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A notice will be sent shortly.

ORAPEX 2015 Awards

by: Bob Elias

ORAPEX 2015 was held in Ottawa on May 2 and 3. Canadian Elizabethan philately was well represented, with six exhibits consisting entirely of Canadian Elizabethan II material (four from ESG members). The exhibits and their awards are listed below:

- *The Baby Sisters* by David Bartlet (1 frame): RPSC Gold Medal; APS Research Medal; BNAPS Elizabethan II Study Group, John D. Arn "White Queen" Award.
- *An Overview of Canada's 1969 Christmas Issue* by Peter MacDonald (1 frame): RPSC Silver Medal.
- *Solo Usages of the Landscape Higher Values* by Larry Margetish (1 frame): RPSC Silver Medal.
- *Canadian Wilding and Associated High Value Definitives: Guide-Dot Varieties of Lower-Left Inscription Blocks* by Robert J. Elias (1 frame): RPSC Silver-Bronze Medal.
- *14th World Scout Moot 2013* by A.W. (Bill) Bartlet (1 frame): RPSC Silver-Bronze Medal.
- *12th Scouts Canada Jamboree CJ'13 Camp Woods, Sylvan Lake, Alberta July 6-13, 2013* by A.W. (Bill) Bartlet (4 frames): Regional Silver-Bronze Medal.



BNAPEX 2015

BNAPEX 2015 is just around the corner. Niagara Falls, ON is the destination for fellow-BNAPS-ers to meet at the annual convention.



Marconi Stamp Images
See page 92



The Elizabethan II Study Group will hold its annual Show-and-Tell during BNAPEX 2015 at Ramada Plaza in Niagara Falls, Ontario (September 11-13). This year your host will be Derek Fleming, our Treasurer. Be sure to bring an item of interest to show us or a puzzle to ask about!

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Canada Post News

Here is what Canada Post is up to these days...

► Stuck on Stamps 2015 # 2

The “For Kids”, *Stuck on Stamps!* package number 2 for 2015 was ‘customized’ to feature only the Dinos of Canada stamps which were released April 13, 2015.

The set includes die cut singles of each of the five dinosaur stamps (which, if the 2015/02 Quarterly pack does not include, could then be the only source for these die cut singles).

The package also included “temporary tattoos”. It has been several years since stamp tattoos have been produced by Canada Post (pictured below are tattoos for the kites and whales stamps, issued in 1999 and 2000 respectively).



Stamp tattoos
(images reduced 50%)



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Study Group Business

❖ New member

Patrick Delmore (ON)

Planning Calendar

This is a listing of major exhibitions and bourses with a large content of both Canadian Exhibits and Canadian dealers.

The goal is to list events far in advance to encourage either exhibiting or attendance and preferably both.

2015

BNAPLEX 2015: Sep 11–13, 2015 in Niagara Falls, ON

Royal Canadian Mint Alternate Website?

by: Robin Harris

Illustrated at right (as seen on Tuesday, June 9, 2015) is the first shopping page found on the **Canada Post** website that a viewer comes upon.

There are 63 items that appear on this “Featured Products” page. The breakdown of items is as follows:

Coins:

- 33 coins produced by the Royal Canadian Mint

Stamps:

- Love Your Pet: 3
- FIFA: 2
- In Flanders Fields: 3
- Dinosaurs: 1
- Year of the Ram: 7
- Year of the Monkey: 1
- Year of the Horse: 2
- Year of the Snake: 1
- Xpresspost envelopes: 4
- Coil rolls: 4
- Motorcycles: 1
- NHL: 1

More than half of the items are *coins*. In fact, you need to scroll down to the 26th item in the list before you come across the first stamp listing. I would think that most people would expect to see at least the stamps listed before any other kinds of products. I’m sure there are some that would expect to see *only stamps* on the Canada Post website, certainly on the first page that is displayed.

Recent *Details* magazines put out by Canada Post have a similar kind of appearance ... there seems to be more coin offerings than *details* on new stamp releases. Perhaps that is why *Details* is now issued every four to six weeks instead of quarterly ... to advertise new coins in a more timely manner?

The Royal Canadian Mint (www.mint.ca) issues a *ton* of coins (both literally and figuratively). If you thought Canada Post was issuing too many stamps and “killing off the hobby” (?), take a look sometime at the offerings of the Mint. The quantity of new coins, and their cost, will astound you.

The screenshot shows the Canada Post website's 'Featured Products' page. At the top, there's a banner for 'Catch the spirit of June's coin release' with a 'Shop now' button. Below the banner, there's a search bar and a 'Featured Products' section. The products are displayed in a grid, each with a small image, a title, and a price. The products include various coins, stamps, and envelopes. The bottom of the page has a '18? Support' section and a 'How to track a package online' section.

Canada Post 2015 Stamp Program

Issue dates are subject to change by Canada Post. Shaded entries are changed/new from the last time we presented this list.

Issued	Description	Scott#
Jan 8	Year of the Ram <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢) pane of 25 \$2.50, self-adhesive booklet pane of 6 \$2.50 souvenir sheet \$2.50 (Ram) and 1.85 (Horse) "transitional" souvenir sheet \$30.00 uncut press sheet of 12 souvenir sheets \$2.50 postal cards (one of each design) 	2801 2803 2802 2802a
Jan 11	Sir John A. Macdonald <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 	2804
Jan 30	Nelson Mandela <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$2.50 gummed souvenir sheet of 1 	2806 2805
Feb 15	Canada Flag 50th anniversary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$2.50 self-adhesive souvenir sheet of 1 \$2.50 postal card \$115.00 uncut press sheet of 20 souvenir sheets and 3 stamps 	2807 2808
Mar 2	Pansies (2 designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive roll of 50 \$1.70 gummed souvenir sheet of 2 \$2.50 postal cards (one of each design) 	2812–13 2810–11 2809
Apr 8	Canadian Photography (7 designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$1.20, self-adhesive booklet of 6 \$2.50, self-adhesive booklet of 6 \$4.20 gummed souvenir sheet of 3 \$3.75 gummed souvenir sheet of 4 \$2.50 postal cards (one of each design) 	
Apr 13	Dinosaurs (5 designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$4.25 self-adhesive souvenir sheet of 5 (stamps with embossing) \$34.00 uncut press sheet of 8 souvenir sheets (stamps with embossing) 	
May 2	Love Your Pet (5 designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$4.25 gummed souvenir sheet of 5 	
May 3	In Flanders Fields <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 \$4.25 gummed pane of 5 	
May 6	FIFA Women's World Cup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent™ (85¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10 	

Elizabethan II Market Place

Classified listings in the Market Place are \$1.00 for 25 words. Additional words are 5¢ each. Camera ready display ads (preferably 300dpi, black and white tiff scans) pertaining primarily to the Elizabethan era will be accepted at the following rates: 1/8 page \$5.00; 1/4 page \$8.00; 1/2 page \$15.00 and a full page at \$30.00. 25% discount for four consecutive insertions of the same ad. Full payment must accompany ad. Payment in Canadian funds to: Elizabethan II Study Group. Mail to Editor: Robin Harris, PO Box 104, Seddons Corner, MB R0E 1X0, Canada.

WANTED

P Arctic Hare

\$1.03 Red Fox

\$1.25 Canada Geese

\$1.75 Polar Bear

2011 BABY WILDLIFE DEFINITIVE COILS

4 nibs left, right, left, right

4 nibs L, R, L, R narrow valley at left

4 nibs left, right, left, right

4 nibs L, R, L, R narrow valley at left

4 nibs R, L, R, L narrow peak at right

4 nibs R, L, R, L narrow peak at right

Start strip of 4

Gutter, start, end, & plain strips of 4

Gutter, start, end, & plain strips of 4

Gutter, start, end, & plain strips of 4

Start strip of 4

Start strip of 4

For a full description of these 'nib' varieties see Corgi Times March-April 2011, page 72.

Even if you have only one of these items for sale contact Dudley Nash: dpnash@sympatico.ca

In Flanders Fields Packaging

Canada Post released a Permanent™ stamp on May 3 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of John McCrae's famous *In Flanders Fields* poem. The design was issued in both self-adhesive and water-activated gum versions.

Not counting souvenir sheets, this is the **third** water-activated gum stamp to be released by Canada Post since the postage rates rose to 85¢ on March 31, 2014. What is significant about that? Since the new rates went into effect, Canada Post is no longer selling *single* domestic-rate stamps. In order to ensure that single stamps of these water-activated stamps (RMS Empress of Ireland, Wait for Me, Daddy, In Flanders Fields) were not removed from a pane and sold individually, the full panes are only distributed and sold in a shrink-wrapped package.

The packaging of the *In Flanders Fields* stamps includes the shrink-wrap package, a full pane of 5 water-activated gum stamps, and an advertising 'card' (printed on both sides).

Water-activated Permanent™ stamps in shrink-wrapped packaging

- May 29/14: RMS Empress of Ireland
- Oct 4/14: Wait for Me Daddy
- May 3/15: In Flanders Fields



Full shrink-wrap package of In Flanders Fields water-activated gum pane of 5 stamps

See inside the story behind the stamp
Découvrez à l'intérieur tous les détails de l'envers du timbre

John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields"
Pane of five stamps

"In Flanders Fields," written by Guelph, Ontario native Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae, was first published in December 1915, in England's *Punch* magazine. Reprinted countless times, this poignant poem, thought to be inspired by the death of McCrae's close friend, has become an anthem to all those who lost their lives in war.

Today, this classic literary masterpiece of loss and patriotism remains part of Remembrance Day ceremonies in Canada and other countries throughout the world.

Au champ d'honneur de John McCrae
Feuillet de cinq timbres

Paru pour la première fois en Angleterre en décembre 1915 dans le magazine *Punch*, le poème *Au champ d'honneur* de John McCrae, le lieutenant-colonel, qui est né le 30 novembre 1872 à Guelph, en Ontario, aurait écrit ce poème, maintes fois primé, à la suite de la mort au combat d'un de ses proches amis. Depuis, ce poème déchirant est devenu le symbole des sacrifices consentis par tous les combattants de la Première Guerre mondiale.

Aujourd'hui, ce poème classique de la littérature sur le thème des pertes humaines et du patriotisme continue d'être récité lors des cérémonies du jour du Souvenir qui se tiennent au Canada et ailleurs dans le monde.

Also available / Également offerts

\$425
Pane of five stamps
Feuillet de cinq timbres
403880107

\$850
Booklet of 10 stamps
Carnet de 10 timbres
413980111

\$5995
Limited edition framed pane
Édition limitée - Feuillet de timbres (cadre limité)
12.5" x 16.5" (317.5mm x 419.1mm)
342054

\$185
Official First Day Cover
Pièce Premier Jour officielle
413980131

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En vente à votre bureau de poste ou en ligne à postescanada.ca/achat.

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The story behind the stamp

The poem that inspired how we remember their sacrifice

First published, anonymously, in England's *Punch* magazine in 1915, Major (later Lieutenant-Colonel) John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields" became the most popular poem of the First World War and inspired the choice of the poppy as a symbol of remembering those whose lives were lost in war. Today, the poem continues to be a part of Remembrance Day ceremonies. Its lines are engraved on plaques in the Memorial Chamber of the Peace tower on Parliament Hill. Excerpts are often carved into cenotaphs and memorials throughout Canada.

Words of friendship and loss

During the First World War, McCrae, a medical doctor from Guelph, Ontario, was appointed brigade-surgeon to the First Brigade of the Canadian Field Artillery. It is believed that McCrae began the draft of his famous poem on May 2, 1915, during the Second Battle of Ypres, and that it was written in response to the death of his close friend, Lieutenant Alexis Helmer. The poem commemorates both Helmer and the more than 54,000 soldiers without known graves.

In November 1918, at the end of the war, the poem was reprinted in the *Ladies' Home Journal* under the title "We Shall Not Sleep." Sadly, McCrae was a casualty of war, dying on January 28, 1918, of pneumonia and meningitis.

L'envers du timbre

Le poème qui a servi d'inspiration pour nous rappeler leurs sacrifices

Publié pour la première fois de façon anonyme en Angleterre en 1915 dans le magazine *Punch*, le poème *Au champ d'honneur* composé par le major John McCrae (nommé plus tard lieutenant-colonel) est devenu le poème le plus populaire de la Première Guerre mondiale; il a inspiré le choix du coquelicot comme symbole de tous ceux et celles qui ont perdu la vie dans les combats. Aujourd'hui encore, ce poème continue d'être récité lors des cérémonies du jour du Souvenir. Les strophes sont gravées sur les plaques de marbre déposées dans la Salle du Souvenir de la Tour de la Paix, sur la Colline du Parlement. Des extraits sont souvent inscrits sur les cénotaphes et monuments commémoratifs partout au Canada.

Hommage à l'amitié et aux pertes humaines

Durant la Première Guerre mondiale, John McCrae, originaire de Guelph en Ontario, a été nommé chirurgien au sein de la première brigade de l'Artillerie canadienne. John McCrae aurait commencé à écrire son célèbre poème le 2 mai 1915, au cours de la Deuxième bataille d'Ypres, à la suite de la mort de son ami proche, le lieutenant Alexis Helmer. Le poème rend hommage à Helmer et aux plus de 54 000 soldats qui n'ont aucune sépulture connue.

Au terme de la guerre, en novembre 1918, le poème a été réimprimé dans le *Ladies' Home Journal* sous le titre « We Shall Not Sleep » (Les coquelicots se feront au champ d'honneur). Malheureusement, John McCrae a été une victime indirecte de la guerre, ayant succombé le 28 janvier 1918 à une pneumonie et à une méningite.

John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields" stamps and collectibles are available at your local post office or online at canadapost.ca/shop.

Vous pouvez vous procurer le timbre *Au champ d'honneur* de John McCrae et les articles de collection à votre bureau de poste ou en ligne à postescanada.ca/achat.

Diplomatic Free Mail of the P.U.A.S.

by: John Aitken

Back in the Nov-Dec 2010 issue of *Corgi Times* (pp. 40-41) I showed some covers from members of the P.U.A.S. (Postal Union of The Americas and Spain) and mentioned that I had little information about them. Recently I came across an exhibit of diplomatic free mail sent to the Dutch embassy in Ottawa in 1969 and 1970. It sheds additional light on the subject.

The exhibitor explained that most of the covers were sent by members of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain. He displayed a photocopy of a page from Hansard in which Postmaster General Eric Kierans answered questions about foreign embassy mailing privileges (Fig. 1).

The exhibitor then displayed a photocopy detailing the regulations for diplomatic pouches, including those of the P.U.A.S. members (Fig. 2).

Finally, the exhibitor displayed three covers which did not comply with the regulations detailed by Mr. Kierans. Two of the covers were from non P.U.A.S. embassies in Ottawa (Fig. 3-4), and the third may or may not have been from a P.U.A.S. member consulate in Quebec (Fig. 5). Note that all three were sent after the question in Parliament.

Has anyone come across other non P.U.A.S. diplomatic free franks besides those of Korea and Tunisia?

Also, does anyone know where to find lists of consulates of the P.U.A.S. members in Canada, and of the Canadian consulates abroad in the period 1932-1972?

December 10, 1969
COMMONS DEBATES
1969

enlargement was delayed due to establishment of user requirements and design; tender closing date December 18.

3. Paving completion date June 1970; Terminal completion date May 1970.

4. When forecast operational requirements justify such action; currently, and pending further detailed studies of needs of the role of this airport in the overall Maritime aviation system, we expect such work might be necessary in the 1975-80 period.

5. Four flights.

6. Of the four flights noted, two are B737—105 passengers; and two are Dart Herald—41 passengers. Total daily passenger capacity—292 passengers.

7. Thirty-two passengers.

INCENTIVE GRANTS AND LOANS, P.E.I.
Question No. 524—Mr. McQuaid:

Of the 278 development incentive grants or loans approved by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion since January 1, 1969, for firms establishing new plants or expanding in the slow-growth regions of Canada (a) how many of these have been approved for the Province of Prince Edward Island (b) what are the names of the ones so approved (c) what is the amount of financial assistance given in each case and is this assistance by way of loan or grant (d) what is the estimated permanent employment which will result from these approvals?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): (a) 13; (b) and (c) details of development incentives are provided when, but only when, the company has actually begun construction (under the new legislation) or gone into commercial production (under the old legislation); (d) 711.

**CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WARFARE
RESEARCH—USE OF ANIMALS**
Question No. 530—Mrs. MacInnis:

Are animals still being used to test material in connection with research into chemical and biological warfare at the Defence Research Station at Suffield, Alberta?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): In its program of chemical and biological defence research, the Defence Research Establishment Suffield uses animals as they are used in medical research generally, which is concerned with man's welfare both in peaceful and defensive environments. The animals employed are obtained from the same sources from which other medical

research laboratories obtain them, and the most humane techniques according to the "Guiding Principles for the Care of Laboratory Animals" formulated by the Canadian Federation of Biological Societies, are observed in all such work.

FOREIGN EMBASSY MAILING PRIVILEGES
Question No. 532—Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):

1. What arrangements or agreements have been established between the Government of Canada and foreign embassies situated in Canada regarding mailing privileges through the Canadian Post Office from these embassies to places within Canada?

2. Does all mail distributed by foreign embassies within Canada go postage free and, if so, how is this mail labelled?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. Under the provisions of the Convention of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, corresponding members of the diplomatic corps situated in Canada representing the following countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Salvador (El), Spain, United States, Uruguay and Venezuela may be conveyed free of postage when mailed at Ottawa and addressed for delivery in Canada or in the countries mentioned. As Canada is a member of this particular Union our Embassies situated in the above mentioned countries enjoy the same mailing privilege.

2. Only mail originating with Embassies of countries of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain is entitled to the free mailing privilege referred to in (1). Such mail must bear the name of the Embassy and be prominently endorsed "Diplomatic Correspondence" and "Free of Postage".

QUEEN OF CANADA SIX CENT STAMPS
Question No. 540—Mr. Dinsdale:

Are six cent stamps available featuring the Queen of Canada and, if not, when were these stamps removed from issue?

2. Does the government intend to re-issue them and, if so, when?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. Yes.

2. Not applicable.

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Fig. 1

2. Diplomatic pouches should not exceed 20 kilograms in weight or be too large to be enclosed in a mail bag.

3. Sealed bags containing correspondence are accepted prepaid on the bulk weight of the contents.

Procedure

Application for permission to send such diplomatic bags by post should be made in writing to the Post Office Department through the Department of External Affairs. Once authority has been granted, the Post Office Department will advise the applicant as to the necessary details.

4. **Exceptions**

The following reciprocal free mailing concessions for surface mails have been granted to members of the Diplomatic Corps representing countries of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, as listed below, and to the consular representatives of such countries:

Argentina	Ecuador	Paraguay
Bolivia	Guatemala	Peru
Brazil	Haiti	Salvador (El)
Chile	Honduras	Spain
Colombia	Mexico	United States
Costa Rica	Nicaragua	Uruguay
Cuba	Panama	Venezuela
Dominican Republic		

(a) Free despatch is granted (on other than air mail) to:

(1) correspondence of members of the Diplomatic Corps:

1. within Canada;

2. to addresses in the countries designated above.

Diplomatic bags should not exceed 20 kilograms in weight. The combined length, width and depth are not to exceed 140 centimeters and the greatest dimension is not to exceed 60 centimeters.

Fig. 2

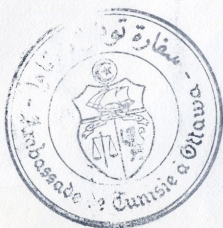
EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
151 SLATER STREET
OTTAWA, CANADA



Embassy of the Netherlands,
275 Slater St.,
Ottawa Ontario.

Fig. 3

AMBASSADE DE TUNISIE
OTTAWA



L'Ambassade des Pays-Bas
275 Slater,
Ottawa, Ontario

Fig. 4

C.P. 981, Le Pocatieri, P. Que.

Diplomatic Mail Free



*Son Excellence l'Ambassadeur des Pays-Bas,
275, rue Slater, Ottawa 4,
Ontario, Canada*

Fig. 5

Guglielmo Marconi

Canada Post issued a single stamp on November 15, 1974 to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of the wireless. Scott 654 shows a green-faced Marconi with his head resting on his right hand. In the background is a view of St. John's harbour from Signal Hill.



For many, the green-face in the foreground and abstract background resulted in one of Canada's ugliest stamp designs. It got the most votes for the worst designed Canadian stamp of 1974 in David Gronbeck-Jones's contest in *Linn's Stamp News*.

In 2002 Canada Post issued a second Marconi stamp, this time on the 100th anniversary of the sending of the first trans-Atlantic radio message across the Atlantic Ocean, from Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, to Poldhu, England (Scott 1964).

The Marconi stamp of 2002 uses the same pose as that shown on the 1974 issue, but this time with life-like colours.

While reading *The American Philatelist* the other day I came upon the same Marconi image, but this time on a stamp from Ireland. Since just about anything can be found on eBay, I thought a quick purchase could add the Irish stamp to my collection beside the Canadian counterparts.



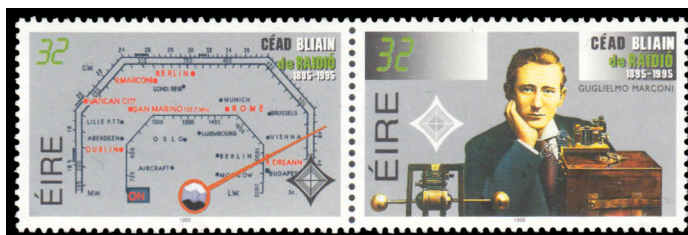
The search of eBay surprisingly brought up several other stamp issues bearing the same Marconi pose. Illustrated here are images obtained via these eBay auction/buy it now lots (the relative size of the images has been 'guessed', as the actual stamps have not been personally observed).



St. Vincent & The Grenadines



Great Britain



Ireland



Germany



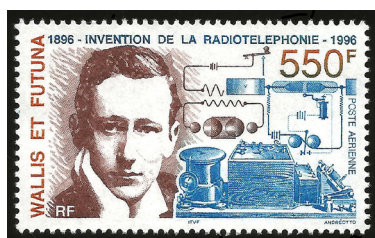
Syria



Vanuatu



Italy (above); Vatican (below)



Wallis and Futuna



Turkey

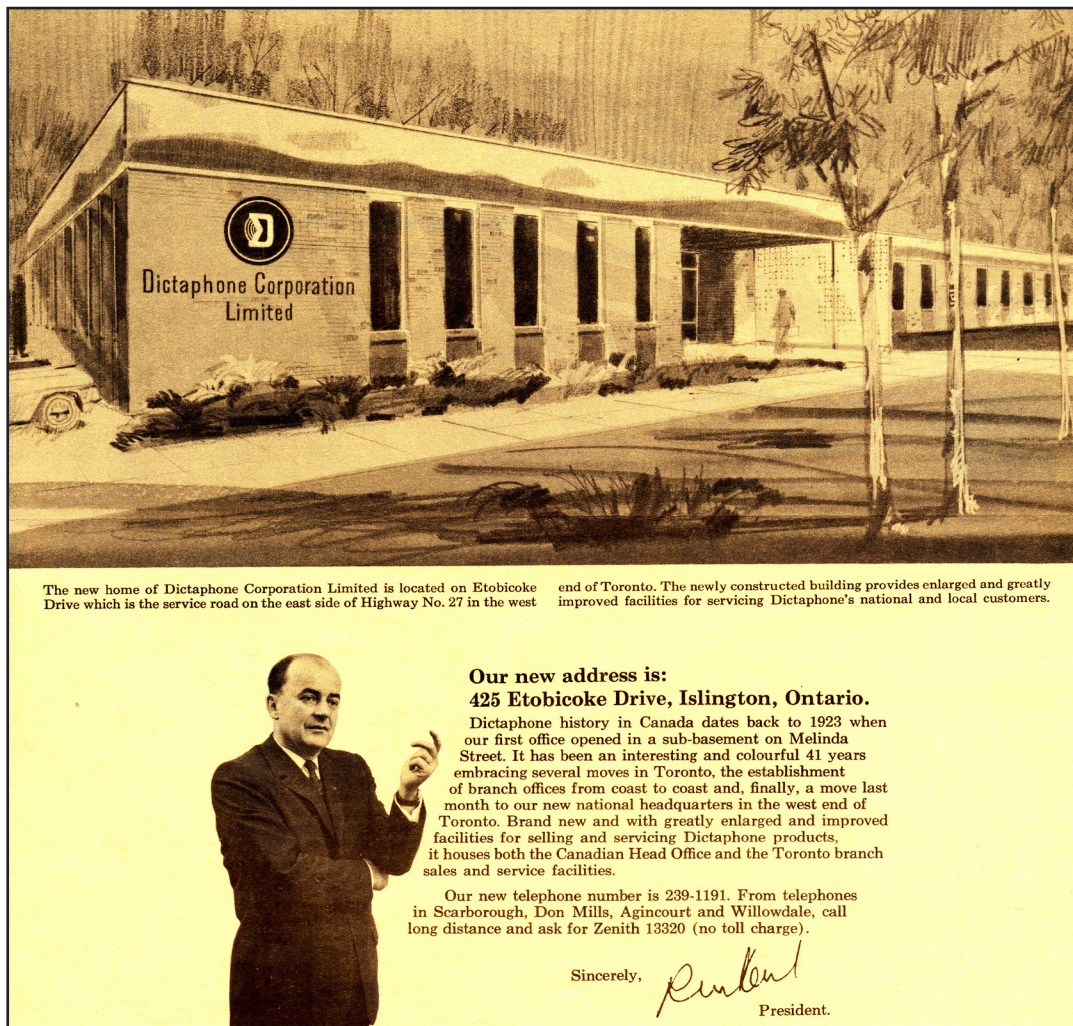
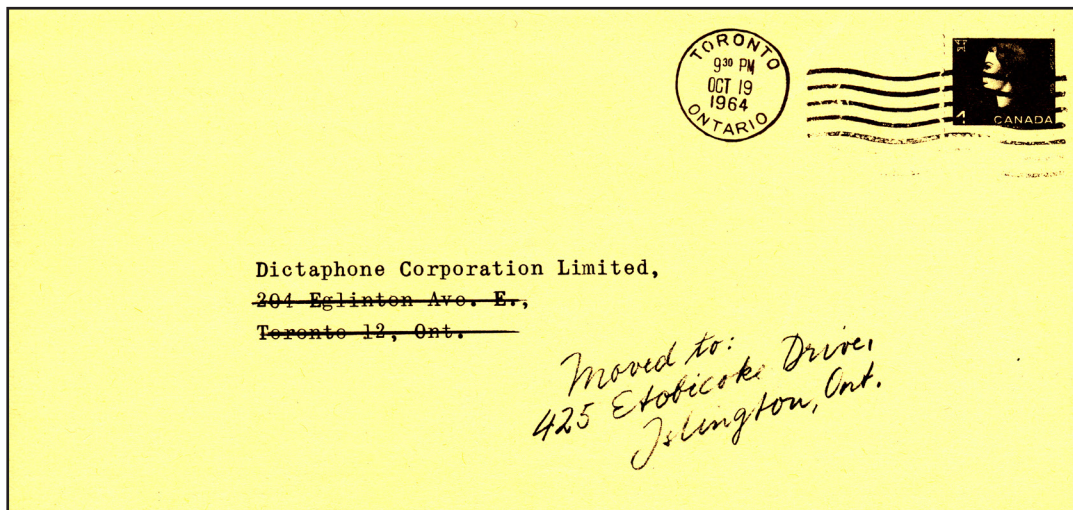


Cameo Image used on Product Advertising

by: Andrew Chung, FRPSC

Here is a 4-cent Cameo (Scott 404), in near actual size, printed in dark brown on a folded brochure from Dictaphone Corporation Limited to announce their new address and telephone number. The postmark, a reproduction of a Toronto machine cancellation, is dated "OCT 19 1964". The brochure was likely distributed at that time.

Scans (at 66%) illustrate the brochure's front and inside views.



Selected Philatelic Firsts For Canada Post (Part 3)

by: Paul Smith

continued from the Jan–Feb 2015 and Mar–Apr 2015 *Corgi Times*

Panes, Miniature Panes and Sheets

Pane — Se-tenant Stamps

Issuing one color single image stamps was the norm from Canada's first stamp of April 23, 1851 through October 9, 1956. On March 7, 1957, Canada issued the first differently imaged stamps in a single pane.

The Recreation Sports stamps issue [SC 368a], with fishing, swimming, hunting and skiing, was printed in a plated sheet of 200 stamps that was cut into four 50 stamp panes. The layout created dozens of different se-tenant combinations, including identical pairs of the fishing and skiing stamps.



Booklets

The June 23, 1983 32 cent “Canada Day - Canadian Forts” commemoratives [SC 992a] were the first Canadian stamp issues to be sold only in a booklet format.



Traffic Lights

The “Canada Day - Science and Technology - 1” issue of June 27, 1986 [SC 1102a] was the first commemorative issue to incorporate traffic lights (coloured dots or images) and a single character on inscribed blocks to indicate the ink colours and paper used in its production.

Printed in five colour lithography in a sixteen stamp pane by Canadian Bank Note Company, Limited on Harrison and Sons paper, the stamps were tagged GT4.

Issued to commemorate Canadian innovations in transportation, this first of three series of stamps included the rotary snowplow, the Canadarm, the antigravity suit and the variable pitch propeller.

Cello Pack Miniature Panes

The first “cello pack” stamps were the 2 cent, 4 cent and 5 cent Queen Elizabeth II “Cameo” issues [Unitrade 402ai, 404bii, 405bi]. The 2 cent had two miniature panes of twenty stamps, whereas the 4 cent and 5 cent stamps each had one twenty stamp miniature pane in the cello pack.



Special Effects

Turning these stamps obliquely will show the word “COJO” due to a special engraving technique used in the production of the “Keep Fit - Summer Sports” [SC 629-632 March 22, 1974] and “Keep Fit - Winter Sports” [SC 644-647 September 23, 1974].



Debby Adams designed Canada’s first holographic stamp “Astronauts’ Achievements” [SC 1442], se-tenant with a fully lithographed eight colour stamp “Anik E2 Satellite” [SC 1441]. The holographic stamp is not as wide as the satellite stamp. They were issued October 1, 1992.



Printed by Lowe-Martin and utilizing Outer-Aspect’s action-oriented printing process “MotionStamp”

technology. Canada issued the “Montreal Canadiens 100th Anniversary” souvenir sheet [SC 2340] on October 17th, 2009.

Each of the three stamps, designed by Stephane Huot, feature a motion replay of the 500th goals scored by Maurice Richard, Jean Beliveau and Guy Lafleur when the stamps are waved top-to-bottom. The stamps were printed on untagged self-adhesive gummed TRC Papers paper in six colour lithography plus lenticular with serpentine die cut perforations.



Braille

A 52 cent “Guide Dogs” stamp [SC 2266] issued on April 21, 2008 celebrates the contribution of guide dogs on the one hundredth anniversary of the Montreal Association for the Blind. Sold in a ten stamp booklet, braille was incorporated into the stamp and the Official First Day Cover for the first time.

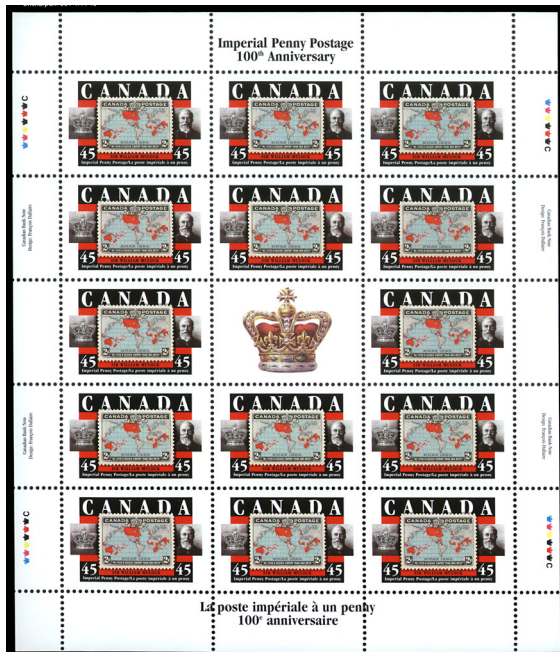


Non-Conforming Stamp Layout Panes

The 1996 “Canada Day” 45 cent stamp [SC 1607] was issued on June 28th, 1996 in a twelve stamp pane format with five labels. The pane format did not allow for pairs or blocks.

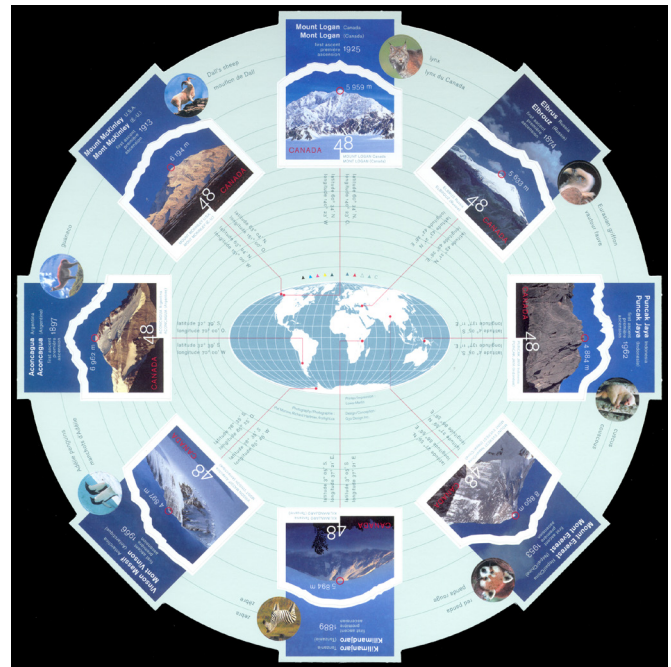


Canada issued a stamp on May 29, 1998 to honour Sir William Mulock, Canada's Postmaster General, [SC 1722] who was instrumental in negotiating the change in the international postage rate from 5 cents to 2 cents. Canadian Bank Note Company, Limited printed the stamp in a pane of 14 stamps with a central tab. Its central image is a reproduction of the original 2 cent Imperial Penny Postage, the world's first Christmas stamp. A photograph of Sir Mulock and a crown are at the sides of the inset stamp's image.



A circular pane [SC 1960] containing eight different stamps illustrating the world's most prominent mountains was issued on October 1, 2002. It celebrated the "International Year of Mountains" as proclaimed by the United Nations

General Assembly. Although each stamp appears to be rectangular, they were actually in three parts. The top part contained pertinent information regarding the specific mountain as well as a removable sticker showing an animal germane to that region. The bottom portion, with an irregular die cut top margin, was the actual stamp showing the mountain, its name and its height above sea level. As the stamps are placed on the outside edge of the pane, lines from each stamp are drawn to the mountains's location on the world map at the centre of the pane.



Prior to the 43 cent "Jeanne Sauvé" commemorative issue [SC 1509] of March 18, 1994, se-tenant pane stamps were normally printed in rows and columns allowing for multiple combinations of stamp configurations.



This issue was unusual in that it was printed se-tenant with four different joining tabs in a twenty stamp, twenty tab format. This meant that pairs and blocks of stamps could not be possible if the tabs were removed.

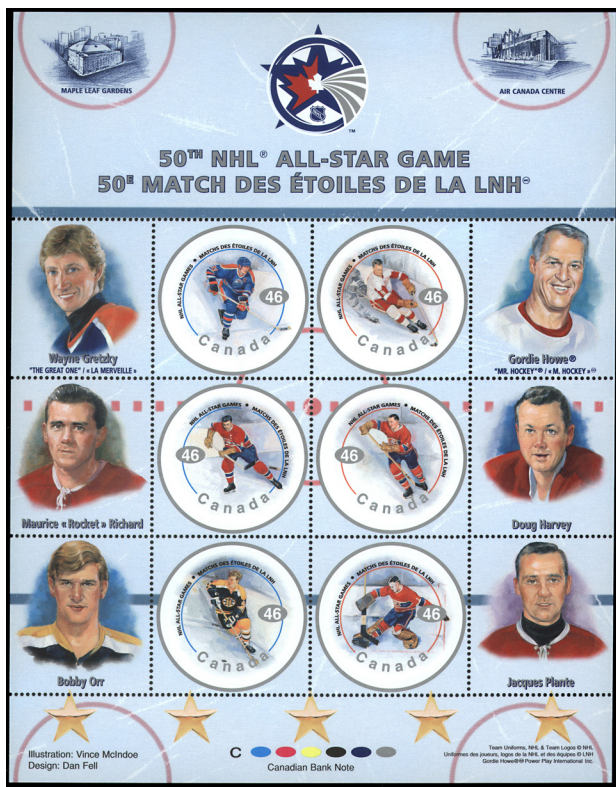
Jeanne Sauvé was Canada's first female Governor General (1984-1990), which was indicated in one of the tabs. The other three tabs illustrate her time as a journalist and broadcaster (1952-1972), a Member of Parliament (1972-

1984), and as Speaker of the House of Commons (1980-1984).

Two stamps honouring Canadian race car driver Gilles Villeneuve were issued on June 12, 1997. Both issues showed Villeneuve with a checkered flag on the 45 cent domestic rate stamp [1647] and his Ferrari T-3 on the 90 cent International rate stamp [1648]. The two stamps were also se-tenant in an eight stamp \$5.40 souvenir sheet [SC 1648b], which was Canada's first souvenir sheet sold in a full colour protective folder.



February 15, 2000 - Canada issued its first in a series of NHL All Star stamps [SC 1838], face valued at \$2.76 for a six stamp, six tab souvenir sheet. For the first time, the accompanying exclusive souvenir sheet folder could be purchased with the souvenir sheet for an additional 26 cents.



On April 29, 2011 Canada Post issued two stamps celebrating the royal wedding of Catherine Middleton

and Prince William. A ten stamp booklet of each stamp, a \$2.34 souvenir sheet of the two stamps se-tenant, and a se-tenant sixteen stamp two denomination pane were available for sale. Canada Post sold the sixteen stamp pane of the Royal Wedding stamps showing the royal couple se-tenant in two different poses [SC 2464 and 2465] and each stamp had a different postal rate. However, Canada Post would not sell single stamps from the pane through its outlets, the National Philatelic Centre, the Quarterly Pack, the Annual Collection or its sub-post office locations. This sixteen stamp pane combination required the purchaser to buy eight stamps of each denomination for a total of \$18.72 (\$4.72 for the eight 59 cent domestic rate stamps and \$14.00 for the eight \$1.75 international rate stamps).



Microprinting

In addition to tiny maple leaves as extra tagging elements, the Olympic Sporting Events souvenir sheet [SC 2299] and booklets [SC 2304a and SC 2304b] have the name of the appropriate sport in microprinting on each of the five stamp designs.



The June 8th, 1996 “Historic Land Vehicles Collection” issue [SC 1605] contained twenty-five different stamps in a \$3.35 souvenir sheet covering four different face values - 5 cent, 10 cent, 20 cent and 45 cent. Twenty-four of the stamps had been previously issued in six stamp souvenir sheets between August 23rd, 1993 and June 8th, 1996 but with completely different face values from the pane stamps.



The Bricklin SV-1 Sports Car, the only stamp with a face value of 45 cents and GT4 tagging, was available only in the souvenir sheet and the uncut press sheet of three souvenir sheets.



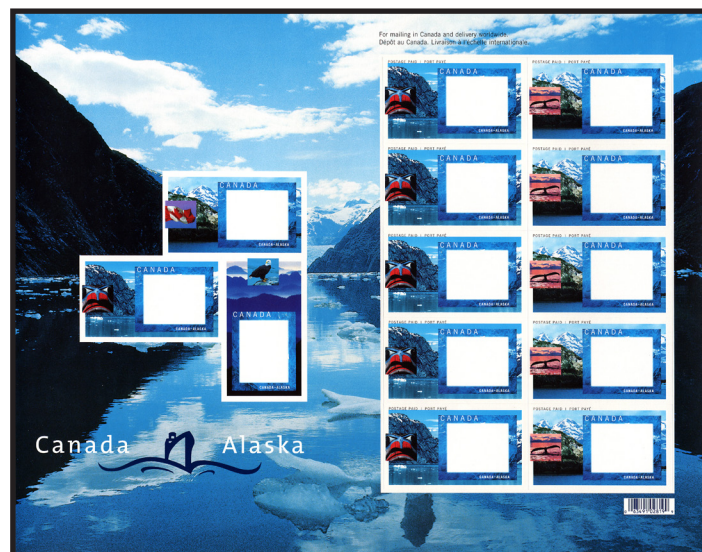
The inclusion of twenty labels horizontally separated the stamps in each of the five rows. As the stamps in the odd rows were vertically offset from those in the even rows, pairs and blocks were not possible.

This meant that Canada Post's re-issuance of the same stamps resulted in two different variations of twenty-four stamps in the same series. This would happen again in 2000 after Canada Post issued the \$59.99 hardbound book “The Millennium Collection” on September 15, 1999 with sixty-eight different 46 cent stamps.

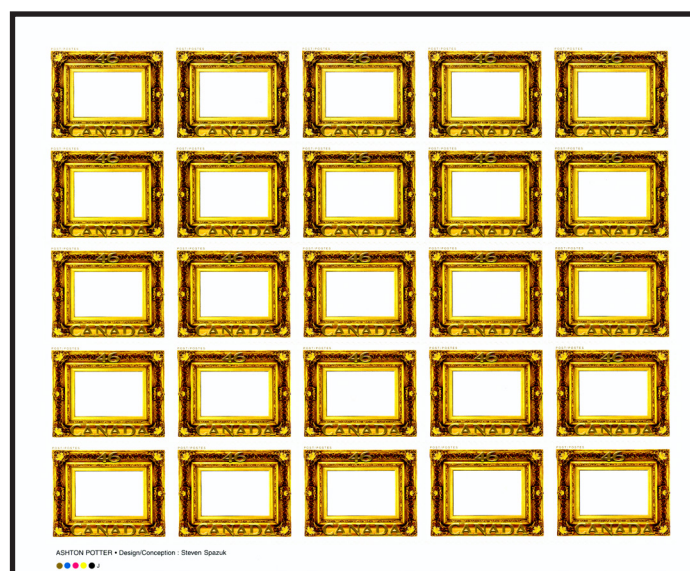
Canada Post had to issue a series of 17 stamp souvenir sheets, each with four different 46 cent stamps [SC 1818 to 1834] totaling \$31.28. Philatelic catalogues had not recognized the book due to its purchase surcharge of \$28.71 and limited edition of stamps. The only difference between the two printings was that the ‘hidden’ dates on the book stamps are slightly larger than those on the souvenir sheets.

On July 19th, 1993, for the first time, an unannounced prior-to-stamp-issue was sold only in panes [SC 1991] and only on Canada-Alaska cruise ships (40,000 panes) and through Canada Post's National Philatelic Centre (10,000 panes). Each pane contained two se-tenant stamps with different scenes and both had a blank centre section. Sold

only in panes of ten stamps and three memento frames, they were not available through Canada Post outlets, on an Official First Day Cover, in the Quarterly Pack or the Annual Collection. Aboard ship, cruise passengers would have their photograph printed directly into the centre portion of each stamp. The stamps were valid for mailing from Canada to anywhere in the world due to being shown as “Postage Paid”.



Effective with the April 28, 2000 issuance of the 46 cent gold leaf picture frame “Picture Postage” self-adhesive five stamp booklet [SC 1853], the stamp's printer was allowed to sell a pane of twenty-five stamps along with personalized stickers. As the stamp was, in fact, a frame with a blank centre section, Ashton-Potter Canada, Limited would print a set of self-adhesive stickers from a photograph supplied by the purchaser and a similar number of address labels. For the first time, Canadians could choose the image that appeared on their postage stamps, as the self-adhesive stickers could be placed into the blank portion of a stamp.



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