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OPEN LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY

A Happy and Philatelically successful New Year to all members. All too soon the Convention will be upon us and then we will need support for our participation in Australasia 2012 (aka Autumn Stampex). As promised, here are further details of that event.

Autumn Stampex 2012 will have an Australasian theme. Both invited and competitive exhibits totaling around 200 frames will be provided by members of The British Society of Australian Philately, the New Zealand Society of Great Britain and The Pacific Islands Study Circle. In support of this theme a special book will be produced illustrating 'Gems of Australasian Philately'. The book will not be conventional and just cover classic items. It will include items from the collections of members of all three societies with explanations as to why they may be considered Gems.

The book will be launched at an event on the Wednesday evening, and there will be a New Zealand speaker at the Royal meeting the following day. On the Friday there will be a talk & display on Captain Cook, followed in the evening by a (ticket-only) dinner, limited to about 45 by space limitations in the venue. All requests for tickets to the Hon. Secretary please.

The event has a website that may be used to follow progress as details and timings are hardened up. www.australasia2012.org

Members may be wondering why we have not had a Postal Auction. Unfortunately our Auction Manager (Les Wallis) suffered a back injury last year that laid him low (literally) for a number of weeks in a German hospital. Fortunately he is on the mend and we wish him a full recovery. However he has been unable to do anything about the auction. Nevertheless, we shall have the usual Auction at Convention, and I hope that all members will support it keenly. Les has decided to hand over Auction duties to David Speer, and we thank Les for his efforts over the past few years and welcome David to the job.

I feel that we now have enough material to contribute our selection for the 'Philatelic Gems' book, but if you have recently acquired something that you feel **MUST** be included, please get in touch with me urgently. For those who have provided or offered material, I shall need your text and illustration by the end of February, if not already provided, so that I can set about compiling our contribution.

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AUSTRALIAN PHILATELY IN PRINT #1, 2012.

A list of articles found in Journals & Bulletins held (or seen) by the Librarian (Periodicals).

AUSTRALIAN PHILATELIC FEDERATION NEWS – Vol.25, No.3, November 2011.

President's view, by Darryl Fuller.
2011 APF Awards Dinner.
New APF Executive Members.
APS Stampshow 2011 – Columbus, Ohio – Darryl Fuller.
Philanippon 2011 – Ian McMahon
Geepex 80 – results.
National Stamp Exhibition, Capetown, RSA 2011 – Ross Wood.
Youth Philately around Australia, by Linda Lee.
Canberra Stamp Show 2012.
2012 PSWA Centennial Exhibition.
Australian Philatelic Federation archival products.
APF Ltd – an introduction to exhibiting Pt.2
Exhibition Timetable.

AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF PHILATELY, No.118, December 2011.

Editorial.
From the President.
Mail from Eastern Europe pre-WW2, Pt.3 – Letters to Eugen Szabadi/Eugene Stanley, by Judy Kennett.
Creating and Maintaining an Index for AJP, by Michael Barden.
“Unique” Lord Howe Island Postmark, from Maurice Mishkel.
Can you help?- registered cover posted 9/MR/41 Sydney to Bern, Switzerland, not delivered until 1946, from the Ed.
A postmark puzzle - ALICE SPRINGS / 21 AU 57 /NORTH AUST. – why?, from Ian Cutter.
Malta Gratitude Label & Relief Fund Stamp, by George Speirs.
New Zealand Musings: NZ at War 1939-45, by Tony Lyon.
Item of Interest: Colin Salt – Australia Post – Sydney West Letters Facility label.
A 1909 letter to Bombardier H Wells at Nowshera, N.W.F. Province, from Maurice Mishkel.
AR Markings, from Nina Dowden.
Hand-Held Date Stamps, co-ordinated by George Vearing.
Back Cover – 1941 airmail cover franked £9 6s 11d, by John Young.

CAPITAL PHILATELY Vol.29, No., September 2011.

Editorial – Canberra Stampshow 2012.
Vale: Sheila Smith 1935-2011 (wife of Dingle Smith).
Machinations.
Postcards – Dirigible! – A History of the Airship and Airship Postcards Pt.1 – by Graeme Broxam
Newsletter No.145, November 2011.
Insert: Bulletin No.2 Canberra Stampshow 2012.

CINDERELLA PHILATELIST Vol.51, No.4, October 2011.

Rodney G Jowett awarded the Glasewald Medal at Güstrow, Germany.
Australia: Denyer's (Melbourne) Medical Advertising - Alan Jackson.

CINDERELLAS AUSTRALASIA, Vol.25, No.3, December 2011.

Secretary's page.
From the Editor's Desktop.
New Australia Post labels submitted by Richard Peck.
Hatching varieties on the NZR Road Services Type 4 Parcel Labels, by Adam Miller.

The carriage of parcels in New Zealand other than by the Post Office, by Adam Miller.
Australian Railway Union stamps, by Peter Simpfendorfer.
Meters Update by Richard Peck.
Murray Darling Basin Authority sticker (one of 36), submitted by Peter Simpfendorfer.

GIBBONS STAMP MONTHLY, December 2011.

Obituary – Peter Holcombe.
Postal Stationery Matters by Peter van Gelder (Victoria Postal Card puzzle unravelled).
King George V and Connections with Australian Philately, by Richard Breckon.
So why write up your collection?, by Colin Mount FRPSL FBSAP
Sheet watermarks found on the stamps of Fiji, by David Gillis (includes NEW SOUTH WALES / GOVERNMENT watermarked paper).

GIBBONS STAMP MONTHLY, January 2012.

South along the Ring of Fire – Macquarie Island, by Steve Pendleton.
A Beginner's Guide to Scanning Stamps.

PHILATELY FROM AUSTRALIA, Vol.LXIII, No.4, December 2011.

Editorial.
Back Then: The Women's Post Office 1907.
100 years and 50 years ago.
"Royal" dinner for Ray Todd, OAM, RDP, FAP, FRPSV, FRPSL.
Stamp printing and the 1908-10 Royal Commission into Postal Services: the evidence of Frank Bryant Pt.3, by Richard Breckon.
Stamps punctured for official use around 1902-05, by Bill Lloyd-Smith.
Uncatalogued flaws of the 1937-60 Kookaburra: watermarked and unwatermarked stamps, by Richard Guy OAM.
Victoria 1885 values derived from the Naish engraved dies: Notes by JRW Purves RDP. FRPSL, by Ken Scudder.
Royal news – AGM 2011.

THE QUEENSLAND STAMP COLLECTOR, Vol.28, No.4, Issue 112, November 2011 – January 2012.

Editorial, QPC News, APF News, Club Scene, Dairy Dates and On the Calendar.
Talk Queensland (The railway line between Gayndah and Many Peaks), by Col McNee.
The Thomas Trophy 2011.
President's Christmas message.
Exchange Branch By Laws (Example).
Queensland Stampshow 2011.
50 years ago, by Jeff Gunston.
Registered Post, by Joan Orr.

SOUTH PACIFIC PERFIN BULLETIN, No.95, October 2011.

Editor's Comment – forgeries.
Vale – Peter Wood.
Mark Saxby Perfin Exhibit at Newcastle – Vermeil.
NZ Perfin on Indian stamp – Richard Smolnicki.
Mint VG Perfin update – Owen White.
Security Overprints a fertile ground for finds – David Anderson.
When is a Service Puncture not a Service Puncture – IHC.3 – David Coath.
Hidden in plain view: a new customized IHC pattern – David Coath.
Internet Corner.
Unbelievable fakes – David Anderson.
More exhibition perfins.
Auction Watch.

STAMP NEWS, Vol.58, No.12, December 2011.

Editorial; Editor's Mailbag; Philatelic News; New Issues; Clubs & Societies; Dealers Directory; Calendar.

A closer look at Modern Australian Stamps, by Chris de Haer.

Woodchip free zone (Australia's 1970s Paintings series): by Rod Perry.

Market Matters: (An error is born) by Glen Stephens.

The Modern Scene, by Sel Pfeffer.

Revenue Review, by Dave Elsmore.

Cinderella Corner, by Tony Presgrave.

Looking at NZ – Canterbury Centennial 1950, by Graeme Morriss.

Introducing the Australian Philatelic Federation Pt.19, by John Sadler APF

STAMP NEWS, Vol.59, No.1, January 2012.

Editorial; Editor's Mailbag; Philatelic News; New Issues; Clubs & Societies; Dealers Directory; Calendar.

Review: "Mail Robberies by Bushrangers in Australia. 1833-1908" by Brian R Peace FRPSL

A closer look at Modern Australian Stamps, by Chris de Haer.

Woodchip free zone: (Covers that tell a story) by Rod Perry.

Market Matters: (Check those Specimen Kangaroos, etc) by Glen Stephens.

The Modern Scene, by Sel Pfeffer.

Revenue Review, by Dave Elsmore.

Australia: Jumping in at the deep end Pt.4, by Mike Lee.

Cinderella Corner, by Tony Presgrave.

Introducing the Australian Philatelic Federation Pt.20, by John Sadler APF

TPO & SEAPOST JOURNAL, Vol.65, No.4, Winter 2011.

Q&A: Researching sailing dates for mail from Tonga via Australia – Greg Jorgensen

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REPORT OF THE LONDON MEETING ON 11TH DECEMBER 2011

Twelve members gathered for our Christmas Meeting at the Royal to display "Interesting Aussie Covers". The following members showed material:

Alan Griffiths: Penny Wise – A one-frame exhibit showing all the 1d issues of Queensland correctly postally used.

Tony Finlayson: The story of two WWI postcards, one to a former captain of the Lusitania and one from a Sergeant who went AWOL.

John Crowe: Material relating to Francis Chichester, pioneer aviator.

Dave Speer: A collection of covers relating to the 'Taxpack' system for Income Tax in Australia. He posed the question "Does the \$20 just relate to Postage or is it partly paying for a service"?

John Booker: A selection of Railway postcards, including one of Beyer-Garratt K1, formerly used in Tasmania.

Margaret Noack: A selection of items: Adelaide trams from horse to electric; South Australian Philatelic Exhibitions; The Queensland Charity miniature sheet.

Colin Mount: The story of an 1860 Ship Mail cover; unavoidably some 1d reds!

Alan Cross: A miscellaneous collection of recent acquisitions including: Salvaged mail; Trans-Tasman flight covers; 1960 Christmas variety; watermarked paper; a small collection of Aerogrammes.

Brian Sullman: Two Olympic items relating to the 1908 Wallabies Rugby team who won the Gold medal.

Patrick Reid: An eclectic selection of covers bearing a wide range of Instructional markings (Not just from Tasmania), originally acquired at the Convention in Salisbury many years ago.

All who had brought material were thanked for the great variety of covers that had been shown.

Colin Mount reminded us that Tony Finlayson would celebrate his 80th birthday the following day, and the meeting offered him congratulations.

As ever we repaired to the King's Head to round off our day with a fish & chip supper and some pleasant socialising.

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REPORT OF THE SOUTH WEST MEETING - Saturday 12th November 2011.

The first meeting of the South West branch was a little disappointing with only nine members and no guests turning up to what was a fascinating "Trip around Tasmania". Our speaker Dr. Pat Reid displayed his remarkable collection of some 500 rare Tasmanian postcards which depicted in great detail the history of this wonderful Australian Island.

Pat described how the island had changed over the years having visited some years ago. The trip started at Devonport and took us through places such as Launceston, St Mary's then down the coast to Swansea visiting briefly Buckland and all towns to Port Arthur and then on to Hobart.

The trip continued on to Mount Wellington, Sandy Bay and Tarooma, then travelling south to the Huon Valley and onto the Mole Creek caves.

We then visited places such as Queenstown, Strahan, Zeehan, Rosebery, Smithton, Stanley, Burnie and Ulverstone before returning to Devonport.

An unusual display which certainly caught the imagination of those present. Colin Mount gave the vote of thanks and said that the diversity of Pat's Tasmanian collection is never ending and his displays are always very informative and most entertaining.

The next South West meeting will be on Saturday February 11th 2012 when Paul Skinner, Assistant Curator of the British Library Philatelic Collection will be presenting "Issues of Philatelic Conservation" one not to be missed.

C.V.M

CHANGE OF DATE.

The April meeting of the South West Branch at Ringwood will be on Saturday 14th April 2012 at 2.30pm and not on the 7th April 2012 as stated in the programme. Our President John Crowe will entertain us on this occasion.

Any further details required contact Colin Mount, email: cv.mount@gmail.com tel: 01425 474310.

AUCTIONS.

My apologies for not getting a postal auction catalogue out with the December 2011 Bulletin as hoped. However, the catalogue for the 2012 Convention Auction is enclosed with this Bulletin and

includes the lots passed to me by Les Wallis and all other material that I have to hand. I intend to hold a postal auction in the Autumn so please send me your surplus items as soon as possible, or bring them to Convention. Please contact me by phone or email before sending any lots.

Dave Speer

Membership Secretary/Treasurer's list of changes to membership database from 11 November 2011 to 14 January 2012

Changes of address:

1544 Eastick M P O Box 62, Forest Hill, Victoria 3031, Australia

Resignations:

346 Rogers AH

1598 Hammond J

Deceased:

654 Green GE (summer 2011)

New members:

1804 Szczepanski M Wick, Caithness KW1

1805 Wallis MJ Sidmouth, Devon EX10 8SX

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.

LONDON.

February 8th Our President Entertains. John Crowe FBSAP.

February 25th Special Anzac Meeting at Stampex. Joint meeting with the New Zealand Society of GB. 2.00. to 4.00pm

March 14th Forgeries with an Australian Flavour. Chris Harman RDP. FRPSL.

April 11th Australasian Disaster Mail. Brian Peace FRPSL., FBSAP.

SOUTH WEST SECTION.

April 14th* Our President Entertains. John Crowe FBSAP.

*** Note change of date.**