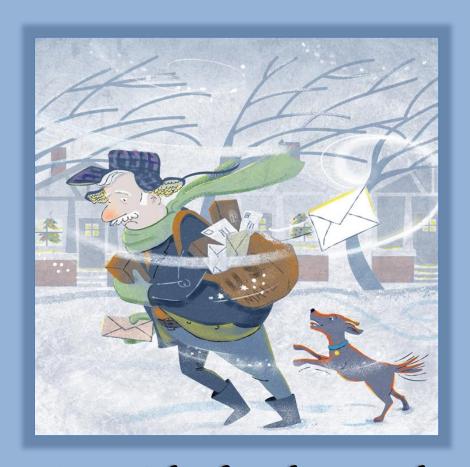
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# The Editor's Input Susan Butler sbutler@ilap.com

# Research: Moving from Collector to Philatelist

As some of you know I am not actually a philatelist although I do admire beautiful stamps, as well as, the mysteries found in postal covers. Postcards are my collectible thus there is a cross over. I am also interested in research, although not in the field of philately.

Since 2011 when I took over as editor of the PhilaJournal, I have learned a lot about stamps and philatelic covers. I have gazed in wonder at competitive presentations and at many, many stamp shows I have watched collectors looking for that "special" stamp. At meetings and seminars I have heard speakers unravel more mysteries and offer ideas. Research always seems to be a component

During the past two years the Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library has become increasingly busy as the Research Librarian Kathy Hartley has encouraged GTAPA members and other guests to spend time in the collection at 10 Summerhill. All of a sudden, research seems to be "cool".

So, when Michel Houde approached me about writing an article re: on line public library research for this issue, I thought that the timing was perfect. In response to my question, "Why would a GTAPA member want to do research?" he listed the following points.

- > to learn the background on why a particular stamp was issued
- to learn facts about the persons, places or events commemorated by the stamp in question
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- > to better understand, enjoy and value their material
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Thanks to Kathy and Michel and to all of the GTAPA members who are expanding their knowledge about their collections through research.

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#### Distribution of Collections Re-visited

It is obvious there are many collectors who have stamps and material to sell. The evidence is the numerous emails and phone calls that I have received about my column in the Fall 2016 PhilaJournal, **Information on the Distribution of Collections.** 

Of course the mention of my article in The Canadian Stamp News, I am certain, had something to do with all of the interest.

It even sparked interest by a non-club member to ask for a subscription to our PhilaJournal! Wow!

While selling off extras or unwanted collections, there is a certain amount of angst because we cannot keep all of the treasures we own. On the other hand, it is best we do it before someone else has to do it for us. That person may not have any idea how best to distribute our treasured collections. I speak from experience, as many of the collection that I am asked to sell are inherited and the person giving me the collection for distribution usually has no idea of value or how best to sell the material.

When I am asked to sell off a collection, I will sit down with the owner and go through the collection and give them a general idea of its value. I will then take it home, break it up in lots for sale to direct clients and for auction. The owner will receive a printed accurate value and will be asked if they agree to allow the distribution process. It usually takes up to two months (depending on the size of the collection) to complete the distribution. When completed the owner receives a printed copy of the results. The distribution fee is ten percent.

I do not buy the collection personally unless there is urgency to complete the sale. I believe that it is a conflict of interest to buy a collection and then sell it off. One such case involved an estate where the beneficiary of an estate contacted me from England. She was coming over to finalize a Canadian estate in a two day period. Her request was for an immediate settlement and a cash payment. In that situation I did not have time to put the material on the market but had to purchase it myself.

Now is the time to think about which scenario suits you. If you are not planning to sell your collection then why not write up a "stamp will"? ....more about that in the next issue of the PhilaJournal.

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# The Square Circle Postmarks of Brazil

The Squared Circle Postmark is basically formed by combining two pieces of a cancel. It is a circular cancel with a city or country name and possibly also date information, completed with a series of external bars on the four corners to form an external square frame.

The first postmarks of this type were introduced in Great Britain at the end of 1879 as an alternative to the duplex cancels which were quite large and apparently more difficult to use. Furthermore, the idea behind this new postmark was that the combination of a circular postmark with the corner bars would allow a better cancel of all stamps affixed on the letter. The Circle Squared Postmarks were very popular until 1910 but then their usage started to decline as new simpler cancels became available. In general they had virtually disappeared by 1930.

Most collectors of square circle postmarks are aware that these postmarks were used in Great Britain and many of its colonies, as well as in Italy and some of its colonies and in many Dutch colonies. Very few are aware that the square circle postmarks were also used in other countries, notably Brazil (Belem and Bage'), China (Shangai) Spain (Madrid) and Hawaii. There is little information about the Brazilian postmarks and they are not mentioned in any catalogue. In any case, they were introduced in Belem, in the North of Brazil, around 1930 and were used for at least 10 years, for airmail correspondence and as an alternative to a more common circular postmark.

Belem (Portuguese for Bethlehem) is the capital and largest city of the state of Pará in the country's north. It is the gateway to the River Amazon with a busy port, airport, and bus/coach station. Belém lies approximately 100 km upriver from the Atlantic Ocean, on the Pará River, which is part of the greater Amazon River system, separated from the larger part of the Amazon delta by Ilha de Marajó (Marajo Island).

I have acquired Belem postmarks dated from 1937 to 1947. They appear to be more common in 1941 when, due to World War 2, some alternative flight routes were established between Africa and North America, passing via Belem. It is possible that this postmark has been inspired by the neighbouring Suriname and British Guyana postmarks, which however are quite smaller than the Belem one.



Belem square circle postmark on cover to Leopoldville, Belgian Congo (first flight), December 1941



Bage' square circle postmark year 1942

The second square circle postmark from Brazil is a recent discovery and it has been used in Bagé, Rio Grande do Sul, which is very far from Belem. All copies I have been able to see are dated 1942, at the time of the local agricultural fair. I have never seen a commercial cover with this type of cancel. Therefore, I assume that this postmark was produced only for philatelic purposes and its designers were surely inspired by the Belem postmark, which, at the time, was much nicer than any other cancel used by Correios.

Although I have managed to obtain a few samples of the Belem and Bage postmarks in the last few years I am still sure that there is more to discover on these Brazilian postmarks. If any of my readers has any information on the Brazilian square circles I will be happy to hear from them.

# Coveting Covers John Wilson wilsonjn@sympatico.ca

#### A Postmark of 1911

One of the earliest special postmarks of the British Empire is this interesting example from British Guiana. Shortly after the accession of George V, the British Guiana Philatelic Society, then consisting of sixty four members, decided to hold its third Exhibition in the newly-built Carnegie Library. Prominent philatelists from the wider world were asked to send displays and one is known to have been duly sent by the Earl of Crawford, the great philatelist who was at that time the President of the Royal Philatelic Society of London.



The members of the Society were well-connected in British Guiana and the local Government acceded to its request for a special cancel. Designed by a Lieutenant Carrol, the postmark consisted of crossed Union Jack flags on either side of a date stamp, with a ship in full sail, the badge of the Colony, above. The postmark was applied only to covers posted on the opening day of the Exhibition, October 21. According to an account at the time, only a few covers were serviced. The handbook on this country, prepared by authors W. A. Townsend and F. G. Howe (1970), estimated that about a

dozen covers had been noted. The actual number must certainly be larger (were the handbook accurate, I would personally have 25% of the world's supply!). The cover illustrated here was sent to L. W. Fulcher, the long-time Librarian of the Royal Philatelic Society of London.

This cover is collectible, then, for a variety of reasons; it is a scarce marking, a philatelic souvenir legitimately made and posted, and it has a certain lustre that comes from its associations with prominent collectors. The rarity of the envelope is not obvious, though its historicity is, and only deeper research revealed how the identity of the addressee suggests extra information about the Exhibition itself, as Fulcher may well have followed the lead of his friend and sent a display overseas to help the Exhibition.

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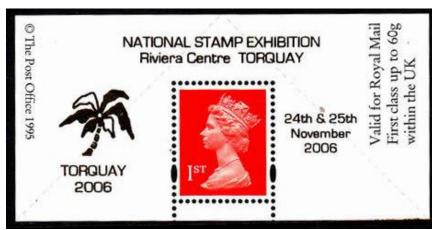
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# Unusual Postage Stamps Jerry Piotrowski jerrypiotrowski74@hotmail.com

# **Unusual Stamps from Austrian Post**

Although most of the postage stamps issued by the Austrian Post are printed using conventional materials and printing methods, for several years now Austria has issued some unconventional items. Past PhilaJournal issues include stamps made of synthetic leather, embroidered stamps, moving image lenticular stamps, and stamps embedded with Swarovski crystals or meteor dust. Tom Malicki member of the Polish-Canadian Coin and Stamp Club "Troyak" recently told me of another unusual Austrian item issued on June 10th of this year.



Austria Post issued a €6.30 stamp with a religious theme. This item is made of glass and is based on the reverse painting on glass tradition of parts of Upper Austria but scaled down to stamp size. In the making of this stamp the design is applied to the back of the glass using a special silkscreen process and then heat treated to bond the design to the glass. First day covers received a digitally applied postmark.



Austria Post also issued a €5.90 porcelain stamp on March 20 2014 with a rose design. The items underwent three separate firings. First to fire the porcelain, next to fire the glaze and finally a third time after the design has been silkscreened in order to harden the item and fuse the design with the glaze.

If you have information about unusual stamps for future articles on this subject, please email me at jerrypiotrowski74@hotmail.com using **Unusual Stamps** in the subject line. Or, give it to your club GTAPA representative to pass along to me at a GTAPA board meeting

# Fraser Mckee West Toronto Stamp Club fmmck22@rogers.com

# Canadian Mini Topical Collection

Not all topical collections need to be large, costly or never-ending. For fifty years I have collected Canadian Inuit carvings in stone, antler and ivory, as well as a few prints. Thus the various series and individual stamps depicting Inuit art of various types produced since 1955 have been of interest to me



It only took about two months for me to complete a collection of the twenty-seven stamps. The bonus was that the cost of the collection was no more than fifty dollars! Amazing!

The 1955 painting of an Inuit in a kayak by Canadian artist Harold Beament is marginal to an "Inuit stamp,"

but opens my collection.



As well, a photo portrait of Pitseolak Ashoona, to celebrate 1993 International Women's Day, is not 'art' as such but in such a small "collection" seemed worth including.

The others are all photos of carvings, or the reproductions of prints by various Inuit, such as the first pair of carvings in 1968.



It is a neat little collection of topicals with its Canadian focus. I probably will add to it in time, but at least that will be an expansion of the pages that will not require insertion on earlier pages.

# Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library Report Kathy Hartley, Librarian library@greenefoundation.ca

# Summer at the Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library

This year an invitation was extended to all GTAPA Clubs to participate in the Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library's first ever GTAPA Summer Wednesdays. Four clubs accepted the offer. Visitors were members of Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club, Toronto Stamp Collectors Club, North Toronto Stamp Club and Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club.

The event was originally intended to take place during the three Wednesdays when GTAPA was not expected to meet at the VGGPRF, but an additional date had to be added due to the response from the four Clubs.

Of the 20 collectors who participated, more than half had never visited the library before. After a brief presentation on the history of the VGGPRF, visitors played 'Stump the Librarian', engaged in philatelic conversation around our famous table, looked at their stamps with Garfield Portch under the VSC6000 and enjoyed lunch on the Greene! A special treat was learning all about Foundation's Expertization Services from Expertizing Committee member, Lawrence Pinkney.

A big "Thank you!" to GTAPA Club Reps Paul Delongchamp, Mike Graf, Bruce Phillips and Ian McRuer for promoting the event at their Clubs and to the VGG for its support of yet another quirky idea hatched in the HSPL.

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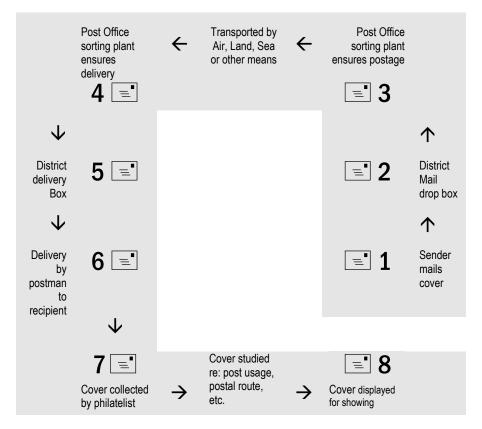
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#### Postal Cover vs Philatelic Cover

Before explaining the difference between the Postal Cover and Philatelic Cover, let's trace the actual route of a missive going through the postal system. Begin at  ${\bf 1}$  on the left hand side of the diagram.

# A Postal Cover Odyssey



#### Postal Cover (Commercial)

A postal cover that travels from point "1" to "8" through the postal system, regardless of who sends it (person, stamp collector, business or an institution), from sender to recipient, regardless of distance, has to have the proper postage rate.

#### Philatelic Cover

Some say that if a cover is sent from one collector to another through the postal system and gets cancelled as a favour, it is considered a philatelic cover.

This is true only if the postage is overpaid, normally franked with a set of stamps. This item is collected for pleasure only.

However, if a cover has been franked with proper postage rate and sent to another collector, the cover is reckoned to be a postal cover. This item is collected for pleasure and allowed to be included in philatelic competition.

Commercial cover, in my humble opinion, is a misnomer. To avoid confusion, I think it should be called "Postal Cover."

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# **Research Tips:** Number one of a series

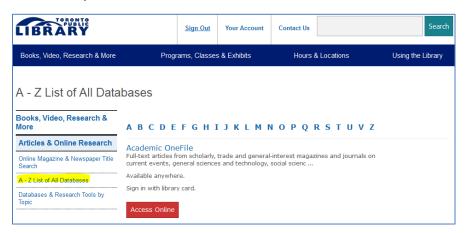
Are you the type of stamp collector who needs to know details about the people, places, events, etc. linked to your stamps? If so, you might want to know about a source of free "stuff" that will help you to "scratch that itch".

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## http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca

There are many electronic resources available. I have chosen two that I have found to be invaluable while I have been researching stamps and Canadian postal history: They are the **Globe and Mail** and the **Toronto Star.** The library website uses a powerful search engine to help you find information.

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Note: You can access many of these resources from your computer at home while others you will need to access from a computer within a library branch.

The Globe and Mail Historical Newspaper Archive contains articles and full-page reproductions of the complete newspaper from 1844 to 2012.

Here is an example of the Globe for April 11, 1849 that reported on the Great Toronto Fire of April 7, 1849.



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# Focus on Italy Ron Dell'Agnese rdellagnese@rogers.com

# Giuseppe Garibaldi

Garibaldi was an Italian patriot born in 1807 in Nice, France. He joined Mazzini's "Young Italy" movement in 1834, and was condemned to death for participating in an attempt to seize Genoa, a port in northern Italy, but he escaped to South America. He later returned to Italy, and in 1849 he joined the revolutionary government of Rome. Because of his background he was forced to leave Italy. He went to New York for a few years but returned to Italy in 1854 and became a farmer at Caprera, an island off the coast of Sicily, close to Sardinia.



During the War of Liberation in 1859, Garibaldi and about one thousand volunteers sailed from Genoa to Sicily where they assisted Mazzini and his rebels to free Sicily from Neapolitan control. They then returned to the mainland, overran southern Italy and drove out King Francis of Naples. This allowed the conquest of southern Italy to be completed by King Victor Emmanuel II. Having accomplished his goal, Garibaldi returned to Caprera and lived as an ordinary citizen till his death in 1882.

Italy has issued a number of stamps honouring Garibaldi over the years. In 1910, four stamps (two designs) showing Garibaldi, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the plebiscite of the south Italian provinces.

A set of seventeen stamps was issued in 1932 on the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Garibaldi. The set consisted of regular postage, semi-postals, air mails and special delivery stamps. Between 1957 and 2007, Italy issued seven stamps on various anniversaries, such as the birth and death of Garibaldi. Some of these are illustrated below.



A beautiful souvenir sheet of four stamps was issued in 2010 for the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the unification of Italy, showing various scenes which include Garibaldi with the red shirts and a colourful Italian flag. It is shown below.



While other countries and Italian possessions have issued stamps honouring Garibaldi, this article describes and portrays only those issued by Italy.



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# Poland Local Post 1915-1918, Lódz and Przedbórz

A previous article (Warsaw Local Post 1915-1918, Fall 2016 PhilaJournal) provided information about the reasons for the need of local post services in the German and Austrian occupied areas of the Kingdom of Poland in the 1915-1918 period. That article dealt with the payment methods used in the city of Warsaw and showed examples of that usage.

The cities of Lódz and Przedbórz also had local post delivery services that showed the payment for the service on the item being delivered.

In the city of Lódz, which was under German occupation, Local Post services were provided by the Lodzer Freiwillige Feuerwehr (the Lódz Volunteer Fire Department). Fees were collected and payment was indicated by the use of a two ring dated handstamp showing the letters L.F.F. (Lodzer Freiwillige Feuerwehr) and three stars.



Censored postcard, Nowy Sącz to Lódz

In Przedbórz, under Austrian occupation, Local Post Services were managed by the city council. I am unsure of how fees were initially collected but in late 1917 several series of adhesive stamps were prepared along with cancellation handstamps. The first issue showed an eagle and was denominated in *groszy*, while the subsequent issues depicted town scenes and were in *groszy* or *halers*. All issues came both perf and imperf.

More Local Post markings and stamps will be discussed in a future article.



Censored Warsaw to Przedbórz with four groszy stamp of the first issue





# Early Boy Scout Slogan Cancels

Boy Scout Apple Day has been around for over 80 years. The first one was held in Saint John, New Brunswick in January 1932. Many other Canadian cities followed that same year. It is well recognized by Canadians, across the country, who look forward to making a donation to Scouts Canada. In return, they receive a smile, a polished apple and a "Thank You" tag.

For three years in the late 1930's (1937, 1938 and 1939) Toronto used postal slogans to promote Apple Day, and these became Canada's first scouting cancellations:







The cancellations had similar designs, with the wording "BUY AN APPLE /date/ TO HELP THE BOYS". The different dates and the postal stations with the slogans were:

| 1937 | October 30th | TORONTO, ONT.            |
|------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 1938 | October 15th | TORONTO, ONTARIO, POSTAL |
|      |              | TERMINAL "A"             |
| 1939 | October 21st | TORONTO, ONTARIO         |
|      |              |                          |

The cancellations all had a picture of an apple with four leaves at the top, but the leaves in the 1939 design were slightly different. These slogans were used for approximately two weeks before that year's Apple Day.

The next scout slogan didn't appear until early in 1947 to support a fund raising program. The slogan read "BE – A/GOOD SCOUT/GIVE":



Since then, there have been over 50 scouting postal slogans used, plus a large number of scout-related "Brotherhood" slogan cancels. This makes collecting scout slogans challenging, but containable. So, enjoy hunting!

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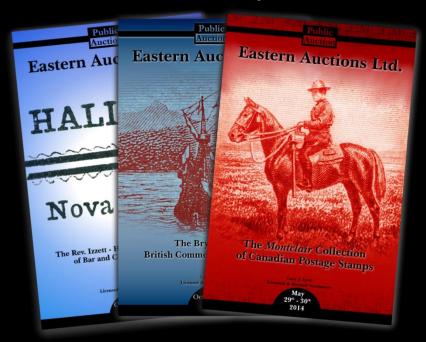
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