

BNAPS eLetter

July 2020 v1n7

BNAPS Election of Officers/Directors 2020

In about two weeks you'll receive your BNAPS Election materials in the mail. You can return the ballot that's in the envelope or you can vote online via the BNAPS website and save some postage. Directions for voting are on the back of the paper ballot.

BNAPS Zoom Account

BNAPS has its own Zoom subscription and it's available to all Regional and Study Groups. <u>Dave Bartlet</u> and <u>Charles Livermore</u> are coordinating the use of the account. Get in touch with either of them before scheduling your meeting.

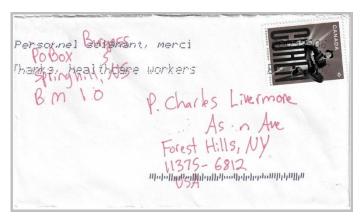
In June, the following Regional Groups used Zoom to hold meetings: Calgary, Golden Horseshoe (44 members in attendance), and the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic combined. The LQSQ and Newfoundland Study Groups also held meetings. Some talks from these meetings are now available on the BNAPS website. As permissions are obtained additional talks will be posted.

Covid Philately

While Covid has disrupted the philatelic community, it has also provided philatelic opportunities. Noted is an inkjet slogan, (illustrated above right) a thank you to healthcare workers. This started appearing in early May of this year. How many locations are using it – early and late usages?

A somewhat bizarre item is illustrated below.

Charlie Livermore purchased a number of post office publications from Bill Longley. When Bill arrived at the post office they didn't want him licking the stamps necessary to mail the envelope. The answer was to insert the cancelled but un-licked stamps into a transparent envelope and scotch tape it to the mailing envelope. And, here are those stamps, cancelled but fully gummed. It's a wonder the stamps didn't fall







from the glassine holder as one end was completely open. Unfortunately, as with much of mail from

Canada, there are no post office marks on the envelope – neither cancellations from Canada – nor receivers from the US.

There's a great video on Covid philately by Jean Wang on Youtube. She gave the talk at the North Toronto Stamp Club at their first Virtual meeting (June 6).

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JxybLIrNwfc&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR1jIF8-p6zvIxVO0L8KsFVVFBgVhXU3JC1Hd76Y38lvdLIH7wuF4qJdK0Q

July 1 and July 4

What with July 1, being Canada Day and July 4, being the US Independence Day Eldon Godfrey thought the cover below appropriate for the July eletter.



The cover commemorates the Treaty of Ghent, concluded in 1814, and celebrates the "World's Most Peaceful Border". The reverse has the words from George Washington's first inaugural address.



Why 10 Centimes?

Malcolm Black wants to know: "how/why [would the following cover] get a 10 centimes T stamping?" Point of origin unknown except it has a North Bay



and S.S.Marie RPO cancel dated My 25, 54. It was mailed to Yorkshire England underpaid and was Taxed 2¢ (location unknown) and then stamped (T 10 Centimes.)

A Distinguished Career - Nursing

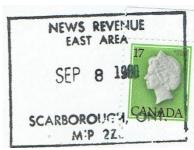
Above we spoke of COVID. Malcolm Montgomery writes from Wales of the need for nurses in the UK following the end of World War II and the start of the National Health Service in 1948. "I don't have an immediate BNA contribution to hand, but thought that the enclosed (the above nursing cover) might amuse (it really has nothing to do with BNA, but the slogan



postmark is quite relevant to our present situation and demonstrates how history repeats itself and how we could perhaps have learned from situations 80 years ago!). It also provided an answer to a minor puzzle for me ... how much of the correspondence from the trans-Atlantic liners included notes of gratitude from outbound passengers to their erstwhile hosts for flowers and gifts waiting in their cabins? Now I know ... it was a thriving business. Some words of

explanation follow: Southampton to Dublin, 25th May 1948. A number of factors including the return to prewar occupations and the need to encourage nursing recruitment as the nation moved towards the formation of the National Health Service on 5th July 1948, inspired the issue of a slogan handstamp in May of that year that has a particular resonance today. The illustration is of a letter prepaid a penny, the rate for printed matter weighing less than two ounces from 1st May 1940, sent by a flower seller in Southampton (presumably once enclosing an account) the stamp cancelled by the 'Nursing' slogan. The envelope itself also has interest, advertising the means by which flowers could be sent to departing passengers. The illustration itself is a reminder of the artwork of the time, and the address is most unusual, the typist using a green type-writer ribbon. Perhaps the slogan should be resurrected?"

A Readers Question -- News Revenue



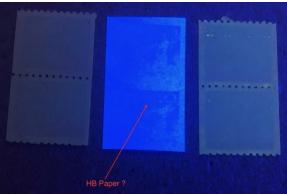
I am taking you up on your offer to send along an item that puzzles me. I recognize that this handstamp was probably not intended for use as a cancel rather was probably intended for use on Canada Post's internal documentation thus its use is 'accidental'. What puzzles me is the phrase 'News Revenue' as I have not encountered that before and wonder what service the reference refers to. It was used in Scarborough at a Canada Post facility on Progress Ave. Coincidentally I happened to live in that area at the time, but I recently discovered this piece in an accumulation I was given. Respond to: Bill Aaroe baaroe@telus.net

And François Deschamps writes:

I have this Imperf pair of Canada #1395iii which I think maybe a fake but I can't tell for sure. I have attached a few pics but basically the stamp design looks identical when compared to a regular issue. I

could not find any flaws with the design. The only thing is that the ink on the imperf might be a little darker. Now, when put to the UV light, this is where





I find it a little more suspicious. The paper for the imperf seem like HB paper and the Tagging is much



lighter in color. It also shows rounded corners of the tagging. Any help with this would be great!
Respond to: Francois Deschamps
frankydi.intldotcom@gmail.com

The Triangular Avalon



Member John Cranmer says, "I have a copy of the article that Paul Binney wrote in 2012 about the Triangular Avalon markings but nothing more recent than that. My collecting interest is Canada mainly KG6 and the WW2 in particular. This includes Canadian forces abroad. I have just found this example on a cover dated 1942. In Binney's article he describes 4 sub-types of the type2 Avalon

cachet. This one however appears to fit between type 2a with



only 1 cut and 2b with 5. It clearly does not have the large cut in the base but has 2 cuts on the left and one on the right. There are no markings, dates or return address on the reverse." If you have information on this mark write to John at: john.cranmer@ntlworld.com

Evil Emails – Be alert to them

They come in many forms. Recently, a number of members received the following email supposedly from Ken

From: Ken Lemke < pres. org@sianuia.com>
Date: June 24, 2020 at 5:05:08 AM EDT
To: Subject: BNAPS PRESIDENT REQUEST
Reply-To: Ken Lemke < pres. org@sianuia.com>
Hello Barry,

Are you available to assist? I am out of the State now and I've got credence in you to take care of this.I would have called your phone but I presently do not have access to my mobile phone.

British North America Philatelic Society (BNAPS) needs some gift cards for donation to Veterans at Hospice and Palliative care units for preventive items against Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19).

I have decided to make it a personal duty. I will be responsible for the reimbursement.

Ken Lemke - President.
BNAPS.

Lemke, the BNAPS President. It is requesting help in giving donations to a veterans' organization. When you receive requests for money BE ALERT. Note that the email given (yellow arrow) is not Ken's, a dead give-away that it's a fake email. Many of our emails are out in the public and found easily by a clever cheat (even a not so clever cheat). So whether by email, phone or in-person be suspicious of people asking for money.

The eLetter is published by the BNAPS

Membership Committee. The goal of the eLetter is to publish information about projects on which members are working, to highlight online resources of interest and to assist members in seeking the help of others. Philip Atelic is looking for biographies of BNAPS members. If you know of

someone who has an interesting story to tell let us know. If you have an illustration and a short explanation send it along. Contact email: charleslivermore@hotmmail.com