

BNAPS eLetter

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BNAPEX 2021 – A Success!!!

As a technical host for many of the meetings I can tell you from a personal perspective the talks presented by the various Study Groups were excellent. If you missed seeing them, or for those who attended, they will be available for viewing on the BNAPS website as soon as they are prepared for the website.

Statistics (edited from an email sent by our webmaster, Leo Beaudet)

There were about 17,900 page hits of BNAPEX restricted-access web pages (that is, pages where a person had to register to be able to view it). Note that each exhibit was counted as one web page, irrespective of the number of exhibit pages in the exhibit. Quick breakdown (rounded numbers):

7700 views of exhibits400 views of the BNAPEX video recordings listing page

2,150 views of links to Zoom meetings 360 views of video recordings

The number of members who logged in at least once between 1 August and 7 September is 282, which is about 30% of the membership.

Note that BNAPEX 2021 isn't over:

- 1. Exhibits will remain online until 1 Nov.
- 2. Videos of past SG and RG presentations will remain online for an
- undetermined number of days.

3. Videos of SG seminars during BNAPEX 2021 will be posted on the BNAPEX pages for a while, as well as being available on the respective SG pages.

Are we ready for a mid-winter virtual BNAPEX?

What kind of Flag Cancel is this?



I have seven covers with this strange Flag Cancel. All between May and June 1997 and to Consumers Gas. This is the only one without an inkjet. The others are from inkjet machines 052 (4), 095 (1) and 097 (1). I couldn't make out the city in the CDS cancel. Any thoughts on how these happened? Comment to Charles Livermore at <u>charleslivermore@hotmail.com</u>

Zoom Meetings for October

13 October, Wednesday, 7:00pm Mountain Daylight Time

Calgary Regional Group Meeting Speaker and Topic TBA Meeting ID: 836 9087 2449

19 October, Tuesday 7:00 pm, Pacific Daylight Time

Pacific Northwest Regional Group Topic: Dr. Darin P. Cherniwchan - Using Genealogical Research to Bring Life to Your Research Meeting ID: 880 8178 7883

30 October, Saturday, 2:00pm Eastern Daylight Time

Golden Horseshoe Regional Group Time: Oct 30, 2021 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Speaker: TBA Meeting ID: 852 5229 0339

7 November, Sunday 11:30am, Eastern Standard Time

BNAPS Air Mail Study Group Topic: Cheryl Ganz - British Airship Post: The Dream to Connect the Empire.

BNAPEX 2021 PALMARES

Jury: David Piercey, Chairman; Hugo Deshaye, Bill Longley, Grégoire Teyssier

BNAPS EXHIBIT AWARDS

Horace Harrison Grand Award: Robert G. Leigh - The Western District of Upper Canada: The Development of Postal Communications and Postal Markings, 1800-1850

Allan Steinhart Reserve Grand Award: Dieter Staecker - Canadian Permit Postage on Bulk Mail 1903 – 1938
Ed and Mickey Richardson Award: John Hall - Rates and Usages of the Canadian National Parks Stamps)
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Wilmer Rockett Revenue Award: David Bartlet - British Columbia Hospital Aid 1933 Canadian Military Mail Study Group Award: Sam Chiu - Canada's C-Force in Hong Kong & its Forerunner:

From a Social Philately Approach

Canadian Airmail Society Award: Ian McMahon - Air Letters and Aerogrammes of Canada

Herbert L. McNaught One Frame: Ron Majors - Mail between Canada/BNA and Confederate States During U.S. Civil War

Order of the Beaver Novice Award: Robert G. Leigh - The Western District of Upper Canada: The Development of Postal Communications and Postal Markings, 1800-1850

John D. Arn White Queen Award: Robert Elias Usage of Canadian Karsh Definitive Stamps Lola Caron Award: Laurent Belisle - Montreal Carrier Handstamps

Multi-Frame Exhibits

Gold: Laurent Belisle (2), Sam Chiu, Robert Elias, John Hall, Robert G. Leigh, Ron Majors, Dieter Staecker Vermeil: Gary D. Arnold, Chris Ellis, Steven Friedenthal, Ian McMahon, Richard Thompson, Ray Villeneuve Silver: Richard Baxter, Raymond Dubeau, John G. McEntyre Silver-Bronze: Peter J. McCarthy Bronze: Vince Chermishnok, Earle Covert

Single-Frame Exhibits

Gold: Patrick Durbano, Jean Wang

Vermeil: David Bartlet, Glen Lundeen, John G. McEntyre, David McLaughlin, Richard Wilson Silver: Colin Banfield, Steve Davis, Chris Hargreaves, Peter J. McCarthy, Ron Majors, Richard Thompson Silver-Bronze: Laurent Belisle, Michel Guilbault, Peter J. McCarthy, Clarence Stillions Bronze: Fred Pritchard

BNAPS SERVICE AWARDS

Vincent G. Greene Award Best article or series of articles in BNA Topics in the previous calendar year. Jon Johnson

John S. Siverts Award: Best Study Group Newsletter(s) in the previous calendar year. Jim Jung Jack Levine Fellowship Award: Honours the SPARK PLUG of a Regional Group - John (Jeff) Furlong

- E.R. "Ritch" Toop Award: Best Canadian Military mail article or book published anywhere in the previous year David Hanes
- Order of the Beaver Lifetime Achievement Award: Presented to philatelists who deserve recognition for their contributions to BNA philately but who may not meet the criteria for induction into the Order of the Beaver. Kevin O'Reilly
- BNAPS Hall of Fame Award: The award recognizes members who have made a significant and highly visible general or specific contribution to the work of the Society Dave Bartlet
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Study Group Centreline Reporter Announcement

In the September issue of *eLetter*, we announced a new Study Group (SG) Centreline Reporter, Dr. Everett Parker. Unfortunately, the transition didn't work out and Peter McCarty has graciously agreed to continue to serve as the Editor of this important column in *BNA Topics*. All Newsletter Editors should continue to send their latest issue to Peter at <u>peter7mcc@gmail.com</u>.

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

Barred Circle Project



Based on discussions during the Squared Circle Study Group Zoom session at BNAPEX 2021, several members offered to embark on developing a stand-alone handbook for the 1892 Barred Circle postmarks. Rick Friesen is developing pages for each hammer in the format of his 6th Edition Squared Circle Handbook and Derek Smith is providing information from his collection of St. John, NB barred circles.

Below is a request form developed by Rick. We are asking you to review your collections and report any information requested on the form. You can return your response via email to Rick (<u>rickfriesen5@gmail.com</u>).

Updates to ERD and LRD for all hammers

- 1. Updates to time mark information for all hammers
- 2. New indicia errors or indicia of interest for all hammers
- 3. Strikes on stamp issues for which no strikes reported in Handbook #5
- 4. Detailed listings for strikes on 3c Jubilee, 2c Map, 8c Small Queen stamps/covers for all hammers (with scans if possible)

Halifax:

listing of strikes in MR/92

Montreal Hammers 1-5

full listing of any strike (see below)

Ottawa

new information on the hammer damage dates

St. John, NB

listing of strikes in SP/92

St. John's, NWFD

full listing of any strike (and the stamp issue whether on- or off-cover)

Hmr	Day	ТМ	Year	Strike Type	Stamps	Origin	Destination
1	MR 2	1P	92	D	50 RLS, 30 SQ	Montreal, QUE	New York, NY

Montreal or St. John's Barred Circle Postmarks

C = cancel T = transit R = receiver D = dispatch free strike front F = transit free strike front RR = registration receipt

BNAPS 2021 Convention Survey

The following pages were created in Powerpoint format by Dave Bartlet, and tell another positive story about the 2021 Virtual Convention.



Results 2-7 September Based on 56 Responses

Q1: Favourite One Frame – Top 4 Listed

(16) - The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children's Christmas Appeals to 1926
 (12) - Department of Finance 5-Hole OHMS Perfins (1923-1939)
 (12) - Mail between Canada/BNA and Confederate States During U.S. Civil War (CW)
 (11) - British Columbia Hospital Aid 1933

All other exhibits had 8 or fewer votes. (Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

Some Comments: With many great exhibits on display, limiting the choice to only three was difficult. All are very well done and help provide a spark to my staring to exhibit in the future.

Q2: Favourite Multi Frame – Top 5 Listed

- 1 (12) Air Letters and Aerogrammes of Canada
- 2 (12) The First Decimal Issue of Canada 1859-68
- 3 (12) Canada's C-Force in Hong Kong & its Forerunner: From a Social Philately Approach
- 4 (9) Usage of Canadian Karsh Definitive Stamps
- 5 (9) Philately On The Rails

Three exhibits TIED for Favourite with 12 votes each (Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

All other exhibits had 8 or fewer votes Some Comments: The ones selected have great research and are well presented. Very nice

Q3: Favourite Overall Exhibit – Top 5 Listed

- 1 (9) Mail between Canada/BNA and Confederate States During U.S. Civil War (CW)
- 2 (9) The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children's Christmas Appeals to 1926
- 3 (8) Canada's C-Force in Hong Kong & its Forerunner: From a Social Philately Approach
- 4 (7) The First Decimal Issue of Canada 1859-68
- 5 (6) Department of Finance 5-Hole OHMS Perfins (1923-1939)

Two exhibits TIED for Favourite with 9 votes each (Bracketed numbers is the vote count)

With more exhibits to choose from in this question, the results are more dispersed All other exhibits had 5 or fewer votes

Q4: Which meetings did you participate in

22 - AGM

17 - Judges Feedback

16 - Elizabeth II

- 13 Digital Philately
- 12 None, Fakes/Forgeries, Large/Small Queen
- 11 Postal Stationary
- 10 Admiral, George VI, Re-Entries, Raising Spirits
- 9 Aerophilately, Fancy Cancel, Military Mail, Perfin
- 8 Pence Cents, RPO

- 7 FDC's
- 5 Newfoundland
- 3 Map Stamp
- 2 Squared Circles
- 1 BC Postal History, Precancel,
 - Revenues, WWI
- 0 Dead Letter

12 People said they would either Not attend meetings, or had not when they did the survey Comments

-Raising Spirits was a wonderful way to kick off the weekend. The back and forth of participants, the friendly banter, the exaggerated (?) animosity... all these things created an atmosphere I really was not expecting. I felt like I was in the hospitality room with everyone! This was only my second zoom since the outbreak began, and this one was a 100 percent improvement.

-Presentation by Mr McCarthy on "The Small Boats" was excellent.

-Raising spirits was a good way to get to know other members for a new member such as myself.

-Frankly, I was impressed with all of them. It seems that you/we can reach more people on ZOOM than we do with in-person presence at the seminars. Hands-on is impossible but with recorded meetings being available to members, it is possible to go back and review the material at leisure. The demonstrated scope and depth of knowledge available and the ability to diffuse it, is extraordinary

- I really enjoyed the opportunity to participate in so many

-I want to congratulate the BNAPEX Committee for all the hard work they put into the development of this virtual exhibition. From my point of view, it was very successful. I would like to know the Committee members' opinions regarding the organization and execution of a virtual exhibition.

- I look forward to attend next year's meeting 'in person' if we can overcome Covid.

Q5: Did you purchase from dealers during the show

16 - YES 40 - NO

Setting up an online dealer bourse is difficult and requires that the dealers are computerized which most are not. Maybe if we do this again this will be worked on.

Comments:

-Bill Longleys list sent most days. More active dealer participation would have been good.

-Needed an easier system to post single items ad hoc by the dealers and then people can just buy at a stated price. -It was good except for the fact many only offered email contact. It meant not being able to see stock

-Checked out the list. Noted some new web sites. Will investigate later. Normally I spend time with each and every dealer at a show and try to spend a buck or two everywhere. Sometimes into the 100's. Decided my web time would be better spent with seminars and exhibits. I have been going over exhibits very thoroughly this year and that was pleasant. At a normal show a good number of exhibits only get a cursory look and I put my efforts into those that have particular interest to me personally, since I am also spending time at dealer tables and seminars.

Q6: Did you Enjoy the show? Or did you have problems

50 – Yes Enjoyed the show

- 33 Yes the website worked great
- 36 Yes I enjoyed the Virtual exhibits
- 1 I had problems with the BNAPEX webpages
- 0 I did Not enjoy the show

Comments:

-Great work on what was among the best virtual show platforms I've ever interacted with — might have been the best, honestly! Simple yet incredibly effective.

-For each session I attended, it was hard to find the page that had the zoom links; eventually I bookmarked the page and then it was easy.

- It's a nice option, but I very much prefer an in-person show
- I think the website was easy to navigate and the show was absolutely great. The coast to coast tour was magnificent.
- I thought the exhibits set up was very easy to use and allowed one to enlarge and look at material closely. The functioning was good
- and I spent a few enjoyable hours reading and learning from others efforts.
- -nice to be able to view virtual, I would not otherwise be likely to attend.

-Would like to see a Virtual in the Spring each year, for just meetings over 3 days or so. Also would like some like Large and Small Queens to be able to stay on for discussion after the stated time for as long as we liked. I am sure it would have gone on for many more hours if people knew they could, usually the last one of each day that would not interfere with other meetings.

-This was the first virtual show I took part in and I must say the experience was very, very positive. Congratulations to all involved who made the event possible. I do have one beef: I did not see a virtual program that would have indicated to me who was exhibiting what. I was also not pleased with the speed which the judges went through the awards considering they only used 1 and a half hours of the two hours allotted. They flew through the medals and I was not sure at the end who won what level. The special awards were a bit easier to follow. I was not too concerned at the time and figured I would pick up more info at the critique, which I did, but that was far from complete. All that said I thought that the palmares would have been posted by now.

Q7: Have you exhibited anywhere before

- 20 Never Exhibited
- 21 Club Level
- 15 Regional
- 22 National
 - 6 International

Q8: Are you a member of any of these organizations

46 – BNAPS 28 – RPSC 20 – PHSC 14 – CPS of GB 15 – PSSC 16 – APS 9 – AAPE 3 -None

Others mentioned: RPSL, SOSSI, Christmas Seals, NSSC, RPO Study Group, Winnipeg Philatelic Society, Dutch Society for USA and Canada Philately, ATA, NTSC, SHPQ, Vermont Phil Soc

Q9: Will you attend BNAPEX 2022 in Calgary

39 - Yes 17 - No

Comments: 5 - Distance/Too far 2 – School/Work

Q10: Do you want the Free Survey Cover

47 – Yes

If you don't get your cover, please email-

regionalgroups@bnaps.org.

9 – No