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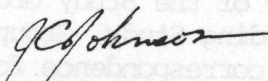
MESSAGE FROM THE STUDY GROUP CHAIRMAN

As you are reviewing this first edition of the BNA Perforator I assume that you have some interest in Canadian perfins. The primary function of the BNAPS Perfin Study Group is to inform collectors and specialists of new or interesting aspects within Canadian perfins. I suspect that once you are aware of some of the lesser known facets of perfins you will begin to notice things in your collections that had not stood out before and will check the companies in your area that had, or are still, using perforators. The background of the use of perfins and the perforators are not all the same and many of the perforators still exist abandoned in basement corners. In the past two years perforators that ceased use in the late 1930's and early 1940's have been located, usually the companies aware of the existence of the machines do not know what the perforators had been used for.

One project that is planned to be undertaken by the Study Group as a cohesive group of collectors is to review and update the BNAPS Handbook on perfins and print a new edition when the review is complete. This is not a simple task and will take several years to do properly. The Study Group Executive has come up with a fairly simple, but comprehensive, questionnaire which will tell approximately when a perforator was used, possibly where, and what sort of stamps, revenues, etc. were perforated. The greater number of collectors who participate the greater the accuracy of the results, regardless of the number of perfins each collector has. There are significant differences in collections depending on where, when and for how long the perfins were collected. For those who might be worried, there will be no way to connect a questionnaire with a collector after they have all been received for there will not be any personal reference on them. We trust that the information will be accurate to the best of your ability.

The Executive encourages personal research and will assist where ever possible. The BNA Perforator is available for collectors to ask questions, propose theories and request assistance. When something new, or different, appears you are requested to share your discovery via the Perforator. If there is anything that you would like the Study Group to look into, or if you have recommendations for the direction of the Study Group please state your thoughts. There is no use for the Study Group if it does not assist you in your knowledge of perfins and hopefully in collecting them. The BNA Perforator is planned to be printed monthly so if you have any requests or articles please send them to the Editor and they will see print quickly. As the key is information, even paragraphs of several sentences are deemed valuable as they may start other collectors looking for what you learned or suspect.

I hope that you will participate in the Study Group and that it can assist you in your collecting perfins.


J.C. Johnson

Below is a copy of the Constitution that the study group will follow.

CONSTITUTION

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY PERFIN STUDY GROUP (1979)

OBJECTIVES:

To update the information in the 3rd Edition of the BNAPS Handbook on Canadian Perfins with the intention of eventually printing a 4th Edition.

To add information to that presently in the Perfins Handbook which is of interest to perfin collectors and other specialty fields.

To provide perfin collectors with a source where answers to Canadian perfin queries or problems may be found.

To promote perfins by assisting collectors in writing articles and perfin postal histories for philatelic journals and newspapers.

Where possible to encourage collectors to exhibit perfins at all levels of philatelic shows.

MEMBERSHIP:

Must be a member in good standing of BNAPS.

ORGANIZATION:

Will have two member Executive - Chairman and Secretary. The members holding Executive positions will be reviewed annually, in September, with positions being confirmed, withdrawn or appointed by a majority of the Study Group members. The Executive have the option of appointing a Newsletter Editor if they deem such a position advisable.

DUES:

Each member upon joining the Study Group will pay an initiation fee of two dollars (\$2.00) Canadian to the Secretary. Annual dues may be set by a majority of the Study Group members to cover expenses incurred by the Study Group (primarily postage). Annual dues will not be set prior to January 1, 1980, so an expenses trend can be established. Dues are not to be set such that an intended credit will be built up in the name of the Study Group.

AFFINITY WITH OTHER PHILATELIC SOCIETIES:

Will be in contact with other Philatelic Societies and their members, in the Study Group's name, to achieve the objectives listed above. The Study Group will accept research assistance from members of other Philatelic Societies. Whenever possible these people will be encouraged to join BNAPS and the Study Group officially.

EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY:

Secretary - control funds held to cover operating expenses and records and files of the Study Group. Both Secretary and Chairman will jointly direct the activity of the Study Group and either may correspond with third parties regarding Study Group business (Secretary to receive a copy of Chairman's correspondence for the files).

Indicate your first three preferences by number and others by check mark.

	1 General	2 Mint Singles	3 Used Singles	4 Blocks, mint or used	5 Plate Blocks (inscription)	6 Varieties	7 Covers	8 First Day Covers	9 First Flight Covers	10 Postal Stationery	11 Precancels	12 Perfins	13 Stampless & Pre-stamp covers	14 postal History	15 Proofs & essays	16 Revenues	17 Fakes & Forgeries	18 Cancellations	19 Philatelic Literature	20 Other - please write in
A British Columbia & Vancouver Island																				
B New Brunswick																				
C Newfoundland																				
D Nova Scotia																				
E Northwest Territory & Yukon																				
F Prince Edward Island																				
G Canada																				
H Pence Issues																				
I Cents Issues																				
J Large Queens																				
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Q George V																				
R George VI																				
S Elizabeth II																				
T 1967 Centennial Definitives																				
U Commemoratives																				
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t Hotel/Corner card covers																				
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EDITOR'S COMMENT

This first edition of the BNA PERFORATOR is complimentary. Only those collectors who are interested and return the study group's application form will receive the February and subsequent monthly editions.

This application is removable if you wish to use it.

**Application For Membership in the
BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY**

To: Edward J. Whiting, Secretary, 25 Kings Circle, Malvern, PA 19355, USA

I hereby apply for admission to membership in the BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY. One dollar (\$1.00) admission fee is remitted herewith, together with the required amount of dues as scheduled at the end of this application; this amount to be refunded to me, if my application is not accepted. My signature bears witness to my agreement to abide by and observe all rules and regulations of the Society.

NAME:

Mr. Miss
Mrs. Ms.

_____ (last name) (first name) (middle initial)

ADDRESS _____

(shortest street or box address to assure prompt mail delivery)

_____ (town) (state/province) (zip/post code)

IF A DEALER-BUSINESS NAME _____

I belong to the following philatelic societies (show your # also): _____

Have you ever been suspended, rejected or expelled by any philatelic organization? _____
(if "YES" give complete details on separate sheet)

Date of Birth: _____ My spouse's first name is _____

**PROPOSED BY Name (please print) _____

**SECONDED BY Name (please print) _____

BNAPS # _____

I have personally known this applicant for _____ years.

Signature of Proposer _____

BNAPS # _____

I have personally known this applicant for _____ years.

Signature of Seconder _____

IF APPLICATION IS NOT PROPOSED AND SECONDED BY BNAPS MEMBERS YOU MUST FURNISH TWO (2) PERSONAL CHARACTER REFERENCES:

Name _____ Connection in which known: _____

Address _____

Name _____ Connection in which known: _____

Address _____

I wish to enter into correspondence Yes No I wish to exchange Yes No

I wish to receive Sales Circuits Yes No I would like to write for TOPICS Yes No

INDICATE YOUR BNA COLLECTING INTERESTS ON THE REVERSE HEREOF. ALL ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETE AND ACCOMPANIED BY PROPER REMITTANCE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED.

Schedule of Fees and Dues: The "Amount of Remit" in the schedule below must accompany each application for Regular membership. Application for Life Membership must be accompanied by the dues of \$125.00 and \$1.00 admission fee.

Application sent in during:	Admission Fee	Dues	Amount to Remit
January, February, March	\$1.00	\$10.00	\$11.00
April, May, June	1.00	7.50	8.50
July, August, September	1.00	5.00	6.00
October, November, December	1.00	12.50*	13.50*

*Includes dues for following year.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____

**if blank 2 references are required

*optional

Date Received
published
Proposer
Seconder
Amount Received
Membership OK
Card Sent
No.

MEMBERSHIP

Memberships into the Canadian Perfin Study Group is restricted to British North America Philatelic Society (B.N.A.P.S.) members. However, you can become a subscriber without a B.N.A.P.S. membership. This means that as a subscriber you cannot vote or run for office in the study group and therefore a subscriber has no direct say in the direction that the group goes.

So why join the Canadian Perfin Study Group? So that you will have access to perfin information as it happens. Do you know that (a) a new Railway Perfin C20a has been located? (b) a new Swifts Perfin has been found? (c) there is a C26b Perfin? and more, like a four die perforator? But beside the information, you will have a chance to help write a new perfin handbook.

NON-B.N.A.P.S. MEMBERS

If you would like to become a member of the study group and you are not a member of B.N.A.P.S., please fill both application forms along with eleven (\$11.00) dollars for B.N.A.P.S. and two (\$2.00) dollars for the study group membership fee.

B.N.A.P.S. MEMBERS

If you are a B.N.A.P.S. member, fill the application below along with two (\$2.00) dollars membership fee.

SUBSCRIBERS

If you are only interested in becoming a subscriber, fill the application along with four (\$4.00) dollars for subscriber fees.

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LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL

STREET ADDRESS

CITY PROVINCE POSTAL CODE

PERFIN INTERESTS? _____

NAME AND MEMBERSHIP NUMBER OF TWO REFERENCES (COLLECTORS OR STAMP GROUPS):

I AM ENCLOSING MY MEMBERSHIP FEES (S) :

- (A) TO JOIN B.N.A.P.S. (U.S.) \$11.00 _____
- (B) TO JOIN THE STUDY GROUP (CAN.) \$ 2.00 _____
- (C) TO BECOME A SUBSCRIBER (CAN.) \$ 4.00 _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

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