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PhilaJournal Winter 2018 issue notes...

I love getting feedback about the PhilaJournals. It is a way to improve the journal and have new contents, topics, sections, added or deleted. I received an interesting email challenge from one of the readers: "...In the Fall 2018 issue, I read with interest the two page 'story' of the unsuccessful flight across the Atlantic in May of 1919. Now if you used two pages for an unsuccessful flight, what are you going to give us next year [2019] for the successful flight of John Alcock and Arthur Whitten Brown? I mean the Australians did not make it, although they got 5000 pounds for their troubles. But Alcock and Brown made it to Ireland, even though they crashed in a bog, but luckily they survived. Newfoundland issued the C-1 as shown on the front page of the [Fall] journal, on April 12, 1919. Then they did not want to use the same stamp again, but got regular issue #70 and overprinted it "Trans-Atlantic, AIR POST, 1919 ONE DOLLAR" in four lines, for Alcock and Brown on June 9, 1919. In 1969, both Britain and Canada issued stamps for the 50th Anniversary of that historic flight... OK Tom, I said my part, now what will you say? To cover the first Trans-Atlantic flight that actually did succeed.

I need to touch on two of the writer's declarations: "...what are you going to give us next year..." and "I said my part, now what will you say?..." Well, my readers, the challenge is on. The author has an idea, but was not interested in actually researching and writing an article about that flight. So I say: is there anyone out there (Aero Philately buff maybe?) interested? Please let me know and I will reserve a center spread and the cover for you in the summer (May 2019) issue of the PJ to match Alcock and Brown's June Anniversary.

I would also like to repeat what I wrote in that same Fall issue: "Club Directors and Members... please realize that I am an editor and not a reporter for the PhilaJournal. The reporting is up to you. I will include any Clubs' story in favour of an article or even an Ad, but you need to submit these stories..." This also applies to ideas for articles.

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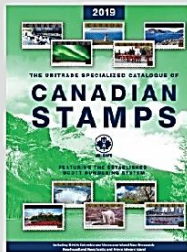


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The story starts in April 1952 on a cargo ship with 5 passengers on board leaving Ireland for the Port of St. John, New Brunswick. A husband and his expecting wife, gave birth on the ship on April 26th. The baby was delivered by the Captain, assisted by the Chief Stewart and a Lady stamp collector.



Picture 1: Left to right – New Father, Captain, New Baby, Mother, Stamp Collector and Chief Stewart.

On May 2nd the ship arrived in New Brunswick, where the family was warmly accepted by the city. New father, an electrician, was given a job the next day. Where do the stamps come in you ask? The Lady stamp collector became the God Mother, setting up a lasting friendship with the family. When she passed she willed the large collection to the son. The son continued the collection – until his age 60 when he unexpectedly passed away (ironically while boating at sea). The collection, now 100 years old, was then held by the family until now, at which time I learned of the collection's history and the fascinating story attached to it, which will be passed on to new owners of the collection.

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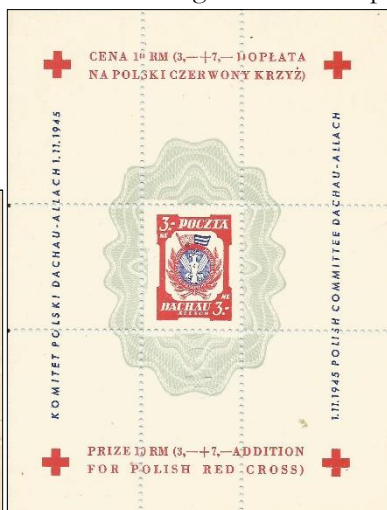
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1945 – 1946 Fundraisers of the Polish Displaced Persons in Germany

After the end of the Second World War in 1945 many Polish citizens in the Allied Occupation Zones decided at least temporarily not to return to their homeland on political grounds. These included persons who had been former prisoners of war, freed from concentration or forced labour camps. The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRAA) administered Displace Persons Camps in Germany not only for Poles but also for other nationalities. Several of the Polish camps issued stamps and postal stationary for inter-camp use. The Polish Committee



Dachau-Allach issued such a stamp in August 1945 and subsequently, in November 1945, issued a number of souvenir sheets showing the same stamp in various colours. The sheets sold at a premium with the funds allocated to the Polish Red Cross. The sheets exist with single stamp either blue or red, as well as, sheets with 6 stamps of various colours.



These were issued both perforated and imperforated. Note that in the English text at the bottom instead of “price” it reads “prize”.



On April 29, 1946 the Polish Committee at Freimann issued 8 stamps in a mini pane commemorating the first anniversary of liberation of the Dachau concentration camp. These sold for 10 marks with 5 mark surcharge allocated to the "Social Welfare for Polish former polit.(ical) prisoners of Conc.(entration) Camps." The designs on the stamps show punishment for trying to escape, flogging of prisoners, food distribution, a body being carried away, executed by shooting while escaping, execution, hanging and prisoners being chased by dogs. These are very rare in any condition.



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The idea to hold a multi-club circuit books sale was initiated few months ago. Directors David Best and Jim Breadner took on the challenge to find a reasonably priced venue (read: cheap) and to coordinate the event.

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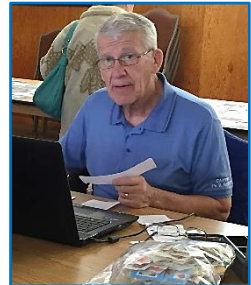
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The event was advertised among the clubs, in PhilaJournal and on the Canadian Stamp News' Events site.

Several Clubs committed to participate and off we went to get ready.

On the day of the SHOW all was prepared by 10am. Upstairs of the Solina Hall was packed with tables full of circuit books and boxes of stamps. Clubs arranged themselves into table corrals to best serve the collectors. Members of each club looked after their own circuit book sales.

Downstairs
Hall was almost
2/3 full of
tables with



cornucopia of philatelic material. Some, as Larry preaches, were priced to sell. Larry and his trusted laptop was at the helm downstairs trying to keep up with the crowds (not a subway rush-hour, but quite a few buyers did take advantage of the better deals).

The rest of the downstairs was left setup as a lunch room since a Lunch menu was available from 11:30 on. And the food was great!

Stamp Clubs that brought their circuit books: **Ajax, Barrie, Fenelon Falls, Kawartha, Markham, North Toronto, Oshawa, Toronto Stamp Collectors and West Toronto.**

The objective of this event was to bring together clubs, not the dealers, to sell stamps from circuit books and items from the members. All in all the event was very successful and GTAPA even came up with a \$5 profit. Will be doing this again in 2019 and looking for more member clubs to participate. More pictures are on page 15, enjoy.



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An Ordinary Cover... or Not?



An ordinary 14-XII-1992 cover with a normal flag definitive stamp (from Barrie) to Thornhill which began being processed at Mississauga Gateway (L4W 1T0).

OK, look very close there are some bar codes on the bottom, but nothing special!

First of all, I collect machine cancellations,

but no reason to keep an IPS model MST Postal Code slogan. However, my machine cancel collection leads to an interest in the Mechanization of mail processing. I looked at the red bar code OCR number 65, which was in use at Gateway from September 1990 through until December 1997. Again this appears to be a very normal cover. Then, I had a look at the yellow GDS bar code and under a UV

light, found that it was processed at a desk **34F**, which was located at Toronto South Central (M4L). Wait a minute... it should have been processed at Mississauga Gateway only!

That makes the cover a bit of a question (headache)? Why would the cover be processed at

both plants, especially around the Christmas rush period?

Most GDS desks at Gateway ceased late in 1992 and the latest I have is July 1993. Thus, GDS's were being phased out at Gateway and VES desks were in the process of being set up. My early Gateway VES is dated April 29, 1993. This is a changeover cover during the change of bar coding from GDS to VES.



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Well the moment has arrived! After 15 years of negotiations, the owner of these three UNIQUE imperforate sheets has finally agreed to sell. The editors of the Uni-trade Canada Specialized were aware of their existence and they were listed in a footnote. Orders will be taken on a first come first basis and cut up accordingly. Sheets are all VF Never Hinged but some do have minor gum pinches or wrinkles and were originally bought from an Archive Sale. Prices will be as follows. Payment plans can be arranged.

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Early Italian definitive stamps portrayed the Kings of Italy—Victor Emmanuel II and Humbert I, as well as the Arms of Savoy.



However, on October 20, 1950 a new set of postwar definitive stamps was issued which portrayed “Italy at Work”, which were designed by Corrado Mezzana. The set consisted of 19 [ed. SC 549-567], larger sized stamps with denominations from half a lire to 200 lire, and each stamp showed a worker exercising a skill particularly associated with a region in Italy.



These stamps were dedicated to the principles of liberty and democracy and implied that the attainment of these principles depended on work and skill. A brief description of 7 out of the 19 of these stamps follows:

5 lire	Potter's wheel	Tuscany	Potter and 14 th century wheel in Florence
25 lire	Oranges	Sicily	Orange picker and view of mountain in Palermo
30 lire	The Vintage	Apulia	Grape picker in Bari
55 lire	Plough	Umbria	Ploughman, oxen, and St. Francis of Assisi
60 lire	Grain Cart	Marches	Bullock cart in Urbino
100 lire	Maize	Friuli	Countrywoman in a Friuli kitchen
200 lire	Timber	Trentino	Timber worker



These stamps initially had a winged wheel watermark, but between 1955 and 1957, seven values were issued with star watermarks. The stamps ceased to be valid after March 1958. These stamps do not have high catalogue value except for the 65 lire in used condition (\$35.00). In mint condition, most of the stamps are in the \$1 to \$27 range. This set was also overprinted “AMG-FIT” in black for use in Trieste.

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Circuit Circus



How Haile Selassie's personal physician started my stamp collecting hobby



The doctor in question was Dr. Stefan Zoszczuk, an enigmatic individual. Born in Ukraine, he was a fervent Ukrainian nationalist, finished his medical studies and eventually lived in Austria, but somehow was lured to the Middle East. He worked as a Doctor/Surgeon in Syria, Iraq and in 1965 was asked by the Emperor to head the Imperial Body Guard Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as the Chief Surgeon. He spent 9 years in this position, taking occasional time out to visit various historical places of interest to him. He corresponded frequently with his wife and daughter in Austria, thereby creating a chain of postal history. Leaving a year after the 1974 revolution in Ethiopia. The Emperor Haile Selassie and his entire family were murdered by the revolutionary BERG in August 1975, thereby ending the 3000 yr. old lineage of the House of David in Ethiopia.



By this time Dr. Z had joined as Surgeon of the Third Army group of Ethiopia in the war against Somalia. Then in 1979 he became Surgeon in a hospital in Kenya, followed by a stint in the Flying Doctor Service in Nairobi. When I met Dr. Z., he was in Toronto doing research on a book about nutrition and was a non-paying guest in my mother's home in East York as

he needed a place to stay, while doing his research. Our family was quite intrigued by this world traveler and heard many stories about his exploits.

His book was published in 1985, but unfortunately it was in Ukrainian, and didn't appeal to the general public, and as I know that one of the main foods in the Ukrainian community is "salo"(pig fat) and "shkvarky"(fried pig fat) there was not a lot of interest in such a well-researched book. When he was back in Austria my mother helped send his book to various Ukrainian institutions and libraries throughout the world who requested them. When he arrived back in Toronto he offered to pay for all her work, but my mother refused and asked if he had any stamps that he could give her instead as payment as she dabbled a little in Philately. To her surprise, about a month later, she received a huge parcel from Austria, and upon opening it, found a lot of Ethiopian material, which was gathered by the good Doctor during his 10 year stay in that country.

Now this is where I come in. My mother had passed at 100 years old in 2008. When we moved all her belongings to our home in Wasaga Beach, I did notice all this Philatelic material amongst her totes. As we had sold our Stedmans retail store in Meaford, Ontario in 2007, I was looking for a passive hobby, which unlike golf, could be enjoyed 12 months of the year. So I took the plunge into Philately and discovered the treasures that Dr. Z had passed onto my mother. There were all the envelopes that he had sent his wife & daughter in Austria, many FDC's, including the P/O spec sheets and of course many stamps from the period of his employment in Ethiopia. WOW!



There was my introduction to stamp collecting. I now have a fairly decent Ethiopian collection, and along the way, have also added many other countries to my collecting interests, such as both Germanys, Vatican and most of the ex-socialist countries of the USSR including Russia, which are inexpensive to buy. If anyone is a collector of Ethiopia in our network of clubs, please don't hesitate to contact me and we can do some horse trading.

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Earlier this year I was made aware of the passing of WTSC member Len Sidorchuck. Len had been a member and regular attendee for the past 10 years. His contributions to the hobby both as a collector and a "vest pocket" dealer will be long remembered. As well, condolences to WTSC member Dan Buss whose wife Lynn also recently passed away. Our thoughts and prayers go out to both families during this difficult time.

These are excerpts from the obituaries that appeared in the Toronto Star.

SIDORCHUK, Leonard Surrounded by his loving family, Len passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 5, 2018. He will be missed dearly by his companion Terri, brother Peter (Ruth), sister Sarah, Beverley (former spouse), children Heather (Tim), Susan (Steve), Rob (Kim), Laura (Bruno)... Celebration of Life took place on Sunday, September 23rd at The Vue Event Venue.

BUSS, Marlyn "Lynn" Jean (nee POWLEY) April 29, 1932 - August 2, 2018. It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Lynn, peacefully at home with family by her side, at the age of 86, after a very long struggle with dementia. Lynn faced her disease with incredible positivity, determination and courage... Beloved wife of Dan for 63 years. Loving mom of Craig, Kevan (Heather) and Marcie... A Celebration of Lynn's Life was held on August 29th at Hearthstone by the Bay, Toronto.

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Barrie District Stamp Club Still Going Strong

When asked to write a short article on the Barrie District Stamp Club (BDSC), my first thought was....why? In this day and age of the internet and technology, those collectors, enthusiasts and philatelic socialites can easily see what we do, and as we also have a very open door policy at our meetings, auctions and annual shows we routinely welcome visitors.

But having recently ventured into the realm of the GTAPA, maybe it is time to “re-introduce” us to the philatelic world. “Hi Everyone!” We’re up here! The Barrie District Stamp Club meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month from September until June, from 7 – 9 pm. We’ve been at our current location for 12 years, situated in the basement of St Andrews Presbyterian Church diagonally across from Barrie’s Main Public Library at Owen and Worsley streets. Despite the passing of a few notable philatelists over the years, we’ve welcomed many new faces; to the point where nametags are almost needed; as I consistently think a new member is still a visitor!

The history of the current Club is a little fuzzy as our best historian and founding member, Michael Millar, FRPSC passed away in 2014, taking with him a fantastic knowledge of names, dates, places, shows, etc. But Michael did provide us the foundation of information we needed to add to our newly started web page at www.barriedistrictstampclub.ca.

Formed in December 1960, a group of the local lads joined together and in January 1962 the BDSC became Chapter 73 of the RPSC. We’ve been going ever since. We’re not as large as some Clubs, having only about 50 members from year to year, but we’re ideally located midway between several Toronto Clubs and the Georgian Bay Clubs. And we’re far enough away from the Fenelon Falls and Bracebridge Clubs so as not to cramp their style.

We’ve had an Annual Stamp Show (or Bourse) and Exhibit for 57 consecutive years now and regularly hosted anywhere from 11 to as many as 18 philatelic dealers since I joined in 2003. We have a thriving Sales Circuit and most recently partnered with the Owen Sound and West Toronto Stamp Clubs to share those binders in reciprocal visits. We routinely have two “called” auctions in November and May selling off about 120 “lots” of philatelic materiel submitted by our members.

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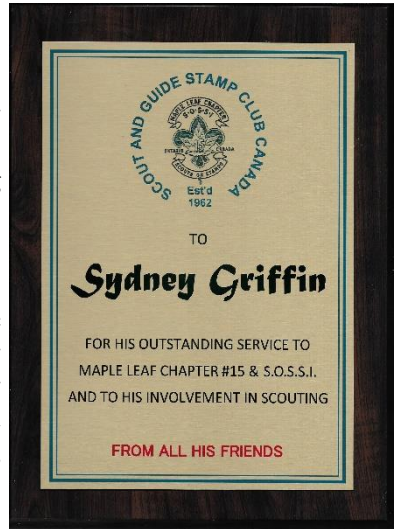
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Sydney Griffin Recognized

The Maple Leaf Chapter held a special lunch meeting on September 16, 2018 to recognize Chapter and SOSSI member Sydney Griffin. Fourteen Chapter friends came out to wish him well, including Woodrow Brooks, SOSSI Secretary, who drove all the way from Akron, Ohio to attend.

Syd has been an active worker in the Chapter, spending 20 years as Chapter Treasurer, and 22 years as Editor of our Maple Leaf Let newsletter. In fact for a few years he held both positions. Now, over 90 years old, he is handing in his Editor pencil, but will continue to participate in Chapter activities. Syd was also presented with a GTAPA Certificate of Merit in January. The pictures below show President Tony Manson presenting him with a plaque honoring his outstanding service.

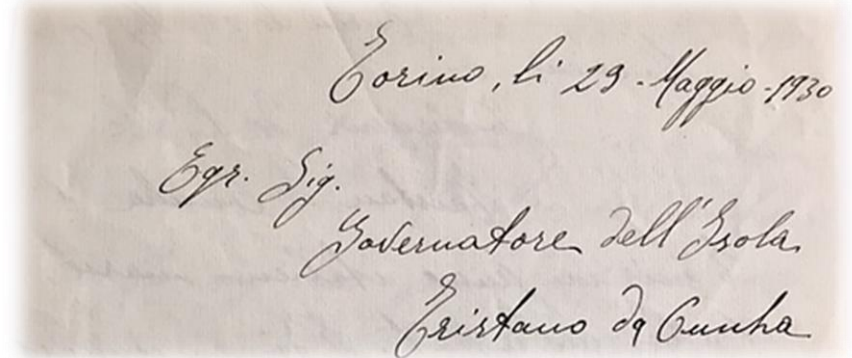


Once again, the island of Tristan da Cunha

Some time ago, I wrote an article for the Philajournal about the island of Tristan da Cunha, and how I have always been fascinated by the story of the island and have been dreaming about visiting it one of these days.

A few days ago, in a large lot of covers that I had recently purchased, I made quite a unique discovery that has reawakened all my interest and curiosity about the island of Tristan da Cunha.

Among all the covers, there was a very interesting letter (unfortunately only the letter, while the cover must have separated from the letter and ended up somewhere else) which was related to the island. It is a short letter, only one page, but written in three languages: Italian, French, and Spanish.



Torino, li' 29 - Maggio - 1930
Egr. Sig.
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Tristano da Cunha

The letter is dated May 29th, 1930 and was sent from a young man in Turin to the Governor of the Island of Tristan da Cunha. Here is the text of the letter, translated into English:

*“Dear Mr. Governor of the Island of Tristan da Cunha
I am a young Italian, married, with a son and a wife, but with very limited financial resources.*

I have read in a local newspaper that there is an island, your island: Tristan da Cunha, where money, [a] source of so many problems, does not exist.

I would like to come and live there. I rely on your kindness to help me to fulfill this dream. Please give me any possible support to be able to reach your island with my family.

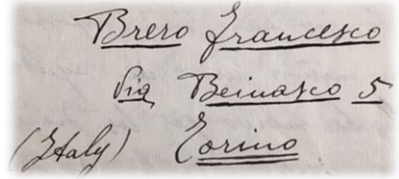
I thank you sincerely for your help

My address is

Francesco Brero, Via Beinasco 5, Turin, Italy”.

To understand the content of this letter better, we have to keep in mind that it was written in 1930, eight years after the March to Rome and the ascent of Mussolini to the Government of Italy. It is possible that the writer was a young opponent of fascism who was deeply unhappy with the type of life he had to endure under the dictatorship and was trying to find a way to migrate to another, better country.

I have done some research on Francesco Brero but I could not find anything under this name, however the address of via Beinasco 5 still exists, it must have been a ground floor apartment at the time, as now Via Beinasco 5 is occupied by a small restaurant, which can be accessed directly from the street.



Brero Francesco
Via Beinasco 5
(Italy) Torino

As in my research I found quite a few Brero living in the South East of France, it is possible that our friend never managed to reach Tristan da Cunha but he may have moved to France to escape the fascist rule and find a better life.

In any case even if, without the envelope, this letter does not have any philatelic value, I will keep it as a special memento of somebody that I never met but with whom I shared the same interest and fascination for the island of Tristan da Cunha.

NEWS from Bramalea Stamp Club



Bob Thorne, president of the Bramalea Stamp Club flanked by Joe Trauzzi (l) and Ingo Nessel (r), proudly holds the GTAPA Club challenge trophy won recently by the Bramalea club. The members of the Bramalea winning team were Ingo, Joe and Wendi Trauzzi who is not in the picture. This is the fourth time that Bramalea has won the trophy and Ingo has been a member of each winning team.

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BNAPS – The Society for Canadian Philately

At the GTAPA's September meeting we welcomed representatives and newest GTAPA Directors from Barrie District Stamp Club and Markham Stamp Club. These Clubs are the latest addition to our Philatelic Family.



From left: Ted Kupka (Barrie District Stamp Club), Mark Kanzo (Markham Stamp Club) and Tony Manson, GTAPA Secretary

NEWS from Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club

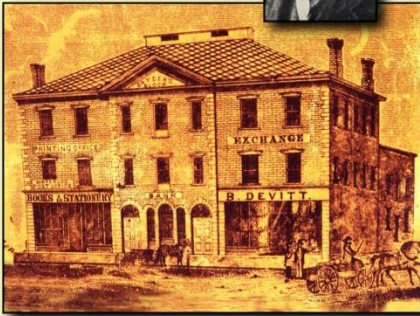
First prize draw winner - (High Cat. Value GB) from the Ajax-Pickering Stamp and Coin Club Show that took place on April 19, 2018.

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Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club

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Barrie District Stamp Club (NEW)

RPSC Chapter #73

Meets 2nd Thursday each month, except July & August, 7 to 9 pm

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 47 Owen St., Barrie

Bruce Walter, CD, Sec. at 705-735-6009

b.walter@rogers.com

Bramalea Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #144

Meets twice a month. On the 1st Sun. from 2 to 4 pm (October to June) and the 3rd Tue. from 7 to 9pm (year round) at Terry Miller Recreation Complex,

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Bob Thorne, FRPSC 905-792-3526 bobthorne70@gmail.com

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Credit Valley Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #67

Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7 to 9 pm, Christ Church United, 1700 Mazo Cr, Mississauga (1 block E of Clarkson Rd & 1 block S of Truscott)

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growlgrowl@bell.net

Fenelon Falls Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #176

Meets the 2nd Monday of each month (except Aug., Oct. and Dec.) at 7 pm in the Salvation Army Church, 42 Bond St. W. in Fenelon Falls (W. of Colbourne St.)

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Yvan Racine

yvan_racine@yahoo.ca

Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #168

Wasaga Beach Chapter

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Prime Time Club, 1724 Mosley Street in Wasaga Beach

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Midland Chapter

Meets the 1st Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the North Simcoe Sports & Recreation Centre, 527 Len Self Boulevard, Midland

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Insurance & Banking Philatelic Society RPSC Chapter #82

Meets the 3rd Thursday each month at 5 pm
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Kawartha Stamp Club, The RPSC Chapter #58

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month
Spring/Summer/Fall 6:00 to 8:30 pm. Winter noon to 3:00 pm at
The Mount, 1545 Monaghan Rd, Peterborough, ON, K9J 5N3
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<http://www.rpsc.org/chapters/kawartha/program.htm>

Markham Stamp Club (NEW)

Meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at the Markham Village Community Centre,
6041 Hwy 7 (S-E corner of Hwy 7 and Markham Rd) from 10 am – 12 pm
Contact: Klaus Hintz, Communications Director sojourner2@rogers.com

Muskoka Stamp Club RPSC Chapter #216

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North Toronto Stamp Club RPSC Chapter #5

Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month (except July, Aug and Dec) at
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Members begin arriving between 6:30 and 7:00pm
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Bruce Philip b.philipfca@yahoo.ca

North York Philatelic Society

Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month Sept to June from 6:00 to 9:00 pm
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Oshawa - Fridays 10:15 to 12:15. Legends Comm. Centre 1661 Harmony Rd. N.

Whitby - meets Mondays 10:30 to 12:30. Whitby Seniors Building, 801 Brock St.

Brooklin - Tuesdays from 6 to 8 pm. Brooklin Comm. Centre, 8 Vipond Rd.

Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Contact Information

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Oshawa - Larry Friend 905-666-7696 lfriend@sympatico.ca

Whitby - Jim Stevenson 905-576-4449

Polish-Canadian Coin & Stamp Club "Troyak"

RPSC Chapter #240

Meets on the last Sunday of each month, except holidays, at 4:30 pm
John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga
Contact: Tom Malicki 905-281-0000 tom.malicki@gmail.com
info@troyakclub.com www.troyakclub.com

Scarborough Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #223

Meets 3rd Tue. each month (except July & August) at Cedarbrook Comm. Centre,
RM 1 & 2 on main floor. 91 East Park Blvd. (near Markham and Lawrence).
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SOSSI, Maple Leaf Chapter

Scouts on Stamps Society International RPSC Chapter # 242

Meets on 3rd Sunday of the month from Sept to May at 2:00 pm (coffee/cookies at
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Tony Manson 416-447-4281 tony.manson@sympatico.ca

Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club

RPSC Chapter # 238

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month (except July and Aug) at
the V G Greene Foundation, 10 Summerhill Avenue.
Members gather at 6:30 pm for a program commencing at 7:00 pm
Mike Graf 416-534-6936 graf20003@yahoo.ca

Trenton Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter # 89

Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, monthly 6:30 to 8:30 pm at
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Bill Ferguson 613-398-1152 wilabetgg@gmail.com

Ukrainian Collectibles Society (Toronto) RPSC Chapter #228

Chapter of the Ukrainian Philatelic and Numismatic Society
Meets on the 1st Monday of every month at 7 pm (except July and August) at
Taras Shevchenko Ukrainian Centre, 482 Horner Avenue, Etobicoke
Jerry Kalyn 416-251-6898 ucst@upns.org

West Toronto Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #14

Meets on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays from Sept to June at 7:00 pm in
Fairfield Senior Centre, 60 Lothian Avenue, Etobicoke
1st Tuesday is the Learning Workshop.
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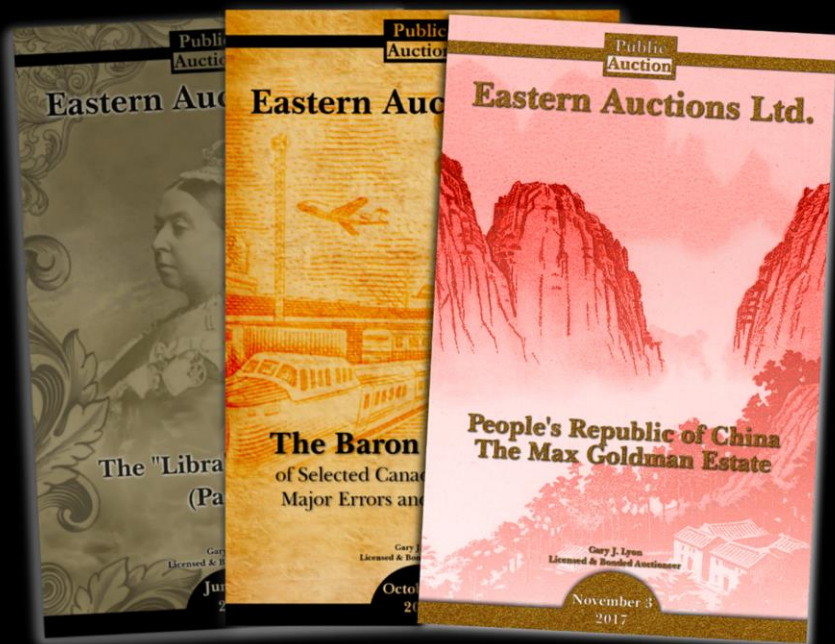
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