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## FROM THE EDITOR

## PhilaKorea 2002

PhilaKorea had a strong postal stationery class with 2 Large Gold and 6 Gold medals awarded. The Class included a wide variety of postal stationery exhibits including three exhibits from Australians. The exhibits and results for exhibits receiving a large vermeil or better are shown below.

| Huggins | Alan K | Great Britain | British Levant: Postal Stationery | LG \& SP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oshima | Masaaki | Japan | Postal Cards of Japan 1873-1874~ Cherry Blossom Series | LG \& SP |
| Knapp | Arnim | Germany | Ganzsachen im Königreich Sachsen | G |
| Fuller | Darryl | Australia | Leeward islands~ Queen Victoria to KGVI | G |
| Hansen | Erik H | Denmark | 1865-1920 Postal Stationery of Denmark | G |
| Corapcioglu | M Yavuz | United States | Postal Stationery of the Ottoman Empire | G \& SP |
| Chusyd | Marcos | Brazil | Brazilian postal stationery of the XIX century | G \& SP |
| Gong | Zhenxin | China | Stamped Envelopes of People's Post of China | G \& SP |
| Ilyushin | Alexander | Russia | Stamped Envelopes of Russian Empire 1848- $1863$ | LV |
| Menelaou | Charalamb os | Cyprus | Cyprus Postal Stationery 1880-1960 | LV |
| Goldschmidt | Curt \& Ana | Bolivia | Postal Stationery of Bolivia | LV |
| Min | Hwang Yuan | China | Postcards of Ching Dynasty 1897-1912 | LV |
| Sinfield | John A | Australia | Australia before the Roo | LV \& F |
| Jeong | Jong-hyun | Rep. of Korea | Korean postal cards (1900-1909) | LV |
| Fukui | Kazuo | Japan | Post Card of China 1897-1911 | LV |
| Groom | Maicolm | Australia | Tasmanian Postal Stationery | LV |
| Jensen | Paul H. | Norway | Postal Stationery of Norway in the Posthorn | LV |

## Award of the Australian Philatelic Federation Research Award to Carl Stieg

Carl Stieg is well-known to collectors of Australian states postal stationery. From San Rafael Califomia, he has devoted a lifetime of philatelic interest, study and research to the area of Australian States postal stationery, especially Victoria and New South Wales. He is a widely acknowledged authority in this area, and his investigative and original research which has been published in a wide range of philatelic journals over several decades, has contributed enormously to the sum of knowledge on Australian postal stationery in the colonial period.

Articles on subjects as diverse as States' Official Postcards, Registered and Printed-to-Private-Order envelopes have been printed in journals such as Australian Chit Chat, The SPA Journal, Oceania, Postal Stationery, Philately from Australia and The Informer, and bear testament to Carl's original and significant research.
In 2001, Carl Stieg's valuable contribution to research in the area of Australian philately, culminated in the publication of the definitive work on Victoria, 'Victoria Postal Stationery, 1869-1917'.

## MONGOLIAN FORMULAR AEROGRAMME

Owen White
Illustrated below is a formular aerogramme received from a friend back from a recent trip to Mongolia.

I did not specifically ask him to try for an aerogramme but was extremely pleased when he passed it on.

He had requested one of the Mongolians to obtain some stamps at the Post Office and regrets that he is unable to tell me if the aerogramme was bought in Ulan Bator (Ulaanbaatar) or in an outlying village.

The colour of the printing is light blue with the two 'blocked' areas 'filled in" with the solid light blue colour (I am puzzled that while the lower square three lines of printing shows the background in full the incomplete area at the top barely shows the infill. I tried several settings of the Xerox but did not want to make the overall printing appear too intense.


Contributions to the next issue of the Journal close with the editor on 4 January 2003.
PLEASE CONTRIBUTE!

Postal Stationery Collector

## THE USE OF AUSTRALIAN POSTAL STATIONERY IN NORFOLK ISLAND

## Darryl Fuller

Norfolk Island is an independent territory of Australia and produces its own postage stamps and postal stationery which are only valid on Norfolk Island. In the main Norfolk Island administers its own postal matters although it does have an Australian postcode - 2899. However, due to its size, with a permanent population of less than 2,000 people, it does not have the volume or facilities to have some postal services, such as international money orders.

Of interest to postal stationery collectors is that Norfolk Island utilises Australia Post's express post envelopes and I assume pays them to handle this mail. It has available two sizes of paper envelopes (both up to 500 g ) for the Australian Express Post service. In addition, larger items can be sent using the Express Post parcel labels. However, unlike in Australia, the cost of the service, $\$ 3.50$ for the small envelope and $\$ 4.60$ for the larger one, is paid for in postage stamps which are applied to the envelope and postmarked. There is no GST on Norfolk Island. This ensures that the $\$ 3$ Norfolk Island stamp is well utilised.

This service is fairly popular and the post office appears to run out of envelopes quite often. To get over this they utilise the Express Post parcel labels on plain manila envelopes (see illustration). This envelope was small and weighed less than 500 grams and has $\$ 3.50$ in postage applied. The label used is a New South Wales version, with code ' PN '.


In addition the two Australian International Express Post envelopes are also used on the Island with the additional postage applied - $\$ 9.80$ for the small envelope and $\$ 14.80$ for the larger one. However, I would guess that these envelopes are used a lot less often on the island and any commercially used examples would be fairly rare survivors.

Further to the above, a great deal of mail is sent by the Australian Express Post envelopes and satchels to Norfolk Island and is often the only way to get items here in a reasonable time. For example, two rather heavy boxes posted supposedly airmail to myself from Australia
both took six weeks to arrive. This is despite paying for airmail carriage! However, normal letters arrive in 4-10 days depending on the mail. It is interesting to note that there are cutoffs for the mail on the Island - 10 am Wednesday and 3pm Friday as mail only leaves twice a week.

It would pay collectors to keep an eye out for these envelopes used from Norfolk Island and if you know anyone with family on the island then it may pay to see if they have an example or two. Otherwise I am happy for collectors to contact me at PO Box 925 Norfolk Island 2899 South Pacific and if you send me the money I am happy to send you an example. Although can't guarantee it will be an envelope or a label, but I'll do my best.

# POSTAL STATIONERY - ITEMS OF CHARACTER 

## Bemie Beston

Illustrated is a classic Soviet postal stationery envelope of the mid fifties, the type of which you can pick up in most dealers junk boxes, if generally in Mint condition.

Don't ask me where it is used to, that is for the members to write to the Editor and tell him, and then he can inform me. But it has been overprinted for use in the Ukraine, now an independent Nation, and makes us realise that if we collect stationery where English is not the written language, then we must learn the details of both the foreign script, markings and the address.

For Asian languages, there are plenty of Restaurants, where a quick translation is readily found. For Russian, we may need more mail order brides.


# UNUSUAL USAGE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LETTERCARD AND BNG POSTAL CARD 

Malcolm Lacey

I thought the following two items may be of interest to members:

- Western Australia 1904 2d lettercard with additional 1d adhesive used to Ceylon from Coolgardie via Perth. The lettercard is addressed to a passenger on board SS Gneisenan c/- agents N D Lloyd, Colombo. The Ceylon 5c stamp paid for the journey from Colombo to the ship. A very unusual combination.

- A British New Guinea postal card that has received a fine. A 1921 1d postal card used from Samarai to Lady Allandyle (wife of the Governor), taxed on arrival and 1d postage due affixed tied by Hobart CDS.



# COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA POSTAL STATIONERY 

## SOME SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Judy Kennett and Ian McMahon

There was a comment in a recent auction catalogue about the paucity of information on Australian postal stationery. It is hoped that the catalogue now being published by the Postal Stationery Society of Australia on the postal stationery of the States/colonies will help to fill the gap for pre-Commonwealth issues. I thought it might be useful to look at some of the publications available that deal, at different levels, with Commonwealth issues. This article, by Ian McMahon and myself, will look at three sources that are fairly well known.

## The Australasian Stamp Catalogue (ASC) published by Seven Seas Stamps

For many years this was the standard publication on both stamps and postal stationery. The listing of Commonwealth stationery in the Catalogue began in the 1978 edition with a listing prepared by the late Keith Freebairn. This listing proved a boon to the collecting of Australian stationery, which was just coming out of a long period of neglect. It was later substantially revised and expanded.

Consider the $22^{\text {nd }}$ edition, edited by Brian Moore, which was in full colour. Pages $56-82$ of this edition are devoted to Australian postal stationery issued since 1911. Each item listed has an illustration of the stamp area (in colour), an ASC catalogue number, and useful information such as date of issue, description of important features, with quantities issued and name of designer in certain categories. Where an item had been discontinued, the date of withdrawal of the last stocks is given. This catalogue listed some less common items of postal stationery, such as parcel labels, stationery issued by Australian territories and former territories, war time and military issues and official airletters and aerogrammes.

Postal stationery envelopes (PSEs) were an item that was still being issued. This edition of the ASC gave, in addition to the catalogue number, the title, date of issue, the denomination, the dimensions, the Australia Post envelope number, and the designer's name. The last envelope listed here had an issue date of 22 October 1985, indicating that the catalogue was published after that time. No date of publication appears in this edition. Granted that the pricing is no longer current, this edition is still most useful for its clear illustrations, the wellspaced text, and the information given. If you collect earlier Commonwealth postal stationery, and can find a copy of a 1986 (or earlier) issue of the ASC, it's worth acquiring.

This $22^{\text {nd }}$ edition was the last to give a full listing of Commonwealth of Australia postal stationery. A series of 'economic decisions' taken by subsequent editors gradually reduced the coverage, and the amount of information given. The use of colour, and the illustrations, disappeared also.

The $27^{\text {th }}$ edition (1996) reintroduced colour for the catalogue as a whole but removed the illustrations entirely from the stationery section. It was also in a new smaller format. The pages dealing with 'Envelopes', include 'Pictorial issues' (PSEs) under a sub-heading. This edition shows only a rudimentary amount of information in addition to prices for 'Unused' and 'Used', ie the date and the title of the issue. After the last issue in the Australia Post numbered series, No 105 of 21 April 1986, the ASC continued the numbering sequence for envelopes with denomination in the stamp area. Listings without illustrations were retained for Norfolk Is stationery, but not for the other territories.


The ASC does list the Postage Paid envelopes from their introduction on 30 October 1989, but does not include them in the pre-stamped envelopes numbering sequence. They are given an ASC catalogue number, and each item has its individual purchase price given, with basic information. There is no indication of dimensions, so this price is the only indicator of larger sized envelopes. These pages are crowded, and the type is very small. The Envelopes section of this edition is hard to use if you don't have the keen vision of a hawk and lots of patience as well!

The $28^{\text {th }}$ edition (1999) provided text-only listings similar to the $27^{\text {th }}$ edition with the addition of issues up until 1999.

The $29^{\text {th }}$ edition of the ASC is expected at the end of the year. We hope that the Editor realises that there are collectors out there who want to use the postal stationery listings, and makes them more user friendly. We also hope that the listings will be increased to include more types of stationery and more information. In the meantime, the early editions of the Catalogue remain an invaluable reference. As Robin Linke has indicated in a letter to the editor in PSC, the greatest boost to the collecting of Australian postal stationery would be achieved if a full listing was to be reinstated in the ASC or published in the Comprehensive Colour Catalogue.

## Comprehensive TM Colour Catalogue of Australian Stamps, published by Victoria Stamp Traders

The $2^{\text {nd }}$ edition of this catalogue, edited by Michael Eastick, was published in 1999. The $2^{\text {nd }}$ edition includes only pre-stamped envelopes (PSEs), but an introductory note indicates that it is intended to list all items of postal stationery 'upon completion of a definitive study, currently nearing completion'. It's convenient that this listing of PSEs uses the Australia Post numbering system, as extended in the ASC.

For each entry in the PSEs the following information is given - date and title of issue, name of designer, and numbers produced. There are notes for any errors known. The year and the title of each issue make up the heading for the entry. These are highlighted in blue, making them easy to locate on the pages. The spacing of the entries is good, and information is well set out. It's a pity that this $2^{\text {nd }}$ edition does not include any coverage of the 'Postage Paid' issues, as these are now used in far greater numbers than the commemorative issues offered by Australia Post. The latter have now become virtually 'souvenir' items.
A $3^{\text {rd }}$ edition of this catalogue is expected at the end of 2002. Any increase in the postal stationery listings, using the current format and style, would be helpful to collectors.

## Australasian and South Pacific Price List, published by Robin Linke

This is the $48^{\text {th }}$ edition of Robin's price list, and is dated 2002, making it the most up-to-date listing of these three considered. It is part of an extensive price list of stamp issues from Australia and a range of South Pacific countries. The price list as a whole is intended for use by overseas clients - the stamp listings give catalogue numbers from Australian Commonwealth Specialists' Catalogue (ACSC), Michel, Yvert and Stanley Gibbons (SG). The postal stationery section has headings in English, French and German, and uses ASC catalogue numbers from the $27^{\text {th }}$ edition (1996). Where no price is given, we must assume that no stock was held at the time of publication.

This is a full list of Commonwealth of Australia postal stationery types. Although space was no doubt at a premium, there are useful additional notes about text changes and, occasionally, errors. The short-lived 'Flat Rate' envelope is included. In the Postage Paid envelopes section, an explanation is given of dimensions in millimetres equated to paper sizes, eg 'DL' - $110 \mathrm{~mm} \times 220 \mathrm{~mm}$, and the short form is given in brackets after the title for each issue. This is very helpful to the collector, as it indicates the size of the item sought. Later printings on recycled paper are listed under their own catalogue numbers, as in ASC.

An interesting 'extra' in this $48^{\text {th }}$ edition is the inclusion of postal stationery cut outs from Robin's stock. These are from envelopes (including some PTPO), registered envelopes, wrappers, letter cards and postcards. Cut outs are not included in Australian stamp listings (though it is a practice overseas with some publishers, eg the Scotts US Specialized Catalog), and there is no defined market value for them in Australia. Prices given are for used examples, though it is indicated that unused may be supplied. Dates for items available from stock range from 1911-1980.

Robin Linke provides an excellent service to stamp and stationery collectors with his regular annual price list. One of the greatest things about it is that it is sent out to all those on his mailing lists. It can be obtained by sending an email to orders@robinlinke.com.au.

## Conclusion

The importance of these listings on the popularity of collecting Commonwealth stationery cannot be over emphasized as Robin Linke said in a letter to the editor in the May 2000 issue of PSC (page 3):
a simplified listing may find favour with the editor of the Australasian Stamp Catalogue and I know that Ernest Weiner was looking for a listing of postal stationery to go into the Comprehensive Colour Catalogue of Australian Stamps. The inclusion of these types of catalogues will do more to stimulate collecting of stationery than anything else I can think of.
and Status's comments in the description for Lot 668 in their 22 August 2002 auction:
'With the last inadequate catalogue produced in 1993, postal stationery prices are hopelessly out of date. That no full price listing has even been produced for view cards is nothing less than amazing. Postal stationery has huge potential.

There are some other sources of information about Commonwealth of Australia postal stationery that are not so readily available as the three discussed above. Some are out of print, and turn up occasionally as auction lots. A case im point is the Higgins \& Gage 'World Postal Stationery Catalog: Australasia' (1984) which Gary Watson offered in his public auction of 14 September 2002. We hope to write something about these other sources of information in a future issue of the Postal Stationery Collector.

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## THE INTRODUCTION OF THE EURO A FOLLOW-UP

Judy Kennett

In my article in the previous issue of the Postal Stationery Collector, it was stated that the German Post Office had announced that all adhesives and stationery in the old currency (Deutschmarks / Pfennigs) would become invalid on 30 June 2002.

The $103^{\text {rd }}$ German National Philatelic Exhibition was held on the weekend of $28-30$ June 2002, at Garmisch-Partenkirchen. A souvenir envelope (Fig 1) was produced for the event, which was tied with the World Cup 2002, which was being held at the same time in South Korea and Japan. Robert Binner, my German correspondent, went along to the exhibition, and sent me these souvenir stationery items. They all bear mixed frankings - pfennigs and euro cents.

A special postmark was produced in Bonn for Sunday 30 June, to mark the 'departure' of the pfennig stamp. Robert wrote from the exhibition 'the PO counter is super busy ... being Sunday the regular post offices are closed, of course. From Monday we can exchange old stamps up to 50DM at the post office counter, but they will only give regular definitives for exchange'.

These envelopes make nice souvenirs of the end of a way of life - an event like the change from the mark to the European currency must be something like that to those who experience it.


Figure 1



## CUTOUTS

Ian McMahon

Many of the reports in recent issues of PSC on stationery cutouts used on covers have shown examples where the use of the cutout has either been allowed or tolerated. Here I show two examples where cutouts have not been accepted in payment of postage.

The first is the use of a 3 c cutout from a precancelled Canadian 'Cameo' postcard. The cover was posted in Gadshill and addressed to Kitchener, Ontario at a time when the domestic letter rate was 5 c . The cover has been taxed 6 c , twice the deficiency of 3 c . It is unclear whether the 3 c cutout has been rejected on the grounds that it is the improper use of a precancel (which was only intended to be used on bulk mail and in this case printed matter rate postcards ie cards with a printed message on the back) or the improper use of a postcard cutout.


The second example is an attempted use of a cutout from a USA aerogramme on an Australian formula aerogramme. The cutout was not accepted and the aerogramme was stamped 'Returned for 18 c additional postage. When remailing cross out this notice or paste stamps over it' and a manuscript 'invalid'. The aerogramme was not sent back but kept by the sender.


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## EMS STATIONERY

Ian McMahon

EMS or Express Mail Service is an international courier service provided by the world's post offices. Article 92 of the General Regulations of the UPU Postal Convention agreed at Washington in 1989 provided that:

1 EMS shall be the quickest postal service by physical means. It shall consist of the collection, dispatch and delivery in a very short space of time of correspondence, documents or goods.
2 This service shall wherever possible be identified by a logo as shown in the specimen below[cf examples illustrated] and comprising the following elements:

- an orange wing;
- the letters EMS in blue;
- three horizontal orange stripes.

The logo may be supplemented by adding the name of the national service.
3 Charges for the service shall be set by the administration of origin in consideration of costs and market requirements

At the Seoul Convention of the UPU in September 1994, an additional provision was added to specify that EMS is to be regulated on the basis of bilateral agreements, with any aspects not covered by these being subject to the appropriate provisions of the UPU Acts. This was done to eliminate disputes. UPU publicity comments that:

In recent years the UPU has introduced framework agreements to encourage the worldwide application of services already available in some countries. Such framework agreements facilitate the conclusion of bilateral agreements between postal administrations for services like EMS (express mail service). EMS (express mail service) is now available in more than 170 countries and enables letters, printed matter, and merchandise to be sent within guaranteed times (overnight for some important international links), and at competitive rates compared with those of private international courier firms.

Some countries (such as Australia and Canada) issue special postal stationery for the EMS service (the Australian postal stationery has been described in the PSC and two new satchels are described later in this issue). Most countries though issue unpaid stationery for this service.



France and Japan unpaid stationery


USA unpaid stationery

## USA TEDDY BEAR POSTCARDS



Sheet of 425 c teddy bear postcards.

## CANADA RAILWAY FREIGHT ADVICE FLIMSIES

## Ian McMahon

One of the interesting range of private order postal stationery produced by Canada are the Railway Freight Advice postcards. These postcards were produced on a very light weight stock (hence the name 'flimsies') and carried notices of the arrival of freight at railway depots for collection by the addressee. They were used from the King George VI issue through the 8 c Centennial issue in the mid-1970s.

The cards were, for the most part, one component of a form with carbon paper interieaving, with the postcard being the top copy sent to the customer. Figure 1 shows a complete form with the carbon paper clearly showing. The postcard is rouletted on the left. The forms were produced by Moore Business Forms.


Figure 1 Complete form for CN Express


Figure 2 2c Karsh issue for CN Express


Figure 3 Advice from the Toronto Office, returned to sender.


Figure 4 Advice from the Belleville Office, 'refused too late'.


Figure $56 c$ Centennial card.

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Figure $66 c$ Centennial $6 c+0 c$ Reply card
Other types of these cards include reply cards such as those in Figure 6. The reply portion was unstamped.

The railway companies also made use of regular issue postcards as freight advice notices. An example from the Canadian Pacific Railway Co is shown in Figure 7.


Figure 7 Freight advice on regular issue postcard.

## AUSTRALIAN NEW ISSUES

Ian McMahon

## Commonwealth Games Aerogramme

On 25 July 2002 Australia Post issued an aerogramme to commemorate the XVII Commonwealth Games (Manchester, 25 July to 4 August 2002). The design features a photo-collage of athletes and Commonwealth Games sports against a background of the Australian flag. The aerogramme sells for $\$ 0.78$.


## Royal Australian Engineers PSE



A PSE was issued on 1 July 2002 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the formation of the Royal Australian Engineers. An image of the RAE badge is shown in the stamp area. Images of RAE personnel at work during the RAE's 100 year history feature in the illustration area.

## Battle of Australia PSE

The Battle for Australia PSE symbolises the drawn-out struggle to defend Australia against Japanese forces during World War II. It focuses on 1942 when Japanese forces arrived on Australia's doorstep and Australians faced the spectre of invasion through Papua New

Guinea. The expression 'The Battle for Australia' comes from Prime Minister Curtin, who in a radio broadcast on 16 February 1942, the day after the fall of Singapore, declared: '...it is now work or fight as we have never worked or fought before... What the Battle for Britain required, so the Battle for Australia demands...'


## EMS Stationery

The EMS product has been extended to include two satchels, one for use to the Asia Pacific and the other for use to the rest of the world. The prices for EMS prepaid stationery as at 2 September are given below.

| EMS International <br> Courier Prepaid <br> Product | Asia/Pacific |  | Rest of the world |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Per item | Per 5 pack | Per item | Per 5 pack |
| Envelope | $\$ 32.00$ | $\$ 137.50$ | $\$ 43.00$ | $\$ 192.50$ |
| 3 Kg Satchel | $\$ 46.00$ | $\$ 210.00$ | $\$ 65.00$ | $\$ 300.00$ |
| 10 Kg Box | $\$ 105.00$ | - | - |  |
| Courier pick-up within metropolitan areas $\$ 8.50$ |  |  |  |  |



## Express Post Changes

The 500 g and 3 kg satchels have been reissued in a new format with a red and yellow boxed declaration reminder on the flap and 'Sign here' arrow on the front. These first appeared in Canberra post offices in July 2002.


On 4 July, I was collecting a parcel at the GPO Canberra, I noticed two 5 kg express post satchels waiting for someone else to collect. Based on inquiries with Richard Peck and others, these satchels appear to have been part of a trail but I haven't been able to find out where they were being sold.

The satchels were larger than the 3 kg satchel and in the new satchel format with the red and yellow boxed declaration reminder on the flap. Can anyone enlighten me as to where they were on sale?

## Prepaid Postcards

Prepaid postcards in the larger format with white borders were issued to accompany three of the international stamps issued on 23 August 2002: Coonawarra SA, Gariwerd-Grampians, VIC, and the National Library of Australia, ACT.

A further two cards were issued to accompany the Bush Tucker issue: acacia seeds and honey grevillea.


## LISTING OF AUSTRALIAN NON-DENOMINATED POSTAL STATIONERY (NEW ISSUES)

Ian McMahon

## Postcards

2 July 2002
(\$1.20)
This card is in the new format with white borders, a larger size and the new postage prepaid impression. The new stamp indicia was also used for the maximum cards for this issue. The prestige booklet of this issue also includes two unstamped postcards.

2 July 2002
Maximum cards
(-)
$(-)$
$(-)$
(-)
(Set price: $\$ 4.80$ )
6 August 2002
Maximum cards
$(-)$
(-)
(Set price: \$2.95)
23 August 2002
(\$1.20)
Maximum cards
$(-)$
$(-)$
(-)
$(-)$
(-)
(Set price: $\$ 6.20$ )
23 August 2002 International Panoramas
(\$1.20) National Library
(\$1.20) Gariwerd-Grampians
(\$1.20)
Maximum cards
$(-)$
$(-)$
$(-)$
(-)

Antarctic Research
Davis
Casey
Macquarie Island
Mawson

Australia-Thailand Joint Issue

Nymphaea immutabilis
Nelumbo nucifer

Bush Tucker
Honey Gevillia
Acacia
Lilly-Pilly
Honey Gevillia
Acacia
Mumong
Quandong

National Library
Coonawarra
National Library
Cape York
Gariwerd-Grampians
Coonawarra
(Set price: \$11.25)

23 August 2002
$(-)$
(-)
(-)
(Set price: $\$ 5.90$ )
25 September 2002
Maximum cards
(-)
$(-)$
$(-)$
$(-) \quad$ Goblin
$(-) \quad$ Wizard
$(-)$
(Set price: $\$ 7.20$ )
15 October 2002 Champions of the Turf
Maximum cards
$(-)$
$(-)$
(-)
$(-)$
(-)
(Set price: $\$ 6.00$ )
25 September 2002
Maximum cards

(-)
(Set price: \$2.35)

International Panoramas
Christmas
Koala
Aboriginal Art

Magic Rainforest
Bunyip
Fairy
Gnome

Sprite

Wakeful
Rising Fast
Manikato
Might and Power
Sunline

Christmas
Nativity Scene
Wise Man

## Aerogramme

25 July 2002
(\$0.78)
1 November 2002
(\$0.78)
Express Post
July 2002
(\$?)
Codes seen: MN, SN, SV

## EMS International Courier

July 2002 (?) Satchels
3 kg Asia-Pacific
3 kg Rest of the World
Prices increased to $\$ 46$ and $\$ 65$ on 2 September 2002.

## LITERATURE

Ian McMahon

## FROM OUR CONTEMPORIES

Postal Stationery July-August 2002
Source of 1870 U.S. Envelope Essay
Carl Stieg Receives Research Award
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Illustrated Cards
Canadian 2002 envelopes

Scandinavian Stationery
Australia Centenary of Federation Project

Varieties of Government of Ontario
Xpresspost envelopes
Prepaid parcel labels

Postal Stationery Society [UK], Journal June 2002
Development and Demise of the Lettercard The Airgraph Story
in Great Britain

## Gibbons Stamp Monthly

For some years now Geir Sør-Reime has undertake an annual annual review of the world's postal stationery for the previous year. The review in 2002 covered 2000-2001 issues and was in four parts, two covering the issues of the British Commonwealth and two covering the rest of the world commencing in the May 2002 issue.

## Philately From Australia

The March 2002 issue of Philately from Australia included an article by John Sinfield on the Commonwealth of Australia 1917 Reply Obliterated Postcards. This article surveys what is known about the 1917 reply cards overprinted and used as single cards. In addition it included an article by Ray Kelly on Australian Advertising Collars, many of which occur on postal stationery envelopes.

## Australian Journal of Philately

The September 2002 issue includes an article on Thai postal stationery based on John Lancaster's display to the Australia Philatelic Society.

## BOOKS

Charles Bromser passed on the following message a NAPE member.
George Shalimoff and George Shaw have had in preparation for some time an English language catalogue of the propaganda-advertising cards of the Soviet

Union, issued 1927-1934. It is now approaching publication and we are attempting to get an idea of the possible audience for such a catalogue, to determine a printing quantity. I am the editor of this catalogue, and a member of the ANZ Society of Russian Philately.

The book is in an 81/2xII" format, has approximately 300 pages with plastic coated covers [laminated]. It is black and white [coloured covers]; pictures every card, plus the 22 advertising cards from 1926 and the Tashkent cards as well, with a translation of the text into English. It is expected that the price will be somewhere between U\$45-850, with a discounted prepublication price to members of -20\%. 2.

If you are interested in this book please contact Jean Walton on JWalton971@aol.com.

## FROM THE AUCTIONS

The last few months has seen some very interesting auctions in Australia from a stationery perspective.

## Charles Leski 7 October 2002

This auction includes the extensive stationery collections of Aden and Grenada of the late Ed Druce. The collection of Aden formed the basis for Ed's article on the Postal Stationery of Aden which was serialised in many issues of $P S C$. Both collections include a wide range of essays and proofs as well as many scarce items.


The auction also includes a good range of stationery from other countries including Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika.

## Status International 22 August 2002

This auction included uncut sheets of 8 of the 1994 prepaid postcard depicting a kangaroo issued in conjunction with the 45 c automatic teller machine stamp (sold for $\$ 400$ ) and the prepaid postcard and maximum cards associated with the $199450^{\text {th }}$ anniversary of the Sydney-Hobart Yacht Race (sold for \$1000). Another interesting lot was a 2d PTPO wrapper for the Tasmanian Mail.


## Premier Auctions September 2002

The stationery highlight of the 14 September Premier auction was a used example of the Queensland 1879 McCorquodale formular registered envelope which sold for $\$ 7000$ :
used in 1888 from Bundaberg to Graz, Austria with 2d $x 2,6 d \&$ I/- paying double rate. Ex Broekman \& Collas. A great rarity: only one other example has been recorded [ 3000 of these envelopes were received in October 1879, and sold for $1 / 2 d$ each.


Other Queensland items in the Auction included commercially used examples of the 2d and 3d 1889 postcards (sold for $\$ 250$ and $\$ 160$ respectively), a c. 1891 DLR? formular type size H2 registered envelope used from Brisbane to London with $1 / 2 d, 21 / 2 d x 2,4 d \& 1 /-x 2$ tied by indistinct BN h/s, neat 'REGISTERED/SE23/91/BRISBANE' cds \& 'REGISTERED/LONDON' red oval $h / s$ on face, light central fold (sold for $\$ 7000$ ).

Good realizations were achieved for used examples of the 3d 1909 McCorquodale KEVII 3d red/buff HG Cl (\$800) to England with $2 d$ tied by 'REGISTERED/28OC/10/ ROCKHAMPTON' cds, the embossed stamp with pencil cancel, experimental black/white Registration Label, minor bends and the 1912 De La Rue 3d red/buff HG C2 (\$1 150) to Germany with $21 / 2 d$ tied by 'REGISTERED/20AP12/BRISBANE' cds, scarce red \& black Registration Label.


## Robin Linke 22 September 2002

This auction included the Eddie Hyde Collection of Australasian Airletters And Aerogrammes - a magnificent selection of Australian aerogrammes including many early issues.

Some of the items included flight cachets, the 1944 QANTAS Christmas greetings aerogramme (realised $\$ 720$ ), colour trials of the $197420 \notin$ jet aerogramme ("Only one other set is known outside official archives and are of the greatest rarity - the primary purpose may have been to test Helecon inks as U.V. reaction is particularly strong", realised $\$ 4300$ ), 20c aerogramme missing green (realised $\$ 640$ ), UPU specimens, official aerogrammes and formular aerogrammes of the Pacific islands.


Realised $\$ 315$


Realised $\$ 170$

## George Alevizos

The Tuva pictorial stamps of 1934 and later are well known to most collectors of adhesive stamps. Much less well known is the stationery envelope of the same issue. A recent George Alevizos auction had a used copy of the 20 k envelope depicting a Yak.

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Other
A recent German auction had proofs of Australian (and many other) reply coupons including state-specific coupons.


From another recent auction, this perforated 'OS' Queensland postcard addressed to the Crown Solicitor in Brisbane realized over $£ 100$.


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## FROM THE SECRETARY

## New Members

Welcome to the following new members, who mostly found the Society as a result of the publicity generated by the publication of the Western Australia catalogue. They are (with short description of their postal stationery collecting interests, where supplied);
Leroy Collins III (USA) - Japanese stationery, but with worldwide interests (except USA); David McNamee (USA) - Tasmania;
Jan Gane (WA) - Israel, and Hungarian postal cards 1915-1917;
Ken Moore (NSW) - Australian States;
Ross Ewington (Tas) - dealer; interests Tasmania and PTPO material
Jack Harwood (USA) - postal orders and postal notes, all countries;
Chris Smith (Vic) - embossed Australian stationery, and food parcel labels.
Re - Meeting at Melbourne 2002
There was a change in the date of the Society meeting at Melbourne 2002. It took place from 2:00-3:30 pm on Sunday 6 October. Location was the Bronze Room at the Function Centre, Melbourne Park, Batman Ave. There will be a full report in the next issue of PSC.

## Tom Adami and The Aerogrammer

The Secretary has recently had a further inquiry about the fate of The Aerogrammer and the whereabouts of its Editor Tom Adami. About two and a half years ago, Tom accepted a position as an archivist with the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, and he is now stationed at Arusha in Tanzania. He found the production and distribution of the journal from Tanzania too difficult, and was forced to stop it.

Tom is no longer a member of the PSSA, as the mail services in Tanzania are somewhat unreliable. He hopes one day to rejoin, when he's living somewhere 'more civilised'. He can be reached on email at adami@un.org. The Secretary has a postal address, if any member wants to use it.

## Cooperation with Unione Filatelisti Interofili (UFI) Italia

The Secretary has had a letter from Vittorio Coscia, a member of UFI, who is also a member of the PSSA. Vittorio has been delegated to liaise with us on ways in which the two groups can work together to encourage the study and collection of postal stationery, and promote collaboration between societies and study groups operating in this field. A reply has been sent, indicating our willingness to take part in these enterprises. The exchange of the Postal Stationery Collector with the UFI journal, L'Intero Postale, is an important part of this cooperative effort.

## Journal Exchange with SAS/ Oceania (SAS/O)

The Society has recently started to exchange the Postal Stationery Collector for The Informer, the journal of the Society of Australasian Specialists / Oceania. This group has in its membership a number of keen collectors and researchers of Australian postal stationery, and our journal should reach a wide interested readership. SAS/O has placed its library in the Western Philatelic Library, Sunnyvale, California, which is a major philatelic resource centre for the western states of the USA.

Publicity in Postal Stationery (UPSS)
The Society was offered some publicity about its aims and activities and for the Western

Australia postal stationery catalogue in the journal of the United Postal Stationery Society (UPSS). An article about the PSSA, and a review of the catalogue, appeared in Postal Stationery July-Aug 2002. It proved a very worthwhile exercise, in terms of both catalogue sales and inquiries about membership. Many thanks to Leroy Collins III, the President of the UPSS, and Wayne Menuz, the Editor of Postal Stationery, for their kindness in making this offer.

## Email and postal addresses

Don't forget to keep the Secretary informed about any changes in your email and postal addresses. This streamlines communication in the Society, and saves time and effort.

## From Our Contemporaries

## The Informer Vol 66 No 3 Summer 2002

An article in this issue contains references to two articles about the Nauru Formula Registration Envelope of 1925, which appeared in earlier issues of the PSC. The first, by Geoff Kellow, appeared in Issue \# 8: pp 7-9, while the second, by R C Stein, appeared in Issue \# 12: pp 114-115.

L'Entier Postal No 61 June 2002
Some items of note in this issue:

* The President notes that the ACEP publication 'Catalogue of French colonies and mandated territories, was awarded a large Vermeil medal and a special prize in the Literature class at Marseille 2002;
* A study of the Monaco newspaper wrapper Charles III, type 1c;
* A report on the General Meeting of ACEP held on 16 February 2002 (this appears to be the ACEP equivalent of our Annual General Meeting).

This issue of the joumal was despatched using a 'ready-to-post' envelope in light card, with a white background and a multi-coloured design. It is valid for use in Western Europe. Also to hand is Issue 50 June 2002 of 'La Lettre de l'ACEP', their bi-monthly newsletter, which gives details about new postal stationery issues, including reply coupons. It includes illustrations.

## L'Intero Postale No 80 Summer 2002

This journal has recently resumed publication with a new Editore, Enio Spurio. Some items are:

* Message from the President
* A short note on the propaganda postal card 'VINCEREMO' of 1942;
* New postal stationery issues from San Marino;
* New look international reply coupons;
* Review of foreign postal stationery journals (includes Issue 28 of the PSC);
* REPLAY - cards and lettercards: two parallel lives (reprint of article published in 1988).


## NEW ISSUES

## Ireland

Ireland issued its annual St Patrick's Day postcards depicting a map of Ireland and a stained glass window of St Patrick; a shamrock; 'Come on the boys in green' (with St Patrick as a soccer player). It also issued a set of postcards depicting the Stamps of Ireland 2001, the 1916 Easter Monday Proclamation, GPO Dublin, Cuchulain (legendary warrior), GPO 1868, and GPO interior during 1916 uprising. Also shown is a postcard produced to allow Irish residents to urge Prince Charles to make representation to the British Government to close down a nuclear reactor.



## Belgium

From Edgard Pockele-Denis, a new postcard from Belgium depicting 'Stampilou', a club for young philatelists organized by the Belgian Post Office. Members receive a starting kit, magazine and a special selection of stamps.


## Canada

Canada has issued a range of new pictorial postcards depicting Canadian scenes selling at $\$ 1.49$ plus GST. The scenes shown include Nova Scotia Sailboat, Toronto Island, Halifax Harbourfront, Newfoundland Harbour, New Brunswick Lighthouse, Vancouver Shoreline, Vancouver Harbour, CN Tower Toronto, Toronto Harbour, Baffin Island, Nova Scotia Lighthouse, Ice Mountains, Cape Breton, Tuktoyaktuk Child, Vancouver Skyline, Garibaldi Mountain, Victoria, Ste Anne de Beaupre, Nova Scotia Harbour, Atlantic Canada Lobster and Newfoundland Canoe. Unlike previous issues, these cards did not include a white border.


## Solomon Islands

The following items of stationery from the Solomon Islands are illustrated:

- Pre-stamped envelopes Local Scenes - set of 2 (Local \& Air mail) issued 3 December 2000
- Christmas Aerogramme (2001)
- Hong Kong 2001 Aerogramme with Orchid flower (2001)



## New Zealand

Two additional variants of the change of address card included in the last issue of PSC are illustrated below.


New Zealand issued three new post cards on 2 October 2002 to commemorate the America's Cup selling at $\$ 6$ a set.


## New Caledonia

2002 stationery issues have included PSEs commemorating: Pacific Volunteers, Deer \& Shrimps, Festival of Film (issued 28/6/02), Schools of New Caledonia and a definitive PSE depicting the Cagou.


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Fête du Café






[^0]:    1937 TAR 20k envelope to MOSKVA (bkstp) cancelled by KIZIL TUVA " $b$ " violet cds, reduced 15 mm at left and 10 mm tear upper right, very rare stationery and the " $b$ " cancel is also very rare, especially in violet, about Fine. Estimated cash value: 84000-85000

