

CENTENNIAL DEFINITIVE STUDY GROUP NEWSLETTER





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NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

Please pay careful attention to the last page! On it you will find your membership renewal form. Note that the \$8 dues may last you for more than one year. The last call for dues was way back in February 1997. I have been going into our surplus for the last few issues. It turns out that \$8 per member allows me to put out six or so newsletters, and I will try to get out three or four a year.

I have just placed a bulk order with Saskatoon Stamp Centre for fifty copies of Robin Harris' new Centennial Definitive book, The last page includes the order form for the book as well. The bulk purchase and a subsidy from out surplus allows the Study Group to sell this book at a considerably reduced price. If you wish, current members can order the book without renewing their membership in the study group.

The Royal 2000 was held in Winnipeg this spring, giving me an opportunity to look at a large field of exhibits from across Canada. There was not one exhibit that dealt with Centennials in any way. There was, however, one exhibit by a local BNAPS members, Bob Elias, dealing with paper ribbing in the Wilding issue that has some relevance to Centennials. Stamp paper often has one side with a distinctive ribbing, this surface comes about because of the paper manufacturing process. The other side is comparatively smooth. Other papers have no ribbing on either side. Bob found, after examination of 4,000 dated Wildings that there was a certain pattern to when one would observe the ribbing on the front, the back, vertically, or horizontally, or no ribbing at all. For example the entire printing of the 6 cent orange Wilding is on horizontally ribbed paper with the printing on the ribbed side. I point this out because the continuation of Sam Rock's listing of paper varieties (p 676) includes a note as to whether ribbing is present or not. Some noticeably ribbed Centennials have made catalogue status, I refer of course to the 2 cent totem pole (455i :Rib, PVA), 8 cent library (544pvii: Rib, HF, GT2, PVA) and a few booklets. It would be a interesting to push this a little further.

A Private Treaty Sale

Harry Machum, Chairman of the Elizabethan Study Group, has agreed to run a Private Treaty Sale to replace the annual auction run by Scott Traquair. If you wish to submit material to this sale, contact Harry before Sept 25 at:

Harry C. Machum Box 123, Little Current **ONTARIO** P0P 1K0

A Member needs help

Ken Radley writes asking for a list of post offices in Newfoundland and New Brunswick open during the Centennial period (1967-73). As a Manitoban, I naturally collect Manitoba postmarks and refer to William Robinson's monograph for a list of post offices open during the Centennial period. What do people in other provinces do for this information? Please help me out!

Once again, we feature one of Bill Topping's slogan cancel on the masthead.

New Member

Ron Rush

Fonthill, Ontario

REMINDER

If you would like to run a (free) ad or submit an article or just some news, drop me a line: Len Kruczynski 19 Petersfield Place Winnipeg, MB **R3T 3V5**

E-mail: lkruczy@ms.umanitoba.ca

Following up on the First Helicopter Flight Cover in the last newsletter (Vol 18 No 1 p 662), Ray White writes from the UK:

"Dear Len.,

Saw your F/F cover in the news letter and thought it looked familiar, so I had a root around and turned up a collection of covers I bought at auction several years ago. The lot included an album of helicopter flown covers, apparently complete. I have enclosed a list of all visits to, presumably, Centennial events with details of cancels and the stamps used, 8 plus 3 U.S.A. issues. Your cover comes in at No 25, so there are possibly another 86 to find!

I have enclosed a copy of the cover related to the Stratford visit (shown below), together with a copy of the descriptive insert. It looks to me as if the originators of the "Flying Visit" wanted two bites at the cherry and got them. All these covers are addressed to a recipient here in the U.K. so there must have been some advance notification of the flight as I suppose he must have been a subscriber. The book mentioned in the insert would be useful to have as a collateral item. The postmarks are listed as they appear in the album with as many as ten on the same date and as I do not have a map of Canada of a scale large enough to trace the flight path, I am not sure that they are in the correct sequence.

Anyway I hope that this information will have shed a little light in a dark corner, and partially solved the problem. Then again it may have complicated it. Question .Why the diversion into Alaska?"



The envelope (or "cover", philatelically speaking) that carried this message is now a Collector's item of value. Treat it kindly, it will quite likely repay you well.



As only a limited number of such "covers" have been carried aboard the Canadian Centennial Copter during its historic flight and since such a flight can never be duplicated, the demand for such a "cover" can only grow with time.

A record of the flight, made up from material gathered and photographs taken during the flight, will be published at the conclusion of the project. The title of the book will be: CANADA: CENTENNIAL PANORAMA. It will also list the number of covers flown on the flight from each point where mailings were made.

Orders for copies of this book are being offered initially—at a special pre-printing price of \$7.50—to those who supported the flight by subscribing to this unique cover service. When published the regular retail price will be \$10. Orders submitted now get the low \$7.50 price and all of these books will be crew-autographed.

Send your order and cheque now, made out to:

CANADA: CENTENNIAL PANORAMA
Box 1967, New Westminster, British Columbia, Canada

THE ROUTE OF THE 100 DAY HELICOPTER FLIGHT. SUMMER 1967

Detroit Mich.	MAY 5 1967	1 x 8c Alaska Purchase
Cleveland Ohio PM	MAY 7 1967	as above.(U.S.issue)
Louisbourg N.S.	JUN 1 1967	2 x 5c Flag (SS 453)
-	p "Revised Canadian	Starting Point of Flight") on reverse.
Baddeck N.S.	2 V1 67	2 x 5c Flag
Charlotte Town P.E.I.	3 V1 1967	2 x 5c Fishing Village
Summerside P.E.I.	JUN 4 1967	as above
Montague P.E.I.	5 V1 67	as above
Fredericton N.B. X929 Fredr		
St. John N.B.	JUN. 13 67.	1 x 5c Flag.
Woodstock N.B.	15 V1 67.	2 x 5c.Flag
Edmunston N.B.	16 V1 67	1 x 5c.Flag
Gaspe P.Q. AM	19 V1 67	1 x 5c.Flag
Matane Quebec PM	JUNE 19 1967	1 x 5c Flag
Rimouski Quebec	20 V1 1967	1 x 5c. Flag
Matapedia Quebec	21 V1 67	2 x 5c. Flag
Quebec Quebec	22 V1 67	1 x 5c.Flag
Chambly P.Q.	24 V1 67	1 x 5c.Flag
Bonaventure P.Q. A.M.	27 V1 67	1 x 5c. Village
Expo.67 Montreal Canada F		1 x 5c.Expo.(SS 469)
Trois Riviers Quebec	29 V1 1967	2 x 4c Seaway
Carillon P.Q. P.M.	30 V1 67	1 x 5c.Flag
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Toronto Ontario	JUL 2 1967	2 x 5c Seaway
Yellowknife N.W.T.	3 JUL 67	5 x 1c Dogteam
Magog P.Q.	4 V11 67	1 x 5c Flag
Stratford Ontario	6 V11 67	1 x 5c.Flag
Goderich Ontario AM	8 Jul 1967	2 x 5c. Flag
Penetanguishene PM	Jul 8 67	2 x 5c Flag
Meaford Ontario 17	Jul 8 67	1 x 5c Flag
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Edmonton Alberta	AUG 8 67	2 x 3c Prarie
Red Deer Alberta	8 V111 1967	5 x 1c Dog-team
Banff Alberta	9 V111 67	5 x 1c Dog-Team
Abbotsford B.C.	11 V111 1967	3 x 2c Totem
Prince Rupert B.C.	15 AU 67	1 x 5c Flag
Wragnell, AK (U.S.A.)	AUG 17 1967	2 x 8c Alaska + 4c Lincoln
Petersburg, AK (U.S.A.)		1 x 13c J.F.Kennedy
Ketchikan, AK (U.S.A.)	AUG 24 1967	2 x 8C Alaska + 4c Lincoln
Terrace B.C.	26 V111 67	2 x 2c Totem +1c Dogs
Kamloops B.C.	28 V111 1967	2 x 2c Totem + !c Dogs
Ashcroft B.C	28 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Williams Lake B.C.	28 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Prince George B.C.	28 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Clinton B.C,	28 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Quesnel B.C.	28 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Cache Creek B.C.	28 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
TerraceB.C.	AUG 28 1967	4 X 2c Totem
Lytton B.C.	28 V111 67	2 x 2c Totem + 1c Dogs
Burns Lake B.C.	28 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Hope B.C.	29 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Boston Bar B.C. PM		4 x 2c Totem
Spencers Bridge B.C.	29 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Chilliwak B.C.	Aug 30 V111 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Gibsons B.C.	30 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
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Squawmish B.C.	30 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Aldergrove B.C.	31 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Fort Langley B.C.	31 V111 67	4 x 2c Totem
Vancouver B.C.*	4 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
* Complete P/M reads:- \	VANCOUVER B.C. SUI	B P.O.EX.
	O.Exhibition cachet on	
Victoria B.C.	Sept 5 67	4 x 2c Totem
V-1 D.C. (20)	6 13/ 67	4 0 E

	1.O.LAMOTHON CACHEL	on the reverse.
Victoria B.C.	Sept 5 67	4 x 2c Totem
Kelowna B.C. (20)	6 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Penticon B.C. (21)	6 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Nelson B.C.	7 1X 67	4 x 2c totem.
Vernon B.C.	7 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Armstrong B.C.	7 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem + 1c Dog-Team
Trail B.C.	7 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Cranbrook B.C.	10 1X 1967	4 x 2c Totem
Cranbrook B.C.	11 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Princetown B.C.	16 1X 67	4 x 2c Totem
Jeneau A K	Sep 202 1967	2 v &c Alacka Durchase + &c Lincoln

Sep <u>20?</u> 1967 2 x 8c Alaska Purchase + 8c Lincoln with Alaska Purchase Centennial 1867-1967 sticker on the front.

In the March, 1985 (P. 141-2) issue of the newsletter, a mysterious test booklet printed by BABNC is illustrated. The test booklet has a miscut pane of 10 subjects (two young girls) and "B.A. Bank Note" across the outside. Little detail was available at that time, except that it appeared in a "LCD" auction. Well, after 15 years, more information has surfaced: I have extracted the information below from an ad from Saskatoon Stamp Center (John Jamieson). Note the line of "dots" through the third row: they appear in the March 1985 article as well.

The "BABY SISTERS" Experimental Stamps Produced by the BRITISH AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY Circa 1967



In the Archives of the British American Bank Note Company there were a number of sheets featuring an engraved design dubbed the "Baby Sisters". The origin of this design was unknown until recently. While the plates from which these were printed are thought to have been prepared in the 1960's it has been determined that these were printed from an engraved vignette prepared many decades earlier. Gary Lyon was looking through a ledger book of samples from the BABN archives when he ran across the vignette of the design used for these pretty little stamps.

Lyon states that these "experimental" or "test" stamps were originally printed in sheets of 200 comprising two panes of 100 with a wide gutter between. They were printed both on paper with the matt "Davac" gum as well as on paper with Dextrine gum. The Davac gum was used, experimentally, on the May 1966 Canadian Highway Safety issue. The paper with the Dextrine gum is identical to that used on the early Centennial issue booklet panes, particularly BK56, the booklet of 10 with 5x 4c Carmine Rose & 5x lc Brown (454c). The sheets of 100 were obviously set up to experiment with booklet production as they were in the form of 5 pairs of two panes of 10 TETE-BECHE to each other, imperforate vertically between each pair of panes.

The entire lot comprised the following according to Lyon.

Sheets with davac (dull invisible) gum:

1. Sheets of 100 in grey-black	13
2. Sheets of 100 in bright blue	2
3. Sheets of 100 in carmine (our brown red)	21
4. Sheets of 100 in blank (unprinted)	4
5. Tri-colour sheet of 200, alternate columns	
in grey-black, green and blue	1
Sheets with dextrine (shiny) gum	
1. Sheet of 200 in carmine (our brown red)	1
1. Sheet of 200 in olive-brown (our dark olive brown)	2

There were also 486 assorted stamps from broken sheets.

We have recently purchased the remainder of Lyon's hoard of these interesting "experiment" stamps.

8 CENT SLATE LIBRARY

Perf 12 1/2 x 12 DEX GUM BABNC

PLATE NO WT2 GT(OP4)

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Keane/Hughes		1a	1b	2a	2b	2c	3	В	A	В	Α
PAPER	off-white	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	•
GUM	dex(smooth)	•	•	•	•	•				•	
INK SHADE	slate	•	•								•
	light slate				•		•	•		•	
UV BRIGHTNESS		0	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
UV COLOUR:	black/ grey	•									•
INK/PAPER	black/ light grey		•				•				
	black/ dark grey										
	black/ violet- grey										
	black/ lt.violet, flkd										
NOTES		a	a	a	b	b	a	a	С	С	d

Catalogue Numbers used below are from the Unitrade Specialized Catalogue (1997 edition)

a-	544:	PL, DEX	Dec / 30 /71
b-	544i:	F, DEX	? / ? / 72
c-	544p:	F, W2B, DEX	Dec / 30 /71
d-	544ni:	F GT2 DEX	Dec / 30 /71

Many changes have been made to the Table shown above. There are not one, but three papers used for Plate 2, so the original listing containing one column for Plate 2 has been expanded to 2a, 2b and 2c. The original listing for "2" had a uv brightness of 1, but a colour of dark grey; now, fluorescent papers generally have the word "violet" somewhere in the colour description, but since none of the three original colours (grey, light grey and dark grey) included violet, I have expanded the ink/paper listing to include a "violet-grey". There is, however, a non-fluorescent ("0") paper that can be described as dark grey in uv colour; this paper I list as 2a. The third paper is very definitely of uv brightness 2. It matches perfectly with a 6 cent black BABNC Plate 3 sample, so I have used that as the uv paper shade: "light violet", flecked. Since this uv paper colour was not listed, I added a second ink/paper row.

The WT2 paper listed as "A" has a uv brightness of 2, but is definitely flecked, so I have altered the ink/paper description from "dark grey" to "light violet", flecked. There is, however, a second WT2 paper, requiring a second column in the WT2 region: Type "B". This paper is identical to the Plate 2b paper, so the uv colour is the same as 2b. The Table now makes more sense to me: it is my experience that a WT listing invariably has a uv brightness/ink/paper "mate" in the untagged region. Such is the case with my revisions shown above.

Column A in the "No ID" region of the Keane and Hughes Tables is identical to Plate 3, so column A has been removed in the revised Table.

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Perf 12 1/2 x 12 PVA GUM BABNC

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PAPER	white	•		•	•		•			•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
GUM	PVA (dull)	•			•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
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NOTES		a	h	b	b	c	c	1	10	e	a	a	h	b	g	g	h	h	h	i	e	e	e	c	C	c	e	f

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544ii:	Dull F. PVA	July / ? /72
544iii:	HF, PVA	Nov / ? /72
544pv:	Dull LF, GT2, PVA	March / ? / 73
544pvi:	MF, GT2, PVA	?/?/73
544piv:	Bright F, GT2, PVA	Dec / ? /72
544pvii:	Rib, HF, GT2, PVA	? / ? /73
544pii:	F, W2B, PVA	July / ? / 72
544piii:	HF, W2B, PVA	Nov/?/72
544pviii	MF, W2B, PVA (unlisted)	? / / 72
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The Unitrade entries 544pvii: Rib, HF, GT2 PVA and 544pvi: MF, GT2, PVA have no counterpart in the Keane and Hughes Tables, so two new columns have been added to the GT(OP2) region as column H and I. Once again, I challenge anyone to come up with a Plate 4 on a paper brighter than a 2. I will pay big bucks for such items!. On the other hand, the WT2 item listed as G (uv brightness 5) has no counterpart in Unitrade. It should be 544pviii: MF, W2B, PVA.

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