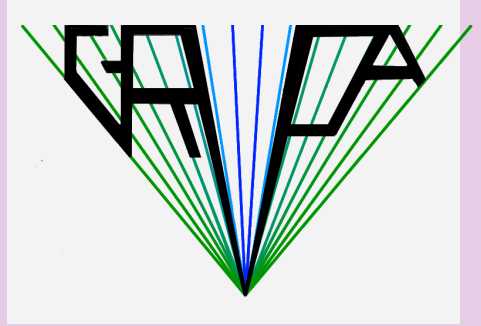


Grand News

The Journal of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association



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Cover Story - My Favourite Modern Cover

By Joe Trauzzi

What does it take to be one of my favourite covers?

- A great addressee or dynamite destination.
- Unusual or interesting post mark or machine cancel
- A label, censor marking, rare stamp, etc.
- Something extra - like embossed coat of arms, contents, or something else that is unusual.



Figure 1 - The back has the royal seal embossed on the flap.

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British Guiana Wrapper to Waterloo Theological Seminary

By Dr John K. Courtis FRPSL

In late March 2021, a listing on eBay caught my attention: a Post Office postal stationery wrapper from British Guiana to Waterloo Theological Seminary (WTS). In a prior study by the author of destinations, covering the period September 2003 to December 2020, it was found that of the 467 wrappers mailed to addresses outside British Guiana, only 17 were to Canadian addresses,

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From the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association:

Message from the GRVPA:

The association is currently looking for people to fill several positions, including:

- **President;**
- **Vice President**
- **Editor;**
- **Advertising Sales, Grand News**

If you are interested, please contact Leigh Hogg at leighh@belmontvillagefinancial.com

From the Editor:

This is the last issue for the foreseeable future.

I am looking for a replacement as soon as possible as a part-time job (on top of my full-time job) is taking up more of my time. If anyone is interested, I would be happy to pass along my templates (Microsoft Word and Microsoft Publisher) on a USB key so that you do not have to start from scratch. I'll even give you the password for the email account so that you can take it over, too, if you would like.

If you think you might be interested, Leigh Hogg and I have a list of suggested skills and what is involved.



Due to the lack of content, monthly calendars will not be included in this issue.



Please remember to send any updates for the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association website to Joe Trauzzi at jtrauzzi@yahoo.ca.

In Service,
Wendi Trauzzi,
Editor, Grand News

Grand Extras

By George Pepall

I picked up these two Edward VII precancelled issues because I hadn't been aware that precancels existed upside down/inverted like this. I thought they must be a bit of a rarity despite being inexpensive. It turns out that inverts are the most common of varieties on precancelled stamps. Less common varieties are damaged lines and letters, missing letters and added markings such as dots. In Victoria precancels are found on the 1c, 2c and 5c denominations of the seven stamps in the Edwardian set of 1903-1908.

Precancels were invented and put into business and government use to expedite mail, saving time and work hours for employees who previously had to hand-cancel tons of



outgoing flyers, receipts and invoices. They also ensured that stamps were used for the employer's purposes and didn't find their way onto workers' personal letters.

Precancels are described as being silent or quiet if they don't show the city or town of origin. These two, then, might be described as vocal because they tell us that they were used in Victoria.

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By Dr John K. Courtis FRPSL

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Figure 2 - The front has a great addressee as well has a machine cancel from Buckingham Palace and an air mail label.

Mr. J. Trauzzi
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Ontario
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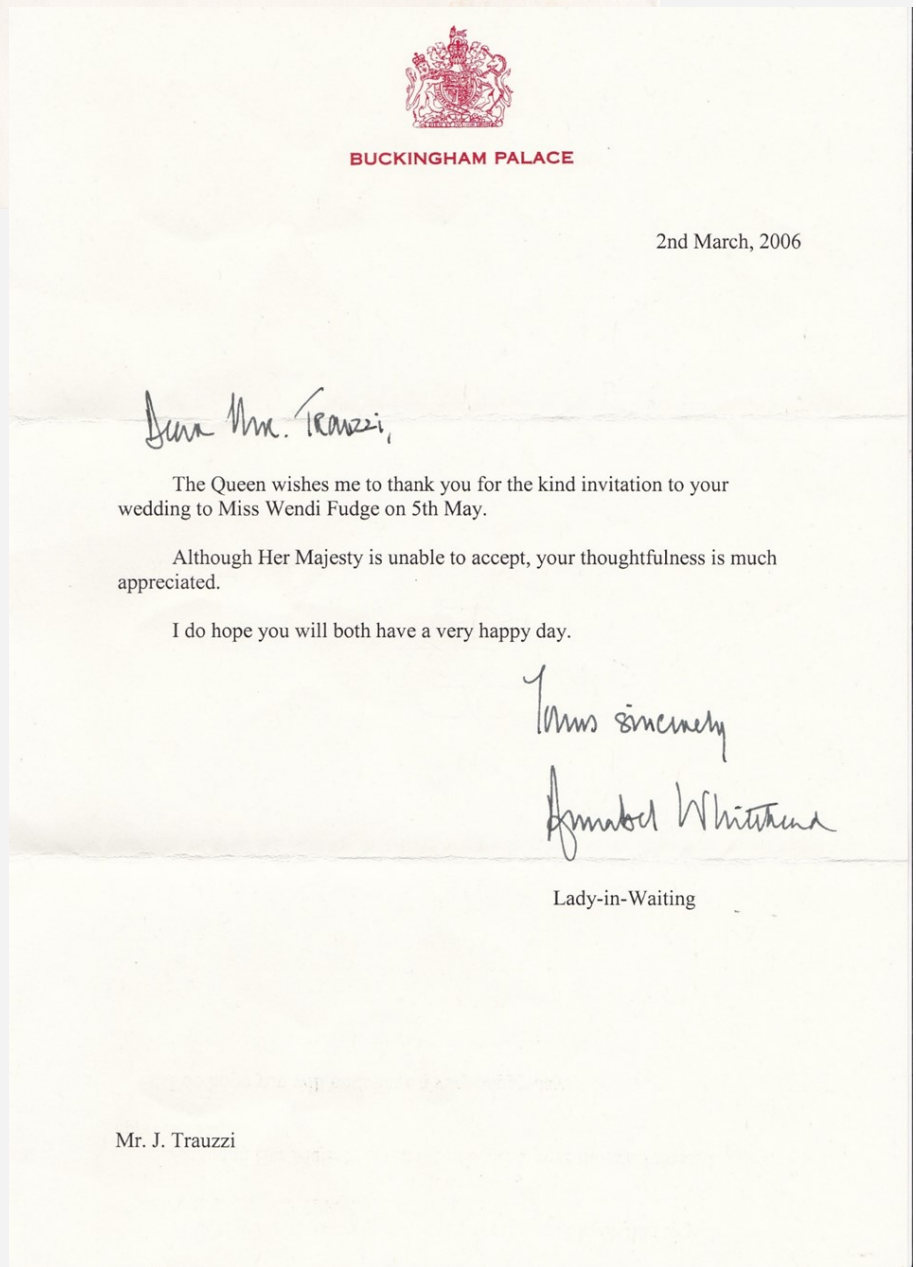


Figure 3 - And contents.
(I don't know what I would have done if she had said yes!!!)

Grand Extras

By George Pepall

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Early precancels were normally a line or a series of lines placed on the stamp. Some were printed, but most were hand applied.

Pen, pencil, crayon, cork, brush, and daub were the most commonly used.

All in all, precancels are a fascinating area for specialization, with lots of availability and a definitive specialized catalogue, *The Standard Canada Precancel Catalogue*.

British Guiana Wrapper to Waterloo Theological Seminary

By Dr John K. Courtis FRPSL

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none of which were to WTS. A second wrapper to the same address was listed in early April. As this is an uncommon destination with an intriguing address it merited a social philately investigation.

This Post Office issue appeared in 1938 with different paper varieties: green on light buff and yellow green on buff and these are shown in Figure 1. Both wrappers are postmarked NEW AMSTERDAM and dated 27 SP 43 and 19 NO 43 respectively. The first question that arose is whether such an address actually existed in 1943 and this in turn prompted an enquiry to the archivist, Cindy Preece, at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo. Martin Luther University College houses archives for the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

Ms. Preece was most helpful in unravelling the nomenclature and timeline. She advised "Waterloo Theological Seminary was one of the many names used to refer to the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada (later Waterloo Lutheran Seminary and now Martin Luther University College). The "nicknames" were used by locals, students, alumni, faculty, the Lutheran Church, and even by the Seminary itself." ...She continues: "The Seminary has al-

ways been an arm of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada or its predecessors (ELCIC was formed in 1986). In 1943, that church body was the United Lutheran Church in America. Throughout its history, the Seminary trained men that served as missionaries to countries around the world. It had a long-standing relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana. The January 30, 1932 issue of the campus newspaper, *The Cord*, recounts a meeting of the Cossman-Hayunga Missionary Society where a topic of discussion was that there was only one Lutheran missionary in British Guiana."

A 1932 fund-raising pamphlet, *The Call of Waterloo College and Seminary* (October) provides some historical context. *Waterloo Theological Seminary* was founded in 1911. Since its opening, by 1932 it had graduated 60 Lutheran Church ministers. *Waterloo College School* was organized in 1914, becoming the Faculty of Arts in Waterloo College in 1924. In 17 years to 1932 it graduated 44 students, eight of which became pastors, six were in the Seminary preparing for the ministry, another three were studying post-graduate and planned to enter the Seminary in 1933, and the rest were teaching in schools, colleges, and universities.

Figure 2 – Waterloo College and Seminary (c1932), image from page 2 of pamphlet. *The Call of Waterloo College and Seminary* courtesy of archivist



New Amsterdam

These two wrappers were mailed from New

British Guiana Wrapper to Waterloo Theological Seminary

By Dr John K. Courtis FRPSL

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Amsterdam, British Guiana. This is the regional capital of East Berbice-Corentyne and one of the country's largest towns. It is located 100 kilometres from the capital Georgetown on the eastern bank of the Berbice River six kilometres from its mouth at the Atlantic Ocean. It was originally a village, and as early as the 1760s it included a brick Lutheran church which was the only surviving building after the 1763 slave uprising.

In 1803, the British took control of the colonies of Berbice, Essequibo, and Demerara. In 1831, these colonies were joined to form the colony of British Guiana. Colonists had migrated to the coastland and the Lutherans applied for land in the new town of New Amsterdam. In 1795, they were granted land which the Church now occupies at Lutheran Courts. In 1943, the year the wrappers were postmarked, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana was constitutionally organized. Pastor Patrick Magalee became President of the Church from 1943 to 1949. Details of the history of the church in New Amsterdam can be found on the excellent website www.elcguyana.org/history.php



Above and top right: Lutheran church, New Amsterdam 1923, front with Manse and rear view

A final comment by the archivist is worth noting: "Due to the long history of Seminary

graduates travelling to and working in British Guyana, it would not be surprising to learn that documents, magazines, newspapers, and other items were mailed back and forth." One unanswered question though is how did these two wrappers appear on the philatelic market. I contacted the eBay seller 'bellesite' (located in Mahopac Falls, New York) to see if there was any further information. His reply stated that he bought only these two wrappers and that they were included in a postal history lot containing both US and foreign covers. Why these 1943 postmarked wrappers were retained in the first place and then ended up in a postal history collection are questions that remain to be resolved.

Acknowledgement

My thanks to Sheila Mackenzie for contacting the archivist on my behalf and for editing an earlier version of the paper.



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Empire Air Mail Rate - 4¢ Postcard Rate from Canada

By Joe Trauzzi

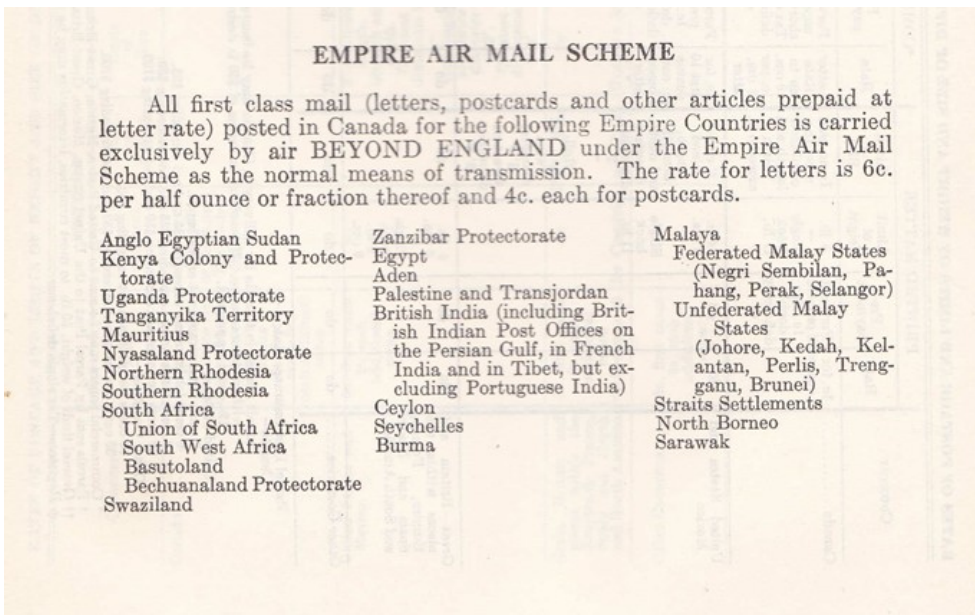
As many members are probably aware, Britain started the empire air mail scheme (EAMS) in 1937 to provide airmail service to commonwealth countries, the rate was set at 1½d per half ounce for first class letters 1d for postcards. The EAMS was ended with the start of WWII in September 1939.

In February 1938 Canada joined the EAMS with a rate exchange of 6¢ per half ounce for a first-class letter and 4¢ for postcards. The old service rate of 6¢ per ounce for first class letters and 2¢ for postcards was discontinued, and as a result, postcards were often sent short paid.

Page 10 of the Canada Official Postal Guide 1938-1939 (pictured above right) shows the countries and rates that applied to the EAMS.

Canadian postcards with the EAMS rate are exceedingly difficult to find and even harder to find, are postcards that are *not* short paid.

Shown bottom left is a 2¢ prepaid postcard from Vancouver to South Africa, added is the 2¢ 1927 Fathers of Confederation stamp to bring the total to the proper 4¢ rate. The card was Mailed on Mar 1 taking the first official flight between Vancouver and Montreal and arrived on Mar 2 in



Montreal (receiver on back). It then would have taken a ship to Southampton in Great Britain then onward by an Imperial Airways Flying Boat and routed through Marseille, Rome, Brindisi, Athens, Alexandria, Khartoum, Port Bell, Kisumu then switched to a non-flying boat plane through Nairobi, Mbeya and finally to Cape Town.



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Empire Air Mail Rate - 4¢ Postcard Rate from Canada

By Joe Trauzzi

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start of the inaugural flight on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qi3kwR4zECI>

This map gives a general look at the new Australia/New Zealand route, but without city names.

Check out your collection for postcards using the Empire Air Mail Scheme. You may have a rare postcard rate.

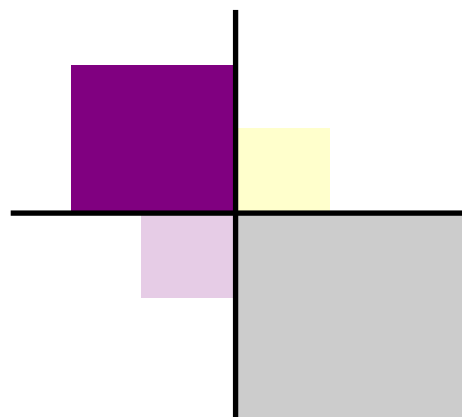
The second EAMS postcard (above) is from British Columbia to New Zealand. Australia and New Zealand joined the EAMS in July 1938 and since the program effectively ended on Sep 1939 this rate was only in effect approximately 14 months. This card was cancelled May 28 on the Royal Train at 6pm which was en route near Sicamous, British Columbia. On that date and time there are only 5 known covers, so this is the six piece of mail and only known postcard.



The card was short paid 2¢ and shows a tax mark of 20 centimes which is paid with a 2d postage due stamp in New Zealand.

The card is also stamped with the post office handstamp "PLEASE ADVISE YOUR CORRESPONDENTS THAT THE LETTER RATE FROM CANADA IS SIX CENTS PER HALF OUNCE" which is the correct rate for a first class letter but incorrect for a postcard.

You can watch the ceremonial signing and



What's Up In...

Reports included from the following clubs:

X	Bramalea Stamp Club	X	Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society
X	Brantford Stamp Club		Owen Sound Stamp Club
X	Burlington Stamp Club	X	Oxford Philatelic Society
	Cambridge Stamp Club	X	St. Catharines Stamp Club
	Guelph Stamp Club	X	Saugeen Stamp Club
X	Hamilton Stamp Club		Stratford Stamp Club
	Kincardine Stamp Club	X	Waterloo Region Stamp Club
X	Kitchener Waterloo Cambridge Reg. Post Card Club		

Bramalea Stamp Club

Information: Bob Thorne 905-792-3526 or Email bobthorne70@gmail.com

Website: bramaleastampclub.org or check our Facebook page under Bramalea Stamp Club.

Bramalea meetings continue to be cancelled due to COVID-19 until further notice. We await word from our landlord, the City of Brampton, on meeting room availability.

In light of continued closure of meeting facilities and the requirements of social distancing, Bramalea has started conducting virtual meetings. Using Zoom technology kindly provided by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and their generous sponsor Sparks Auctions of Ottawa, Joe Trauzzi hosted the meetings on our regularly scheduled time of the 3rd Tuesday evening in February and March. They were lightly but enthusiastically attended. We conducted a little business and then did members' show and tell with some great presentations being shared. Of course we all ache for the time we can meet in person again. But the pandemic has proven stubborn, and even with some restrictions being lifted, it may be quite a while before we can return to physical meetings.

But it is not all bad news. Stamp collecting is a resilient hobby. Many clubs and societies have adapted online technology to resume meetings. As a result of people having to stay indoors more, and some having a lot more free time, there has been membership increase in the hobby. Shows and exhibitions have gone virtual, so you can submit scans of your exhibits or published books from the comfort of your stamp room. A good example is CANPEX based in London, Ontario. Taking place April 7 – 20 CANPEX bill themselves as a National Virtual One Frame Philatelic Exhibition. Be sure to check out the exhibits there. Exhibits for this virtual show can qualify for CAPEX 22 the international exhibition scheduled for June 9-12, 2022 in Toronto.

CAPEX 22 provides an opportunity for GRVPA clubs to showcase their qualities to a larger audience. 2-hour time slots are offered in rooms adjacent to the exhibition and dealer bourse, where your club can meet and greet. Toronto will be the centre of the philatelic world for 4 those days! Contact Ingo Nessel at b62hkg@yahoo.ca for more information on holding your meeting or seminar or during CAPEX 22.



To finish of this report, I share some pretty stamps. Postage dues are utilitarian workhorses of the post office, frequently designed with simple non-representational graphics. This 1967 set from Tanzania has a numeral in shield motif, illuminated by exceptionally rich colours. Enjoy.

Ingo Nessel

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Brantford Stamp Club

We are closed down until at least September. Hopefully everyone will stay safe and return as soon as we can.

Ed Kimberly

Burlington Stamp Club

No meetings till at least Sept 2021. That is the report. Nothing happening this side if Toronto.

Norm

Cambridge Stamp Club

Guelph Stamp Club

Hamilton Stamp Club

I have nothing to report. The virus makes a meeting difficult for members and dealers.

Clare Maitland

Kincardine Stamp Club

Kitchener Waterloo Cambridge Regional Post Card Club

The Kitchener Waterloo Cambridge Regional Post Card Club has been on hiatus since March 2020. The impossibility of holding public meetings of any type over the ensuing months has meant no opportunity to engage members with presentations, sales tables and social interactions. It has also meant that the 2020 and 2021 *Post Card Memories Show and Sale* events have had to be cancelled. The executive voted in late 2020 to extend all memberships through 2021 at no charge. KWCR PCC's newsletter continues to publish 4 or 5 times a year and through that organ we hope to keep members linked and interested. The club's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/kwcrpcc> provides a glimpse into (mainly) members' interests and collections. It features scores of fascinating post card views.

Copies of recent KWCR PCC newsletters are available in pdf form gratis to non-members during the pandemic: contact the club's editor, rychmills@golden.net.

Members who wish to peruse the club collection of insanely low-priced post cards are invited to contact Rych at the above address to make arrangements for a safe and sanitary way to examine the many thousands of cards. The KWCR PCC president is Ray Ruddy: rruddy@rogers.com

Cheers, Gus

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Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society

MARCH 22, 2021: The KW Philatelic Society is continuing apace with its program of monthly Zoom meetings. On March 11, 2021 we enjoyed a fascinating lecture on Norfolk Island philately by David Foote, which was sponsored by the American Philatelic Society. The upcoming meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2021, 7:00 p.m. will also be hosted on the Zoom platform. Though details have yet to be finalized, the KW Philatelic hopes to feature the pre-Confederation years of New Brunswick. In addition, the evening will invite participants to share stories and items for "show and tells." With the vaccine now being administered to the public at an increasingly faster pace, it is possible that we might be able to host the May and June meetings as "in-person" gatherings. However, such a decision has yet to be made. For the moment, all future gatherings will continue to be offered via Zoom. Should we go back to full "in-person" meetings it will also become possible for us to host table auctions or "called auctions." In-person gatherings will also enable the KW Philatelic to host its annual Stampfest, but this decision is still pending. At this juncture it is our hope that the philatelic season has been an enjoyable one, in spite of the restrictions posed by Covid.

Olaf

Owen Sound Stamp Club

Oxford Philatelic Society

The Oxford Philatelic Society has continued to host very successful club Zoom meetings and auctions throughout the winter months. We have reached friends across Ontario with our meetings, and the auctions have also reached into Alberta and British Columbia. Our club meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month, and the OPS auctions are on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month. All of these begin at 7:00 pm

On April 14, 2020 we have scheduled an in-person meeting at The Legion in Woodstock from 1-2 pm. We're able to host 40 people, so registration is required.

We will be having draw prizes and Dave's quiz. There will also be a discussion on general philatelic information. For example, do you keep damaged stamps or discard them? And, of course, we will be having an auction. We are looking forward to seeing many friends and guests.

On April 28, 2021 we will welcome Ken Lemke to our club zoom meeting. His presentation will be on the "Lady Boats" These were Canadian flagged paquebots operated by the Canadian National Steamships and named in honour of the wives of British Naval heroes.

If you like to join us at any of these events, please email countryowl@rogers.com.

Kindly, Henny Uyl, President

Saugeen Stamp Club

The Saugeen Stamp Club, like most other clubs, is "on Hold" pending the resolution of the COVID 19 virus situation. We are, however, in the process of partnering with friends in the Owen Sound Stamp Club for ZOOM meetings and an online Auction. There have been several meetings with a combination of members from both clubs and as

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the meetings are promoted, more members are interested in joining in. Thank you to Phil Visser (OS) and Bill Findlay (SSC) for their efforts.

The monthly Bulletin continues to keep members connected – with interesting stamp stories from members – coordinated by Bulletin editor Diane Jarvis. Thank you Diane.

Walt Berry

St. Catharines Stamp Club

Feb. 2021 - Our Club was able to meet Sept. to Dec. on the 3rd Tues. of the month. Attendance was about 20 and auctions held every meeting. As soon as the Gov't lifts the restrictions a bit further we'll re-start the 3rd Wed. once a month meeting plan.

It is with sadness we report the loss of two members: Vic Potter (wonderful write-up in CSN) and Wally Wulff. Dear friends we will miss.

Rod Paige has resigned as our Secretary and moved to Manitoulin Island. We all wish him well. Rod was an integral part of the committees (as was Vic Potter) which allowed St. Catharines to host ROYAL 2009, BNAPEX 2015 and ROYAL 2018. Rod was an exhibitor, judge, RPSC executive and a long-term member of the St. Catharines Stamp Club. Additionally, he was a dealer, a pastime he has now retired from.

Our Club dealer for many years: Ed Yonelinas has just entered dealer retirement. Maddy's Philatelic Service is well known throughout the GRVPA and across Ont. having participated in many club shows over the years. We wish Ed and Maddy all the best in retirement. It does, however, mean the Club is looking for a club dealer for Ed supplied many of us with the supplies we need for our hobby.

David Pitcher

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Stratford Stamp Club

Waterloo Region Stamp Club

Using a zoom meeting approach, our club hosted a "show and tell" presentation entitled, "Postmarks from Ghost Towns in Saskatchewan". Historical summaries of each community were illustrated with photos of the postmarks and abandoned buildings which still remain. We enjoyed a very large number of people at this meeting.

In April, members will share examples of "Picture Postage" from our collections. I feel certain that this meeting promises many wonderful surprises. Stay well and continue to share your interests with one another.

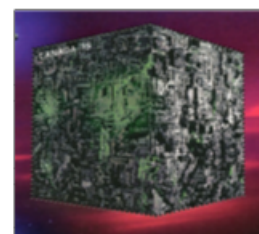
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Who, When & Where

A listing of contact information, as well as meeting times and locations, for our member clubs.

Bramalea Stamp Club

Meets the **1st Sunday** (from 2 to 4 pm), October to June and the **3rd Tuesday** (from 7 to 9 pm) year round at Terry Miller Recreation Complex, Williams Parkway (between Dixie Rd and Bramalea Rd.) Brampton. Visitors cordially welcome. Information: Bob Thorne 905-792-3526 or Email bobthorne70@gmail.com
Website: bramaleastampclub.org or check our Facebook page under Bramalea Stamp Club.

Brantford Stamp Club

Sept. to Nov. and January to May: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month / June & December - 1st Tuesday only
Branlyn Community Centre (phone (519) 758-1444), 238 Brantwood Park Road, Brantford. Access to the facility is via the east (on the left when facing the facility) end around the back. (doors open at 7:00 pm, meeting begins at 8:00) Web: <http://brantfordstampclub.com/> / Contact: Paul James (519-751-3513) pamjames1027@gmail.com

Burlington Stamp Club

September to June: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month (7:00 pm). Burlington Seniors Centre, 2285 New St. (off Teen Tour Way), Burlington ON. Contact: Norm Macneall (905-336-8685) macneall@cogeco.ca

Cambridge Stamp Club

November to June: 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 / No meetings in July & August
St. Luke's United Church, 1620 Franklin Boulevard
Currently experimenting with a second meeting on the 3rd Thursday, at another location.
<https://cambridgestampclub.weebly.com/> / Contact: Steve Klages klagesss@gmail.com

Guelph Stamp Club

September to May: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 / June to July: 1st Wednesday of the month only
Dublin Street United Church, 68 Suffolk St. W. (at Dublin St.) / Contact: Joe Servos (519-823-2578) jservos@bserv.com / guelphstampclub@gmail.com

Hamilton Stamp Club

September to June: 2nd & 4th Monday (6:30 to about 8:30 pm)
Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School, 1824 Rymal Road East, Hamilton
<https://hamiltonstampclub.ca/> Contact: Charles Morreale - cmorreale@teksavvy.com - 905-664-2066

Kincardine Stamp Club

Jan. - Dec., 1st Wed. (7:00 pm),
Davidson Center (Billiards room), 601 Durham St., Kincardine

Kitchener Waterloo Cambridge Regional Post Card Club

Victoria Park Pavilion, 80 Schneider Street, Kitchener, ON
See website for meeting info: www.kwcrpcc.com Contact: rychmills@golden.net / 519 742-4990

Kitchener Waterloo Philatelic Society

The Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society meetings are *usually* the 2nd Thursday of the month in the evening from 7 until 9 p.m. in the Community Room at Albert McCormick Arena in Waterloo. **To make attendance easier in the winter we are experimenting with afternoon meetings.** Therefore, the January meeting is now 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sunday January 12 and the February meeting is Sunday February 16 also from 2 until 4:00 p.m..
Thanks. <https://www.kwstampclub.org/>
7:00 pm at Albert McCormick, Community Centre, 500 Parkside Drive, Waterloo, N2L 5J4

Who, When & Where

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Owen Sound Stamp Club

September to June: 3rd Wednesday of the month (7:00pm to 9:00 pm). St. Mary's High School, Hillyer hall (student lunchroom), 555 15th Street East, Owen Sound, ON <http://www.owensoundstampclub.org/>

Oxford Philatelic Society

September to May: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month. South Gate Centre, 191 Old Wellington Street South, Woodstock ON <http://www.oxfordphilsoc.com/>

Saugeen Stamp Club

January to December: 1st Tuesday of the month (7:30 pm)
St. Matthews Evangelical Lutheran Church, 356 9th Street, Hanover ON. Entrance to the meeting located in the northeast corner of the church complex on 11th Avenue. The club's welcome sign will be at the sidewalk.
www.rpsc.org/chapters/saugeenstampclub

St. Catharines Stamp Club

September to June: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (6:45 pm to 8:45 pm).
Grantham Lion's Club, 732 Niagara Street, St. Catharines ON / <http://stcatharinesstampclub.ca/>

Stratford Stamp Club

September to June: 4th Thursday of the month (except December) 7:00 pm. at Avondale United Church, 194 Avondale Ave., Stratford N5A 6N4

Waterloo Region Stamp Club

September to June: 1st Tues-

day of the month (6:30 pm to 8:30 pm) at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth Room (usually – check the TV monitor near the door to be sure), 54 Queen Street North, Kitchener ON <https://waterlooregionstampclub.weebly.com/>



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Upcoming Events

As many upcoming events are being impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, you are urged to check with organizers before travelling to any shows in the next couple of months.

Canpex – National Philatelic Exhibition

Check out the National Virtual One Frame Philatelic Exhibition here: [CANPEX 2021](#) April 7 to 30, 2021

RPSC AGM – June 14, 2021

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Jun 14, 2021 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting: [Here](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Stampfest 2021 - August 28, 2021

Kitchener Waterloo Philatelic Society at Trillium Lutheran Church, 22 Willow Street, Waterloo ON 9:00 to 4:00

CAPEX 22 – International One Frame Stamp Championship Exhibition

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For details: [CAPEX 22 – International One Frame Stamp Championship Exhibition](#)

StampTalks

Apr 12, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Topic: BNA Cross Border Mail during the US Civil War

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https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_M6XtZh0ZQ4Ko0BSbYbeITA

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Webinar Speaker:

Ronald E Majors Ph.D (BNA Cross Border Mail during the US Civil War)

This talk will discuss how postal communications between Canada and the Union and Confederacy were affected during the war. I will talk about how communications were before, during and after the war. Using illustrated and non-illustrated covers and letters, I will show the sentiment of the general public during this time as well typical and atypical means of correspondence that took place. In addition, over 50,000 Canadians fought in the war and communications by military personnel sent cross border and even within Canada/BNA helps to understand the more personal side of the War. Patriotism flourished during the Civil War and beautifully illustrated patriotic covers were an important symbol used to reflect support and many examples will be shown during this presentation.

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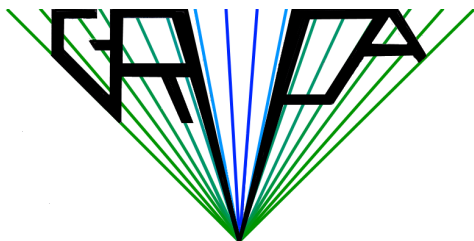
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