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### POSTAL STATIONERY COLLECTOR: SALE OF BACK ISSUES

The Postal Stationery Society of Australia has been publishing its journal *Postal Stationery Collector* since May 1995. It is distributed to financial members four times each year, in February, May, August and November. The Society has always maintained a stock of back issues, which are for sale to both members and non-members.

#### Description

Issues 1- 9 were produced as photocopies in A4 format, with corner staples, and are available only in that form. They are for sale at \$4.00 each, which includes postage in Australia. Airmail postage to overseas countries is an additional charge.

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### Front Cover

Wandering in to a specialist paper and paper products shop in Canberra recently I found to my surprise wrapping paper with a design of a collage of old Italian postcards. The illustration on the front cover is a small sample of the design. The shop had used the bulk of their supply of the paper in a display window outside the shop.

**FROM THE EDITOR**

**Canberra Stampshow 2010**

Canberra Stampshow 2010 was a half national exhibition held from 12 to 14 March 2010 at the Hellenic Club in Woden, ACT. There was a strong postal stationery class with a large gold, a gold and three vermeil medals awarded:

Dale Ansell	New Zealand Postal Stationery 1876-1930	Large Silver
Charles Bromser	USSR Postal Stationery - The 10th Standard Issue	Large Silver
Bernard Beston	Guyana - the Postal Stationery	Large Silver
Anthony Lyon	New Zealand Postal Stationery Postcards 1876-1901	Vermeil
Anthony Scott	Air Letters to Aerogrammes 1944-1971	Vermeil
Norman Banfield	Australia - King George VI Postal Stationery	Vermeil
Bernard Beston	Postal Stationery of India since 1940	Large Silver
John Dibiasse	Western Australia - the Postal Stationery 1879-1913	Gold
John Sinfield	Republic of Panama Postal Stationery to 1940	Large Gold + SP
Glen Stafford	Nicaraguan Postal Stationery - The Seebeck Era	Large Silver
Clyde F Ziegeler	Bohemia and Moravia	Silver

The PSSA prize went to member John Sinfield for his exhibit of Panama postal stationery.



**Vale Carl Stieg**

Ret Colonel Carl Stieg passed away in January 2010. Carl was an active collector and researcher of Australian states stationery. In 2002 he was awarded the Australian Philatelic Research Award. The citation read:

*Carl Stieg, of San Rafael, California USA, has devoted a lifetime of philatelic interest, study and research to the area of Australian States postal stationery. 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 the year 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'.*

My own personal memory of Carl comes from two visits to his apartment in San Rafael where I had the opportunity to view his New South Wales and Ceylon stationery collections and his visit to Australia 99 where he received a gold medal for his exhibit of Victorian Postal Stationery. Carl's contribution to the study of Australian states postal stationery has been enormous and deserves to be long remembered.

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**LETTER TO THE SOCIETY**

8 March 2010  
Mr Ian McMahon  
Convenor  
Postal Stationery Society of Australia

Dear Ian

**Australian States' Postal Stationery Catalogues**

Please treat this as an open letter to all members of the Society, collectors and those amongst the trade and all who appreciate Postal Stationery.

Recently I attended the Perth meeting of the Australian Philatelic Federation (APF) at which I enquired about the progress of the above catalogues. I was somewhat surprised that there has been absolutely no visible progress on the production of the catalogues since the Western Australian section was first completed in 2002.

From memory I believe the tasks after the Western Australian section were to gradually but regularly publish the remaining states catalogues in colour with the assistance of Australia Post. I am now given to understand that Australia Post is not interested as their previous resources are no longer available, and of course corporate memory fades as time goes by.

I understand that the APF, whilst not really distancing themselves from their involvement in the project, see that it is a Postal Stationery of Australia task - their only involvement being that Malcolm Groom, their International Officer, is the series editor.

I believe that those authors in charge of the project for the remaining states are-

New South Wales	Bernard Doherty (assisted by John Bell)
Victoria	John Sinfield (acknowledging of course the tome by Carl Stieg)
Queensland	Bernard Beston
South Australia	Martin Walker
Tasmania	Malcolm Groom

One must ask what are the real problems facing these authors? Is it finance? Is it inclination? Are they too busy elsewhere? Are they unsure of the format to be used? Is the task of matching the Western Australian section a task too daunting? Has anyone approached them on a one to one basis to find out their progress? Are they still interested?

Valuable overseas publicity and interest was gathered when this project started, and when I am overseas judging or at FIP and other meetings, I am quite often asked about the other colonies/states - I am obliged to give a cautious holding reply which is not only personally embarrassing and frustrating but tends to affect Australia's international reputation. There is an obvious need for these publications - the alternative is to formally close the project.

If the problem is about the format and layout of the succeeding editions then as a start let us stipulate A4 spiral bound in black and white - if the editors feel they can cope with something more glamorous let them tell us.

If the problem is one of finance then there are publishing sources within Australian which should be willing to help with not only seed money but with grants and loans. The APF has a programme for publications I understand and State Councils should be willing to commit even if only to satisfy their state pride.

I now propose a modest financial plan which I am sure will interest our members and others. The plan involves commitment on the part of all interested parties. As a start I will commit an interest free loan of \$250 to each of the authors as seed money to get the project back on track; I am sure my offer will be matched many times over by others including the auction houses and trade generally who would see advantages in getting Australian philately back into the third millennium.

So the task ahead is to encourage the authors in their endeavours and rather than be critical of the slowness of the project, look for and seek out solutions in a friendly way. I know that there are a limited number of Breckons, Kellows and Popes so we should all be willing to help where possible if the authors feel the task is now too daunting.



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I believe that the series editor should drive the project. I offer this letter as a means of a renaissance of the project. I hope you and your readers will become involved.

Sincerely

Raymond Todd

**Convenor's comment:** The main issue at the moment is not the financial issue but rather the people who have the knowledge finding the time to put 'pen to paper'. In the case of New South Wales this is further complicated by continuing research. The New South Wales Catalogue in particular is in need of a collator/editor who can bring together past knowledge and recent research into a coherent catalogue. Anyone able to assist with any of the states catalogues (perhaps by working closely with a more knowledgeable collector) is requested to contact me [i\\_mcmahon@yahoo.com](mailto:i_mcmahon@yahoo.com) , Malcolm Groom [mgroom@internode.on.net](mailto:mgroom@internode.on.net) or Judy Kennett [jkennett@tpg.com.au](mailto:jkennett@tpg.com.au) .

### ***A BIT OF HISTORY***

Judy Kennett

Recently some old issues of *Stamp News*, formerly published by Seven Seas Stamps in Dubbo, New South Wales, were unearthed in a sorting-out exercise. It was fascinating to examine the yellowed pages, and to read about the 'big things' in Australian philately in the early 1980s.

This was the time of the boom in illustrated pre-stamped envelopes, and it is astonishing to see the numbers of small dealers (chiefly mail order) who were advertising these envelopes with both official and commemorative postmarks and cachets. Seen in the cold light of day in the 2000s, it's plain that this was a boom that couldn't last. It didn't, and numbers of collectors who had invested in pre-stamped envelopes were left with albums of unsalable material.

Having set the scene in the early 1980s, we move on to sometime during 1981, when an unknown number of copies of a philatelic questionnaire were distributed in copies of the magazine (haven't been able to find exactly which month). An article about the exercise in January 1982 tells us that the closing date for sending back completed questionnaires was 30 September 1981. In his Editorial of December 1981, the Editor had commented on the 'overwhelming response'. Some 930 completed forms were received by the closing date.

The first section of the survey dealt with readers' reactions to the various features that used to run in *Stamp News*. This was published in January 1982 under the heading 'Readers' likes and dislikes'. The third most popular feature was Alan Salisbury's 'Australasian Notes' where postal stationery issues were often mentioned. 84.1 % of respondents said they regularly read it. The purpose of this section was to enable editorial policy to be framed so as to give readers more of what they wanted, and less of what they didn't want.

The second section of the survey was reported in March 1982, under the heading 'Some surprise findings in "Stamp News" survey'. It dealt with a group of collecting areas, eg. Australian Commonwealth, AAT, the island territories, New Zealand, thematic collections, also other countries. A whopping 77.5% of readers collected what was called Australian Commonwealth general, which covered both pre-decimal and decimal issues.

The next step was to ascertain the collecting areas within the specified country collections. This covered interest in first day covers, maximum cards, postal stationery generally, Australian pre-stamped envelopes, postmarks and other categories. It was known that Australian pre-stamped envelopes were a popular area, but the percentage of collectors interested in them was found to be 62%. Postal stationery generally was rated at 22.5% and maximum cards (described as a growing field) at 9.5%. First day covers rated at 57.4%.

This makes interesting reading. If such a comprehensive survey could be organised now, and readers sent in returns. I wonder what the proportion of postal stationery (which now includes official pre-stamped envelopes) collectors would be? It was not made clear in the *Stamp News* analysis whether 'postal stationery generally' covered the stationery of other countries as well as the Commonwealth, and where the stationery of the Australian States fitted.

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## **PRINTED MESSAGES ON TASMANIAN POSTAL CARDS**

Malcolm Groom

The utility of printed messages on postal stationery was well established by the time Tasmania issued their first postal card in 1882. It is no surprise, therefore, that the earliest examples of commerce using the postal card to advertise their merchandise is found on the lithographed One Penny cards issued in March 1882.

The practice was adopted by commerce, especially the numerous speculative mining companies that proliferated in the 1880's and 1890's and which required regular communication with shareholders concerning calls on shares and notices of meetings. Many Associations and groups used this method of notifying meeting dates and some of the most attractive messages involve businesses advertising their products. This method of advertising was ideal for the numerous travelling salesmen who visited Tasmanian rural areas, especially visiting from the mainland.

Shipping companies notified customers of sailing dates and the expanding apple industry gave rise to many cards confirming apple consignments and prices.

I have been collecting these messages for a number of years and thought it time that a listing be compiled of those I have seen. This will be far from complete especially as I have found that almost every card I see has a different message with little, if any, duplication. No records are likely to exist of usages as presumably, each user could arrange printing of the message through a private printing firm without authorisation from the Post Office.

These messages provide a fascinating insight into business and social activities of the time and probably the only recorded evidence of some of the Colony's Mining companies and other Associations.

The listing records date of use and type of card with the four distinct types noted:

- 1882 One Penny lithographed card prepared by The Mercury Newspaper. (Ingles type C1) referred to in the listing as ***QV Litho***.
- 1883 -1903 One Penny card printed by De La Rue and later locally in Hobart. (Ingles type C2, C3, C4, C6) The majority of the postal cards recorded are from local printings, especially the scarcer 1883-1885 period in very distinctive shades. Obviously those overprinted for the 1894-95 International Exhibition are not additionally printed with any additional messages. Referred to in the listing as ***QV DLR*** or ***QV Local***.
- 1904 King Edward VII postal card (Ingles type C11) size 121mm by 74mm referred to on the listing as ***KEVII A***
- 1905 KEVII postal card with two-line inscription size 139mm by 88mm. referred to in the listing as ***KEVII B***
- 1906 KEVII postal card with one line inscription. Size 139mm by 88mm. referred to in the listing as ***KEVII C***

Examples are also included in the listing of messages on the 1½d Reply card and on the One Penny Commonwealth postal card issued to commemorate the Coronation of King George V. An example of a message on the 2d Tasmanian lettercard is also recorded.

I have attempted to give a one-line description of the message or the Firm or Organisation who produced it rather than the full message. Each one-line description should distinguish it from all the others. I have also attempted to classify the message as to its purpose. No distinction has been made between mint and used cards although I do have this information. All cards are recorded except where I have several mint examples of the same card (Western Silver Mining Company) and so where the Description appears to be the same user there are

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distinctions between the remaining information in the body of the message.

<b>Date of Card</b>	<b>Postal Card type</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Purpose of Message</b>
08/01/1889	QV local	A Mather & Co	Advertising goods
xx/xx/1906	KEVII	A.E. Rudder Shipping & Forwarding Agents	Shipping Advice
11/05/1892	QV local	A.G. Webster & Son	Shipping Advice
17/08/1903	2d lettercard	A.G. Webster & Son	Acknowledgement
30/03/1897	QV local	A.W. Birchall & Sons	Correspondence
21/08/1911	KEVII	Amateur Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
24/06/1911	1d KGV Coronation	Amateur Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
24/07/1911	KEVII	Amateur Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
04/10/1890	QV DLR	Bankruptcy Court Launceston - J.J.Rumpff, Trustee	Notice of Dividend
17/10/1889	QV local	Bankruptcy Court Launceston - J.J.Rumpff, Trustee	Notice of Dividend
28/08/1890	QV local	Bankruptcy Court Launceston - J.J.Rumpff, Trustee	Notice of Dividend
30/12/1890	QV local	Bankruptcy Court Launceston - J.J.Rumpff, Trustee	Notice of Dividend
23/04/1891	QV local	Burgess Bros.	Advertising goods
09/05/1911	KEVII	C Piesse & Co.	Market Report
27/04/1911	KEVII	C Piesse & Co.	Market Report
xx/xx/1882	QV Litho	Chamber of Commerce Hobart	Notice of Meeting
06/03/1890	QV DLR	Chamber of Commerce Launceston	Notice of Meeting
15/08/1894	QV local	Cocker & Ockerby	Shipping Advice
XX/XX/1896	QV local	Cocker & Ockerby	Despatch Notice
27/08/1884	QV local	Commercial Bank	Shareholder Notice
10/06/1911	1d KGV Coronation	Coronation Celebrations	Notice of Meeting
09/04/1892	QV local	Davey Street Congregational Sunday School	Notice of Meeting
24/07/1900	QV local	Dempsters	Notice of Attendance
25/08/1897	QV local	Dempsters	Notice of Attendance
03/11/1899	QV local	Dentistry Notice Mr. Alfred J Hall	Notice of Attendance
02/11/1910	KEVII	Diocese of Tasmania Women's Council	Notice of Meeting
22/02/1897	QV local	Evans Esplanade Sperm and Wax Candles	Advertising goods
15/12/1892	QV local	Examiner and Tasmanian	Correspondence
12/12/1904	KEVII	For Spring Bay & Swansea 'Breone'	Shipping Advice
30/04/1906	KEVII	For Spring Bay & Swansea 'SS Moonah'	Shipping Advice
14/04.1891	QV DLR	G.W. Tazewell & Co., Tea Blenders	Advertising goods
07/03/1900	QV local	Glenorchy Election John Hamilton	Electoral
15/09/1909	KEVII	Griffiths Bros.	Notice of Order
xx/xx/1906	KEVII	Griffiths Bros.	Shipping Advice
11/02/1910	KEVII	H Jones & Co	Shipping Advice
16/03/1908	KEVII	H Jones & Co	Shipping Advice
19/02/1907	QV Reply Card	H Jones & Co	Authority to Act
20/03/1911	KEVII	H Jones & Co	Shipping Advice
25/02/1901	QV local	H Jones & Co	Shipping Advice
14/12/1921	1d KGV lettercard	Hamilton Municipality Notification of Birth	Registration
17/10/1884	QV local	Hobart Amateurs, Gardeners, & Cottagers Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
29/01/1907	KEVII	Hobart Camera Club	Notice of Meeting
07/09/1893	QV local	Hobart Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
01/09/1896	QV local	Huddart Parker & Co's S.S. Tambo	Shipping Advice



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08/09/1892	QV DLR	Huddart Parker & Co's S.S. Tasmania	Shipping Advice
xx/xx/1882	QV Litho	J Bidencope	Advertising goods
xx/xx/1882	QV Litho	J Bidencope	Advertising goods
16/05/1908	KEVII	J Bidencope & Son - Where the Good Hats Are	Notice of Order
13/07/1901	QV local	J Bidencope & Son, Hobart	Notice of Order
27/10/1902	QV local	J Bidencope, Hobart	Notice of Order
xx/xx/1884	QV local	J Bidencope Brisbane Street, Launceston	Notice of Order
xx/xx/1886	QV local	J Bidencope Brisbane Street, Launceston	Notice of Order
13/02/1890	QV local	J Walch & Sons Memo from	Correspondence
xx/09/1887	QV local	J Walch & Sons Picturesque Australasia	Notice of Order
10/05/1889	QV local	J Williams, Master Steam Ketch 'Victoria'	Shipping Advice
06/12/1893	QV local	Japanese Goods W.T. Bell & Co.	Advertising goods
06/12/1891	QV Litho	JB Mather & Co.	Shipping Advice
xx/xx/1906	KEVII	John Hamilton & Co.	Acknowledgement
19/01/1886	QV DLR	Ladies College	Notice of Meeting
06/07/1891	QV local	Launceston Horticultural Society	Notice of Meeting
28/11/1898	QV local	Launceston Horticultural Society	Show Prize Notice
15/12/1912	KEVII	Lecture Mr. Gowrie Ruthven 'Fruit Markets of the World'	Notice of Event
29/04/1911	KEVII	Legislative Council Election for Hobart - W.B. Propsting	Electoral
26/10/1906	KEVII	Leven Road Trust	Rates Notice
22/09/1893	QV local	Lodge of Perfect Unanimity	Notice of Election
12/05/1895	QV local	Longford Racing Club	Notice of Event
17/12/1894	QV local	Marine Board Election J.W. Evans	Electoral
07/04/1884	QV local	Ministers Monthly Prayer Meeting	Notice of Meeting
27/10/1911	KEVII	Mr. A Steward Lucadou Wells Dental Surgeons	Notice of Attendance
10/12/1884	QV local	Mrs. M Allen	Advertising goods
05/10/1891	QV local	Natural Science Association of N. Tasmania	Notice of Event
13/07/1890	QV DLR	New Norfolk Horticultural and Agricultural Society	Notice of Meeting
11/11/1882	QV Litho	Orpheus Club	Notice of Meeting
24/11/1882	QV Litho	Orpheus Club	Notice of Meeting
05/09/1898	QV local	Polleys Dorset Hotel	Correspondence
06/02/1885	QV local	Private Assembly, Masonic Hall	Notice of Event
03/03/1891	QV local	Ragged School Association	Notice of Meeting
04/02/1891	QV DLR	Ragged School Association	Notice of Meeting
xx/04/1909	KEVII	Sorell Race Club	Notice of Event
09/03/1908	KEVII	Southern Tasmanian Camera Club	Notice of Meeting
10/04/1911	KEVII	Southern Tasmanian Camera Club	Notice of Meeting
17/02/1908	KEVII	Southern Tasmanian Camera Club	Notice of Meeting
12/09/1891	QV local	Spring Show 1891 W.M. Williams	Advertising goods
17/05/1894	QV local	St John Ambulance Association	Notice of Meeting
19/04/1894	QV local	St John Ambulance Association	Notice of Meeting
29/05/1895	QV local	St John Ambulance Association	Notice of Meeting
19/12/1902	QV local	Tamar Brewery	Return of Goods Advice
03/06/1896	QV local	Tamar Regatta Association	Notice of Meeting
02/05/1903	QV local	Tasmanian Agricultural and Pastoral Society	Notice of Meeting
xx/xx/1911	KEVII	Tasmanian Balfour Prospecting Association	Shareholder Notice
xx/xx/1895	QV local	Tasmanian Brewery Co. Ltd	Correspondence
xx/xx/1895	QV local	Tasmanian Brewery Co. Ltd	Notice of Order
27/10/1896	QV local	Tasmanian Cyclists Touring Club	Notice of Event
15/04/1887	QV local	Tasmanian Executors, Trustees & Agency Company	Notice of Meeting

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xx/xx/1906	KEVII	Tasmanian Wool Growers' Agency Co. Ltd	Stock Notice
02/08/1906	KEVII	The Bank of Australasia	Acknowledgement
21/05/1897	QV local	The Bank of Australasia	Acknowledgement
22/08/1887	QV local	The Concert of German Melodies	Notice of Event
02/05/1905	KEVII	The Daily Telegraph	Correspondence
03/03/1904	QV local	The Daily Telegraph	Correspondence
18/05/1889	QV local	The Day Dawn Tin Mining Company Registered	Notice of Meeting
10/02/1900	QV local	The Jukes Consols Copper Co.	Notice of Call
04/04/1889	QV DLR	The Mercury Tasmanian Mail Offices	Correspondence
22/05/1893	QV local	The Mercury Tasmanian Mail Offices	Correspondence
26/09/1889	QV local	The Phoenix Gold Mining Company	Notice of Meeting
25/07/1894	QV local	The Silver King Prospecting Association	Shareholder Notice
11/06/1892	QV DLR	The Tasmanian Fruitgrowers Cooperative Shipping & Agency Company	Shipping Advice
04/07/1904	KEVII	The Volunteer Consolidated Extended Gold Mining Company	Shareholder Notice
05/07/1904	KEVII	The Volunteer Consolidated Extended Gold Mining Company	Shareholder Notice
14/02/1910	KEVII	Time Table S.S. Hopetoun & S.S. Huon	Shipping Advice
17/01/1912	KEVII	TJ Cane & Co.	Correspondence
06/02/1885	QV local	Ulverstone Farmers Club	Notice of Meeting
13/08/1895	QV local	Union Line of Steamers	Sailing Notice
11/09/1894	QV local	Union Line of Steamers 'SS Oonah'	Shipping Advice
10/05/1892	QV DLR	W.D. Peacock	Shipping Advice
30/04/1906	KEVII	W.D. Peacock	Shipping Advice
24/04/1901	QV local	W.T. Bell & Co Limited	Sale Notice
05/10/1897	QV local	Walter S Bell & Co	Shipping Advice
27/09/1894	QV DLR	Walter S Bell & Co	Shipping Advice
21/07/1886	QV local	Walter S Bell & Co Customs & Forwarding Agents	Shipping Advice
12/09/1896	QV local	Walter S Bell & Co Wharf	Shipping Advice
07/10/1902	QV local	Walter S Bell & Co Wharf Frontage	Shipping Advice
13/08/1904	KEVII	Walter S Bell & Co Wharf Frontage	Shipping Advice
22/11/1898	QV local	Walter S Bell & Co Wharf Frontage	Shipping Advice
xx/xx/1898	QV local	Watchorn Bros	Change of Address
16/09/1903	QV local	Western Silver Mining Company	Notice of Call
23/10/1903	QV local	Western Silver Mining Company	Shareholder Notice
xx/10/1903	QV local	Western Silver Mining Company	Notice of Call
23/09/1890	QV local	Ye Olde Englyshe Fayre J.E. Cocker	Notice of Meeting
3/10/1913	KEVII	Auto Car Club of Tasmania	Notice of General Meeting
19/1/1911	KEVII	Auto Car Club of Tasmania	Notice of Meeting
20/7/11	KEVII	Auto Car Club of Tasmania	Notice of Meeting
14/11/10	KEVII	Auto Car Club of Tasmania	Notice of Club Run

Some 130 cards are listed and I look forward to a considerable extension of the listing with additional message and users.

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Western Silver Mining Coy., No Liability.

You are hereby reminded that the Second Instalment of Sixpence per share on the Trust Shares taken up by you was payable on the 15th inst., and must be paid forthwith if you wish to avoid forfeiture of said shares and of the payment already made.

AUG. SIMSON, Manager.

Launceston,  
16th September, 1903. 250 Shares £6.0/-

TASMANIA.  
POST CARD  
THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.

Mrs. Smith & Son  
Petchys Bay

Prince's Wharf, Hobart, 27th July 1896

Dear Sir,

We have to acknowledge the receipt per your consignment of 27 3/4 Cases of Fruit for Himalayas. We beg to advise you that the ship refused all parcels as if their not being packed in straw. Please advise us what to do with your 27 3/4

W. D. PRINCE & CO. Secy.

From WALTER S. BELL & Co.,  
CUSTOMS AND FORWARDING AGENTS  
The Wharf Launceston.

Dear Sir 20th July 1899

We beg to advise you of the arrival to our care of 1 Case of *Palmer* from *Smith* which now await removal from Customs. Kindly forward us Bill of Lading or Shipping Receipt, also Invoice showing contents and value, with instructions as to disposal of same, otherwise goods will be Bonded by Customs.

Yours truly  
WALTER S. BELL & Co.

The Volunteer Consolidated Extended Gold Mining Company, No Liability.

**FORFEITURE NOTICE.**

All Shares in the above Company upon which Call No. 2, due 8th June, 1904, is unpaid are forfeited, and will be sold by public auction by Messrs. A. Murray and Son, at the Launceston Stock Exchange, St. John Street, Launceston, on Tuesday, 12th July, 1904, at noon, unless previously redeemed.

C. ADYE COLLINS, MANAGER.  
No. 24 Patterson Street,  
Launceston, 20th June, 1904.

OLVER TONE FARMERS' CLUB.

The usual Monthly Meeting of the above Club will be held in the Ulverstone Town Hall, on Saturday, 7th February 1895, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Please remember that in future the meetings will NOT be called by Circular, but will be held on the first Saturday in the month, at 3 o'clock p. m. See Rule 7.

JAMES H. FRAMPTON, Hon. Sec.

TASMANIA.  
POST CARD  
THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.

THE MANAGER,  
Tasmanian Wool Growers' Agency Co. Ltd.  
LAUNCESTON.

**STOCK SALE ENTRIES.**

To The  
Tasmanian Wool Growers' Agency Co. Ltd.

Please advertise for your next Sale.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

TASMANIAN CYCLOSTERS' TOURING CLUB.

The Initial Meet of the above will take place on *Bahndra* next, October 31st, leaving Junction of Brisbane Road and High Street, at 2.45 p.m. sharp.

Destination—Corra Lynn.

F. E. LABBEY,  
Hon. Sec.

TASMANIA.  
POST CARD  
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The Tasmanian Brewery Co., Ltd.,  
BURNIE.

Tasmanian Brewery Co., Ltd.

Dear Sirs,

Please send per \_\_\_\_\_

Yours truly,

Tasmanian Balfour Prospecting Association,  
NO LIABILITY.

A General Meeting of Shareholders of the above-named Association will be held in the Committee Room, Town Hall, on Tuesday, 7th March, 1911, at 8 p.m.

**BUSINESS:**—To consider the report of the Chairman of Directors (Dr. Neelling) and Mr. C. D. Cuthbert on their recent visit to Balfour.

Any other business that may arise.

C. V. HAMILTON,  
Secretary.

Summer Regatta Association.

A Committee Meeting will be held at the Brisbane Hotel on *Thursday* evening, *June 4* at 8 o'clock.

GEO. F. HUDSON, Sec.

*Agate Bell*

St. John Ambulance Association.

29 May 1895.

Please attend Committee Meeting at *Mayor's Room, Town Hall* Friday, next at 4 p.m.

Hon. Sec.

Spring Show, 1891.

W. M. WILLIAMS will show on TUESDAY, the 15th Sept., and Following Days,  
The Newest and Most Fashionable Goods,  
Including NOVELTIES in MILLINERY,  
MANTLES and CAPES, DRESS FABRICS, DELAINES, LACES, BEAD and TINSEL TRIMMINGS,  
READY-MADE COSTUMES in SILK, MUSLIN, and DELAINE, ETC., ETC.

W. M. WILLIAMS,  
Federal House,  
Liverpool Street.

Your Inspection is Solicited.

TASMANIA.  
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SWELL RACE CLUB.  
EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1890.

1. TRIAL STAKES.—Handicap of 12 sows, second horse 5s, from 100 yds. For all sows that at the time of starting have not received over 100 lbs. of public money from any one race on the flat. 4 furlongs. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

2. HURDLE RACE.—Handicap of 20 sows, second horse, 5s, from 100 yds. 1 mile 1 furlong. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

3. HURDLE PLATE.—Handicap of 20 sows, second horse, 5s, from 100 yds. 1 mile. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

4. JUMPING PLATE.—Handicap of 20 sows, second horse, 5s, from 100 yds. For all sows that have never been awarded a stake in a race on any course, at the time of starting. 1 mile. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

5. LYONS HANDICAP.—Handicap of 20 sows, second horse, 5s, from 100 yds. 1 mile. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

The winner of the Handicap after the conclusion of the races to carry 10/- extra, of two or more such races 50/- extra.

Subscriptions will be received by the Secretary up till 3 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 20th Sept. 1890.

Meeting on FRIDAY, April 2, 1890.

The freight on all horses (other than travelling men) of outsiders on George's wharf, Hobart, will be paid by the Club.

ROBT. H. GIBBY,  
Secretary.

ALSO, AFTER THE ABOVE,  
DIVIDED DEFANCE HANDICAP.—Handicap of 20 sows, to be made under Southern Tasmanian Racing Association Rules. First horse 100 yds. Second horse, 50 yds. Third horse, 25 yds. Fourth horse, 10 yds. Non-stayers, 100 yds. Acceptance, 10/-.

Handicap, with penalties and extra money, to last race, will be general the same as the above.

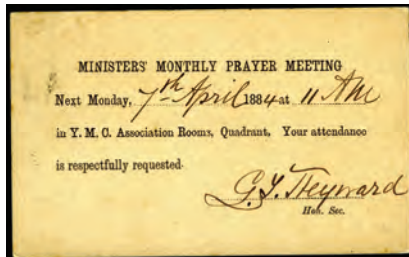
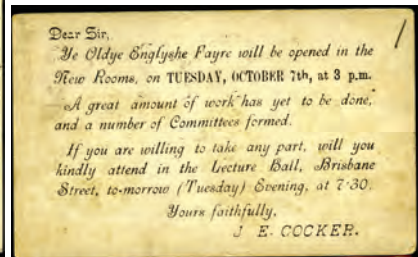
All winners of the Handicap of 10/- are liable to be re-handicapped.

A Meeting of the Committee of the Ragged School Association will be held on *Thursday* next, at the Bible Depot, at 4 p.m.

L. F. T.



Postal Stationery Collector







## **PRIVATE BUSINESS-RELATED NEWSPAPER WRAPPERS**

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### **Private Wrappers**

During the course of collecting Internet images of post office newspaper wrappers for the database I noticed that many interesting private wrappers were being listed on eBay. Names such as *St. Anthony Asylum of Rome* (Italy), *Salvatery Army* (Belgian Congo) and *Drum Call* (Cameroun) aroused my interest and I began compiling a library of images of private business-related non-post office wrappers bearing adhesives. For the purposes of this paper private business-related wrappers possess the following characteristics:

1. They must originate from a non-post office source.
2. They reveal privately printed wording, sometimes together with illustrations.
3. They use stamps or meters in lieu of the prepaid post office indicium.

The words “business-related” mean any type of organization, commercial or otherwise. This wide definition is deliberate in order to encompass wrappers mailed from not-for-profit and other organizations. What are not included in this topic are private wrappers that bear no printing or sender handstamp, in other words they are plain except for the address and the stamp.

A primary and important question at the outset is whether wrappers of this type should be classified as postal stationery or as postal history. Some collectors will argue and FIP rules require that the essential qualifier for legitimate inclusion within the postal stationery category is the presence of a post office pre-paid indicium or some emblematic feature that represents an implied pre-paid denomination. The business wrappers without prepaid post office indicia or emblematic counterpart would therefore not be included in postal stationery. The alternative classification is postal history where the rate disclosed by adhesives and the mailing destination disclosed in the address are essential for rate and route write-ups. In this sense such wrappers do fall conveniently into the realm of postal history.

Such a simplistic approach ignores some important considerations. First, not all postal entities issued post office wrappers. Organizations located within these non-issuing regions have had little choice but to prepare their own wrappers for mailing printed matter. In such cases these private wrappers are a de facto version of post office wrappers.

Not all postal entities offered customers the post office facility of printed-to-private order or stamped-to-order wrappers. Organizations that wished to include wording and illustrations on their wrappers had no option but to approach private printers for the printing of detail that they felt was important to disclose for mailing, advertising and other purposes. Again, therefore, these wrappers become de facto PTPO and STO counterparts in the absence of post office facilities offering these services.

A third argument bears on the purpose of prepayment. While it is conceded that these private business wrappers do not show a prepaid post office indicium, nevertheless when they are used they do show the prepaid stamp counterpart. Hence, a stamp represents a de facto prepayment in lieu of the indicium.

And finally, it is obvious from the perspective of the individual organization that these wrappers are every bit as much a part of their stationery supplies as letterhead paper and printed envelopes. The role of these printed wrappers is to effect mailing of the organization’s “printed matter”. They are therefore rightfully termed private postal stationery wrappers.



For these four reasons a case can be established that privately printed business-related wrappers have a legitimate place within the realm of a country's postal stationery. In other words, it is not an either or classification but it can be argued that these types of wrappers can be included in both postal stationery and in postal history.

Collecting business-related images from the internet commenced in August 2007, and at the time of writing this paper the file contained images of 288 different private wrappers. There are 68 postal entities involved of which about one-third or 25 have never issued post office wrappers as part of their postal stationery. The postal entity distribution of these private wrappers is shown in Table 1 and reveals some fascinating names and exotic sources. An asterisk identifies these entities that have never issued post office wrappers.

**Table 1: Postal Entities with Private Business-Related Wrappers**

Postal Entity	No.	Postal Entity	No.	Postal Entity	No.
Argentina	2	Dutch India*	1	Morocco*	1
Australia	4	East Africa	1	Mozambique*	3
Austria	9	Fiji	1	Netherlands*	7
Bangladesh*	1	Fiume*	1	New Hebrides*	1
Barbados	2	France	21	New South Wales	1
Bavaria	1	French Colonies	1	New Zealand	1
Belgian Congo*	2	Great Britain	63	Norway*	2
Belgium*	11	Germany	32	Palestine	1
Brazil	3	Gibraltar	1	Paraguay	1
British Guiana	3	Greece	6	Philippines	1
Bulgaria*	1	Guatemala	1	Papua New Guinea*	1
Burma*	3	Guernsey*	1	Rhodesia	1
Cameroun*	3	Hong Kong	2	Russia	2
Canada	2	Hungary	1	Sarawak*	1
Cape of Good Hope	1	India	8	Somalia*	1
Ceylon	1	Ireland	5	South Africa	2
China	4	Italy*	3	Spain	6
Costa Rica	1	Japan	8	Sweden	2
Cuba	1	Latvia*	1	Switzerland	7
Czechoslovakia*	2	Lorenzo Marques*	2	Thailand*	2
Danzig*	3	Luxembourg*	1	Turkey	1
Denmark	1	Malaya	2	USA	16
Djibouti*	2	Mauritius	2	<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>288</b>

This group of 288 represents only a sample of extant private business-related wrappers. Nevertheless it might be useful to country collectors to list the names that appear on these private wrappers. Such information will give those with an interest in this material an indication of what has appeared on eBay over the last couple of years and should be indicative of the quantity and variety of what might be expected in the future.

The author's limited language skills undoubtedly have produced some "howlers" in listing the names of some of the non-English wrappers such as Greece. Moreover, an old-fashioned gothic font that appears on some German wrappers continues to thwart correct identification of some letters and spelling mistakes are inevitable. Given these caveats the listing in the Appendix represents most of the business wrappers in the data base. The number in the Appendix does not add to 288 because some wrappers of the same name have appeared more than once, some names were too long and unwieldy to include in the list, some names were indecipherable, and a few are

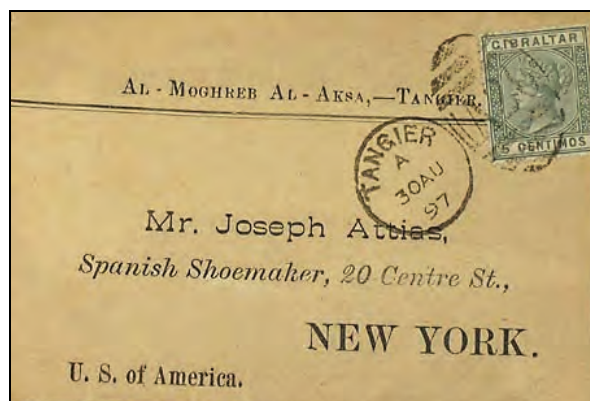
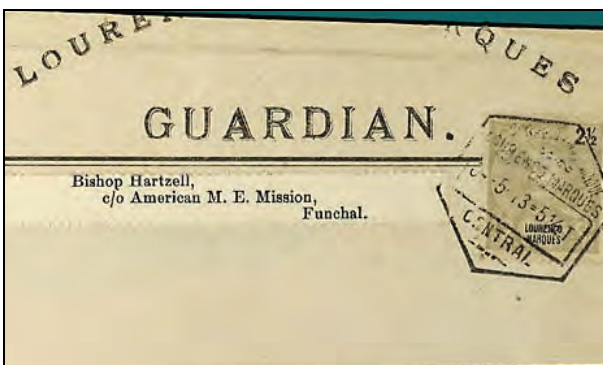
official or OHMS wrappers.

It is not possible in a paper such as this to include more than a selection of examples of private business-related wrappers. Eventually I hope to be able to compile an illustrated catalogue of the images. In the meantime a selection has been made to demonstrate the richness and diversity that exists with regard to this type of personal wrappers.

### Named Newspapers

About one-third of the identified names in the Appendix are of newspapers and magazines. Many newspapers have printed their own wrappers and a selection of these is shown in Illustration 1. The diversity of named newspaper wrappers reinforces the role newspapers have played over the years in improving literacy and spreading news. An interesting collection could be formed of private wrappers depicting worldwide newspapers and journals.

Figure 1: Named Newspapers on Private Wrappers



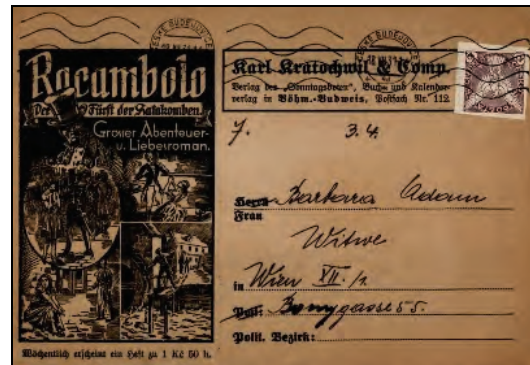
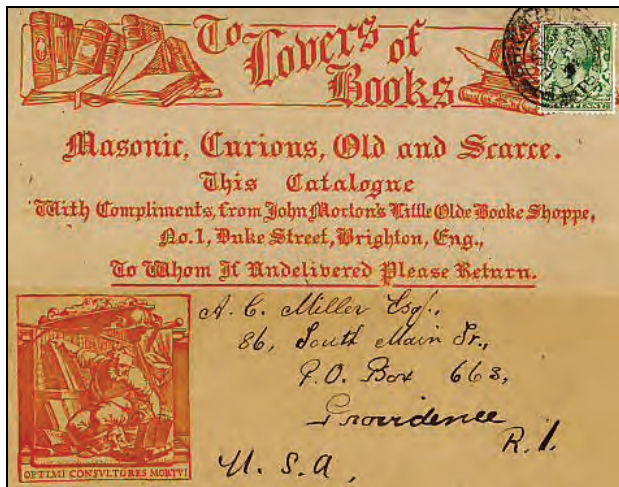
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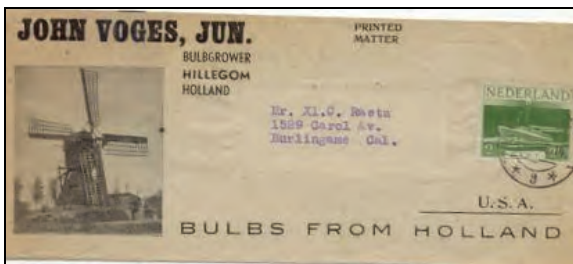
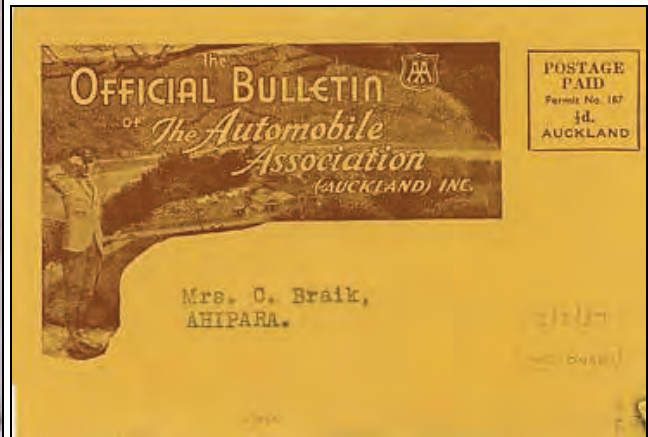
### Illustrated Wrappers

Wrappers bearing illustrations are attention-getters and are sought-after by thematic and other collectors because of their obvious visual attraction and aesthetic appeal and topic displayed. The illustrations advertise the sender's business in a dramatic way because as the saying goes "a picture is worth a thousand words". Given the limitations of pagination a small sample only has been selected and these are shown as Illustration 2.

Figure 2: Private Wrappers Bearing Illustrations







## Conclusion

Personal business-related wrappers appear on the internet auction site eBay regularly. This is to be expected because the sellers of this material need to appeal to the widest possible market. The number of thematic and postal history collectors of this material is small and a dealer's ability to sell highly specialized material such as this to a local market is limited. Hence, postal stationery and country collectors will benefit by being aware of what has appeared on the eBay market as indicative of what can reasonably be expected in the future.

Over a two year image collection period almost 250 different personal business-related wrappers have appeared. They cover 68 postal entities and afford collectors with an opportunity to obtain scarce and interesting material that would not otherwise have come to their attention.

**Appendix: Listing of Business Names on Business-Related Wrappers**

Argentina: Argentina Postal	Danzig: Danziger Zeitung	GB: Morris Provost
Argentina: Comite Organizador	Danzig: Der Ostem	GB: New Vagabonds
Australia: Australian Philatelic Record	Denmark: Information	GB: Nova Spodova
Australia: Leather Trades Review	Djibouti: Journal Franco-Ethiopien	GB: Orchids
Austria: Bom F. F. Bostipfaffen	Dutch India: Bataviaasch Nieuwsbland	GB: Ormskirk Amateur Athletic Festival
Austria: Brief. Josef Baumgarten	East Africa: East African Standard	GB: Pearson Pottery
Austria: Fr. Hoblick	Fiume: Istituto Fiumano per lo Sviluppo	GB: Philatelic Journal of Great Britain
Austria: Friedl's Briefmarken	France: Au Bon Marche	GB: Practical Fashions
Austria: Janephilipo Dutch Bulb	France: Bulletin Mensuel	GB: Royal Exchange Assurance
Austria: Stamp Dealers' Review	France: Cinematographie	GB: Sanitary Journal
Austria: Taubstummen-Co	France: Comptoirs Dufay & Gigandet	GB: Scottish Daily Mail
Bangladesh: Bangladesh Observer	France: Kompreni	GB: Surrey Bookshop
Barbados: Prices Current	France: La Review des Bois	GB: Textile Bulletin
Bavaria: Drucksachen	France: Le Journal Quotidien	GB: Times Air Edition
Belgian Congo: Salvatery Army	France: Le Petit Echo	GB: Times Weekly Edition
Belgian Congo: Yakusu Quarterly	France: L'echangiste Universe	GB: W. W. Duncan
Belgium: Agence Dechenne	France: L'Echo de al Timbrologie	GB: Whitfield King
Belgium: Belgium Times & News	France: North China Herald	GB: William Brown
Belgium: Caisse Generale de Reports	France: Nos Maitres	GB: Wimbledon Boro News
Belgium: Inter-Philatelia	France: Plastiques	Germany: Albert Apotheke
Belgium: La Petite Epargne	France: Services des Commissions	Germany: Anti Waste Candidate
Belgium: L'Echo de la Presse	France: Tribunal de 1re Instance d'Alber.	Germany: Bfalzifcher Murlur (sp?)
Belgium: L'Universel	France: Uthentique et Officiel	Germany: Bodensee-Rundschau
Belgium: Moniteur des Interests	France: World Veteran	Germany: Deutsche Destillateur
Belgium: Moniteur du Commerce	GB: Albert V. Turner	Germany: Deutsche Zahnartzliche
Brazil: Correio Paulistano	GB: Arthur H. Godfree	Germany: Deutsche Zeitung
Brazil: Jornal do Commercio	GB: Central Midwives Board	Germany: Die Lederindustrie
Brazil: Precios Bajob	GB: Chartered Society of Massage &...	Germany: Die Post
British Guiana: Argosy Office	GB: Crown Accident Insurance	Germany: Europa Kabel
British Guiana: Christmas Tide	GB: Dodwell & Co.	Germany: Gerard Telkam
British Guiana: The Weekly Argosy	GB: Edmiston & Mitchells	Germany: Karl Hennig
Bulgaria: La Bulgarie	GB: Elkin Mathews	Germany: Konigswarter & Ebell
Burma: Burma Mission Herald	GB: English Speaking World	Germany: Le Timbre Poste
Burma: Burma News	GB: The Estates Gazette	Germany: Neue Judische Zeitung
Burma: Burman Messenger	GB: Financial Times	Germany: Terra
Cameroun: Drum Call	GB: Genealogical Magazine	Germany: Ulmer Sturm
Cameroun: L'Effort Camerounais	GB: Grimsby News	Germany: Universitatszeitung
Canada: Barclay (Canada)	GB: H. Schwartze Wool Prices	Germany: With Knapp
Canada: Popular Stamp Magazine	GB: Henry W. Glover	Germany: Wochenausgabe
Cape of Good Hope: Middelburgh Echo	GB: Herald Tribune	Germany: Zeitungsdrucksache
Ceylon: Geo E. Anthonisz	GB: John Moore	Gibraltar: Al Moghreb al Aksa
China: Canton Committee for Justice	GB: John Mortom Little Old Book Shop	Greece: Amep Japyma the Etyx (sp?)
China: Chinese Assoc. for United States	GB: Joseph Travers	Greece: Athens Greece
China: Noel Murray	GB: Journal of Commerce	Greece: Interchange de la Liste Cycle
China: Sample of Bone Meal	GB: Koebel & Co.	Greece: Philotelia Journal
Costa Rica: Latin American Evangelist	GB: Lloyds List	Timbrologiqu
Cuba: La Correspondencia	GB: London & Paris Exchange	Greece: Xeip Bohoeiaz (sp?)
Czechoslovakia: Racumbola	GB: McMeekin	Guatemala: The Harvester
Czechoslovakia: Sudetenfunk		Guernsey: Guernsey Evening Press

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<p>Hong Kong: Hong Kong Telegraph  Hungary: Mitteilungen des Osterreich.  India: BS Railway Service  India: Dynanodaya  India: Indian Social Reformer  India: New Age (Weekly)  India: Premchand Botchand  Ireland: Dublin Opinion  Ireland: The Guardian  Ireland: Irish Independent  Ireland: Irish Press  Ireland: Sunday Independent  Italy: La Nomenclatura Chimica  Italy: Le Edizioni Zanichelli  Italy: St. Anthony Asylum of Rome  Japan: Bavier &amp; Co.  Japan: Japan Daily Herald  Japan: Japan Federation of Employers'  Japan: Japana Esperanto Instituto  Japan: T. Ushiba  Japan: T. Sakata  Japan: URSS Leningrad Latvia:  Latvian Exchange Club  Lorenzo Marques: Guardian  Lorenzo Marques: Inhambane  Christian  Luxembourg: LPPD  Malaya Kedah: O. L. Teck  Malaysia: Kinabalu Times  Mauritius: Blyth Brothers  Mauritius: Scott &amp; Cos</p>	<p>Mozambique: CFM Publicidade  Mozambique: Noticias da Beira  Mozambique: Seccio de Publicidade  Netherlands: Bulbs from Holland  Netherlands: De Kandelaar  Netherlands: Flandara Esparantisto  Netherlands: John Voges  Netherlands: La Praktiko  Netherlands: NRC  Netherlands: Peter van Velsen &amp;  Sohne  New Hebrides: Time  New South Wales: Lowe's Ltd.  New Zealand: Official Bulletin Auto  Ass.  Norway: Borskurslisten  Norway: Nordisk Filatelistisk  Tidsskrift  Palestine: Lines of Communication  Philippines: Alhambra  Rhodesia: Bulawayo chronicle  Russia: Black Youth  Russia: Police Courier  Sarawak: James M. Hoover  Somalia: Journal Franco Ethiopia  South Africa: Die Volksblad  South Africa: Gold Fields News  Spain: Commissariat  Spain: Herald Madrid  Spain: Madrid Filatelico  Spain: Mercurio</p>	<p>Sweden: Nordisk Filateli  Sweden: Societe des Nations  Switzerland: Archiv fur  Schuldbetreibu  Switzerland: Basler Versicherungs  Gesel  Switzerland: Expedition des Bieler  Tagb  Switzerland: Expedition des  Sarganserla  Switzerland: Societe des Nations  Switzerland: Sweizerischen  Schularchiv  Switzerland: Wintersport Catalogue  Thailand: Bangkok Times  Turkey: Osmanischer Lloyd  USA: Architecture  USA: B. T. Wells  USA: Bulbs  USA: Frederick L. Hall  USA: James Vick Floral Guide  USA: New Statesmen &amp; Nation  USA: Postal Stationery  USA: Sears  USA: Seeds Jas Vick Rochester  USA: Spiegel  USA: Stars &amp; Stripes  USA: Vicks Floral Guide</p>
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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Finances as at 5<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Current account:	\$ 2718.31
ETFPOS credit	\$ 1460.60
Investment	\$14412.66
Total	\$18591.57

As of this date there are 21 members who are unfinancial.

The present level of fees is covering the major expenses associated with the production and mailing of 'The Postal Stationery Collector'. Other occasional expenses are exhibition entrance fees, provision of trophies for National Exhibitions, incidental stationery and postage costs mainly for the secretary, and any expenses required for operation of the website. The investment is held as a reserve for the future production of the proposed State Postal Stationery catalogues.

John Crowsley. Hon. Treasurer



May 2010

**CHRISTMAS ISLAND 1975 25C AEROGRAMME**

Ian McMahon

On 20 March 1975 C J Humphreys, the Christmas Island postmaster, advised the Administrator of Christmas Island that there were approximately three months' supply of 14c aerogrammes on hand and recommended that 10,000 aerogrammes be ordered from Harrison and Sons bearing the new value of 20c. The request was approved by the Administrator on 19 May 1975 and the aerogrammes ordered from Harrison on 19 May 1975:

*the current 14 cent pictorial aerogramme which was supplied by your firm during Aril 1974 is now nearly exhausted and a new supply is required. Would you please arrange for supply to this Administration of 10,000 aerogrammes. The only change necessary is the embossed stamp [from] 14 cents to 20 cents. As our issue date for the new Aerogramme is the [2<sup>nd</sup>] October, 1975 your efforts in assisting early completion and dispatch would be greatly appreciated.*

This letter was acknowledged by him in a letter of 5 June 1975. Christmas Island also confirmed with the Australian Philatelic Bureau in Melbourne that the Bureau would need 3,000 mint and 1,000 CTO aerogrammes and with the Crown Agents of their requirement for 300 mint and 50 FDI.

Harrison provided a quote dated 21 July 1975 for 20c aerogrammes, 317 x 240 mm, punched to shape, tropical gummed flaps, packed in cartons of 1,000 aerogrammes and sealed in a metal lined wooden packing case, on blue airmail S/0 45 g /m<sup>2</sup> paper for £465 FOB London. They also advised that they were proceeding with the printing the 20c aerogrammes as requested.

On 31 July Christmas Island sent an urgent telegram to Harrison requesting that they delay the printing of the aerogrammes for a few days pending advice of a new value. This was followed by another telegram on 7 August stating *AEROGRAMME FORMS PLEASE PRINT VALUE AS 25 REPEAT 25 CENTS LETTER FOLLOWS.*

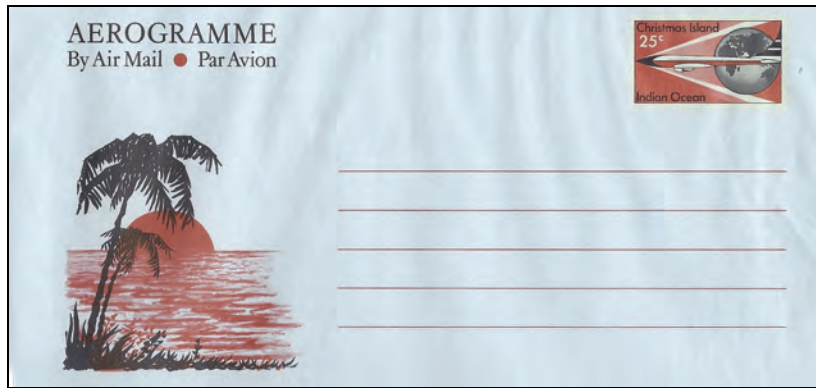
The follow-up letter from the Postmaster dated 7 August explained that the sudden change in the value of the aerogramme was due to *the sudden announcement of Postage increases by the Australian Government. As our postage prices are allied with those in Australia, it is necessary to follow suit and increase Aerogramme prices from 20 cents to 25 cents.*

Harrison replied by telegram on 9 August 1975 stating that *AEROGRAMMES HAVE ALTERED ARTWORK TO READ 25CENTS STOP NOW PROCEEDING PRODUCTION.*

A follow-up telegram from Christmas Island dated 9 September 1975 requested that Harrison dispatch the aerogrammes by airfreight addressed to the Administrator care of Australian High Commission Singapore and requested advice of the date of dispatch and the consignment number. Harrison replied that the aerogrammes would be dispatched in the second week of October and that they regretted the delay due to the alteration of the value. On 4 October 1975 Harrison asked if they needed to send supplies urgently to the Philatelic Bureau in Melbourne. Christmas Island replied on 8 October 1975 requesting that they sent either an interim supply or the full supply of 3,000 aerogrammes to the Philatelic Bureau in Melbourne.

On 21 October 1975 Harrison advised that 7,000 aerogrammes would be shipped to Christmas Island via Singapore on 22 October by air. The Administration advised the Australian High Commission to divert the package to Christmas Island via MV Hoiying leaving Singapore on 24 October. The High Commission advised that the package had left Singapore as requested on 24 Oct 1975 and that the freight charge including reshipping at Singapore was \$266. Harrison's bill came to £325 plus £15 for alterations to the value.

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The Postmaster advised the Australian Philatelic Bureau of the release of the 25c aerogramme on 5 November 1975 “although previous notification was given of our 20 cent Aerogramme being issued as from 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1975 there will now be issued instead a 25 cent aerogramme, *Printing had not commenced in London when the new Postal increases were announced in Australia and we were able to arrange of the new price of 25 cents to be substituted.* On 13 February 1976 Christmas Island sent a telegram to the Crown Agents apologising for not advising them previously of the change in value to 25c.

On 5 October 1977, Christmas Island sent a telegram to Harrison asking for a quotation for printing 5,000 and 10,000 aerogrammes, the same as currently in use. Harrison’s quote dated 18 October 1977 of £430 for 5,000 and £510 for 10,000 was accepted on 27 October 1977. The aerogrammes were sent by air via Singapore and a charter aircraft to Christmas Island on 26 January 1978. Surprisingly the Christmas Island postmaster also sent a letter dated 21 October 1977 to Mr Ng Chin Seng of Singapore authorising him (or his representative) to act on the Christmas Island Post Office’s behalf to seek quotations for the printing of an official stamped aerogramme.

**Reference**

NAA File N16 P1975/47 Part 1

**PSSA FORUM**

**New Issues**

Australia Post issued a PSE on 23 March 2010 for the 50th anniversary of the VIEW Clubs of Australia which offer companionship and help to women, particularly those in rural communities. Sold for 65c, designed by Jo McAlpine and printed by lithography by GEON, Tasmania.



Another PSE was issued on 9 February 2010 for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Royal Victorian Association of Honorary Justices, Victoria's peak membership body representing Justices of the Peace and Bail Justices (collectively called "Honorary Justices"). Sold for 65c, designed by Simone Sakinofsky and printed by lithography by GEON, Tasmania.

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As has been its usual practice, Australia Post issued domestic (65c) and international PPEs (\$2.35) and a pre-paid postcard (\$1.50) in conjunction with the Christmas Island Year of the Tiger adhesive stamp issue on 12 January 2010. Designed by Jo McAlpine. Also illustrated is one of the recent Historic Post Office PPES with a printed corner card – a fast use of this service.



### 2010 Stawell Gift Postcard

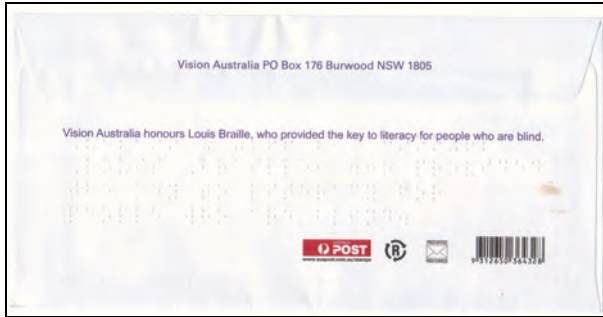
A postcard was issued for the Australia Post Stawell Gift held from 2-5 April 2010 at Stawell. Drawing by Brook Miller, Grade 4 Glenorchy Primary School.



### Vision PSE Printed to Private Order

Martin Walker reports on a special version of the Vision PSE for Vision being identical to the commemorative PPE produced in 2008 except the Name and Address Panel on the back is replaced by Vision Australia's address.

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**UPU Reply Coupon**

The new UPU international reply coupon has, unusually, what could be considered a political statement as part of the design *UN is contre le Changement Climatique*.

**Greetings From .... Postcards**

The chase for *Greeting From* postcards continues. Mark Diserio reports on his visit to Pambula: *I happened into the Pambula PO during my holiday at Merimbula. As you know, Frank Pauer/Bernie Beston had already arranged [contacted the post office]. I did not know this at the time and was initially disappointed to learn that he had sold out of some views. When I inquired as to the purchasers of the cards, Bernie and Frank's names were mentioned and my disappointment turned to joy! The PM at Pambula was kind enough to make me a copy of the NSW order form, which I attach. He knows he ordered the minimum 500 cards from Platypus to Australian Animals on the list and 25 of each, which gives 450 and thinks that he then increased two of the views to 50 of each to give the total of 500. He couldn't remember which cards these were. Given the way he made up his order, I suggest the Platypus and the Waratah were the cards, or possibly the Kangaroo Paw instead of the Platypus. He still had these in stock when I first arrived. Three of the Kangaroo card had been printed with the Greetings inverted. These had been given to family. I offered to buy them for \$10 each, but had no takers before I returned to Melbourne. The form seems to infer that only one order may be accepted, although the PM took my details in case he makes another order. I will enquire as to the situation with the further order of Melbourne cards as I have received no message about them during my absence.*

*Pambula* (overprint in upper right hand corner (vertical designs) or bottom right hand corner (horiz designs))

Wattle	Little Penguins
Koala (sitting in tree)	Bottlenose dolphins of Monkey Mia
Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding)	Kangaroo (lying on ground)
Waratah	Young Red Kangaroo (drinking)
Kookaburra	Common brushtail possum
Female kangaroo with joey (standing)	Mangles Kangaroo Paw
Baby koala	Australian Animals
Sleeping koala	Platypus
Koala	

In addition to the Melbourne and Deakin cards reported in the last issue and the Pambula cards, the following cards have been reported:





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*Jandowae (Qld)*

Superb Lyrebird Kookaburra Australian Animals Sleeping koala Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding)	Female koala with young Wattle Koala Common brushtail possum Kangaroo (lying on ground)
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*Peregian Beach (Qld)*

Wattle Baby Koala Female koala with young Common brushtail possum Bottlenose dolphins of Monkey Mia	Platypus Kangaroo (lying on ground) Australian Animals Koala Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding)
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*Hahndorf (SA)*

Female koala with young The Twelve Apostles Barossa Valley Uluru Genelg Kangaroo Island Adelaide Botanic Gardens Sydney Harbour at Dusk	Sleeping koala Sydney Harbour Bridge (fireworks) Waratah Koala Female kangaroo with joey (standing) Wattle Little Penguins Kangaroo (lying on ground)
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*Moonta (SA)*

Female koala with young Adelaide Botanic Gardens Kangaroo (lying on ground) Corny Point Lighthouse Flinders Ranges	Sleeping koala Wattle Female kangaroo with joey (standing) Australian Animals Koala
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*North Beach (WA)*

Fishermans Wharf Freemantle Cottesloe Beach Bell Tower Saltwater Crocodiles Black Swans Red Kangaroo (mother and joey) Baby koala Common brushtail possum Koala (sitting in tree) Platypus Kangaroo (lying on ground)	Tasmanian Devil Kookaburra Sleeping koala Young Red Kangaroo (drinking) Australian Animals Waratah Koala Mangles Kangaroo Paw Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding) Female koala with young Female kangaroo with joey (standing)
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*Donnybrook (WA)*

Fishermans Wharf Freemantle Female koala with young Rottnest Island Baby koala Bottlenose dolphins of Monkey Mia	Baby koala Koala (sitting in tree) Kangaroo (lying on ground) Kookaburra Sleeping koala Australian Animals
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**Pambula (Second Order)**

Mark Diserio reports:

*Sometime in January or February 2010, the Licensed Post Office at Pambula sent in a second order for "Greetings from Pambula NSW" to be printed on pre-paid scenic post cards. The LPO ordered the minimum number cards, made up of small quantities each of the scenes listed on the NSW order form. This was a total of 31 possible views. In the result, the LPO received 29 different views, including views not obviously associated with Pambula, Two views were not available. These were Tasmanian Devil and Lyrebird. The following 29 views made up the LPO's order:*

	Stock code	Portrait (P) or Landscape (L)	Description of view	Border	Position of Greetings from...
1	9312650 16307 5	L	Sydney Harbour at Dusk	Black	TLC
2	9312650 16395 2	L	National Library of Australia, ACT	White	TLC
3	9312650 16485 0	L	Wattle	White	TLC
4	9312650 16488 1	P	Common brushtail possum	Black	TLC
5	9312650 16487 4	L	Kookaburra	White	TLC
6	9312650 16491 1	L	Sleeping koala	White	TLC
7	9312650 16490 4	P	Koala (sitting in tree)	White	TLC
8	9312650 16489 8	L	Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding)	White	TLC
9	9312650 16493 5	L	Female koala with young	White	TLC
10	9312650 16492 8	L	Baby koala	White	TLC
11	9312650 16505 5	L	Young Red Kangaroo (drinking)	White	TLC
12	9312650 16504 8	P	Female kangaroo with joey (standing)	White	TLC
13	9312650 16538 3	L	Kangaroo (lying on ground)	White	TRC
14	9312650 16753 0	P	Wollongong	White	TRC
15	9312650 16766 0	L	Bottlenose dolphins of Monkey Mia	Black	TRC
16	9312650 17327 2	L	Western Plains Zoo	White	TLC
17	9312650 17756 0	L	Australian Animals	White	TLC
18	9312650 17754 6	L	Little Penguins	White	TRC
19	9312650 18694 4	L	Koala	White	TLC
20	9312650 18696 8	L	Red Kangaroo (mother and joey)	White	TLC
21	9312650 33962 3	L	Mangles Kangaroo Paw	White	TLC
22	9312650 33961 6	L	Waratah	White	TLC
23	9312650 34540 2	L	Platypus	White	TLC
24	9312650 34966 0	L	Lord Howe Island	White	TLC
25	9312650 34969 1	L	The Big Banana, Coffs Harbour	White	TLC
26	9312650 34987 5	L	Sydney Harbour Bridge (fireworks)	White	TLC
27	9312650 35058 1	L	The Big Merino, Goulburn	White	TLC
28	9312650 35060 4	P	The Big Golden Guitar, Tamworth	White	TLC
29	9312650 36076 4	L	The Rocks, Sydney	White	TRC

**22nd Australian Jamboree January 2010.**

At least five postcards were overprinted by Australia Post in Gold lettering Greetings from the *22nd Scouts Jamboree*. It has been reported that there was an initial overprint of 8,000 cards which sold out by the close of the Jamboree Post Office. The overprinted cards include Koala, Uluru, Sydney Harbour Bridge at Dusk, Female kangaroo with joey (standing) and Eastern Grey Kangaroos (4 kangaroos bounding).

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**LISTING OF AUSTRALIAN NON-DENOMINATED POSTAL STATIONERY**

		Ian McMahan	
		16 February 2010 Governor Macquarie Bicentenary	
<b>Postcards</b>		Maximum cards	
October 2009	<i>Greetings From .....</i> Cards	(-)	Governor Macquarie
(\$1.50)	Fishermans Wharf Freemantle	(-)	Visionary
(\$1.50)	Cottesloe Beach	(-)	Emancipator
(\$1.50)	Bell Tower	(-)	Builder
(\$1.50)	Saltwater Crocodiles	(-)	
(\$1.50)	Black Swans	(Set price: \$5.20)	
(\$1.50)	Rottnest Island	23 February 2010 Centenary of Australian	
(\$1.50)	Barossa Valley	Commonwealth Coinage	
(\$1.50)	Uluru	Maximum cards	
(\$1.50)	Genelg	(-)	1910 florin reverse
(\$1.50)	Kangaroo Island	(-)	1910 florin obverse
(\$1.50)	Adelaide Botanic Gardens	(Set price: \$4.80)	
(\$1.50)	Platypus	9 March 2010 Centenary of Powered Flight	
(\$1.50)	Tasmanian Devil	Maximum cards	
(\$1.50)	Female kangaroo with joey (standing)	(-)	Colin Defries
(\$1.50)	Wollongong	(-)	John Duigan
(\$1.50)	Bottlenose dolphins of Monkey Mia	(-)	Harry Houdinir
(\$1.50)	Western Plains Zoo	(Set price: \$6.35)	
(\$1.50)	Superb Lyrebird	23 March 2010 Come to the Show	
(\$1.50)	Corny Point Lighthouse	Maximum cards	
(\$1.50)	Flinders Ranges	(-)	Prize Bull
(\$1.50)	Common brushtail possum	(-)	Cake Decorating
(\$1.50)	National Library of Australia, ACT	(-)	Horse Competition
(\$1.50)	Wattle	(-)	Wood Chopping
(\$1.50)	Lord Howe Island	(-)	Dog Show
(\$1.50)	The Big Merino, Goulburn	(-)	
(\$1.50)	The Rocks, Sydney	(Set price: \$6.50)	
Note: Additional cards have been recorded from Pambula (NSW), Bourke (NSW), The University of Sydney, 22nd Australian Jamboree, Toongabbie (NSW), Wyoming (NSW), Jandowae (Qld), Peregrian Beach (Qld), Hahndorf (SA), Moonta (SA), North Beach (WA) and Donnybrook (WA)		2 April 2010 Stawell Gift 2010	
		(-)	Drawing by Brook Miller, Grade 4 Glenorchy Primary School
12 January 2010 Year of the Tiger		6 April 2010 Queen's Birthday	
(\$1.50)	Illustrative Tiger	(\$1.50)	Queen Elizabeth II
		<b>Envelopes</b>	
21 January 2010 Australia Post 2010 Australian Legends		12 January 2010 Year of the Tiger	
Maximum cards		(\$0.65)	Domestic
(-)	Peter Carey	(\$2.35)	International
(-)	David Malouf	9 February 2010 Centenary of the Royal Victorian Association of Honorary Justices	
(-)	Colleen McCullough	(\$0.65)	Domestic
(-)	Bryce Courtney	30 September 2010 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of View Clubs	
(-)	Thomas Keneally	(\$0.65)	View Clubs
(-)	Tim Winton		
(Set price: \$11.10)		<b>PTPO Envelopes</b>	
		2008? Private Order Envelope for Vision Australia	
		(-)	Vision

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**FROM THE SECRETARY**

**New members**

We welcome the following new members: Dale Ansell (Qld) who collects NZ postal stationery, Gloria Bradley (NSW) who collects Swiss National Day cards, and Tony Scott (NSW) who collects Australian Commonwealth airletters and aerogrammes.

**Meeting of the Postal Stationery Society of Australia in 2010**

The Society met at Canberra Stampshow 2010, which was held at the Hellenic Club, Woden ACT from 12-14 March. The meeting was at 12 noon on Sunday 14 March, and a report appears elsewhere in this issue of the journal.

It has not yet been decided if the Society will meet during Adelaide Stampex 2010 (part-National) from 20-22 August, and at Mandurah 2010 (National One Frame and Australasian Challenge) WA from 19-21 November. If meetings are planned later, email notices will be sent out to Australian and New Zealand members with dates and times.

**Thank you to Canberra show organisers**

We wish to thank the organisers of this very enjoyable show for the use of the comfortable and convenient meeting room, and for providing the frames in which Barry Scott and Ray Todd mounted their sheets.

**Sale of back issues of *Postal Stationery Collector***

A price list for back issues of the journal appears elsewhere in this issue. It also appears on the Society website [www.postalstationeryaustralia.com](http://www.postalstationeryaustralia.com). We still hold spare copies of most previous issues, and enquiries to the Secretary about availability and price are welcome.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT AUGUST 2009 – MARCH 2010**

**Meeting**

The Society last met at Melbourne Stampshow 2009 on 24 July 2009.

**Membership**

This currently stands at 60 in Australia and 30 overseas.

**Postal Stationery Collector**

The journal continues to appear regularly, thanks to the efforts of Editor Ian McMahon and his contributors. It remains our main means of communication, and is most valuable for the continued life of the Society. Please continue to support the journal by sending contributions to Ian on any aspect of postal stationery, Australian or foreign, old, modern or contemporary.

**PSSA prize**

At Melbourne Stampshow 2009 the prize was awarded to Emil Minaar of South Africa for an outstanding exhibit of Basutoland. Emil received a Gold Medal and a Special Prize.

**PSSA webpage**

Jeff and Yvette Trinidad continue with the work of maintaining the webpage. Covers and contents pages from current issues of the journal continue to feature there.

**Australian Colonies / States Postal Stationery Catalogue Project**

Work continues on the catalogues for New South Wales, Queensland, and Tasmania. A catalogue on South Australia is planned.

**Australian Commonwealth Postal Stationery Catalogue**

Some good news here – we are advised that Brusden-White Publishing of Sydney is working on a catalogue of Australian Commonwealth Postal Stationery up to the introduction of decimal currency in 1966 as part of their Australian Commonwealth Specialists' catalogue range. Publication is expected about the end of this year (2010).

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### **Australasian Stamp Catalogue**

Many collectors of Commonwealth of Australia postal stationery are accustomed to 'making do' with the postal stationery section in the Australasian Stamp Catalogue (ASC). This is by no means an adequate reference, for it offers only basic descriptive information and has only black and white illustrations. The 30<sup>th</sup> edition, September 2005 is the latest published, and it is now out of print and no longer available from the publisher.

Judy Kennett  
Secretary  
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### **MEETING AT CANBERRA STAMPSHOW 2010 14 March 2010 12 noon – 1.30 pm**



**Present:** Ian McMahon in the chair, 18 members and four visitors.

**Apologies:** Jan Gane, John Crowsley, Joan Orr

**Reports:** The Secretary's report was read out (it appears elsewhere in this issue of the journal). The Treasurer's report was read out (it appears elsewhere in this issue).

**PSSA website:** Jeff Trinidad stated that the website was available on a laptop in the room for members to view.

**Postal Stationery Collector:** Ian McMahon asked for more articles for the journal, particularly sent electronically. He also mentioned introducing some colour to the journal – he will obtain some quotes for this. He suggested that the journal could be printed on thinner paper to reduce costs.

### **Australian Colonies / States Postal Stationery Catalogues Project:**

Ray Todd introduced an open letter to members of the Society, to be published in the journal and to open up discussion on the project. Since the publication of the Western Australian catalogue in 2002, nothing further had appeared. He is often asked what is happening, and feels it is time to talk with people and find out what the problems are. If it was a matter of finance, he could offer some help. It was suggested that future catalogues should not follow the Australia Post version used in the WA catalogue. What was needed was a basic listing for each State. Discussion followed under the name of each State:

**New South Wales.** Linda Lee mentioned Bernie Doherty's work with illustrations. The role of John Bell in researching and preparing information was mentioned.

**Tasmania.** Malcolm Groom has images and text and needs to put the two together. No idea when he will be able to do this – too many other commitments.

**South Australia.** It is known that Martin Walker has both the images and the information. He was not present at the meeting.

**Queensland.** It is known that Bernie Beston has both the images and a listing. Ray suggested that someone sit down with

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him to see where the project stood.

**Victoria.** John Sinfield suggested a summary of Col Stieg's book. For our purposes, it would need to be condensed and simplified.

**Summing up:** Ray suggested that a subcommittee be formed to talk with the different authors, and find out what help was needed. It would not be possible for future catalogues to follow the format of Western Australia, because the resources of Australia Post are no longer available to us.

**Other business:** Alan Berry raised the problem of his exhibiting his New Zealand Government free franks. He has been told that they can't be exhibited as postal stationery, but some judges do accept them. He thinks that they do belong in that class. It had been suggested that the word 'free' should be regarded as a price, which could make them more acceptable.

Ray Todd was asked to comment. He emphasized that any approach to the FIP Postal Stationery Commission must follow due process. Alan himself must write to the New Zealand Federation, and ask them to put the matter to Steve Schumann (Chairman) for submission to the Postal Stationery Commission. The question can then be raised at a meeting of the Bureau, and can go forward to a General Committee meeting.

**Displays:** Material in the frames, as follows:

Barry Scott – a single frame exhibit of Australian Military envelopes and lettercards 1916-19.

Ray Todd – three and a half frames of the postal stationery envelopes of Bolivia.

In addition, Philip Levine brought some stationery items from the Cape of Good Hope, and Judy Kennett brought some contemporary postal stationery of Hungary, issued in 2009.

**Close.** The meeting finished at 1.30 pm. It was a very busy and well attended meeting.

Judy Kennett  
Secretary  
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## LITERATURE

Judy Kennett and Ian McMahon

### *From our contemporaries*

#### ***Postal Stationery Society Journal [UK] Vol 18 No 1 February 2010***

- Strange use of British Field Service postcards
- Perfins through postal stationery items: an update
- GB first registration envelopes – essay for Size K
- Postal stationery for a purpose (stationery for use in defined areas)
- GB postal stationery news
- An early reply paid questionnaire
- A most unusual double penny pink letter
- GVI 6d airletters used for newsletters of Women's Voluntary Services in World War 2
- Gumming on Ocean Penny Post back flaps circa 1850

#### ***L'Entier Postal No 83 Janvier 2010***

- Indochina 1939-1945: internal and colonial carriage of mail with postal stationery
- The last issue of Pere Noel envelopes, 2009
- Ready-to-post envelopes from the firm WAGNER – a pretty quintet
- Impressions of the autumn 'salon' of philatelists in Paris

#### ***L'Intero Postale No 108 Inverno [Winter] 2010***

- Editorial: Exhibitions past and future
- Still on the FAO postal card – not issued or a variety?
- The new [international] reply coupon 'Nairobi'
- Private printings of the new definitive card of 60 euro cents

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- Recent publication – Four Centuries of Postal Service in San Marino
- An international postage paid aerogramme sent from Uruguay

### ***The Asia Pacific Exhibitor Vol 23 No 1 Feb 2010***

- Mounting postal cards by Lars Engelbrecht (from the FIP Postal Stationery Commission newsletter, January 2010)

### ***Postal Stationery March-April 2010***

- USA Envelope Die 88b (Cap On "2") - Another Look
- USA S83 Locally Revalued at Dana Point
- Two Australian STPO Envelopes Discoveries
- U.S.A. 19th Century Column
- U.S.A. 20th/21st Century Column New Issues
- Exhibitions & Awards Column Postal Stationery Essays Presented to the 6th UPU Congress in Rome, or The Birth of the IRC
- USA Card SA3
- UPSS Income & Expense 2007 & 2008
- Exhibitions Information,
- U.S.A. Card S57f
- Random Observations, Dade Luckett
- Jhind Used Cards,
- Bundi "Official" Card,
- USA. Envelope Paper Colors
- U.S.A. Envelope "Plate Cracks"
- Binding Problems
- Date U.S.A. Cards Allowed Writing on Front The Drunken Postmaster
- Homemade Post Card Album
- USA Seabiscuit Envelope Errors
- Pressure Sensitive Envelope Gum
- USA "Cancelled" Card, Steve Blair
- USA 25~ Christmas Envelope Cachet?
- Koi Card Numbering
- St. Pierre-Miquelon Envelope Error
- Uganda Triple Overprint Card
- U.S.A. Card UXC-I/SAI
- UPSS 1965 General Meeting, Gordon Morrison
- Switzerland's Domestic Postal Money Order Forms
- Update to Catalog of 20th Century Envelopes.
- Selected British Forces Aerograms

### ***Postal Stationery Notes February 2010***

- Legault 'First Day Covers' for Postcards
- New postcards
- Canadian Postal Stationery with Francophone Advertising
- 2009 Santa Letters

### ***New Zealand Stamp Collector December 2009***

- Double Inverted and Albino Impressions at Top-Left: A Quite Extraordinary Queen Victoria Embossed/T H Envelope

### ***Sydney Views February 2010***

- NSW 3d Registered Envelopes – the date of issue of H7G C10
- NSW – The Penny and Penny Halfpenny View Postcards

### ***Ganzsachensammler February 2010***

- Private stationery of Wäschefabri J Kihm-Keller's Söhne Frauenfeld.
- Postal Stationery perfins
- Postal Stationery or Formular?

### ***Reviews***

Robin, Peter 'An Illustrated Guide to Imperial Reply Coupons & Commonwealth Reply Coupons', Bala Cynwyd, PA 2009. For price and availability, please contact Peter Robin.

To the best of the compiler's knowledge, this is the first *general* catalogue of reply coupons with pricing. It deals with one of the colonial and linguistically linked systems of limited use reply coupons established over the years, for example, France and the French colonies and territories. Chief among these, both from the length of existence and the ready availability of samples are the Imperial and Commonwealth Reply Coupons issued for use in the countries of the former British Empire.

The compiler notes that, unlike International Reply Coupons, there is no text on the reverse of these coupons, but that



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varieties in watermarks and textual changes on the front of the coupons provide a fairly substantial number of possibilities for the collector. He illustrates 21 types of Imperial Reply coupons and Commonwealth Reply coupons, with notes on the printers and the watermarks (where used) and key text (values in named countries of the Commonwealth).

He asks that additions or corrections be sent to him at Box 353, Bala Cynwyd PA 19004 USA, or to [peterrobin@verizon.net](mailto:peterrobin@verizon.net). It is his hope that this initiative will eventually lead to the publication of a worldwide catalogue of reply coupons in the English language.

### NEW ISSUES

#### China, Israel and Hong Kong

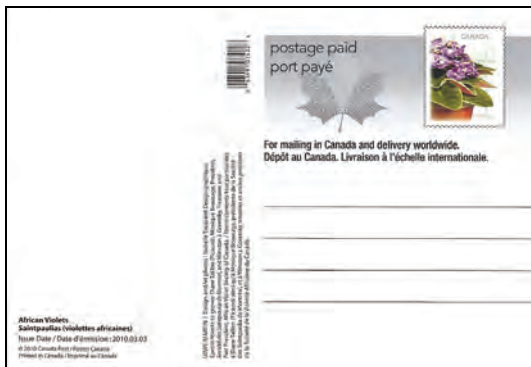
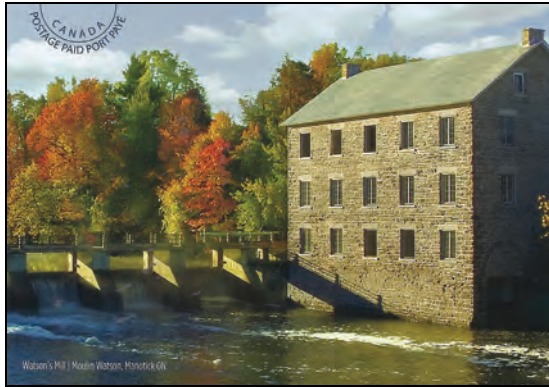
Illustrated below are two of a set of four postcards from Hong Kong for the 2009 East Asian Games, an Israeli envelope and a Chinese special order air mail envelope for the IELTS from Duff Malkin who writes that *IELTS is the International English Language Testing System. According to their website "IELTS was one of the pioneers of four skills English language testing over 17 (now 20) years ago, and continues to set the standard for English Language testing today." It is "jointly managed by the British Council, IDP; IELTS Australia and the University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (Cambridge ESOL) through more than 500 locations in 120 countries". They have eight test centres in China South, five test centers in China South West, 9 test centers in China East and 15 test centers in China North and Central. This one is from the British Council Beijing Office in Beijing. The "IELTS" word term was filed for trademark registration in Britain on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and registered on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The proprietors are "The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Cambridge". It was also registered as "mark text" on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2001 after having been filed form on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2000.*



#### Canada

Canada has issued a number of sets of prepaid postcards including Historic Mills, Vancouver Olympic Games and African Violets.

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USA: The USA issued a \$4.90 priority mail envelope on 4 January 2010 depicting the Mackinac Bridge. Also shown is the \$4.95 Redwood Forrest envelope issued on 16 January 2009.





