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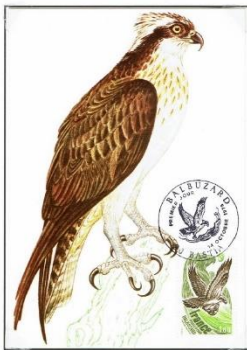
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GTAPA Single-Page Exhibit Competition

See the Special Insert



Osprey

The Osprey, a large piscivorous bird, is found on all continents except Antarctica. "Pischvoron" refers to the fact that up to 99% of its diet is fish. It's commonly called the fish hawk, river hawk or sea hawk. It's scientific name, in Latin, is *Pandion haliaetus* which you'll frequently see printed on osprey stamps.

SN 1583 Issued Oct. 16, 1978 French Maboicard - Issued as part of a series on Nature Protection, in French, the osprey's scientific name is *Pandion haliaetus* which is clearly visible on this card.

In the late 19th century osprey became extinct in France. Payment made for every osprey shot contributed to its extinction. Since 1972, however, osprey have been protected in France and have returned to this country.



C29 Issued Nov. 18, 1962 Hungary Birds of Prey Series Osprey (Pandion haliaetus)



SN 1234 Issued June 8, 1964 Osprey, 4th in a Polish stamp series on waterfowl.

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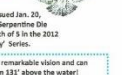
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SN 2487 Issued Jan. 24, 2002 Definitive horizontal coil, 10 ct, with osprey in soaring position.



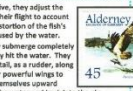
SN 4611 Issued Jan. 20, 2012. A US Serpentine Die Cut issue. 4th of 5 in the 2012 Series of 'Prey' Series.



SN 189 April 30, 2002 4th in a 6 stamp series that depicts some of Alderney's migratory raptors.



SN 2609 Issued March 26, 2009 Osprey (Pandion haliaetus) An unpaired Swedish horizontal coil pair.



SN 45 Issued April 30, 2002 4th in a 6 stamp series that depicts some of Alderney's migratory raptors.



SN 189 April 30, 2002 4th in a 6 stamp series that depicts some of Alderney's migratory raptors.

THREE JAMBOREE STAMPS WERE ISSUED ON APRIL 1.

FOUR JAMBOREE CANCELS WERE USED - NOS. 1 TO 4. NO. 1 WAS RESERVED FOR REGISTERED MAIL.

Here are the special stamps the out for the jamboree.

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NETHERLANDS LABELS IT WAS GOTTEN UP

THE 12.5 c HIGH VALUE STAMP FOR OVERSEAS POSTAGE WAS FOUND ON 26 PARTIALLY BURST ENVELOPES FROM THE HINKENSBURG CRASH ON MAY 6. 27 ADDITIONAL PIECES OF MAIL WERE ON BOARD OF WHICH 358 WERE SALVAGED.

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Post Office of Postal Service was March 3rd, 1877

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In 1936 higher values were issued for heavier mail delivery



Cover from Orkney-Inverness to Lundy - with Lundy Stamps Added on arrival - rubber stamps canceled by Lundy Postmaster 1937 Issue

Since 1974 the Lundy Puffinage has incorporated the UK charge and a separate British stamp was no longer required on Lundy mail in order to be mailed world wide



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June 6, 2021: (Zoom Virtual Meeting): Members "Show and Tell", a free-form participation from the audience moderated by our Program Co-Chair, Mattia Guida (see website for details)

July 8, 2021: (Zoom Virtual Meeting): Gregg Redner, Belgian Railway stamps: The story of the parcel post

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NOTE: this event will take place at 5p.m. instead of 7 p.m. as the presenter is connecting from the U.K.

To receive a link to join the meeting and the bimonthly newsletter, email Klaus Hintz,
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Guests and visitors welcome!

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Visitors Welcome

ALL CURRENT MEETING ARE VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM

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PhilaJournal Summer 2021 issue notes.

Welcome to this, slightly unusual issue which features the Winners and Contributors of the first virtual GTAPA Single-Page Exhibit Competition held during the April 28th Zoom Meeting. The event was very successful (I am also biased ☺). We received 14 very high quality entries and the Zoom meeting attendees had a hard time picking the winners. Votes were so close that the third place was awarded to two participants. The entries are featured in the *PhilaJournal Special Insert*. Hope you enjoy this special feature.

One thing that concerns me is why there is so little response to PhilaJournal FREE ads. It started strong, but for this issue I got few, and many will expire (printed 4 times) with this issue. These will be removed unless respective owners email me and ask for an extension for next 4 issues. You should consider refreshing the wording to make them look new. Or is it that I am not being notified when items are sold and should be removed?

I added the ability to advertise your eBay or other on-line auctions, but only one person has asked to be added in this issue.

Are you all so happy with your accumulations and eBay traffic that selling to other collectors is out of the question (just a rhetorical question)?

GTAPA Directors, please, please, please re-broadcast GTAPA emails you receive from Tony to you members; make sure they are receiving them. These are infrequent and carry GTAPA Community wide news or *PhilaJournal* information. Don't wait to include them in your monthly newsletters.

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Meeting ID: 870 0946 3572, Passcode: 129719

August:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82772138842?pwd=bGdCcHgxQlE0VDRVTDMwNGFFOG5mQT09>

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Same procedures for all meetings:

Time: 7:00pm or 19:00 Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Mark your calendar and join the Zoom Meeting (max. 100 participants)

Please allow a couple of minutes to be let into the meeting room.

Open to ALL Club Members and Visitors.

Agenda is distributed prior to the meeting.

If you do not have a computer, tablet, smartphone or are not sure about using Zoom, you can dial-in from your location to participate.

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GTAPA's first virtual "Single Page Exhibit Competition" was held during the April 28, 2021 Zoom Meeting. We received 14 entries. The Peer judging was difficult as all of the submissions were of the highest standard, both in elements and quality. You can see them all in the *PhilaJournal* #76 *Special Insert* located in the on-line folder: <https://bit.ly/2LWtIYJ>

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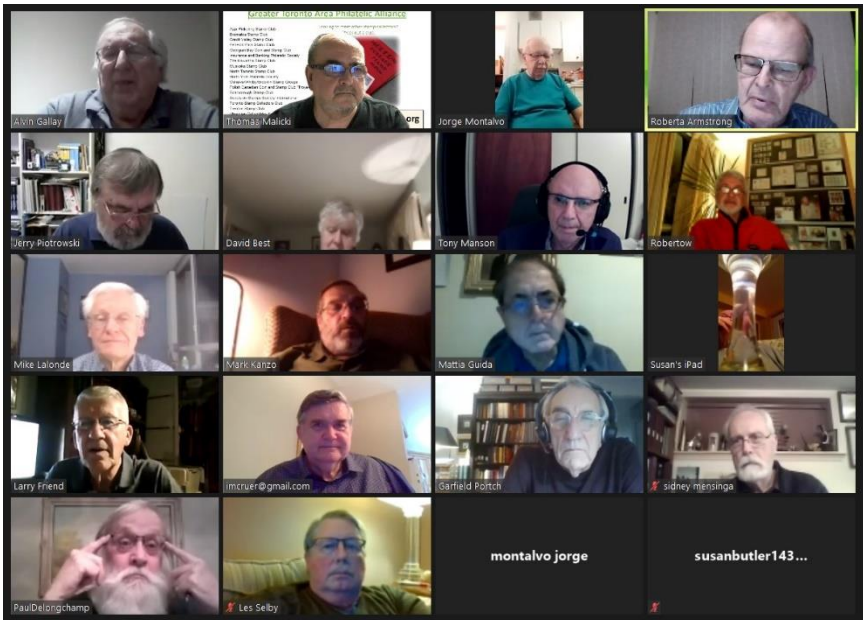
Message from the President.

I trust everyone is well, staying safe and getting vaccinated. It has been more than a year since this Covid crisis has been upon us but I believe that even though at the present there are some severe constrictions still in place on activities that there is light at the end of the tunnel.

More and more people are getting vaccinated and some groups are actually planning activities for the near future. Both the Fenelon Falls Stamp Club and The Kitchener- Waterloo Philatelic Society have plans in place to hold bourses in August and I have heard a rumour that one of the area dealers is also considering an event. These events will likely be held with restrictions as to the number of dealers present and with limits as to the number of visitors at any one time.

In the meantime many groups have been taking advantage of programs such as Zoom to hold meetings and presentations. Some clubs have even been able to hold auctions. I think that even after things return to some semblance of normal that Zoom will still play a part in philatelic activities.

I look forward to seeing many of you at various meetings and shows.



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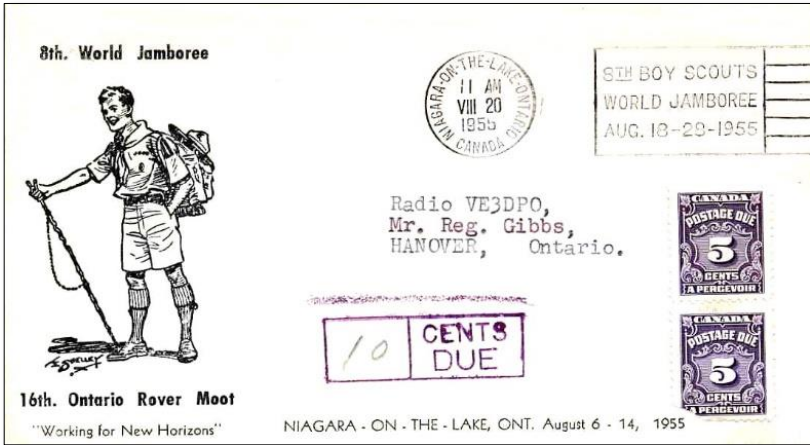


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Eighth World Jamboree - Postage Due

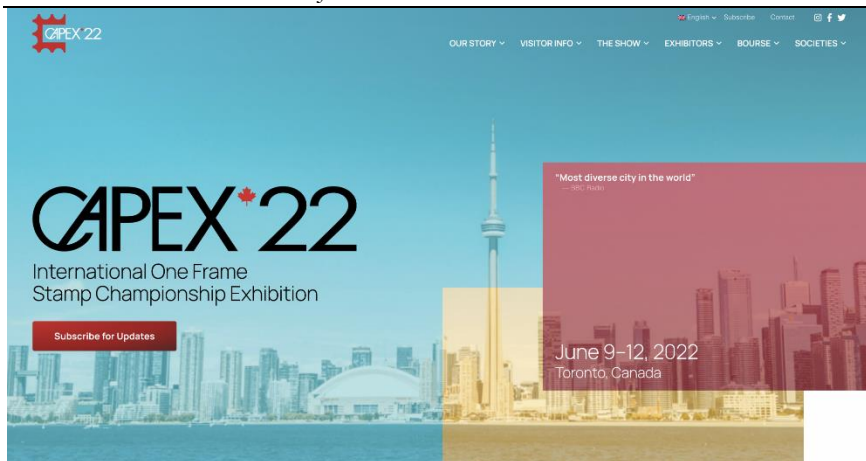
Over 11,000 scouts from 71 countries attended the 8th World Jamboree at Niagara-On-The-Lake in August 1955. Some Postage Due covers have been identified such as the 2 shown below. Both were mailed on August 20, 1955, the first day of issue for the stamp recognizing the World Jamboree.



This cover was addressed to Hanover, Ontario. It has a clear Type 1 first day cancel, with the date showing "VII 20". This cancel was used on all of the Jamboree days.



This cover was addressed to Winnetka, Illinois, USA. It has a clear Type 2 first day cancel, with the date showing "20 VII". This cancel was only used on the first day of issue of the stamp. Both show a penalty of twice the going rate of postage in the two countries (10 cents and 8 cents).



UPDATE

Canada's fifth international show since 1951 will be in TORONTO on June 9-12, 2022.

It will held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre (MTCC) in The Constitution Hall on the 100 level of the MTCC's North Building, at 255 Front St. W.

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Additional links to follow:

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Unusual Postage Stamps

In previous articles under this heading I have written about stamps that were issued in some way different from what one might expect from a postage stamp. Those differences included among other things stamps printed on substrates other than paper such as silk, metal foil, fish skin or wood veneer to name just a few. Also mentioned were stamps which had materials added to the ink such as metal filings, volcanic dust or ashes from burnt timber. Also mentioned were “scratch and sniff” stamps, 3D stamps and hologram stamps.



In this article I will talk about the two stamps issued on October 12 1892 by Argentina, commemorating the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. Although printed on paper just as any other stamp of that period this set of two stamps in my mind deserves mention as being unusual based on four things.

- Firstly, according to what I have read and been told this issue was the first ever stamp issue that had input from a citizens advisory group for its preparation.
- Secondly when the stamps were issued on October 12th they were available for sale for **one day only**. The stamps were available for sale at the main post offices in the provincial capitals with the demand being so high in Buenos Aires that as the day progressed the crowds trying to buy the stamps got very unruly and as the day progressed buyers were allowed less and less in the quantity they could buy. The stamps were subsequently forged.
- Thirdly, the stamps were valid for use only on that day of issue thus making all covers technically First Day Covers although covers with later dated cancels do exist.

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- And finally, the stamps were valid only for use on mail addressed within Argentina although foreign destination covers do exist.

Check out this link to a one frame exhibit of this issue posted on Exponet www.japhila.cz/hof/0102/index0102a.htm (samples below)



14c International Cover to London, England. Illegal, but allowed. Slightly over-franked letter mailed from Buenos Aires, October 12, and received in London, November 14. The actual international rate was 12c. Receiving cancel on back.



Another example of illegal, but allowed letter to England. Mailed Oct.12, arrived Nov.14.

Properly franked.

(See full description on Exponet web site)

My thanks go to Ken Pugh of Chilliwack BC who first made me aware of this stamp issue and also provided the scans of the material in this article.



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Scott #1454i VAR

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Ukrainian Cossack in the battle of Vienna, Austria.



This FDC shows the Ukrainian Cossack cavalry, who along with the Polish hussars and the army, under the leadership of Polish King Jan III Sobieski, liberated Vienna from the 2nd Turkish siege on the 12th of September, 1683. Sobieski was an admirer of the Ukrainian Cossacks and accurately assessed their great combat power and courage: hence, he wanted to enlist as many Cossacks as possible in his army. Also Pope Innocent XI knew of the battle experience of the Ukrainian Cossacks from previous skirmishes with the Turks and therefore financed the organization of a Cossack army under the flag of the Pope. This battle resulted in the defeat of the Turkish army under the leadership of the Great Vizier Kara Mustapha and thereby delivering central Europe from the centuries' old spectre of Ottoman military conquest. The stamp shown on the cover is SC #1253. The special post mark & cover were designed by Erhard Steinhagen. The cover was produced by the Ukrainian Philatelists Club in Austria on the 300th anniversary of this great battle. Interestingly enough, the Austrian post office allowed a cancellation in a foreign language, as seen on the front of the cover, depicting a Cossack in front of Vienna.

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The stamps of the Sistine Chapel: The Michelangelo paintings in the ceiling.

Very few places in the world have been honoured by as many stamps as the Sistine Chapel. The Sistine stamps of the Vatican alone can already form a varied and beautiful collection. But a complete collection of the Sistine Chapel could be much bigger, as so many countries have dedicated some stamps to the genius of Michelangelo and to his artwork inside the Chapel. Today we will just focus on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel which was painted by Michelangelo between 1506 and 1512.



The Sistine Chapel had been actually completed in 1481 after Pope Sixtus IV decided to build it on top of the old Cappella Magna (the large chapel). At that time the Pope was happy with a very simple painting of the ceiling.

Pier Matteo D'Amelia got the task of painting a blue sky brightened by hundreds of shiny stars on the whole ceiling, which had an extension of about 500 square meters. However the Sistine Chapel presented almost immediately some structural problems, probably connected to the old structure of the Cappella Magna and to the heavy construction works which were taking place in the contiguous St Peter Cathedral. As a result, it took only a few years for the original painting of D'Amelia to be irreversibly damaged. The new Pope Julius II started considering the possibility to have a different decoration of...

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the ceiling, once the repairs were finished. The Pope invited Michelangelo to paint the ceiling containing portraits of the 12 Apostles.

But Michelangelo, inspired by the shape and the huge size of the ceiling, had another much bigger project in mind: he wanted to paint different scenes of the Old Testament and personalities connected to Jesus in a very complex structure, populated by about 300 figures. In the end, Michelangelo managed to convince the Pope and this huge project was started in 1506. The starting months were very challenging because Michelangelo had major problems to design and build the scaffolding structure on top of which he was supposed to paint. And also because he had to try different types of plaster and different materials to stop the forming of mould which was attacking the ceiling. But once these initial inconvenients were overcome, Michelangelo started to paint at an incredible speed, with some scenes of the Old Testament painted only in a few days. Looking at the height and the curved structure of the ceiling, one can only imagine the physical stress Michelangelo must have endured to paint for many many hours a day on the ceiling by different angles (but always standing up, not lying down, as some people were led to believe). The central part of the ceilings contains the most beautiful frescos. The most famous one is the creation of Adam, where God is touching Adam's finger while Adam is opening his eyes for the first time.



The Vatican Post Office has done a great job in trying to give to the stamp users the best visibility of the beauty of the paintings in the Sistine Chapel. Rather than printing stamps that would reproduce the whole painting they have decided to focus on some details or some particulars of the paintings enhancing the beauty of some specific sections of the Michelangelo masterpiece. But in a particular case, in 1994, they took a different approach by displaying the whole fresco, using two adjacent stamps. For example the creation of Man is split into two stamps with an awakening Adam on the left stamp and the figure of God giving life to Adam on the right stamp. The same approach has been taken in the other 3 pairs of stamps of this set

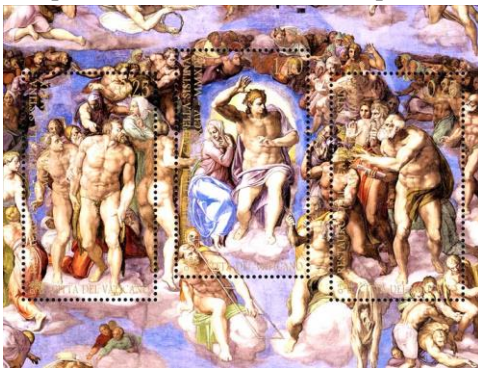
showing “the creation of planets and plants”, “the original sin” and “the universal flood” with Noah’s Ark on the right stamp.



In 2008, another set of stamps used a more traditional approach by focusing on the top torso of the paintings of the Prophets and the Sybils, who populate the North and South side of the ceiling. These were all figures of people who, according to the tradition, had, in one way or another, predicted the coming of Jesus. A non-Vatican set of stamps, the Italian 1961 Michelangiolesca set, had taken the same approach by reproducing only the faces of Sibyls and Prophets with an even bolder choice, to print the stamps in a monochromatic style, one single colour, which ended up being a very successful choice.

In 1512, twenty years after the discovery of America, Michelangelo, at the age of 37, had finally completed the painting of the Sistine Chapel and established his name as one of the greatest painters in history, after having being known in the first part of his life as a very talented sculptor who completed at a very young age both the David and the Pieta’.

The years that followed were quite dramatic both in Florence, Michelangelo’s birth place, and in Rome, where in 1527 the city was looted by the mercenary troops of Charles V and the Pope was besieged in the Sant’Angelo castle.



However things slowly went back to normal and in 1535 the new Pope, Paul III took the decision to give Michelangelo a new challenge: to paint the altar wall with “the last judgement”, but that is another article all together.

Michelangelo’s painting in the Sistine Chapel have been the subject of my presentation at the North Toronto Stamp Club in March 2021, which can still be viewed on You Tube in the NTSCpresents section.

[ED: Renovation of the Sistine Chapel ceiling (finished in 1989) was sponsored in part by a Japanese Media Company for which it was granted sole photographic and film rights therefore paintings are copyrighted. This is why you cannot take pictures of the chapel ceiling.]

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British Postal-seal, label on Polish Airmail letter to Palestine

On Wikipedia in a page titled "1938 In Poland" it is stated that "...The Second Polish Republic whose capitol resided in Warsaw. Commonly known as Interwar Poland, refers to the country in the period between the two World Wars (1918 - 1939). In 1938, the Second Polish Republic was the sixth largest country in Europe". Read here, more about 1938_in_Poland: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1938_in_Poland

Even though the military alliance between the United Kingdom and Poland was formalised by the Anglo-Polish Agreement in 1939, the British postal administration were already facilitating the delivery of mail between Poland and other countries long before that.



1938, Airmail letter:

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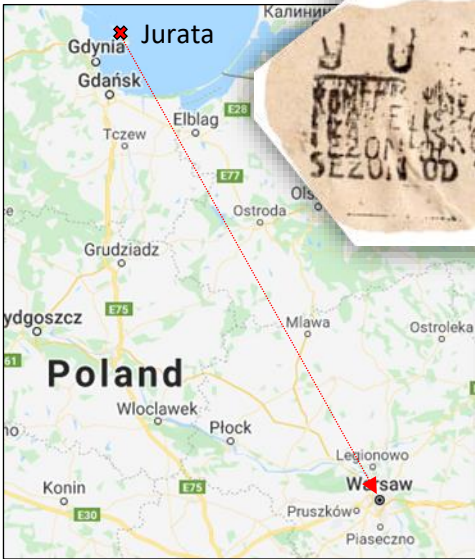
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1st leg of the air letter travel, most likely via train to Warsaw Airport.
"LOT" is the Polish Airlines.

Stamps on cover: 5g Church at Czestochowa (SC#308), 25g Belvedere Palace (SC#298) and 55g Marshall Smigly-Rydz (SC#313).

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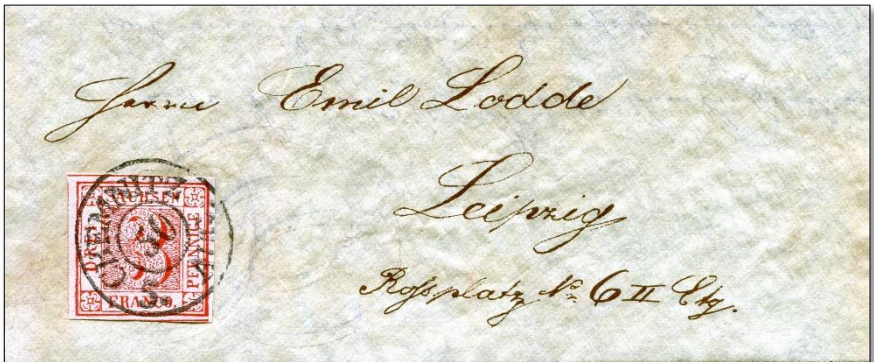
The Legendary “Sachsen-Dreier”.



Greetings fellow stamp enthusiasts. In response to the recent request by our stalwart *PhilaJournal* Editor I thought I'd better take the opportunity to submit an article on the subject of one of the more collectable of German stamps to wit, the 1850 Sachsen 3 Pfennige, otherwise known to German stamp collectors as the Sachsen-Dreier. Due to the uniqueness of this rare legendary Saxony gem (an

estimated 3000- 4000 copies remaining) a legitimate copy is worthy of a princely sum.

The Sachsendreier was primarily intended to frank printed materials, such as newspapers in wrappers. Alas, to prevent the wrapper sliding off the contents, the stamp was habitually affixed to both the wrapper and newspaper which upon separation frequently resulted in destruction of the stamp – hence a primary reason for its rarity. With few genuine items surviving, a number of forgers, most notably François Fournier, began producing replicas, and even soaked them in coffee to “age” the paper.



My Chemnitz 1850 Sachsendreier Forgery (front here with the reverse view on pg.25)

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Ironically Monsieur Fournier viewed himself as a benefactor-of-sorts to philatelists of modest means who could ill afford the genuine article. Thus he was predisposed to expertly produce forgeries to help them fill “the gaps” in their collection. Because of the infamous notoriety of forgers such as Monsieur Fournier and others, some of their creations have become highly prized amongst collectors and can garner a price worth considerably more than the genuine article.



Fälschung = Forgery

A few years ago I purchased the above forgery (front on pg.23) from a well-known on-line auction site. Although I suspected it was forgery, I thought it was a nice example of the Sachsen-Dreier and worth \$35 USD.

Note: the current CV for a genuine Sachsen-Dreier is approximately € 8000 Euros + 19% VAT. Of course, I won't be sure if I have Mousier Fournier to thank for it until I win the Lotto and have it professionally appraised. However for the time being, it will remain a novel curiosity to add to my collection. With that being said...

At the risk of overstating the obvious, when it comes to scoring a “bargain” on a rare German stamps it is “caveat emptor” or “let the buyer beware”.

And if I might offer one more piece of friendly advice, I have found Michel Catalogues to be an invaluable source of reference for anyone considering specializing in German stamps. For those of you with questions about German stamps I'd be happy to discuss them with you.

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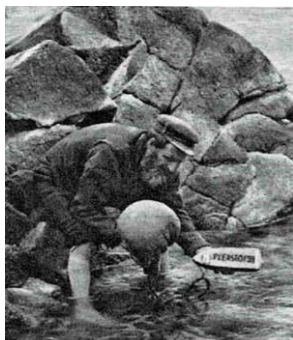
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British Locals: St. Kilda Archipelago.

The Archipelago consists of the main island Isle of Hirta plus Isle of Dun and Isle Boreray. All Islands are steeped in history with Hirta being the only island populated for the past 4,000 years.

The island is over 40 miles from mainland Scotland. At one time the island had a population near 200, but the life on the Island was harsh, with starvation in winter times, sickness and death. In 1930 evacuation started from the island with the final residents evacuated in 1936 as sickness and starvation was reaching a breaking point for the residents.



Preparing to set mail adrift

Communication being infrequent the Islanders resorted to unique ways of sending mail using a process of tying an inflated sheep intestines with a message attached, then throwing into the ocean – similar to tin can mail.

In 1980, in commemoration of the evacuation, a special Tin Can Mail Canister was prepared where those interested in a commemorative cover, could for a fee have their cover included. The drum was tossed into the Atlantic Ocean. The journey took 3 ½ months and landed in Norway. There were instructions in the drum, to the finder, to place a stamp on each letter and mail to the addressee for the fee enclosed.

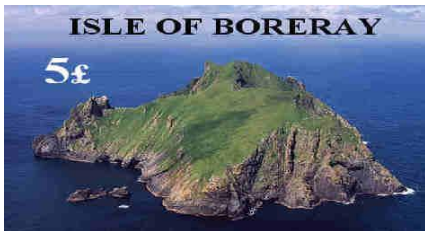
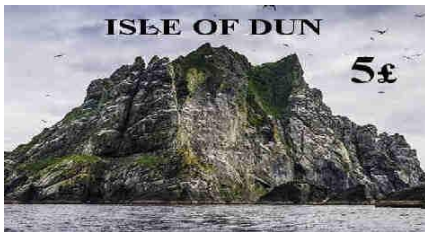


There has been a move afoot by some of the dependents to move back to the Island as communication and the supplies of life are readily available.



The Scottish Trust produced stamps in order to help finance the repopulation. They are sold on the island to tourists as well as to collectors in general. The stamp shown is one of many they have produced with many available on eBay.

The outer islands Dun and Boreray, while dangerous and difficult to get to, provided much of the food for the islanders, as birds and eggs were available. There were wild sheep that helped provide food and clothing.



Boreray and Dun [labels] were produced by me in order to help fill out my St. Kilda album and story.

I invite you to google St Kilda as there is much more history about the Island and its residents available.

British Local Islands have become very collectable with many available on eBay, many produced by trusts. Many individuals are producing "stamps" (which could be called a *Labels* or *Cinderellas*) for Islands where there are no stamps. Some are very well done. I personally have produced and sold (to other

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Go to eBay and enter Great Britain Locals for an eye opener.

Many of the British Local Islands have very interesting history.

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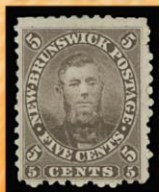
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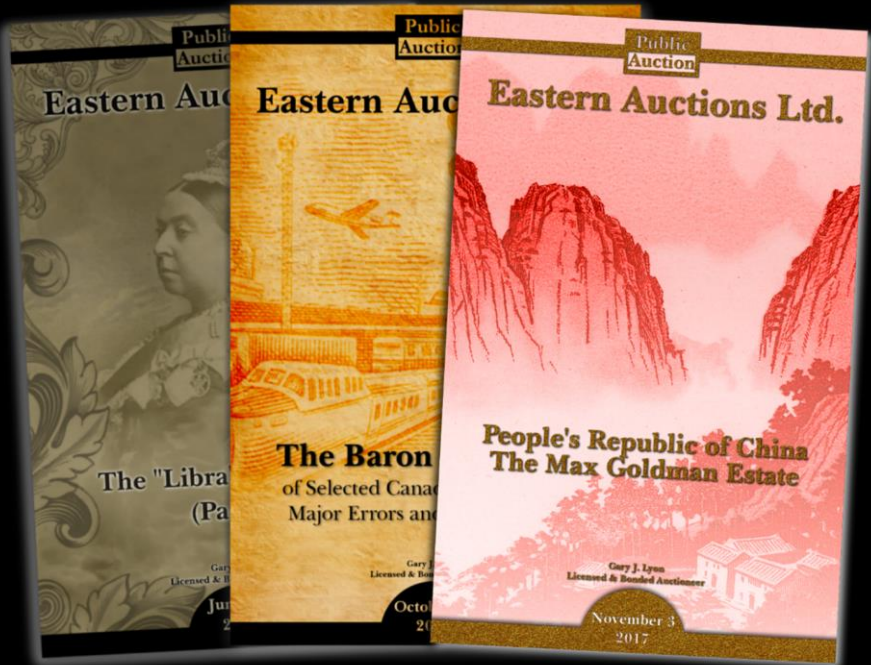
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