



BNAPS eLetter

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BNAPS 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) Sep 6 12:30pm (Eastern Time)

Here is the link to the meeting. The link will be open starting at noon.

<https://zoom.us/j/92143362076?pwd=OXILT1JUdVBybDB3UHZGcUFnU20zUT09>

If you wish to attend the Board of Directors meeting send an email request to [Charles Livermore, BNAPS Secretary](#).

Here is a link to an introductory video on how to use Zoom.

https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkOhdTVHRqpgg_Vhk27g0z29BcWZlg?e=zFA6ae

BNAPS Awards - 2020

Here are the awards that would have been presented at the 2020 BNAPEX in Halifax.

John S. Siverts Award. This award is presented annually to the editor of the most informative Study Group newsletter published during the previous calendar year. For 2019, the award is presented to:

Andrew Scott, editor. The BC Postal History Newsletter.

Ritch Toop Memorial Award. This award is presented for the best military article, monograph or book published anywhere in the previous year. For 2019, the award is presented to:

Jonathan C. Johnson, OTB "WWI Canadian Army Nursing Sisters Serving Overseas", BNAPS Exhibits Series No. 105 (published 2019)

Vincent G. Greene Award. In April 1947, Vincent G. Greene donated a trophy to be presented annually to the author of the best article or series of articles appearing in *BNA Topics in the previous year*. For 2019, the award is presented to:

Alexander Globe for his pair of articles appearing during 2019:

“Canada’s Post Office in the 1850s, and its multiple 4-ring stamp obliterators featuring the same number” *BNA Topics*, 76#1, pp. 5-14 (2019) and: **“Canada’s Post Office in 1869, and its multiple 2-ring stamp obliterators with the same number”** *BNA Topics*, 76#3, pp. 28-37 (2019).

Jack Levine Fellowship Award. Created in 1993, the Jack Levine Fellowship Award recognizes one or more “spark plugs” who have made major contributions to the success of a regional group. It is named in honour of Jack Levine who founded BNAPS in 1943 and was its Secretary until he passed away on 4 October 1974.

Mark Oakley of the Pacific Northwest Regional Group.

The Order of the Beaver Lifetime Achievement Awards

The Order of the Beaver (the BNAPS honorary society) is pleased to announce that the following individuals are receiving the **Lifetime Achievement Award** for their contributions to philately. The full citation of their contributions will be available in *BNATopics* on the BNAPS website.

Dean Mario – Dean has edited the newsletter of the Military Study Group for 25 years producing in that time an amazing total of 1, 480 pages of text and images. He has also been a prolific writer, with a total of 69 citations in the Horace W. Harrison Library Online Search between 1991 and today: 13 in *BNA Topics*, 43 in *Maple Leaves*, the journal of the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain, and 13 in the Postal History Society of Canada *Journal*. These are over and above the many articles he has contributed to the Canadian Military Mail Study Group *Newsletter*. In 1997 Dean received the John S. Siverts Award given annually to the editor of the best Study Group newsletter. In 2001 Dean received the V.G. Greene award for the best article in BNA TOPICS

Ian Kimmerly - Ian Kimmerly started collecting stamps at the age of 14. He began writing a weekly philatelic column for the Ottawa Citizen from 1976 until 1983. From 1983 until 1990 he wrote the weekly philatelic column for the Toronto Globe and Mail. Ian was made an Honorary Life Member of the Ottawa Philatelic Society in 2011, and was honoured as the Distinguished Philatelist of the year by ORAPEX in 2012. The tribute to Ian in the 2012 ORAPEX show program stated, “A very important aspect of Ian Kimmerly’s contribution to BNA philately, and philately in general, is and has been his willingness to mentor and support collectors and philatelists, and especially younger members of the community.” Ian, supported by Brian Wolfenden, was the retail sales agent for the BNAPS Book Department from 2004 to 2019.

Ralph Trimble - Ralph formed the Canadian Re-Entry Study Group in 1981 and published the group’s first newsletter in October of that year. As happens with most study group newsletters, Ralph was the sole contributor for many of the early issues. His first article in *BNA Topics* in 1982, entitled “A Major Discovery on the Five Cent Edward”, showed the meticulous attention to detail needed to pursue this specialized area of philately. Ralph has also been active in other aspects of Canadian philately. He was President of the Philatelic Specialist Society of Canada (PSSC) for two terms, a total of 13 years from 1996 to 2014, and also serves on the Expertizing Committee of the Vincent Graves Greene Philatelic Research Foundation. In 2006 Ralph was elected a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

Apologies

Apologies are in order to C.A. Stillions regarding the appearance of the Pratt Newfoundland slides on the BNAPS Website. Getting Pratt’s original 35mm slides into machine-readable form was a project under the care of C.A. It was a long arduous process and, he should have been recognized for his efforts in last month’s eLetter. C.A. passes along this additional information. “... the Collectors Club of Chicago's collection of Pratt's slides numbers in the 6500 range. Local Chicago area BNAPSer, Ron Dewey, made the initial sort, bringing the number of slides down to 4300 from 6500. It was a big effort for which he gets little credit. Also in the CCC's Pratt collection is a collection of microfilm copies of microfilmed Newfoundland Post Office Department archive records. It is another project waiting to be digitized.”

Member: Robert (Bob) D. Vogel

After a five year stint in the Canadian Military and a 34 year career with Ontario Hydro Bob took early retirement in 1999 and was able to pursue his two passions of philately and canoeing. Bob became a serious philatelist in 1964 collecting mint and used Canada. In 1970, his interest turned to the postal history of Muskoka District gradually assembling a comprehensive collection and exhibiting at the local level. During the mid-1990s, his interest changed to the postal history of Berlin/Kitchener, Ontario, focusing on the machine cancels of that community, exhibiting at a National level.

Sideline collections include WWII Patriotic Meter Slogans, 1932 Sepia Views – Postal Stationery, Canadian Christmas Seals, Postal Stationery relating to Christmas Seals and Canadian First Day Covers.

Philatelic Publications:

- 2004 – A Study of the Machine Cancels of Berlin, Kitchener, Kitchener-Waterloo, N2C 2E0 & N2E 2C0: 1907-1992 (author). Conestoga Press
- 2008 – The National Christmas Seals of Canada (co-author with Cliff Beattie and Andrew Chung). BCV Publishing
- 2016 – Arthur Klass' Christmas Seal Ads on Canadian Postcards: 2nd Edition (editor) BNAPS
- 2018 – The Caneco Connection: A Study of the First Day Coves of the Canada Envelope Company (author). BNAPS
- 2019 – The National Christmas Seals of Canada 2nd Edition (co-author with Cliff Beattie and Andrew Chung). BNAPS
- 2020 – Canada Post Office Replacement and Publicity First Day Covers (co-author with Andrew Chung), under construction. BNAPS
- Future – Illustrated handbook of Cecil C. Coutts Special Service Markings



Philatelic Memberships:

- 1970 to present – Barrie & District Stamp Club - Honourary Life Member
- 1985 to present – Postal History Society of Canada
- 2003 to present – Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada. (Director since 2010, President 2020)
- 2009 to present – British North America Philatelic Society. (Chairman: FDC Study Group since 2011)

West Toronto Stamp Club



The [West Toronto Stamp Club](#) had a notice in their latest bulletin for a Zoom lecture, *The Royal Mail from York: A virtual lecture on mail from the Town of York*, presented on June 25, 2020 by Zoé Delguste-Cincotta, Curator, Town of York Historical Society, which is the operator of Toronto's First Post Office (TFPO).

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaaZnhuZ2TI&fbclid=IwAR0AvEq-yHRW5M0_eFrqAvZfwlz_pfbXjMpJ4gUjxGiFHph3nihwktJfF8Q

“Try” Letter

In the 1965 *Manual of Instructions to Letter Carriers*, page 23 rule 94.

“Try” Mail – Any mail sorted to a Carrier marked “Try” must be personally tendered to the parties for whom it is thought to be intended or to their recognized representatives. Before delivery is effected suitable enquiries are to be made to establish whether or not the “Try” address is the proper address of the person for whom the piece of mail is intended. Under no consideration should “Try” mail be dropped into a receptacle. All cases of doubt as to proper ownership of “Try” mail must be referred to the officer in charge.

Phil has never seen an example of this mark. He looked at a 1961 and a 1931 *Canada Official Postal Guide* and found no references to a “Try” Letter. He also did a search of the index to *BNATopics*, *Maples Leaves* and *The PHSC Journal* and *Maple Leaves* and found nothing. Can anyone shed light on this advice mark?

Just Playing Around [Small Queens and Admirals]

BNAPSer W. G. Burden is developing [an incredible website](#) which is and will be of great value to those interested in the Admirals and Small Queens. His website, wgburden.com shows constant plate varieties in incredible detail with the additional ability to magnify parts of the stamp as indicated. The five cents Admiral to the right demonstrates what can be done. But use the link below to see for yourself the incredible possibilities.

<https://wgburden.com/testing/5cent/5T1ART/3LR50/>

He emphasizes that the site is in development and links may change as improvements are made.

Here is the direct link to the Small Queens page:

<https://sandbox.wgburden.com/>

At <https://wgburden.com/testing/notes/> Bill has provided a guide as to “what this site is trying to do and how you might best use it.”



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 .