

OFFICIAL POST OFFICE EQUIPMENT USED AT THE OLYMPICS

Jet Spray Printer (JSP) machine cancellations – 3 different wordings.
Used on regular JSP equipment on six machines in Vancouver
and occasionally on the one machine in Victoria.

Rectangular date stamps for use at Station Forces facilities in Vancouver
and Whistler and at the Olympic Village in Vancouver.

Circular CANADA POST 36 mm date stamp with Olympic symbols
Use at 32 post offices throughout British Columbia.

Square undated hand stamps depicting 24 Olympic events –
Dated 2010 02 12-28 available at site and Vancouver main.

Square undated hand stamps for 11 Paralympic events –
Dated 2010 03 12-21 available at site and Vancouver main.

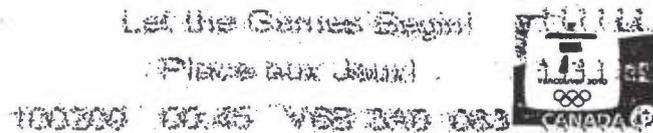
JET SPRAY PRINTES

Three different slogan were used between February 8 and March 27 at Vancouver –
machines 080 to 085 and Victoria machine 118.

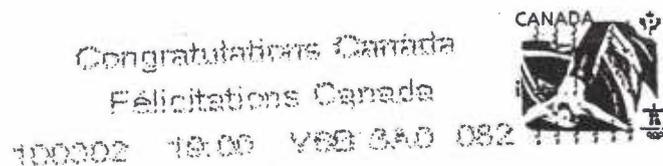
Most slogans are relatively scarce as the volume of mail decreased during the Olympics.

Let the Games Begin!

10 02 08 to 10 02 22

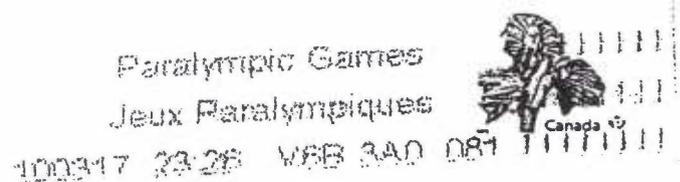
Congratulations Canada

10 02 24 to 10 03 05

Paralympic Games

10 03 12 to 10 03 19 Vancouver

10 03 22 to 10 03 24 Victoria



Note the Fraud – Prevent it! slogan was also starting 10 03 04

April 2011

Olympics In The Lobby—A Gold Stamp

To help celebrate the 2010 Winter Olympic Games and Paralympic Games Canada Post created a series of unique cancellations featuring various events and locations. The cancellations proved to be a real attraction as noted below.

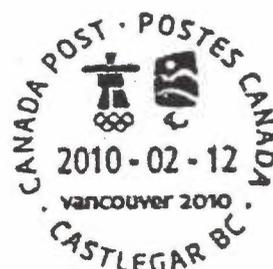
Visitors, athletes and Canadians created constant traffic in the lobby of the Main Post Office in Downtown Vancouver during the recent Olympic Games—to buy their stamps, cards and other retail items. But a surprise was in store! A big attraction were the 24 unique Olympic Cancellation stamps—one for each winter sport. The table was manned daily by volunteers from the Van-Fraser Heritage Club supervised by Bill Bartlett and Ruby Regts, Manager Retail Support. We had Latvians, Poles, Russians, Serbs, Americans, Italians, Swiss, Swedes and many others—even classes of school children and numerous stamp dealers, all happily stamping the unique Olympic Cancellations onto their mail, t-shirts, on shopping bags and even a passport or two. The Postmistress of Rolling Hills, Alberta and Postmasters from Saskatchewan and Ontario came by also. It was extremely busy, it was fun and a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I was pleased to take part in it.

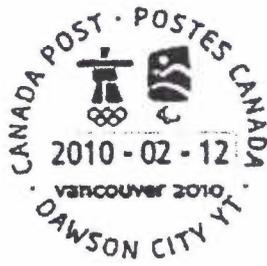
Patricia Treadwell
Van-Fraser Heritage Club



Jim and Diane Bain at the Olympic Cancellation Table.

In addition to the 24 cancellations for the Winter Olympics there were 11 created for the Paralympic Winter Games. Vancouver Stn D also had a number of these cancellations available.

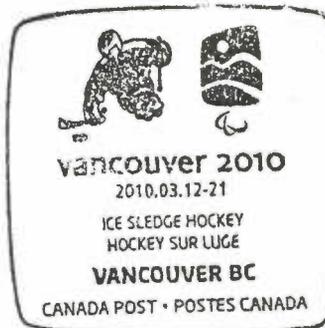




OLYMPIC EVENTS COMMEMORATIVE HAND STAMPS

35 hand stamps each featuring a different Olympic events were produced for use at the Vancouver Main Post Office as well as the event site and at the temporary Post Offices set up at the Olympic Villages. The hand stamps can be divided into two sets, 24 for the Olympic Games and 11 for the Paralympics. Each hand stamp featured the Olympic symbol and a stylized design depicting the event. Once the Olympics were finished the hand stamps were sent to Ottawa for storage.

-  OLYMPIC OPENING AND CLOSING CEREMONY
BC Place
-  OLYMPIC VICTORY CEREMONIES
BC Place / Whistler Medals Plaza
-  OLYMPIC VILLAGE
Vancouver
-  OLYMPIC VILLAGE
Whistler
-  ALPINE SKIING
Whistler Creekside
-  BIATHLON
Whistler Olympic Park
-  BOBSLEIGH
The Whistler Sliding Centre
-  CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING
Whistler Olympic Park
-  CURLING
Vancouver Olympic Centre
-  FIGURE SKATING
Pacific Coliseum
-  FREESTYLE SKIING
Cypress Mountain
-  ICE HOCKEY
Canada Hockey Place/
UBC Thunderbird Arena
-  LUGE
The Whistler Sliding Centre
-  NORDIC COMBINED
Whistler Olympic Park
-  SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING
Pacific Coliseum
-  SKELETON
The Whistler Sliding Centre
-  SKI JUMPING
Whistler Olympic Park
-  SNOWBOARD
Cypress Mountain
-  SPEED SKATING
Richmond Olympic Oval



Olympic commemorative hand stamps - continued

-  **PARALYMPIC OPENING CEREMONY**
BC Place
-  **PARALYMPIC CLOSING CEREMONY**
Whistler Medals Plaza
-  **PARALYMPIC VICTORY CEREMONIES**
Whistler Medals Plaza
-  **PARALYMPIC VILLAGE**
Vancouver
-  **PARALYMPIC VILLAGE**
Whistler
-  **ALPINE SKIING**
Whistler Creekside
-  **BIATHLON**
Whistler Paralympic Park
-  **CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING**
Whistler Paralympic Park
-  **ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY**
UBC Thunderbird Arena
-  **WHEELCHAIR CURLING**
Vancouver Paralympic Centre



IS THERE MORE ?

Canada Post appears to have issued at least 50 different pieces of cancelling equipment to help advertise the Olympics. Many of the items were released with out notice and it is quite possible that some of the equipment was never used unless asked for by a collector. With the exception of the Jet Spray Equipment very few examples of the markings appear to have been used on commercial and most of the event hand stamps were sent to the Postal Archives for storage immediately after the games. Hopefully the above information is more or less complete but editor would appreciate obtaining copies of unlisted material

OLYMPIC VILLAGE POST OFFICES

Three Post Offices were established to serve the Olympic athlete and security staff. They were located at Athlete Village Vancouver, Station Forces Jericho and Station Forces Whistler.

ATHLETIC VILLAGE
V5Y 08A

STATION FORCES



PH - BRIAN DUFF - 726 - 084-4613
collect@direct.ca

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2009-2010

Surplus from previous year \$1048.00

Dues

Dues @ \$15 x 25 375.00

@ \$ 8 x 5 40.00

1463.00

BNA grant 192.00

1665.00

News letters 320 @ \$2.00 640.00

Dues carry over \$7 x 25 175.00

815.00

Surplus 815.00

Net Surplus 850.00

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Dues are payable to the Editor

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Vancouver, BC, V6P 5K2, Canada

DUES –

Dues notices have been included with this News Letter.

Dues are \$8.00 for 1 year and \$15.00 for 2 years \$US/Can

If you received a dues notice please return the notice
with a check made out to Bill Topping.

MEMBERS 2010

Abel, Don

Anstead, Chris

Au, Lillian *

Baldassi, Joanne

Beattie, Morris

Brisse, Francois

Brown, Frances

Crawford, Don

Cheramy, John

Cooper, Tracy

Coutts, Cecil

Covert, Earle

Danells, Fred *

Dees, Barry

Ellison, Ken

Ford, Harold

Forester, Robert

Fralick, Peter

Frick, Shirley Ann

Hedley, Matt

Jacobi, Peter

Joyner, William

Kaye, Donald B.

Keenlyside, John

Knierim, Gus*

Klus, David

Leitch, Malcolm

Liaskas, Bill

Loughlan, Duane

McGuinness, Rob

McNulty, Bill

Miller, Jim

Mowat, Robin

Murray, Doug

O'Kane, Jackie

O'Reilly, Kevin

Pekonen, Bill

Piercey, David

Plain, Brian C.

Price, Alex

Robinson, Bill

Sagar, Mike

Searle, Graham *

Scott, Andrew

Scrimgeour, Gray

Smith, Joseph M.

Spencer, R.A.

Sullivan, Arlene

Topping, Bill

Warwaryick, Bill

Wood, Geof

Woodland, Tim

Young, Alan M.

CATALOGUE OF WESTERN CANADIAN SHIP WAY LETTER CANCELLATIONS

The new Catalogue of Western Canadian Ship Way Letter Cancellations is an update of the ship section of the earlier Catalogue of Canadian Railway Cancellations produced in 1982 by Lewis M. Ludlow and is intended to be used in conjunction with the recently published updated Catalogue of Catalogue of Canadian Railway Cancellations edited by Ross Gray. The catalogue includes close to 350 separate listings almost double the number of listings appearing in the earlier work.

The ship markings are arranged alphabetically by the ship's name followed by the name of the operating company. For added interest a one or two line entry providing background information on the ship is included. The wording on each hand stamp is provided and the markings are assigned an alpha / numeric identification number based on date of introduction and the shape of the marking. A cross reference to the Ludlow identification numbers is provided. Where two or more markings have identical wording measurements are used to distinguish between what appear to be identical hand stamps. The period of use each hand stamp, based on 40 years of records, is included as well as a five step "A" thru "E" rarity factor. Where less than five copies of a marking are known the number of reported markings is provided after the letter "E".

A companion work for Eastern Canada is reaching the final stages of preparation and hopefully will be published in the near future.

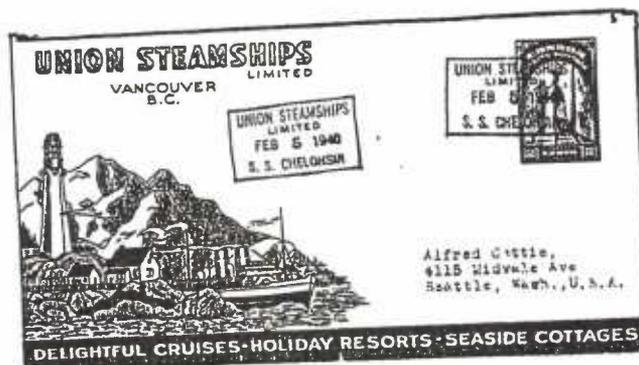
CATALOGUE OF WESTERN CANADIAN

SHIP WAY LETTER CANCELLATIONS AND RELATED SHIP POSTAL MARKINGS

Available from;

Bill Topping
7430 Angus Dr.
Vancouver, BC
V6P 5K2

\$20 plus
postage



CPR Time Table No 13 Oct. 15, 1906 – Sirdar Section - thanks to Alex Price.

Note hand written note between Aldridge and Tochtly “mile 27.0 Kings box Spur – Kingsville”

The June 14, 1908 shows “Kingtank” as a watering stop but is not in the May 2, 1909 timetable.

TIME TABLE No. 13. OCT. 15th. 1906.

WESTBOUND TRAINS INFERIOR DIRECTION			Miles from Cranbrook Telegraph Office.	SIRDAR SECTION STATIONS	Telegraph calls	EASTBOUND TRAINS SUPERIOR DIRECTION	
THIRD CLASS 81	FIRST CLASS 7 5					FIRST CLASS 6 8	
Freight Daily	Passenger Daily	Passenger Daily				Passenger Daily	Passenger Daily
3.00		10.25	0.0	Cranbrook	W C K	15.30	
3.20		10.41	2.4	Loco		15.17	
3.45		10.52	5.4	Swansea		15.07	
4.00		11.04	9.6	Cline	W	14.51	
4.25		11.20	14.2	Moyle	M O	14.45	
4.45		11.26	19.8	Aldridge		14.28	
5.15		11.43	21.0	Tochtly		14.09	
5.40		11.53	24.0	Ryan	S M	13.56	
6.05		12.05	27.0	Yahk	W	13.42	
6.12		12.09	31.3	Goatfell	C U	13.29	
6.45		12.21	35.7	Kitchener	W S G	12.51	
7.15		12.51	40.8	McNeillie		12.26	
7.40		13.10	45.9	Erickson		12.13	
7.55		13.16	51.1	Creston	W H R	12.04	
8.15		13.23	56.4	Wilkes		11.50	
8.45		13.33	61.7	Sirdar	W B Y	11.31	14.30
9.15	10.30	13.50	67.0	Sirdar Jct.		11.25	14.25
	10.35	13.55	72.3	Kootenay Ldg.	K	11.20	14.20

Handwritten note: Eastbound 3.5 - Kingsville

CANADA GAZETTE - July 1, 1908 – Post Offices Established

THE FOLLOWING NEW POST OFFICES WERE ESTABLISHED IN CANADA ON THE 1st JULY, 1906.

NAME OF POST OFFICE.	TOWNSHIP OR PARISH.	ELECTORAL COUNTY AND PROVINCE OR TERRITORY.	POSTMASTER.
Fish Creek	Sec. 18, Tp. 42A, R. 1, W. 3rd M.	Humboldt... Sask.	Joseph Brancanier.
Fort George		Yale-Cariboo... B.C.	John H. Reid.
Geysir (re-opened 8th July, '05)		Selkirk... M.	Paul Holdarsson.
Green Harbor (re-opened)	Shelburne	Shelburne & Quon's... N.S.	Thomas Ross Enslow.
Kensington Prairie		New Westminster... B.C.	T. J. Woods.
Kingsville (opened 15th June)		Kootenay... B.C.	M. B. King.
Lobenthal (opened 15th June)	Sec. 20, Tp. 19, R. 10, W. 3rd M.	Assiniboia West... Sask.	Peter K. Funk.

CANADA GAZETTE - May 1, 1907 – Offices Closed

OFFICES CLOSED.

Chickney	County of Qu'Appelle, Sask.	Closed 30th April, 1907.
Harwood	" Vaudreuil, Q.	Closed 1st May, 1907.
Kingsville	" Kootenay, B.C.	Closed 19th April, 1907.
Millbrook	" Selkirk, M.	Closed 22nd April, 1907.
Montigny	" Labelle, Q.	Closed 25th April, 1907.
Montmartre	" Qu'Appelle, Sask.	Closed 13th April, 1907.
Someos	" Nanaimo, B.C.	Closed 11th April, 1907.