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PHILAS House Open Day:

Saturday 19 October

No June Open Day. Go to the Expo (details below).

PHILAS Auction:

Saturdays: 13 July, 9 November

Viewing times on back page.

The auction catalogue will be available on the website: auction.philas.org.au

Sydney Stamp & Coin Expo 2019

Thursday 13th to Sunday 16th June 2019

See full details of Sydney's next *National* exhibition on pages 6 - 8

PHILAS SERVICES FOR CLUBS

Club Displays can be provided from Philas, which include Crown Agents collections (individual years up to 2004), R A Browne United Nations Collection, Don Cox Eiffel Tower Collection (Messages from the Tower or Impressions of the Tower), Melbourne 1956 Olympic Games and Memorabilia, 1980 Moscow Olympic Collection, Richard Bates – Stamp Designer Collection, Dennis Tichbourne "Living Together" and "Sports" Collections, Bruce Collection of NSW Postmarks (21 Volumes available), N J Sheppard Russian Collection (selection from 23 Volumes), Helen Cockburn's World of Women (21 volumes). Requests for display items should be directed to the archivist of the Philas Collections (contact details on the website) and six weeks' notice would be required for a display if it is required to be posted - a second choice should also be made to avoid disappointment if a popular collection is not available. It is not advisable to include a particular display collection in a club's calendar without first booking it, as the required material may already have been booked by another Club. A complete list of all Philas Display Collections is available on the Philas web site (together with contact details for the Archivist) with ratings notes regarding the individual collection's suitability for display by Clubs.

CLUB PACKS consist of world stamp lots (sets and singles) ready for sale at club meetings. PHILAS Club Pack provides many benefits to clubs, but it is necessary to book your "Club Pack" at least two months in advance from the Convener, PHILAS Club Pack, PO Box 220, Darlinghurst NSW 1300.

THE PHILAS LIBRARY is a specialist philatelic library containing over 6000 books, journals and catalogues. Much of this has been built up from donations and the many donors are warmly thanked for their contributions to the hobby. The PHILAS Library Inc now has Donated Gift Recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office, and all donations over $2 are tax deductible. The library is open to the public for research purposes Tuesday and Saturday 9am to 3.30pm, and at other times by appointment. Most books may be borrowed, for up to one month, by members of affiliated societies. Country members can arrange to borrow items through their society secretary.

Please remember that these PHILAS services are provided on a volunteer basis, and these people have numerous demands on their valuable time. Services will be provided if possible, but please give at least two months notice.

Please direct all correspondence to the Secretary of PHILAS, PO Box 220, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300.

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1st Wednesday	NSW Postcard Collectors Society, 7.30 pm. (Feb, May, Aug, Nov)
2nd Monday	Australian Numismatic Society – NSW Branch
2nd Saturday	Royal Sydney Philatelic Club, 2.00 pm (Check club pages for meeting months)
3rd Monday	Australian Commonwealth Collectors Club of NSW, 7.45pm.
3rd Wednesday	Philatelic Society of Australia, 10.30 am
4th Monday	China Study Group, 7.30 pm
4th Wednesday	Australian States Study Circle, 7.30 pm
4th Saturday	Philatelic Society of NSW, 2.00 pm

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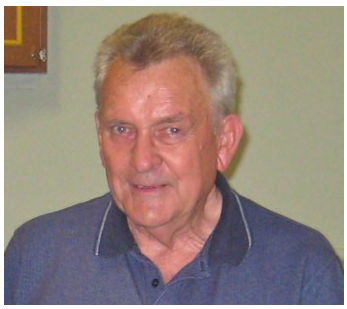
President's Report:



Lionel Savins

The **fire doors** in the stairwell have been replaced, including the door to the electrical switch room. The doors to the toilets have also been replaced by fire doors. The existing keys for the individual rooms will open the fire doors into these rooms and the main entry doors key will now open the toilet doors. This means that there will be no key changes. The fire doors have been undercoated, and they will be painted after the walls around the new doors are made good and painted. The next step is to install magnetic catches on all fire doors into the rooms to hold them open and to shut them in the event that either smoke or heat is sensed, and quotes for this work are to hand.

After due consideration, we agreed to remain with Telstra for the connection of our **telephones**, internet and the like to the NBN system, which is already installed and is located in the garage. We have received confirmation of this work from Telstra and are awaiting advice as to when this will be done. The connection of the emergency telephone in the lift was passed over to Schindler to arrange, and as far as we can ascertain, this work has been done.

The first **auction** for the year (No. 132) was held on 9th March and it was a successful auction. As usual, the box lots attracted most interest and there was some spirited bidding in this area. The Albums and Stock Books section went well, but the result for the folder lots was poor. The postal sections were satisfactory, the literature section being the better of the two areas. The smaller A5-sized auction catalogues were sent to all overseas bidders and to Societies, to minimise postage and printing costs, as all catalogues are sent out free of charge, and it is a means of countering the increases in postage in these areas. Even though the A5 catalogues are smaller and have a smaller text, they are quite readable and we do not expect to have any complaints in this regard. The next auction (No. 133) will be held on 13th July 2019.

I have, in the past, spoken about the need for more **volunteers**, and the need for them to keep us operating, and this need still exists. To be more specific, we need a computer programmer to complete the work on the auctions begun by Simon Valenski, who died suddenly some time ago. His death left us with an incomplete programme that we are using with difficulty to produce the auction catalogues and we would love to have the programme completed, to make our lives that much easier. I have previously mentioned the need for a Publicity Officer, and that position is still vacant. There are a number of other positions that are currently filled for which we would like to get people, so that orderly replacement can take place in these positions. Lastly, there is always the need for additional people for the work to be done after each auction and we are relying on the same people to keep things moving, and the numbers are dwindling. The running of these auctions is critical to our survival as it is our one and only real source of income and we would be lost without it.

The **Library** has recently received a number of large donations of books and journals. These are being sorted and where the books are new to us, are added to the Library. In the case of the journals, they fill up any blank spaces, or, if they are in better condition than those that we have, they replace our copies. The rest are placed in the Literature section of our auctions and sold. That is why our Literature section of the auction has suddenly grown larger, and the sales have also increased. The realisations from such sales go to the Library, to cover purchases of new books and normal running costs. The Library is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays to members of all affiliated Societies who may borrow books. It is also open to the public. If you cannot make it during these times, contact us and we will try to arrange to have it open at a suitable time. Remember, some books are for reference only and must remain on the premises.

PHILAS can also provide **material for display** at Clubs from the range of collections that we have acquired or that have been donated to us. They are listed in *PHILAS News*, and the list is expanding since there have been several donations of material over the past year. If any Clubs wish to make use of any of these to include in their Programme, contact us in writing to confirm the date, but please give us a couple of months' notice of your needs. We do add to the list of collections available from time to time. We are progressively remounting some of the earlier collections and the results of such work are excellent. The material is being rearranged to be more orderly and more easily understood, and much more information is being provided on the pages. It may be worth your while to have a second look at some of these collections that have been rebuilt.

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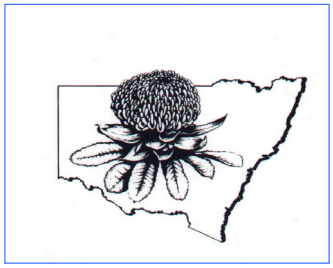

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Youth Report:

Lenore Callender has ordered new Australian stamp catalogues for the *Sydney Youth Stamp Group* to replace the outdated mini catalogues which are no longer published.

The theme for the second Workshop Day in April 2019 is *Australian Sports* when the new catalogues should be available. Lenore will remain as SYSG Coordinator for 2019 but will retire at the end of the year. A search has begun for a new Coordinator.

Promotions:

The Chinese stamp exhibition at Wuhan will run from 11 - 17 June 2019 while *Sydney 2019* will run from 13 - 16 June 2019. It was expected that the overlap would mean that *Sydney 2019* would have fewer frames and entries than expected. However this does not seem to be the case. As at 22 March we have 138 entry applications and 654 frames. **David Collyer**, the Commissioner General, is expecting more entries before the closing date on 23 March 2019. The Australasian Challenge and the first Postcard Challenge will still be included.

PDC:

The Sydney 2019 Organizing Committee has been meeting regularly to look at a range of issues including plans for the Palmares (Awards Dinner), accommodation arrangements and souvenirs.

Breaking New Ground

By John Sadler, Public Relations Officer, PDC of PHILAS

The Philatelic Development Council (PDC) of PHILAS is constantly seeking new ways in which to expand the scope of our hobby, and thereby encourage new collectors to join our ranks. Over the last few months the PDC has been exploring the possibility of presenting the hobby to the public via the resources of the U3A (University of the Third Age).

Through **John Pearson**, we established contact with a U3A group which met at Chatswood, resulting in him being invited to make a presentation to that group on Friday 22nd March 2019. He was allowed two hours, and to keep things simple, John decided to limit his talk to collecting postage stamps. He was ably assisted by **Paul Storm**.

John had prepared a script, suitably scrutinised, and questions were encouraged throughout the presentation. To assist John and Paul, the PDC had arranged for a quantity of the *Australian Philatelic Federation's Collector Series Brochures* to be available. These brochures provide brief descriptions of most aspects of philately. *(These brochures are available on the Australian Philatelic Federation website at https://apf.org.au/brochures/).*

The following has been extracted from John Pearson's report to the PDC:

"Only 13 attended but they were very attentive with many taking lots of notes and questions from almost very attendee. One couple travelled from Glebe to Chatswood for the course.

Only one attendee was a serious/experienced collector. I think the course was well below his level of collecting, but he still seemed to enjoy himself. One attendee coordinated a church stamp collecting effort from her parishioners and she was seeking better information on the stamp market (she is already a PHILAS auction vendor).

However most attendees were looking to start a hobby or resume childhood collections. They were prolific note-takers. I encouraged questions throughout the 2-hour course and they flowed regularly. Nobody was a member of a stamp club. Eleven out of 13 were beginners and their questions reflected this (e.g. stamp soaking techniques, meaning of values in catalogues, etc.). One wasn't really a collector but a church worker wanting to understand her stamp charity ministry better. It was relevant for her but not the target I was really aiming at.

There were questions about collecting postmarks, other types of stamps (I explained revenues, local posts and Cinderellas) and when not to soak stamps off their envelopes.

The U3A want me to run the beginner course again later in the year, and I've consented to that. They believe there'll be a bigger crowd next time because "word of mouth" will spread among the "U3A faithful" that this course is both fascinating and humorous. They want me to do a more detailed course in 2020."

Near the end of the presentation, John and Paul both handed around pages from their personal collections. The audience enjoyed this part of the presentation also. Two of the U3A coordinators attended part of the course to assess how it was progressing.

We have opened the door to the U3A and the opportunity which it presents in our continued efforts to promote the hobby. Now, we are looking for volunteers to follow on John's good work, approaching other U3A venues, and duplicating his "breaking of new ground".

Sydney U3A covers most of New South Wales. Within the Sydney area they have seven regions. Further information about Sydney U3A, and the courses that they offer, can be found on their website:

https://sydneyu3a.org/.

Sydney Stamp & Coin Expo 2019

This is your invitation to attend this Full National Level Philatelic Exhibition

Thursday 13th June to Sunday 16th June, 2019

The venue is the Johnny Warren Indoor Sports Centre of the Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre, located on the corner of Forest Road and King Georges Road, Hurstville, NSW.

View the 750 frames of high quality Philatelic and Postcard material on display.

Details available on our website: www.sydneystampcoinexpo2019.org.au

The exhibition will be open as follows:

Thursday 13th June 2019
From 11.00 am to 6.00 pm

Friday 14th June 2019
From 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

Saturday 15th June 2019
From 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

Sunday 16th June 2019
From 10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Souvenir items will be on offer from

- The Organising Committee, through its website and at the show
- Australasian Philatelic Traders' Association (APTA)
- Australasian Numismatic Dealers' Association (ANDA)
- The Australian Philatelic Federation (APF)
- Australia Post
- Many of these souvenir items will be theme related.

Volunteer at the Exhibition - application form on page 8.

A scene from the 2015 *Sydney Stamp and Coin Expo*

Come and Visit Our Exhibition – It Could be Fun

By John Sadler, Exhibition Public Relations Officer

We are now getting close to finalising preparations for the next big philatelic event in New South Wales, the *Sydney Stamp & Coin Expo 2019* (see the advertisement opposite).

We are expecting approximately 800 frames of high quality philatelic and picture postcard material to be on display. With some of the more experienced exhibitors away for the overlapping international exhibition in China, the door is open for new exhibitors. In addition to this, over 30 national and international stamp and coin dealers will be present, many offering all those expensive, and hopefully, some not so expensive, items currently missing from your collection.

For collectors who have not yet taken the plunge into exhibiting, now is the opportunity to view many other collectors' interpretations of how their material should be displayed. It is surprising how much can be learnt from studying the way other collectors present and describe their material. It is not uncommon for non-exhibitors to look at all the material shown and say to themselves "wow, I can do better than that", or "wow, my material is better than this". Sentiments of this type can be the start of a whole new way of looking at your collection, perhaps even exhibiting yourself.

Looking at other people's displayed material can help identify those items that you are still looking for, especially the hard-to-find ones. If you already are an exhibitor, compare other exhibitors' write-ups, maybe there is something that can be learnt from a different approach, or emphasis, or even some new information, not previously considered.

Keep an eye out for new exhibitors, especially in the same class as you. If practical, there are many ways in which you can assist. If a new exhibitor can improve the quality of his exhibit, he will remain enthusiastic to keep getting better. Naturally, such help is certainly very beneficial to the new exhibitor, but the satisfaction that it gives to you is amazing.

While club displays expose members to many different ways of collecting and presenting, including history lessons, the lack of any governing rules means that the scope of same is very broad, and left entirely to the individual taste and requirements of that collector. Naturally, many such displays are reflections of the interests of that collector, and were never intended to be shown in an exhibition. Fortunately, some of those displayers do get excited and more hidden material becomes available for public viewing and appreciation. Seeing your own material after it has been mounted in the frames brings on a warm feeling of comfort and pride.

One major benefit from an exhibition is the opportunity to meet visitors from other States and overseas, people that you may not otherwise ever encounter – another chance to compare notes and perhaps learn something not otherwise considered. Always remember, most exhibitors will take great delight in walking you through their exhibit, and explaining the reasoning as you go.

Some of the highlights of the Sydney exhibition will be:

- The *Australasian Challenge*, a philatelic competition between the six Australian States and the two islands of New Zealand. Six make up a team, two of which must be either a novice or junior exhibitor - always interesting, with new exhibitors and new approaches.

- The *Picture Postcard Challenge*, a postcard competition between four Australian States and a combined New Zealand team. A team includes two multi-frame and two single frame entries. Postcards in Australia are more popular in the southern mainland states.

- The largest contingent of Indian entries – 88 frames from 20 exhibitors – should be something to see.

So plan a visit to our exhibition. With so much to see, you may need more than one day, and most importantly, both admission and parking are FREE. For much more information regarding the exhibition, allow plenty of time and roam our website: www.sydneystampcoinexpo2019.org.au

SSCE 2019 Volunteers Planning

Sydney is offering another stamp and coin show at the Hurstville Aquatic Centre (same location as the 2015 stamps & coins expo). We hope that you will have some spare time to spend as a volunteer to help us to organise this – possibly the best ever stamps and coins show to be held in Australia.

We are looking for volunteers from **Tuesday 11th to Sunday 16th June 2019**. Please fill in the details below and leave it at PHILAS House marked 'attention Laurent Villoing' or email / phone me as indicated below.

Your family name and first name :

Your contact telephone: Your Email:

Beside English, do you speak any foreign language?

Are there any preferred duties? We will try our best to accomodate you:

Any duty you prefer not to do?

Do you have a 'Working with Children Clearance Number' from NSW government? We need volunteers to help with children's / youth activities.
Your WWCC number:

For security reason we need a photo ID / passport style photo from you. Please submit one.

The main duties required for the Expo will be:

Expo build up / break down days: Bin Rooms - Label - Mount frames - Repair the frames if needed (bring your screwdrivers, hammer).

Expo open days: Philas Desk / Helping Dealers / Youth (need WWCC) / Roaming / Helping General Public & Frames Duties / Meeting Room set up (if required) / First Aid Room Duties (if required).

Volunteers will be provided with complimentary meals (during their duties) as well as a Photo Identification Badge on lanyard on arrival at the Expo.

Are you free on any of these days to volunteer for the 2019 expo:

Tuesday 11th (build up)	AM	venue not open	PM	yes / no (from 1.00 pm)
Wednesday 12th (build up)	AM	yes / no	PM	yes / no
Thursday 13th (open)	AM	yes / no	PM	yes / no
Friday 14th (open)	AM	yes / no	PM	yes / no
Saturday 15th (open)	AM	yes / no	PM	yes / no
Sunday 16th (open / break down)	AM	yes / no	PM	yes / no

Laurent Villoing (Volunteers Co-ordinator)
Email: stamp@pics-sydney.com.au (preferred) OR Laurent on (02) 9518 1066 (at Paris International Cooking School). If leaving a message, please state your name & phone no. clearly.

PDC YOUTH ANNUAL STAMP COMPETITION, SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2019

SPONSORED BY THE SMITHFIELD STAMP CLUB INC.

Although published in *PHILAS News*, announced at several Sydney Youth Stamp Group, SYSG, meetings and meetings at the Smithfield Stamp Club Inc., there were only two entries this year.

Michael Summers submitted a five page entry on stamps featuring animals. It had a traditional rather than thematic focus.

The other entry was from four girls, **Youli Song**, **Miriam Itzkowitz**, **Trisha Chari** and **Tanisha Chari**. It was a five page entry using the *New Zealand Miniature Sheets* featuring the best stamps of the year 2000. All the entrants were regular participants at the SYSG workshops.

Four $5 vouchers were prepared for each entry and one $10 voucher for the winner and the runner-up.

The entries were judged by popular vote. Altogether 35 useable votes were received. The group entry received 19 votes and Michael Summers' entry 16 votes so the result was close.

Michael Summers was the only exhibitor to attend the Open Day. He "spent" his vouchers with the dealers and with the auction. I plan to give the girls some of the material that has been donated to youth philatelists at the next SYSG meeting in April.

Youth Exhibits at the February 2019 PHILAS House Open Day

On the one hand the small number of entries was disappointing of course. On the other hand it has brought to light young philatelists who like to collect rather than exhibit at the moment. One of the key reasons is of course that the young people are currently at school working towards the HSC.

Stamp Albums Needed for School Stamp Club

St I Ives North Primary School Stamp Club is one of the few school stamp clubs in NSW. The club-members need clean second-hand stock-books for their collections. The SINPS stamp club is appealing for donations of suitable albums for their members. Magnifying glasses, stamp tweezers, pocket Australian catalogues (recent editions only), Disney stamps & other colourful thematic stamps would also be welcome. Bags of on-paper mix are not required.

If you wish to donate such material (especially albums), please leave at PHILAS House (clearly marked), St Ives North Primary School or deliver to **Paul Storm**, **Michael Gortley** or **John Pearson** at any club meeting which they're known to attend.

Thanks to the reader who sent me this cartoon - but I can't quite see what they are getting at.

editor

SYDNEY YOUTH STAMP GROUP WORKSHOP

CENTENARY OF END OF WORLD WAR 1 ~ 11th October 2018

Lenore Callender welcomed 12 juniors to the workshop. She was assisted throughout the day by **Mal Nicolson** and **Ken Ryan**.

After giving a short history of *World War 1* and *Remembrance Day*, the juniors found stamps firstly from the countries that were directly involved in the declaration of war and then from the countries that became involved in the war due to alliances. They then hinged these stamps into their workbooks after viewing a world map which showed how the war truly became a World War. The junior group then viewed a display of New Zealand and Great Britain stamps and Prestige Booklets issued to commemorate the centenary of the ending of World War 1. The display was presented by **David Miner**. The juniors then answered a quiz based on the display.

After lunch, the juniors enjoyed a swapping session. Lenore then led a discussion on the meaning of remembrance and Remembrance Day with the juniors then finding stamps from different countries issued in remembrance, naming the countries and hinging them into their workbooks. A concentration game using remembrance stamps and making a remembrance red poppy concluded the activities for the day.

Paul Storm welcomed 13 participants to the Seniors Group program. He was assisted by **Michael Gortley**, **Linda Lee** and **Ruth Mitchell**. He outlined the program. The theme was *World War 1 Centenary*. The group looked at a display by David Miner and **Wilson Ilbery** *NZ Centenary of WW1 and Cinderellas*. David Miner's section focussed on the Centenary items recently produced by the NZ Post Office. Materials shown by Wilson Ilbery were privately published during WWI and aimed to raise money for the war effort and to alert people at home to the terrible events happening in France. The young people completed a questionaire based on the displays.

The rest of the Seniors' program aimed at showing different types of philatelic items. The Catalogue exercise was completely different this time as the focus was on making a catalogue of 8 First Day Covers rather than consulting one. Using a grid, the young people had to provide the following information on each of the designs selected: the issue date and name, the face value, design and colour and other philatelic features such as if the stamps were gummed or adhesive.

The next exercise looked at different types of stamps relating to WWI including Postage, Cinderellas, Tax, Charity and Commemorative stamps using the colourful pages of the examples of these that Paul had put together. Following lunch, the group were able to swap and "buy" stamps. In the Exhibiting session the group selected some of the colourful example to mount on an Album page with a brief explanatory description. Some young people used their own stamps instead. These pages were then collected to be displayed in a frame showing work by young philatelists at the **Orange Show** in November. The Quiz was based on the WWI events covered during the day.

Paul closed the day stating that the stamps featured in the day's program were able to bring the war's events to our attention in a very real way and that this was the unique feature of stamps.

At the conclusion of the day the juniors and seniors combined for the presentation of 4 Gold Awards. Then everyone joined in observing a two minutes silence followed by a recitation of the *Ode of Remembrance.*

Sydney Youth Stamp Group

Children's Days with Stamps during school holidays
PHILAS HOUSE
17 Brisbane Street Surry Hills

Workshop dates in 2019:

Thursday 18 April	Collecting topic - *Sport in Australia*
Thursday 18 July	- *USA*
Thursday 10 October	- *Netherlands*

From 10.30 am to 3.00 pm

All welcome! Free! Lunch provided.

Juniors 7 - 11 years of age
Seniors 12 - 17 years of age

Kids themes, competitions, prizes, fun. Lucky door bags, activities and stamp fun.
You must register in advance on the website: www.sydneyyouthstampgroup.org.au

Exhibitions Report

March 2019

Essen 2019 Revenue display

Darryl Fuller commissioner, around 41 frame sides from Australia.

Stockholmia 2019, 150th Anniversary of the Royal Philatelic Society London,

Venue is the Waterfront Congress Centre, Stockholm from 29 May to 2 June 2019. There will be 2,200 frame sides of material plus over 40 trade stands. Australian members of the jury are Gary Brown and Malcolm Groom.

NSW Exhibits at Stockholmia:

Vijay Shukla	*India Handstruck, Scinde Dawk and Lithos*	Traditional	5 frames
Wayne Donaldson	*Sweden & GB Mail Connections*	Postal History	8 frames.
Geoffrey Lewis	*Stampless Mail entering Spain*	Postal History	8 frames.

Sydney Stamp & Coin Expo 2019, 13 - 16 June

The exhibition will be held at the Johnnie Warren Aquatic & Sports Centre, Hurstville, from 13-16 June 2019. The NSW Commissioner is Tony Griffin.

China 2019 FIP all classes- Wuhan – 11 - 17 June

Scheduled for 11 - 17June 2019. First FIP exhibition to offer Picture Postcards. The Australian commissioner is David Figg of Adelaide. Applications closed on 18 February 2019. NSW Applicants are John Moore and Bruce Chadderton.

Singpex 2019 – FIAP, 31 July - 4 August.

Anthony Presgrave is the Australian Commissioner. Picture Postcard class available. Entries to close on 15 March 2019. John Moore is the second Australian Commissioner

Bunbury 2019 National One Frame Exhibition, 20 - 21 July

Venue is the South West Italian Club, East Bunbury. The show celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing. A challenge on the theme of astro and space stamps will feature at the show.

Applications for entry close on 1 April 2019. Details of the exhibition including prospectus and entry form are accessible on the WAPC website that is available through the APF web site. This one frame exhibition will be using **15 sheet frames** and the bottom **2.5cm** of a sheet should be **left clear**.

East Rand 100. South African National, 4 - 7 September 2019

David Benson has been appointed Accord Commissioner / Judge. PO Box 516, Kellyville, NSW 2155. Venue is the Lakes Hotel and Conference Centre, Benoni, Johannesburg. Celebrating the centenary of the East Rand Philatelic Society. Closing date for entries is 15 April 2019. Entries can be paid by using PayPal.

Autumn Stampex UK National, 11 - 14 September 2019

Bruce Chadderton (kiwibrooce@yahoo.com) has been appointed Accord Commissioner / Judge to this London Exhibition. The venue is the Business Design Centre London, 52 Upper Street, Islington, London, which will also be the venue for London 2020.

Aeropex 2019, Adelaide, December 2019

The APF has approved this exhibition to commemorate the centenary of the first England to Australia flight reaching Darwin on 10 December 1919. The venue will be the Adealide Drill Hall. The organisers are hoping that those who go to the exhibition will stay on for Tuesday 10 December for the Official celebrations. Open to entries that have an aero or astro emphasis. Entries close on 2 August 2019.

Canberra 2020, Half National Exhibition, 13 - 15 March 2020

The venue is the Hellenic Club at Woden. Classes include: Postal History (including modern), Aerophilately, Astrophilately, Postal Stationery (including modern), Revenues. Frugal Philately, Youth, Picture Postcards.

NZ 2020, FIAP, Auckland 19 - 22 March 2020

Glen Stafford has been appointed Australian commissioner.

London 2020, FIP, 2 - 9 May 2020

Charles and Stephanie Bromser are the joint Australian commissioners. The venue is the Business Design Centre, Islington. There will be 3,000 frame sides. Entry fee is £70 per frame in the multi-frame classes and £90 in the one frame class. The exhibits will be changed on Tuesday 5 May.

Newcastle 2020 Stamp & Coin Expo. Half National, 2 - 4 October

The organisers are hoping to host a *Royal Challenge* with teams from the Royal Philatelic Societies of London, South Africa, Canada, NZ, Melbourne and Sydney and possibly one other. As next year is the 100th anniversary of the founding of Qantas, there will possibly be a philatelic competition regarding Qantas as well. The Expo may end up with around 600 frame sides of exhibits.

Indonesia 2020

Philip Levine has been appointed Australian Commissioner.

Tasmania 2020, National One Frame exhibition.

Hobart Town Hall, 13-15 November 2020.

Melbourne 2021, FIAP February

Cape Town 2021, FIAP 17 - 20 March 2021

John Moore has been appointed Australian Commissioner.

IBRA 2021, Essen, FIP 6 - 9 May 2021

Ian Mc Mahon has been appointed Australian Commissioner.

THE PHILAS AWARD

FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO PHILATELY IN N.S.W.

This prestigious award comprises the Certificate of Merit and the higher award of the Philas Medal for Meritorious Service to Philately in NSW. In addition there is The Stanley Griffith Award for Meritorious Service to Philately in NSW at Club Level in the form of a special certificate. Nominations are invited from Clubs.

The Rules applying to the Philas Award (at any level) are

- The Recipient of the Award shall be a person who is, or has been, associated in a meritorious manner with Philately within New South Wales.
- Once having received the Award, no Recipient shall again be eligible as a Candidate for that level of the Award, but may be subsequently nominated for a higher level of the Award.
- Nominations of Candidates for the Award are acceptable from the Philatelic Association of NSW Inc., and from any Affiliated Society.
- Nomination(s) shall be in writing detailing the Candidate's Name and Place of Residence, together with a Statement outlining the reasons why such Candidate should be considered eligible for the Award.
- Such Nominations shall be signed and dated by the President and Secretary of the nominating Association, Club or Society, and enclosed in a separate envelope, sealed and marked – THE PHILAS AWARD. All such Nominations shall be forwarded to the Hon Secretary of the Association not later than 30th September in each year.
- Awards will be announced at the Annual General Meeting of the Association in December.

Send in your nominations today

Editor's note:

As a local club secretary myself, I know that every club has a member who does more than his or her fair share of the work around the club - catering, stacking the chairs, keeping the records etc.

The *Stanley Griffith Award* is designed for local clubs to nominate just such a person (or persons) to receive a certificate for meritorious service. Read the conditions above and send in your nomination today.

PHILAS MEDAL

1975	Col. F.V. THOMPSON
1976	E.J. GARRARD
1977	N.J. SHEPPARD
	W.C. HANSEN
1978	C. ASHWORTH-SPREAT
	Mrs A.D. GARRARD
1980	J. LEEK
	Mrs P.M.C. ROCK
1981	Mrs N. WILSON
1982	R. STERN
1984	D. COX
	N.C. HOPSON
1985	R.A. BROWNE
1986	D. BENSON
1987	D. COLLYER
	Mrs V. ROSS
1988	S. GRIFFITH
1989	H. FLETCHER
	R.C. PECK
1990	K. EMERY
1991	Ken COLLYER
	A. MARKS
1992	John WHITE
1993	John FORDHAM
1994	B. DOHERTY
1995	A. PAILTHORPE
1996	C. McCOLOUGH
1997	W. ILBERY
1998	Mrs B. HANCOCK
2000	W.H. (Bill) DRIVER
2001	Alan McRAE
2002	W. MAIR
	Col RYAN
2004	Lionel SAVINS
2006	Marie SIMKUS
	Kevin SIMKUS
2007	John BATSON
2008	Paul STORM
2009	Ed WOLF
2011	Peter BRIGDEN
2016	Dr Geoffrey KELLOW
2017	Jeff Newman

STANLEY GRIFFITH AWARD

2004	Neil DALLINGER
	Brian ROBERTS
2005	Jack CUNNINGHAM
2006	Helen DUNN
	Bob OSBORNE
2007	Graeme MORRISON
	Garnett SCOTT
2008	Alfred GRECH
	Mal NICHOLSON
2009	Hugo FERGUSON
	Peter AITKEN
2010	Philip GREEN
2011	Michael NEWMAN
2013	Ted SHERWOOD
	Robert COX
2014	Terry WYATT
2015	Lenore CALLENDER
2016	Rod SELL

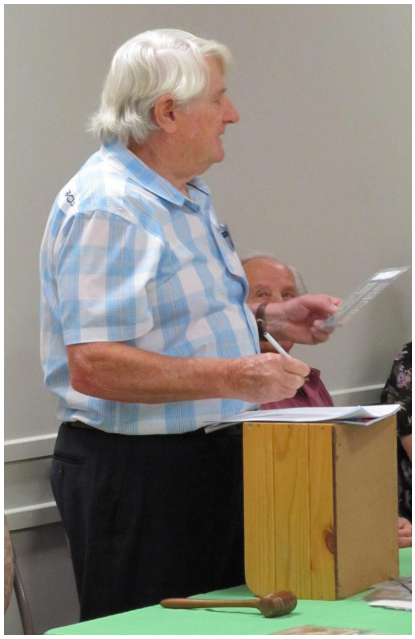
PHILAS CERTIFICATE

1980	Mrs N. WILSON
	R.C. PECK
1981	N.C. HOPSON
1982	Jack LEAN
1983	C. RYAN
	K. EMERY
1984	W. BANKS
	D. COLLYER
1987	B. WILLIAMS
	R. KENNEDY
	Mrs C. GEORGOPOULOS
1989	Mrs B. HANCOCK
	Mrs H. ELLIS
1990	E. JAMES
1992	Mrs M. DODD
	C. McCOLOUGH
1994	A. PAILTHORPE
1996	L. HODSON
	W. DRIVER
1998	Kevin & Marie SIMKUS
2001	Paul STORM
	Peter BRIGDEN
	Ron & Myra CHALMERS
	Steve MORRIS
	Philip & Win MOREHOUSE
	Marguerite McNEILL
	Kim & Kevin DWYER
2002	Ed WOLF
2005	Jeff NEWMAN
	Ron FLOWERS
	Ron STEWART
2006	Donald RUTHERFORD
	Gordon H SHEARER
	Donald CATTERALL
2007	Paul STORM
	Stan DAVIDSON
2008	Joan LEIGH
	Liz NAKHLA
2009	Robert HARDY
	Cyril CLYMO
2010	Judy BATSON
2011	Geoffrey LEWIS
2012	Ann GARRICK
2015	Nicki ANDERSON
	Gert EBING
	Philip GREEN
2016	John SADLER
	Ron DAVIS
2017	Yung Benson

STANLEY GRIFFITH AWARD (Cont.)

2017	Sonia Davys

Hugh Freeman



Those of us who were closest to Hugh knew what was coming but nothing makes such loss any the less shocking.

I first met Hugh in 1969, when he joined Kevin Duffy Stamp Auctions. We formed a bond immediately, so affable did I find Hugh.

A couple of years later, Hugh advised he was going to "go it alone", and asked: "How do you think I'll go?" I replied I'd tell him over a long dinner whereupon, learning my then wife, Nina, was with me in Sydney, Hugh insisted we join he and Rondel for dinner at the renowned Doyles restaurant, Watsons Bay. The food and conversation were memorable, and it was obvious the bill would be also. I offered to split the account, but Hugh was determined. Perhaps he felt I had shared enough "learning the ropes" during that long evening?

In those early years in business, with his *The Penny Black Auctions*, Hugh and I did much together, and in tandem he readily warmed to my interest in Australian Colonials, particularly Victoria. That recruiting exercise would prove costly to me, for Hugh became a formidable competitor whenever important Victoria came up at auction. To curb the blood-letting and maintain the friendship, in 1975 I made an offer which I knew Hugh could not resist. I would sell him my *Victoria Barred Numeral Cancellations* collection (then best-of-kind) at an agreeable price. The deal would continue: I keep off Victoria cancellations, Hugh would never again compete against me for the stamps. The agreement worked a treat (perhaps not so much for auctioneers and vendors). Hugh would go on to publish bespoke reference books on his subject, I would get top awards for my stamps.

At this time, in partnership with Barry Cooper, Hugh was accumulating a large stock of general colonial material. The plan was to register the trading name *State Stamps*, but the NSW State Government didn't like competition, and so *Status Stamps* was born.The partnership would morph in to an Auction house: Hugh and I were always destined to be competitors.

Nevertheless, the friendship continued to prosper, and "Take a walk on the wild side" for many years became our mutual greeting line. Hugh and Barry played musical chairs with Status Auctions, Hugh initially buying out Barry, and vice versa later.

Managing the auction division of Stanley Gibbons would be Hugh's next challenge. When I asked why at that time he had become more serious than was usual, Hugh replied: "I have to perform". Again, that would be no problem. Forming outstanding collections and judging were separate talents, seamlessly interwoven with his successful commercial pursuits.

Hugh was a master of surprises. Of scores I recall, there are two I'll relate here. At AUSIPEX 84, when my Victoria exhibit was being dismantled at end of show, Hugh wandered up to me and said "I want to buy that page, and I'll give you $ . . ." He looked so determined and the offer was, well, one I couldn't refuse, so Hugh walked out with that page in his briefcase. On a non-philatelic note, to my amazement, was seeing Hugh in an advertisement on TV, several decades ago. I don't recall the brand, but Hugh was lazing in a banana lounge. He had joined Actors' Equity to fulfil a long standing fantasy. Truly an enigma, our Hugh!

You only get one Hugh Freeman in a lifetime – Australian Philately, you've had yours.

My sincere condolences to Rondel and Heidi. R.I.P. "Huge".

Rod Perry

Hugh Freeman also served as the President of the Manly - Warringah Rugby League Club Stamp Club for several years.

SOCIETY SCENE

The *PHILAS News* editor sends out an email requesting club news and meeting details a few weeks before each issue is printed. If your club is not receiving these emails, please contact the editor at the email address below and provide your contact details.

The editor's email address is: stampsmw@bizland.com.au .
Or mail items to PHILAS House at the address on page 2.

Please check that your club details are up to date on the website: club.philas.org.au
Advise the webmaster via the email link on the site of any changes.

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH COLLECTORS CLUB OF N.S.W. meets at PHILAS House on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7.45pm. Displays cover a wide range of Australian Philately and the quarterly *Bulletin* features research articles from Roos and KGV to moderns, including postal history. Members of the KGV Study Group are present at each meeting and are happy to assist new-comers to this major study area. Visitors are most welcome.

Enquiries: PO Box 227, Darlinghurst NSW 1300 Ph 9264 8301 Fax 9267 4741

15 April Display: *Antarctic QSL Cards* by David Figg
20 May *Salisbury Competition* convened by Ian Fuary
17 June Workshop: *Kangaroos and King George V*
15 July Display: *Meter Advertising Slogans* by Richard Peck

AUSTRALIAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - NSW BRANCH meets in PHILAS House on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7.30 pm for displays and discussion of coins, notes and medals.

Contact details: P O Box 830, Manly, NSW, 1655.
Website: http://the-ans.com email: anseditor@hotmail.com or rodsell@rodsell.com

8 April *NSW-related numismatic items*
13 May *Europe pre-20th Century*
– No June meeting – Queen's birthday –
8 July *Ships on Numismatics*

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR POLAR PHILATELY was established in 1974 to promote and develop Polar Philately. The society meets at the Ryde Ex-Services Club, 724 - 730 Victoria Road, Ryde, commencing at 8.00 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the odd numbered months: Feb, then March, May, July, September, November. The society welcomes visitors interested in Antarctic and Arctic postal history, covers and stamps. A regular journal, *Penguin Views*, with articles on Polar Philately is published. The Society has a blog site available for members.

Enquiries: PO Box 7068, Bondi Beach, NSW, 1655.
Telephone 0407 277 223. Email: penviews@hotmail.com

8 May 14 August 13 November

Polar On-line International Auction: invitations will be emailed on 1 May to all collectors interested in Polar philately to participate as either a seller, or buyer or both.

Polar collectors are encouraged to visit the *2019 Sydney Stamp and Coin Expo* to see the Polar class. See Exhibition details elsewhere in PHILAS News.

BLUE MOUNTAINS STAMP CLUB meets at 8.00pm on the 4th Friday of the month (except December) at Katoomba Public School, Merriwa St, Katoomba.

Enquiries to the Secretary, PO Box 76 Blackheath NSW 2785.
Email: Sue Cottier at: suzanne.cottier@det.nsw.edu.au

22 April 24 May 28 June 26 July

BATHURST STAMP, COIN, COLLECTABLES & LAPIDARY CLUB Inc. meets in their clubhouse in Park Street, Eglinton (next to the Tennis Courts and opposite the Eglinton Store). Meetings are held at 7.30pm on the 1st Monday of each month (ex Jan). Juniors are most welcome. The club produces a newsletter for members. Meetings are varied with the emphasis on lapidary and collectables. Many field trips are held. Enquiries to the Secretary, 8 Miller Street, Windradyne, NSW 2795. Ph. (02) 6331 5404 (business hours)

1 April 6 May 3 June 1 July

BOAMBEE EAST PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month (except January) commencing at 6.30 pm at the Balydon Community Centre, Toormina Road. This vibrant club on the NSW North Coast makes visitors most welcome. A newsletter keeps all country members in touch.

Enquiries: PO Box 229 Toormina NSW 2452, phone (02) 6658 4585
Email: robertcox415@gmail.com

18 April 16 May 20 June 18 July

BURWOOD AND DISTRICT STAMP CLUB meets at Concord RSL & Community Club, Nirranda Street, Concord West, NSW 2138 on the 4th Wednesday of the month (ex Dec) at 7.30pm.
Enquiries: P O Box 800, Concord, NSW 2137. Ph. 0421 429 942.

24 April Display: *Europa - Saare & Saarland* by Laurent Villoing
22 May Display: *New Guinea PatrolOfficer Harrold Woodman* by David Miner
26 June Display: *World Specimen Issues* by Ken Leong
24 July Display: *Privately-issued Stamp & Coin covers* by Phillip Green

CAMPBELLTOWN DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (the 4th Wednesday in January) at 7.30pm at the St Thomas More Church Hall, Acacia Street, RUSE.
Enquiries to the Secretary, PO Box 478 Campbelltown, NSW 2560.
Email: brendaandgordonhoward@yahoo.com.au

10 April Display: *British Philatelic Congress Labels* by Paul Storm
8 May Display: *The Stamps of Åland* by Win Morehouse
12 June PHILAS Collection: *The Eiffel Tower*
10 July Club archives: *1972* presented by Frank Wirz

Campbelltown members inspect auction lots before the meeting gets underway.

President David Miner and Secretary Gordon Howard open the meeting.

Members view the display of *Anzac Commemorative Stamps* shown by Graeme Morriss.

CASTLE HILL STAMP CLUB meets at 7.30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (except January) at the Hills District Bowling Club, Old Northern Road, Baulkham Hills (car park entry is from Jenner St). Enquiries to PO Box 151 Castle Hill NSW 1765. Secretary: Rosalind Lean.

10 April Display: *Great Britain surface-printed issues* by Ian Hay
8 May Display: *French Colonies* by Robert Fulton
12 June Display: *Hawaii* by Michael Hirschhorn
10 July Swap and Sell night.

CINDERELLA STAMP CLUB OF AUSTRALASIA holds meetings at national Stamp Exhibitions.
Enquiries: P O Box 889, Chatswood, NSW 2057.
Contacts: Wilson Ilbery 9437 6782 or Paul Storm 9419 7354.
Journal editor: Marilyn Gendek: mahgen@tpg.com.au

CLUB WILLOUGHBY PHILATELIC SECTION meets on the 4th Thursday of each month (ex Dec) at the Annex (Bowling Club House) of Club Willoughby, 26 Crabbes Ave, Willoughby. Club Willoughby Philatelic Section was inaugurated in June 1980 and is one of several sections within the Club Willoughby. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Enquiries to the Secretary at the same address.
Telephone: Wilson Ilbery 9437 6782 or Paul Storm 9419 7354.
Email: paulgeraldstorm@hotmail.com

25 April Display: *Anzac Commemorative Stamps* by Graeme Morriss
23 May Display: *Greece* by George Boski
27 June Display: *Great Britain Surface-printed Issues* by Ian Hay
25 July Display: *2nd Australian Imperial Force in Middle East* by Andrew Brockett

EARLWOOD & DISTRICTS STAMP CLUB meets at 7.30pm in the Earlwood Senior Citizens Club Hall, 362 Homer Street, Earlwood on the 1st Wednesday of the month (except January). The club publishes an award-winning quarterly journal, *Waratah Philatelist*, containing a wide range of interesting articles. Enquiries to: PO Box 345 Marrickville NSW 1475.
email: wmorehouse@netspace.net.au telephone: (02) 9707 4087.

3 April Display: *New Guinea* by David Miner
1 May Display: *Iceland* by Win Morehouse
5 June Display: *Cacti* by Wendy Ferguson
3 July Display: *Colonial Stamps of Victoria, 1860 - 1890* by Geoffrey Kellow

EASTWOOD-EPPING PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Epping Presbyterian Church Hall, corner Rawson & Bridge Streets, Epping. Visitors are most welcome.
Enquiries to PO Box 165 Eastwood NSW 2122. Telephone: Keith Emery on (02) 9809 1584.

2 April Display: *NSW Railway Parcel Stamps* by Wilson Ilbery
7 May Members' display: *Famous People*
4 June Sale-by-tender
2 July Display: *Anzac Commemorative Stamps* by Graeme Morriss

GOSFORD PHILATELIC CLUB meets in the Arts & Crafts Centre, Henry Kendall Village, Wyoming. The afternoon meeting is held on the 1st Monday at 1.30 pm (except January).
Enquiries to PO Box 4216, East Gosford, NSW 2250 or telephone (02) 4325 7317.
1 April 6 May 3 June 1 July

GREAT LAKES STAMP CLUB meets on the 1st Saturday of the month from 9.00 am to 11.30 am at the Salvation Army Citadel, 7 South Street, Tuncurry NSW 2428. The Club members invite any interested persons to come along to our monthly stamp workshop and market.
Enquiries to: 23 Cocos Crescent, Forster NSW 2428.
Telephone (02) 6555 5664. Email: garrymunro5@gmail.com
6 April 4 May 1 June 6 July

ILLAWARRA PHILATELIC SOCIETY INC. meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.00pm in Room 2, Illawarra Master Builders Club, 61 Church St, Wollongong. Visitors & juniors welcome. Come and join us to discuss, swap, sell, buy and display stamps.

Enquires to the Secretary, PO Box 194 Wollongong East NSW 2520.
Email: Illawarra.Philatelic.Society@gmail.com

17 April	Display: *Postage Dues* by Harry
15 May	Display: *Tasmanian Postmarks* by Laurie
19 June	Quiz for the *Ian Muir trophy*
17 July	AGM and members' display

MAITLAND STAMP CLUB meets at East Maitland Bowling Club, Bank St, East Maitland at 7.30pm on the 2nd Monday each month (ex January).

Enquiries to PO Box 2078 Green Hills NSW 2323. Email: carrotspatch@tpg.com.au

8 April	Club auction
13 May	Quiz
10 June	Members' Display: *The letter 'M'*
8 July	Display by David Carratt

MANLY – WARRINGAH STAMP CLUB meets in the Manly-Warringah Rugby League Club, Federal Parade, Brookvale, at 8.00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. This club combines two previous local clubs. Enquiries to the Secretary: PO Box 6541, Frenchs Forest DF, NSW 2086.

9 April	Display: *Anzac Commemorative Stamps* by Graeme Morriss
14 May	Display: *Australian Joint Issues* by Brian Leckey
11 June	Club's 50th Anniversary members' display: *Golden Jubilees, Anniversaries*
9 July	Display: *Picture Postcards of J Walch & Sons, Tasmania* by Des Beechey

MILTON ULLADULLA STAMP CLUB Meets at 1.00 pm in the Ulladulla Bowling Club, St Vincent Street, on the 4th Monday each month (ex Dec). Attractions include circuit books from various clubs and six-monthly auctions. Visitors are most welcome.

Enquiries to the Secretary, PO Box 670, Ulladulla NSW, 2539.
Telephone (02) 4455 2691 or 4455 5214 Email: searlese4@gmail.com or jbsmith40@gmail.com

22 April 27 May 24 June 22 July

News from Milton Ulladulla

Our Club has had its AGM and there have been some changes within the committee. The new president is John Smith and the new Secretary is Steven Searle.

Milton Ulladulla Stamp Club

Annual Stamp Fair

Sunday 21 April 2019, 10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Ulladulla Civic Centre, Princes Hwy Ulladulla
Admission is free and dealers will in attendance.

In conjunction with the Ulladulla Blessing of the Fleet Festival.

MORISSET UNITING CHURCH STAMP CLUB meets from 10.00 am to 2.30 pm on the 4th Saturday of each month (ex Dec) at the Morisset Uniting Church Hall, cnr. Kahibah & Awaba Streets, Morisset, NSW, 2264. The club has numerous part-time dealers buying & selling, lucky door prize, raffle, sales by tender, library and displays all in an air-conditioned pleasant environment. Plenty of parking with refreshments and lunch available for a small fee. Visitors are always welcome.

Enquiries: P O Box 533 Morisset, NSW 2264
Email: skozuruk@bigpond.net.au Phone: (02) 4365 6568 (ask for Steve)

27 April 25 May 22 June 27 July

MUDGEE COIN, NOTE & STAMP CLUB Inc meets at Club Mudgee, 99 Mortimer Street, on the first Sunday of each month (incl. public holiday weekends & January) at 10.30 am.

Contact: Elizabeth Pratt, 39 White Cedars Rd, Kains Flat, Mudgee, NSW 2850.
Telephone: (02) 6373 5324. Email: pratte99@gmail.com
7 April 5 May 2 June 7 July

N.S.W. POSTCARD COLLECTORS SOCIETY Inc meets in the Imar Community Hall at 3.00 pm following every Postcard Fair. Postcard Fairs are held on the 4th Sunday in February, May, August & November from 9.30am to 2.00pm at the Imar Community Hall, 2A Fitzroy St, Croydon. The Society produces a quarterly *Bulletin*. Join our online discussion forum for postcards: http://postcardnsw.com
Enquiries: PO Box 193 Rozelle NSW 2039. email: jeffitz43@optusnet.com.au

Sunday Postcard Fairs (followed by the club meeting): 26 May 18 August 24 November

Scenes from the February 2019 Postcard Fair

A general view of the Imar Community Hall.

Ron & Maureen Pollard at their table.

John Sumner staffs the Club table.

A tribute to the late **Mark Freehill** was beside the entrance.

NEWCASTLE PHILATELIC SOCIETY Inc. meets at Mayfield Senior Citizens' Centre, 81 Hanbury Street, Mayfield, on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm. Pedestrian access is through the Hanbury Street entrance. There is car parking at the back of the adjoining library as well as opposite behind the Stag and Hunter Hotel. Auction night is on the 4th Thursday from 7.00 pm.

Daytime meetings are also held on the 3rd Wednesday each month (except December) at Studio 48, 48 Mackie Avenue, New Lambton, from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. Visitors welcome. A regular quarterly newsletter with interesting articles is produced by the society.

On the 3rd Sunday each month at 11.00 am at the Wallsend Pioneers Hall several stamp dealers hold a fair.

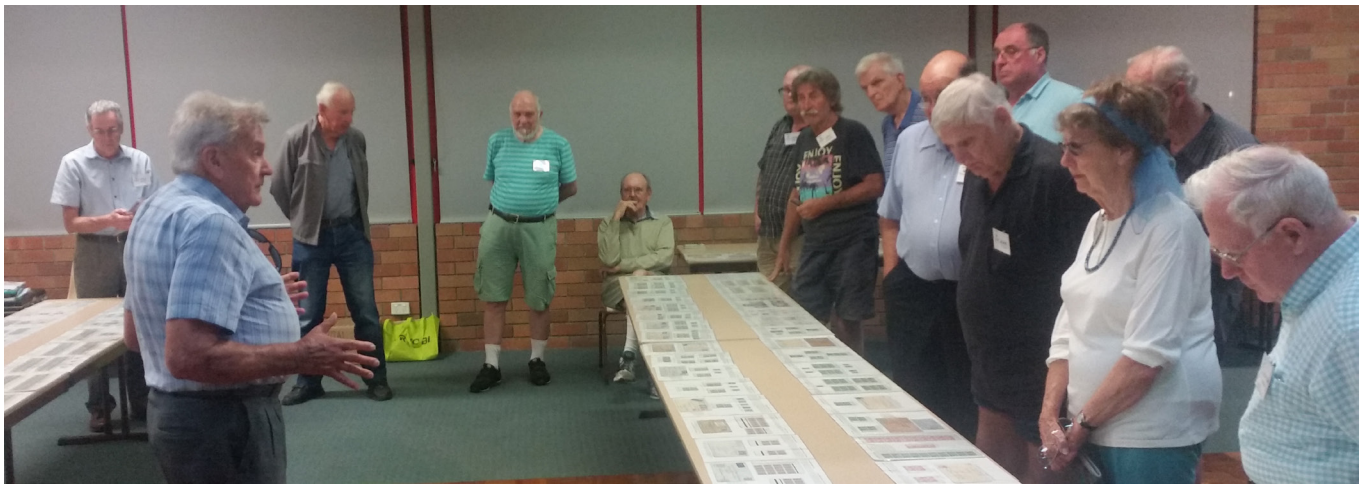
Enquiries to PO Box 34, Jesmond, NSW 2299. Email: moore.john@optusnet.com.au
www.newcastlephilatelicsociety.org.au

Evening Meetings:

11 April	Members' display: *The letter A*
9 May	Display: *The Palm of Life* by John Moore
13 June	11 July

Daytime Meetings:

17 April	Display: *A History of Canada through stamps* by Jim MacDougall
15 May	Members' display (bring 6 pages)
19 June	Display: *Bouncing around the Baltic* by Ron Davis
17 July	Display: *Thurn & Taxis and Wurrtemberg* by Ed Burnard



Lionel Savins shows Newcastle members his *New Zealand 1935 Pictorial Definitives* in February (top).

Tony Walker gives the vote of thanks to **Jeff Newman** for his March display of *Malayan Federated States*

The *Newcastle 2020, Stamp and Coin Exhibition* will be held on 2nd – 4th October 2020. It will be a part-national incorporating a Royal Challenge. Venue: the Newcastle Showground Exhibition Centre.

NORTHERN SUBURBS PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome. Come along and enjoy the friendly and informative meetings. Displays of interest are presented. There are excellent exchange books as well as monthly Club auctions. Light refreshments are served.

St Leonard's Church Hall, 43 Donnelly Road (corner of Willoughby Road), Naremburn.
Enquiries to: PO Box 889, Chatswood, NSW 2057. Telephone: (02) 9419 7354.
Email: paulgeraldstorm@hotmail.com

18 April	Display: *Indigenous Peoples* by Phillip Green
16 May	Display: *Siam* by Jeff Newman
20 June	PHILAS Display: *Trams* by Ian Laney
18 July	Display: *Faroe Islands pre-1975* by John Higgs

ORANGE COIN & STAMP CLUB Inc. meets on the last Tuesday of each month (ex Dec.) at the Orange Cultural Centre in Sale Street, Orange at 7.30pm. Fairs are held on the 1st Saturday of each month at the same venue from 9.00am to 3.00pm with sales, valuations & advice given by Club members.

There are less-formal lunchtime meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, at midday, at the Community and Information Centre, 79 Kite Street. A monthly Newsletter is produced which can be accessed on the PHILAS website. No evening meeting in December. Telephone (02) 6361 4872.
Enquiries: Secretary, PO Box 324 Orange NSW 2800 Email: ddolstra@bigpond.net.au

Evening meetings:	30 April	28 May	25 June	30 July
Lunchtime meetings:	9 April	14 May	11 June	9 July

Our next *Orange Coin & Stamp Expo* is planned for Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th April 2019.

The new dates for the *2019 Spring Fair* are 16 and 17 November 2019.

The Orange High School Hall in Woodward Street is booked for both shows.

The youth group at Catherine Macauley Public School in Orange with youth coordinator **Audrey Ferris**.

A kids' fun day was held at the former H.A.C.C.S Centre in Lords Place, Orange, on 21st January. Our youth co-ordinator, **Audrey Ferris** is on the far left. The other participants are on her right.

Children's photos published with parents' permission.

PAPUAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY - SYDNEY CHAPTER meets on an ad hoc basis (usually at PHILAS House). For details on specific times and dates please email: lakatoistamps@gmail.com
Contacts: Tony Griffen, Secretary, 0421 058 623 or Michael Ryan, President, (02) 9439 3795

PARRAMATTA PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 1st Friday each month at 7.30pm at the O.E.S. Hall, Railway Street, Wentworthville (opposite Police Station). Visitors always welcome.
Enquiries to PO Box 219 Wentworthville NSW 2145.
Telephone (02) 9636 1175 parrastampclub@tpg.com.au

5 April	Display: *Europa Military Issues* by Laurent Villoing
3 May	Display: *Bosnia* collection of the late Cyril McCulough
7 June	Display: *Stampex '86* by John Batson
5 July	Members' display – bring 6 album pages

Parramatta Club News

Parramatta Philatelic Society will celebrate it's 70th Anniversary during 2019.

The Club was established 30th November 1949 and held its inaugural meeting on 11th December with Mr R C Levick taking the chair and 7 members present. Women were not allowed to join at that stage even though one had shown interest to join. In March 1950 it was decided to let "Ladies" be admitted to the Club and the subscription be half that of the male members per annum. It was also decided at the May Meeting 1950 that Juniors would be allowed (with Guardians' consent) but had to attend for 12 months before being allowed to become a member. The Club has since gone from strength to strength.

If anyone has any old photos of club activities please let the club know as we would like to compile a photo gallery of members past and present.

PENRITH & DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 1st Thursday each month (ex Jan), at 8.00pm in the Old Penrith School of Arts, Room 1, 3 Castlereagh St U3A, Penrith. The club welcomes visitors and has displays and club sales at meetings, plus a free colour newsletter with articles of interest and a listing of the latest stamp issues.
Enquiries: PO Box 252, Kingswood NSW 2747
email: rabit5540@gmail.com or ivan.baza@bigpond.com
4 April 2 May 6 June 4 July

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA meets from 10.30am to 12.30pm on the 1st Floor at PHILAS House on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (ex Dec.). All visitors are most welcome to this daytime meeting. Enquiries: Secretary PSA, c/ PHILAS, PO Box 220, Darlinghurst, NSW 1300.
Telephone: (02) 9524 3353 Email: jeff_and_dorothy@hotmail.com

17 April	Display: *Hong Kong KGV* by Sarah Harvey
15 May	President's display by Wilson Ilbery
19 June	Display: *Australian Colonial Revenues* by Andrew Foldes
17 July	Display: *New Zealand Private Mail, 1997* - by David Miner

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANBERRA INC. holds a display meeting on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7.45pm in Room 10 on level 2 (2nd floor) in the New Griffin Centre, Bunda St, Canberra City, and an exchange and trading meeting on the 3rd Thursday. An afternoon meeting is also held on the 3rd Thursday at 2.00pm. There are several other groups that meet regularly. The Society has an extensive library and produces a newsletter in addition to the journal *Capital Philately.*

Enquiries: GPO Box 1840 Canberra ACT 2601 Telephone: 0479 169 596 a.h.
Website: www.canberrastamps.org Email: psc@luckhurst.com.au

4 April	Members' display: *British Commonwealth 1952 - 1970s*
2 May	Display: *Coins of the Knights of Malta* by John Vassallo
6 June	Display: *First Day Covers* by Frank Pauer
4 July	Group display: *50th Anniversary of First Moon Landing*

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF N.S.W. meets at PHILAS House on the 4th Saturday of each month (ex Dec) commencing at 2.00 pm. Additional meetings with the Postal History Group are held at the Dougherty Community Centre, 7 Victor St, Chatswood on the 3rd Tuesday of the odd months at 7.30pm. Enquiries: PO Box 220, Darlinghurst NSW 1300.
Email: glewis@custom-made.com.au website: club.philas.org.au/psnsw

Main Meetings at PHILAS House on the 4th Saturday (ex public holidays), 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm:

27 April	Members' 1-frame displays
25 May	*Annie Powell Competition* group display of interesting items
22 June	Display: *Cape Revenues & the VOC Colonisation of South Africa* by John Fletcher
27 July	Group display: *Aerophilately*

Meetings at Chatswood on the 3rd Tuesday of odd months, at 7.30pm.

21 May	Group display: *Missent; re-addressed; re-directed; return to sender*
16 July	Group display: *High Value Postage Rates*

The China Study Group of PSNSW meets at PHILAS House on the 4th Monday, at 7.30 pm.
Enquiries: PO Box 258, Earlwood, NSW 2206.

	No April meeting – Easter weekend
27 May	Display: *Tibet, part 2* by Robert Herlinger
24 June	Display: *Domestic First Flight Covers of PRC, part 2* by Garry Francis
22 July	Members' 1-frame displays

PIALLAWAY PHILATELIC SOCIETY Inc. meets at Church of England Hall, 6 - 8 Anzac Parade, Werris Creek on the 2nd Monday of each month (ex January) at 7.00 pm.
Enquiries: P O Box 112 Werris Creek NSW 2341 email: piallawayphilatelic@gmail.com
Phone: Warren 0434 027 927

8 April 13 May 10 June 8 July

SHOALHAVEN PHILATELIC SOCIETY Inc. meets at Nowra Bowling Club, Osborne St, Nowra, on the 2nd Monday (ex Jan) at 7.00 pm. All visitors are most welcome. A regular newsletter is produced for members. Enquiries: PO Box 4047 Nowra East, NSW 2541.
Telephone (02) 4421 4624 email: johndi@shoalhaven.net.au

8 April	Members' auction
13 May	Display: *Pre-decimal Covers* by Greg Peter
10 June	Members' auction
8 July	Display: *Perfins* by David Andersen

Shoalhaven Stamp & Coin Day

Saturday 12 August

Wesley Centre 29 Berry Street Nowra

SAPPHIRE COAST STAMP & COIN CLUB meets at the Pambula Court House, corner Toalla and Monaro Streets, on the 2nd Thursday at 7.00 pm Eastern Daylight Time (Oct to Apr, ex Dec & Jan) and on the 3rd Saturday at 2.00 pm Eastern Standard Time (May to Sep). Visitors are always welcome. Enquiries: PO Box 285 Pambula NSW 2549. Telephone (02) 6495 7308

Thursday 11 April Saturdays 18 May 15 June 20 July

RICHMOND RIVER PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets in Lismore Workers Club, Keen St, Lismore on the 4th Thursday of each month (ex Dec) at 6.30 pm. Enquiries: PO Box 784 Lismore NSW 2480.

Secretary, Lynn Kitchin. Email address: andrew@onlinecoins.com.au

25 April 23 May 27 June 25 July

Richmond River Philatelic Society Stamp and Coin Fair

Our annual *Stamp and Coin Fair* held on 25 November 2018 at the Lismore Workers Club attracted around 80 visitors with one dealer and five visiting clubs (with circuit books) in attendance.

Once again there were lucky door prizes, raffles, Club table and displays by members – topics included Lismore Postal History, Windmills, Slovenia, Royalty and Flowers.

Feedback was generally positive and it appears an enjoyable day was had by all.

Again, a big thank you goes to Australia Post, the Lismore Workers Club, dealers and visiting clubs for their support and to those members who generously volunteered their time – without all of whom this event would not be possible.

The pictures below show the venue and the members' displays.

RICHMOND STAMP CLUB meets at 7.00pm on the 2nd Thursday each month (ex Jan). The club meets at St Monica's Church Hall, corner of Windsor & Bourke Streets, Richmond.

Enquiries: PO Box 28 Richmond NSW 2753. Email: richmondstampclub@ozemail..com.au
Telephone 4576 5031, 4578 8911 or 0407 104 733

11 April
Display: *Europa from Germany* by Laurent Villoing

9 May
Display: *Vietnam* by Brian

13 June
Club competition: *3 pages of Airmail*

11 July
Display: *NSW Country Town* by Ann

STAMP, COIN & COLLECTABLES FAIR

East Kurrajong School of Arts
1090 East Kurrajong Rd, East Kurrajong

Saturday and Sunday 9am-2pm

13th & 14th APRIL

Stamps, Covers, Coins, Cinderella, Ephemera, Thematics,
Stamp & Coin Accessories,
Antiques, Art, China, Glass, Retro Wares & more...

Contacts: Ann 02 4576 5031
Helen 02 4578 8911
Phillip 0407 104 733

FREE Admission
Refreshments available
Free off street parking

www.eastkurrajonghall.com

Scenes from a previous East Kurrajong Stamp, Coin & Collectables Fair.

ROYAL SYDNEY PHILATELIC CLUB meets at PHILAS House on the 2nd Saturday of each month (ex Jan and auction-viewing months) at 2.00 pm. Members have access to the extensive Club Library and receive the quarterly journal. Enquiries: GPO Box 1751 Sydney NSW 2001.

13 April Display: *Colony of Victoria* by Ian Hay
11 May Display: *Australian Philatelic Literature* by Geoff Kellow
8 June Display: *The Dovey Collection*
No July meeting

The Armidale Circle of RSPC meets in the Main Meeting Room at the rear of Kent House, Faulkner St, Armidale, on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm (ex Dec & Jan). A fine monthly journal is produced. Enquiries: PO Box 273 Armidale NSW 2350.

10 April Displays by visitors Kim and Kevin Dwyer
8 May Members' thematic displays
12 June Two members show displays as presented to Tamworth Society
10 July AGM and Buy, Sell, Swap night

The Australian States Study Circle of RSPC meets at PHILAS House on the 4th Wednesday each month (ex Dec) at 7.30pm, with interesting discussions and items on display. Visitors are most welcome. A quarterly journal, Sydney Views, is produced featuring research articles on Australian States & Colonial stamps and postal history. Enquiries to GPO Box 1751 Sydney NSW 2001.

24 April 22 May 26 June 24 July

ST GEORGE PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets in the Senior Citizens Centre, 36 George St, Rockdale, on the 1st Monday of the month (except Jan.) at 7.45pm.

Enquiries: 8 Waterside Pde, Peakhurst, NSW 2210.

1 April 6 May 3 June 1 July

SUSSEX INLET & DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (ex Jan) in the Bluebell Room, Inasmuch Retirement Village, Iverison Road, Sussex Inlet at 2.00pm. Visitors to the area are welcome. A junior group is conducted at the local primary school.

Enquiries: 53 River Road, Sussex Inlet, NSW 2540.

17 April 15 May 19 June 17 July

SUTHERLAND SHIRE PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets at the Sutherland United Services Club, First Floor, 7 East Street, Sutherland on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. Sales tables or auctions are held at most meetings. Enquiries: PO Box 339 Sutherland NSW 1499.

9 April Display: *Shells* by Phil Graham
14 May Display: *Great Britain* by John Hoppitt
11 June Display: *Australian Maxi Cards* by Doug Grinter & Andrew Verditch
No July meeting

SUTHERLAND ANNUAL SPRING FAIR

Saturday 26th October 2019

Gymea Anglican Church Hall
131 Gymea Bay Road, Gymea

Close to Gymea Railway Station, Plenty of onsite parking
Refreshments available

Dealers, Clubs, Circuit Books, Stamps and Coins, Lucky Door Prizes, Souvenir Booklets

FREE ENTRY.

SYDNEY ANGLICAN STAMP SOCIETY meets at the North Rocks Community Church, 132 North Rocks Rd, North Rocks, from 9.30 am to 3.00 pm on 2nd Saturday of the even numbered months. Enquiries: Secretary, 3/24 Beattie Ave, Denistone East, NSW 2112. Website: www.sass.asn.au

13 April 8 June 10 August

SMITHFIELD STAMP CLUB Inc meets at the Brenan Park Community Hall, Bourke St, Smithfield (near the T intersection with Charles Street) on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7.30pm. Sale by Tender at each meeting. Enquiries: PO Box 2612 Smithfield NSW 2164.
Email: alfred_grech@iprimus.com.au or prhill2011@hotmail.com
Telephone: (02) 9630 8093, 9726 1962 or 9681 2341.

8 April	Display: *Europa and Art* by Laurent Villoing
13 May	Display: *Classic USA* by Michael Hirschhorn
10 June	Display: *Hawaii* by Michael Hirschhorn
8 July	Display: *Swiss Postal Cards with Vignettes, 1923 - 1960, part 1* by Gloria Bradley

The photo shows **David Burns** receiving his acknowledgement Certificate from **Alfred Grech** for the book *Suez Canal* that he researched and published and donated to the Smithfield Stamp Club Inc on February 11, 2019.

TAMWORTH PHILATELIC SOCIETY Inc meets on the 1st Monday of each month (ex Jan) at 7.30pm in the Tamworth Seventh Day Adventist Church, corner of Kent & Dianne Streets. Monthly *Newsletter* keeps all the members in touch. Enquiries: PO Box 678 Tamworth NSW 2340.
Telephone (02) 6761 6574 email: bsec1@bigpond.com or graemar@tpg.com.au

1 April	Displays by members of the Armidale Circle of the Royal Sydney Club
6 May	Display by Geoff Mitchell
3 June	Display by Warren Brown
1 July	Display by Tony Dambiac

TORONTO STAMP CLUB meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Bolton Point Community Hall, 68A Middle Point Road.
Enquiries: Secretary, 20 Bellbird Close, Cooranbong NSW 2265.
Telephone 4977 1327. Email: howard.fisher@bigpond.com
3 April 1 May 5 June 3 July

TURRAMURRA STAMP CLUB meets at Turramurra Uniting Church Hall, Turramurra Ave, Turramurra at 7.45pm on the 2nd Monday of the month. Visitors are most welcome.
Enquiries: Secretary, 26 / 578 Pacific Highway, Killara, NSW 2071.
Telephone: (02) 9498 3762 Email: jeff_and_dorothy@hotmail.com

8 April	Display: *Hawaii* by Michael Hirschhorn
13 May	Display: *Antarctica* by John Kelleher
10 June	PHILAS Display: *Trams* collected by Ian Laney
8 July	Display: *Russian Occupation of Germany from 1945* by Frank Whitfield

UNITING CHURCH STAMP COMMITTEE meets every Tuesday from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon and on the first Friday of each month from 9.00 am to 11.30 am to trim, sort and trade in bulk stamps. Volunteers needed. Pilgrim House, 2nd Floor, 222 Pitt St, Sydney. See more details on page 30.

TWIN TOWNS STAMP CLUB Inc. meets in the Tweed Heads Masonic Centre, 8 Boyd Street at 7.30pm on the 1st Monday of the month (ex Jan). Each meeting there is usually a mini-auction, raffle, bargain table, club circuit books and a competition. Enquiries: PO Box 432 Coolangatta Qld 4225.

President: Allan Morris Secretary: Richard Mills (mobile - 0402 868 134)
Treasurer: Sonia Davys Publicity Officer: Dan Waters (07) 5598 7629.

1 April	Prepare for stamp fair. Members' choice display
6 May	Post-stamp fair review. Members' letter 'V' display
3 June	Guest displayer. Members' letter 'W' display
1 July	Other Hobbies Night. Members' letter 'X' display

Twin Towns
Annual Stamp & Coin Fair

Cudgen Leagues Club

Sunday 28 April 8.00 am – 3.00 pm

WAGGA WAGGA STAMP CLUB meets in the ARCC Hall, Tarcutta Street, Wagga Wagga on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

Enquiries: Secretary, ph. (02) 6922 3393. PO Box 2099, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650.

3 April	Large auction
1 May	Display: *Medallions* by K You
5 June	Display by G Hatty
3 July	Display: *Tokens* by D Blackman

Pictures show junior member **Charlotte Weir** being presented with a sheet of *Disney Fairy stamps* by Wagga Stamp Club President, **Bob Edyvean**.

Charlotte displayed *Disney Stamps* and was acknowledged as the first junior member to do a full display at a monthly meeting.

Dawn Woodland was presented with the *Charles Houen Memorial Shield* in recognition of Dawn winning the 2018 Five Page Member's Display.

Charlotte's photo published with parent's permission.

Wagga Wagga Stamp & Coin Fair
18 - 19 May 9.00 am - 4.00 pm each day

Sturt Public School Hall, White Avenue, Kooringal

Seven dealers in attendance. Club bargain table.

Free admission.

Wagga Wagga Stamp & Coin Market Day
29 June from 9.00 am
ARCC Hall, 131 Tarcutta Street

WYONG & DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 7.00 pm at the Canton Beach Sports Club at Canton Beach. There is also a daytime meeting: 1st Wednesday at 1.00 pm at the Masonic Village Centre, Lakehaven. Enquiries: 38 Ocean View Road, Gorokan, NSW 2263.
Ph. (02) 4393 0966 or 0408 619 458 house_of_magnolia@hotmail.com

Evening meetings:

16 April	Display by Richard Milne
21 May	Display: *Early Flight* by Brian Calcott
18 June	Display: *Queen Victoria Penny Red Covers* by Mark Field
16 July	Display by Belinda Bermingham

Wyong Changes its Meeting Time:

For the last 25 years, our society has met on the third Tuesday of the month. Due to the steadily increasing number of members, we cannot fit comfortably into our existing meeting area. No larger facility was available on the Tuesday night but a larger, pleasant and comfortable area was available on the Wednesday.

The increase in members is a 'problem' of our own making due to the constant promotion of the society. So note, the Wyong Society now meets on:

3rd WEDNESDAY of the month at CANTON BEACH SPORTS CLUB, CANTON BEACH at 7.00 pm.

The highlight of our March meeting was a display by **John Moore**, the President of APF. The display was based on the *Palm Tree* and was prepared as an *Open Class* exhibit. It was very rewarding for members to gain an insight into the Open Class and view the range of collectibles and other material that can be incorporated into such an exhibit. John has favoured the Wyong Society with various displays over the past 15 years.

As mentioned in the last news letter, the club was participating in the large community event called *The Love Lanes*. It is held in the lanes and other areas of Wyong. Approximately 15,000 people attended and the club members were kept busy talking to people who were viewing the displays, talking collections, promoting the club and giving away a large number of packets of stamps. We even had a visit from both the local NSW State member and the Federal Member for this area. The Federal member was surprised to learn of our club and the fact that we have 40 members. She even took a few packets of stamps.

At our day-time meeting on Wednesday 3rd April , the King George V group is discussing and looking at the ½d orange and the effects of aniline. All collectors, not just club members, are welcome to participate in this group.

Philas Display Collections and Archives

Philas Collection
Display Collections

There is now direct link on the Philas website to the *Philas House Reference Centre* and the scanned display collections and catalogues. I have managed to finish scanning **Ian Laney**'s collections and they are now available on the web site and I have also finished fixing mounting issues so the collections are now ready for Clubs that wish to borrow this material. It was great the collection was also on display on the last Open Day, which gave members an initial look at this wonderful collection.

When last speaking to **Frank Whitfield** I understood that he had a couple of pages still to mount from **Cyril McCullough**'s collection and he was hopeful that it would be finished by the end of the month. Another major endeavour for Frank and from there he hopes to get back to **Fred Lloyd**'s German collection. I erroneously thought that he had already revisited that collection and although I have updated the scanning for this collection I understand from Frank that there will be considerably more material to be added from another significant German collection.

I have also been working **Stan Davidson**'s collection again and am currently working through *The Mighty Murray* and should have it finished in the next few weeks. With Stan's collection there is a slight problem with scanning as the pages are oversize and have to be double scanned and merged in order to get a complete e-copy of the page for the web site. A little extra work but well worthwhile in preserving the quality of the material.

If any members have questions about collections or resources available or want additional information I can be contacted by email on:
rabit5540@protonmail.com

COMING EVENTS

Apr. 13 - 14	Orange Coin & Stamp Expo (see page 21)
Apr. 13	Canberra Stamp & Coin Fair
Apr. 13 - 14	East Kurrajong Stamps, Coins & Collectables Fair (see page. 25)
Apr. 21	Milton Ulladulla Annual Stamp Fair (see page 18)
Apr. 28	Twin Towns Annual Stamp & Coin Fair (see page 28)
May 11	Parramatta Open Day (see page 22)
May 18 - 19	Wagga Wagga Stamp & Coin Fair (see page 28)
Jun. 29	Wagga Wagga Stamp Market Day (see page 28)
Aug. 12	Shoalhaven Stamp & Coin Fair (see page 23)
Oct. 26	Sutherland Spring Fair (see page 26)

MONTHLY STAMP FAIRS

1st Saturday	*Northside Stamp Fair* 10 am - 4 pm, Manly-Warringah Leagues Club, Brookvale
1st Saturday	*Stamp & Coin Collectors Fair*, Anglican Church Hall, 131 Gymea Bay Rd, Gymea
1st Saturday	*Orange Coin & Stamp Club Market Day* , Cultural Centre, Sale St, Orange
3rd Sunday	*Newcastle Stamp & Coin Fair,* Pioneer Hall, Cowper Street, Wallsend

Epping Stamp & Coin Fair

10.00 am - 4.00 pm, Sundays 28 April 26 May 23 June 28 July

Epping Community Hall, 9 Oxford Street, Epping

THE STAMP ROOM AT PILGRIM HOUSE

The Uniting Church in Australia raises funds by selling stamps at The Stamp Room at Pilgrim House, 2nd Floor, 262 Pitt Street, Sydney (near Park Street) on Tuesdays (9.00 am – 12 noon) and on the first Friday of each month (9.00 am to 11.30 am). They sell a diverse range of stamps and postcards for collectors with stock books containing a range of reasonably priced stamps from many countries.

EXHIBITIONS

2019

May 29 - Jun. 2	*Stockholmia2019* (see www.stockholmia2019.se)
Jun. 11 - 17	*China2019* General World Stamp Exhibition – Wuhan
Jun. 13 - 16	** *Sydney Stamp & Coin Expo 2019* **
Jul. 20 - 21	Bunbury Stamp Coin & Banknote Show, WA. National 1-frame show
Jul. 31 - Aug. 4	*Singpex 2019* FIAP show
Dec. 6 - 8	*Aeropex 2019*, Adelaide

2020

Mar. 19 - 22	*NZ2020* New Zealand FIAP International Stamp Exhibition, Auckland
May 2 - 9	*London 2020* International Stamp Exhibition (see www.london2020.co)
Oct. 2 - 4	Newcastle (NSW) Half-National Exhibition (see page 20)

Dates for PHILAS Open Day

Saturday (No June Open Day. Go to the *Expo*) 19 October

Dates for PHILAS Auction

Saturdays 13 July 9 November

Viewing of Lots available on the preceding:

Saturday from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm
Thursday from 9.30 am to 7.00 pm
Friday from 9.30 am to 5.00 pm
Auction day from 8.30 am to 11.30 am *

* Saturday auction day viewing is reserved for visitors from the country or by appointment only.