



BNAPEX 2021 CONVENTION SURVEY

Results 2-7 September
Based on 56 Responses

Survey Commentary

The survey was conducted starting from 2 September and closed on 7 September. Thank you to the 56 respondents who provided feedback. The responses on the following pages provide insight to what a sample of people experienced at the Virtual convention – in the most part it would appear to be quite successful.

The first-place winners of the OneFrame, MultiFrame and Overall exhibits will be sent a prize of a BNAPEX show booklet of Picture Postage stamps in the mail sometime in October. Only one booklet will be awarded to an individual exhibit.

Q1: Favourite One Frame – Top 4 Listed

- 1 (16) - The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children's Christmas Appeals to 1926
- 2 (12) - Department of Finance 5-Hole OHMS Perfins (1923-1939)
- 3 (12) - Mail between Canada/BNA and Confederate States During U.S. Civil War (CW)
- 4 (11) - British Columbia Hospital Aid 1933

All other exhibits had 8 or fewer votes. (Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

Some Comments:

With many great exhibits on display, limiting the choice to only three was difficult.

All are very well done and help provide a spark to my staring to exhibit in the future.

Q2: Favourite Multi Frame – Top 5 Listed

- 1 (12) - Air Letters and Aerogrammes of Canada
- 2 (12) - The First Decimal Issue of Canada 1859-68
- 3 (12) - Canada's C-Force in Hong Kong & its Forerunner: From a Social Philately Approach
- 4 (9) - Usage of Canadian Karsh Definitive Stamps
- 5 (9) - Philately On The Rails

Three exhibits TIED for Favourite with 12 votes each
(Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

All other exhibits had 8 or fewer votes

Some Comments:

The ones selected have great research and are well presented.

Very nice

Q3: Favourite Overall Exhibit – Top 5 Listed

- 1 (9) - Mail between Canada/BNA and Confederate States During U.S. Civil War (CW)
- 2 (9) - The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children's Christmas Appeals to 1926
- 3 (8) - Canada's C-Force in Hong Kong & its Forerunner: From a Social Philately Approach
- 4 (7) - The First Decimal Issue of Canada 1859-68
- 5 (6) - Department of Finance 5-Hole OHMS Perfins (1923-1939)

Two exhibits TIED for Favourite with 9 votes each
(Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

With more exhibits to choose from in this question, the results are more dispersed
All other exhibits had 5 or fewer votes

Q4: Which meetings did you participate in

22 - AGM

17 - Judges Feedback

16 - Elizabeth II

13 - Digital Philately

12 - None, Fakes/Forgeries, Large/Small Queen

11 - Postal Stationary

10 - Admiral, George VI, Re-Entries, Raising Spirits

9 - Aerophilately, Fancy Cancel, Military Mail, Perfin

8 - Pence Cents, RPO

7 - FDC's

5 - Newfoundland

3 - Map Stamp

2 - Squared Circles

1 - BC Postal History, Precancel,
Revenues, WWII

0 - Dead Letter

12 People said they would either Not attend meetings, or had not when they did the survey

Comments

-Raising Spirits was a wonderful way to kick off the weekend. The back and forth of participants, the friendly banter, the exaggerated (?) animosity... all these things created an atmosphere I really was not expecting. I felt like I was in the hospitality room with everyone! This was only my second zoom since the outbreak began, and this one was a 100 percent improvement.

-Presentation by Mr McCarthy on "The Small Boats" was excellent.

-Raising spirits was a good way to get to know other members for a new member such as myself.

-Frankly, I was impressed with all of them. It seems that you/we can reach more people on ZOOM than we do with in-person presence at the seminars. Hands-on is impossible but with recorded meetings being available to members, it is possible to go back and review the material at leisure. The demonstrated scope and depth of knowledge available and the ability to diffuse it, is extraordinary

- I really enjoyed the opportunity to participate in so many

-I want to congratulate the BNAPEX Committee for all the hard work they put into the development of this virtual exhibition. From my point of view, it was very successful. I would like to know the Committee members' opinions regarding the organization and execution of a virtual exhibition.

- I look forward to attend next year's meeting 'in person' if we can overcome Covid.

Q5: Did you purchase from dealers during the show

16 - YES

40 - NO

Setting up an online dealer bourse is difficult and requires that the dealers are computerized which most are not. Maybe if we do this again this will be worked on.

Comments:

- Bill Longleys list sent most days. More active dealer participation would have been good.
- Needed an easier system to post single items ad hoc by the dealers and then people can just buy at a stated price.
- It was good except for the fact many only offered email contact. It meant not being able to see stock
- Checked out the list. Noted some new web sites. Will investigate later. Normally I spend time with each and every dealer at a show and try to spend a buck or two everywhere. Sometimes into the 100's. Decided my web time would be better spent with seminars and exhibits. I have been going over exhibits very thoroughly this year and that was pleasant. At a normal show a good number of exhibits only get a cursory look and I put my efforts into those that have particular interest to me personally, since I am also spending time at dealer tables and seminars.

Q6: Did you Enjoy the show? Or did you have problems

50 – Yes Enjoyed the show

33 – Yes the website worked great

36 – Yes I enjoyed the Virtual exhibits

1 – I had problems with the BNAPEX webpages

0 – I did Not enjoy the show

Comments:

-Great work on what was among the best virtual show platforms I've ever interacted with—might have been the best, honestly! Simple yet incredibly effective.

-For each session I attended, it was hard to find the page that had the zoom links; eventually I bookmarked the page and then it was easy.

- It's a nice option, but I very much prefer an in-person show

- I think the website was easy to navigate and the show was absolutely great. The coast-to-coast tour was magnificent.

- I thought the exhibits set up was very easy to use and allowed one to enlarge and look at material closely. The functioning was good and I spent a few enjoyable hours reading and learning from others efforts.

-nice to be able to view virtual, I would not otherwise be likely to attend.

-Would like to see a Virtual in the Spring each year, for just meetings over 3 days or so. Also, would like some like Large and Small Queens to be able to stay on for discussion after the stated time for as long as we liked. I am sure it would have gone on for many more hour's if people knew they could, usually the last one of each day that would not interfere with other meetings.

-This was the first virtual show I took part in, and I must say the experience was very, very positive. Congratulations to all involved who made the event possible. I do have one beef: I did not see a virtual program that would have indicated to me who was exhibiting what. I was also not pleased with the speed which the judges went through the awards considering they only used 1 and a half hours of the two hours allotted. They flew through the medals and I was not sure at the end who won what level. The special awards were a bit easier to follow. I was not too concerned at the time and figured I would pick up more info at the critique, which I did, but that was far from complete. All that said I thought that the Palmares would have been posted by now.

Q7: Have you exhibited anywhere before

20 – Never Exhibited

21 – Club Level

15 – Regional

22 – National

6 - International

Comments:

There is a good mix of respondents, with 30% never exhibiting before, and 35% having exhibited at the National level or higher.

Q8: Are you a member of any of these organizations

46 – BNAPS
28 – RPSC
20 – PHSC
14 – CPS of GB
15 – PSSC
16 – APS
9 – AAPE
3 - None

Others mentioned:

RPSL, SOSSI, Christmas Seals, NSSC, RPO Study Group, Winnipeg Philatelic Society, Dutch Society for USA and Canada Philately, ATA, NTSC, SHPQ, Vermont Phil Soc

Q9: Will you attend BNAPEX 2022 in Calgary

39 - Yes

17 - No

Comments:

5 - Distance/Too far

2 - School/Work

- Too soon to know

Q10: Do you want the Free Survey Cover

47 - Yes

9 - No

The priceless Survey covers have in the most part gone in the mail by the end of September, so most of you should have them anytime now.