



BNAPS eLetter

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BNAPS Meetings

While it's true we're not meeting in-person this year at least two meetings are required by our Policy and Procedures Manual – the Board of Directors' meeting and the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The Board meeting is scheduled for 12:30pm (Eastern Time) on Saturday, September 5th via the BNAPS Zoom account. The meeting is open to the BNAPS membership. Directors, Officers and Appointed Officials will automatically receive an invitation to this meeting. Others who wish to attend should notify me by email and I will email a Zoom invitation to you.

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for 12:30pm (Eastern Time) on Sunday, September 6th. All BNAPS members are welcome to attend this meeting. Directors, Officers and Appointed Officials will automatically receive an invitation to this meeting. Again, if you wish to attend please notify me by email and I will email a Zoom invitation to you.

BNAPS Election

This is a BNAPS election year and, by now, you should have received your election packet. Because of COVID there is a delay in post office deliveries. Printed ballots need to be in the hands of the election committee by August 15. Insure your vote counts - vote electronically at BNAPS.ORG. There is a link on the home page to the election.

Why 10 Centimes? (from last month)

Both Richard Johnson and Mike Street had answers as to why this envelope had a rate of 10 centimes. Here's one of the answers. "The answer to Malcolm Back's query about the taxed letter to the UK is that on 1 April 1954 the surface rate from Canada to the UK was increased from 4¢ to 5¢ for the first oz., so almost two months later this letter was underpaid by 1¢. The postage due charge was double the deficiency, so a postal clerk wrote "Tax 2¢". When the letter arrived at the international dispatch office in Montreal the 2¢Cdn was converted to the Universal Postal Union standard of centimes, at the then current rate of 1¢Cdn = 5 centimes, and the T/10 CENTIMES handstamp was applied. Once in England Royal Mail converted the 10 centimes to 2d sterling and the 2d British postage due stamp was added. A nice modern piece of postal history with a good story." *Editor's note – My apologies to Malcolm Back – I attributed his query to Malcolm Black.*



APS Virtual Stamp Show – August 17-22

For more information and free registration. <https://stamps.org/> and a link to the list of speakers: <https://stamps.org/news/c/start-collecting/cat/virtual-stamp-show/post/featured-speakers-confirmed-for-virtual-stamp-show>

For August Swimmers

Sharks and summer seem to go together. I was rummaging through some of my stamp piles and came across the following.

In 1975, the movie *Jaws* kept a lot of people out of the Water. At Pacific '97 philately didn't suffer the same fate when Canada Post issued a stamp with the Great White Shark. Here's an unposted, unaddressed first day cover from that San Francisco show. Envelope is 14 inches by 7 inches (350mm x 177mm).



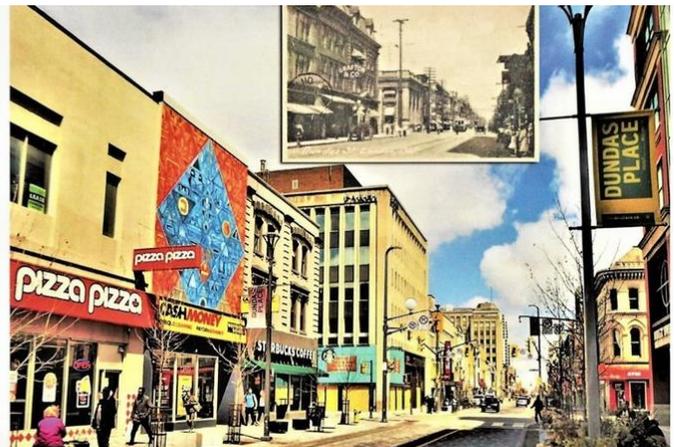
Removing the shark from the envelope, it unfolds to reveal an invitation to the unveiling of the four ocean fish (#1641-1644) and the stamps themselves. My recollection is that Canada Post gave these away as invitations but you had to buy and apply the stamps yourself.



Corona Philately

There were two lovely additions to Corona Philately received. The first was from Dick Staecker.

He writes: For several years I have published view cards ordered at Canada Post Picture Postcard with scenes from London, Ontario with a scan of old postcards inserted. I have sent them to family members and collector friends. In your latest eLetter you mentioned philatelic items related to COVID-19 and so I sought you may find



one of my cards of interest for your eLetter. On this card is a photo I took May 1, at the main corner Dundas Street and Richmond Street downtown London, the busiest corner on a normal Friday as shown on the inserted view card from 1919. But the photo shows a very quiet scene because of the virus all stores were closed at that time.

The second addition is from Robert Thorne. A listing of health care slogans. If you have additions to the list get in touch with Bob at - Bob Thorne bobthorne70@gmail.com

HEALTH CARE SLOGAN

Personnel soignant, merci

Thanks, healthcare workers

SCANS can be provided

Listing is by Province and is being prepared on Canada Day 2020.

All dates are from 2020. Before dates are for non-slogan Inkjets.

Of course other machines could exist. Toronto has 45 machines that could use the slogan and Montreal has 30 machines.

Many of the other machines are used for local sortation only and occasionally as a back-up during service or extra volumes of mail.

Newfoundland

Saint John's A1B

Machine 3855 – Should exist

Nova Scotia

Halifax B3K

	Before	Early	Late
Machine 3757	May 1	May 1	May 12

Quebec

Montreal H4T

	Before	Early	Late
Machine 3878	April 27	May 5	June 3
Machine 3879	May 1	May 5	May 12
Machine 3880	April 22	May 2	May 14
Machine 3881	April 20	May 1	May 6
Machine 3884	April 18	May 5	
Machine 3886	April	May 11	

Ontario

Toronto M4L

	Before	Early	Late
Machine 3801	April 28	May 5	May 12
Machine 3802	May 1	May 5	May 14
Machine 3803	April 29	May 2	May 8
Machine 3804	April 30	May 1	May 13
Machine 3805	April 25	May 7	May 14
Machine 3806	May 1	May 1	May 9
Machine 3807	April 29	May 4	May 14
Machine 3808	May 1	May 2	May 12
Machine 3809	April 30	May 6	May 13
Machine 3810	April 30	May 4	May 13
Machine 3824	March 19	May 3	May 13
Machine 3829	April 19	May 4	

Machine 3830	April 23	May 7	May 8
Machine 3916	April 28	May 10	

Thunder Bay P7B

Machine 3782	Before March 29	Early May 5	Late
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Manitoba

Winnipeg R3C

Machine 3761	Before April 7	Early May 13	Late
Machine 3763	April 22	May 6	
Machine 3764	April 24	May 8	
Machine 3766	April 24	May 5	

Saskatchewan

Regina S4P

Machine 3797	Before April 30	Early May 5	Late May 13
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Saskatoon

Machine 3966	Before April 30	Early May 4	Late May 11
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Alberta

Calgary T2E

Machine 3926	Before April 30	Early May 2	Late May 6	
Machine 3927	May 1	May 1	May 7	9.5 hours between before & early

Edmonton T5L

Machine 3932	Before April 30	Early May 1	Late May 13
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British Columbia

Vancouver V7B

Machine 3704	Before May 1	Early May 1	Late May 5	10 hours between before & early
Machine 3712	Dec 2019	May 4		
Machine 3713	April 14	May 8		
Machine 3714	April 30	May 5	May 12	
Machine 3715	April 29	May 4	May 13	
Machine 3716	April 30	May 1	May 14	
Machine 3717	May 1	May 1	May 13	2 hours between before & early
Machine 3907	April 30	May 4	May 13	

Newfoundland

The BNAPS website has an incredible variety of resources for collectors. The address for all the material posted is: <http://www.bnaps.org/ore/ore-index.htm>

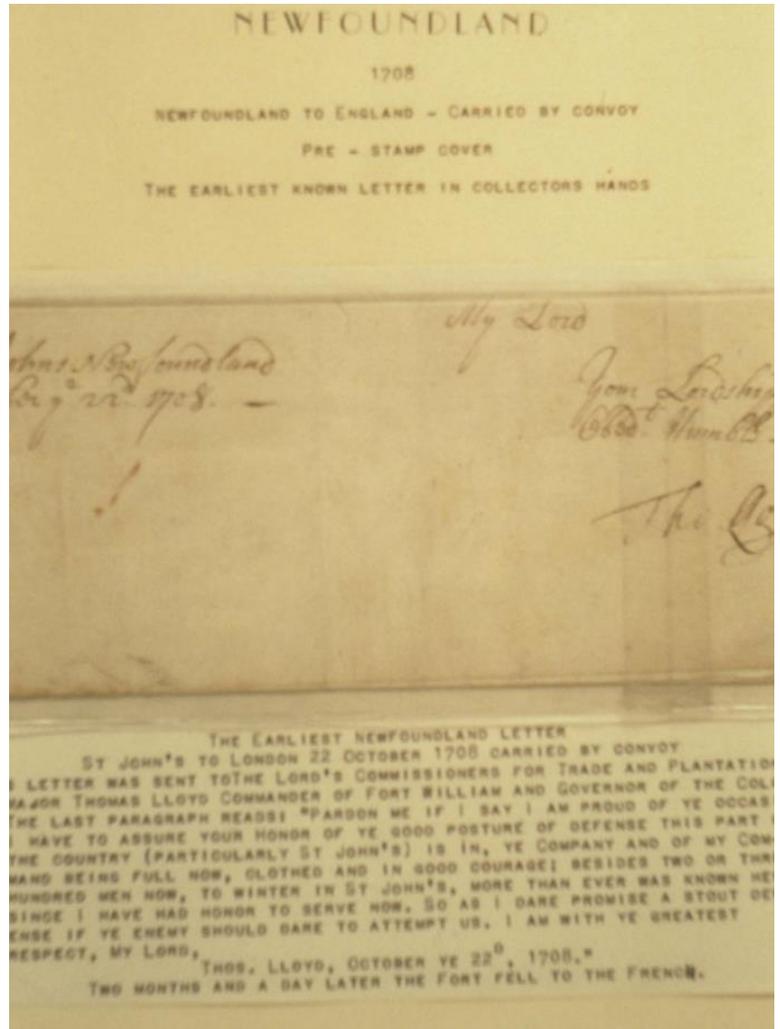
This eLetter is highlighting the [Slides of the Robert H. Pratt Newfoundland collection](#) –

Pratt photographed over 4,000 items in his collection for insurance purposes - not for archival purposes. Thus, the quality of some of the illustrations is wanting. That said the collection provides an incredible wealth of information for the Newfoundland collector.

The original slides of the Pratt Newfoundland collection are owned by the Collectors Club of Chicago and were digitized by BNAPS and assembled by subject matter and stamp issue into approximately 30 pdf files by John M. Walsh and posted on his website.

There are two files of Canadian material covering the early issues and revenue stamps.

It should be noted that John was also responsible for scanning all of the early issues of *BNATopics* that are on our website



Virtual Stamp Show

Consider entering an exhibit in the Virtual Stamp Show. Deadline is August 12. APS, ATA and AFDCS are sponsoring. It's scheduled online for August 17-22. No fee for entering. For more information.

<https://stamps.org/news/c/news/cat/news/post/introducing-the-virtual-stamp-show-free-registration-open-now>

Whether you are an experienced or first time exhibitor, the Virtual Stamp Show is open to your presentations in our one of a kind, online showcase. Your exhibit can be from one to eight pages long, covering any area of philately that stokes your passion for stamp collecting!

Publication Information.

The eLetter is published by the BNAPS Membership Committee. The goal is to publish monthly. 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 one or two sentence explanation send it along. Contact email: charleslivermore@hotmail.com. Previous eLetters were published with two columns. Any comments pro or con for the new format are welcome?