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Diary of Future Events

Tues. 5th Mar View Lois Whatley and Roman Lemega entries

Tues. 2nd Apr Annual Dinner

Tues. 7th May Stamp Trivia Night

President's Report March 2024

Our February Meeting was a discussion on thematic philately. Thematic collecting has become very popular, and there are no rules or regulations. So, you can collect what you want and how you like. We went around the room asking the members what they collected and why, in most cases, people collected stamps related to their other interests. It was a fun night.

The time has come for the viewing of the entries in the Lois Whatley Treasure Hunt. I believe we have quit a few participants this year. We have divided the competition into two sections. Our regular competition and a new section for members who have not won this competition before, and we have named the new competition Roman Lemega Encouragement Competition. For those who did not know Roman, his life was our club (his club), and he was always going to win tattsлото, and buy a premiss for the Club. Rest in peace Roman and know you are in our thoughts.

March is a great month for Birthday's - Toni is on the 1st, Ray is on the 7th, Jim on the 20th and David on the 30th. Happy Birthday to you all and may you receive lots of stamps.

A date to put in your philatelic diary.

TUESDAY 19th March 2024 Maryborough Stamp Club Auction, at their new premiss Mill House, 88-90 Burke Street, Maryborough.

Two little reminders for us all,

1: Please sign in the attendance book. This is a legal obligation.

2: Don't forget your gold coin donation for supper

Let me finish with my little phrase to all members of our philatelic family.

TAKE CARE WE CARE, and you are all important.....Libby.



Thank you to Jacinta Allan MP and staff for the printed copies of this newsletter.

The general monthly meetings of the BPS are held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7.00pm at

**Kangaroo Flat R.S.L.
Station St. Kangaroo Flat**

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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Collection Disposal number 2

I am about a quarter of the way down the storage box still digging out lost memories and still putting them into the Look again Later box and hey presto I find a display “The Norwegian Posthorn” the longest running continuous design in the world....and still used by Norway.....decision, I will keep it and try to just keep it going.

I am partially able to do this because back c 1980 in the days when people wrote to Philatelic Clubs and asked if anyone would like to swap stamps a man in Denmark and a lady in Norway wrote to Waverley Club. I took their details from the secretary and just mailed off a few stamps and asked if I could help. The man is into Kookaburras Kingfishers and Penguins and Australia (more about this later) and the lady is into snow, Arctic, Amundsen and Australian issues that she likes.



We are still 40 years later doing a casual light weight swap 2 or 3 times a year. I write in English and they reply in better English than mine!! They both send me wants lists and use Colnect.

Back to the storage box for the next file...2 old two page displays appear, On both are maps I have drawn... one of England with 5 Viking ships surrounding it The Norden issue of 1969 Ah the time I collected Viking stuff....don't dwell...exchange sheet box. Done. The other map is of The Faroe Islands with a few stamps stuck on them obviously the little village on the postmarks.....Now this brings back memories and regrets.

Early on in the exchanges with my Danish friend he said can I keep my eye out for any small circular postmarks with or without a star in the middle of any Danish stamp c 1880/1950. I did not know it but I was entering the world of brevsamlingsstempler..... I think The Editor and I may have to write an article about these. I started finding a few on exchange sheets on very ordinary Danish stamps for 5 cents each. I sent them to Denmark and sometimes got a note back..... “very nice one thank you”. I was of course finding postmarks of very small Danish villages and also Danish stamps used in The Faroe Islands before Faroe issued their own stamps.

What to do with my Faroe maps and stamps? Will Bendigo members want them? Decision, send them back home....so we have another box “Return to Denmark”

Of course, the Viking interest quickly spread me to Iceland and Greenland and in my next storage file out pops lots of Greenland. They are lovely stamps and great subjects. With a population of only 60000 most of the stamps never get used for proper postage. I have a few commercially used envelopes and a few other better items but I am beginning to realise I have a problem. I could flood my very small customer base with lovely items that are of no interest to them.....What to do....I think I will put them slowly on exchange sheets in thematic arrangements rather than by sets. Exchange means they will also go to neighbouring clubs.



Apart from this stock problem of swamping my customers w similar items I have an Exchange sheet production problem.... I need to improve my “HAM” Hingeing Attachment Method”. I am dropping far too many hinges on the floor and am surrounded by a sea of hinges that I cannot see on a light carpet.

Anyway, progress is being made. I have 10 auction lots ready for March meeting, I have done 80 exchange sheets and I now have a storage box, a look at later box, an exchange sheet box, an auction Box and a return to Denmark box and I have just added Candidates for E Bay sales box.

The main thing now is not to trip over them

More next month.

David

Bendigo Philatelic Society Library



Le Philatelist. (1929 t eliste) [Fran ois Barraud](#)

STAMPS DAY BY DAY

A review by: David Robinson. Library code: BPS-0152

A BOOK BY L.N. & M WILLIAMS, ALSO EDITORS OF: THE STAMP LOVER & THE BRITISH PHILATELIST.

AUTHORS OF; PHILATELY & STAMPS OF FAME.

That's right, a book to keep us engaged, with Philately throughout the year. Each month several new philatelic topics or stamps are highlighted, educating, and creating interest for the reader.

Many stamp collectors tend to limit their interests to a specific field or topic and disregard any new avenues of interest. The Authors note "that those concentrating on narrow interests should change their ways if they wish to obtain the most from their hobby. Of course, the pundits have said that too much diversion of interest leads to the learning of less and less about more, until ultimately nothing is learnt at all."

Every day in the year is the anniversary of some philatelic event. This book is arranged under monthly headings and broken down into days. The points of interest present a cross section of philatelic history. These points of interest can develop into further research for the keen philatelist.

For example, for the month of February some of the following points of interest are discussed.

Philippine Islands first issued stamps, in 1854. (Seven years after the "Penny Black")

Fiji's First Edwardian Stamp issued, 1903.

Pierre Mahe', Noted French Stamp Dealer, Died 1913

New Delhi Set first issued by India, 1931.

The theft of Gold Coast 20S Stamps 1893

Jamaica 2d King Edward VII Stamp Issued 1911.

Malta's first stamp issued, 1899.

Cyprus first issued stamps 1880.

New Delhi Set issued by India, 1931

Palestine First Issued Stamps 1918

Great Britain 1d Red Issued, 1841

Cape of Good Hope, "woodblocks" issued, 1861.

Abraham Lincoln Centenary Issue USA 1909

Cayman Islands First Issued Stamps 1901

BPS BACK IN TIME

*While browsing through some old BPS Newsletters that are held in the Library. I discovered, that in 1969 The President was **Mr Alex Stone.** and Junior Vice President was **Miss Lois Whatley.***

*The Membership fees were (City) \$1.00, Country Membership (non-attending) 50c. Junior Membership .25c Then by 1979 the Membership fee had risen to \$3.00 for Adults and the Junior Membership had doubled to .50c The President was **Mr. J Tresize & Miss Lois Whatley** was the Society Sec./ Treasurer. Meetings were held at 7.30pm in St Pauls Guide Hall Myers Street Bendigo.*

*In August 1987 the President was **Mr R. Lemega,** Senior Vice President **Mr L Nicholls** and Miss **Lois Whatley** was the Secretary /Treasurer. The BPS was starting to hold meetings at the Bendigo Post Office, upstairs in the Lunchroom. "Entry via the Main Gate, off Pall Mall to the back entrance where there is ample off-street parking."*



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8. Describe yourself in three words.

I am a rebel

ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE
IS
NO MATCH FOR
NATURAL STUPIDITY



Never regret growing old. It is a privilege denied to many.

A very brief outline of the somewhat complicated
Political and Postal History of the Malay States 1854-1970

by Grey Loyer, Maryborough Stamp Club.

1. Political History

The history of the Malay Peninsula since 1500 is interesting as the various great powers fought for control over this region due to its richness in spices, and later rubber and tin. Suffice to say that by 1830 Great Britain controlled the entire area.

Following the Great Mutiny in British India in 1857, the British Government dissolved the East India Company and took control of all India and all its 'other colonies' which then came under direct rule of the Colonial Office, London.

1790 Penang ceded to the British East India Company

1819 Singapore founded by the British becomes a Colony in 1823.

1824 Malacca ceded to the British East India Company.

1826 As these 3 trading settlements lay along the *Straits of Malacca*

they were formed into the **Straits Settlements** under Br. East India Company

1841 Sarawak ceded to the White Rajah Dynasty (with ties to Great Britain)

1867 The Straits Settlements became a Crown Colony under direct British rule.

1888 British North Borneo declared a protectorate (and as a Crown Colony in 1946).

1895 Formation of the Federated Malay States of Negri Sembilan, Pahang, Perak & Selangor

(1895) Formation of the Unfederated Malay States of Johore, Kedah, Kelantan, Perlis & Trengganu

1900 Christmas Island incorporated into the Straits Settlements. (Joined Australia in 1958).

1903 Cocos Island incorporated into the Straits Settlements. (Joined Australia in 1955).

1906 Labuan incorporated into the Straits Settlements.

1942-1945 All areas occupied by Japanese forces.

1945 Aug-Sept. Liberated by British forces under BMA (British Military Administration).

1946 1st April: the Malayan Union established incorporating all states and colonies.

1946 1st July: Sarawak ceded to the British Crown.

1948 31st Jan: Reformed as the Federation of Malaya

1957 31st Aug. Independence granted.

1959 3rd June: Singapore granted self-governance.

1963 16th Sep. Re-established as the Federation of Malaysia with Sabah & Sarawak.

1965 9th Aug. Singapore independent from Malaysia.



The difference between the **Federated** and **Unfederated** States were the British Government had the real power in the Federated States under a Resident-General (later Chief Secretary) with a highly efficient and centralised

administration whilst the Unfederated States lacked common institutions and were really British *protectorates* which allowed the local Sultans a certain degree of independence, but Great Britain controlled all foreign policy and trade.

2. Postal History of the Malay peninsula.

2.1 The Straits Settlements (Penang, Singapore & Malacca) 1854 - 1946

1854 Penang: British India QV stamps overprinted with barred numeral B147. (scarce)

1854 Singapore: British India QV stamps overprinted with barred numeral B172. (scarce)

1856 Malacca: British India QV stamps overprinted with barred numeral B109. (scarce)

1867 Nine British India QV stamps overprinted with a Crown and values in cents.

1867 First thirteen stamps inscribed Straits Settlements issued (profile of Queen Victoria).

1902 King Edward VII profile stamps issued

1912 King George V profile stamps issued

1937 King George VI profile stamps issued

1942-1944 KGVI stamps overprinted with Japanese symbols

1945-1948 KGVI stamps overprinted B.M.A. MALAYA (British Military Administration)

Singapore

1948 King George VI profile stamps 18 issued (15 @p14, 18 @p17.5)

1956 Queen Elizabeth II profile with designs 15 issued

[Other 'omnibus' and issues have followed since – see catalogue](#)

Penang

1948 KGVI profile stamps (20)

1954 QE profile stamps (16)

Other 'omnibus' and issues have followed since – see catalogue

Malacca

1949 KGVI profile stamps (20)

1954 QE profile stamps (16)

Other 'omnibus' and issues have followed since – see catalogue

2.2 Federated Malay States

1900 to 1934 mainly the famous 'Tiger' & 'Elephant' stamps issued

2.3 Malayan Postal Union

1936 to 1966 Postage Due stamps issued

2.4 Malayan Federation (1946 -1963)

1957 1st issues until 1963 then ceased.

2.5 Malaysian Federation 16th Sept 1963

Formed from Malayan Federation, Sabah, Sarawak and Singapore, which the latter left on 9th August, 1965

The other Malaya States (in alphabetical order): See 'Stanley Gibbons catalogue' for details.

Johore :1876-1891 Straits Settlements stamps overprinted 'JOHOR' or 'JOHORE'

1891-1970 many various issues inscribed Johore

Kedah: 1883-1912 Stamps of Siam used but have 'special cancellations'

1912-1970 many various issues inscribed Kedah

Kelantan: 1887-1911 Stamps of Siam used but have 'special cancellations'

1911-1970 many various issues inscribed Kelantan

Negri Sembilan: 1874-1895 Straits Settlements stamps overprinted SUNGAI UJONG

1891-1970 many various issues inscribed Negri Sembilan

Pahang: 1889-1891 Straits Settlements stamps overprinted PAHANG

1891-1970 many various issues inscribed Pahang

Perak: 1878-1891 Straits Settlements stamps overprinted PERAK

1891-1970 many various issues inscribed Perak

Perlis: 1887-1909 Stamps of Siam used but have 'special cancellations'

1909-1912 used stamps of the Federated Malay States

1912-1970 many various issues inscribed Perlis

Selangor: 1881-1891 Straits Settlements stamps overprinted SELANGOR








1891-1970 many various issues inscribed Selangor

Trengganu: 1892-1909 Stamps of Siam used but have 'special cancellations'

1910-1970 many various issues inscribed Trengganu



The following page is only a smattering of some of the many varied stamps of the Colonies and States. Many used 'similar' designs between the States.

	QV INDIA stamps used at Penang B147 Singapore B172 Malacca B109		
1854 Penang B147		1867 Straits Settlements India overprint	1867 Straits Settlements 1 st QV inscribed issues
			
1902 Straits Settlements 1 st King Edward VII	1912 Straits Settlements 1 st King George V	1924 Straits Settlements Postage Due series	1937 Straits Settlements 1 st King George VI

			
1942-45 Japanese overprints	1945-8 BMA overprints	1948 Singapore inscribed	1948 Penang inscribed
			
1949 Malacca inscribed	1891 Sarawak	1900-1934 Federated Malay States 'Tiger'	1900-1934 Federated Malay States 'Elephant'
			
1936 Malayan Postal Union	1957 Malayan Federation	1963 Malaysia	1898 Johore
			
1912 Kedah	1928 Kelantan	1898 Negri Sembilan	1895 Pahang
			
1938 Perak	1951 Perlis	1894 Selangor	1910 Trengganu
			
1894 Labuan	1897 Labuan o'ptd	1901 Br. North Borneo	1964 O'ptd Sabah
			
1953 Christmas Island postmark Singapore stamp		1953 Cocos Island postmark Singapore stamp	

Why is this person on a stamp No. 27: Rosie the Riveter

Since looking at stamps for this series, it has been quite striking how, if you exclude Queens, the Virgin Mary and perhaps, Marianne, the overwhelming majority of people honoured with stamps have been men. This is not really surprising as the post in most countries was a very patriarchal organisation - in Australia right up to the present day as the treatment of Christine Holgate would seem to show.



J. Howard Miller's "We Can Do It!" poster from 1943

If you look at engraved stamps, for many years all of the engravers were male and in some countries it was actually illegal to employ a woman to engrave stamps and banknotes. This was seen as "stealing" the job of a man! More on this next issue.



When the commencement of World War Two meant that all able-bodied men were needed by the armed forces, women were finally encouraged to take jobs that had been traditionally jealously guarded by men. In the United States, one such encouragement took the form of the allegorical "Rosie the Riveter" who showed her muscles on the poster at left. The poster actually had a limited exposure during the war as it was an internal poster at Westinghouse aimed at current workers there. In 1999, more than fifty years after the war's end, that poster was reproduced as a postage stamp.

Although never officially acknowledged, there were several women named Rosie who may have been the inspiration for the riveting Rosie. Wikipedia gives details on four likely candidates including Rose Will Monroe who was chosen to portray the iconic Rosie in a promotional film about the war effort and yes, she was a riveter at the Willow Run Aircraft Factory in Michigan.



Other countries had their equivalents. Canada had Veronica Foster who became "Ronnie, the Bren Gun Girl". Britain had its famous army of Land Girls, shown on a stamp in 2010. Australia also honoured its female workers by placing them at the front of the line up of women who worked for the war effort on a 1991 stamp.



In so many professions, women showed during the war that they could do the work of men but then the war ended and most were expected to move aside for the men who were returning from the war. As my friend, Judy Small, wrote in her song, *Mothers, Daughters Wives*;

"And after it was over, you had to learn again
To be just wives and mothers when you'd done the work of men"

Rosie was not done yet though and in the 1980s the poster resurfaced, repurposed as a promotion for women's issues and feminism. It is now one of the top ten requested images from the US National Archives. In 2010, the poster was again reworked to celebrate the election of Australia's first woman Prime Minister, Julia Gillard.



Maryborough Stamp Club

Auction

Tuesday, 19th March, 2024.

Viewing from 5.30pm. Auction starts at 7pm

Refreshments (free) after auction

at (new venue) of

Mill House, 88-90 Burke Street, Maryborough

Entries close Friday, 26th January, 2024.

I MUST receive entries also by this date.

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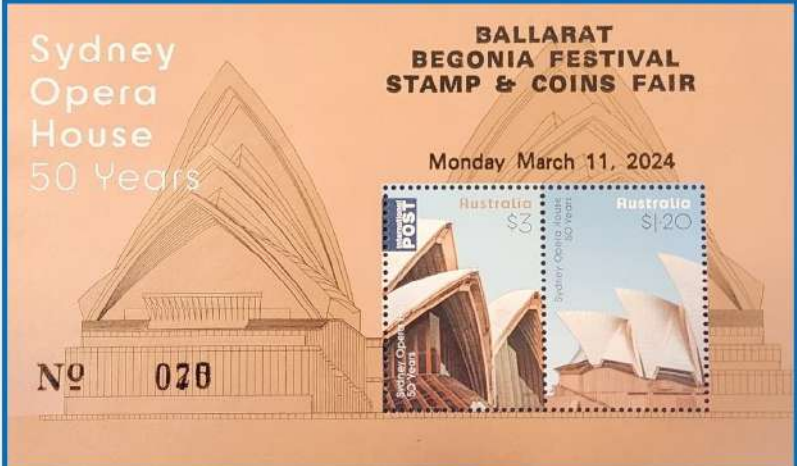
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