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President's Message

As I write this, the skies are grey, it's wet and getting colder, the leaves are quickly falling and Halloween is behind us. For some these can be cold depressing days - winter is coming. However for the stamp collector it's a time of joy and personal pleasure. It's a great time of year to pursue our hobby; a time to attend stamp shows and auctions, peruse philatelic web sites, and search e-bay or Delcampe for that elusive item and a time to work on our collections or possible philatelic displays. This month consider:

- Adding to your collection by attending the CSDA Show - Canadian Stamp Dealers Association, Friday November 14 & 15. International Centre 6900 Airport Road Mississauga.

- Increasing your philatelic knowledge and pleasure by checking out these great website <http://www.bnaps.org/ore/ore-index.htm> <http://www.exponet.info/>

Thank you to all who shared during our Show and Tell / Learn and Share times. Increasing our philatelic knowledge allows all of us to get more pleasure out of our hobby. At present I am working through "Stamps of British North America" by Fred Jarrett. - A must have resource for the Canadian collector. What are you reading or working on? Consider sharing a resource you use or a new or interesting philatelic find or item from your collection. Looking forward to your participation this coming month.

Membership

As at the end of October, here is the current status:

End of August 2014	78
Renewals	67
Reinstated	1
New members	2
Resigned	1
Paid-up to date	70

There are still 7 members who have not yet renewed.

As of 1 November the renewal is \$20.00.

In the spirit of friendship do wear the name tag!

November Activities

All meetings are held on Tuesday evening.
Doors open 6:30 pm, meeting start 7:00 pm.

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Nov. 04 ~ The Machin Study Group, under the leadership of David Gooderham, will meet at 7:00 pm. (Room 1)

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Nov. 11 ~ Regular Meeting, Exchange of information, Show-&-tell and Auction. The Auction starts at 7:15 pm.

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Nov. 18 ~ Discussion Group. Our Guest Speaker will be **Garfield Portch** who will present a demonstration "**Preparing a Competitive Philatelic Exhibit**"

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Nov. 25 ~ Regular Meeting, Exchange of information, Show-&-tell and Auction. The Auction starts at 7:15 pm.

The GTAPA Challenge Award 2014

The GTAPA CHALLENGE AWARD, held on Saturday, 25 October 2014, was won by a team from North Toronto (3 gold). West Toronto was second with 2 gold and 1 bronze and Bramalea was third with 3 silver awards. Thank you **Chris Edwards**, **Denzil Fernandes** and **David Gooderham** for having represented our Club. It was a great show.

Christmas Dinner

This year's Christmas dinner will be held Friday, 12 December at the Canadiana Restaurant - Six Points plaza. Cost - a reasonable \$30 per person (includes HST and gratuity). Bring your spouse, partner or guest and join in the fun and festive celebration. See **Sid** or **Don** as soon as possible to confirm your menu selection and to part with the cash.

Remembrance Day

As 11 November approaches, on this day we will take time to reflect upon the countless sacrifices made by those in the pursuit of freedom that have so greatly benefitted us.

In honour of all those in uniform, past and present, We will proudly wear the poppy - the symbol of sacrifice - for what they did and what they do, thank you.

We will remember them. ☒