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Zoom Meetings

9 Jan Tuesday 7:00 PM Eastern time (US and Canada)
BNAPS Northeastern Regional Group

Arnie Janson will be the speaker with several short talks on the following subjects.

- Large Queen varieties
- QV Numeral varieties
- The Tragic sinking of the Empress of Ireland in the St. Lawrence River
- NY World’s Fair
- “Who Wants to be a Millionaire – in 1930?”. (An RTS cover that involves USPS and the NY Times).

10 Jan Wednesday 7:00 PM Mountain time (US and Canada)
Calgary Regional Group Monthly Meeting

Program to be announced.

16 Jan Tuesday 6:00PM Eastern time (US and Canada)

Postal History Society of Canada

To register please email PHSCpresentation@gmail.com.

"Canadian Mail Sent via the Empire Air Mail Scheme 1938 - 1939" presented by Gary Steele

The exhibit shows Canadian 1st class letters and postcards mailed and transported via the Empire Air Mail Scheme which had been extended by Great Britain to Canada on February 23, 1938.

20 Jan Saturday Noon Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Newfoundland Study Group

Program to be announced

4 Feb Sunday 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Canadian Aerophilatelic Society / BNAPS Air Mail Study Group

Richard H. Judge appointed Publications Committee Chairperson

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Richard H. Judge as Publications Committee Chairperson. Richard has been a member of BNAPS since 2010 and has served on the Board of Directors since 2016. In 2022 he was elected by the directors as Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

I also wish to thank Robert Lemire for his many years of service to BNAPS as Publications Committee Chairperson since January 2005.

David McLaughlin, President

BNAPS Dues - 2024 Membership Dues - it's that time again!

The first notice for payment of 2024 Membership Dues was sent in November. If you don't recall receiving it please check your spam folder. If there, you might consider adding the treasurer's name and email to your contact list. Luc Frève - l_freve@videotron.ca

Your prompt payment is greatly appreciated, it reduces the workload of our treasurer. A third notice will be sent in January or February. Usually in March the Membership Committee receives a list of those who have not paid. We start making phone calls. Approximately half the time a member has simply not remembered getting the notices and is glad we called with the reminder. If a member has decided to discontinue membership in the Society, we will thank them for past membership and remind them there is a wealth of material on the website that is still available to them. We will not badger them into renewing. Nor will they get continuing solicitations for membership. And we sometimes hear things that can lead to future improvements in the Society.

BNAPS Study Group Newsletters are Searchable

BNAPS has a wealth of information in the Study Group newsletters available on its website. Unfortunately, not all of the newsletters have an index to help you search for the information you are seeking. However, at the last two BNAPEX conventions Leo Beaudet, our webmaster, demonstrated how to use Google to search for information in our newsletters. It is not a perfect search tool, but it may help you to find the information you need.

Using the Elizabeth II newsletter as an example, here is a screenshot of how I searched articles mentioning the *year of the fox* stamps. Note the quotation marks around the phrase “year of the ox”. Searching with quotation marks around the words *year of the fox* returned eight results. Removing the quotation marks from the phrase returned 47 results, many of which had nothing to do with the subject being searched.



The key to these searches is to copy the phrase starting with the word **site:** on the line below the Study Group newsletter you wish to search. The phrase for the Elizabeth II newsletter is **site:https://adminware.ca/esg/corgitimes** Paste it into the Google search box followed by the phrases or words you wish to search. In some cases your search terms will be highlighted in the newsletter, but in others it won't be. However, on a Windows machine, you can use the Ctrl F feature and on a Mac machine it is the Command F feature to search through a specific newsletter to find the key term you are searching. Again, this does not work in all newsletters. You will likely find it is not a perfect solution, but I think you will also find that it is better than having no search capability at all. Select the link you want to use, paste it in the Google search box, leave a space and enter your search terms, words, and/or phrases. It's worth a try.

Below you will find the phrases to use for each of the newsletters

Airmail

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/AirMail/newsletters

British Columbia

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/bcr

Centennial

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/cen

Dead Letters

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/dlo

Duplex Cancels

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/dup

Elizabeth II

site:https://adminware.ca/esg/corgitimes

Duplex Cancels

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/dup

Fakes and Forgeries

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/FakesForgeries

Fancy Cancels

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/FancyCancel/newsletters

First Day

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/FDC/newsletters

Flag Cancels

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/flags

Illustrated Mail

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/ilm

Inland Waterways

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/nau/

King George

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/GeorgeVI/newsletters

Klussendorf

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/klu

Large/Small Queens

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/lsg

Literature

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/lit him

Map Stamps

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/Map/newsletters

Military Mail

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/mm

Miscellaneous Cancels and Markings

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/mis

Newfoundland

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/Newfoundland/newsletters

Pence/Cents

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/PenceCents/newsletters

Pefins

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/Perfin/newsletters

Post Cards

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/pcrds

Postal Stationery

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/ps

Precancel

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/precancel

Re-entries and Constant Plate Varieties

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/re-entry/newsletters

Registration

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/reg

Revenue

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/revenue/newsletters

Roller Cancels

(4 issues were completed. The website is missing the first three issues. If you have them please let us know how we can get scans of these issues.) The single issue is not searchable.

RPO

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/rpo/newsletters

Semi-Official Airmail

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/soa

Slogan Cancels

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/slgn

Small Queens

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/lsg

Squared Circle Cancels

site:bnaps.org/studygroups/squaredcircle/newsletters

Transatlantic Mail

site:bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/tra

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 2024 – KINGSTON – Court of Honor

It's never too early to think about the next BNAPEX and Kingston 2024 has something special you might want to consider – the special COURT OF HONOR that is being planned.

August 23rd – 25th at St. Lawrence College, Kingston.

The theme of the show will be:

PHILATELIC HISTORY OF KINGSTON FROM 1673 TO THE PRESENT DAY.

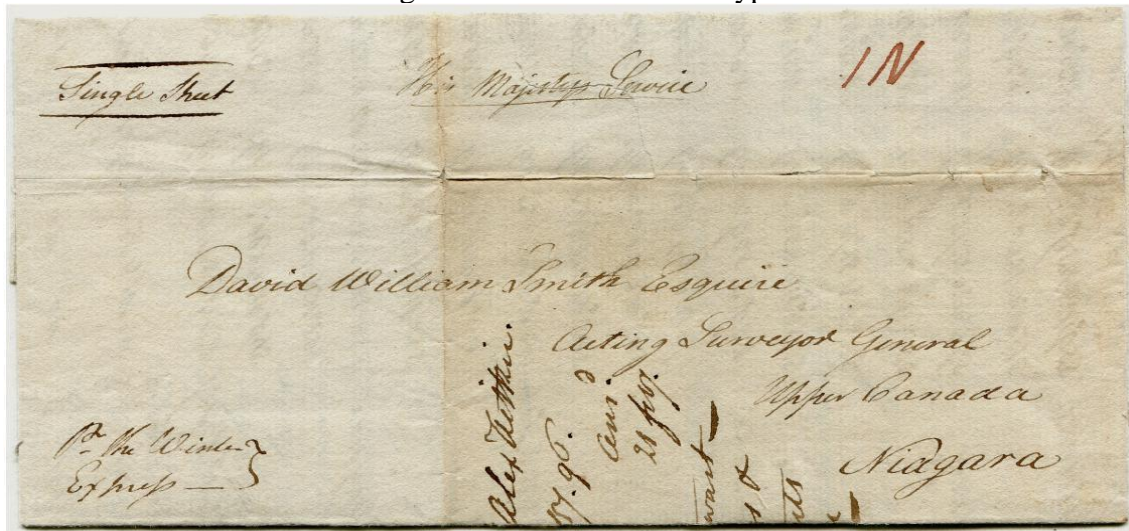
Invitation to participate:

The **Court of Honour** will include one page exhibits on this theme, to which everybody is invited to participate. This will be a fun, non-competitive exhibit that will not be restricted by the exhibiting guidelines for Postal History but can include anything that has gone through or was intended to go through the mail to or from Kingston — including covers such as RPOs and Military Mail, as well as postmarks, advertising, special event covers and stamps. **NOTE!!! The Court of Honour submissions are one PAGE exhibits, not one frame exhibits.**

Do you have interesting Kingston material in your collection? We hope many BNAPS members will participate. Specifications for the Court of Honour one page exhibits can be found in the December eLetter which is available online at: [BNAPS eLetter Vol 4 No 12 - December 2023](#)

1796 Earliest Kingston Postmark

The Kingston Post Office opened in 1789. Until 1830 "straight line" postmarks were likely supplied in a block by a local printer. "KINGSTON" and changeable dates were in lead type.



- folded document addressed to "David William Smith, Acting Surveyor General, Niagara"
- sent "**His Majesty's Service**" (George III), "**Single Sheet**" yet rated "1N" in red (! shilling prepaid); not an official rate
- directed "**per the Winter Express**" - Lake Ontario water route was closed
- contents pertain to the acreage of various Midland District townships



- backstamped
"**KINSTON 9 Feby**"
- **1796** confirmed by docketing
- next earliest "KINGSTON" postmark: 1803

Why was the "G" missing from "KINGSTON"?

As the postmark was set in a single line the "G" may have fallen out when the date was being changed. Later typeset postmarks were all set in two lines. The date on the second line could thus be changed without loosening "KINGSTON" in the first line.

For more information you can get in touch with the following individuals:

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BNAPEX 2024 Aug 23-25, 2024 – Convention Information

Location: St. Lawrence College Event Centre
100 Portsmouth Ave.,
Kingston ON K7L 5A6



Events: 160 frames of BNA Philatelic exhibits - Special “*Philatelic History of Kingston from 1673 to Present Day*” display.
National Dealer Bourse
Philatelic Seminars
BNAPS Study Group Meetings
Local Area Tours
Friday Night Cocktail Cruise
Past President’s Reception and Awards Banquet

Admission: Free for the exhibition, bourse, seminars & meetings
Convention Registration required for cocktail cruise & awards banquet.

Accommodation: Single & Double SLC residence rooms with integral private bathrooms @ economical rates. Hotel options will also be available.
Rates & Booking details will be available early in 2024.

Parking: Free Saturday & Sunday, Regular SLC parking rates on Friday.
Friday parking free with Convention registration.

Watch for further updates under the BNAPEX tab on the <https://www.bnaps.org/> home page and monthly BNAPS e-letter.

Hosted by BNAPS St. Lawrence Seaway Regional Group & the Kingston Stamp Club

Study group contributions to the BNAPS website

The following contributions were posted on the website in December:

- British Columbia Postal History Study Group, December newsletter, No. 128
Link: <https://bnaps.org/hhl/n-bcr.htm>
- Pence-Cents Era Study Group, December newsletter, Vol. 12, No. 4
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/PenceCents/newsletters.htm>
- Perfin Study Group, December newsletter, *The BNA Perforator*, No. 169
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/Perfin/newsletters-perfin.htm>
- Squared Circle Study Group, December newsletter, *The Roundup Annex*, Vol. 14, No. 6
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/squaredcircle/newsletters.htm>
- Air Mail Study Group, December newsletter, *The Pilot's Log*, Vol. 16, No. 1
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/AirMail/newsletters.php>

New Youth award named in honor of Ken Lemke



In memory of Ken Lemke, in 2024 the RPSC Philatelic Research Foundation will launch awards at all National Level Stamp shows in Canada for Youth Exhibiting.

The Emma Award, named for Ken's faithful springer spaniel, will be offered at each age level (<12; 12&13; 14&15; 16-18; 19-21) at the discretion of the Jury. Single frame and multi-frames exhibits in any class will be eligible. The award criteria specifies that it does not have to be awarded to the "best" exhibit but may recognize an exhibit which shows extra effort being made in the areas of creativity, treatment, knowledge or research. Exhibitors may only win the award once at each age level. A cash prize of \$250 and a medal shall be awarded to winners.

The purpose of the RPSC Foundation is to encourage youth involvement in philately as means to learn about history, geography, art, sociology and other related subjects.

The RPSC Philatelic Research Foundation accepts donations of money and philatelic material for a charitable donation receipt, for income tax purposes, equal to the cash donation or the appraised fair market value of the material. The minimum amount for a charitable receipt to be issued is \$100.00. Donors should contact the Foundation by e-mail at info@rpscfoundation.ca

Geldert Medal is awarded to BNAPS member Andrew Chung.

The Geldert Medal may be awarded annually for the best article published in The Canadian Philatelist. The RPSC is pleased to advise that Andrew Chung FRPSC is the recipient of the 2023 Geldert Medal for his article entitled "The Floral Emblems and Coats of Arms of the Provinces and Territories Canada 1964 to 1966." The Canadian Philatelist. Volume 74, Number 6 (November/December). Pages 258-279. Congratulations Andrew!

The Geldert Committee of The RPSC determined that the article provides details of this important Elizabethan series of Canadian stamps with thorough coverage of production and promotional material, presentation items, first day covers, varieties and usages. Irregularities such as creases, colour varieties and postage rates were often noted and illustrated. Missing dots were indicated, posters shown and the names of helpful colleagues were shared. The whole article was bound together by a balanced use of space despite the quantity of material. This article will undoubtedly become a standard reference for this issue. The Geldert Medal will be awarded to Andrew Chung at the 2024 AGM of The RPSC. The Geldert Committee also passed along its compliments to the editor of The Canadian Philatelist, Robin Harris FRPSC for his continuing dedication and fine work to maintain the quality of the journal.

