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just 4½ pounds. It is easily recognized by the presence of each thigh of a horny tubercle or spur, hence its name.

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Among land tortoises, the Aldabra Turtle (Testudo gigantea) is quite large. They are to be found inhabiting the Sey-

chelles and the Aldabras in the Indian Ocean. They are similar to the other giant tortoises, the Galapagos Turtles (Testudo elephantopus). Readers interested in the new Maldives Turtles stamp series can contact a stamp dealer or write to the Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation, 460 W. 34th St., New York, NY 10001.

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Maldives Turtles Salute World Wildlife Fund

The postal officials of the Maldives, a former British protectorate situated in the Indian Ocean, will release sometime in September a single 12 stamps and a single souvenir sheet designed by Dennis Burkhardt that pay tribute to Turtles of the World. One species, the Hawksbill Turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata) is depicted on four 10 rufiyas stamps. It is the latest Maldives philatelic salute to the World Wildlife Fund. Each of the four stamps depicts the panda, the logo of the World Wildlife Fund.

Eight other species of turtles appears in a sheetlet of eight horizontal 3 rufiyas stamps and are identified by their common English names - the Spur-thighed Tortoise, the Aldabra Turtle, the Loggerhead Turtle, the Olive Ridley, the Leatherback Turtle, the Green Turtle, the Atlantic Ridley and the Hawksbill Turtle. A second version of the Green Turtle (Chelonia mydas) appears on the 25 rufiyas souvenir sheet.

There are between a maximum shell length of just under three feet and can be spotted in all tropical seas. The diet of the Hawksbill Turtle is that of stinging jellyfish. Like all sea turtles, the male and female Hawksbill mate at sea. However, the pregnant female swims ashore in order to lay her eggs on land. Utilizing her strong hind flippers, the Hawksbill Turtle deposits from 50 to 200 white eggs. The mother turtle then attempts to hide the eggs from possible predators by covering it with sand. A couple of months later, the warm rays of the sun help to hatch the eggs, thus initiating a desperate struggle by the baby turtles to dash into the safety of the ocean. But dogs, sea gulls and other enemies destroy most of the newborn Hawksbill Turtles, allowing less than one in a hundred of the baby turtles to survive and swim away from the beach. Along with the Hawksbill are other True Sea Turtles that only come ashore in order to deposit their eggs. The Green Turtle (Chelonia mydas)

may require as much as 30 years from the time it hatched until it reaches sexual maturity. In its first year, when still quite tiny, the small Green Turtles hide from possible predators inside large masses of floating seaweed. As they grow bigger, these Green Turtles tend to swim closer to shore in order to feast on certain types of grasses such as eelgrass.

The Leatherback Turtle (Dermochelys coriacea) is unfortunately like other sea turtles endangered because of the loss of many of its eggs onshore by predators. Some Leatherbacks have been known to grow to a length of 7½ feet and a weight of approximately 1,200 pounds.

The Loggerhead Turtle (Caretta caretta) has a larger head than the Green Turtle and is known to travel much further north and south of the tropics, once nesting as far north as Virginia. The smallest of all the sea turtles is the Atlantic Ridley (Lepidochelys kempfi) which grows to a shell length of just two

feet.

One of the land tortoises is the Spur-thighed Tortoise (Testudo graeca). It is one of the

The latest release from the Maldives honor endangered turtles of the world.

smallest of all turtles, measuring no more than 12 inches and weighing

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Stamps show many species of sea turtles

Seven species of sea turtles live in temperate and tropical oceans around the world. They are all threatened or endangered species, primarily

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due to over-harvesting of both eggs and adult turtles, loss of nesting habitat and entrapment in nets and trawls.

Every sea turtle begins its

instinctive digging behavior of the hatchlings gradually lifts them to the surface. There they wait until sand-cooling darkness falls before rapidly erupting from the nest and scrambling to the ocean, which they can detect by wavelengths of light even if they cannot see the water.

The emergence of the sea turtle hatchlings is shown on Seychelles Scott 638 and 639 (Figure 1), a pair of stamps from a strip of four issued in 1985.

Most of the males will never again return to land. The females will only return

It is believed that the young turtles then spend several years feeding in seaweed mats found in current convergence zones before most species migrate back to inshore areas to spend the remainder of their lives.

It is not known for certain how long it takes for sea turtles to reach maturity, but it is estimated at from 20 to 60 years, depending on the species and environmental considerations. Only 1 in 10,000 hatchlings survive to adulthood.

When the time comes for the adult turtle to lay her eggs, she returns to her natal beach area, diggers just offshore until darkness falls, then slowly and ponderously drags herself out of the water and up the beach.

Dominica Scott 1551 shows how she then excavates a nest chamber with her hind flippers and deposits her eggs.

Afterward, she covers her nest with sand, flings sand all around to conceal her work, and, exhausted, drags herself back to the ocean until next time.

She never sees her offspring, the nest is on its own, and the cycle begins anew.

Sea turtles are found on 613 postage stamps from 121 countries, and are the main subject on 364 of those stamps, many of which depict very accurate renditions of the different species, as well as illustrating some of their behavior.

The entire life cycle of the sea turtle is depicted on Palau Scott 383, a souvenir sheet of six sea-tenant stamps issued Nov. 15, 1995.

The first stamps to feature sea turtles were issued by the Cayman Islands on Dec. 5, 1932 (Scott 69-80). The 6-penny value from the set, Scott 76, is in Figure 2.

The Caymans have also issued the most stamps depicting turtles, 76 total, though 23 of these stamps show a stylized turtle in the national coat of arms. Often the turtle is barely visible to the unaided eye, though it is more clearly visible on Cayman Islands Scott 461.

Four different species of sea turtle are shown on four stamps in Figure 3.

The green turtle, *Chelonia mydas*, is shown at top left on a \$1 stamp from Tokelau, Scott 219.

The green turtle is depicted on the greatest number of stamps, 167 at the time of this writing, from 67 countries. This vegetarian turtle gets its name from the color of its body fat, and has historically been the most common species harvested for food.

At top right is the hawksbill turtle, *Eretmochelys imbricata*, on Ryukyu Islands Scott 137. The hawksbill appears on 144 stamps from 57 countries. It is distinguishable from other sea turtles in that its carapace (upper shell) has serrated edges, its scutes (shell plates) overlap like

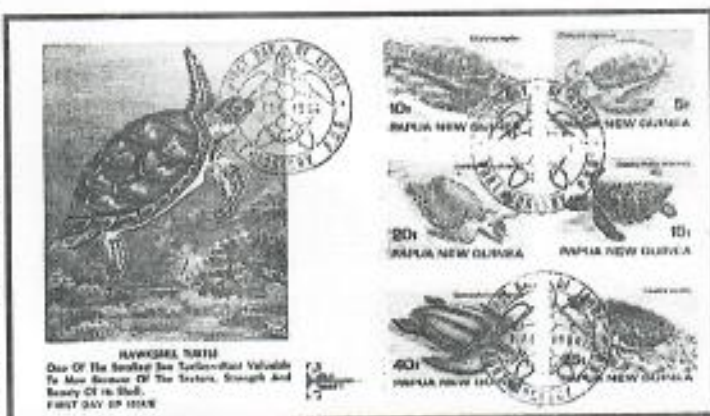


Figure 4. Sea turtles appear on cachet, cancel and stamps on this 1984 first-day cover from Papua New Guinea. The 5-toea stamp at upper right shows the flatback turtle.

shingles, and its head elongates into a beaklike mouth, hence its common name.

Hawksbill turtles have been harvested primarily for their shell, as their scutes can be worked into beautiful jewelry and other decorative items. Human desire for this "tortoise shell" continues to decimate worldwide populations of this species.

The leatherback turtle, *Dermochelys coriacea*, is featured on 64 stamps from 34 countries. This large black turtle is easy to identify: it has a ridged, leathery carapace, clearly visible on Trinidad and Tobago Scott 580, shown at lower left in Figure 3.

Leatherbacks can tolerate colder waters than can the other species, and they spend virtually all their lives in the open ocean, returning to inshore areas only to nest. As their body temperature can be maintained higher than that of the surrounding water, leatherbacks are thought to be the only reptile that can be considered warm-blooded.

The leatherback's diet consists almost exclusively of jellyfish, which has made it vulnerable to intestinal obstruction by jellyfishlike plastic bags, resulting in slow death by starvation.

The loggerhead turtle, *Caretta caretta*, is shown on 55 stamps from 40 countries. At lower right in Figure 3 is Scott 1474 from Yugoslavia, issued in 1980 as part of a four-stamp set showing various sea creatures.

The loggerhead is always reddish-brown in color and is distinguished by its large head.

Loggerheads are the most

common sea turtles found nesting in the southeastern United States. Communities in this area have endeavored to make the loggerhead's traditional nesting beaches more hospitable to them by reducing the amount and type of light visible on the beach at night during nesting season. Artificial light discourages many adult turtles from emerging onto the beach at all, and disorients hatchlings, preventing them from reaching the ocean.

Other sea turtle species depicted on stamps include the olive ridley, *Lepidochelys olivacea*, a relatively small, gray-colored turtle found on 19 stamps from 15 countries.

This species often nests in arribadas (Spanish for arrivals), large simultaneous nesting congregations. On some beaches around the world, thousands of olive ridleys suddenly emerge in waves over a period of three or four days, nest simultaneously, then disappear. No one knows for certain what brings the animals together, or where they go once they disperse.

The Kemp's ridley, *Lepidochelys kempi*, is found exclusively in the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and along the eastern coast of the United States, as far north as Long Island Sound. It closely resembles the olive ridley, and also nests in arribadas.

Dominica Scott 1550 is one of six stamps from five countries depicting this species.

Kemp's ridley is the most seriously endangered of all sea turtles, as both its range and its primary diet of crusta-

ceans puts it right in the path of shrimp trawls, where it is often trapped in the net and drowned.

Laws have recently been enacted by Congress compelling logging trawl nets to include tur-



Figure 6. A legend from the Marshall Islands, "Lijebake Rescues her Granddaughter," is depicted on Scott 596b, from a block of four stamps issued in 1995.



Figure 7. A sea turtle appears on Kiribati Scott 437, a 1984 stamp that shows the Nikumaroro atoll.

tle excluder devices, or trawling efficiency devices (called "TEDs" for short), which enable sea turtles and other large nontarget objects like rocks and cannonball jellyfish to escape the trawl, while permitting shrimp to continue into the purse section of the net for harvest.

This and other conservation efforts have resulted in a modest increase in the number of Kemp's ridley's seen on their only nesting beach in northeastern Mexico.

The flatback turtle, *Natuna depressus* (formerly *Chelonia depressa*) is pictured on 10 stamps and overprints from three countries. It is found only in the waters of northern Australia and Papua New Guinea. The flatback resembles the ridley turtles, but its carapace is flatter, with upturned edges.

Figure 4 shows a first-day cover from Papua New Guinea for the set of six sea turtle



Figure 1. Hatching sea turtles emerge from their nest and run to the sea on Seychelles Scott 638 and 639.

life in a soft-shelled egg about 2 feet below the sands of a temperate or tropical beach, where it incubates along with its 80-150 siblings for approximately six weeks.

The hatchlings' sex is determined by the average temperature of the nest. If it has been consistently warmer than 83 degrees Fahrenheit, most will be female; if cooler, most will be male.

Most of the eggs in the nest hatch together, and the

many years later, probably to the very same beach, to lay eggs of their own.

Once in the water, the hatchlings instinctively head directly into the waves to get themselves far off shore as quickly as possible. Evidence suggests that an ability to detect magnetic fields permits them to turn toward warmer waters if currents try to carry them farther north or south than about 30 degrees latitude.



Figure 2. Green and hawksbill turtles flank the denomination on Cayman Islands Scott 76, from the first set of stamps to show sea turtles (issued Dec. 5, 1932).



Figure 3. Four varieties of sea turtles shown on stamps from four countries: the green turtle on Tokelau Scott 219, the hawksbill turtle on Ryukyu Islands Scott 137, the leatherback turtle on Trinidad and Tobago Scott 580, and the loggerhead turtle on Yugoslavia Scott 1474.



Figure 5. Along with a picture of a sea turtle on its cover, this 1995 booklet from Malaysia includes five copies each of Scott 562 and 563 depicting two different sea turtles.

stamps issued Feb. 8, 1984. The flatback is shown on Scott 592, the 5-toea stamp in the upper-right corner of the cover.

To commemorate the issue of their sea turtle stamps, several countries have sold them in decorative booklets, including the 1995 issue from Malaysia in Figure 5, which contains five copies each of Scott 562 and 563. A sea turtle is also featured as the central design of the first-day cover for that issue.

On Oct. 3, 1995, Australia issued a souvenir sheet titled "The World Down Under" (Scott 1465), which contains a stamp of a flatback hatchling. This colorful item has an embossed texture and is luminescent. Shining an ultraviolet light on the sheet causes portions of the design to glow slightly when the light source is removed.

Sea turtles are found on stamps in sea-tenant reef scenes, as cartoons, and in the background or border of tropical scenes. Marshall Islands Scott 596b (Figure 6) shows a sea turtle as part of an island legend.

Collectors of prehistoric animals on stamps will find the large extinct sea turtles ichthyos and protostega on 10 stamps from eight countries.

A few years ago news reports announced that parts of Amelia Earhart's plane may have been found on Nikumaroro atoll in the central Pacific. Collectors of maps on stamps may have recognized that location, as Kir-

bati Scott 437 (Figure 7) shows a map of Nikumaroro, along with a drawing of a hawksbill turtle.

Three countries have issued sea turtle stamps in unusual shapes. Cayman Islands has three diamond-shaped stamps (Scott 284-86), Ascension has three triangular stamps (Scott 170-72), and Tonga has three arrowhead-shaped self-adhesive stamps (Scott 446, C251 and C0152).

Stamp collectors with access to the Internet's World Wide Web can find additional information about all known sea turtle stamps, as well as scanned pictures of nearly 400 of them, at

www.wired2.net/linnsley/ a website dedicated to "Sea Turtle Postage Stamps of the World."

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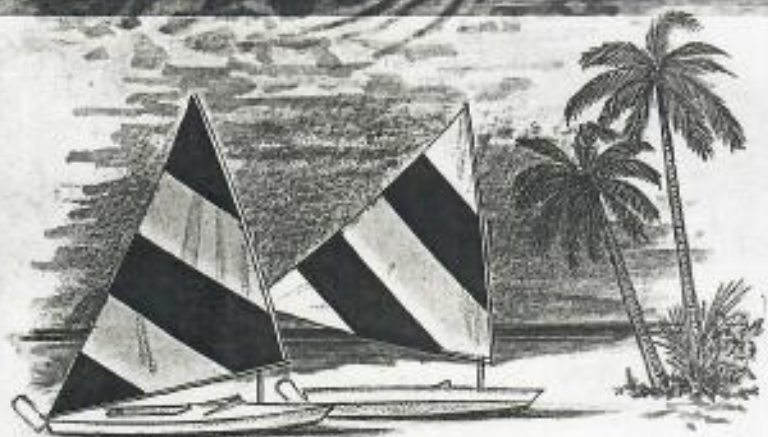
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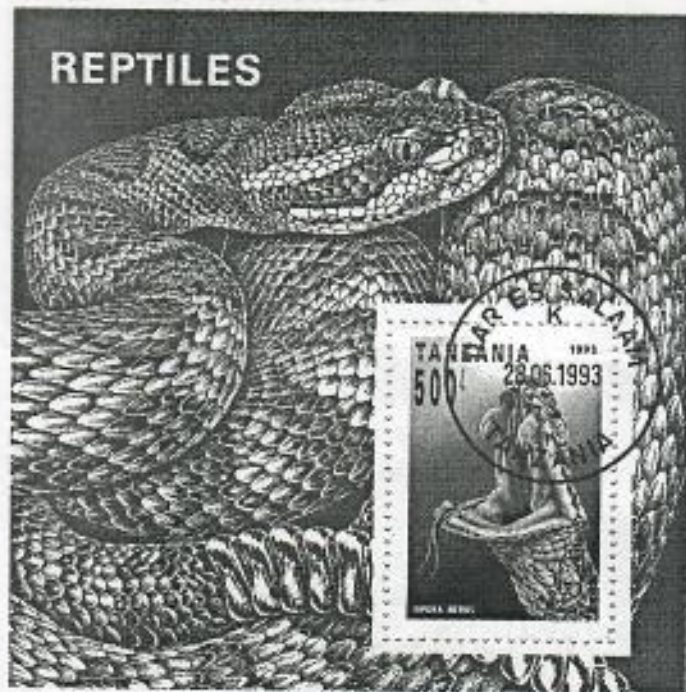
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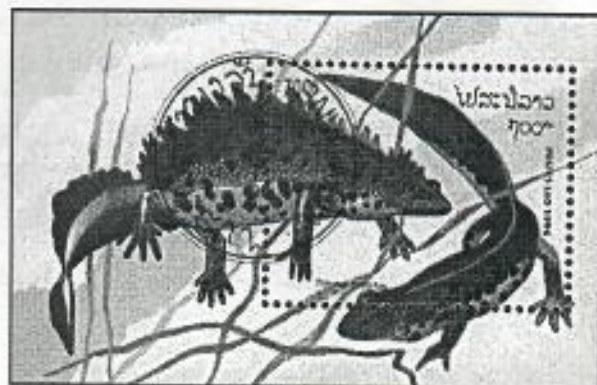
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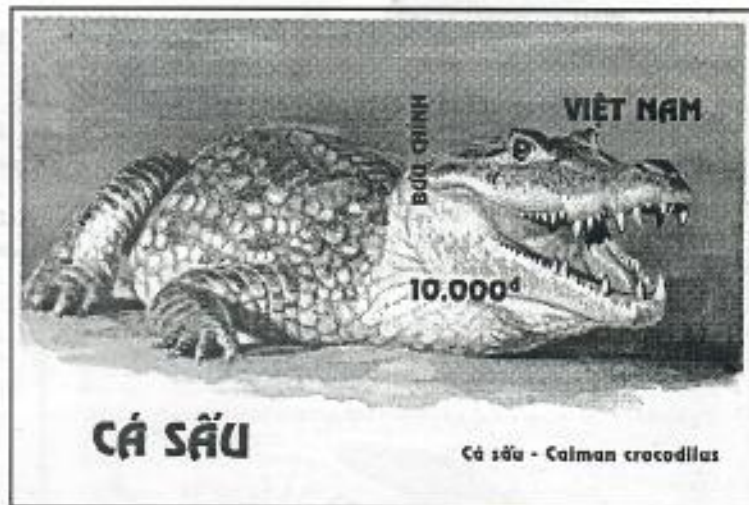


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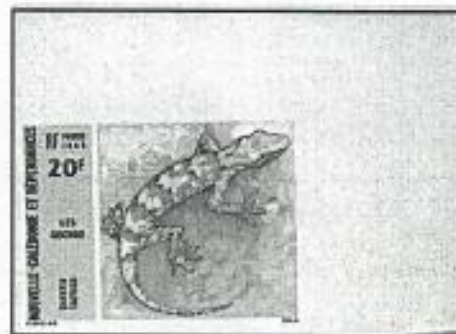


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DUBBO PROMOTIONAL STAMPS

DUBPS 1. AUSTRALIA 12, 1994 Dubbo Promotional Stamps. A set of 12 different brightly coloured Poster Stamps produced to promote Dubbo, all with humorous cartoon designs gently "sending up" various aspects of life in this famous N.S.W. philatelic town. Printed in blocks of 12 with the very colourful designs set-ment, illustration reduced slightly from actual size. Cpl MUH.....\$4

NOTE: One stamp contains a spelling error "Goal" for "Gaul".

INTERESTING & UNUSUAL CINDERELLAS



BORNEO RED CROSS

NBRX 1. NORTH BORNEO 7, 1918 Red Cross. For a long time this old World War I surcharged Red Cross series was boycotted by catalogues as a Cinderella, but it has now achieved respectability and Catalogue status (an ex-Cinderella!) A very attractive and difficult to locate series showing Peacock, Rhino, Elephant and other exotic animals plus Borneo scenes. Nice MUH set which has a war related theme (Red Cross) \$8



SARK SHIPPING CO

SRKSC 1. ISLE OF SARK 5, 1980 Carriage Paid parcel labels issued by the Isle of Sark Shipping Company for use on packets and parcels carried on its service. Very attractive pictorials showing Company Route Map, Jetty Scene, Ferry, Lighthouse, Harbour, Company Flag, etc. Cpl MUH \$4

SRKSC 1a. We have a small quantity of these stamps issued in miniature sheet form comprising the five stamps plus a tab of the Company Flag. MUH \$4

SRKSC XX. Combination offer of the set of five stamps plus the miniature sheet \$7



N.Z. TRAINING STAMPS

NZPOTR 1. NEW ZEALAND 2, 1982 Post Office training stamps for use in postal training exercises. 5c Carnation stamp and 20c Citrus fruit stamp with wide black vertical bars to render them invalid for postage. These issues are not supposed to be distributed outside training schools but inevitably a few slip through the net. They are quite scarce. MUH \$3
NZPOTR 1a. We can supply a few blocks of four of these \$12



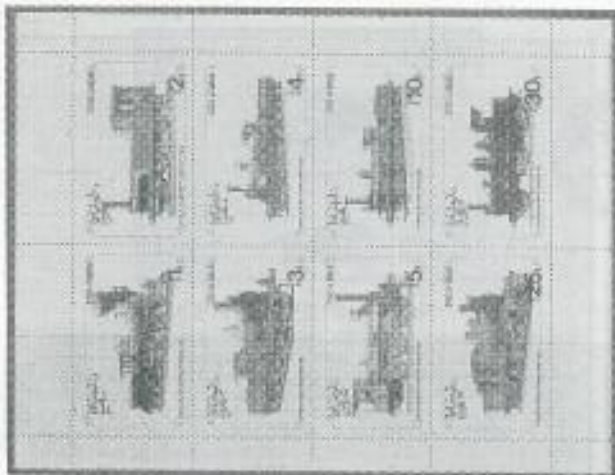
BORNEO SPELLING ERROR

BNWS 1. NORTH BORNEO 1950 spelling error. In 1950 North Borneo issued a definitive pictorial series. The 50c red stamp featured a Watch Tower at JESSELTON but incorrectly spelled the name JESSLETON. This stamp was hastily withdrawn and a new stamp was issued with the correct spelling (SG366 and 366a). An interesting and elusive old spelling error stamp. Both types MUH (2) \$6



STEEP HOLM BUTTERFLIES

STHLM 1. STEEP HOLM 4, 1981 Butterflies. This is a scarce Local Post issue from Steep Holm, an island located in the Bristol Channel. It was issued for the International Year of the Butterfly and was designed by the noted British artist, Gordon Beningfield, for the Kenneth Allsop Memorial Trust which runs the small island and operates the Local Post to the mainland. Produced in se-tenant blocks of four. Cpl MUH \$15



OMAN STEAM ENGINES

OMRL 1. OMAN. Very attractive sheet of eight different stamps featuring old time steam engines. The series was issued by Oman back in the 1970's and remains boycotted by Gibbons. An attractive Cinderella and a bit unusual in that it is available in mint condition (most Oman stamps of this period are CTO). Illustration is half actual size\$4



MARKET REVENUES

PHMR 1. PHILIPPINES. Set of nine different Market Day Revenue stamps issued by the Republic of Philippines with same basic design of a crowded Market Place but in different colours and denominations ranging from 5c to 1p. They had to be stamped on back by the Municipal Authority where the market was held to be valid. Some of these have the correct backstamps (rubber stamps) some have handwritten scrawls whilst others are untouched. Very unusual lot\$8



MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY & PITCAIRN ISLAND

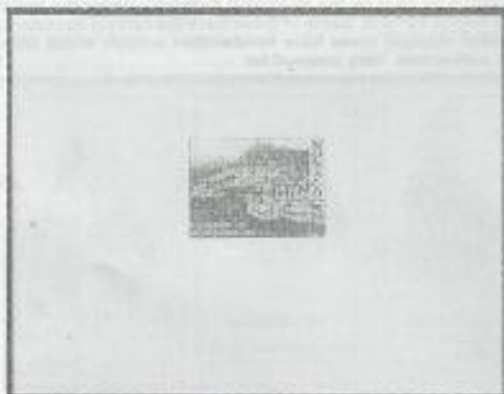
PITMB 1. PITCAIRN ISLAND. Set of 12 attractive Poster Stamps based on old hand-coloured engravings of people and places associated with the Mutiny on the H.M.S. Bounty and Pitcairn Island. Included are Captain Bligh (and his Gourd and Book), John Adams (the last surviving mutineer after the early Pitcairn massacres), his daughter Hannah Young, Thursday October Christian (the first child born on Pitcairn Island, son of Fletcher Christian, the leader of the Bounty Mutiny), and the remarkable George Hunn Hobbs, illegitimate son of the Marquis of Hastings, a privateer and adventurer (and conman), who imposed himself on the Pitcairn community in 1829 and became their Anglican Pastor for the next 55 years! Also shown are views of Pitcairn, including Bounty Bay, Adams' house and grave, the Church and School and a view of Norfolk Island in 1856 when the Pitcairners were transferred there. An attractive and historical set printed in colour in a format of se-tenant blocks of 12. The illustration above is reduced slightly from actual size of the stamps. MUH\$6

PHILATELIC EXHIBITION SOUVENIRS



JERUSALEM EXHIBITION

ISJREX 1. ISRAEL 3, 1973 Miniature sheets issued for "JERUSALEM 73", an International Philatelic Exhibition. The three sheets reproduce the three special postage stamps issued for the Exhibition (1L green, 2L red and 3L blue) on a silver background with an imitation EMBOSSED postmark at the right. Illustrated above half actual size. A striking and very unusual set of Exhibition sheets (3) MUH \$5



MONACO EXHIBITION

MONEX 1. MONACO 1985 Philatelic Exhibition sheet. This beautifully engraved sunken die proof was issued for the Exposition Philatelique staged in Monaco from December 5-8, 1985. A very attractive and scarce exhibition item. The illustration is half the actual size. \$30



AUSIPEX 84 SHEET

BELEX 1. BELIZE. This attractive \$3 souvenir sheet was issued in 1984 by Belize (in the West Indies) to mark their participation in AUSIPEX 84, an International Exhibition held in Melbourne. The multicoloured sheet reproduces in miniature a copy of the famous 5/- Sydney Harbour Bridge stamp and the first stamp issued by British Honduras (as Belize was then called). It also features Sir Rowland Hill and a Kangaroo with Joey in her pouch as well as a bunch of Australian wildflowers. Something for everyone! Illustration is half actual size of the sheet. MUH \$2



LONDON 1980 EXHIBITION

BVILND 80. BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS 1980. This quite stunning miniature sheet was issued for LONDON 80, a major International Philatelic Exhibition in London, and was sold at the islands' stand at the Exhibition. It features four different beautifully coloured bird stamps set against a map of the West Indies. The illustration is half actual size. MUH sheet \$6



AEROPEX 94

AAEREX 1. AUSTRALIA 1, 1994 AEROPEX 94. This beautifully produced poster stamp was produced for AEROPEX 94, and International Air Mail Exhibition held in Adelaide in November 1994, to mark the Anniversary of Ross & Keith Smith's epic flight of 1920 from England to Australia in their famous Vickers Vimy. The design by Adelaide artist Eric Roberts, shows a flight map of the journey and a miniature of the rare stamp produced by the Prime Minister's Office for attaching to mail carried on the flight. Produced in full colour. MUH \$1

AAEREX 1a. Block of four \$4
AAEREX 1b. Complete sheet of 36 stamps. Very spectacular \$36





CENTEX EXHIBITION

USCENTX 1. U.S.A. 1, 1962 CENTEX label. Attractive multicoloured stamp issued for the CENTEX Philatelic Exhibition staged in Seattle in May, 1962 by the Collectors Club of Seattle as part of the activities associated with the Century 21 Exposition and Seattle World Fair of that year. The design features the face of a Red Indian in full war paint. MUH\$2
USCENTX 1a. Same in block of four\$6



WILL ROGERS

USWR 1. U.S.A. 1, 1939 stamp issued for the World Wide Convention of Philatelists held in Tulsa, Oklahoma from May 17-21, 1939. The stamp depicts the famous American comedian Will Rogers with plane in background. Very scarce old philatelic event label. MUH\$4



AMERIPEX '86 TAIWAN CARD

TAAMX 1. TAIWAN (Republic of China) 1986. This souvenir card was issued by the Directorate of Posts for sale at its official stand at the International AMERIPEX '86 Philatelic Exhibition staged in Chicago, U.S.A., from May 22 to June 1, 1986. The card reproduces in full colour the three magnificent stamps issued that year showing paintings by P'U Hsin-Yu (1896-1963). A striking exhibition souvenir. MUH\$6

TAAMX 1a. We have a small number of these cards to which have been attached on the right margin an actual copy of one of the paintings stamps tied by a special AMERIPEX '86 cancellation\$10

The illustration above is approximately two thirds actual size of this card.

DELANDRE WORLD WAR I PATRIOTICS

During World War I a French super conman, who traded under the nom de plume of Delandre (his real name was Gaston Fontenille and he was the son of a High Court Judge), produced many thousands of colourful Patriotic stamps featuring military scenes, ships and regiments not only of France but of all the Allied Forces (including a few Australasian issues). They were sold to raise funds for the Red Cross, but most of the money from the sales went to line the pockets of Monsieur Delandre. Delandre was eventually arrested and jailed in 1917 for not passing funds to the Red Cross and died in prison in 1923. These old Delandre stamps are now quite scarce and eagerly sought by collectors. We offer a few of the scarcer Delandre productions below. All our stocks of these stamps are mint lightly hinged. We have no MUH copies.



AUSTRALIAN DELANDRE

FDLAUS 1. FRANCE. Stamps depicting Australian participation in World War I are amongst the scarcest of Delandre productions. This striking multicoloured stamp features a member of the New South Wales Regiment of Lancers with regimental emblem of elephant(!), crown and flags\$15



JAPANESE NURSE

FDLJP 1. FRANCE. A most unusual World War I Delandre stamp showing a Japanese Red Cross Nurse, a Japanese Flag with overprint of TOKIO, a picture of Mt. Fuji, a denomination of 2 sen and below a French Legionaire and tricolour. (In this war Japan was on OUR side, unlike World War II).....\$15



WAR PROPAGANDA

FDLBR 3. FRANCE. This Delandre coloured stamp reproduces a British World War I propaganda poster featuring a Soldier and Worker shaking hands with artillery and munition factories in background and the wording "WE'RE BOTH NEEDED TO SERVE THE GUNS/FILL UP THE RANKS/PILE UP THE MUNITIONS!"\$8

BRITISH WAR POSTERS

The two labels below are among the most unusual produced by Delandre as they are miniature productions of actual British war posters. You need a good magnifying glass to read the full text!



FDLBR 1. FRANCE. Delandre stamp reproducing a British propaganda poster prepared at outbreak of World War I in 1914 denouncing "Prussian Perfidy" in breaching the Treaty of 1839 by invading Belgium. It asks "Can Britons stand by whilst Germany crushes an innocent people?" and calls on men to ENLIST TODAY.....\$8
FDLBR 2. FRANCE. This Delandre stamp is a follow up to the above, being a mini reproduction of a British enlistment poster outlining call-up procedures under the Group System, and noting that single men will be called up first\$8



FRENCH PROPAGANDA

FDLFRP 1. FRANCE. Delandre stamp in diamond shaped format produced at start of World War I featuring a crowing French Cock in front of smoking gun and a list of old French victories against the Germans: Austerlitz 1805, Saragossa 1809, Sebastopol 1854-55 and Solferino 1859. The stamp was sold for 3 centimes\$4



THE CHASSEURS

FDLCH 1. FRANCE. This brilliantly coloured Delandre stamp features the 20th Regiment of the French Chasseurs (light cavalrymen)\$5



PORTUGUESE VOLUNTEERS

FDPORT 1. FRANCE. This is a very unusual Delandre label being dedicated to Portuguese volunteers who went to France and enlisted in a special French unit. The design shows a soldier with bayoneted rifle\$5



VICTORY IN 1916

FDVIC 1. FRANCE. Delandre was overly optimistic when he issued this "Victory in 1916" label as the war still had a long way to go. It shows peace symbols with a sword plunged into a globe\$5



MEXICAN NURSE

DDMEX 1. FRANCE. A very scarce Delandre label produced in 1916 for shipment to Mexico where it was supposed to have been sold to raise funds for the Mexican Red Cross. The design shows a Nurse and Red Cross\$8



RUSSIAN DELANDRE

FDRUS 1. FRANCE. This is one of the few labels which Delandre issued with a Russian theme (the Russians were on the side of the Allies). The multicoloured design shows a Russian soldier advancing over a snow covered landscape\$6



ITALIAN DIVISION

FDLMS 1. FRANCE. This purple stamp issued by Delandre features the Italian Military Division of Messina and shows the Messina Coat of Arms which includes an elephant, eagle, crown and castle\$3



BATTLE OF ODESSA

FDL0D 1. FRANCE. This attractive multicoloured Delandre stamp was issued in 1916 to commemorate the 1914-16 Battle of Odessa being fought by the Russians. The design depicts a Russian cavalryman against a background of Moscow and the Imperial Russian emblem. Russian themes by Delandre are rare\$10

DELANDRE PROMOTIONS

Occasionally Delandre issued stamps to promote his own patriotic efforts. These are quite scarce World War I labels. We have two of these as follows:



FDLDL 1. FRANCE. A plain black and white label showing an Army officer and announcing that Delandre has (for 25c) a catalogue of his productions and providing his Paris address\$3



FDLDL 2. FRANCE. This is a much larger and more colourful label featuring in full colour the flags of the various Allied nations fighting Germany. It makes no mention of a price list but does provide the Paris address of the Editions Delandre....\$4



BRITISH WARSHIP

FDLBRS 1. FRANCE. Striking multicoloured Delandre stamp featuring H.M.S. Gloucester of the British Royal Navy\$8



BELGIAN INFANTRY

FDLBL 1. FRANCE. This World War I Delandre stamp produced in brilliant colours honours the 7th Regiment of Belgian Infantry and shows them on parade with a windmill in the background and flanked with various Belgian emblems (all in full colour). Very attractive item\$5



DESTRUCTION OF CITIES

FDLCD 1. FRANCE. A very different type of Delandre propaganda stamp depicting an anguished wide-eyed woman. It was issued in 1917 to mark the destruction of French cities by German Forces invading northern France\$4



NURSE & SOLDIER

FDLN 1. FRANCE. This 1915 colourful Delandre stamp depicts a Red Cross nurse feeding a wounded soldier\$5



REPUBLIC OF ANDORRA

FDAND 1. FRANCE. This is a scarce Delandre multicoloured label issued in 1916 to honour the tiny mountain Republic of Andorra, located between France and Spain, marking the Republic's support of the French war effort. The design includes the Andorran Coat of Arms\$8



MILITIAMEN FROM LAOS

FDLAOS. FRANCE. A very scarce multicoloured Delandre label for colonial troops in what was then French Indo-China. This label features a Militiaman from Laos and shows a Peacock in the background\$10



CAVALRY UNIT

FDCAV 1. FRANCE. This bicoloured Delandre label was issued for a French cavalry unit and shows an officer with his horse against a background of horseshoes, riding gear, etc.....\$3



ARMY TRAINING SCHOOL

FDLT 1. FRANCE. This rather unusual Delandre stamp features the Moosch Military Institute of the Alsace, a training academy, and shows a teacher at a blackboard. A scarce label\$4



1916 BATTLES

FDLJB 1. FRANCE. This Delandre blue label issued in 1916 shows Marshall Foch and a map of the battlefields of Alsace and Lorraine, supposedly marking French victories which at that time were about as numerous as French defeats! A scarce label\$5



FORT DE LUCEY

FDFL 1. FRANCE. This colourful Delandre stamp was issued to honour Fort de Lucey and features a field gun against fortification walls\$4



1917 DELANDRE ISSUES

FDVERD 1. FRANCE. By 1917 the Allied armies were near exhaustion from their enormous losses. Delandre himself was in a similar state as that was the year he was arrested and gaoled for fraud. His stamp issues had almost dried up and the few he produced in the latter part of the year were small labels with modest black and red printing (perhaps his credit with the printer also was exhausted!) These three labels were among his last issues and comprised a small label marking the Allied victory at Verdun, a general label showing a wreath marking the losses of 1914-17 and a slightly larger label featuring the Arc de Triomphe in Paris. An interesting set of 1917 labels. The end was very near for Monsieur Delandre\$10

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Occasionally we get names wrong because we can't decipher the handwriting of the customer. When ordering please be sure you clearly spell out your correct name (and address) in lettering we can decipher. Thanks a lot.

PATRIOTIC & WAR CINDERELLAS



BOER WAR FUND

GBWF 1. GREAT BRITAIN 2, 1900 Fund raising labels issued by the Manchester Philatelic Society to raise funds for the Boer War effort, 1d blue and purple and 2½d brown and green. Very elusive old patriotic labels. The Chatfield Catalogue of G.B. Commemorative Labels lists the 1d as "B" (not easy to find) and the 2½d as "D" (very rare and/or extremely desirable). Pair MUH \$35

Sorry no trade orders on this one.



PALESTINE INTRA FADA

ISPLIF 1. ISRAEL. Two old (circa 1970's) huge multicoloured anti-Jewish labels issued by the revolutionary Intra Fada "Palestine for the Palestinians" movement. One features a Mosque and the other a map of Palestine. Extremely scarce old propaganda labels. We have only a very small stock and must limit them to one set per customer (sorry no trade orders). Illustrated above actual size. MUH \$15



OCCUPATION OF ALBANIA

ITOCAL 1. ITALY 7, 1942 Occupation of Albania. On April 7, 1939 (long before the outbreak of World War II) Italy invaded and quickly occupied Albania (until September, 1943). This set of stamps featuring King Victor Emmanuel of Italy was issued by the occupation force to mark the Third Anniversary of the invasion. Cat. Michel 322-328. An elusive old war set.

Cpl MUH \$10

Sorry we can't supply trade orders on this set.



BATAAN P.O.W. RELIEF

USBWR 1. U.S.A. 2, 1945 Fund Raising labels issued by the Bataan War Prisoners Relief of Illinois for rehabilitation of U.S. prisoners of war after being held by the Japanese. One blue stamp shows P.O.W. behind barbed wire with Japanese Torii, Cherry Blossom and Mt. Fuji in background. The other black and orange stamp showed wounded P.O.W. with nurse. Scarce pair

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JUGOSLAV PATRIOTS

JUGPTAIR 45a. JUGOSLAVIA 6, 1945 Airmails. The original 1944 set issued by the Yugoslav Government in Exile in Britain featuring 19th century Patriots, reissued in 1945 to mark the end of World War II with "1945" overprint and additional overprint in red or black of an aeroplanes. A very scarce set. Cpl MUH \$15

We can still supply the ordinary 1945 overprint issue (JUGPT 45.) as offered in our No. 9 List at \$10 per set. This is same as above but lacks the aeroplane overprints.



ARMENIAN REFUGEES

USARM 1. U.S.A. This old blue stamp was a fund raising label issued in 1920 by the Daughters of Armenia Inc., an American organisation set up to help the many Armenian refugees displaced after World War I. An extremely scarce old label MUH\$2
 USARM 1a. Same in block of four\$6
 USARM 1b. We have a few in complete mini sheets of ten as originally issued\$15



D-DAY EXHIBITION

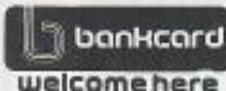
PHILIPPINES 2, 1945 V-PEX Exhibition. This is a most unusual item for which we have no background details. We have a complete sheet of 100 2c green Jose Rizal stamps issued by the Philippines in 1941 with overprints of PPC V-PEX OCT 20-21-22 1945 TO COMMEMORATE FIRST ANNIV. LEYTE D-DAY. Obviously for some Philatelic Exhibition (perhaps PPC stands for Philatelic Post Card) staged either in the Philippines or U.S.A. a year after American forces landed at Leyte and began the liberation process. The overprints on the left hand side of the sheet are in red ink and on the right hand side in black ink. We can offer them as two singles or we have ten only se-tenant joined pairs from the vertical centre rows in the sheet.

PHEX 45, PHILIPPINES 2, 1945 V-PEX Exhibition for Leyte D-Day Anniversary. Two separate stamps, one with red overprint and one with black overprint. MUH\$4
 PHEX 45a. Same but in joined se-tenant pair from centre of sheet. Very scarce thus\$10



GENERAL PATTON

BLPTMX 1. BELGIUM. In 1957 Belgium issued two charity stamps in honour of General ("Blood and Guts") Patton, the controversial U.S. General who played such a vital role in defeating the German Army on Belgian soil in World War II. One stamp depicted a portrait of Patton and the other showed General Patton and Brigadier General McAuliffe. On two maximum cards cancelled at Brussels on the First Day of Issue of the stamps (October 28, 1957). A nice pair of war related maximum cards. Very scarce items. The pair\$20



THE ANZAC CLUB OF NEW YORK

The stamps issued by the Anzac Club of New York are extraordinary World War II Patriotics as they feature Australian, New Zealand and American soldiers together, and were issued by a remarkable woman, Nola Luxford.

Nola Luxford, whose maiden name was Pratt, was a New Zealander, daughter of a Wanganui bookseller. After graduating from Wanganui Girls' College she secured a position with a Hastings radio station and then moved to U.S.A where she did broadcasts of the 1932 Los Angeles Olympic Games. She was the first woman broadcaster for the NBC Network and was a well known New York personality when war broke out (she had by then married an American named Luxford).

In 1940 (before America entered the war) she founded the Anzac Club, a small hospitality club for Australian and New Zealand trainees passing through New York under the Empire Air Training Scheme. Originally operated from her flat, it quickly expanded after America entered the war and she gave up her job in radio to run the Club for all service personnel from rooms at West 56th Street. For her efforts she was awarded the Order of the British Empire.

Some time, probably in the later stages of the war, she issued these fundraising Anzac Club stamps. They were designed by the noted New York artist, Arthur Szezyk, and were printed red, blue and black in sheets of 30 (6 rows of 5). One sheet must have slipped through the net without being perforated as IMPERF copies are known, though these are rare.

They are the only known Cinderellas featuring in the one design the soldiers of Australia, New Zealand and America. American troops ANZACSI (it would be interesting to learn the views of the R.S.L. on that subject).

ANZ 1. NEW YORK ANZAC CLUB. World War II Patriotic label. MUH\$12
 ANZ 1b. We have several very, very scarce IMPERF PAIRS\$80

NOTE: Nola Luxford died in Los Angeles, October 11, 1994, aged 98.

INTERNMENT CAMP DESIGNED STAMPS

These remarkable Artistamps were produced from actual coloured ink drawings made on the blank perforated margins of a postage stamp sheet in the Gurs Internment Camp in unoccupied Vichy, France, in March 1941 by the German artist, Karl Schwesig (1898-1955). They were converted into Artistamps and reproduced in two huge sheets (size 280x223mm) for an International Artistamp Exhibition in Seattle, U.S.A., in 1989. The giant size of the sheets made it impractical to reproduce illustrations in entirety with all their marginal explanatory wording so we have reproduced in half the original size the actual stamps - a block of 21 different small stamps from No. 1 sheet and four large stamps from No. 2 sheet.



FIGURS 1. FRANCE. (Sheet No. 1) 1941 Gurs Internment Camp designs by Karl Schwesig in sheet of 21 different designs (illustrated above half size) of camp life, produced for 1989 International Artistamps Exhibition in Seattle, U.S.A. All designs produced faithfully in the original colours. MUH.....\$30

FIGURS 2. FRANCE (Sheet No. 2). As above but with four larger size horizontal format camp scenes as illustrated at right half size. Again all designs reproduced in faithful original colours. MUH.....\$20

FIGURS 1-2. COMBINATION OFFER of both sheets.

Special price for pair.....\$45

Strict limit of one pair to a customer. Sorry no trade orders on this item due to limited stock.

NOTE: Production of these sheets was the result of an international cooperative effort by Galerie Remmen und Barth of Dusseldorf, Germany (who hold the copyright), the Collection of the Leo Beack Institute of New York (who hold the originals), the Davidson Galleries of Seattle, U.S.A., who sponsored the sheets and Banana Productions of Vancouver, Canada, who undertook the production and printing.



THE PONY EXPRESS

In 1940 the U.S. issued an attractive 3c stamp to mark the 80th Anniversary of the establishment by Wells Fargo & Co. of their famous Pony Express Service (initially between Sacramento and Saint Joseph in California). For the event a number of unusual First Day Covers were prepared with cachets reproducing in original colours the Wells Fargo & Co. \$1 Pony Express stamp of 1860 tied by facsimiles of the original Pony Express cancels of Sacramento and Saint Joseph. The covers bearing the 1940 Pony Express stamps were postmarked First Day of Issue at both Post Offices. We have these in two forms:

USPEX 1. U.S.A. Two 1940 Pony Express First Day Covers each bearing a block of four of the Pony Express stamps (as illustrated above much reduced in size) one postmarked Sacramento, one postmarked Saint Joseph at 9 am on April 3, 1940. A very striking pair of historic covers.....\$12

USPEX 1a. Same two covers but with only a single 3c Pony Express stamp on each.....\$8



FRANCISCO GOYA AND THE NAKED DUCHESS

In 1930 Spain issued a series of stamps to mark the Centenary of the death of Francisco Goya and caused a furor when it featured on the top three values Goya's famous painting of the Nude Duchess of Alba (said to have been his mistress). It is not generally known that shortly before the issue of the stamps the Spanish Post Office commissioned the engraver Sanchez Toda to prepare an alternate design based on a lesser-known Goya painting of a clothed Duchess of Alba. We can offer some interesting Cinderellas associated with this issue.

EVOLUTION OF A STAMP

GOYA 1. Evolution of a Stamp sheet (180x110mm) giving background to the Goya stamp issue and to which is attached a genuine 1930 mint Goya Nude Duchess stamp, a label featuring the alternate clothed Duchess design prepared by Sanchez Toda (but not issued), a mint copy of the 1934 U.S.A. Mothers' Day stamp and the parody in which Whistler's Mother has been replaced by a nude Duchess of Alba. All laminated. Illustration is half actual size. Very attractive sheet worth framing\$10

NOTE: As we have only a small quantity of these there is a strict limit of one per customer.

See below for other Cinderella items associated with this sheet.



CLOTHED DUCHESS

SPGYCD 1. SPAIN. This label features the alternate design of a clothed Duchess of Alba which the Spanish Post Office had engraver Sanchez Toda prepare in 1930. However, the Post Office finally went ahead with the original plan of three stamps featuring Goya's more famous painting of the nude Duchess. **MUH**\$2

SPGYCD 1a. Same in block of four\$6



FRIB 1. FRANCE. Back in the 1970's a French Cinderella enthusiast (now deceased) created the phantom state of Ile Barbe (the island of Barbe) for which he issued a number of phantom stamps, one of which was a copy of the 1930 Spanish stamp featuring Goya's famous painting of the nude Duchess of Alba. The Consul for Ile Barbe in New Zealand was Bruce Henderson (creator of many phantom stamps of his own) and a number of the Duchess stamps received a black overprint **CONSULAT NILLE ZELANDE** and were shipped to Bruce Henderson for use on his mail. We recently acquired a small batch of these stuck together in a solid mass so had to soak them apart with loss of the gum. A scarce old phantom nevertheless with a "Down Under" connection\$3

THE EVOLUTION OF A POSTAGE STAMP

In 1930 Spain issued a series of postage stamps marking the centenary of the death of the famous painter Francisco Goya. The 30c value featured the great work "La Duquesa" a painting of the very nude Duchess of Alba (said to have been his mistress). The Postal authorities had considerable reservations about the suitability of the subject for a stamp and approached the engraver Sanchez Toda to prepare an alternate design based on a lesser-known painting of the Duchess (said to be the wife of her husband) for the same value. (Illustration is half size.)



NOTE: (1) The alternate design of a clothed Duchess prepared by Sanchez Toda did not issue as a postage stamp. (2) (2) In 1934 the U.S. issued the Mothers' Day stamp featuring Whistler's famous painting of his mother. (3) (3) (3) A later parody of the Mothers' Day stamp (Whistler's Mother) has been substituted by the Nude Duchess of Alba.



WHISTLER'S MOTHER AND THE NAKED DUCHESS

GOYWM 1. Mint copy of the 3c stamp issued by the U.S.A. in 1934 for Mothers' Day featuring Whistler's famous painting of his aged mother, plus label parodying the Mothers' Day stamp with Whistler's Mother having been bundled out of her chair and replaced with Goya's painting of the very naked Duchess of Alba.

(2) **MUH**\$2

GOYWM 1a. The same pair in **MUH** blocks of 4\$8

GOYWM 1b. We have a few complete sheets of 36 of the parody stamps of the Nude Duchess in place of Whistler's Mother. A striking item suitable for laminating or framing for your Stamp Den\$40

SCOUTS & GUIDES CINDERELLAS



CANADA JAMBOREE

CANSC 83. CANADA. In 1983 the 15th World Scout Jamboree was staged at Alberta, Canada, and to mark this event the U.K. Scout Stamp Collectors Club produced two attractive souvenir sheets illustrated above (reduced in size). One stamp printed green and orange featured in colour the 5c Canadian stamp issued for 1955 World Jamboree and the other sheet (also printed green and orange) depicted a Hungarian stamp marking the 50th Anniversary of the First World Jamboree in 1933. The background design of both sheets shows Scouts clambering over a globe of the world. The two sheets\$4



TUVALU SCOUTS

TUVSCT 1. TUVALU 1, 1988. 16th World Scout Jamboree held in Australia 1987/8. A very attractive multicoloured souvenir sheet with \$2.50 stamp featuring Baden Powell and Lady Powell, plus Scouts from all over the world and incorporating the Kangaroo emblem of the Jamboree. Illustration is half actual size. MUH\$4



GRENADA GIRL GUIDES

GRNGG 1. GRENADA 6, 1976 Girl Guides. Very colourful set issued to mark the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the Girl Guides movement in Grenada. Showing various activities undertaken by the Guides. Illustration is half actual size. Complete CTO\$2



KITCHENER SCOUTS

CANSC 1. CANADA 1, 1962. Attractive big green label issued by the 11th Kitchener Scout Group of Canada to mark its 25th Anniversary (1937-1962) showing Scout cooking over camp fire. MUH\$3



1957 SCOUT JAMBOREE

GBPOA 1. GREAT BRITAIN 9, 1957 Jubilee Scout Jamboree issue for the British Post Offices Abroad (Bahrain, Muscat and Qatar). All are the U.K. Jamboree issue with overprints for these far off British Postal Stations in the Persian Gulf. A very elusive set of Scout stamps. Cpl MUH\$6



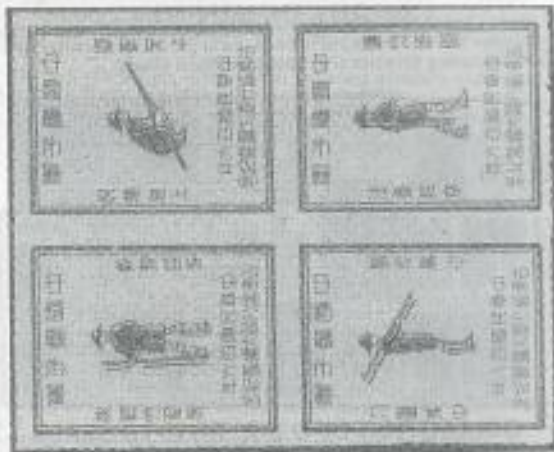
AJMAN SCOUTS

AJSCJ. AJMAN. Souvenir sheet issued by Ajman (in the Persian Gulf) for the 1971 13th World Scout Jamboree held in Japan. The 10 Royal airmail stamp is set against a multicoloured background of Scouts from around the world. Very attractive. Illustration is half the actual sheet size. MUH.....\$4



CARIBBEAN JAMBOREE

GRENSCJ 1. GRENADA & GRENADINES 14, 1977 Caribbean Jamboree. A quite stunning series of stamps, seven issues by Grenada and seven by the Grenadines, all marking the Sixth Caribbean Scout Jamboree held in nearby Jamaica in 1977. They show a wide variety of Scouting activities including Rafting, Orienteering, Sea Scouts, Swimming and Lifesaving, etc. Denominations to \$3. Illustrated here half actual size. The complete series CTD.....\$4



TAIWAN BOY SCOUTS

TWBS 1. TAIWAN. We have two different sets of four Boy Scout Labels as illustrated above (actual size) both printed se-tenant in blocks of four. One depicts a Scout in various poses and the other shows Scout activities or equipment. We do not know year(s) of issue. Eight different multicolour stamps. Attractive lot.....\$5



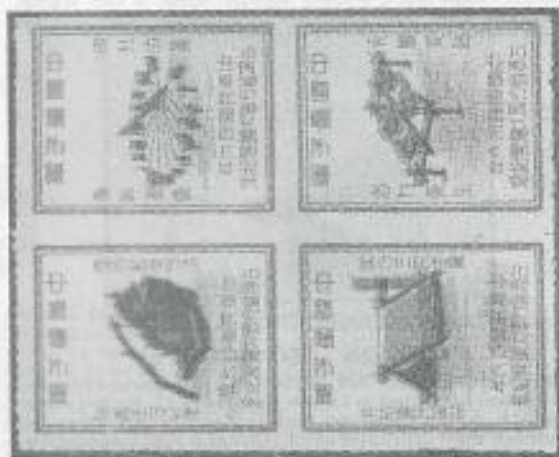
FRANCE BOY SCOUTS

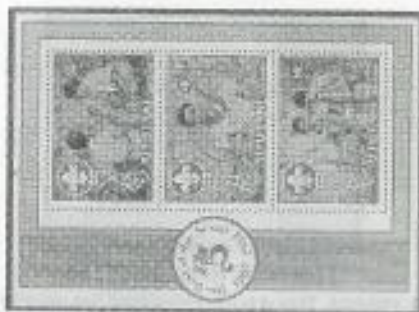
FRBS 1. FRANCE. This 1f fund raising label was issued in France in 1977 to mark the 30th Anniversary of the Eclaireurs de France (similar to Boy Scouts). The label is printed in green, perforated and with a design showing Scout and emblem of the movement. MUH.....\$2



FUJEIRA 1971 JAMBOREE

FJSJ 1. FUJEIRA 10, 1971 Scout & Guides Jamboree. Very attractive multicoloured stamps marking an important Jamboree in this Arabian Gulf State. The five postage stamps show various Scouting activities and the five higher denomination airmail stamps concentrate on Girl Guide activities. A true Cinderella item boycotted by Gibbons. Cpl MUH.....\$3





AITUTAKI SCOUTS

ATSCT 1. AITUTAKI 3, 1982 Scouts. This very attractive multicoloured sheet of three charity surcharge stamps was issued to mark the 75th Anniversary of the Scouting movement. The colours used to print the sheet include gold, and the designs depict activities of island scouts. Illustration is half actual size. MUH\$4



NIGERIA SCOUT JUBILEE

NSCJ 1. NIGERIA. This attractive souvenir sheet was issued by Nigeria in 1965 to mark the Golden Jubilee of the Boy Scouts of Nigeria movement. The four 1/3 stamps in the sheet feature Baden Powell and a modern Nigerian Scout. A very scarce Scouting sheet. Illustrated here half actual size. MUH\$8



LONDON 1980 (SCOUTS)

GBSEX 1. GREAT BRITAIN. In 1980 an International Philatelic Exhibition was staged in London from May 9-11. For this event the U.K. Scouts Collectors Club produced a very attractive souvenir sheet (illustrated above reduced in size) featuring the 1957 U.K. 1/3 Jubilee Jamboree stamp in different colour (purple). This is both a Scout and Exhibition item. MUH ... \$2
 GBSEX 2. In 1982 the above sheet was overprinted to mark the 125th Anniversary of the birth of Lord Baden-Powell. This was released at a Philatelic Exhibition staged to mark the event on February 20-21, 1982. A scarce sheet\$4



GREAT BRITAIN JAMBOREE

GRB 1. GREAT BRITAIN 1, 1957 World Scout Jamboree, Sutton Park. Non-postal souvenir miniature sheet of four stamps with designs commemorating the scout movement. Imperf. MUH\$3



RUSSIAN YOUTH CAMP

GRM 13. GERMANY 2, 1950 Russian Youth Camp Local Post with operated in the Displaced Persons camp at Munich. The original issue was IMPERF but anti-Communist forces obtained a quantity, perforated them and overprinted them with an anti-Communist slogan: U.S.S.R. IS NOT RUSSIA - RUSSIANS ARE NOT COMMUNISTS. We can offer a pair, the original label plus the propaganda overprint. Cpl MUH\$8

SCOUTS ON BICYCLES

Other Scout stamps are to be found in the section in this Price List featuring Bicycles (i.e. Scouts on their bikes!)

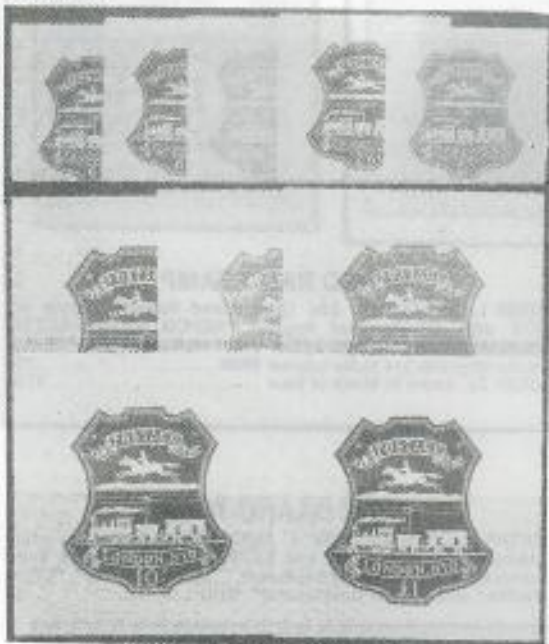


COLLECTION OF U.S.A. ANTI-TB SEALS

TBUS 1. USA a great starter collection of 78 different Anti-TB Christmas seals from the United States all in pairs, blocks and strips from 1957 onward. A tremendous collection of colourful subjects of flora and fauna, children, Santa and religious or Christmas themes\$5

1971 LONDON STRIKE POST STAMPS

In our No. 6 List (of 1993) we offered unissued printer's proofs of two values in a series of Local Post labels issued for the London N10 district during the 1971 National Postal strike. We have now secured a small stock of the actual stamps issued for this service and offer them below:



LONDON STRIKE POST

GBLSPX 1. GREAT BRITAIN 10, 1971 Strike Post stamps issued for London N10 district all with common designs of a Post Rider above an old Steam Train. All issued stamps were printed on gummed paper and rouletted and were produced in two sizes: medium size 6d black and 6d red, 1/- pale blue, 2/6 dark blue and 5/- green; and in very large size 3/- black and 3/- blue, 7/6 brown, 10/- red and £1 black. The illustrations above are reduced to half actual size. The complete set of ten MUH. A very scarce issue.....\$30

We can still supply some of the unissued printer's proofs of these as offered in our No. 6 List:



GBLSP 1. GREAT BRITAIN 1971 Strike Post of London N10. An original proof in very small size (actual size illustrated above). It proved difficult to read the type and no actual stamps were issued in this size. Unissued proof of 3/- blue stamp......\$3
MUH.....\$3
GBLSP 3. The medium size 6d red value proof IMPERFORATE MUH.....\$4
GBLSP 2. In our No. 6 List we offered an IMPERFORATE proof of the giant size 3/- blue stamp and stated that stamps were not actually issued in this size. We were wrong on this point as five stamps were actually issued in this format (see above). We still have a few copies of the IMPERF proof of the 3/- blue at...\$5

GLASGOW MAIL STRIKE

The prolonged strike by postal workers in Great Britain in 1971 caused enormous dislocation throughout the U.K. The well known Scottish actor Gary Connor (who then worked in Canada) was visiting Glasgow when the strike broke out and immediately saw the need for a private courier service for the city. He designed some 10p stamps with a basic text **POSTAGE GLASGOW AREA PRIVATE COURIER SERVICE** and these were printed by lithography by a Glasgow firm with all lettering in black and with an overall violet pattern on gummed davac paper. Connor initially set up the service for the delivery of business circulars and Valentines (which he marketed) but soon extended the service to general letters. There was a collection point in central Glasgow and all letters were delivered to the city area for 10p. Later the outlying towns such as Greenock, Paisley, Cumbernauld, Bonnyrigg, Falkirk, Stirling and Bannockburn were serviced and charged 20p. All deliveries were made in the city, suburbs and towns by locally recruited couriers. The first deliveries were made on February 15, 1971 and the last day of usage was March 7. This was the first Local Post service to be inaugurated in Glasgow in 100 years and was a genuine, non-philatelic courier service. We have several sheets of what appear to be rejected printer's proofs of these issues - all imperforate:



GLSLP 1. GLASGOW 1971 Strike Post stamp. Proof of the black lettering only MUH.....\$2
GLSLP 1a. Same in block of four.....\$6
GLSLP 2. Proof of a normal 10p black and violet stamp as issued but IMPERFORATE. MUH.....\$2
GLSLP 2a. Same in block of four.....\$6
GLSLP 3. Same but with only top and bottom violet patterns. The central dotted violet pattern is either missing or almost invisible. IMPERFORATE.....\$5
GLSLP 4x. Single of each of the above types.....\$8

We do not have any stocks of the issued stamp perforated, nor any covers of these. Nor do we have any of the stamps with a black AIRMAIL overprint used in latter stages of the strike for overseas mail.



RAILWAY STAMPS

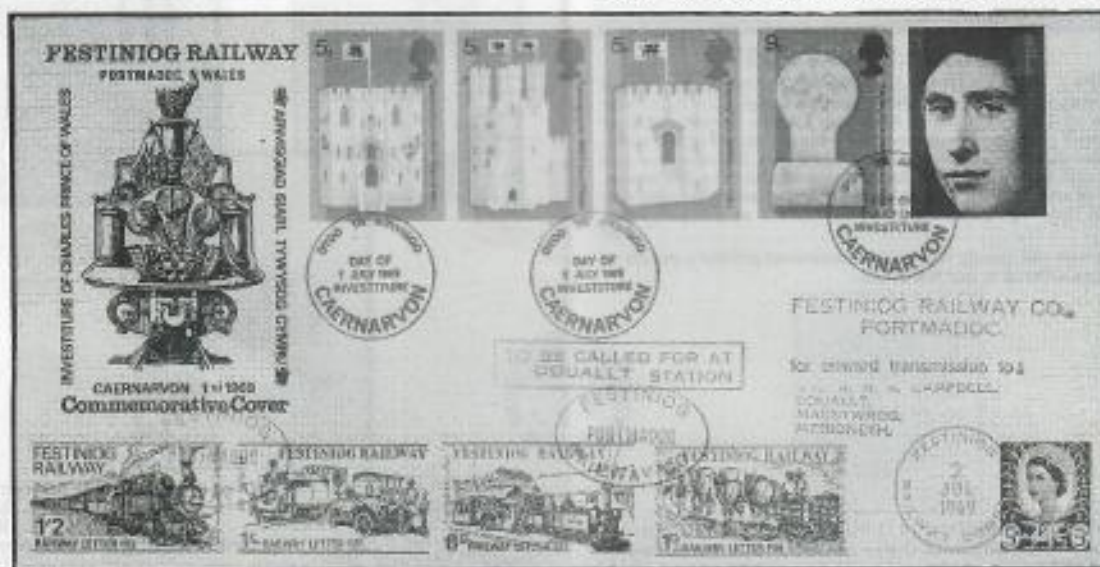


REPCO RAIL STAMP

AQREP 1. AUSTRALIA, 10c Queensland Railway Stamp of 1976 with private user imprint "REPCO AUTO PARTS/ROCKHAMPTON" instead of the usual station imprint. These private imprints are quite scarce. MUH\$3
AQREP 1a. Same in block of four\$10

COOK ISLAND TRAINS

CKTRS 1. COOK ISLANDS 4, 1985 Trains. Four high value stamps (75c, 95c, \$2.30 and \$3.40) featuring famous world trains such as the "Flying Scotsman", "Orient Express", "Union Pacific" and "Super Continental". MUH\$7



FESTINIOG RAILWAY PRINCE CHARLES F.D.C.

GBFR 1. GREAT BRITAIN. This striking cover bears at top a complete set of five U.K. stamps issued to mark the Investiture of Prince Charles as Prince of Wales at Caernarvon Castle (Wales) on July 1, 1969, all tied with the special F.D.C. of Caernarvon, whilst along the foot of the envelope (reproduced above in reduced size) is a set of four Railway Letter Fee stamps issued by the nearby Festiniog Private Railway all tied by FESTINIOG RAILWAY/PORTMADOC. Inside each unsealed envelope is an attractive double sided colour brochure outlining the history of the Festiniog Railway, a map and a history of the famous Flying Scotsman train. This is a very attractive souvenir railway cover associated with a major Royal celebration\$15



MANCHESTER EXPRESS STRIKE POST

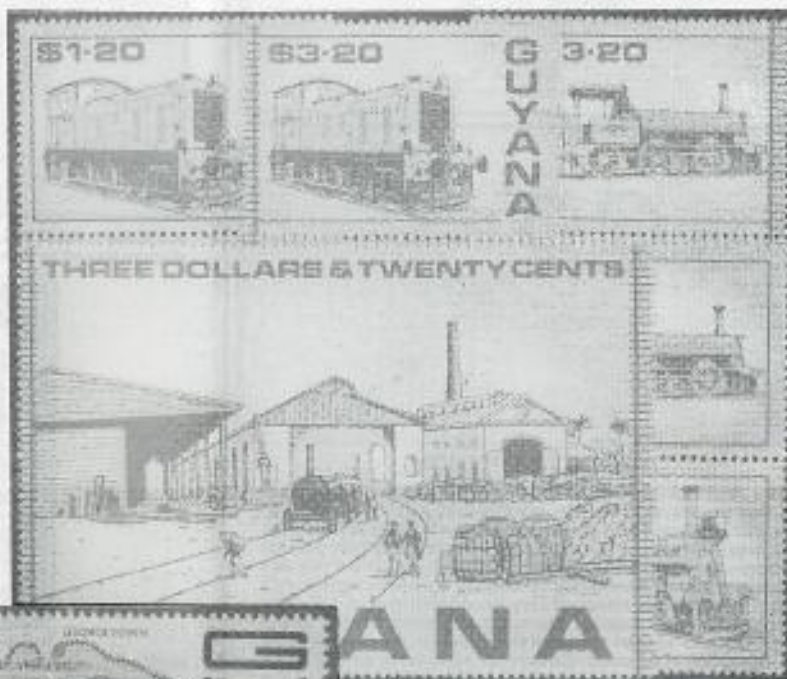
GBMEX 1. GREAT BRITAIN 8. 1971 Strike Post stamps all produced in full colour with designs as illustrated above (reduced in size). There were four basic designs (19th century Mail Coach, Manchester City and Manchester United Football Club Arms, a Steam Train and portraits of President Kennedy and Winston Churchill). They were printed in two se-tenant strips of four, one strip having denominations of 2/-, 5/-, 8/- and 10/- (old currency), and the other strip 10p, 25p, 40p and 50p (new currency). The complete set in two strips of four (eight stamps). MUH.....\$8

GBMEX 1a. We have a few blocks of eight extracted from the centre of sheets where the two types of currency meet. All se-tenant. MUH.....\$12



RAILWAYS OF GUYANA

GYRL 1. GUYANA 9, 1987 Railways. This spectacular set of Railway stamps features old time steam and modern diesel engines used in the sugar cane industry of Guyana. There are eight smaller stamps in se-tenant pairs and a giant \$3.20 pictorial of a 19th century Sugar Mill. Total face value of the set is \$20.80. The illustrations here are actual size. MUH.....\$6



GUYANA CATTLE TRAIN

GYRCT 1. GUYANA 1, 1987 \$10 Railway stamp. This giant size multicoloured stamp (illustrated here actual size) features an old steam train transporting cattle between Parika and Rosignol in Guyana, along with a route map. A striking high value railway stamp. MUH.....\$4

BICYCLE STAMPS & CINDERELLAS

COOLGARDIE LOCALS

From 1894-97 a number of Bicycle Post and Parcel services operated out of Coolgardie to various Western Australian goldfield outposts but only two operators issued local post stamps for these services. James Healy issued two stamps of 1/- and 2/6 for his Coolgardie Cycle Express Co. In 1895 and three bicoloured camel design stamps in 1896, and Messrs. Hillier and Maskell in 1897 issued a now very rare 6d stamp for their bicycle run to Lake Lefroy. The W.A. Government strenuously opposed these private mail services and eventually put them out of business. We do not have any of the original stamps but can offer some modern replicas - all attractive Cinderella items with Bicycle themes.



1964 STAMP SHOW

AEX 1. AUSTRALIA. The 1964 Stamp Show staged at Rockdale (a Sydney suburb) by the St. George Philatelic Society was held on the 70th Anniversary of the Coolgardie Cycle Express Service so the organisers ran a Penny Farthing Cycle Local Post Service between the Exhibition Hall and Rockdale Post Office. They also produced a most interesting associated souvenir comprising a sheet to which was attached very good facsimiles of the 1894 Coolgardie Cycle Express stamps overprinted STAMP SHOW 1964 and with special cancel of the Show. On the reverse was a reproduction of a Coolgardie Express advertising card of 1894. The illustrations above are of both back and front sides of the sheet reduced to half the original size. A very historic and interesting philatelic exhibition item\$4

OTHER BICYCLE POSTS

We have in stock a range of other Bicycle stamps from elusive modern singles, sets and sheets to rare old 19th century labels. These are all "one off" lines not suitable for inclusion in a general list. If you are a serious (and we mean serious, since these old issues are not cheap) collector of Bicycle stamps please register your name with us and we will attempt to put together some photocopied special price lists of these "one off" items.

BICYCLE POST REPLICAS

In 1993 Goldfields Philatelics, in conjunction with WAPEX 93, a Gold Centenary Stamp Show staged in Perth, issued replicas of both James Healy Bicycle Post stamps and the rare 6d Lake Lefroy local stamp of 1897, all in colours matching the originals, fully perforated on gummed papers. We can offer these replicas separately:



AUCCXP 1. AUSTRALIA. 1993 Replicas of the two Bicycle Post stamps issued by James Healy for his Goldfields service in 1895. MUH (2)\$3



AUCCAM 1. AUSTRALIA. 1993 Replicas of the three Camel Post stamps issued by James Healy in 1896. Cpl MUH (3)\$5



AUCCLF 1. AUSTRALIA. 1897 Replica of the very scarce 6d Lake Lefroy Cycle Mail stamp issued by Messrs. Hillier and Maskell in 1897 featuring a Swan. (Good condition originals now sell for \$2,000 or more). Replica price\$3
AUCCXXX 1. Combination offer of all 6 W.A. Goldfields replica stamps described above\$10

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WAR DISPATCH RIDER

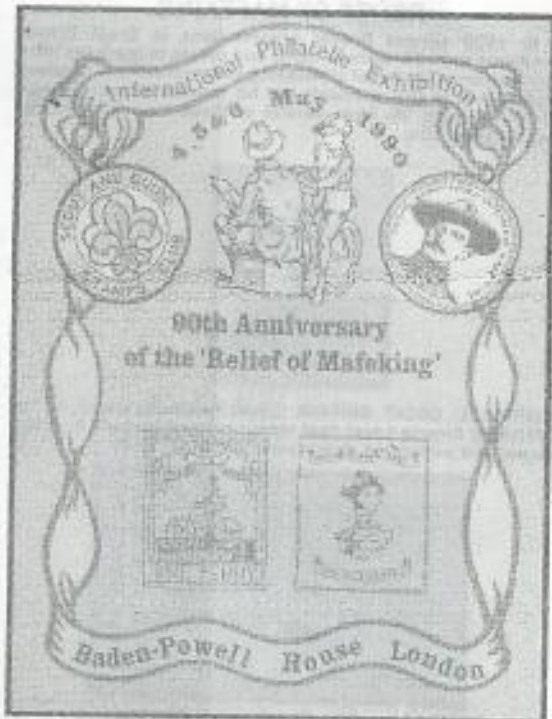
FDEL C 1. FRANCE, Delandre World War I stamp featuring armed soldier dispatch rider on a bicycle (instead of the usual motorbike). Printed olive green and red. One of the scarcest of all labels issued by Delandre. Mint lightly hinged copy\$15
 FDEL C 2. A later printing of the same stamp with outer frame in darker green and with overprint of "7" (centimes) in the four corners. A really rare label. MLH\$25

We cannot supply either of these on a trade basis.



SCOUT POST

GBSP 1. GREAT BRITAIN. In 1990 the Scouts and Guides Stamps Club produced this very attractive bicoloured card for the 90th Anniversary of the Relief of Mafeking. The design by Keith Burtonshaw depicts a Teddy Bear riding a bicycle on his Scout Post rounds with an imitation Mafeking cancel in the background. A nice card\$4



GBBPSCEX 90. GREAT BRITAIN. In May, 1990, the Scout and Guides Stamps Club staged an International Philatelic Exhibition at Baden-Powell House, London, to mark the 90th Anniversary of the Relief of Mafeking and for this event produced the attractive bicoloured mini sheet illustrated above (actual size) incorporating a bicycle into the sheet design as well as reproducing the two Mafeking Bicycle Post stamps.

MUH\$3
 GBBPSCEX 90a. We have ten only sheets overprinted SPECIMEN. First in first served\$6



PENNY FARTHING BICYCLE POST

GBEXP 1. GREAT BRITAIN 3. 1981 Exeter Penny Farthing Strike Post. This is one of the scarcer local stamps to come out of the extended 1981 postal strike in England. It was issued by the Exeter Strike Post Service and features three different stamps with a common design of a Penny Farthing Bicycle. One label was FREE DELIVERY, one was Postage 50p (for local deliveries) and one was £1 denomination for foreign mail. The design was printed in black on yellow gummed paper in sheets of 12. A strip of three MUH\$8
 GBEXP 1a. Complete sheet of 12 (4 complete sets)\$35

RELIEF OF MAFEKING

In 1990 several Scouts organisations in Great Britain produced souvenir stamps, cards and covers to mark the 90th Anniversary of the Relief of Mafeking and most of these included illustrations of Baden Powell and his famous Mafeking Siege bicycle stamps. We have several of these interesting Scout bicycle souvenirs:



GBBPSC 1. GREAT BRITAIN. Small facsimile stamp of the Mafeking Bicycle Local Post stamp printed blue ink on white paper and perforated. Origin unknown to us. MUH \$2



GBBPSC 2. GREAT BRITAIN. A similar item but produced in set-tenant pairs, one showing the Bicycle Post and the other featuring Sir Baden Powell, printed in blue ink on blue paper and perforated. Again origin unknown to us. MUH pair \$2

GBBPSC 2a. These were printed in numbered sheets of six pairs (12 stamps). We have a few only of these mini sheets numbered at foot. MUH \$10



1978 BLACK PRINT

GBCYCBP 1. GREAT BRITAIN. This unusual item is a "Black Print" produced in 1978 by the now-defunct British weekly magazine "Stamp Collecting". It was printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd. and shows a black and white impression of the 1978 Cycling stamps issued by the British Post Office (which gave permission for the reproduction). The sheet was given away with copies of the magazine as a promotion gimmick. The illustration here is approximately one third the size of the original sheet. Quite a scarce item \$10

Only small stock. Sorry no trade orders on this item.



EXHIBITION POSTCARDS

For the 90th Anniversary of the Relief of Mafeking Philatelic Exhibition the Club also produced two postcards with identical wording but one printed on white card and the other on blue card. The front had a reproduction of the Baden-Powell portrait Mafeking stamp while the reverse featured a bicycle in the background design and gave details of the Exhibition, opening hours, etc. This is illustrated above half size.

GBBPXCD 90. GREAT BRITAIN. 1990 Relief of Mafeking Philatelic Exhibition postcard printed on white paper. MUH \$2
GBBPXCD 90a. Same card printed blue on blue card \$2

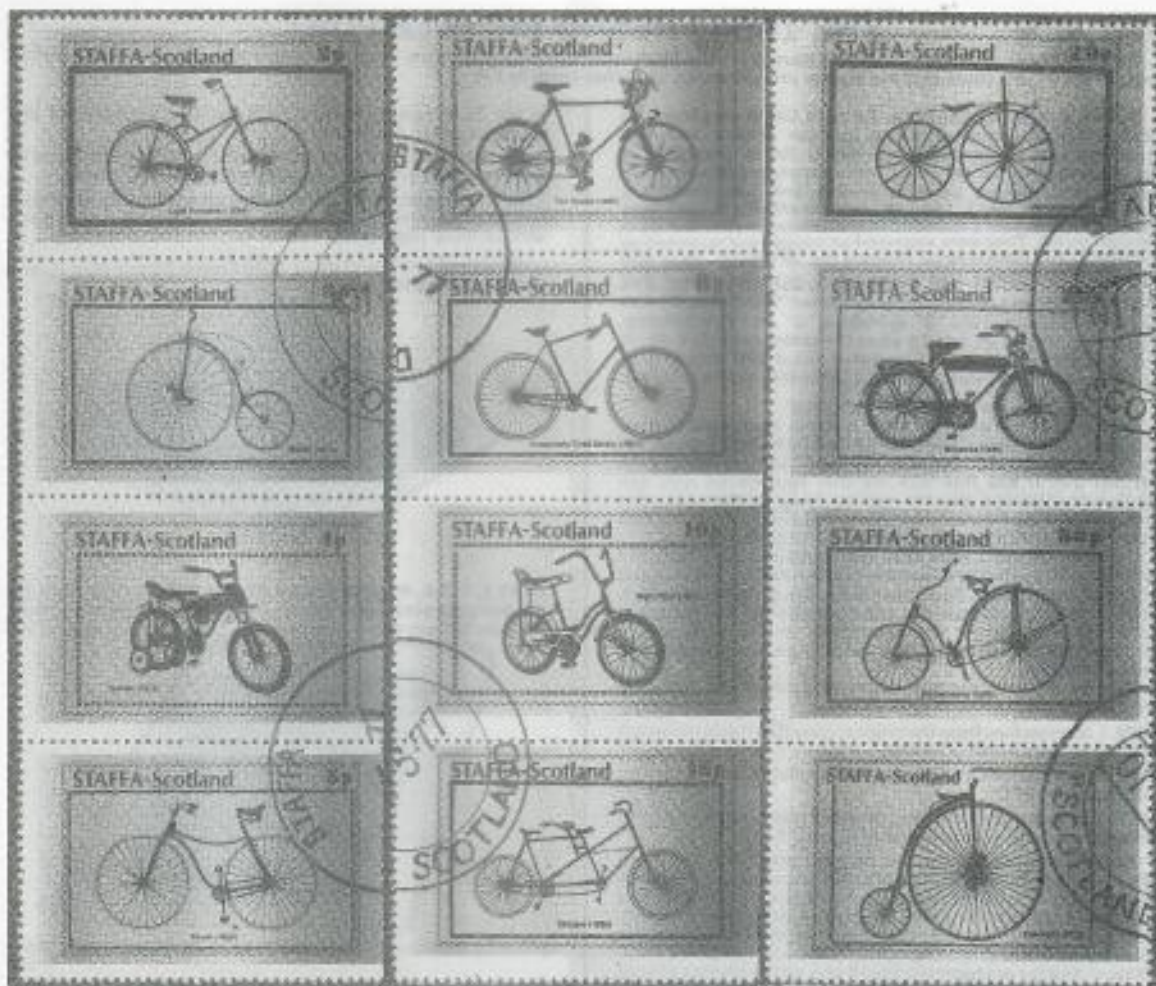


EGYPT SAVINGS STAMPS

EGYSS 1. EGYPT. Two attractive bicoloured savings stamps, 5m and 10m denominations, issued to encourage saving for specific objectives. (Date of issue not known to us). The common design shows a boy putting a coin in a savings box while above is the target - a bicycle. MUH \$4
EGYSS 1a. Same pair in blocks of four \$12

TOPICAL SUBJECTS

Collectors of topical stamps (i.e. thematic subjects) are turning more and more to the field of Cinderellas (and especially to Anti-TB Christmas Seals) for interesting and unusual specimens to add to their mainstream topical collections. In all the pages of our Price Lists topical collectors will find an enormous range of interesting subjects depicted on Local Posts, labels of various kinds and, of course, on the many Christmas Seals issued by countries around the world. In other words, if you are a keen topical (or thematic) collector don't overlook Cinderellas as a source of unusual specimens to "pep up" your collection.



STAFFA (SCOTLAND) LOCALS

Staffa is a small island off the west coast of Mull, in Scotland, and is noted for its caves, the best known of which is Fingal's Cave, used by Jules Verne for his adventure story "The Green Ray". Since 1969 it has issued a stream of "Local" stamps for the tourist trade and for affixing to mail to the mainland.

STFFACY 1. STAFFA 12, 1977 Bicycles. A quite spectacular multicoloured set depicting old time bicycles (with two early motorbikes thrown in) in denominations from 2p to £1. Probably the scarcest of all Staffa Locals. All CTO MUH (12) \$15
 STFFACY 1a. These were printed in small sheetlets of eight, each sheet containing two vertical se-tenant strips of four of the designs. We have a few of these in three complete sheets (24 stamps) \$30

P.N.G. BIRDS OF PARADISE RECORD

PNG 1. PAPUA NEW GUINEA. One of the most unusual Cinderella items ever created, a 45 r.p.m. two sided record of bird calls of the fabulous Papua New Guinea Birds of Paradise as featured on the 1964 stamp series. The recordings were made over several years during expeditions deep into P.N.G. jungles by William Peckover, at that time Philatelic Officer at Port Moresby, and there is an expert commentary throughout by Roger Wilson. The records were created in a limited pressing of 1,000 copies by Seven Seas Stamps in the mid-1960's to promote their new Papua New Guinea Illustrated Stamp Album. We hold the very small remaining stock of what must be a unique Cinderella item \$10

THE 1894 FRESNO BICYCLE POST

The most famous Cinderella Bicycle stamps are the 1894 Fresno Bicycle Post issues created during a strike of American Railroad employees . . . but some of these stamps are not always what they seem to be!

During a strike of American Railroad Union employees in 1894 all mail communications between Fresno and San Francisco were suspended. Mr. Arthur C. Banta, proprietor of the Victor Cycling Co. of Fresno, immediately organized a daily bicycle post service between Fresno and San Francisco, commencing on July 7, 1894. Stamps for affixing to mail were hastily prepared with a diamond shape, printed in sheets of six in deep green ink. They were engraved on copper and mounted on a block by the Commercial Printing Co. of Fresno. After 800 stamps were printed and delivered it was discovered that "FRANCISCO" had been incorrectly spelled "FRANSISCO". The engraver re-touched the "S" to make a "C" on a new printing. The service ended on July 18 when the strike was called off. In the period the Bicycle Post operated about 380 letters were carried of which 315 were franked with the Bicycle Post stamps.

The story now starts to get complicated!

After the strike was over Arthur Banta instructed Eugene Donze to deface the original die. Donze said he had done so, but he lied. Instead, he prepared a new die closely resembling the original and it was this fake die that he defaced with one horizontal thick line and five vertical lines. He then ran off a series of reprints from the original Banta die and from his own defaced die, which he proceeded to sell to collectors.

Serious collectors soon detected the impressions from the fake die, which differed in some respects from the original, and reported this to Banta. Accompanied by one of these collectors, Banta confronted Donze who admitted what he had done and produced the original die untouched. In the presence of witnesses this die was then defaced with one vertical and one horizontal slash.

The Fresno post stamps therefore exist in the following forms:

TYPE 1. Impressions from the original plate (Die I) with incorrect spelling of "FRANSISCO" (rare).

TYPE 2. Impressions from the corrected plate (Die II) with first "S" changed to "C".

TYPE 3. Impressions from this corrected plate after it had been defaced with single vertical and horizontal lines.

TYPE 4. Impressions from the defaced plate with the word "MAIL" inked out in dark green ink. This was done in 1935 when a re-enactment of the Fresno-San Francisco Bicycle Mail was staged and copies of the Fresno stamps were attached to covers carried by riders. The U.S. Post Office refused to service the covers unless the offending word "Mail" was "greened out". These examples are normally found only on the stamps affixed

to the 1935 re-enactment covers but one autographed pair exists off cover. See below.

TYPE 5. Impressions from a fake die (Die III) illegally made by Eugene Donze after the cessation of the service. (Rare).

TYPE 6. Impressions made from this fake plate (Die III) after it had been defaced by Donze with one horizontal line and five vertical lines. (Also rare).

We can offer a few of these 1894 Fresno Bicycle Post stamps and reprints as follows:



USFR 1. U.S.A. 1, 1894 Fresno Bicycle Post. A copy from the original (corrected) die (Type 2). Cut close and with minor fault. No gum but extremely scarce \$50

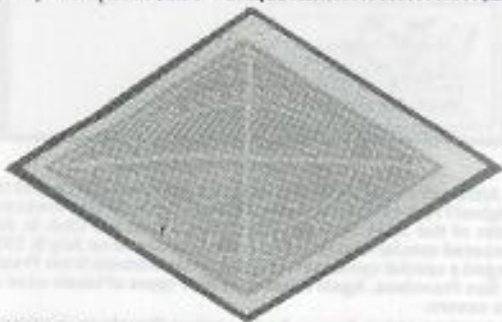


USFR 1a. Another copy with minor faults stuck to piece of paper \$40



USFRDZ 1. U.S.A. 1894 Fresno Bicycle Post. The top of an advertising letterhead used by Arthur Banta to which Eugene Donze affixed one of his own fake Die III (Type 6) stamps with its five vertical and one horizontal defacing lines, along with 2c U.S. stamp. Both stamp and label are tied by heavy 1894 FRESNO cds. One of the fakes Donze created before his deception was detected. Illustrated above. A remarkable item \$200

USFR 1b. A superb copy (Type 2) from the original (corrected) plate signed by Arthur Banta on margin and lightly affixed to a letter from Banta (2/11/1936) to Warren Banta (probably a grandson) stating: "The day is not far off when money, big money, is coming into stamp collecting. The hobby has developed into national proportions. This is the stamp used on the route between Fresno and San Francisco and is listed in Scott price book at \$2.50". Unique item.....\$175



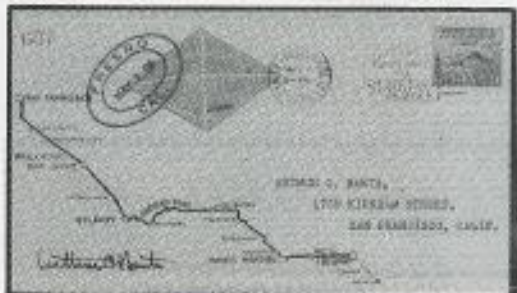
USFRDD 1. A reprint from the original defaced die (Type 3) with full gum.....\$45



USFRDD 1a. A copy from the defaced die from left margin of sheet signed ARTHUR C. BANTA, MUH.....\$65

USFRDD 1b. A pair from the right hand side of sheet signed Arthur C. Banta 5-1-35. MUH.....\$100

USFRDD 1c. A pair from the left hand margin of defaced sheet inscribed by Banta "TO MY FRIEND LARRY KNIGHT". MUH.....\$100



USFRRE 35. U.S.A. 1, 1935. One of the covers prepared by Banta for the 1935 Re-enactment of the Fresno-San Francisco service with one of the defaced stamps attached with the word "MAIL" "greened out" with 3c U.S.A. stamp affixed and with the Fresno stamp tied by both Fresno and San Francisco cancels. Fully signed by ARTHUR C. BANTA. Illustrated above (half actual size).....\$150

USFRRE 35a. A similar cover but bearing two U.S. adhesives.....\$150

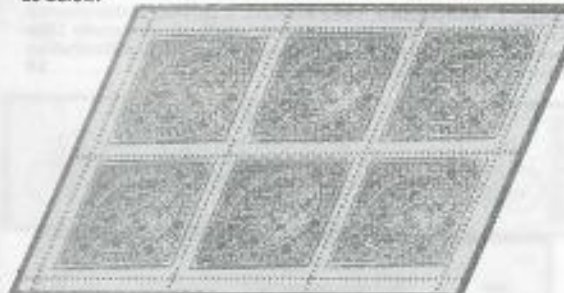


USFRDDGI 1a. A mint pair with the word "MAIL" obliterated by green ink bars as demanded by the Post Office in 1935 but off cover (rare in this form). Fully signed "ARTHUR C. BANTA 5-1-1935 BICYCLE RACE". A little grubby and no gum but probably unique.....\$150

We have several copies of USFRDD 1, but only one each of the other Fresno items listed here so early ordering is essential. Sorry no trade orders on the above items.

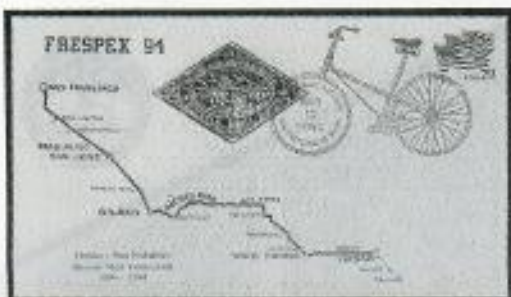
FRESPEX 94

In March, 1994, the Fresno Philatelic Society (of Fresno, California, U.S.A.) staged a Centennial Philatelic Exhibition FRESPEX '94 to mark the 100th Anniversary of the famous Fresno Bicycle Mail Service. It produced facsimile sheets of six of the original Fresno Bicycle stamps in orange and blue colours (both PERF and IMPERF) and attached singles of these to special covers, resulting in quite a swag of interesting Cinderella items as below:



USFRS 94. U.S.A. 1994. Facsimile sheets (orange and blue) of original 1894 Fresno Cycle Post stamps produced for FRESPEX 94. Pair of sheets PERFORATED. MUH.....\$8
USFRS 94a. Same pair of sheets IMPERFORATE.....\$8

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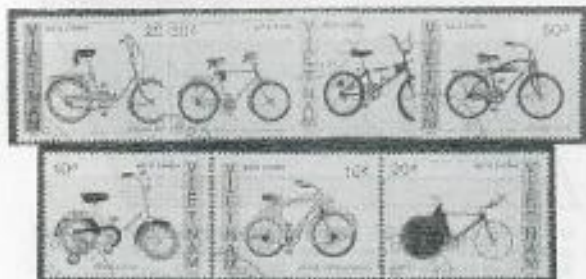


USFRSCOV 94. U.S.A. 1994 Souvenir cover produced for FRESPEX '94 showing route of the original 1894 Bicycle Post Mail Service with U.S. stamp and BLUE PERFORATED facsimile Cycle Post label affixed and attached by Bicycle cancel on opening day of show\$8
 USFRSCOV 94a. Same cover with BLUE IMPERFORATE label\$8
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 USFRSCOV 94c. Same cover with RED IMPERFORATE label\$8
 USFRSCOV 94x. Set of four different covers as above at special price\$30



MONGOLIAN BICYCLES

MNBC 1. MONGOLIA 8, 1982 Bicycles. A striking multicoloured set featuring the evolution of the bicycle from very crude 19th century models through to modern machines. The illustration here is half actual size. Complete CTO set\$3



VIETNAM BICYCLES

VTBC 1. VIETNAM 7, 1988 Bicycles. In Vietnam (as in many parts of Asia) the bicycle is the main form of transport for most of the population. This set depicts some of the many different models to be seen on the streets of Vietnamese cities. The illustration is half actual size. Complete CTO\$3



BICYCLE RE-ENACTMENT

Although FRESPEX 94 was held to mark the Centenary of the original Fresno Bicycle Service it did not coincide with the actual dates of the 1894 Service (July 6-July 18) so the Club in July prepared special covers as illustrated above and on July 9, 1994 staged a special cycle mail carrying re-enactment from Fresno to San Francisco. Again there were four types of labels used on the covers:

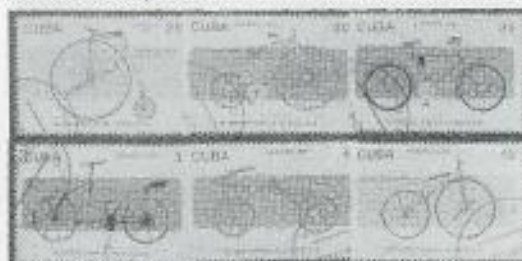
USFRRE 94. U.S.A. Fresno-San Francisco Bicycle re-enactment mail July 9, 1994 with BLUE PERFORATED labels Cds Fresno\$8
 USFRRE 94a. Same cover with BLUE IMPERFORATE label\$8
 USFRRE 94c. Same cover with RED IMPERFORATE label\$8
 USFRRE 94d. Same cover with RED IMPERFORATE label\$8
 USFRRE 94x. Combination offer of all four re-enactment covers\$30

Above illustration of the sheet is half size and of the covers approx. one third actual size.



POLAND BICYCLES

POLBC 1. POLAND 6, 1986 Bicycles. A very interesting set of stamps related to the history of bicycling in Poland, showing old and modern models, famous cyclists, etc. Illustration is half actual size. Complete MUH\$2



CUBAN BICYCLES

CBBC 1. CUBA 6, 1993 Bicycles. Another colourful set depicting the evolution of the bicycle from early to modern models. Illustration is half size. Complete CTO\$2

NOTE: We can supply the Mongolian, Cuban, Polish and Vietnamese Bicycle sets offered in this List in blocks of four at four times the single set rate.



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In 1991 a New Zealand firm produced a series of "Lickity Stickits", labels publicising various aspects of life in the Dominion. There were 10 different designs and these were produced in sheets of 50 (5 rows of 10), packaged and sold through newsagents and souvenir shops. The ten multicoloured labels (left to right) were: (1) cat cartoon; (2) dog cartoon; (3) stylistic scene of surfer, yacht, kiwi etc; (4) rata flowers; (5) N.Z. peaceful and green view; (6) Nuclear Free Zone message; (7) Mt. Cook with clean air message; (8) Maori carving; (9) cartoon cow being lifted by All Blacks Footballers; (10) Rugby World Cup 1991 promotion of All Blacks. When the All Blacks lost out in the World Cup (to Australia) the labels became a bit of an embarrassment.

NZLS 1. NEW ZEALAND, 1991. Se-tenant strip of 10 different "Lickity Stickit" labels\$2

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FRENCH AFRICAN PLATE PROOFS

Offered below are some very unusual Cinderella items, all being plate proofs or colour trials from various old colonial outposts of the French Empire in Africa. Only small quantities available so order early!



MADAGASCAR

MADG 1. MADAGASCAR. Plate proof on gummed paper of the 50c brown definitive stamp of 1930 featuring General Galleni on horseback. The proof matches the issued colour but the stamp is IMPERFORATE. Never issued in this form. MUH\$5



ALGERIA

ALG 1. ALGERIA. An unusual combination of four different stamps of the 1924 series comprising French stamps with the overprint ALGERIE. Plate proofs on gummed paper but IMPERFORATE and in different colours and denominations to the issued stamps. 4 different MUH\$10

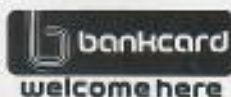


TUNISIA

TUN 1. TUNISIA. Fourteen different plate proofs of the 1926 definitive issue featuring the Mosque in Place Haifaouine, Tunis, in denominations from 10c to 15f, including a number of colours and denominations which were never issued. It is clear these must have been printers' colour trials of some kind. All imperforate. Very unusual specialist material from a bygone age. All on gummed paper. Set of 14 different MUH\$30



TUN 2. TUNISIA. Plate proof on gummed paper of the 1945 Anti-Tuberculosis Fund charity stamp (2f plus 1f charity surcharge) being a French stamp of same period overprinted TUNISIE. Same colour (orange) as issued stamp but IMPERFORATE. MUH\$4



ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION ANNIVERSARY

Souvenir stamps issued in 1994 to mark the 40th Anniversary of the 1954 Australian Expedition which established permanent bases in Antarctica.



ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

ANT 94. AUSTRALIA. The 1954 Expedition to Antarctica was a special event as it was undertaken to establish permanent Australian bases on the Antarctic continent. Four attractive labels showing a Map of Antarctica, an Antarctic plane on skis, the "Kista Dan" and Penguins were produced and used extensively on letters and souvenir cards serviced at the various new bases in the 1954-5 season. To mark the 40th Anniversary of this historic expedition, these four old labels (which are now quite scarce in the original printings) were reprinted with same designs but completely different colour combinations Map (blue), Plane (orange), Ship (Brown), Penguins (green) in set-tenant blocks of six comprising the four stamps plus two explanatory tabs. Illustration above is slightly reduced from original size. Cpl MUH\$4

ANT 94a. These were printed in a format of 36 stamps to full sheet (i.e. six blocks of six labels). We can supply the complete sheets of 36 with full margins for\$24

CINDERELLAS FROM THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

The flood of provisional stamps which emerged from the Republics and Regions of the Russian Federation in the 1992-3 period has slowed to a trickle indicating that local authorities have now got their act together to provide adequate postal services and stocks of stamps. However, some very interesting new material continues to emerge from the Federation.

JEWISH STATE

In our Nos. 8 and 9 Price Lists we offered a number of sets of stamps from Birobidzhan, the Jewish State in Far Eastern Russia (Siberia) which proclaimed its independence in 1992. We thought these issues were complicated enough, but a series of new issues which appeared in the September-November 1993 period are positively mind boggling in their complexity. As with the earlier issues, these new sets were created by applying overprints to various old Soviet Union definitive issues. As it is quite impractical to illustrate all 50 stamps in each of the sets offered below we have illustrated (actual size) only three stamps from each set to show the overprints which have been applied in that series.



ISRAEL-PALESTINE TALKS

RBRJ 6. BIROBIDZHAN 50, 1993 (September 13) Commemorative issue to mark the historic Israel-Palestine Peace Talks comprising overprints of symbols (in black) and date and ISRAEL/PALESTINIA (in blue in both English and Russian). Five different stamps with surcharges of ten different denominations (1 rouble to 1,000 roubles). Total five strips of ten different (50) MUH \$35
 RBRJ 6a. The same set but with the symbols and wording INVERTED in position on sheets to the RBRJ 6. set. Again 50 stamps \$35
 RBRJ 6b. Same set but with colours reversed with all the symbols printed in blue and the wording in black \$35
 RBRJ 6c. As above but with the position of symbols and wording INVERTED in position on the sheets \$35
 RBRJ 6XX. Combination offer of all the above, total 20 strips (200 stamps) all different \$120



SEVENTH SET

The make up of the seventh Birobidzhan issue is much like the Israel-Palestine talks issue listed above.
 RBRJ 7. BIROBIDZHAN 50, 1993 (October) Definitive overprints and surcharges on five different types of old Soviet Union issues. Overprints of L & L, plus symbols in blue. Five strips of ten different denominations (1 rouble to 1,000 roubles). 50 different stamps. MUH \$30
 RBRJ 7a. Same set with the blue overprints INVERTED \$30
 RBRJ 7b. Same set but with BLACK overprints \$30
 RBRJ 7c. Same set but with the black overprints INVERTED \$30
 RBRJ 7XX. Combination offer of all four sets (total 200 stamps all different) \$110



WARSAW UPRISING

This set issued to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Warsaw (Poland) uprising against the German Occupation Force is in exactly the same format and combinations as the Nos. 6 and 7 issues.

RBRJ 8. BIROBIDZHAN 50, 1993 (November) 50th Anniversary of Warsaw Uprising. Overprints with black symbols and blue lettering. Five strips of ten different denominations (1 rouble to 1,000 roubles). 50 stamps MUH \$35
 RBRJ 8a. Same set but with the overprinting all INVERTED \$35
 RBRJ 8b. Same set but with the colours of overprinting reversed so the symbols are all in blue and the lettering all black \$35
 RBRJ 8c. As above but with all the overprinting INVERTED \$35
 RBRJ 8XX. Combination offer of all 20 strips (200 different stamps) \$120

We are sorry to inflict these dreadful combinations (and prices) on our customers but there is intense interest in the Jewish Republic of Birobidzhan and we are making an attempt to stock all its issues. We have only eleven sets of each of the above so early ordering is essential. Sorry no trade orders on any of these new Birobidzhan stamps or the covers.



BIROBIDZHAN COVERS

RBRCOVER 1. BIROBIDZHAN. We have several old Soviet Union postal stationery envelopes as illustrated above (approx. one third actual size). Alongside the imprinted 5k Soviet stamp of plane, ship and train is a 1993 Birobidzhan stamp. Each cover is addressed to Vilnius, the capital of the newly liberated Baltic State of Lithuania. The covers have perfectly normal Birobidzhan cancels and Vilnius backstamps indicating regular mail delivery. Only a few so order early. Very scarce item \$15

If you have any friends who are interested in Cinderella Stamps please send us their names and addresses so we can mail them our price list.



TELEPHILIA COVERS

We have a small batch of large size airmail covers (one is illustrated above reduced to one quarter size) with one or two blocks of four of one of the TELEPHILIA 93 Philatelic Exhibition stamps tied by special TELEPHILIA 93 First Day of Issue cancel and with ordinary Birobidzhan cds and backstamps indicating each cover went through the postal system in normal way to various addresses within Russia.

- RBRTCL 1. BIROBIDZHAN 1993 cover with two blocks of 1k brown (100 and 250 roubles) TELEPHILIA 93 stamps \$15
- RBRTCL 2. Similar cover but with two blocks of four 2k tan stamps (again 100 and 250 roubles surcharges) \$15
- RBRTCL 3. Similar cover but with one only block of four of 3k blue stamps (50 rouble surcharge) \$15
- RBRTCLX. Combination offer of all three covers as above all completely different and all with the special TELEPHILIA 93 stamps and cds \$40

Limit one of each above covers to a customer and sorry no trade orders.



FRIENDS OF TUVA

USTUVA 1. U.S.A. 2. Tuva stamps. These two triangle shaped stamps at first glance look like some of the stamps produced in the 1930's by Tanna Touva but they are something different entirely. They were printed in Canada in 1993 and produced by the Friends of Tuva, a society located in Pasadena, California, U.S.A., in memory of Richard Feynman from artwork by Michael Munday. They have identical designs but different colours, one being red and the other dark green. A very attractive pair of Cinderellas which fit into any Tuva collection. The design, incidentally, shows two hands beating drums. Cpl MUH \$3



BELARUS BIRDS

RYBEL 5. BYELORUSSIA (BELARUS) 3, 1993 Birds. A very attractive multicoloured series issued in blocks of four comprising three different Bird stamps plus a decorative tab showing the set of Birds about to be placed in a stamp album. Most unusual Cpl MUH \$2



KAZAKHSTAN FLAG

RKAZFL 1. KAZAKHSTAN (Republic) 1, 1992 Flag issue. Attractive multicolour (including gold) stamp depicting Flag and state emblem. Cpl MUH \$1



UKRAINE AGRICULTURE

RUKAG 83. UKRAINE (Republic of) 6, 1993 Definitive pictorials featuring various agricultural scenes of farmworkers. 50 to 500 roubles values. Cpl MUH \$2

When you have finished with this list would you please pass it along to a fellow collector interested in Cinderellas to give it as wide a circulation as possible. These lists are free to anyone interested in Cinderella collecting.



STATE OF CINDERELLA

Since we first started issuing Price Lists in 1990, we have featured on the front page panel a 5c "stamp" from the "State of Cinderella". Many customers have written in asking for a copy of this "stamp" but alas we have not been able to oblige because up to now it hasn't existed in any form other than the imagination of well known Sydney artist and Australian stamp designer, Graham Wade.



Back in 1962 "Stamp News" ran a big supplement on Cinderellas and to promote this, commissioned Graham Wade to come up with a design for the cover (in full colour) with a Cinderella theme. His solution was a composite of five different stamps from the mythical State of Cinderella progressively telling the Cinderella story, i.e. 1c Jinxed, 2c Jazz, 3c Jinkered, 4c Jive (dancing), and 5c Jackpot when the handsome Prince slipped the slipper on to Cinderella's Rittle tootsie. We simply plucked the 5c design out of this old piece of art to pop up the front page of the List. However, we recently commissioned Banana Productions of Canada (a leading producer of Artistamps) to print for us a souvenir sheet of stamps, rearranging the five designs in the original Graham Wade piece of art. The result is shown at left (reduced to half size) featuring one each of the four lower values and two copies of the 5c to make up the required six designs for a standard Artistamps sheet. These sheets are reproduced in full colour and would make a great addition to your Cinderella collection or as a frontpiece for an album.

CIND 1. STATE OF CINDERELLA. Sheet of six Graham Wade stamps telling the Cinderella story. Cpl MUH\$5



1923 SWEDISH SPORTS

SWGG 23. SWEDEN 1923 National Games at Gothenburg. This is a very scarce early Games souvenir stamp. The design in brown and black depicts three discus throwers. MUH\$5



PHARMACY WEEK

INDPHM 1. INDIA. This interesting bicoloured stamp was issued in India in 1971 for the 10th National Pharmacy Week and has a design of a chemist with the slogan "PHARMACIST - THE MAKER AND MESSENGER OF MEDICINES". MUH\$3

The Last Word

This, our No. 10 List, and the first of 1995, differs a great deal from previous lists in that it carries a wide range of items on three themes we have not previously listed in any depth - Boy Scout and Girl Guide items, Bicycle Posts (including a remarkable listing of the 1894 Fresno Bicycle Post stamps) and a big listing of quite scarce World War I Delandre stamps.

In addition, there are more items in our popular sections of Philatelic Exhibition sheets, Railway items, a few more exotic issues from the new Russian Federation and an extensive general listing of odd and unusual Cinderellas including (for the first time) some interesting Artistamps from North America and some just-as-interesting FameFace productions from Australia.

Something for everybody... so happy browsing.

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The green turtle (*Chelonia mydas*) weighs over 100kg (220 lbs) and lives in warm shallow waters of the Pacific where it feeds on marine plants. This vegetarian diet causes the body fat to have a greenish color, (hence the name - "green turtle"). Green turtles grow slowly and take 25 years or more to become adults. The species is highly migratory and is critically endangered throughout the Pacific islands where it is hunted for food.

#1.75 Cook Islands

Adult green turtles migrate to distant breeding sites once every 2-5 years where the females come ashore to dig a nest in the sand and lay 100 eggs. After the eggs have incubated for about two months, the baby turtles hatch and dig to the surface.

The hatchlings then quickly crawl to the ocean and swim away from land.

The "Year of the Sea Turtle" is a Pacific-wide campaign during 1995 to promote conservation awareness and research of sea turtles to prevent extinction. The campaign is being conducted by the South Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP).

#1 COOK ISLANDS

P The hawksbill turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata) lives in warm tropical waters of the Pacific where it feeds on sponges and other reef invertebrates. There are very few hawksbills remaining in the Pacific Islands. The turtle is critically endangered worldwide due to excessive commercial killing for the attractive plates of the upper shell called "tortoiseshell". A goal of the 1995 Year of the Sea Turtle campaign is to save the hawksbill from extinction.

#2.25 COOK ISLANDS

P After hatching from their eggs, baby hawksbills emerge from the nest and quickly crawl to the sea. Crabs and birds frequently eat them as they cross the beach. Fish and sharks also prey on the hatchlings as they swim away from shore. Only a few of the turtles will survive ~~the~~ over the next 20-30 years as they grow to become adults.

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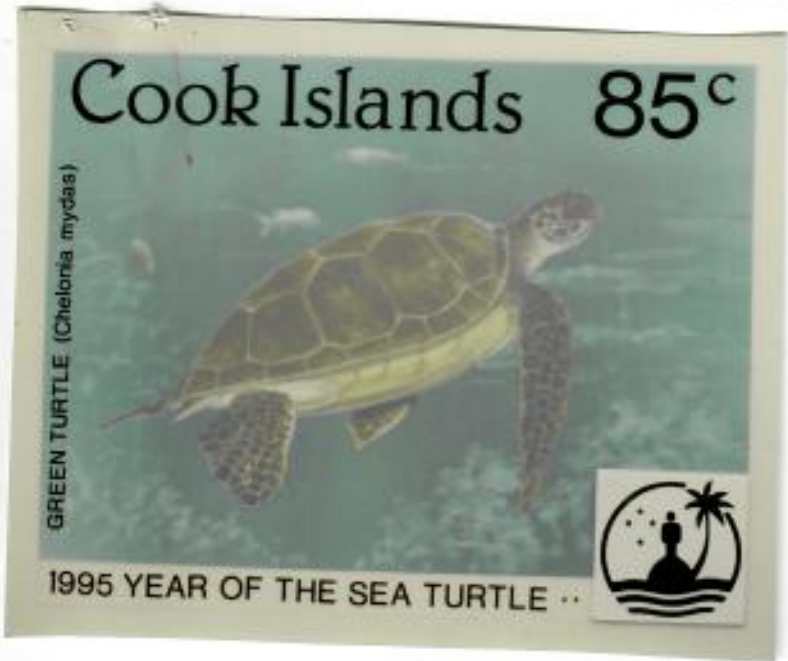
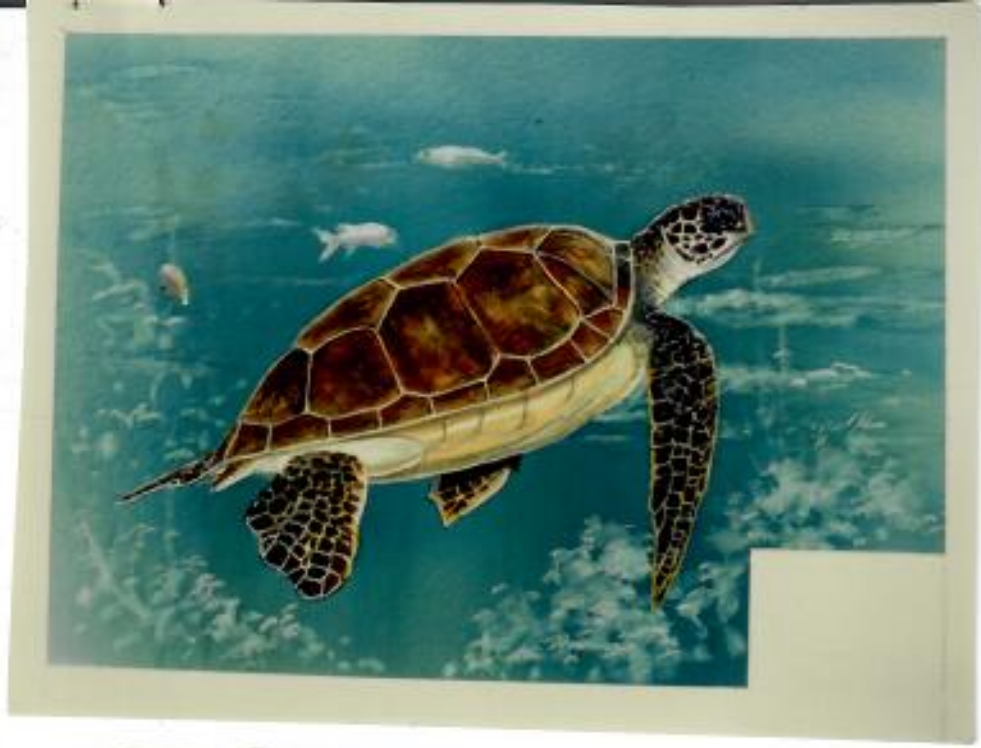
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Dear Gordon - Here are
four short write-ups to
accompany the four beautiful
Cook Island stamps 85¢,
\$1.75, \$1, and \$2.25.

Best regards,

George Balazs





Cook Islands \$1.75

GREEN TURTLE (*Chelonia mydas*)



Making nest on shore

1995 YEAR OF THE SEA TURTLE..



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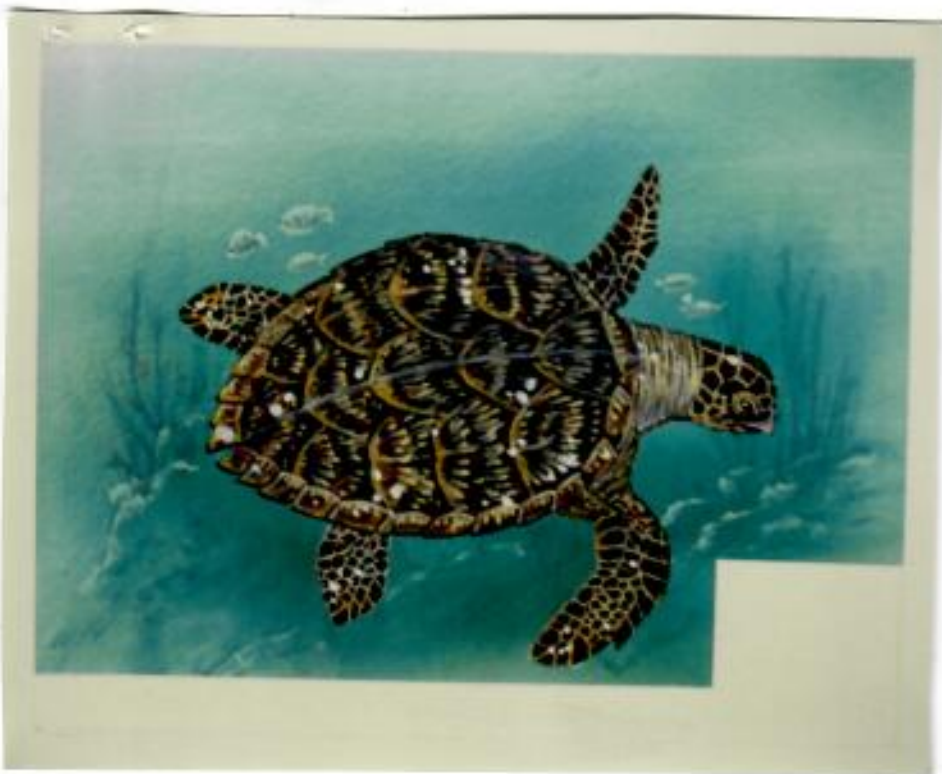
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HAWKSBILL (*Eretmochelys imbricata*)



HATCHLINGS LEAVING NEST

1995 YEAR OF THE SEA TURTLE..



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11th. July '85

Dear George.

Here are photos of the finished
outworks for the Cook Islands -
1985 Year of the Sea Turtle & Emblem.
& hope you will like them.

Could you now provide
the brief write-up for each
of the 4 designs. The photos
are hand held shots & do
vary in size. The stamps
will all be of one size:
30.50mm x 38.20mm when
printed.

I am now busy in
the 4 stamps for AITUTAKI
& PENRHYN of the Cook Is.
Group. Will let you have photos
S.A.P.

Aloha

Gordon

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9th. August '95

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Dear George,

I have just heard from Mr. Finbar Kenny of New York. (I sent him a copy of your recent fax to me, with a write-up for each of the four Cook Island - Turtle stamps. He was pleased with your observations & said it was just what he required for P.R. work.

I am now enclosing two sets of B/W
copies of another 8 designs for the series.
These are for AITUTAKI/PENRHYN and are
taken from the finished artwork. The
colour backgrounds are sled on all sides
by the perforations with no white border.
PENRHYN are octenaut pairs & AITUTAKI x 4
individual stamps. The emblem "PREP" will
appear in black line on the blue backgrounds.
There will be no white as a backing. Regrettably,
I have lost my firm who used to colour
Laser my artwork & have had to rely
on a black scanner, thus no tints or tone &
variations. The designs look attractive in
colour & should make good stamps.
Please send observations on each stamp as before,
for AITUTAKI/PENRHYN — Total 8 stamps.

Ms. Kenny is arranging with the
Postmasters of all three Territories to send
you some First-Day Covers, & some stamps for

P.T.O.

Your records when these are issued.

Can you let me have a shorter address to which I can send correspondence to you which will reach you safely?

I hope this packet will reach you safely as addressed.

Thanks for your help.

Best Regards.

Jordon

Encls: 2 Copies
of Stamp artwork



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10th. April '95

Dear George.

Many thanks for all of the material which you sent to me, as well as that sent the Hotel before I left. The colour slides of the Turtles will be returned to you as requested. It will all be very useful to me when this programme really gets under way!

You will appreciate that it will be a tough assignment to have stamps available this year without previous advance planning. I am working with Agents to see if Fiji & Solomon Islands can adjust their issues planned for 1995 to bring out turtle issues this year. I will keep you posted.

Do you have a special "SPREP" Logo for stationery etc? one is usually printed on each stamp of a collective issue, like the Panda & WWF logo. If you have one could I have a copy (black line bromide) I need a copy for the first of the Cook Islands issues of 4 stamps. I need to get this in hand quickly for this and other issues.

Thank you for the details which arrived today of Pinnacles Turtles for the Cook Islands stamps. This set may be followed by ATUTAKI & PENRHYN & FINALLY NIUE.

Please forgive me for taking so long to write to you. I really have been ill for four weeks & am only now recovering slowly.

I have searched for turtle stamps from my specimens & could only find one not on your list of stamps & that is Christmas Island 5 dollar definitive stamp which I designed two years or so back, also four WWF Covers for an issue

Coming out soon for St. Kitts of the
Green Turtle. I'll let you have a set
when they are released. Did you
have a set of the Belize Turtles
issue: 3 Sea Turtles + 3 Land Turtles?
They are included on your list.

Best regards.

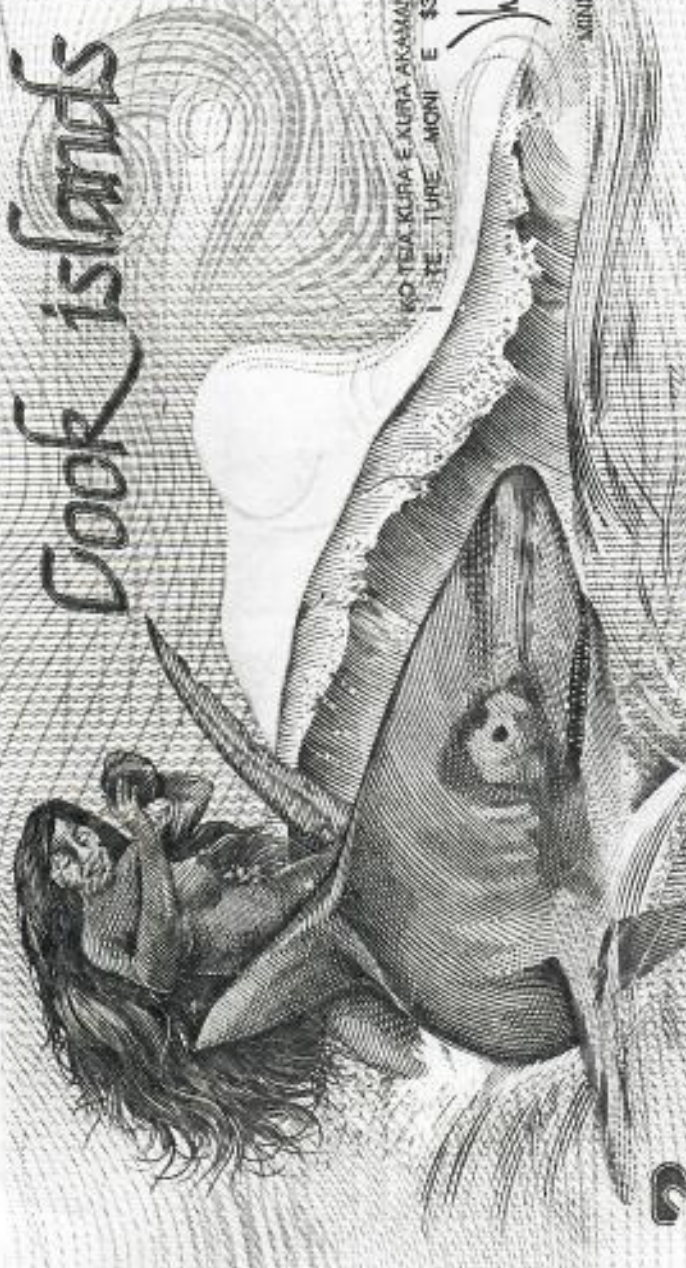
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Nov 10th 95

Dear George;

Thank you for your card which arrived today. Yes I did receive your faxed writeups for Kibitaki & Pentwyn - Turtle issues & I sent these direct to Mr. Kenny in New York. When I had a reply from him, I immediately sent you a copy of his fax to advise you about issue dates of the stamps.

Enclosed you will find another copy of the fax for your information. I am sorry that Mr. Kenny & myself can't be more precise on the date until supplies of the stamps are received from the printers.

From what I can make out, Cook Island stamps will be issued on Nov 20th, & the other two sets will be issued the first week in Dec, but date in that week has ^{not} been fixed.

Best regards,

Gordon Drummond



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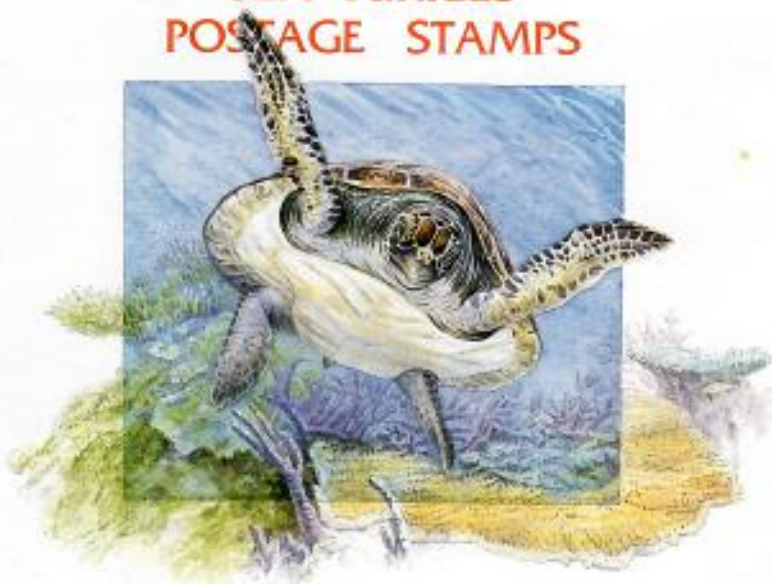
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FIRST DAY COVER

A vertical strip of six green icons: a spider, a chicken, a pig, a turtle, a duck, and a dog. Below the icons is a yellow circular area containing the text "Tokelau AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK Stamp Issue". At the bottom of the strip is a green wavy line representing water, with the text "1986 POST OFFICE FIRST DAY COVER" below it.



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首日封設計者：賴吉仁
F.D.C. DESIGNER: Lai Chi-jen
售價：NT\$ 1.00

84-17

發行日期：民國84年11月10日

全張枚數：20 (4 × 5)

用 紙：因在雪面上標郵字水紋紙

繪 圖 者：賴吉仁

承 印 者：中央印製廠

圖 幅：22 × 30 (公釐)

刷 色：彩色

印 法：平凹版

齒 度：12齒

First day of issue..... November 10, 1995

Sheet composition..... 20 (4 X 5) stamps per sheet

Paper used..... Locally-made mat finished, watermarked stamp paper with gum

Designer..... Lai Chi-jen

Printer..... China Engraving & Printing Works, R.O.C.

Size of design..... 22 X 30 (mm)

Color..... Colorful

Process..... Deep etch offset

Perforation..... 12齒

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「南太平洋環境保護組織」將一九九五年訂為「太平洋海龜年」，希望藉由太平洋地區之國際合作，共同保護此一地區之海龜。為響應此一行動，以提昇我國國際保育形象，本局特以綠蠵龜、赤蠵龜、玳瑁及玳瑁四種蠵龜科海龜為主題，印製郵票一套四枚。

在二億年前，恐龍仍生存於地球時，海龜即已存在。現存之海龜種類分為二科：蠵龜科及草龜科，蠵龜科有綠蠵龜、赤蠵龜、玳瑁及玳瑁四種，棲息於全球熱帶及亞熱帶海域；草龜科之分佈地點則及至緯度較高之溫帶水域。由於海龜需二十至二十五年才能長大成熟，幼龜之天敵又多，通常一千隻中約僅有一隻可以存活。又因為海龜之經濟價值極高，其肉及蛋可食，殼可作裝飾品，使其常被漁民捕殺，故其族群數量已急遽減少。目前國際華盛頓公約組織已將海龜列為瀕臨絕種野生動物，禁止販賣、捕殺。我國行政院農業委員會除將所有海龜列為瀕臨絕種保育類野生動物外，並於八十三年十二月開闢設於澎湖望安的沙灘為綠蠵龜自然保護區，以加強海龜之保育工作。

The South Pacific Regional Environment Protection Programme named 1995 as the Year of Sea Turtle in the Pacific, hoping to protect the sea turtle through an international cooperation in the Pacific region. In response to this action and to lift our country's image in protecting endangered wildlife, this Directorate has chosen four sea turtles as subjects for a set of four stamps which were issued on Nov. 10, 1995. The sea turtle stamps were directed by Cheng I-junn, associated professor of National Taiwan Ocean University.

Turtles have existed in essentially their present form since 200 million years ago, when dinosaurs began to dominate the earth. Turtles are classified in two suborders, Cryptodira and Pleurodira. Those chosen for this set of four stamps include the Green Turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), Loggerhead Sea Turtle (*Caretta caretta*), Olive Ridley Sea Turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), and Hawksbill Sea Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*). These turtles are found in tropical and subtropical waters. It takes 20 to 25 years for a turtle to reach adulthood. The number of sea turtles is dramatically decreasing because usually only 1 out of 1,000 young turtles is able to survive from its many predators. In addition, the flesh and eggs of sea turtles are a source of food and decoration. Currently, CITES (The Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species) has labeled sea turtles in danger of extinction. The Council of Agriculture of the Executive Yuan in the R.O.C. declared the beach along Wangan, Penghu as a sea turtle reservation, effective from December, 1994.



