Volunteer pins and certificates were presented to Denzil Fernandes and Ian Robertson. Congratulations were also extended to Simon and Victoria Claughton, who received their RPSC volunteer pins and certificates at the RPSC Annual Meeting held at Capex 22.



Congratulations extended RPSC Volunteer recipients Victoria and Simon Claughton



Denzil Fernandes awarded his RPSC Volunteer Certificate and Pin

RPSC Volunteer recipient Robert Timberg was also recognized and will receive his certificate and pin in the near future. To all five RPSC Volunteer recipients we are proud of you. Your volunteer work at WTSC is significant and your contributions to the hobby in the larger philatelic community are also most noteworthy

As you read through this newsletter and experienced at WTSC events these past number of months, you will have noted the active role and responsibilities that WTSC members take on, not only at the local club level but also in other philatelic organizations. Thank you to all WTSC members for your time and efforts to help grow the hobby.

Again, this month I am pleased to welcome new WTSC members: Gary Douglas, Douglas Hill, Sam Karani, Louis Morel, Ted Vink and returning member Joseph Peronne. We look forward to your participation and know that you will add richly to the discussions and new learnings that take place during both our online and during in-person meetings. Welcome to the WTSC!

OCTOBER - PHILATELIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR WTSC MEMBERS AND GUESTS



October 4 - LEARNING WORKSHOP, 7 p.m. via Zoom, our first virtual Learning Workshop of the 2022-2023 season is titled 'Get to Know Your Dealers'.

October 11- Auction and Circuit book evening. In-person meeting at the Fairfield Centre.

October 18 - DISCUSSION GROUP, 7 p.m. via zoom, Dr. Darin Cherniwchan, Chairperson of the BNAPS Digital Philately Study Group. See details below on this page.

October 25 - Auction and Member/Vest pocket dealer tables evening. In-person meeting at the Fairfield Centre.

WTSC MEMBERSHIP reminder

Thank you to those who have renewed your WTSC membership for the 2022-2023 year.

Annual dues are \$15 (\$20 per family) if paid before the end of October. Beginning November 1st, individual member dues are \$20. Payment can be made by e-transfer or by cheque or cash.

Details are as follows:

E-TRANSFER: The WTSC email for e-transfer is: president@westtorontostampclub.org

CHEQUES: Make your cheque payable to WEST TORONTO STAMP CLUB

And send it to:

West Toronto Stamp Club
c/o Vincent Graves Greene Philatelic Research Foundation
10 Summerhill Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M4T 1A8

You can also drop off your payment at the Membership Table at the beginning of our in-person stamp club meetings.

Questions regarding your WTSC membership can be directed to Ted Swain at membership@westtorontostampclub.org

DISCUSSION GROUP

Our speaker for the Discussion Group meeting on October 18 will be Dr. Darin Cherniwchan. Darin is a distant member of the West Toronto Stamp Club living in British Columbia and is the Chairman of the BNAPS Digital Philately Study Group. Darin has developed methods of using regular Microsoft programs such as PowerPoint in his regular day-to-day philatelic activities. In this presentation he will share some of these processes and will encourage our viewers to get more and better use from our computers.

- *Garfield Portch*

EXHIBITING EXCELLENCE - Congratulations

BNAPS NATIONAL SHOW IN CALGARY- SEPT 2-4 2022 BNAPEX - WTSC member winners were.

NATIONAL Exhibit Awards

Single Frame Exhibits

- Gold, **Best One Frame Award** (Single frame Grand Award)
Don L. Hedger - *Epic of Vimy: A Canadian Pilgrimage* (large gold 93 points)
- Silver - Don L. Hedger - *A Soldier's Postcards Mailed from the Somme and Flanders WWI*

BNAPS Exhibit Awards

Single Frame Exhibits

- Vermeil - Ken Pugh - *The BNA Forgeries of Giovanni Patroni*
- Vermeil - Ken Pugh - *Canada Postal and Philatelic Counterfeits: 39c Coil Definitive (1990)*

WTSC Circuit Report - Simon Claughton

The Circuit has started the year with a bang. Our first meeting on Sept 13th saw us bring in \$140 with 18 customers participating. [2019 started with \$60 and 11 customers]

On Sept 17th our "B" team took the circuit to the Circuit Book Event by the Owen Sound Stamp Club. We had a very successful day that saw \$295 in sales with 20 customers visiting. [The 2019 event had \$270 and 15 customers]

With the help of Denzil, the Circuit book guidelines and 13 different circuit page templates have been uploaded to the WTSC website. Click on the link that says "Circuit Book Templates" under the "Regular Meeting" tab.

Please note that the next WTSC circuit will be back on the 11th of October. The Circuit team is also working on getting us invited to the Hamilton and Wasaga Beach Circuit events in November.

WTSC Circuit Books at the Owen Sound Stamp Club Circuit Book Event Club – by Janice White.

"On Saturday, September 17th Ted Swain, Lawrence Pinkney, and I had the opportunity to fill in for Victoria and Simon in Owen Sound and sell stamps from the Circuit Books. We all knew that we had big shoes to fill.

Lawrence and I arrived on Friday to check out where we would be working and found some of the club members setting up, so we were able to unload the boxes, making it easier to set up the next morning.

When we woke on Saturday morning in Owen Sound it was hot and sunny. This can be positive or negative. When we arrived at the event, Ted had already arrived and had all the boxes set up ready for customers.

The agenda for the day was sales from 6 clubs from 10 - 3 pm with a live auction from 1-2 pm We had 5 chairs that were full constantly from 10 – 1 pm and had 2- 3 customers during the auction and remainder of the day.

Ted, Lawrence, and I were able to see how to run the Circuit Book table the previous Tuesday evening at the WTSC meeting and this made it easier for us.

Victoria and Simon, we received several compliments on how well displayed the books and stamps were. Finally, I want to thank Ted and Lawrence for all their help. We made a great B team!



GTAPA NEWS

Congratulations to WTSC member Tom Malicki for his fine work as editor of the PhilaJournal, available at <http://gtapa.org/philajournal>

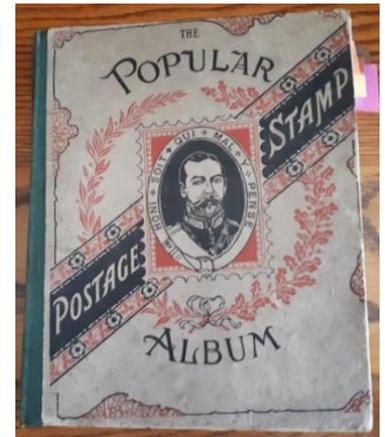
The Fall PhilaJournal highlights the founding of the GTAPA, and the significant contributions made by WTSC members, Frank Alusio and Garfield Portch, and the invaluable work done by past member Peter Butler.

Also, congratulations to Denzil Fernandez for his article, "Isle- Verte, QC, Lower Canada Handstamp Marking". Articles for the Winter edition of the PhilaJournal should be submitted by Nov. 1st to the Editor at philajournal@gmail.com

LEARNING WORKSHOP Starting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022 via Zoom, our second virtual Learning Workshop of the 2022-2023 season is titled 'Enjoying Your Hobby: How Do You House & Organize Your Collections?'

A wide-ranging topic, which hopefully will appeal to a cross-section of our members, the subject is intended to provide discussions about housing your collection for now and future consideration.

We all started somewhere — many of us as youngsters with albums designed to hold world-wide stamps, or stockbooks and envelopes filled with wonders from near and distant lands, stored carefully until a decision about mounting them could be made.



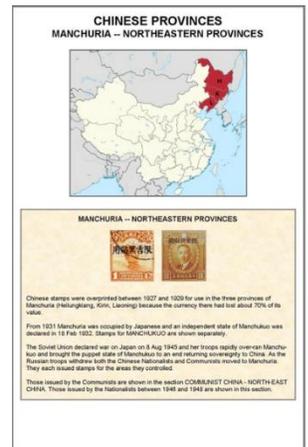
Many people continued to enjoy subjects from around the world, while others branched onto more specific themes, including stamps from a favorite country, stamps featuring a specific or various topics, revenue stamps, postage dues, plus postal history.



How to house a collection is one of the earliest questions we all pondered. In addition, how do you best house a study, research project or exhibit in the process of development?

Are stamps left in stockbooks, perhaps with notes on slips of paper that describe the subject?

Various albums are available, some with simple listings and artwork, others with extensive illustrations and descriptions of varieties. Some collectors prefer to draw their own pages — or include some personalized pages in preprinted albums.



In our modern world, computer online programs provide optional layouts and text styles with which album pages can be designed and printed.

You can receive suggestions and advice, but in the end, you collect what you want, the way you want.



So punch that Zoom link on your computer and join us for what should be a very interesting and worthwhile evening for sharing experiences, good ideas and, in some cases, worthwhile cautionary suggestions.

- Ian Robertson

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR WTSC MEMBERS



National Philatelic Exhibition
Exposition Philatélique Nationale

October 15 - October 16, 2022

The Hellenic Community Centre
133 Southdale Rd. West
London, Ontario

Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4 150 frames of exhibits- national dealers – door prizes
Free Admission, free parking, lunch counter. <https://www.canpex.ca/>



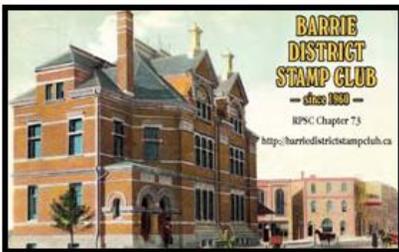
Royal Philatelic Society of Canada: Stamp Talk and Stamp Panel sessions.
Registration in advance required. <https://www.rpsc.org/>

- **Monday October 10** – Sam Chui “Canada’s c-Force in Hong Kong”
- **Monday October 17** – Show & Tell

Oct 2- Mississauga Coin & Stamp Show

[John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga, ON, L4Z 1V8](#)

Sponsored by the Troyak Club, the Mississauga Coin and Stamp Show will be open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., with 60 tables and more than 30 dealers. Admission is \$5 (children under the age of 16 are free), and parking is free.



- **Oct. 15/22 59th Annual Barrie Stamp Show & Bourse**
- Innisfil-Stroud Community Centre - Upper Banquet Hall - 7883 Yonge Street Barrie, Ontario 9:30 am until 3:00 pm
- 59th Annual Barrie Stamp Show and Exhibition featuring stamp dealers from across the province. LOTS of parking. Contact: Bruce Walter, CD
- E-mail: b.walter@rogers.com Website: <http://www.barriedistrictstampclub.ca>



- **Thursday October 20** - A primer on Ukraine Philately by Jerry Kalyn

<http://www.northtorontostampclub.ca/>

WTSC MARKET PLACE: FREE/FORSALE/WANTED

FOR SALE:

1. Three Prophila Collection Stock albums. 30 black pages with cello cover. Brand new. No stamps. Selling on Ebay for \$17.55. All three for \$30.
2. Three American Commemoratives albums. Stamps and descriptions. 1972-74, 1975 1977. 90 pages. Original cost \$100. All three for \$40.00
3. Royal Births Mint collection. Princess Diana and the birth of her children commemorated by stamps for the world. The Original cost \$60. Selling for \$30.00
4. Australian stamps 960 stamps off paper and 1996 Deluxe edition of Australian stamps. Asking \$17.00

Email Ernest at etypeprinter@gmail.com

WANTED:

1. For sale The New Specialized Catalogue of Canada Post Official First Day Covers, Fourth Edition authored by Andrew Chung & R. F. Narbonne. Like new! Price \$15.00 (plus shipping.) or arrange to pick up at West Toronto Stamp Club. Contact Jim at: tazzwild@hotmail.com
2. Scans (both sides) of covers cancelled at Old Mill Post Office needed for article on history of this post office (open 11/21/1928 – 11/25.1933). It was located in the Old Mill complex at Bloor St W and Humber River. I don't wish to purchase your covers. I need only scans for the article. Email Bob at timberg@bell.net

REMINDER TO WTSC MEMBERS Ad space is free. Ads can be submitted anytime during the month to sidmensinga@gmail.com

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• POSTCARDS• STAMPED ENVELOPES (COVERS)• STAMPS• OLD PHOTOGRAPHS		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PAPER COLLECTABLES• ADVERTISING• POSTAL HISTORY• CANADIAN AND FOREIGN
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