



BNAPS eLetter

June 2021 v2n6

Zoom Meetings Upcoming

Wed Jun 9 – 7:00pm Pacific Time

Calgary Regional Group
Doug Lingard – 1938 Royal Train

Sat Jun 12 - 2:00pm EDT

Military Mail Study Group
Wayne Schnarr: "Newly Discovered and Rediscovered WW1 Military Mail Markings"

Sat Jun 19 - Noon EDT

Newfoundland Study Group
Tony Thompson - Under the Microscope; A study of some Newfoundland Postal Stationery papers.

Sat Jun 26 – 3:00pm EDT

Digital Philately Study Group
Program TBA

Tue Jun 29 – 7:00pm Pacific Time

Pacific Northwest Regional Group
Brian Plain - Dead Letter Office (DLO)

Sat Jul 3

RPO Study Group
Brian Stalker – Newfoundland's Railways – 1841-1949

Welcome! Bienvenue!

Exhibition - Seminars - Bourse



BNAPEX 2021 VIRTUAL

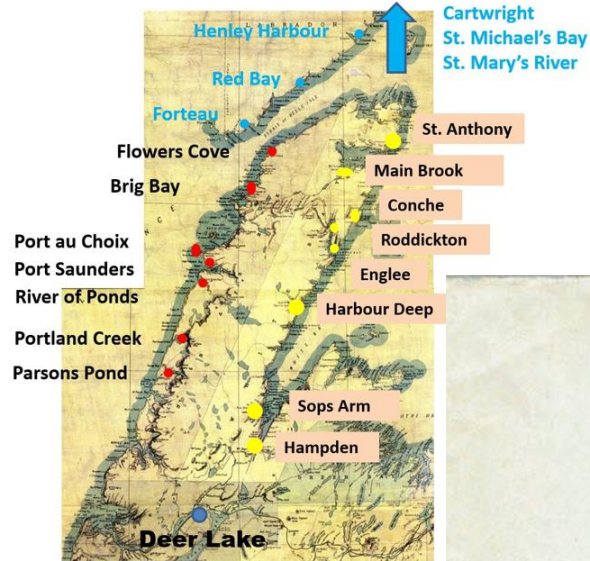
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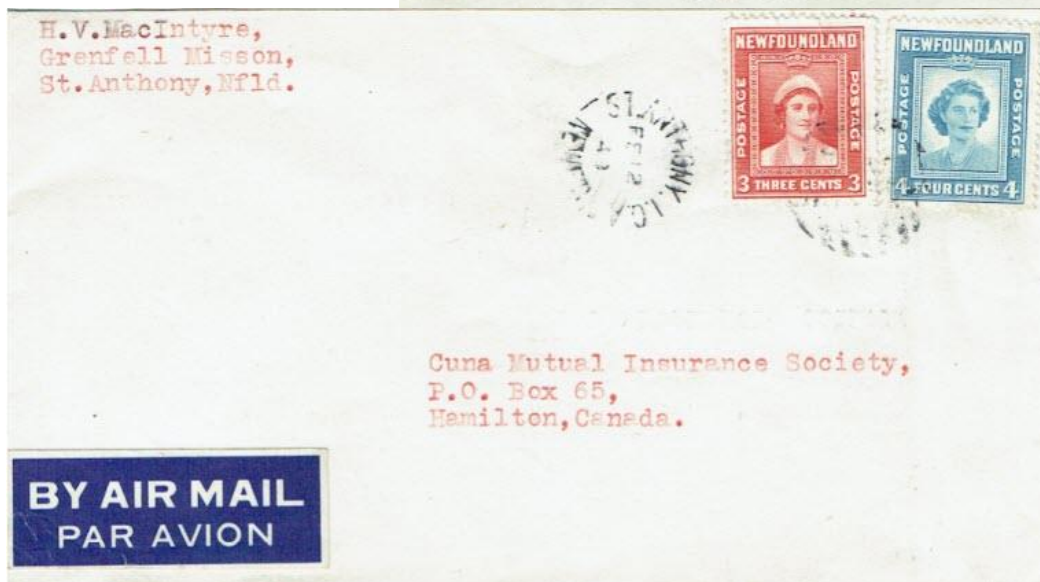
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Newfoundland's Ghost Airmails

Last month Chris Hargreaves talked about the ghost airmails of Newfoundland and asked for help in locating covers. These are covers with no special markings, but originated or were flown into the towns listed on the map to the left. They would have been flown in both **1948** and **1949** and, between **January and mid-April**.



The following covers meet the above criteria. They are covers flown **out** of these communities. Can anyone share covers flown **into** these communities?



BNAPS supports CAPEX 22



Between 9-12 June 2022, Canada will be home to CAPEX 22, an International exhibition with up to 400 single frame exhibits. BNAPS is proud to support CAPEX 22 with its Matching Funds Donation Program. BNAPS will match member donations to CAPEX 22 up to \$10,000. For more information, click the CAPEX 22 button.

CAPEX 22

Update your postal and email address

If your address has changed, please update your BNAPS profile. Go to *Member Login* in the top menu bar. Select *Login*. Then go to *Member Routines*, select *My profile* and update your information.

Zoom Meeting Videos Posted on the BNAPS Website

Leo Beudet, the BNAPS webmaster, has redesigned access to Study Group resources to make it easier to find a Study Groups' newsletters, Zoom videos and other Study Group related materials. The new page is accessed as follows: *Publications & Online Library (in the top menu bar) -> Study Group Newsletters (drop-down menu item)*. It's a gateway to incredible BNA resources.

Following is a partial list of the programs that have been recorded during Regional and Study Groups' Zoom meetings. This list will be updated from time to time. And, thanks to Leo Beudet for creating the descriptive summaries. These videos are available only to BNAPS members.

Copy the link of the video you would like to watch.
Go to the BNAPS website and logon with your username and password.
In the address line on that page paste the copied link.
You should then be able to view the video.

AIR MAIL STUDY GROUP

FAM No.2: Seattle – Victoria – Recent Findings – Gray Scrimgeour (28m)

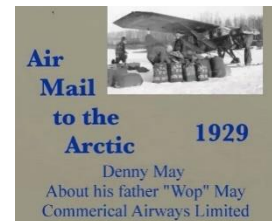
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The U.S. airmail route from Seattle to Victoria was established to expedite mail between Seattle and trans-Pacific steamships arriving at and leaving from Victoria. The service was inaugurated on 15 October 1920 and ended on 26 June 1937. Recent findings are discussed.

Air Mail to the Arctic 1929 – About His Father “Wop” May – Commercial Airway – Denny May (13m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=18>

The presenter's father, Wilfrid "Wop" May, was a pilot who co-founded Commercial Airways Ltd. of Edmonton. Commercial Airways won the contract for airmail delivery in the Arctic in 1929. The presentation describes the air mail delivery service and "Wop" May's contributions.



Ferry Command Dorval WWII – The Unusual Airmail Services – Robert Toombs (1h6m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=19>

By the end of WW II, Ferry Command Dorval was responsible for flying some 10,000 aircraft to Britain, India, and Australasia in aid of the war effort. The effort began in 1940 when Lord Beaverbrook (Max Aitken of Moncton, NB) and Sir Edward Beatty, President of Canadian Pacific Railway, formed the Canadian Pacific Railway Air Services Dept. (C.P.R.A.S.) and recruited 44 civilian pilots to fly 26 bombers from Gander to Aldergrove, Ireland. Here is the story of Ferry Command Dorval.

DIGITAL PHILATELY STUDY GROUP

Research Beyond – Philatelic Information on Varied Websites – David Hobden (45m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=22>

Underscores the importance of identifying reference sources when documenting research results, and walks through several invaluable sources, some online, some not, some philatelic, some not, for postal history research.

Gwyddion Freeware – Daren Cherniwchan (11m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=21>

Shows how to use the freeware program, Gwyddion, to highlight and analyse stamp and postmark features.

Institute of Analytical Philately – Richard Judge (7m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=20>

Describes the activities of the Institute of Analytical Philately (IAP) and how to apply to the organization for research grants. The IAP is a non-profit corporation dedicated to sponsoring technical research activities to better the stamp collecting hobby.

GOLDEN HORSESHOE REGIONAL GROUP

Victoria Red Leaf Issue Advertising Postal Cards: History, Design, Regulations - Chris Ellis – (68m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=12>

In December 1897, Postmaster General William Mulock announced that certain postal stationery post cards could display advertising on the address side of the card, subject to Post Office regulations regarding the size and position of the advertisement. The Post Office issued a 1¢ post card in the 1887-1898 Queen Victoria Maple Leaf series with the design in red. These cards, referred to as "Advertising cards", were the only ones for which advertising on the front was permitted. In his presentation, Chris Ellis explores these Advertising cards, showing their usage, the colourful advertising that graced them, how the rules constrained the advertising, and, inevitably, how the rules were broken.



Canada's 1985 – 1989 50 Cent Parliament Booklets - Ingo Nessel – (37m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=5>

Between 1985 and 1989, four different of 50¢ booklets featuring the Parliament buildings were issued. Ingo explores the printing, tagging, paper, fluorescence, and cover varieties found on these booklets - over 100 at last count. And that's not counting the ten different cover designs. He also explores the postal history of the booklets. Some of the stamps, the low values, are surprisingly difficult to find on cover.

Collecting Canadian Military Mail - Wayne Schnarr – (34m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=3>

New Collecting Areas to Consider – Bill Longley

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=4>

Bill suggests no less than 20 new areas to collect. Among them: covers illustrating Post Office mailing and franking rules, rural routes, stampless markings, free franking and its abuse, and the effects of technological advances on stamps and mail delivery. For more unusual and exciting suggestions, view the presentation!

NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP

Airmail from Canada to Sweden during World War II – Chris Hargreaves (10m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=8>

This presentation is a sequel of sorts to *Air Mail through Botwood* available immediately below. The presentation discusses a cover from St. John's to Sweden postmarked 25 Feb. 1943. The cover is rated for surface mail, but there was no surface mail to Sweden at the time.

Air Mail Through Botwood – 1939-1949 (update) – Chris Hargreaves (31m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=7>

In 1939, Pan American and Imperial Airways flew four trans-Atlantic airmail services. Two routes went through Botwood, Newfoundland. Pan Am suspended flights during 1940-1941, but resumed them in 1942. The presentation solves several mysteries surrounding a First Flight cover postmarked 4 May 1942 marking the resumption of service from Newfoundland to the United Kingdom via the North Atlantic route.

Stamp Paper – More Than You Need to Know? – Tony Thompson (30m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=1>

Describes the paper used to print Newfoundland stamps by Perkins Bacon between 1929-1938 and Waterlow between 1942-1949. Demonstrates how to analyse paper fibre to determine what raw materials were used to make the stamp paper. Discusses the changes to the raw materials over the years, and whether the source of the softwood pulp for the paper came from Newfoundland or Norway.

Two Canadian Aniline Stamps: Two Different Spectroscopic Tales. – Richard Judge (27m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=2>

Analyses the ink of two aniline stamps using spectroscopy. The stamps are the Canada 1938 \$1.00 Château de Ramezay definitive and the Newfoundland 1911 8¢ Prince George commemorative, part of the Royal Family Issue.

Exhibiting - Panel Discussion with C.A. Stillions, David Piercey, Robin Moore, David Bartlet (56m)

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=13>

The panel members discuss their reasons for exhibiting, the satisfaction they experienced, and the setbacks they encountered. The attendees chipped in with questions, feedback, and their own exhibiting experiences.

Royal Family Issue 1897 – Malcolm Back

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=14>

Frameline on Newfound Stamps Printed in the 1930s – Tony Thompson

<https://bnaps.org/hhl/DocAccess.php?Doc=15>



BNAPS Matching Funds Donation Program for CAPEX 22

With the matching funds program BNAPS and its individual members are helping support CAPEX 22, the first international stamp exhibition to be held in Canada in over 25 years. Every donation made by a BNAPS member whether large or small will be matched by BNAPS up to \$10,000. Canadian donors can donate by credit card through a secure payment processing service on the www.capex22.org website. Donations may also be made by cheque payable to Canadian Association of Philatelic Exhibitions or CAPE and mailed to P.O. Box 69100, St. Clair Post Office, Toronto ON M4T 3A1. The Canadian Association of Philatelic Exhibitions is a registered Charity in Canada and an official receipt for income tax purposes will be issued for all donations of \$25.00 or more. Tax receipts for all donations made to date will be issued in early June. For USA members, donations can be made using the PayPal website button on the www.bnaps.org website or also by cheque payable to BNAPS and mailed to British North America Philatelic Society Ltd., 2900 Lincolnwood Dr., Racine, WI 53403-3738, USA. BNAPS will be issued tax receipts to residents of the United States for donations of \$25.00 or more.



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Gary Steele Stepping Down as Chairman of the King George VI Study Group

Ken Lemke, secretary of the King George VI Study Group, announced that Gary is stepping down after 19 years of heading this active group. Gary has decided to pursue other philatelic interests but is still active in several other SGs. BNAPS thanks him for his leadership and service. Ex-BNAPS President Eldon Godfrey has agreed to take over the Chairman's job.

Publication Information

The eLetter is published monthly by the BNAPS Membership Committee. 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. If you have a question about an item you own – send a copy and your question. Contact email: charleslivermore@hotmail.com

BNAPEX 2021 Virtual NEWS

Planning and organizing for BNAPEX 2021 Virtual, which is taking place between from 2-6 September, is well in hand.

Exhibits: The Prospectus and Exhibit Entry Form for the 160-frame virtual exhibition are online at Exhibits (bnaps.org). Exhibits Coordinator Dave Bartlet reports that as of yesterday, 31 May, there are still three (3) Single Frame exhibit slots and more than 80 frames for nine (9) multi-frame exhibit slots available. (Multi-frame exhibits cannot be more than 8 frames.) Anyone who has already entered an exhibit for BNAPEX 2021

Virtual may be eligible to enter a second exhibit. Check your eligibility in the Prospectus at the link above. Exhibitors will be able to upload their pages to the BNAPEX Virtual website starting July 12.

Bourse: Bourse Coordinator Hugo Deshayé confirms that all the dealers who have supported BNAPEXes in recent years have been invited to participate and acceptances are being received. Dealers will have links to their websites and sales lists online. All dealers will be available by email, some will be available online for questions and transactions. Visit the Dealers webpage Dealers (bnaps.org) for details.

Study Group and Regional Group meetings and Seminars: During the Covid-19 Pandemic the Zoom meeting has become a most practical way for Study and Regional Group members to meet online and keep in touch. These meetings have proven very popular, with as many as 50 members connecting to a specific session and viewing some very interesting presentations. Vice-President Study Groups Ron Smith has been busy lining up live Study Group Zoom sessions for BNAPEX 2021 Virtual. As of yesterday, 31 May, 20 sessions, have been booked. Instead of one-hour meetings, any of the BNAPEX Virtual sessions will be two-hours in length. See the current schedule at: Seminars (bnaps.org). Be sure to “attend” the Judges Feedback and the BNAPS Annual General Meeting at Noon and 2PM respectively on Sunday, 5 September.

Meeting slots are still available on Thursday and Friday, 2-3 September. We plan to have video recordings of these meetings online after each session for members who cannot attend the original “gathering”.

Philatelic Presentations: Dave Bartlet, Leo Beaudet, Charles Livermore and Mike Street are arranging to have many of the excellent philatelic presentations made for Study/Regional groups since April 2020 to be available for viewing online 24/7 during the Virtual convention. Among the many subjects will be Pharmaceutical Advertising Postal Stationery Postcards, New Fields of Study available in BNA Philately, Postal History of World War II Canadian Motor Torpedo Boat Squadrons, TransAtlantic Mail, St. John NB postmarks, Collectible Postmark types and Calgary Stampede Cacheted Covers from the 1920s through the 1970s.

Plan to “attend” BNAPEX 2021 Virtual. We hope to “see” you online between the second and sixth of September. Did we mention that everything – Exhibit Frame Fees, Convention Registration and Bourse Fees is Free?

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