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President Sid's Monthly Message

As we enter into spring and other competing interests and "Honey Do" lists appear, I trust that you are able to set aside time to indulge in your preferred part of philately, a hobby with as many ways of expressing it as there are postage stamps.

One way to enjoy the hobby is to share your collecting interest by exhibiting. As you are aware our WTSC Annual Exhibition will be Tuesday, May 12th. You again will have the opportunity to submit Single Page, Multi-Page and One-frame exhibits. Pushing yourself to participate in the exhibiting is not only fun but will also increase your knowledge and appreciation of the collection you are assembling. Consider how you might participate this year.

Are you going to the Royal 2015? We are working on a possible gathering there one of the days. May 22 to 24, 2015, London Ontario ROYAL 2015 ROYALE The Annual Convention and Exhibition of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. London Convention Center, 300 York Street, London Ontario. Remembering "In Flanders Fields" 1915/2015. Hosted by Middlesex Stamp Club. www.Royal2015.com

The internet continues to be an amazing philatelic tool. Checking out these two links will surely increase your philatelic knowledge and broaden your stamp collecting interests.

www.stampcommunity.org

http://www.stampcollectingblog.com

Our club membership continues to change and grow as new members join, for that we are thankful and welcome them. Unfortunately some elderly, frailer members stop attending because they longer drive or find it difficult to get out. Thank you to those of you who keep in touch with these members and for driving those who need a ride. If there are "shut in" members who we need to be more aware of please let any board member know.

Membership	_					
As at the end of March 2015:						
End of August 2014			78			
Renewals	76	(+)				
Reinstated	2	(+)				
New members	11	(+)				
Closed Album	1	(-)				
Members paid-up to date			88			

April Activities

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

Apr. 07 ~ The Machin Study Group, 7:00 pm. (Room 1)

Ape.14 ~ Regular Meeting,

Exchange of information, **Show & Tell and Auction**. The Auction starts at 7:30 pm. (Auditorium)

Apr. 21 ~ Discussion Group.

Members' "**Buy, Sell, Swap**" evening. Everyone is welcome including guests. 7:00 pm (Room 1)

Apr. 28 ~ Regular Meeting,

Exchange of information, **Show-&-tell and Auction**. The Auction starts at 7:30 pm. (Auditorium)

Annual Exhibition

The evening of 12 May will be dedicated to the annual exhibition of members of the



Club. The exhibition will consist of three categories:

The Single-page (F. Alusio Plaque) ~ for subjects contained in a single standard page showing all philatelic items or philatelic and non-philatelic items as long as the latter does not overpower the former. (See Frank for Guidance)

No Rules Display (T. Allen Cup) ~ for displays mounted on two or more pages containing anything related to philately and non-philatelic items. (See Sid for Guidance)

One-frame (E. Drake Trophy) ~ this is a slight more organized display based on established guidelines. It consists of a 16-page display based on a country, a subject or a specific area. (See Garfield for Guidance)

Awards are up for grabs and will be assigned to the most voted display in each category by members in attendance.

This is the chance to show the degree of fun we derive from our hobby. You don't have to be an expert; just show that "here is what I also do with what I collect."

Let's have fun! Isn't that the purpose of stamp collecting? ⊠