



# BNAPS eLetter

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## Zoom Meetings

### Royal Philatelic Society - Panel Discussion

**Monday 13 January 2025, 7:00 pm (Eastern Time)**

Through the eyes of a philatelic judge. Panelists: Gregg Redner, Steve Johnson, John Wilson

What does the judge look for when assessing exhibits

Open to all, but registration is required

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### BNAPS – Alberta Regional Group

**Wednesday 15 January 2025, 7:00 pm (Mountain Time)**

Primary topic – Winter Related Items. This could be winter sports (Olympics Vancouver, Calgary), Hockey related, or Dog Sled mail, or how about arctic exploration and other topics.

Kevin O'Reilly will present a short Dog sled presentation

### Royal Philatelic Society – Talk

**Monday 20 January 2025, 7:00 pm (Eastern Time)**

Collecting Modern Issues & Modern Canada, presented by Christopher McFetridge

Open to all, but registration is required

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### Postal History Society – Under the Covers

**Tuesday 21 January 2025, 6:00 pm (Eastern Time)**

Cable Repair in the Pacific, 1937-1942, presented by Gray Scrimgeour and Ian Kimmerly

Open to all, but registration is required

Registration by email to [PHSCpresentation@gmail.com](mailto:PHSCpresentation@gmail.com)

## Day of Aerophilately

**Sunday 2 February 2025, 11:00 am (Eastern Time)**

It will be a show-and-tell type meeting, to which everybody is invited to contribute.

The program so far is:

- The Birth of Airmail – The First Aerial Post at Allahabad – 18 Feb 1911 - Piyush Khaitan
- The flight and amazing repair of the Rene and Vic in the Northwest Territories, 1921 – Chris Hargreaves. The presentation will combine the story told by Frank Ellis in his book *Canada's Flying Heritage*, with a collection of photographs given to Earle Covert by Dick Malott.

**[Events - Canadian Stamp News](#) – for more philatelic events**

## BNAPS Virtual Convention 2025

Hopefully, you received our initial announcement for the upcoming Virtual convention on our website. Many of you will remember our Virtual Convention during the pandemic in 2021, and we will attempt a shorter version in 2025. The details are below:

**Date:** Saturday, 1 March 2025      **Time:** 10 am – 5:30 pm Eastern time

**Where:** Virtually on your computer through the website and Zoom

**Cost:** Free

**What:** Exhibits can be placed on the website and will be judged. Rules are the same as for BNAPEX. Exhibits can have a max of 8 frames. However, a 10-frame exhibit can be entered by doing Part 1 and Part 2 with 5 frames each (or some combination). ALL exhibitors must SCAN their exhibits and submit them through the website as JPG or PDF files. Everyone can view the exhibits on the website. Exhibits entries must be submitted to the website by 16 February with the images loaded by 20 February. As this is a no-cost exhibition, there are no special Grand or Reserve Grand prizes or other special awards. A thank you cover will be made for Exhibitors. Special awards will be awarded only for exhibits at BNAPEX in Vernon.

There will be up to 12 one-hour meeting/presentation slots to be used by Study Groups for meetings, or individual presentations can be done in these one-hour time slots. Meeting priorities go to the Study Groups, but send your requests to Ron Smith, who will assist you. Access to these meetings will be on 2 Zoom streams we will run using links off the website when you are connected to the website. The last hour will be used to wrap up and provide commentary on the exhibits by the judges.

Please look at both the website and the February eLetter for further information. If you are an exhibitor, or want to have a meeting or presentation, now is the time to start thinking about what you want to do. The website should be ready by mid-January for Exhibit submission.

The team supporting this virtual convention is:

Gary Steele – Exhibits Chair

Ron Smith – Zoom Meetings by Study Groups or by Individuals

Leo Beaudet – Website

Dave Bartlet – show coordinator – [dave.bartlet@shaw.ca](mailto:dave.bartlet@shaw.ca)

**Note:** This Virtual event does NOT in any way change BNAPEX in Vernon. In fact, this is an opportunity for you to submit an exhibit, get feedback, make changes and then show it at Vernon. You are welcome to submit the same exhibit to both this Virtual show and to BNAPEX.

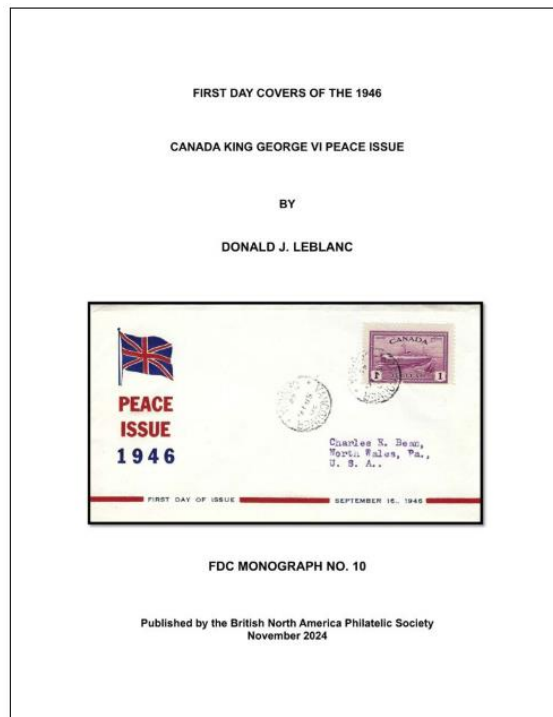
## BNAPS Book Release Notes

Two new books of note:

Shortly before his passing in July 2024, the late Donald J. Leblanc completed the third and final volume of his series on Canadian First Day Covers, *First Day Covers of the 1946 Canada King George VI Peace Issue*. December 2024, Spiral bound, 222 pages, 8.5 × 11, colour. ISBN: 978-1-989280-48-5. Stock # B4h126-1. Price: C\$53.00

Celebrating the end of World War II, in September 1946 Canada released a new set of high-value definitive stamps to replace the same values of the King George VI War Issue set. The new stamps showed different aspects of life in peacetime Canada.

Because of the large number of cachets, it would be difficult for a collector to search for and identify a particular FDC in his or her collection, so the author grouped a significant number of cachets under a dominant theme. Sections of *First Day Covers of the 1946 Canada King George VI Peace Issue* cover Peace and/or Victory themes, followed by Re-conversion and/or Reconstruction themes, the Canadian Coat of Arms, text indicators of FDC status, left-over War Issue covers, hand-drawn or hand-painted, Air Mail envelopes, plus General-purpose and Business Corner Cards.



### *The Philatelic History of Kingston, Ontario, from 1673 to the Present Day*

Curated by Chris Anstead and Chris Hargreaves

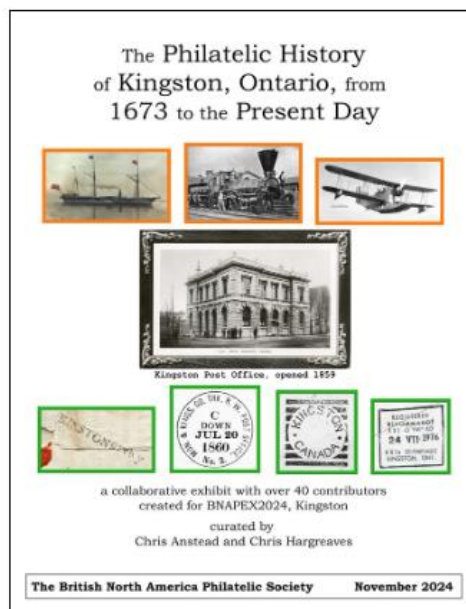
Released November 2024.

220 pages, 8.5" x 11", spiral.

Colour C\$ [53.00](#) [ISBN 978-1-989280-47-8].

Mike Street, Coordinator of the BNAPS Book Department, believes that of the over 300 book titles BNAPS has published to date, *The Philatelic History of Kingston, Ontario, from 1673 to the Present Day*, is the most colourful. Almost all normal competitive exhibits are focused on a particular type of material and tend to be similar in many aspects, such as colour and shape. The pages of the Kingston exhibit come from 40+ contributors. The diversity of contributors and their contributions almost guarantees that the material on display will differ from page to page, and this is the case with this volume.

The incredible variety of items brought together under one philatelic roof include a Wampum belt used to convey an agreement between two



Indigenous tribes, the earliest known letter addressed to Fort Frontenac in 1686, and many variations of postal markings from straight line “Kingston” postmarks of the late 16th century and later, through the “Ruggles” postmark and Berri duplex postmarks of the 1860s, to the “Blue Barrel” cancellations of 1955-1962.

Among the many other subjects covered in the book are:

- ▶ Kingston designated as capital of the the Province of Canada in 1840
- ▶ Mid-19th century Canada to United States Cross Border Mail through Kingston (and vice versa)
- ▶ St. Lawrence River Steamboat mail
- ▶ An 1851 Soldiers’ Letter to England from a member of the 1851 British Garrison
- ▶ Fort Henry as an 1820s Great Lakes defence installation, and later as a World War II Prisoner of War Camp
- ▶ Queen's University
- ▶ Royal Military College Centenary stamp issue
- ▶ 1976 Olympic Games sailboat venue
- ▶ Postcard Factory Prepaid Postcards
- ▶ Wolfe Island and MV Wolfe Islander II, III and IV

## Study and regional group contributions to the BNAPS website

December’s additions to the website come from two regional groups and five study groups.

- **Prairie Beaver Regional Group:** Nov. newsletter, *Beaver Chatter*, Vol. 49, No. 1  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/regional/PrairieBeaver/RG-PrairieBeaver.php>
- **Lower Canada / Bas Canada Regional Group:** 27 Oct. meeting report  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/regional/LowerCanada/RG-LowerCanada-Reports.php>
- **British Columbia Postal History Study Group:** Dec. newsletter, No. 132  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/hhl/n-bcr.htm>
- **Re-entries and Constant Plate Varieties Study Group:** Dec. newsletter, *Dots and Scratches*, No. 36  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/re-entry/newsletters-reentry.php>
- **Newfoundland Study Group:** Dec. news bulletin, *BNAPS Newfoundland Study Group News*  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/Newfoundland/newsletters.php>
- **Squared Circle Study Group:** Dec. newsletter, *The Roundup Annex*, Vol. 45, No. 6  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/squaredcircle/newsletters.htm>
- **First Day Cover Study Group:** Jan.-Mar. newsletter, *First Impressions*, No. 54  
Link: <https://bnaps.org/studygroups/FDC/newsletters-fdc.htm>

BNAPEX 2025 – Live in Vernon, BC -

**BNAPEX 2025**  
**Vernon, BC**



**Bourse with dealers from across Canada**

**BNAPS Study Group Meetings**

**Dinner at Gray Monk**

**Day Trips for Guests**

**Past Presidents' Reception**

**Awards Banquet**

**Host Hotel: Prestige Vernon Lodge Conference Centre**

**Resv. 250 - 545 - 3385 reservation code: BNAPS**

# EDMONTON STAMP CLUB'S

## 2025 EDMONTON SPRING NATIONAL STAMP SHOW



**March 29-30, 2025**

**Saturday 10-5pm, Sunday 10-4pm**

**Central Lions Recreational Centre**

**113 St & 111 Ave**

- Stamp Dealers from across Western Canada
  - Competitive Exhibits
  - Stamp Circuit Books,
    - Door Prizes,
    - Junior Table



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ORAPEX 2024, the Ottawa Regional Association of Philatelic Exhibitions, whose theme was "Marcophily/Postmarks," was a resounding success.

Our theme for 2025 is "The Beaver." 2025 will mark the 62nd anniversary of this show, which is managed by volunteers drawn from the Alta Vista Stamp Club, the Amicale des philatélistes de l'Outaouais, the Ottawa Philatelic Society and related philatelic societies and organizations. ORAPEX is one of only a few national-level stamp shows held annually in Canada and is part of the American Philatelic Society's "World Series of Philately."

### ORAPEX 2025

May 3 10am-6pm

May 4 10am-4pm

Nepean Sportsplex  
1701 Woodroffe Avenue  
Ottawa, Ontario K2G 1W2

Free admission and parking. Check out our dealers on the [Bourse page](#) and the exhibits that you can see at the show on the [Exhibiting page](#).

For travel info, click the 'Directions' button above.

**Please book your accommodations early, as this is a busy weekend!**

For further information, [email us](#) or click on the 'Resources' button above.

### 2024 Show Honouree



Grégoire Teyssier

ORAPEX boasts about 30 stamp dealers in its bourse and runs an impressive series of society meetings, seminars and study groups. Bring your children to the Youth Booth to get them started on collecting! The show's awards reception is a highlight of the weekend and a great chance for everyone to socialize after the exhibits have been judged. (Awards Reception tickets will be available at the Welcome Booth at the show.) Please join us as we celebrate philately – the hobbies of stamp collecting and postal history collecting.

The eLetter is published monthly by the BNAPS Membership Committee. Philip Atelic is looking for biographies of BNAPS members. Let us know if you know someone with an interesting story to tell. If you have a question about an item you own send an illustration and a short explanation, send it along. Someone may be able to help. Contact email: [charleslivermore@hotmail.com](mailto:charleslivermore@hotmail.com)

**May this new year fulfill some of your wildest  
philatelic fantasies**