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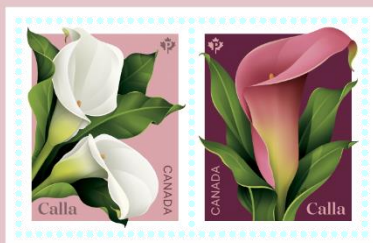
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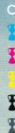


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Check Club Directories for **Directors' names (in blue)** and their contact info.  
Directors meet monthly on the fourth Wednesday-(except December).

**ALL GTAPA MEETINGS ARE STILL VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM;  
VISITORS WELCOME**

**CLUB MEETINGS: In-person meetings are starting at various clubs.  
For status check with the Club Directors.**

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## **PhilaJournal Spring 2022 issue notes.**

Welcome to the “Spring” issue. The online, pdf issues, are taking hold and are growing in popularity. We started with the Bitly.com shortcut service to link all to Google Drive where *PhilaJournals* are stored. It reports over 1,300 hits (as I write this issue). This destination has now ALL the issues, from #1 to whatever # will be the latest when you read this. It is kept as our “Cloud” storage & backup for *PhilaJournals*, materials, and GTAPA documents.

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In other news, we have asked the American Philatelic Society (APS) to reinstate GTAPA as a Chapter member. We hope that this will encourage anyone looking for Clubs in Ontario to contact GTAPA clubs first.

To get an up-to-date view/state of the GTAPA Clubs I sent out an email to each of the Directors' asking for their club's current state and 2022 plans. Some were very accommodating and quickly responded providing a good “picture”; unfortunately, some did not find time to reply so in those cases, I inserted any information I heard during GTAPA meetings or from other philatelists. If I got something wrong, PLEASE do correct my wrong and it will be printed in the next issue. I hope to do this for all future issues under the title: “GTAPA CLUBS – WHAT IS NEW – SEASON & YEAR”

To summarize the results, some clubs went into hibernation or clinical death, are on life support, and may have a very hard time restarting, or not; when the restrictions are eased off. Strongest and inventive will survive.

Contradictory to those, we have several clubs that Covid has acted as a SUPER catalyst for them to step out of their comfort zones and invent new ways to meet and promote their Club. They have reinvented their meetings styles and programs. Zoom meetings and online auctions are now the norms. They have grown in membership with some getting members from all over Canada and US. Philatelists are eager to participate remotely, in this fantastic virtual philatelic forum. Kudos to the Executives and Volunteers of those Clubs that took Covid on, and increased the popularity of the hobby.



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## **Message from the President.**

With the recent Passing of **Michael Madesker**, signatory of the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists and Fellow of both the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and Royal Philatelic Society of London the philatelic community lost a remarkable person whose accomplishments are too many to list here. I like to think of Michael as a friend even though I did not know him that well and our interactions were mainly through emails. I would send him scans of postal markings on Russian mail from the 1914-1918 era and he would willingly and quickly respond with the interpretation of the marks. I remember being asked to his home one time and arriving there mid-afternoon with coffee and muffins for Michael, his wife, and myself. As we were enjoying these treats I happened to mention that this was actually a late lunch for me. Michael immediately offered to scramble up some eggs and make some toast for me, an offer I politely declined. I did however willingly accept the gift of a few covers.

In my message in the last PhilaJournal, I said “Not only is there a light at the end of the tunnel but it is getting brighter all the time”. Alas, I was mistaken, what we were actually seeing were the headlights of the Omicron train barreling down towards us which necessitated further restrictions on everyone. As I write this message things seem to be improving and the restrictions easing. At my home club of Bramalea Stamp Club, we did in fact manage to hold three small in-person meetings under controlled conditions before the lockdowns were reinstated. If necessary we will err on the side of caution before scheduling any future meetings.

With Capex22 less than four months away most of us are looking forward to attending the show, looking at the exhibits, and visiting the dealers. The organizing committee has done an excellent job. However, they will be asking for volunteers to help with various tasks so when your local club executives ask for volunteers please participate even if it is just for a couple of hours or so.

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## “Bombay - INDIA PAID” – Westward Sea-Post Mail

With the railway network in India being developed by the 1860's and then connecting several cities and the Bombay, Baroda and Central India (B.B & C. I.) Railway being developed gradually, mail was being delivered in shorter durations of time, than was possible earlier.



The “Bombay – INDIA PAID” postmarks shown here are from covers that were based on contracts agreed between shipping companies particularly, the Peninsular & Orient (P&O) Company and the Post Master(s) to facilitate the payment of postage of Indian mail going overseas.



[Postage: 14 annas] The Bengal Circle Type: 7; B 1 – Calcutta.  
Rectangular framed “INDIA PAID” marking.  
Addressed to LONDON: “Calcutta & South Eastern Railway”.  
Received: April 20, 1860.



[Postage: 6 annas] The Bengal Circle Type: 7; B 113 – Midnapore  
2 X Rectangular framed “INDIA PAID” markings.

Mailed to: “Epping, England”

Received: September 23, 1861.

The 4a stamp paid the rate via Southampton, the 2a paid the Packet fee from Midnapore to Bombay, facilitating the delivery of mail to England.

In a book that you will find Online titled “*A Short History of the Expansion of the British Empire, 1500 – 1902*” by author William Harrison Woodward and published by the CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS in England, the following passage describes how the city of “Bombay” came under British rule:

“...By his marriage Charles II acquired from Portugal (1661) the sovereignty of the island of Bombay, which in 1668 was handed over to the East India Company as a fortified possession of the Crown. Bombay was the first portion of the soil of India to own the dominion of the King of England. Its position was thus superior to that of Madras which was held on lease at a rent from a native prince. Being an island it was to some extent independent of the hostility of the Moghul or of his enemies, whilst its area (30 miles by 8) was sufficient to admit of large development...”

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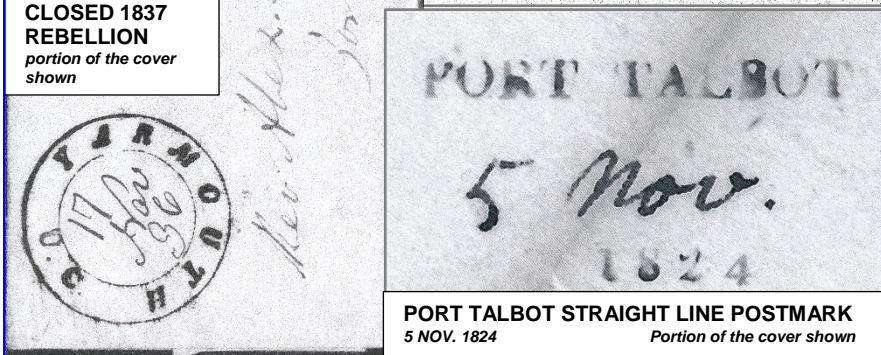
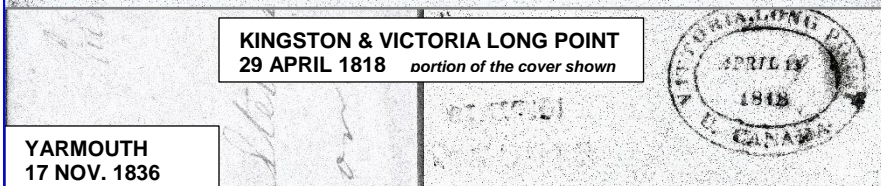
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## The island of Kastellorizo



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Because of its proximity to the Turkish coast (only 2 km), the island has had a very interesting history both before and after the introduction of stamps.

The island of Kastellorizo or Castellorizo or Castelrosso in Italian is a small island of 12 square kilometers, at the edge of the Dodecanese archipelago.



Map courtesy of <https://delosvacations.com/the-dodecanese-greek-islands/>

Its original Greek name, Megisti (biggest) can be unclear. The island is smaller than Dodecanese islands, such as Rhodes, but the island lies in the middle of its own little archipelago made of very small islands; here Kastellorizo is definitely the biggest.

This article will only focus on the philatelic period but it should be mentioned that the island changed hands a few times after the Byzantine era and was ruled by the Knights Hospitaliers (now known as Order of Malta), the Aragon Crown, Venice, and the Ottoman Empire. Its philatelic history starts under the Ottoman empire (see picture on right) where it was an important port in the region with a population, at its peak, of 10,000 people (compared to only 500 in recent years), of which about 90% were Greek and only 10% Turkish.



The population of Kastellorizo had already tried during the Greek independence war to join Greece, but after a long struggle between 1828 and 1833 and the illusion of becoming part of Greece, the island ended up again under the Ottoman Empire.

About 80 years later, in 1912, Italy started the Libyan war against the Ottoman empire and managed to take control of the island of Rhodes and the Dodecanese islands, just north of Kastellorizo. The population of the island saw the opportunity to free themselves from the Ottoman empire and sent a delegation to the Italian General Giovan Battista Ameglio asking him to occupy the island. But they were to be seriously disappointed as the General refused to send troops to Kastellorizo, explaining to them that the island was too close to the Turkish Coast and the Italian Fleet could be easily shot at by the Artillery Battery situated just opposite the island. Consequently, the Turkish garrison managed to keep control of the island for another year until the islanders decided to rebel against the Turks who were forced to abandon the island. Some Greek soldiers arrived from Samos to help the population to defend themselves against the Turks, however, the Turks did not react.

A set of 12 overprinted Greek stamps was prepared and used during this period. At the start of World War I, the French Navy started expanding its presence in the area and the French Troops occupied Kastellorizo in December 1915. That occupation lasted about 6 years. The French managed to keep the Turks away from the island however in 1917 the Turkish coastal artillery managed to hit and sink the British seaplane carrier HMS Ben-my-Chree anchored in Kastellorizo (as General Ameglio had predicted). In the beginning, the French Levant stamps were used on the island, but then in 1920, they were replaced by French stamps overprinted Kastellorizo. Three sets were issued in the 1920-21 period. Three different overprints: BNF (*Base Navale Francaise*), ONF (*Occupation Navale Francaise*), and OF (*Occupation Francaise*), while a fourth issue appeared at the last minute before the Frenchs' departure, is considered bogus. Samples of stamps on the next page. Covers from this period are very rare and have a high cost.



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In 1921 the peace treaty assigned the island to Italy, as an extension of the Dodecanese, and this prompted the withdrawal of the French troops from the island. Unfortunately, that also caused a permanent split in the Kastellorizo archipelago as only the islands of Ro and Strongyli were assigned to Italy and all the others remained Turkish. The Italian tried unsuccessfully to also obtain the inhabited island of Kekova (Caravola), further south, which is now become a renowned archeological site. The Italian occupation lasted about 20 years and after a short period of 4 months where Italian stamps were used with Castellorizo cancels, five sets were issued in that period, of which 4 made of Italian overprinted stamps (Castelrosso) and one depicting the map of the island and of the surrounding area, including the Turkish

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coast. During that time the island was used as a stopping port of seaplanes, which evidently also carried much sought-after airmail to various world destinations. To note that also the Dodecanese stamps could be used on the island so mix frankings of Dodecanese and Castellorosso stamps are not rare.



During World War II the Kastellorizo remained in Italian hands until the armistice of 8 September 1943, then it was occupied by British forces and the MEF overprinted stamps were introduced. Finally, in 1947 the island and the Dodecanese islands were handed over to Greece, which administered it as a separate territory first (1947 issue of Greek stamps overprinted S.D.D.) and then absorbed into Greece in 1948, starting the use of normal Greek stamps.



Kastellorizo now is a quiet tourist destination with a population that after a massive emigration (mostly to Australia) is reduced to 500 people. It is the most eastbound town in the European Union and the only place in the Union where the solar eclipse of 2006 could be seen in its totality (but that's another story). It has gained some international notoriety thanks to the Oscar-winning movie *Mediterraneo*, filmed and based on the island, and the recent dispute between Greece and Turkey for gas exploration rights in the sea waters just south of Kastellorizo.



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## SOSSI at CAPEX'96



Twenty-six years ago the Maple Leaf Chapter hosted their international society, SOSSI (Scouts On Stamps Society International) at CAPEX'96. Activities included the SOSSI AGM, Board Meeting, Auction, Dinner, Seminar, and a large booth. We even filled a block of thirty seats next door at the "SkyDome" to watch Toronto Blue Jays play the New York Yankees! Covers were created for both SOSSI and one for the Maple Leaf Chapter. The SOSSI one is shown here:



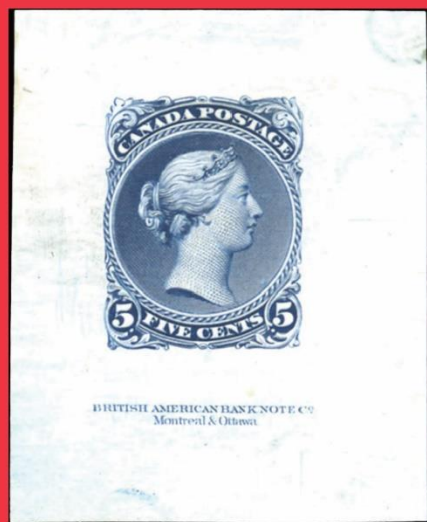
Once again, the Maple Leaf Chapter is hosting these same activities with SOSSI. Covers and Picture Postage stamps will be available to honor SOSSI's attendance at CAPEX'22. SOSSI celebrated their 70th birthday last year and the

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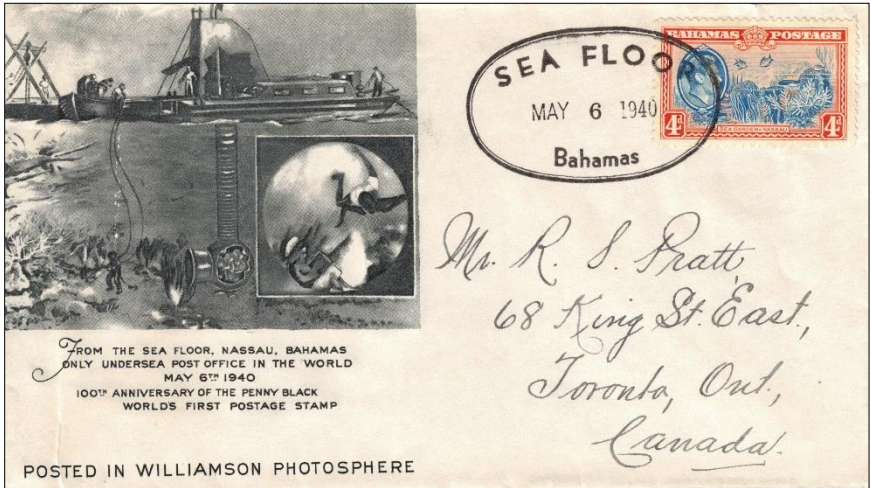


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## The Only Undersea P.O. In The World

Recently, while rooting through some of the postal curiosities that I have picked up the last 12 years I have discovered a Cachet sent from "THE ONLY UNDERSEA POST OFFICE IN THE WORLD" posted in WILLIAMSON PHOTOSPHERE.



It is beautifully postmarked "SEA FLOOR MAY 6 1940 Bahamas", and it commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Penny Black, the world's first postage stamp.

A little history on the Photosphere... This underwater chamber was a brainchild of a man named John Ernest Williamson, who was a pioneer in underwater photography. He designed this chamber so that he could take photos of underwater creatures, viewing them through a thick glass window. Eventually, in order to raise publicity for his invention, he opened an underwater Post Office, where letters were sent down, canceled, sent back up to the surface & posted to collectors all over the world. This Post Office opened on Aug. 16, 1939, and closed sometime in 1941, as the world had bigger problems to deal with (WWII).

On July 1, 1938 Bahamas issued (in a set) a 4 penny King George VI stamp depicting the Sea Garden as seen through the Photosphere (SC# 106), shown on the cover. In 1965 Bahamas created a long set of Definitives, in which the 1 Shilling stamp shows the underwater Sea Garden (SC# 213) & a 5 Shilling stamp (SC# 216) shows the underwater Post Office.

# SPARKS

## ★ AUCTIONS

We are proud to continue our 2022 schedule of auctions, with more to come, so check our website for updates!

May 9th-11th, 2022: Our important general spring sale of stamps, postal history, lots and collections and ephemera, featuring *The Burnside House collection of early Falkland Islands* and other valuable Canadian, British Commonwealth and worldwide consignments, along with many impressive Christmas-related items and dealer stock.

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in Vermillion  
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## WWII – Patriotic Art on Letter Covers of Canada

Two 'hand-drawn' patriotic covers.

In an online article by the Canadian Encyclopedia it is stated as follows “...Two early reports of a German surrender had primed people for celebration. The first, on 28 April 1945 was erroneous; the second, on the morning of 7 May, was merely premature. The celebration started across North America on 7 May but subsided when people learned it had not been confirmed. When Confirmation did come at 9 am EDT on 8 May, celebration resumed, in many places even more fervently that the day before...”

Read an interesting article from the Canadian Encyclopedia:  
<https://thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/ve-day-victory-in-europe>



1945 May 1st cover paying 4c rate from Quebec to Seattle, Washington USA with WWII Censorship Blackout postmark and CENSORED Box with examining officer's initials.

More on blackout cancels: <http://postalhistorycorner.blogspot.com/2012/01/ww-ii-censorship-blackout-cancellations.html>

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On the CENSORED Box blank line, the initials are those of the examining officer, while the letters W.D.C.S. mean War Disease Control Station.

See Letter on Page 9 of BNA newsletter:

<http://www.bnaps.org/hhl/newsletters/mm/mm-1988-04-n081.pdf>

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## Short, candid history of the Kawartha Stamp Club

Kawartha Stamp Club, 66 years.... and then some!



A very enthusiastic group of stamp collectors have just gathered in person, for the second time during this phase of the pandemic. Ever since my pre-teen years as a member of the KSC, can I recall ever being at a meeting where

attendance has been low? Attendance has always been good with lots of variety in programs. In fact, there have been some evening meetings where if the start time was at 6 pm, people would be lining up by 5 o'clock.

The Kawartha Stamp Club (KSC) held its first regular meeting on Monday, March 19th, 1956. Some of the early philatelists were Dr. G. Langley, John Young, Charles Butcher, Marlow Banks, Jack Hales, George Benton, Frank Hickey, and Betty Killingbeck. Prior to this meeting, a lot of preliminary organization was undertaken by Kathryn Hansuld, wife of the late Richard M. Lamb of Kitchener, who regularly wrote a column on stamp collecting in the Peterborough Examiner. Assistance also came from Bill MacFarlane of the YMCA and Mr. Eric Rushton of the Canadian Philatelic Society. This brings us to 66 years of meetings.

But, there's more! While researching numerous philatelic journals from the late 1800s to the early 1900s, I have discovered that there was a group of collectors of the hobby regularly gathering, although there were no minutes of meetings or formalities as some of us have today. In my collection, I have a number of very early covers from two of Canada's early leading stamp dealers. One was Kelsey Hall of Peterborough and the other is Ketcheson of Belleville. Between these two dealers, they were very active in aiding collectors in the Peterborough and surrounding area.

Fast track to today, 2022. The KSC's second pandemic era meeting averaged 25 people, with all attendees complying with health regulation guidelines. The first meeting consisted of a live auction where 2-out-of-3 lots were sold. Collectors are hungry for stamps! Our most recent meeting consisted of every member bringing up to 3 items they wanted to sell-off. There's always a wide selection of 5 and 10 cent books to shop through. Plus, we



occasionally have items from estates sales, in-club dealers, and we invite guest dealers (where they are the only dealers present).

Our program and KAPEX show director, Peter Evelyn has been, and continues to do an excellent job putting together programs for our meetings, and organizing our upcoming show KAPEX '22, which will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the same location of our regular meetings, Westdale United Church, 1509 Sherbrooke St. W, Peterborough

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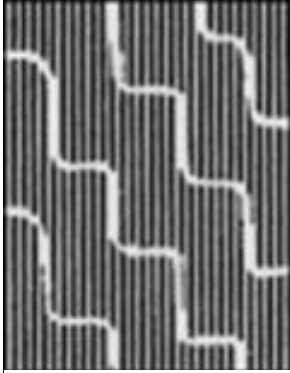
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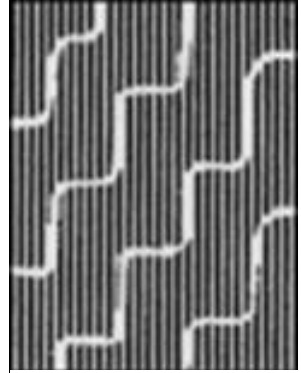
## Province of Saxony “Down & Upstairs” Watermarks



**Watermark 1X**

When I first began collecting German stamps I must admit I paid little attention to Allied Occupation stamps issued by the then Soviet Union.

However, after acquiring my Michel catalogue I quickly gained a greater appreciation for just how diverse and



**Watermark 1Y [ ↗ ]**

collectible many of these stamps are. Today I still

wince when I reflect on how I discarded so many (a collector’s key sin) because of my limited knowledge of these so-called “DDR” stamps. Fortunately, it’s never too late to live and learn which in Philately, is perhaps one of the intrinsic joys of this wonderful hobby.






**Map courtesy of Economist.com**

After World War II the occupied Eastern part of Nazi Germany came under Soviet administration and the reestablishment of a regular postal service eventually became necessary.

To this end the German Democratic

Republic (GDR), as it would later be referred to, began issuing new stamps in the five regions under their control.

In particular, a total of 19 definitive stamps and 7 special stamps were issued in the Province of Saxony between October 1945 and February 1946. In this article, I will briefly touch on the three Definitive Stamp Series (I, II, III) each depicting the **Provisional Saxony (SACHSEN) Coat of Arms**.

		
<p><b>Definitive Series I</b> Is an imperforated set of six stamps (1-3-5-6-8-12 Pfennig). These stamps were printed with two types of watermark, 1X &amp; 1Y. It is worth taking note that Series I stamps with the 1Y “ascending ↗ watermark” are much more valuable.</p>	<p><b>Definitive Series II</b> Comprises a single imperforated definitive, dark-reddish brown 10 Pfennig stamp. (Watermark 1X only). Catalogue value for a genuine canceled stamp is around \$ 250+ CAD.</p>	<p><b>Definite Series III</b> Is a set of 12 perforated stamps (1 to 12 pf + 15-20-24-30-40 Pfennig). Once again, those stamps with a 1Y “ascending ↗ watermark” are generally more valuable.</p>

### Varieties Abound

There are many known varieties of Saxony stamps and a single constant. The genuine 1Y (↗) watermark stamps and one of the many varieties require the Bund Philatelistischer Prüfer (BPP) expert assessment! However, in addition to the lucrative 1Y watermark, there are over thirty catalogued “plate flaws” of this stamp series (It should be noted CV only applies to MNH or Used stamps). For instance, PFENNIG a Series III 10 pf stamp is spelled with an “O” instead of “P” and the listed CV for this particular plate flaw is about \$700 CAD.

For those who may be contemplating collecting another country, I would first encourage you to consider taking another look at the stamps of the GDR. The field is as broad as it is varied and armed with the knowledge found in a specialized German catalogue (written in English I might add) would undoubtedly be a wise investment in fun and enjoyment for years to come.



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## **The advent of various methods of Air Mail in the 1930s, but first a bit about me.**

My interest in stamp collecting started when I was a schoolboy holidaying with my parents on the Isle of Wight, U.K. I purchased a small collection of Newfoundland stamps at a traditional Stamp shop. The Newfoundland name fascinated me and I suppose to a young boy, it was a place far away and an island “newly found” and mysterious.

Following the completion of my university degree in Power Electronics, and perhaps with “Newfoundland” tucked away in the back of my brain, I immigrated to Canada!

Within two weeks of arriving in Mississauga, I was employed by Picker X-ray Mfg. in Brampton. Within 12 months I met my future wife Susan, who is originally from Saskatchewan. I began traveling for work and over the next 20 years, I progressed through the company ranks to the position of Engineering Manager eventually moving to the US in 1989 and living in Chagrin Falls, near Highland Heights, Ohio where I worked.

With a busy career, I endeavored to find time (as a stress reliever) to concentrate on collecting 1935 & 1977 Silver Jubilee worldwide stamp issues and related First Day Covers (FDCs), visiting local stamp fairs and major exhibitors wherever I went. I started seriously collecting FDCs after a visit, with my father, to Bletchley Park, U.K. Famous for code-breaking efforts during WWII. I invite you to read my article “The Enigma of Cover Collecting” in PhilaJournal #68 (Vol. XVII #4, 2019.)

In 1998 my Company changed ownership and we made a family decision to return to Canada. I took on a position with Communications and Power Industries (CPI) in Georgetown, Ontario as the Business Development Manager for Europe and U.K. This meant more traveling and visiting local stamp exhibitions and fairs all over Europe on weekends and evenings.

Upon retirement, my horizons widened and I have continued to build my stamp and cover collections... “Newfoundland” was the beginning of a great adventure and is still on my bucket list to visit after the virus is under control.

And now to the topic of various methods of Air Mail in the 1930s...

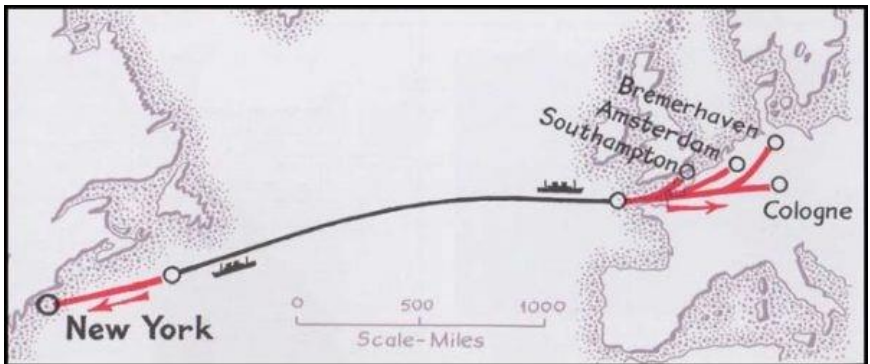
I will present the major means of transporting mail via Catapult Mail (WN.79); Balloon Air Ships (WN.80); Imperial Airways Mail (WN.81) and Newfoundland Inauguration Mail Flight plus a little extra of “Little Known Facts” (WN.82). Hope you enjoy these.

## Catapult Air Mail Delivery by Aircraft & Ships

Innovative ways to deliver mail across continents using ships and aircraft have gone hand-in-hand since the early 1900s. However, there was none more unique than the development and introduction of the Catapult Mail system in 1929. In 1927, the German Transport Ministry sought to speed up transatlantic mail service to America. To do so, they entered into agreements with the North German Lloyd (Norddeutscher-Lloyd or NDL) shipping line, Lufthansa, and the German Postal Service (Reichspost). The NDL outfitted two ships, the Bremen and the Europa, with floatplanes and catapult equipment. When the ship approached the aircraft's flight range to the destination shore, the airplane was catapulted off the ship and the plane would fly the remaining distance with the mail. This allowed delivery of mail to shore while the ships were still



500-800 km from the port. Delivery from Europe to North America was cut down by approx. 20 to 30 hours from the westward voyages, and more dramatically, 24 to 48 hours off the eastward trips.



Westbound mail mostly flew into New York although there were some flights into Boston. Eastbound flights initially went to Cologne, Cherbourg, Amsterdam, and Bremerhaven. However, after July 21, 1930, flights all went to Southampton. Catapult mail operated mainly between May and October, due to the harsh weather conditions making the program impractical during

the winter months. The service ran from a test period in 1929 to regular operation through the summers of 1930 to 1936.



Bremen stamp from a later date

On 22 July 1929, the Bremen launched its first catapult flight to New York. Mail carried on the flight was stamped with a serial number, with a total of 10,997

pieces carried.

The mail originated from three sources: Inland Germany, Danzig (German/Polish) port on the Baltic Sea, or on-board sea post. Most letters carried on-board bears a red Norddeutscher Lloyd cachet and a black first-flight cachet. The last "9" in the flight cachet date is a modified "8".



Stamp used on Europa



In 1933, a catapult airmail service was also instituted for ocean liners on the Germany-South America routes. This service was in operation until 1939.

The mail delivery from Europe to South America was even more impressive; achieving 4-day delivery from up to two weeks before.

Unlike the North Atlantic Catapult Post in which mail was typically carried by airplane only on the final leg of each journey, mail on the South Atlantic routes was carried by plane on both ends of the routes, with the ship carrying mail between Spanish Island Las Palmas, to Brazilian Island Fernando de





mail between Spanish Island Las Palmas, to Brazilian Island Fernando de Noronha. The above map illustrates the Route, with Catapult Ship in black and Seaplane or conventional plane in red.

Flights continued to South America from Cherbourg and other European Ports, with mail being loaded onto Bremen and Europa at those locations, continued until the outbreak of WWII in 1939.

These northbound covers are



very rare compared to those going to South America, this particular cover is for sale in the secondary market for \$275 USD (Jan. 2022)

Catapult service on the Europa, to and from North America, ceased due to the introduction of mail service on the Zeppelin airship Hindenburg ( LZ-129) in 1936. South American routes ended with the outbreak of WWII.



Example of a Catapult Mail from Denmark to New York 1934 via Europa  
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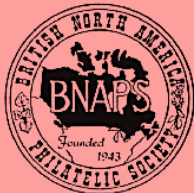
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## GTAPA CLUBS – WHAT IS NEW – SPRING 2022

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### Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club

By Paul Delongchamp paul\_delongchamp@hotmail.com

Paul reports: The Club meetings finally resumed Thursday, Feb.10th, (New Times) 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Ajax Public Library on Harwood Rd (South of the 401). Regular meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

Jim Stevenson, our meeting coordinator, will be calling each member to confirm attendance. Members are asked to limit auction & sales lots to 10 each. A price must be attached to each sale item. Because of Covid protocol food and drink are prohibited at these meetings until further notice. Masks must be worn & safe distance protocols followed. All members must wear their name badges.

Too much time has passed, preventing us from communicating face to face. Soon, I hope, we will be able to resume normal activities. I trust that in living with these limiting restraints, we have kept our sanity and remained healthy. That's all FOLKS.

### Bramalea Stamp Club

By Editor

We have been told by Jerry Piotrowski that The Club has resumed in-person meetings, with all the appropriate Covid related precautions.

### Fenelon Falls Stamp Club

By Jim Breadner jim\_breadner@hotmail.com

Jim writes: The Club is in hibernation, we only have two members with computers and until pandemic is over no one wants to meet. We have stayed in touch by telephone. We have tried to start monthly meetings but are finding it hard to get responses in the positive; no use meeting with three or four people.

### Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club

By Editor

It seems that both Midland and Wasaga Beach chapters are in “quiet mode” waiting for the Covid to be under control and restrictions lifted enough to resume in-person meetings.

### Insurance & Banking Philatelic Society

By Editor

The Society has been in hibernation during Covid. Hopes to resume their occasional meetings at one of the member's residences.

### Kawartha Stamp Club

By Alvin Gallay alvingallay@gmail.com & MARK ARMSTRONG msaphilatelisticstudio@msn.com

The Club is in “full steam ahead” mode! They have restarted their meetings and will hold their annual KAPEX Stamp Show on April 23<sup>rd</sup> – [see an ad in this issue](#). They have also published their meeting program with activities till the end of July!!! Mark has sent a brief history of the Club – [it is in this issue](#).

### Markham Stamp Club

By Klaus Hintz sojourner2@rogers.com

Like everyone else the Markham Stamp Club is looking forward to a time year when we can meet in person to share philatelic activities. We hope to get the green light to return to the Markham Village Community Centre to socialize and trade stamps very soon. For March another online auction is planned. We will also launch a website soon with the help of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

## Mississauga Stamp Club

By Ernest Ockenden etypeprinter@gmail.com

The Mississauga Stamp Club is not meeting in person or via Zoom with the COVID19 moving around. There is very little interest in going to zoom. Once we can start meeting in person I will question the members as to whether we continue as a club. With just 10 members on the books, and in some meetings only one or two come out I question the value of continuing. I have asked if they would be interested in joining the West Toronto Stamp Club. It is difficult to plan when so few come out.

## Muskoka Stamp Club

By Larry Matthews muskokapost@gmail.com

Unfortunately, our club had to "close its doors" to active meetings thanks to COVID. ... Sorry to say there will not be anything to report on behalf of our club. Maybe sometime in the future, we might create a new one?

## North Toronto Stamp Club

By Editor & Mattia Guida stampsotfaly@yahoo.ca

NTSC is breaking all the records and introducing well-received innovations that will continue after the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. The Club has grown in membership! For most current information and invitations to their events check the newly redesigned website and read the regularly issued Newsletter. – Their ad with all the information is on the inside front cover.

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 the Club held its Annual General Meeting via Zoom, and the members have voted for the new Executive Team which will be running the Club during 2022. There have been quite a few changes in the Executive this year as some Directors had reached 10 years of service and it is customary in the Club to step down after 10 years to allow the introduction of new “faces” at the helm of the Club. This year Peter Butler, Mattia Guida, and Ernie Nyitrai have stepped down while Lionel Collier, Robert Pinet, and Allan Hoyle have entered into the Club Executive. Klaus Hintz, who successfully ran the Membership Chair during the last few years is the New President, replacing Les Selby.

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The 2022 Executive Team will be on <https://www.northtorontostampclub.ca/club-executive> shortly.

## **North York Philatelic Society**

By Harvey Shuter 333philex333@gmail.com

The Club is dormant, with no club activities or communications whatsoever in the last 2 years. Eddie Bromberg is the President. I called him [Ed.] as well, had to leave a message with the person that answered as Eddie is away for a “few days”. He may call back, will let you know.

## **Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Stamp Groups**

By Larry Friend lfriend@sympatico.ca

I had sent an email re Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin outdoor meetings. We are continuing throughout the winter on the first and third Fridays at 9 am. Weather permitting - last week (*Ed.:1<sup>st</sup> week in Jan.*) we were 12 strong - the temp was 26 below. We have had as many as 20 out in good weather. As we run our clubs in senior centers - it is unlikely we will be in anytime soon. Many members are dropping off or picking material from club members' homes

By David Best <davidbest1953@gmail.com>

I have no info to report on Brooklin, I have no idea when we are getting back in again. Miss our auctions. As the numbers stay high it will drag out longer. Some meet at the tailgate meeting in Oshawa. I have some dealers that keep an eye out for what I am looking for. As for Solina hall no date for opening.

## **Polish-Canadian Coin & Stamp Club “Troyak”**

By Tom Malicki

Troyak Club continues with in-person meetings and is gearing up for March 6th STAMP & COIN SHOW. See ad in this issue. Several STAMP dealers are coming and are eager to make deals! Meetings are near capacity and go on and on as the members cannot catch up fast enough. Fun!

## **Scarborough Stamp Club**

By Editor

Rumors are that the Club is in hibernation waiting for restrictions to be lifted to resume in-person meetings and is scouting for a new location. No digital activity.

## **SOSSI, Maple Leaf Chapter**

By Tony Manson tony.manson@sympatico.ca

The Club did not blink. Transferred to online zoom meetings which are going strong. The big project for 2022 is CAPEX22 where they will host SOSSI members from around the world. The article is in this issue.

## **Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club**

By Editor

The Club has been in hibernation during Covid. Hopes to resume their meetings when restrictions are eased-off.

## **Trenton Stamp Club**

By Kevin Myers kevmeyers13@gmail.com

As requested, here is the blurb from the Trenton Stamp Club. It has been a long two years since our last meeting in March 2020. However, our local Senior Centre, where we hold our meetings, has had their status changed to 50% capacity, and we have received permission to restart our meetings in March (unless the province goes into more lockdowns) Hopefully things will start returning to normal for this summer. Everybody stay safe.

## Ukrainian Collectibles Society (Toronto)

By Editor

The Club has been in hibernation during Covid. Resorting to emails and phone calls among the members. Hopes to resume their meetings when restrictions are eased-off.

## West Toronto Stamp Club

By Editor

WTSC is also breaking all the records and introducing well-received innovations that will continue after the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. The Club has grown in membership! Their Zoom meetings (Learning Workshop, Discussion Group) are attended by philatelists from all over Canada and US, with occasional visitors from beyond the Oceans. For most current information and invitations to their events check the website and read the regularly issued Newsletter. WTSC is a CAPEX 22 participating society. The Capex Seminar will be held Friday, June 10 from 2 to 4 pm. The title of the seminar is: "The Local Stamp Club / Building Participation" The format will include Meet and Greet /Sharing and Discussion / Social Time components. The seminar intends to show that a club that maintains a strong and vibrant program with diversified interests will not only survive hard times but will grow to build a strong collaborative philatelic community with far-reaching influence and participation.

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#### Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club

#### RPSC Chapter #163

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month, **10 am to 2 pm (New Time)** at Ajax Public Library on Harwood Rd. S. (south of 401). Free parking & wheelchair access

**Don Beaumont** 905-426-3612 donaldbeaumont@yahoo.com

**Paul Delongchamp** 905-430-2942 paul\_delongchamp@hotmail.com

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#### Bramalea Stamp Club

#### RPSC Chapter #144

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

Williams Parkway (between Dixie Rd and Bramalea Rd.), Brampton.

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

[www.bramaleastampclub.org](http://www.bramaleastampclub.org) **Jerry Piotrowski:** jerrypiotrowski74@hotmail.com

**Mike Lalonde:** Mike17centCanadastamps@gmail.com

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#### Fenelon Falls Stamp Club

#### RPSC Chapter #176

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.)

**Jim Breadner**

jim\_breadner@hotmail.com

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yvan\_racine@yahoo.ca

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#### Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club

#### RPSC Chapter #168

##### Wasaga Beach Chapter

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

President: Jeff Wilson 902-488-7149

jeffery.wilson001@gmail.com

**George Potopnyk** 705-429-4948

jpotopnyk@rogers.com

Club mailing address: 212-39 St. South, Wasaga Beach ON. L9Z 1S3

**Ian McRuer** 705-445-8033

imcruer@gmail.com

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##### Midland Chapter

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

**Bern Kramer** 705-686-3830

bkramer@eastlink.ca

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#### Insurance & Banking Philatelic Society

#### RPSC Chapter #82

Meets sporadically at Lionel Collier's residence.

Show and Tell is usually the focus of our meetings

Best to contact Josh Hodgson at 416.267-6749 for the next meeting date and time.

**Jorge Montalvo** 416-222-0408

montalvozi2@gmail.com

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### **Kawartha Stamp Club, The** **RPSC Chapter #58**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> **Monday. Westdale United Church; 1509 Sherbrooke St., Daytime: 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm; Evening: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.** Peterborough  
**Alvin Gally** 705-741-1951 alvingally@gmail.com  
**Mark Armstrong** msaphilatelisticstudio@msn.com  
<http://www.rpsc.org/chapters/kawartha/program.htm>

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### **Markham Stamp Club** **RPSC Chapter #252**

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at the Markham Village Community Centre, 6041 Hwy 7 (S-E corner of Hwy 7 and Markham Rd) from 10 am – 12 pm  
Communications Director: **Klaus Hintz** sojourner2@rogers.com  
**Bob Henderson** (President) bob.superrover@gmail.com  
**markhamstampclub@hotmail.com** or **markham.stamps@gmail.com**

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### **Mississauga Stamp Club** **RPSC Chapter #67**

**CONTACT ERNEST FOR CLUB MEETING STATUS**  
**Ernest Ockenden** 905-822-9363 etypeprinter@gmail.com

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### **Muskoka Stamp Club** **RPSC Chapter #216**

**CONTACT LARRY FOR CLUB MEETING STATUS**  
**Larry Matthews** 705-645-7527 muskokapost@gmail.com

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### **North Toronto Stamp Club** **RPSC Chapter #5**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month (except July, Aug. and Dec) at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge Street  
Members begin arriving between 6:30 and 7:00 pm  
**Les Selby** (President) ntsc.president@gmail.com  
**Mattia Guida** 647-990-4073 ntsc.programchair@gmail.com

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### **North York Philatelic Society**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month Sept to June from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Skaters' Lounge at the Carnegie Centennial Arena, 580 Finch Avenue  
**Harvey Shuter** 416-222-3408 333philex333@gmail.com  
<https://sites.google.com/site/northyorkphilatelicsociety/>

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### **Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Stamp Groups** **RPSC Chapter #230**

[www.oshawawhitby-stamp-club.com](http://www.oshawawhitby-stamp-club.com)

**Oshawa:** Fri. 10:15 to 12:15. Legends Comm. Centre 1661 Harmony Rd. N.  
**Larry Friend** 905-666-7696, lfriend@sympatico.ca **Whitby:** Mondays 9:00 to 11:30 am. Whitby Seniors Building, 801 Brock St. Jim Stevenson 905-576-4449 **Brooklin:** Tue. 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Brooklin Comm. Centre, 8 Vipond Rd.  
**David Best** 905-263-2216, davidbest1953@gmail.com

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### **Polish-Canadian Coin & Stamp Club "Troyak" RPSC Ch. #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

**Tom Malicki** 905-281-0000, tom.malicki@gmail.com || **Robert Owczarz**  
robertow05@gmail.com || info@troyakclub.com || www.troyakclub.com

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### **Scarborough Stamp Club**

### **RPSC Chapter #223**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. each month (except July & August) at Cedarbrook Comm. Centre,  
RM 1 & 2 on main floor. 91 East Park Blvd. (near Markham and Lawrence).  
Doug Cockburn 416-757-4072; **Ron Dell'Agnese** rdellagnese@rogers.com

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### **Scouts on Stamps Society International**

### **RPSC Chapter #242**

#### **SOSSI, Maple Leaf Chapter**

Meets via Zoom at 2 pm on the third Sunday of the month.  
GTAPA members are welcome, email Brian Booton at briangbooton@rogers.com  
**Tony Manson** 416-447-4281 tony.manson@sympatico.ca

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### **Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club**

### **RPSC Chapter #238**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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### **Trenton Stamp Club**

### **RPSC Chapter #89**

Meets on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, monthly 6:30 to 8:30 pm at  
105 Seniors Centre, 61 Bay St., Trenton.

**Bill Ferguson** 613-398-1152 wilabetgg@gmail.com  
**Peter Koenig** 905-373-0806 peter.koenig@sympatico.ca  
**Kevin Myers (Treasurer)** 613-955-1618 kevmeyers13@gmail.com

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### **Ukrainian Collectibles Society (Toronto)**

### **RPSC Chapter #228**

Chapter of the Ukrainian Philatelic and Numismatic Society  
Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 jerry.kalyn@gmail.com

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### **West Toronto Stamp Club**

### **RPSC Chapter #14**

Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays from Sept to June at 7:00 pm in  
Fairfield Senior Centre, 60 Lothian Avenue, Etobicoke  
1<sup>st</sup> Tue. is the Learning Workshop || 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. is the Discussion Group  
Regular meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays feature auctions.

**Sid Mensinga** 416-621-9137 sidmensinga@gmail.com  
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