



Antiquing in Nova Scotia

by Jane Sodero



At an antiques market in Blockhouse, NS, I spotted a few post office signs and this vending machine. Patented by the Postage Stamp Machine Company on July 6, 1948¹, this machine was distributed by the Auto-Matic Amusement & Vending Co. in Halifax. Located on in “College Hall” on Gerrish St.², the vending company dealt with a wide range of machines including pinball games and later VLTs. The building was demolished after 1965.



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1. https://postalmuseum.si.edu/object/npm_1991.0170.2
2. Front view of College Hall, 1965. Halifax Municipal Archives, Pam Collins photographs (CR30K-1-13.6)

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50 Years Ago

August 1976

August 3 • Olympiad for the Physically Disabled
August 17 • Robert Service - The Cremation of Sam McGee
August 17 • Germaine Guevremont - Le Survenant



Palmares - Royal 2026 Royale

Congratulations to Elizabethan-era exhibitors at Royal 2026 Royale!

Large Gold

Doug Irwin *The Centennial Definitives of Canada - The Coil Stamps*
+ APS 1940-1980 Medal of Excellence and John D. Arn White Queen Award

Gold

David Oberholtzer *Barrel Postmark Usage Kitchener Ont.*
Jane Sodero *First Day Covers and Usage of Canada's 1955 Kayak Hunter*
Ross Elliot *Errors and Frauds in Coil Stamps from the 6-cent Orange Centennial to the 46-cent Red Flag*

Large Vermeil

John McIntyre 1977-79 "Peace Tower" Domestic Rates Stamps
Doug Irwin *The \$1 Centennial Definitive of Canada: The Stamp and its Use*

Large Silver

Peter MacDonald *Canada's Centennial Year Christmas Issue*
John Hall *The 1992 Canada in Space Hologram Stamp - A Study in Varieties and Errors*

Silver-Bronze

Wayne Harms *Centennial Era Rate Covers 1967-1973*
+Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award

Editor's Column

Summer activities have limited my philatelic pursuits hence the delay on this issue. We have had a hot summer so far in Nova Scotia with, I hope, just enough rain to keep the forest fires at bay. I know other areas have not been so lucky.

By all accounts, the organizers in Kitchener-Waterloo put on a great Royal and, I know, the show committee for BNAPEX is planning for a great event with a regional show running in conjunction with all the regular events. Several deadlines for exhibits and hotel rooms are coming up in the middle of August so check the website (<https://bnaps.org/bnapex/bnapex2026-Valleyfield/index.php?lang=en>) for the most up to date information. See you there!

What's Wrong with this Picture?

by Andrew Chung

Illustrated is a Rosecraft cachet of the medium and high value Centennial definitive issue. A single of the 8 cent "Alaska Highway" by A. Y. Jackson is tied to the cover by the Ottawa bilingual "Day of Issue" machine cancellation dated "8 II 1967". Notice anything peculiar on this first day cover? Jackson's painting is upside down!

This oddity is very uncommon. I missed it at first glance.



WANTED – Essays and/or Proofs

David McLaughlin is looking for images of essays and/or proofs of the stamps designed by George Fanais in his time with the British Bank Note Company. He is looking for 300dpi jpeg colour scans and, if used, credit of ownership would be provided. The Fanais designed stamps are:

#476 & #477 - 1967 Christmas Stamps	#494 - Sir Wm Osler
#479 - Meteorology	#504 - Stephen Leacock
#482 - Nonsuch	

Correction! – “En Primeur” Cards - 1991-1993

by Scott Traquair

1991	1992	1993
91C01	92C01	93C01
2	2	2
3 not seen	3	3
4	4	4
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6	6	6
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9	9 *	9
10	10 *	10
11	11 *	11
12	12 *	12
13	13 *	13
14	14 *	
15		
16	* UNUSED ARE 92CPXX	
91AS03	92AS09	
	92AS10	
91D01	92D01	93D01
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
	5	
	6	
	7	

In the September- October 2025 edition of The Corgi Times, there was an error in the database that only 91AS03 exists but that it was identified incorrectly as 91AS01. It should be noted that I have never seen 91C03 - that comment was not part of the database provided to the editor. Thanks to Jean and Tim for spotting the error.

Upcoming Shows

Sept 17- 20, 2026 BNAPEX, Salaberry-de-Valleyfield, QC

Oct 17-18, 2026 CANPEX, London, ON

DON'T FORGET!

BNAPEX 2026 Valleyfield QC, September 18-20, 2026

Elizabethan II Study Group Show-and-Tell

Saturday, September 19, 2026, 13:00-14:20, SHPQ Room.

91C03 not seen by me
91AS01 should have been identified as 91AS03

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