

# STAMPSHOW '07

By AXEL OLSSON

The Annual WPS STAMPSHOW was successfully held at the Viscount Gort Hotel on May 4 - 6 on Portage Ave this year. It took up all of the Merrie Monarch Room with the Youth Stamps Section held on the 2nd floor. There were 8 dealers plus a Canada Post bourse and some 52 frames of interesting exhibits on a variety of topics with the SHOW theme being the Centenary of Scouting 1907-2007.

It kicked off smartly at 1 o'clock with WPS STAMPSHOW Chairman host Des Connor welcoming all and introducing the National Scouting Commissioner of Canada, Mr Glenn Armstrong, who declared the Show open after a short speech. Flanking him were also honoured guests Scouts Canada Council Executive Director Gary Waycik and Scouts Canada Service Area Commissioner Mike Pabst.

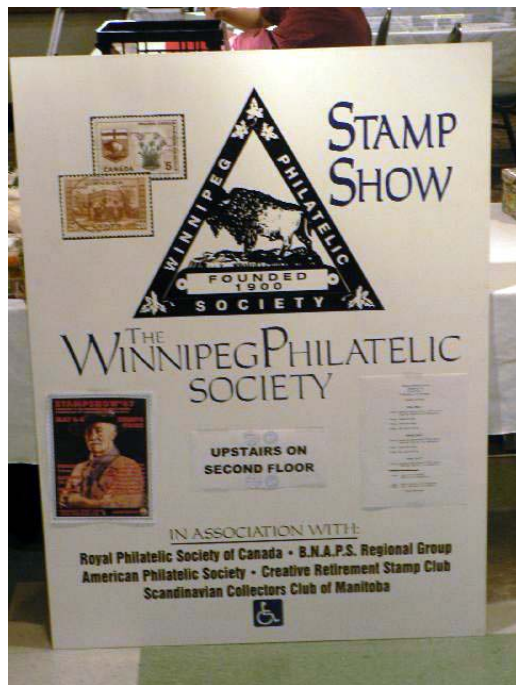
Despite the inclement weather and the introduction of an admission fee, attendance was good and a lot of interest was shown in the exhibits which included Gordon Turnbull's awesome (2000 Royale Vermeil) "Canada (Stamp) Booklet



Combinations" (1900 - 1950 complete) display, consisting of 10 frames which took almost 30 painstaking years to assemble and thoroughly research. However it was entered in the non-competitive Section because it had already won Gold. Gord will be treating us to a Talk at the first WPS Meeting in September on just this topic, and that you won't want to miss.

Gerry Kennedy's stunning 3-frame "Canada's Private Airmail" exhibit took the Vermeil (Small Gold) at the 2007 WPS STAMPSHOW but because it had won Best of Show within the last 5 years it was not eligible to the same award again. Warmest congratulations nonetheless! Such an amazing array of wonderful covers of Newfoundland and the rest of Canada, comprehensive supporting material, large multiples and excellent writing up was a joy to behold. Truly a well-deserved prize.

The Best Exhibit by a Club Member, Best Novice Exhibit and Best of Show titles all went to a marvelous 2-frame exhibit entitled "Dutch (Stamp) Booklets Since 1964" (1964 - 1999) by Pieter Farenhorst. Well done! Besides the mint booklets, there were many examples used on cover as well. The judges awarded it a Small Silver in the Adult Exhibits.



We were treated to 5 frames of "Scouting on Stamps" from many countries presented by our own member Bob Moore. Scout badges and pictures were included in the exhibit. At a separate table Bob was present throughout the Show to answer questions as a retired executive for Scouts Canada as well as a keen collector of scouts stamps. Visitors were able to get a sneak preview of the August issue of a single 52c stamp to commemorate the Centenary of Scouting in Canada: a blowup of the artist's concept (subject to change) showing 5 scouts from different age groups with extended arms to form the distinctive fleur de lis, the international scouts symbol.



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Sept. 20	- Business Meeting - Presentation
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Oct. 18	- Business Meeting - Presentation
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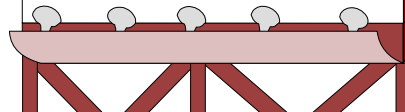
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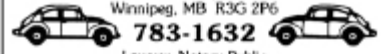
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# STAMPSHOW '07

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Daryl Lein's (Frames 40-41) "Space Race : From the Earth to the Moon" likewise won a Small Silver. Nice going!

One page award winners at the 2006-07 TORONTO STAMPEX from both the Winnipeg Philatelic Society and the Scandinavian



Collectors Club were side by side in Frames 7 & 8, providing a variety of fascinating subjects. We have our Club Historian Des Connor to thank for the interesting frame that illustrated the history of the different locations where the WPS held its

Meetings over the years.

A big hand to Don Fraser for presenting 4 different frames of choice material : "Pre-1900 Fancy (Cork) Cancellations of Manitoba"(very strong on covers both domestic and foreign, a few registered),"Pre-printed Postbands & Wrappers of



Canada"(including varieties and errors on early issues),"Railway Pictorial Postcards and Money Order Pictorial Cards"(QV to KGV period) and "Philatelic Display for Remembrance Day"(in Canada, US, Europe and Australia for WWI-WWII).

Warmest thanks to George Apps for his support for STAMPSHOW '07 with also 4 entries: "First Flight Covers","Canada: A Nation's History



Through Its Philately","Stamp Collecting - How to Get Started"(covering many different aspects of the hobby),and "Welcome to Stampzoo"(that included insects & animals). Gerry Babij showed a topical exhibit taking 2 frames on nothing but "Mushrooms" stamps.



John Salmi's "Finnish Railway Post Offices" (with clear photocopies of the postmarks) and "Finnish Charities and Christmas Seals" were well-received while David Whiteley's



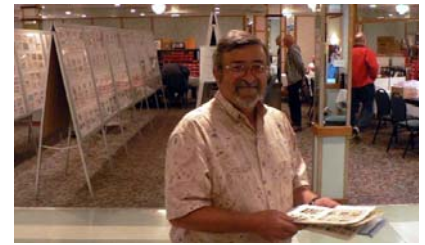
"Canada - Overseas Air Mail 1929 - 1945"(excluding US and Mexico) was very well-written up and illustrated showing the various FAM routes and rates, registration

use, censor markings, postage dues, and arrival markings, etc.

Our hat's off to staunch WPS supporter Mike Goodman who despite being in poor health, did put together a very good exhibit on the "Canada Post Issues of 2006" to fill 3 frames, the cost of mint stamps alone must have set him back a cool \$170 easily, with booklets, coils, FDCs and souvenir sheets as well as stamps. Every page was well-presented and neatly written-up but the exhibit was non-competitive. Mike was on his feet at the SHOW every single day it was open : visiting dealers,



savouring the exhibits and chatting with everyone since he hadn't been able to come to the regular WPS gatherings for a few months. We wish him a speedy recovery. The coffee hasn't tasted the same at the Meetings since.



Everyone was also thrilled to see our former WPS 1st VP Gloria Vacola at the STAMPSHOW on the first day. We had also missed having her around for several months but are glad she's so much better. You could tell she missed seeing everyone too. I'm personally mystified about how the STAMPSHOW '07 organizing

committee managed without her. There were a total of 6 Youth Exhibits at STAMPSHOW '07 : Dayvia Dueck (age 8) showed "Birds" and "Faces", winning a Bronze for each; Thirteen-year old Jun Li got a Silver for "Animals(on stamps)From Around The World". Alexander

Cumming (age 14) clinched a Gold for his "Progression of Land Transportation"( horse-drawn to internal combustion), as did Matthew Sigurdson (age 16) for his "Canadian FDCs".



But the Best Youth Exhibit and a Gold went to the Maple Leaf School Stamp Club for Frame 48: "Boy and Girl Scouts and Scouting on Worldwide Stamps" Congratulations to all concerned.

Dealers at the STAMPSHOW were : Dave Riddle (Coins); Ihor;

Terry Shestko (TWS Stamp House); Mirko Zatka Philatelic Ltd; Rick Penko; SAFE Stamp Supplies; R.D. Miner; and Al Wingate Most were generally pleased with business in spite of the weather.



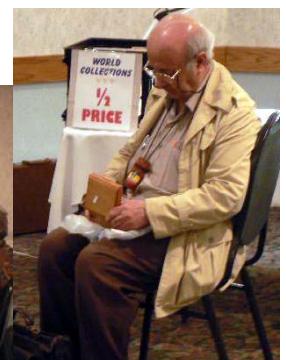
A poll was taken in which visitors were asked to vote for the exhibits they liked best and according to Robert Zacharias 7 exhibits were named with

the most popular one to be awarded a "wonderful prize" from Canada Post.

WPS President Bob Stanley publicly thanked everyone who contributed to the success of STAMPSHOW '07, especially those who volunteered their time and



effort helping to set up and take down the frames, as well as do security duty and sell exhibition covers.





# BUFFALO CHIPS

BY ALF BROOKS



## SEAWAY INVERT

Many of you know the Manitoba connection: a woman in Winnipeg who noticed something unusual, the centre of the stamp inverted. Described by Sothebys as "an icon of Canadian philately," a mint block of four sold in May for £21 850 (19 000 plus 15% buyer's fee) - about \$48 000 at the current exchange rate. A vertical pair sold for £8 625. Both lots sold below the pre-sale estimated price. They were part of the collection of the late Sir Gawaine Baillie, an eccentric British aristocrat and 1960s motor sports celebrity who amassed one of the world's most valuable stamp collections before his death in 2003.



## THE VICTORIA CROSS

Designated simply "For Valour," the award was instituted in 1856. Queen Victoria conferred the first awards in person, to 62 veterans of the Crimean War, at an investiture in Hyde Park in 1857.

To mark this anniversary, and the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Falkland's war, the Falkland Islands have issued a miniature sheet picturing the two British soldiers, Sergeant Ian McKay and Lieutenant Colonel H. Jones, who were both awarded posthumous VC's for their actions during the war.



## NO COUNTRY NAME

You know that Great Britain is the only country allowed by United Postal Union rules to not have their name on postage stamps; that's how they did it first, in 1840, all others following must identify the country.

Some years ago the USA neglected to print their country name on a five cent Flag and White House definitive; they were told not to do it again.

Since then, a 2004 U.P.U. convention held in Romania, relaxed the regulation. Any countries which has a definable symbol or icon that uniquely identifies that country is now permitted.



## FORTY YEARS OF MACHINS

Royal Mail describes the Machin definitive stamp design as "a British icon and a true design, a classic. The Machin Definitive is one of the most reproduced pieces of art in the world, ... instantly recognizable - a real miniature masterpiece." This year marks the fortieth anniversary of Machins, to be marked by the release of a miniature sheet picturing Arnold Machin, the first stamp in the series and two modern stamps.



## JAMESTOWN ANNIVERSARY

USPS issued a new stamp on 11 May to mark the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown in Virginia, widely recognized as the first permanent English settlement in America.

English colonists arrived in 1607 and the stamp depicts a Griffith Baily Coale painting illustrating the three ships in which the settlers sailed from England - *Susan Constant*, *Godspeed*, and *Discover*. The stamp is shaped like a triangle in honour of the first fort built by the settlers, which was also triangular.



## ROYAL MAIL 2008 ISSUE PROGRAM

- January:** James Bond - Centenary of Birth of Ian Fleming
- February:** Working Dogs - Centenary of first police dogs in UK - Europa issue
  - The Houses of Lancaster and York - Commencing a new series: 'Kings & Queens'
- March:** SOS Rescue at Sea - Centenary of the adoption of SOS as the signal for distress at sea
  - Celebrating Northern Ireland - Continuing the series The Four Countries of the UK
- April:** Insects - 'Action for Species'
- May:** Cathedrals - 300th anniversary of completion of St Paul's Cathedral
- June:** Classic Film - Film anniversaries
- July:** Air Shows - Centenary of first powered flight in UK
- August:** Olympics - 2008 Beijing Olympics
- September:** RAF Uniforms - Continuing the series Uniforms of the Military
  - Country Definitives - 50th anniversary
- October:** Women of Achievement - 150th anniversary of birth of Emmeline Pankhurst
- November:** Christmas
  - Lest We Forget - 90th anniversary of end of the First World War

## EDITOR NOTES BY ALF BROOKS

### THE PAST

*Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose.*

The Scottish National Party is alive and well today, as it was in 1932 when the following appeared in an English philatelic publication:

The Scottish Nationalist Party is demanding Scottish stamps and a distinguished friend of the movement has drawn up the following schedule:

- ½d King Bruce & the Spider
- 1d Gathering of the Clan Usquebaugh
- 1½d John Knox broadcasting from Glasgow
- 2d Haggis tending its young
- 3d Darnley stabbing Rizzio
- 4d Rizzio stabbing Darnley
- 5d Pibroch emerging from its lair
- 6d John Knox eschewing golf
- 7d Gathering of the Clan Hogmannay
- 9d Flora MacDonald signing autographs for Americans
- 10d The boy Barrie setting Southwards with a lump in his throat
- 1s Robbie Burns eschewing tea

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### STAMP SHOW COMMENTS (BY ROBERT ZACHARIAS)

There were only three competitive exhibits, and two of them were from Thunder Bay. Please consider putting an exhibit into the show next year. There is help available for anyone who would like some guidance. You have almost a whole year to get one ready.

There was one walk through of the exhibit area on Saturday afternoon. It took about an hour, and was very well received, with about fifteen people participating at various times. More are planned for next year, at least one per day.

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### THE BUFFALO BY EMAIL: YOUR ADDRESS TO JUDY L., PLEASE!

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### THE FUTURE

Once again this year it has been my pleasure to be principal editor of *The Buffalo*. Thanks to those who have contributed articles and ideas. I continue to believe that each member of WPS has an article to write, to share your knowledge, often unique, of our hobby. What if each of us submitted something, however brief, once a year? Many of you have told me in the past that you cannot write. That is no problem; an editor edits, revises. There is philatelic knowledge out there, let's share it. I ask that you submit your ideas and articles to Axel Olsson as he takes charge for the 2007-08 editions. Remember, it is your publication, not only his. And this time, as *The Buffalo* editor, it is *adieu*, not *au revoir*. *Vraiment!*

# THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

BY BOB STANLEY

I've written thank you three times just in case you've missed the first two. This is, of course, in gratitude for the hard work from all the volunteers at our annual Stamp Show, without whose time and effort the show could not go on. In the past, I've thanked every one individually but, for a variety of reasons, my own procrastination in getting this into the last Buffalo of the year being foremost, a blanket word of appreciation will have to do.

I wish also to thank the Show Committee headed up by Des Connor for carrying through the planning and execution of the show. They may make it look easy, but try it sometime; please. This was Des's last year as Show Committee Chairman and Vice-President, and although his work over the past years goes unremunerated, it certainly does not go unappreciated. Thankfully he'll remain on as club historian.

In all aspects of the running of the club, Robert and Michael Zacharias played a very large role. Without their continuing efforts, year after year, we'd have to convince three or four other members to take up their jobs.

Each and every member of the Executive works at multiple tasks to ensure that our meetings, auctions and show all are successful. Every member of the Executive is on the Show Committee for example.

Try to imagine the effort it takes each meeting to present the circuit books to you and, behind the scenes, to keep track of stamps and payments, not to mention being responsible for bringing them on each meeting date. If you can find the time, thank them personally. Remember that they're working on your behalf and that your only responsibility in this exchange is to enjoy what's laid out before you. Len, Forbes and Gerry all deserve a round of applause. Rick Penko, despite being national President of the R.P.S.C. also still finds time to produce the Buffalo, as well as design and produce our show covers and stamps. I expect that he'll probably have to resign as President of



the Royal if he finds he hasn't enough time for all his tasks.

Don Fraser and Judy Lipsey also do more than their share. John Salmi, as well as being President of the Scandinavian Collectors' Club and editor of their bulletin, helps out on the Show Committee, and Al Wingate, our incoming Vice-President, is taking on the mantle of Chairman for our shows. Wish them well when you have the chance. I haven't forgotten Ralph Huuk who after more than half a century in the club still enjoys the meetings and in turn is enjoyed by the other members for his wit as well as his dedication to handling the draws.

This past year *The Buffalo* was edited by Alf Brooks who stood in when we were without an editor and in danger of not having a publication at all. Thanks Alf, you did a good job. Axel Olsson will take over next year. He's not a stranger to the position since he has edited the *Hong Kong Bulletin* in past years and I'm certain he'll do well.

Our auctioneers, Ken, Sid and Rick, make our auctions into enjoyable evenings and that despite their amateur qualifications as comedians.

Thank you all.

I'll be turning over the Presidency to Russ Thompson in October. I'm certain he'll do an admirable job. I want to thank everyone for their support over the last four years and have to say that I enjoyed presiding over the meetings even with Ken brow-beating me at every chance. Four years is a long time to see the same old face at the front of the room so it's a good idea that I fade into the netherworld of past-presidents and Russ has the chance to present us with a new face and new ideas. I'm looking forward to the coming stamp year in our new venue at the Scandinavian Club as well. It'll be a totally different view from the back of the room.

- Bob Stanley





Dear Phil,  
Why are stamp collectors made fun of? I am a great admirer of the comic strip "Peanuts," a creation of the late Charles Schulz. However, because of a strip that I saw recently, now I am not so sure.

Charlie Brown and his sister Sally are talking:

Sally: "Instead of going to summer

camp, I've decided to stay home and work on my stamp collection."

Charlie Brown: "You don't have a stamp collection."

Sally: "That's a relief!"

Why do people enjoy making fun of us?

- Perplexed



Dear Perplexed,

Envy? Because we know something they don't know?

- Phil

## MINUTES OF THE WINNIPEG PHILATELIC SOCIETY MAY 03, 2007

BY JUDY LIPSEY

- Bob Stanley called the meeting to order at 7:52.
- New member: Knud Rasmussen; visitors, Mrs. Bert Brady, Lorne Mokolkie.
- Michael Zacharias read the thank you card that was sent to the club by Mrs. Ted Mayo.
- Rick Penko mentioned that the Red River Bourse would be taking place on Sunday, May 13, mother's day, at the Best Western Charter House Hotel, 9-4.
- Robert Zacharias gave a door prize to winner Lorne M. An exhibition frame has been sponsored in the memory of Ted Mayo.
- Gerry Babij and Len Kruczynski announced that all circuit books must be returned by the last meeting in May. They will then do the accounts and pay out people on June 7.
- Bill Pooley said that the Thistle Seniors Lawn Bowling Club meets on Mon., Wed., Fri., 6.45-8.30, at the Cindy Klassen Complex.
- Ken Krysanson announced that the Red River Bourse has donated \$100.00 to the success of the show. Rick Penko and Robin Harris were on CJOB on Wednesday night and did a great job.
- Bob Stanley reminded members to give Judy Lipsey their e-mail addresses if you haven't already. An e-mail can be sent to her at lipseyj@oclc.org.
- The last meeting of the year, on June 7 will be held at the Scandinavian Centre, 764 Erin.
- Draw: Stefan Luhowy, Al Wingate, Bill Voort, Sid Kroker.
- Adj. 8:15

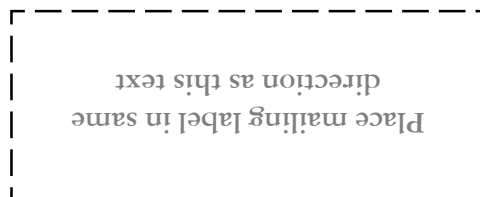


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## MINUTES OF THE WINNIPEG PHILATELIC SOCIETY MAY 17, 2007

BY JUDY LIPSEY

- Bob Stanley called the meeting to order at 7:55.
- Visitors: Amanda Bahuaud, David Shefford.
- Welcome to the last meeting at the Deaf Centre. The next meeting, June 7, will be an auction at the Scandinavian Cultural Centre. We will also have a clothesline exhibit, so if you have one item that you would like to exhibit, please bring it.
- Sid Kroker donated a postcard to the club. It is dated 1900 and has information about a stamp meeting being held that month. It is signed by E.B. Blakely who became the first president of the WPS. The Red River Bourse will take place at the Best Western Charterhouse Hotel on June 10. 9-4.
- Robert Zacharias held a draw for the prize given for most popular exhibit at the show. Gerald Kennedy won.
- Beginning in September, the Buffalo will be available on the internet. Please give your e-mail address to Judy, if you have not already done so (or e-mail her at lipseyj@oclc.org) There will be a draw of all e-mail addresses given (Dec.)
- Bob S, announced that he had a number of old auction catalogues that anyone can have. They have valuable information for anyone wanting to go through them.
- Tonight's presentation will be on the Faroe Islands., 1890-1940.
- Adj. 8:15.



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