



THE ROUND-UP ANNEX

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STUDY GROUP REPORT UPDATE

New Study Group coordinator John Burnett has instituted a Study Group newsletter to the Study Group heads which is a great help in finding out how the other groups function and provides a forum for new ideas and thoughts. In the first newsletter, John provided a look at the "typical" group makeup which closely fits our group. The average number of members is 61, four newsletters are published annually and the average annual dues are \$6.00.

John has set up the tentative Study Group schedule for BNAPEX 84 shown below. I hope to be in San Francisco and would really appreciate an indication of how many members plan to attend and any thoughts on what format or activities to include in our time slot. Also, if there is a consensus on a different time, for example a breakfast meeting, I will get with John. Please let me know your thoughts.

SEPTEMBER, 1984			
TIME	SIXTH	SEVENTH	EIGHTH
8:30 - 9:30 AM	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
9:45 - 10:45	OPEN	MAP STAMP	SMALL QUEENS
11:00 - NOON	OPEN	POSTAL STATIONERY	SQUARED CIRCLES
LUNCH	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
1:30 - 2:30 PM	PROVINCE OF CANADA	CANADIAN RE-ENTRIES	RPO'S
2:45 - 3:45	FLAG CANCELS	CENTENNIAL DEFINITIVES	CANADIAN REVENUES

A WORD ON THE 1984 DUES

The ending balance for 1983 will permit a postponment of the 1984 dues to at least mid-year. For those members who paid their 1984 dues in advance, an appropriate credit or refund will be made. A year end audit will be included in the next ANNEX.

A NEW MARMORA, ONTARIO HAMMER - ALMOST!

Tom Almond of Reading, England sent a note indicating that he had found a strike of the MARMORA hammer which was different than the proof strike in the Fourth Edition Handbook. The principal difference was the shape and position of the first "R". A check of Tom's photocopy and the few strikes I have indicated the possibility of a second hammer for this town. I then compared the Handbook strike with the Pritchard and Andrews pages and found that the strike in the Handbook is in error. Evidently when I first strengthened the very light proof strike of MARMORA, the position of the "R" was altered. The P & A proof strike, the Handbook strike and the strengthened, correct proof strike are illustrated below.



HANDBOOK STRIKE



PROOF BOOK STRIKE



STRENGTHENED PROOF
BOOK STRIKE

NEW REPORTS AND FINDINGS

RIVER LOUISON, NEW BRUNSWICK - In J.C. Michaud's latest list, a new year of use is noted for this hammer; a strike on a 1 Cent Edward postcard dated -/SP 29/08.

NORTHPORT, NOVA SCOTIA - Also from Michaud's list is a second example of this hammer for the year 1902; strike is -/DE 8/02 on a 2 Cent Numeral Queen cover.

ST. HYACINTHE, QUEBEC - An inverted time mark is reported on a strike dated WV/OC 21/96.

CACHE BAY, ONTARIO - An update of Dr. Warren Bosch's report in the last Annex; the "0" time mark is on a strike dated 0/MY 2?/01.

MERRITTON, ONTARIO - A new year of use for this hammer was reported on a receiving strike on a postcard dated -/SP 9/01.

SUDBURY, ONTARIO - A new late date for this hammer was also in J.C. Michaud's list. The strike is on a 2 Cent Edward cover, with the strike dated AM/JAN 16/08.² Note the borrowed three letter month indicia and that this date extends the hammer's period by over (three) years! This report also gives some support for the strike dated PM/MY 13/10 in the Fourth Edition Handbook.

See
later
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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Since the last ANNEX, there have been a number of changes in the membership, most notably the death of Frank Campbell in late October. For those of you who never had the opportunity to meet Mr. Campbell, he was really quite remarkable. I last saw Frank in April of this year, and even at age 97 (or was it 98?), he could still recall data such as office revenues, postmasters, etc. about almost any town you would ask.

Over the past few months I have received several resignations from the Study Group, including a letter from Wally Gutzman. I have included below an excerpt from Wally's letter which I hope you find of interest. It gives a unique glimpse into the early days of squared circle collecting.

" I have pleasant memories of the early days of Squared Circle collecting, when we were making up the first rarity factors and were more or less feeling our way in the dark. Those were the days when such collectors as Bradin Elliott, Clarence Kemp, Dr. McKee, Dr. Whitehead, H.E. Canham, E. Brakefield-Moore and myself were all trying to make 300 (strikes) first. We all had various systems of acquiring material and some were luckier than others in finding good towns. Dr. Whitehead had found a good supply of NEWPORT LANDING registered covers which made good trade material. He also used to offer the three hammers of ST. JOHN (N.B.) in return for a rarity, and I vividly recall sending him a beautiful STANSTEAD, as I lacked one of the ST. JOHN hammers at that time. Bradin Elliott, now deceased, was to me one of the fairest collectors of all to trade with, and we had a marvelous correspondence going..... The later group of Nels Pelletier, John Siverts, Doug Crawford, Stan Cohen, etc., etc. made the Squared Circle Group quite famous. "

Other changes in the membership, including new and renewed members and changes in address are listed below:

NEW OR RENEWED MEMBERS

David Kelly, P.O. Box 188, Shearwater, NOVA SCOTIA B0J 3A0
Lewis Ludlow, Gamlen (Japan) Ltd., #303, No. 1 Iwata Bldg., 10-18
Higashi Gotanda 5-chome, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 141 JAPAN
Rick Parma, 20 Seymour Court, St. Albert, ALBERTA T8N 0K9

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Gerald Carr, 12599 Coach Lane, South Lyon, MI 48178
John Talman, P.O. Box 70, Adelaide Street P.O., Toronto, ONT M5C 2H8

A late usage of
the TAVISTOCK hammer;
the strikes are dated
-/MY 1/00



*Miss Almira Haskin
801 James St.
Syracuse
N. Y.*

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A nice ATHENS cover
dated AM/DE 2/95.

***** WANT ADS *****

WANTED: ADMIRAL PERIOD SQUARED CIRCLE ON STAMPS, POSTCARDS AND COVER.
HAVE BETTER MATERIAL FOR TRADE OR SEND A LIST OF AVAILABLE MATERIAL AND
ASKING PRICE. (GARY ARNOLD, 5509 E. ST. JOE HWY., GRAND LEDGE, MI 48837)

WANTED: KINGSTON, HAMMER II

TM 2 and 4 on #53 - SP 8/97

TM 1 on #53 - OC 11/97

TM 1 on #51 - OC 18/97

HALIFAX, HAMMER II

TM 1 and 3 on #85 - JA 2/99

TM 3 and 4 on #86 - FE 7/99

HAVE DATES TO TRADE (JERRY CARR, 12599 COACH LANE, SOUTH LYON, MI 48178)

WANTED: KAMLOOPS, B.C. POSTMARKS INCLUDING SQUARED CIRCLES ON COVERS
AND CARDS; ALSO KAMLOOPS VIEWCARDS. WRITE OR SEND WITH YOUR ASKING
PRICE. (JIM MILLER, BOX 90, KNUITSFORD, B.C. V0E 2A0)

FOR TRADE: DUPLICATE SQUARED CIRCLE MATERIAL, MAINLY ON CARD AND COVER,
MARITIME PROVINCES, INCLUDING SOME GOOD TOWNS CANSO, WOLFFVILLE, GREAT
VILLAGE. WANTED: SIMILAR MATERIAL OF EQUAL RARITY ON TRADE. (PAUL
GRIMM, P.O. BOX 157, BERWICK, N.S. B0P 1E0)

WANTED: SQUARED CIRCLE WITH ERRORS IN INDICIA, DATES, ETC. ON STAMP OR
COVER. (PHILLIP WOLF, 10515 SHILLINGTON CRES. SW., CALGARY, ALTA T2W 0N8)