



# The Golden City Philatelist

BENDIGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY INC. A0016241J

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Now in our 90<sup>th</sup> year

May 2021



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## Diary of Future Events

- Tuesday May 4 Mothers Day.
- Tuesday June 1 One other hobby or collection.
- Tuesday July 6 Naidoc Day.

## President's Message May 2021

Another month and I am pleased to report we had 28 members attend our April Meeting.

Lots of things have been happening at the BPS !!!

Please note from your Syllabus that we are having a one page competition at our September meeting on any subject you like.

So it is time to put on the thinking cap and decide a subject for your anticipated entry !!!

The result will be judged by popular vote.

This is the year of our 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday and we are working on a commemorative cover to recognize it.

We will also be holding a Lunch in October for you and your partner as a further celebration of our milestone Birthday.

Plans for our Annual Fair are going along at a steady pace under the guidance of our Bill Trew. Thanks Bill.

Our successful committee meeting came up with some very good ideas on how to promote both the Fair and our Birthday.

Let us all attend our May meeting and help our long term member Tom Glazebrook celebrate his 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday

We are very proud of you Tom. HAPPY BIRTHDAY from us all.

Take care...Libby.



The general monthly meetings of the BPS are held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm at

**Old Long Gully School (now CVGT)  
Cnr Stanfield and Jackson Streets, Long Gully**

*Auctions* will be held at all Tuesday meetings.

**10 items per member** are allowed for auctions  
Christmas bonanza auction in **December** .

Exchange sheets will no longer be circulated at meetings. Please see Lyn to access sheets at home.  
More sheets are always needed so please "lick and stick" a few.

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## Lois Whatley Competition

At the April stamp club meeting we launched the Lois Whatley competition for 2021/2022. This should mean that we will catch up our annual timetable for this competition. It means that we will currently have two competitions running at the same time.

The competition that was due to finish March 2021 will continue until October 2021 and the 2021/2022 competition will start now thus overlapping with the other one.

I attach the competition and a little explanation about the idea behind it. David Cotton.



*Three former Lois Whatley winners, Ken Datson, Libby Luke and David Cotton. If you start searching now, it could be your name that gets added to the list of "distinguished" Bendigo philatelists displayed on the perpetual Lois Whatley shield. Plus, you get the smaller shield that David is holding to keep.*

## New Lois Whatley Rule

At the April meeting, discussion about the Lois Whatley competition led members to vote in a new rule. All members are still encouraged to enter but if a member has won three times, their entry will be considered non-competitive. Members with extensive collections have a distinct advantage in the competition and it is hoped that this new ruling will encourage those with more modest collections to compete.

## LOIS WHATLEY TREASURE HUNT 2021/2022 Bendigo Philatelic Society

All these items have some loose connection to Bendigo history BUT NOTE your stamp selections can come from anywhere.

GOLD was found in a creek on a SQUATTERS RUN in November 1851.

Just prior to this in July 1851 the colony of VICTORIA was separated from NEW SOUTH WALES.

TWO WOMEN wives of SHEPHERDS were looking after SHEEP when they found the gold.

Prior to the squatters taking over the land ABORIGINES lived in the area.

One of the shepherds was a BOXER named Abednigo (Bendigo) so the creek was named Bendigo Creek. *(The miners often got his name wrong and this was perpetuated in the town name. He was one of three boxing brothers named after the biblical characters who survived being thrown into the "fiery furnace", Shadrach Meschak and Abednigo.)*

After 1851 the TENT town grew rapidly as MINERS rushed to find the gold

They came from everywhere.....IRELAND.....CHINA.....CALIFORNIA..... and set up townships at EAGLE HAWK and KANGAROO Flat. They came to the goldfields by STAGECOACH or they WALKED.

In 1862 a STEAM RAILWAY ENGINE arrived at Bendigo RAILWAY STATION. Almost immediately postal arrangements were made to CARRY MAIL BY TRAIN to Bendigo .

A HOSPITAL was built. WATER supply has always been a problem for Bendigo and various RESERVOIRS were built. A splendid FOUNTAIN was erected in the centre of town and nearby a large hotel called The SHAMROCK was built close to a TOWN HALL.

Gold fever around Bendigo slowed in the 1880's and many miners went to BROKEN HILL and to WEST AUSTRALIA. Other industries to thrive in Bendigo were TOMATO growing, VINE YARDS and BLACKSMITHING to support the mines.

Several successful Building Societies were founded and these merged to become BENDIGO BANK.

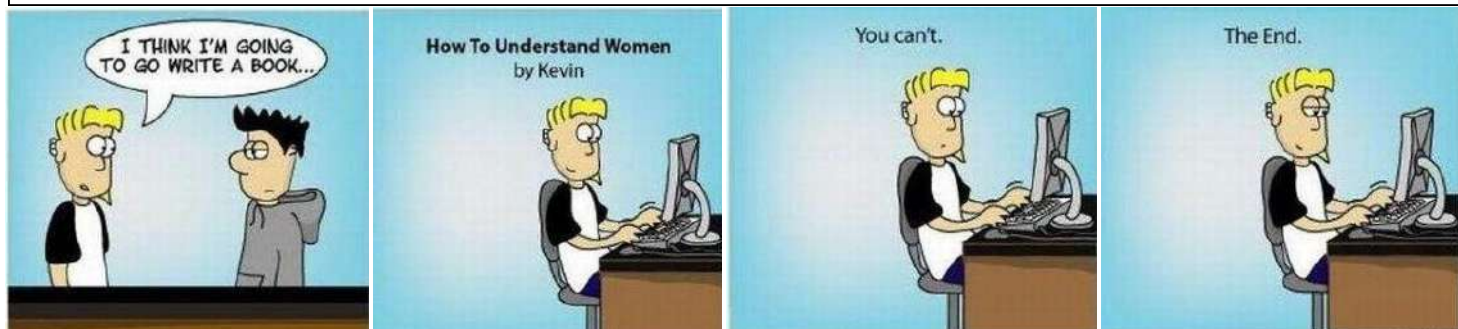
Many local young men fought in various wars and there are impressive memorials to those who went to SOUTH AFRICA and fought in THE BOER WAR and to those who fought in THE FIRST WORLD WAR. During this war the local member for Bendigo was also PRIME MINISTER W M HUGHES.

Bendigo has always been a sporting town. Even back in the 1860's FOOTBALL and CRICKET CLUBS were formed. TENNIS and SWIMMING were popular. The town has been home to OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALISTS in CYCLING and hosted RIFLE SHOOTING for COMMONWEALTH GAMES.

Even the local FIRE BRIGADES were LADDER CLIMBING champions.

PS Experts tell me that there may be some licence with the historical accuracy but the general idea is to make it easy for you to find the subject matters on stamps.

Good Luck



## Lois Whatley Competition 2021

Find stamps depicting.

The Stamps can come from anywhere in the World.

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1.GOLD                              | 2.SQUATTERS                       |
| 3.STAMP ISSUED in 1851              | 4.A VICTORIAN STATE STAMP         |
| 5.A NEW SOUTH WALES STATE STAMP     | 6.TWO WOMEN                       |
| 7.SHEPHERDS                         | 8.SHEEP                           |
| 9.ABORIGINES                        | 10 BOXER                          |
| 11.Showing a TENT                   | 12.showing MINERS                 |
| 13.Issued by IRELAND                | 14.Issued by CHINA                |
| 15. Showing something in CALIFORNIA | 16. An EAGLE                      |
| 17. A HAWK                          | 18. A KANGAROO                    |
| 19. A STAGECOACH                    | 20. People WALKING                |
| 21. STAMP ISSUED 1862               | 22.Showing a STEAM RAILWAY ENGINE |
| 23. A RAILWAY STATION               | 24. A TRAVELLING POST OFFICE      |
| 25. A HOSPITAL                      | 26. WATER                         |
| 27. A RESERVOIR                     | 28. A FOUNTAIN                    |
| 29. A SHAMROCK                      | 30. A TOWN HALL                   |
| 31. BROKEN HILL                     | 32. STAMP FROM WEST AUSTRALIA     |
| 33.A TOMATO                         | 34. VINEYARDS                     |
| 35. A BLACKSMITH                    | 36. A BANK                        |
| 37. SOUTH AFRICAN STAMP             | 38. BOER WAR DEPICTION            |
| 39 FIRST WORLD WAR DEPICTION        | 40. W M HUGHES                    |
| 41. FOOTBALL                        | 42. CRICKET                       |
| 43. TENNIS                          | 44. SWIMMING                      |
| 45.AN OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL            | 46. CYCLIST                       |
| 47. RIFLE SHOOTING                  | 48. COMMONWEALTH GAMES STAMP      |
| 49. FIRE BRIGADE                    | 50. A LADDER                      |

There are 50 stamps to find and the competition is roughly designed around the history of Bendigo.

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The ideal hope is that everyone will take part. Please give it a go.

Entries are due in at the March 2022 meeting and winner announced April 2022.



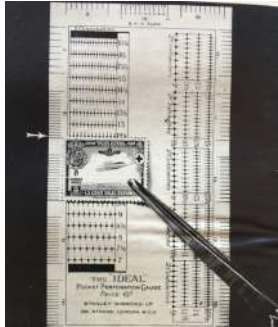
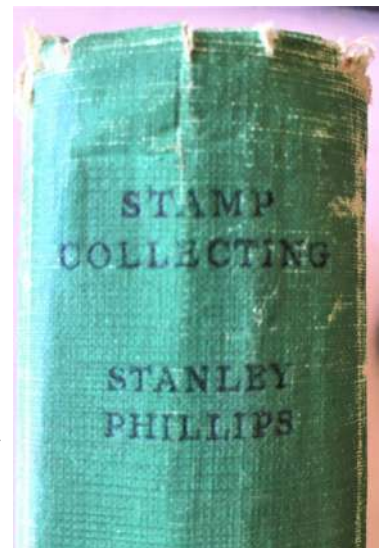
# Bendigo Philatelic Society Library

by: David Robinson

This month I would like to feature one more of our Library's books, simply titled

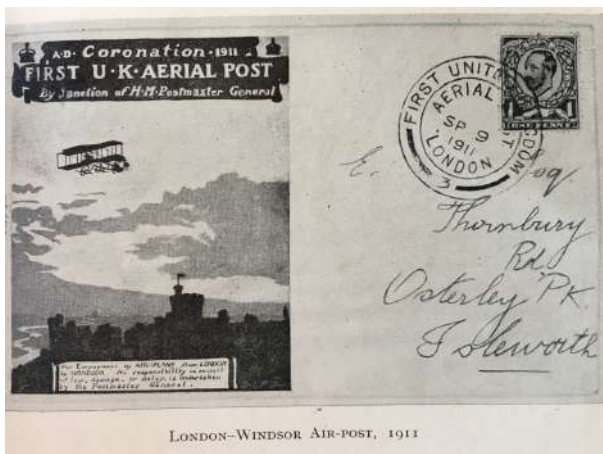
## Stamp Collecting. BPS 0003

This is a green hard cover book, that has seen better days. It was written by Stanley Phillips, there is no printing or issue date but there appears to be a page or two missing from the start of the book. The book's contents cover three sections;



The first is titled **POSTS AND THE POSTAGE STAMP**. This covers fourteen chapters, informing the reader of the history and uses of postage stamps, printing methods covering Line engraving (Intaglio or Recess-printing), Typography (surface-printing) and Lithography, errors and varieties. Stamp designs that includes overprints, colours, stamp sheets and booklets and Postmarks are touched on as well as forgeries, reprints and fakes.

The second part titled **THE COLLECTION** covers fourteen chapters and gives the reader (although outdated) some ideas on how to acquire stamps. The question of stamp condition is discussed, also how to identify and arrange a collection. There are four chapters dedicated to the world's stamps coming under the headings of The British Empire, Europe and its colonies, Asia, Africa and America. Chapter 14 may well interest many of our Society members. It is titled "The money side of stamp collecting."



Part three is titled **THE HOBBY**, and covers seven chapters that include: subjects such as Great stamp collections of the world and famous collectors. The reasons to build your own stamp library. How to find your own stamp treasure and finally the chapter "The hobby of a thousand faces" in which the author discusses how people of all nationalities, classes and religions are united in the pursuit of the postage stamp and are in love with the universal hobby.

Our library stocks an extensive range of books, leaflets & magazines.

which are available to members.

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## News from Paul Brownlie.

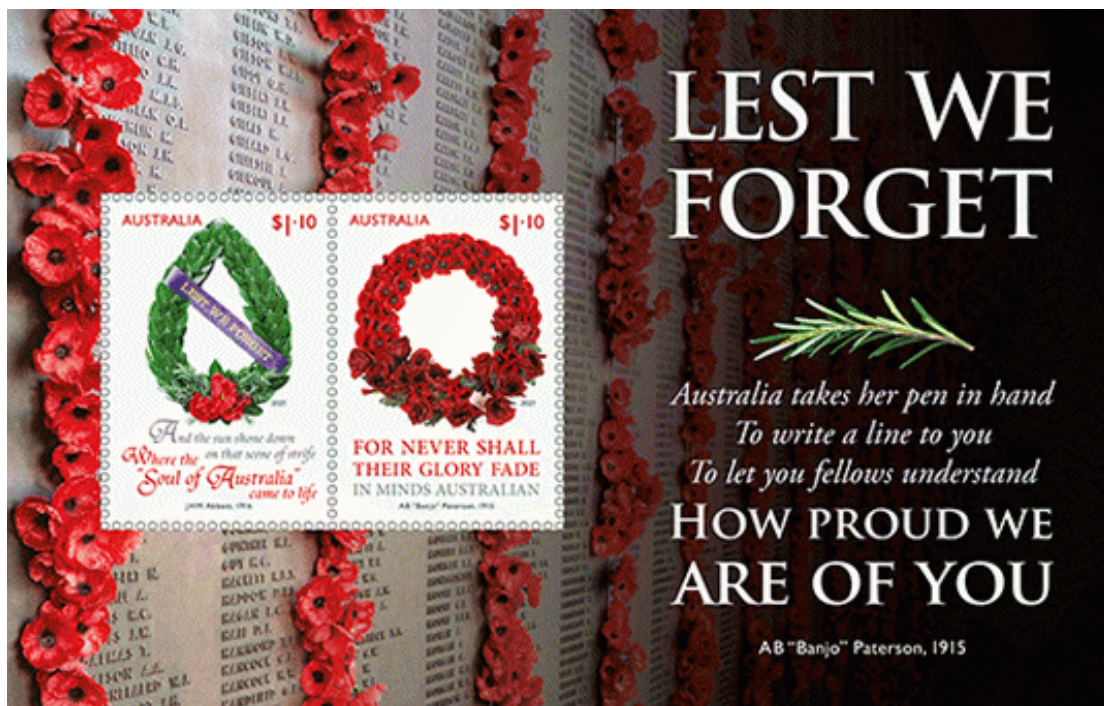
I know that some of us collect PNCs but keeping up with them can be a problem sometimes. Here is a checklist that I have prepared of the issues for 2021 so far.

### Australia & Territories PNC - 2021

As At 6/4/2021

	<u>Issued Date</u>	<u>Issue No:</u>	<u>Denom</u>	<u>Design</u>	<u>Mintage</u>	<u>Purchase \$</u>	<u>Information</u>	<u>Bulletin</u>
C.I.	8/01/2021	1	\$1.00	Year of the Ox	9000	\$17.95	P/Mark 6798	369
C.I.	8/01/2021	2	\$1.00	Chinese New Year - Dragon	8888	\$19.95	Tuvalu	369
	<b>8/01/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Year of the Ox - Medallion</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>\$24.95</b>	<b>P/Mark 6798</b>	<b>369</b>
	19/01/2021	4	50c	Supercars - Holden HT Monaro	6500	\$24.95	Bathurst	369
	19/01/2021	5	50c	Supercars - Ford XE Falcon	6500	\$24.95	Bathurst	369
	19/01/2021	6	50c	Supercars - VS Commodore	6500	\$24.95	Bathurst	369
	19/01/2021	7	50c	Supercars - VT Commodore	6500	\$24.95	Bathurst	369
	19/01/2021	8	50c	Supercars - Ford BF Falcon	6500	\$24.95	Bathurst	369
	25/01/2021	9	\$1.00	Memorable Moments	6500	\$17.95	Happy Birthday	369
	9/02/2021	21	\$1.00	RAAF Centenary	7500	\$24.95	Point Cook 3030	369
	<b>9/02/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>RAAF Centenary - Medallion</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>P/Mark 3030</b>	<b>369</b>
	16/02/2021	11	20c	AC-DC Ballbreaker	6500	\$24.95	Melbourne	369
	16/02/2021	12	20c	AC-DC Dirty Deeds	6500	\$24.95	Melbourne	369
	16/02/2021	13	20c	AC-DC For those About to Rock	6500	\$24.95	Melbourne	369
	10/03/2021	14	\$1.00	Quokka	7500	\$17.95	Perth	370
	<b>22/03/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>HMAS Cerebus</b>	<b>1600</b>	<b>\$24.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	24/03/2021	15	\$1.00	Dream Down Under	6000	\$17.95	Greenbushes 6254	370
	6/04/2021	3	\$2.00	Firefighters	7500	\$19.95	Canberra 2600	370
	6/04/2021	16	\$1.00	Rotary Centenary	7500	\$17.95	Melbourne 3000	370
	<b>12/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Holden Aust Icon - FJ</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	<b>12/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Holden Aust Icon - EH</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	<b>12/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Holden Aust Icon - HK</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	<b>12/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Holden Aust Icon - HQ</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	<b>12/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Holden Aust Icon - VE</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	13/04/2021		\$2.00	Indigenous Service		\$24.95	Canberra 2600	370
	<b>13/04/2021</b>		<b>n/a</b>	<b>Lest We Forget</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>\$24.95</b>	<b>Medallion</b>	<b>370</b>
	13/04/2021		\$1.00	RAAF ANZAC		\$17.95	Canberra 2600	370

Another item that caught my eye and I thought worth a mention with Anzac Day on April 25th was this.



Yours in philately,

Paul



Golden Jubilee celebration of the

# Maryborough Stamp Club (Vic)

14<sup>th</sup> July, 1971 - 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.



We celebrate 50 Years as a Club this July. It was on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1971 ('Bastille Day') that the inaugural and founding meeting of the '**Maryborough & District Philatelic Society**' was held in the (old) Army Depot Building in Goldsmith Street, Maryborough, but since December, 1972 Club Meetings have since taken place in St. Augustine's Hall.

The eight founding members were: Mr. C. Hill (President), Mr. K. W. Moore (Secretary), Mrs. M. Hill (Treasurer), Mr. S. Smart, Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Jarvis, Mrs. P. Smith & Mrs. Bowen. The Annual Membership Fee was set at \$1 for adults, and 50 cents for students. By September, 1971 the bank balance was \$13.78!

The Club continued to expand throughout the 1970's and 80's with membership remaining steady around 15 to 25 adults, whilst the Junior members rose to 30 to 40.

The Club's name was officially changed to the **Maryborough Stamp Club** on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1987. Its Constitution of 1971 was revised in 1987, and again in 2017.

The first Stamp Fair was held in August, 1980 in the Guides Hall. Other annual Fairs occurred on-and-off until 2015. Unfortunately, there was a sharp decline in membership from around 2000, and this only picked up again from 2014. The Club currently has 11 adult members.

The annual Membership fee has been since 2005 \$10 for adults. (There are no junior members despite efforts between 2014 to 2016 to attract them).

Presently, *Stamp Exchange Sheets (or Circuit Books)* are received monthly from Bendigo, and South Australia. These are very popular. The Club has good contacts with the Ballarat, Bendigo, and St Arnaud Stamp Clubs, and is affiliated with the Victorian Philatelic Council.

There have been many fine and knowledgeable philatelists within the Club over the past fifty years who have contributed to philately in a wide range of areas both here in Maryborough and on both a state and national level. The interest by those in the Club today is as strong as ever, and the Club remains 'open' and 'welcoming' to new members, and continues to meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm in St. Augustine's Hall.

If you have an interest in stamps from '*novice to expert*' consider joining our Club to expand your collection and to increase your knowledge in philately.

Grey Loyer

Hon. Secretary 5460 5008

## Philatelists! Will the cash cow ever dry up?

Philatelists are quite used to being used as an ATM for the post office and occasionally there will be protests over the obscene plethora of new issues. This exploitation of collectors by postal authorities has a long history, possibly as long as people have been collecting. For instance, the British post office began printing plate numbers on the Victorian penny red, making hundreds of varieties for collectors.

It was when they issued a one pound stamp, for which there was absolutely no postal need that philatelists finally cried foul. The philatelic press was full of cries to boycott the issue and many collectors who could have afforded the stamp did just that, only to weaken later and have to buy from a dealer at a far higher price.

This showed that the postal authorities understood their market, as do all those who sell to addicts, for philately is certainly addictive for many of us. The stamp itself, masterfully engraved by John Augustus Charles Harrison is now considered a classic but unfortunately, it is still horribly expensive. The next one pound issue, the “seahorse” top value, was accepted with hardly a murmur of complaint. Collectors had learned their lesson.

I was musing on all this lately while sorting my stamps of Uruguay. If ever a postal administration went out to milk the collecting fraternity it was with the airmail issues of 1929-35. Like the previous mentioned stamps, this was a fine example of the engraver’s art. The complaint in this case was the sheer number of values and varieties issued. In 1929, just as the Great Depression was getting underway, they issued twelve values.



1929 issue



Then, the next year, they changed all the colours and added to the values, issuing twenty two more stamps. Did they really need two colours of the four, six and sixty cents?



*1930 issue*

Then in 1935, they issued another twenty. This time they changed the size slightly to make sure everyone understood that this was a different set of stamps. Why did they need a 52c stamp? Surely people could have put a 22c and a 30c together. The top value of 5 Pesos was a day's wage for most people.



The scale of the greed boggles the mind. In 1946, finding themselves with excess stocks, particularly of the less used values, there was a further issue of seven stamps, overprinted with more common values.





# BENDIGO Stamp Fair



**We will be back!**

**7th. August 2021**

*Local & Melbourne  
Stamp and Coin Dealers*

*St Andrews*

*Uniting Church Hall*

*24 Myers Street Bendigo*

**Free Entry**

*Food and Drinks Available*

*(Subject to Covid Restrictions)*

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