



Bulletin

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PRESIDENT SID'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Over the next number of weeks, putting the final pieces together for our eagerly anticipated WTSC 90th Anniversary will be top of mind. The organizing committee will be finalizing the official program, preparing the special event envelopes, organizing the exhibits, and welcoming and communicating with our special guests and of course will communicate with you about ticket sales.



Why is celebrating our 90th Anniversary Gala Dinner/Event at a dedicated time at a special event location so important? Coming together enables us:

- to reflect on the significant moments in our club's history
- to look forward to the future of our club with confidence and in eager positive anticipation
- to reaffirm and strengthen our dedication and commitment as members of WTSC
- to create new memories, thinking back with pride on a most pleasant evening of comradery with WTSC philatelic friends and their significant others
- to build the hobby locally and online, reigniting that spark as we actively participate
- to recognize participation and exhibiting excellence
- to confirm that this is a great hobby, worth our time and input
- to promote our club and its culture, and doing so, building and even stronger sense of community.



**WEST TORONTO STAMP CLUB
90TH ANNIVERSARY
EVENT AND DINNER TICKET**

DATE & LOCATION
FRIDAY MARCH 28, 2025


DOORS OPEN AT 5:30, DINNER AT 7:00



3045 Southcreek Road Mississauga, Ontario L4X 2X7
T: 905.238.9666 F: 905.238.1622
www.renaissancebythecreek.com




Your 90th Anniversary Committee and WTSC Board look forward to your attendance at our **90th Anniversary Friday March 28th 2025** as we celebrating this momentous occasion with local and online members, frequent guests, and friends of WTSC.

GUEST SPEAKER



Dr. David K. Foot
Topic: Eclipse Philately

VIEW - WTSC 90TH ANNIVERSARY
MEMBERS EXHIBITING EXCELLENCE

90th Anniversary dinner tickets (\$50. per person) are now available and can be purchased directly at our in-person meetings or online by contacting Ted at ted.swain@sympatico.ca

Payment can be made in cash or by E-Transfer.

E-TRANSFER link for direct auto deposit:
president@westtorontostampclub.org

FEBRUARY - PHILATELIC OPPORTUNITIES



Feb. 4 - LEARNING WORKSHOP, 7 p.m. via Zoom, "Questions I wish I had asked."

Feb. 11 - Auction & Circuit Book evening - In-person - Fairfield Centre.

Feb. 18- DISCUSSION GROUP, 7 p.m. via Zoom, " Unusual and Interesting Covers and/or Rates from Anywhere to Anywhere - Part 2"

Feb. 25 - Auction & member/vest pocket dealer tables - In-person - Fairfield Centre.

WEST TORONTO STAMP CLUB DISCUSSION GROUP

The February 18, 2025 Discussion Group will be Part 2 of the January meeting that featured "Unusual and Interesting Covers and/or Rates from Anywhere to Anywhere".

The topic was really popular in January, and we didn't have time for everyone to present material.

This will also be opportunity to present more examples (from personal collections) of "Unusual and Interesting Covers and/or Rates from Anywhere to Anywhere".

Participants are asked to create PowerPoint presentations rather than hold items before the camera. This to make the viewing more pleasurable for the audience. For presenters who are 'PowerPoint challenged,' images can be sent to Garfield or Sid for inclusion in a group presentation.

CIRCUIT BOOK UPDATE

Effective January 1, 2025, Circuit Book responsibilities have been transferred from Simon & Victoria to Janice White and Ted Swain. Their years of work in organizing the books and processes have made WTSC the envy of the other clubs. We will carry on as best we can, but not without them, as they are most willing to assist with our many away events.

So, THANK YOU SIMON & VICTORIA!

We are already committed to a circuit book event at the North York Philatelic club event on Saturday, February 15th. Fortunately, we had our first event at the WTSC on January 14th to get our feet wet. We are also pleased to have Jim Dixon join the team.

When submitting pages for inclusion, please ensure all entries are labelled, priced and that your membership number is shown. This will make our job easier.

Thanks, and we look forward to this coming season.

Ted & Janice.

ONLINE PHILATELIC LEARNING & ENJOYMENT.



This month for the collector who wants to know more about the postal history of Canada, be sure to delve into the depths of information available to you at

<https://www.postalhistorycanada.net/php/index.php>



MARCH LEARNING WORKSHOP

Starting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2025 via Zoom, the topic for our sixth virtual Learning Workshop of the 2024-2025 season is: "To Be Announced."

While this topic raises more questions – well, that's the general idea.

By that I mean we will continue the theme of the February workshop: "Questions I wish I had asked?"

This is predicated on the outcome of that evening — unasked questions about our hobby; questions we didn't have time to pursue; answers that could be expanded on, etc.

As mentioned before, ideas and queries can be shared during Learning Workshop sessions with other members plus visitors, hopefully yielding helpful suggestions. Tune in and enjoy!

- Ian Robertson

OTHER PHILATELIC OPPORTUNITIES



Feb 1 - Bramalea Stamp Club Annual Show and Bourse

Judith Nyman Secondary School (cafeteria), 1305 Williams Parkway, Brampton, ON, L6S 3J8

10 dealers, auctions, club books, stamps for youngsters. Free admission, free parking.



Feb. 20th, 8 p.m., Paul Sarjeant, "Plating the engraved stamps of Great Britain".

<https://www.northtorontostampclub.ca/events-calendar/2025-program/2025-02-20-zoom-plating-gbs-stamps>



ROYAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANADA: STAMP TALK AND STAMP PANEL SESSIONS.

Registration in advance required. <https://www.rpsc.org/>

Feb. 10th, 8 p.m., Stamp Panels: Phil Visser and Randy Rogers, Owen Sound Stamp Club, "Online Club Circuit Books".

Feb. 17th, 8 p.m., Stamp Talks: Al Hills, "The 2010 Vancouver Olympics".

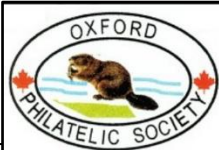


Sale Date: Saturday February 15, 2025: 10AM

Location: 210 Napier St. Hamilton, ON L8R 1S8

<https://longleyauctions.com/>

LOOKING AHEAD



R.P.S.C. Chapter #65
A.T.A. Chapter #58

INVITATION TO EXHIBIT

OXPEX/OTEX 2025

Help us Celebrate 76 Years of Philatelic Excellence with an Exhibit

Time to prepare: 16-page frames will be available for your exhibit.
6 or 12 page exhibits for Junior or Novice Competitors mounted in 16-page frames

We have experienced compassionate judges, helpful feedback and appreciative, complimenting viewers.

Show Date: Saturday, March 15, 2025

Entry form submission Deadline: **February 7, 2025**

Go to <http://www.rpsc.org/chapters/oxford> to download (resources tab) additional Entry Forms + Rules and Regulations
For additional information contact Exhibit Coordinator at dhfe@silomail.co

EASTERN G.T.A. STAMP CLUBS SALES
Saturday, March 1st, 2025

9:00 am. to 3:00 pm.
FREE ADMISSION

Salvation Army Citadel
59 Ballantine Street, Cobourg

6 Clubs (Ajax-Pickering, Cobourg, Fenelon, Kawartha, Oshawa and Trenton) will be there with a wide selection of Stamps and lots of bargains
Free Parking and Food Court

Directions from 401 exit #474 – south on Division Street for approx. 1.3 km (just past the Chrysler dealership) turn right onto Ballantine Street.

For Info.
call
705-934-4227
Email
yvan_racine@yahoo.ca OR
chevy4life@hotmail.com



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AUCTIONS

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ORAPEX 2025

Ottawa's National Stamp Exhibition

62nd Annual Exhibition and Bourse

Theme: The Beaver

APS World Series of Philately Show

Exhibit applications for all subjects welcome.

Saturday, May 3rd, 2025 - 10 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 4th, 2025 - 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Free admission and parking

Free stamps for youth

Nepean Sportsplex

1701 Woodroffe Avenue

Ottawa, Ontario K2G 1W2

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WTSC MARKETPLACE: FREE/FOR SALE/WANTED

WANTED

1. Wanted - Mail addressed to Camlachie, Ontario and any mail postmarked Camlachie, Ontario from 1864 to 1975. Also happy to learn about any other postal history you may have related to Camlachie. Please contact John at jd33smith@yahoo.com.
2. Wanted -Canada #2981 (\$2.50) and #2982 (P) Vimy Ridge stamps.
Canada #3129 \$4 Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep
Contact Ernest at etypeprinter@gmail.com
2. If you are burdened with an excess of used Canada Admirals, I may be able to help. I am always looking for Admirals in quantity to further my research on plate flaws. Contact wgburden@mac.com for details. Thanks.
3. Wanted - Old Scott stamp albums, especially British Colonies
contact Lionel Collier 647-236-7734 lionelmc@interlog.com
4. Scott 2023 Catalogue, Vols 1A and 6A.
If anyone is interested in selling these to me, please feel free to give them my email, robert_pinet@yahoo.ca and/or phone number, 416-878-8529.
5. Looking for used copies of the Baby Wildlife Series, 2011-2014.
Cat #,s 2427-29, 2507-09, 2603, 2606-10 2692, 2710a, 2712-14
Ben Heintzberger,
casinostamp@yahoo.ca 705-726-5464
6. Wanted to buy: Canadian "**Hockey**" stamps (from 1956 to 2024) used in-period and preferably on cover (or entire). Contact G. Morel with availability and asking \$.
Email to gillesmorel53@gmail.com
7. Cape of Good Hope: Would like to purchase numbers: 165,166,167,170,176,180
David Macmorine,
d.m.macmorine@gmail.com 647-222-3168

FOR SALE

8. For Sale - *The Air Mails of Canada and Newfoundland 2nd Edition (2022)* \$30. Contact Rob at timberg@bell.net.
The book was never used. However, it has a few dents and nicks on its front cover. It was received in that condition from the CAS.
9. For Sale - Large Queen reference material/books.
Listing available buy one buy them all.
contact 55younger.64@gmail.com
I would obviously deliver them to a meeting to prevent shipping costs.
10. Indian Feudatory States: Buy, Trade or Sell
David Macmorine,
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