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## Collecting British East Africa

by Steve Bonowski

After the United States, collecting the British Commonwealth and colonies may be the second most popular, non-topical, collecting area. The cover article of the September, 2022 issue of the *American Philatelist* is devoted to British Commonwealth collecting on a general level.



I have a special affinity for British East Africa, having completed eight trips to Kilimanjaro, between 1989 and 2011, with the Colorado Mountain Club and gained the 19,340 foot summit four times. I had the privilege of serving as the expedition team leader for trips #2 through #8. But, we're here to read about philately, not mountaineering.

For this philatelic travel to British East Africa I will refer to the 2020 *Scott Classic Specialized Catalog* and numbers. Access to the *Stanley Gibbons Catalog* for British East Africa is a necessity if you wish to fully understand the intricacies and nuances of this collecting area.



Figure 1, 1890, British East Africa, Scott #1.

From the late 1790s, the area along what is now the Kenyan coast was controlled by the Sultanate of Zanzibar. The British were awarded administrative rights for the province by the sultan in 1887, via what became the Imperial British East Africa Company.

The first set of three stamps for British East Africa were issued in 1890. These were stamps of India overprinted for use by the British East Africa Company (See Figure 1). The *Scott Catalog* warns of counterfeits for these somewhat expensive stamps.

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## Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library

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A basic membership with the RMPL is \$25 per year and includes book checkout privileges and six issues of *Scribblings*. Call for more information.

Officers and Directors may be contacted through the RMPL.

## *From the Desk of the President - by Tonny Van Loij*



With this issue, the summer will have gone and hopefully some cooler weather will arrive.

The past couple of months have been busy at Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library. Steve Schweighofer has done a tremendous job creating storage space on the stocking shelves. He has rearranged the railroad books and Western history in my office. This freed up enough space to relocate all the Special Collections to my office, providing easier access by members.

At the last board meeting we discussed whether the Library should keep duplicate copies of publications. There are many second copies on the shelves and they take up a lot of space. We are very close to running out of space. This subject will be revisited at the next Board meeting.

Tech support volunteer Joe Lanotte has been spending a lot of time researching a solution to get faster internet to the RMPL. Short of spending a lot of money, no immediate solution is available. A major obstacle is that many of the internet providers cite our location and the high cost of construction to bring the service to the building.

We recently received two very large donations. One from SCC for the use of the Library (office space and library) and another one (thanks to John Bloor) from a philatelic club that disbanded.

Tonny Van Loij  
President

## **HOURS OF OPERATION**

**In the event of inclement weather the Library may close unexpectedly. Prior to venturing out, particularly when it is snowing, it is advisable to call ahead and make sure the Library is open.**

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLIDAY CLOSURES

In recognition of the holiday season the Library will be closed on the following dates:

**Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

### 2023 ROCKY MOUNTAIN STAMP SHOW

This is the first call for volunteers to step up to the plate and commit a few hours of their time to help at next year's stamp show. A number of individuals have come forward for the 2023 RMSS and this is greatly appreciated. However, additional volunteers are needed to manage the registration desk, assist with floor management and help with cachet sales. We also need a hearty team to set up and take down the exhibit display frames. Please contact Ron Lampo at [chairman@rockymountainstampshow.com](mailto:chairman@rockymountainstampshow.com) for more information on volunteering.

### LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Additional help is needed in almost every area of RMPL operations, especially back-ups for publishing and stamp mart operations. If you are interested in becoming more active with the RMPL, whether it is helping publish *Scribblings*, sorting donations for our stamp mart, or helping with library maintenance, please contact the Library at 303-759-9921.

### FACEBOOK MANAGER WANTED

The Library is searching for a talented individual willing to take over the maintenance and management of the RMPL Facebook page. The volunteer will need to dedicate a few hours each week to updating the information about upcoming events and activities in the local region. If you are familiar with managing a Facebook page, or know of someone who might be interested, please call the Library at 303-759-9921.

### SECOND SATURDAY PROGRAMS NEEDED

Sponsored by the RMPL, the Second Saturday programs are generally about an hour long and focus on a specific subject. The subject matter is not limited to philately. Attendance is open to anyone who has a desire to learn something new about a specific subject, or enjoys discovering something new about an area of philately unfamiliar to them. Please contact Jim Kilbane at: [aurora\\_80017@yahoo.com](mailto:aurora_80017@yahoo.com) for more information.

### ARTICLES WANTED

The deadline for article submissions for the next issue of *Scribblings* is November 30, 2022. Please send your articles to Charlie Freise, [vapid1000@gmail.com](mailto:vapid1000@gmail.com)

## 1st Annual Denver Stamp Club Auction

Presented by the Denver Stamp Club

**Location: RMPL Meeting Room**

**When: Wednesday, November 30, 2022**

**Viewing available from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**Auction begins at 2:00 PM**

More than  
100  
Auction  
Items

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Stocks of the original three stamp issues were quickly exhausted. The Company then printed a set of 17 stamps, from 1890 to 1894, with the British East Africa Company name with an allegory of sun and crown (See Figure 2). Indian currency remained in use. The set of 17 is reasonably priced except for two numbers. Both the *Scott* and *Gibbons* catalogs list varieties. The *Gibbons* catalog also notes several values that have been forged.



Figure 2, 1890-4, British East Africa, Scott #27.

Over the next 10 years additional stamp sets were issued. In 1895, the British government assumed responsibility for the territory. British East Africa Company stamps, as well as stamps from India, were overprinted British East Africa (See Figure 3); other surcharges were used throughout this period.

Beginning in 1896, stamps depicting a portrait of Queen Victoria with two rampant lions and inscribed "British East Africa Protectorate" were issued (See Figure 4).



Figure 3, 1895, British East Africa, Scott #58.



Figure 4, 1896, British East Africa, Scott #77.



Figure 5, 1897, British East Africa, Scott #93.

In 1897, stamps of Zanzibar were overprinted "British East Africa" in black (See figure 5). Later the same year the overprinted stamps were surcharged with new values in red ink. These surcharged stamps were never placed into use.

A second set of stamps, similar to the Queen Victoria issue of 1896, were issued in 1898. These stamps were printed on paper with a different watermark. Revenue cancels on the higher value stamps began to turn up with this set.

British East Africa merged with the Uganda Protectorates in 1901 forming the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates (EA&UP). This entity issued three sets of stamps from 1903 through 1919. The first two sets feature the portrait of King Edward VII (see Figure 6). The third and final set features the portrait of King George V.



Figure 6, 1907 - 1908, East Africa and Uganda Protectorates, Scott #39.

Two types of paper, chalky and ordinary, were used to print these three sets; there were also different watermarks used. High values are frequently found with revenue cancels. Mint examples of the very highest values command premium prices. However, a collector is able to obtain examples with "Specimen" overprints at a reasonable price.

1919 saw the final issue of the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates, a 4¢ surcharge on Scott #42, the 6¢ carmine stamp. This last stamp is perhaps the most interesting due to the surcharge and overprint appearing "all over the place." The surcharged value was intended to be centered, with the bars obliterating the old value at top (see Figure 7), with raised bars on top and part of the bar from the lower stamp, showing on this sample.



The bars intended to obliterate the old value miss their target.

A portion of the obliterating bars for another stamp appear in the bottom margin of this example.



Figure 7, 1919, East Africa and Uganda Protectorates, Scott #62b.

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"Never Say Never Again," a title of a James Bond movie, applies here. An extra set of stamps inscribed East Africa & Uganda Protectorates was issued in 1921. This can be confusing to collectors as the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates merged with Kenya in August 1920. The coastal strip remained a protectorate.

Although the name of the colony was changed in 1920 the stamps of East Africa and Uganda Protectorates continued to be used. The final set of stamps, issued in 1921, was printed on paper using two different watermarks. Stamps printed with the multiple crown and CA (see Figure 8) watermark are listed in the *Scott Catalog* under the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates. Stamps printed with the multiple crown and manuscript CA (see Figure 9) watermark are listed under Kenya, Uganda & Tanzania in the *Scott Catalog*. Overall the last set of stamps issued by East Africa and Uganda Protectorates is rather pricey. But, again, prices of the higher values, with revenue cancels, are within reason.



Figure 8 - Type 3 watermark



Figure 9 - Type 4 watermark

A new set of stamps, inscribed Kenya and Uganda was issued from 1922 - 1927 (see Figures 10 and 11), values beginning with 1/ were issued in a larger format. Higher values were issued from £1 through £100 (see Figures 12 and 13). Catalogue prices of the highest values in mint condition are in six figures. A collector can obtain these high value stamps, with Specimen overprints or revenue cancels, for more modest prices.

In 1933, the British mandated territory of Tanganyika, formerly German East Africa, joined Kenya and Uganda as part of the East Africa Posts and Telecommunications Union. Of course, this action meant it was soon time for a new set of stamps. In May, 1935, the first set with the names of all three countries was issued (see Figure 14). The transformation from British East Africa to Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika was thus complete. We'll conclude

the article at this point. The King George VI issues of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, issued from 1938 through 1954, are the most complex of all the issues for British East Africa and are deserving of their own article at some future time.

All of the stamps shown in this article are part of my British East Africa collection. I'm happy to answer any questions and can be reached through the RMPL.



Figure 10, 1922, Kenya and Uganda, Scott #26.



Figure 11, 1922, Kenya and Uganda, Scott #36.



Figure 12, 1925, Kenya and Uganda, Scott #39, with Specimen overprint.

Figure 13, 1922, Kenya and Uganda, Scott #41, with revenue cancel.



Figure 14, 1922, Kenya and Uganda and Tanganyika, Scott #59.

# Second Saturday Programs at the Library

Second Saturday programs are sponsored by the RMPL and attract a friendly group of folks who are interested in a specific subject, or who are interested in learning more about an area of philately that may be new to them. *Contact Jim Kilbane, aurora\_80017@yahoo.com, if you are interested in presenting a program.*

**November 12, 2022 - 9:00 AM**

**Presenter: Dan Culbert**

**"¡Morazán!"**

Dan Culbert visited the RMPL in May and enjoyed his visit so much, he decided to return as the guest presenter at the November meeting. Dan is a 30+ year member of the APS and has an interest in Honduras Philately. His presentation is entitled: **¡Morazán!** The program will provide a philatelic overview of this Central American icon, with a focus on the Honduras 1941 Postal Tax issue. He will be "zooming in" from the fall Port St. Lucie Stamp show in Florida.



**December 10, 2022 - 9:00 AM**

**Presenter: Ravi Vora**

**"The Mystery of the First Postage Due Stamp of the Indian Sub-Continent"**



Unlike other British colonies on the Indian subcontinent the Indian Convention and Feudatory States never issued postage due stamps. The Feudatory state of Morvi, located in Western India, within the state of Gujarat, is the exception to this statement. Morvi issued its own postage stamps from 1931 - 1948, and had a well-organized postal service. The stamps were valid for use only within the Morvi state postal system. Examples of Morvi postage due stamps are only found on unpaid official mail. The stamps are acknowledged as genuine by Dr. Phillip Keane, of Stanley Gibbons, and Sandeep Jaiswal, a renowned expert in Indian States postal history. These stamps are not listed in the Stanley Gibbons or Scott



# Volunteer Luncheon

*by Regina Domenici*

Following a three-year pandemic moratorium, the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library volunteer appreciation luncheon returned on August 22, 2022. In the spirit of friendship and community, sixty-eight volunteers and guests gathered for an afternoon of food and fun at the Library. Besides comradery and a delicious lunch provided by Dickey's BBQ, three bingo winners scored gift cards to local restaurants. Highlight of the luncheon was the award ceremony honoring Charlie Friese as "Volunteer of the Year" and Tony Van Loij was given a commemorative plaque for his dedication and outstanding service to the Library. A special "thank you" is extended to Paul and Regina Domenici for spearheading the event. We hope all of our amazing volunteers know how much they are valued.



Left: Rich Palestro, Paul Domenici and Tony Van Loij



# Covering the World

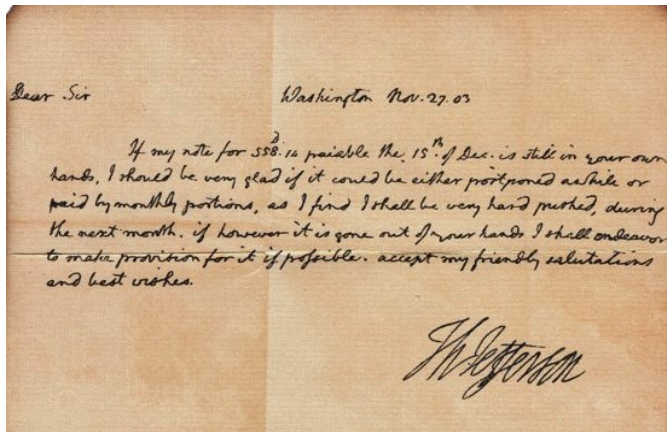
## "An Interesting Letter"



by John H. Bloor

For this issue, Will Gum provided us with another interesting item together with a very helpful write-up. Most of the text below is an edited version of the information that he sent. This isn't a cover but a letter that is of historical importance.

Will begins: This letter has been in my family on my father's side for generations – going back at least to my great grandfather Elijah Gum.



The letter itself is from President Thomas Jefferson to Mr. Craven Peyton at Stumpersland, near Milton, Virginia. Today Milton is in West Virginia, near Charlottesville. Just outside Charlottesville is the home and plantation of Thomas Jefferson, 3<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States. The letter is dated November 27<sup>th</sup> 1803.

In those days people were land rich and cash poor and there was a shortage of hard cash circulating. Many people would plead for extensions on their debts until they could raise the funds to pay them off. Thomas Jefferson was no different.

There was a large parcel of land, more than 1,000 acres, along the Rivanna River, near Milton, that Jefferson wanted to buy. Peyton was asked by Jefferson to buy and manage the land until Jefferson left public office. The body of the letter deals with Jefferson's repayment of Peyton for this land. The amount owed was \$558.14, due on December 15, 1803. Jefferson asked for an extension. It was paid on December 27, about two weeks late.

The cover enclosing the letter is addressed to Mr. Craven Peyton, Stumpersland, near Milton. The upper right hand corner has a black "FREE" stamped on it. In the upper left hand corner is hand written "free" and underneath it is "Th. Jefferson Pr. US. The cancellation is a circular town stamp with WASHn CITY across the top, a "V" under the "I" and an 8 under the "V"

My father died in 1992. Years before, it had been decided that the letter would be passed down to me because I was the collector in the family. My brother, the executor of my father's will, presented it to me with much pomp and ceremony. He acted as if I had been the great "winner" of the

estate's distribution due to the obvious value of this old and rare letter.

The story continues. One evening my wife and I went to dinner and we took the letter along. My wife was looking at it and said; "I think this is fake. The discoloration around the edge of the letter looks like char", suggesting that it was caused by some process other than aging.

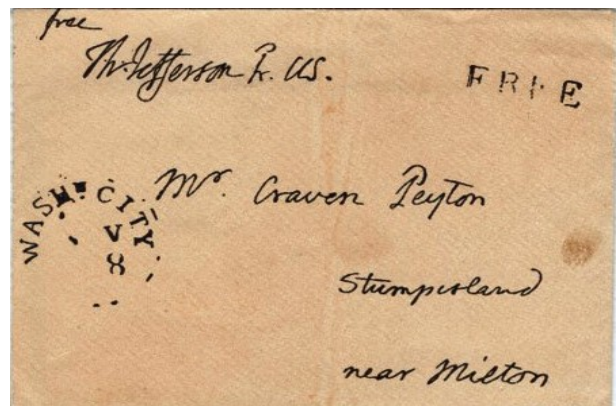
So what's the verdict: is it genuine or fake? From Will's experience as a postal historian, after some research, he felt that the markings, date, paper, and the text of the letter were consistent with what it appeared to be. There are no pencil marks on the envelope noting dates or a price that are common from dealers in the late 1800s and early 1900s; these might have been helpful for validation.

A remaining question was whether Jefferson's signature was genuine. "I found the name of a signature specialist in the back of a collector's publication. I called him and described what I had. He said to fax him a copy. After looking at the image, he replied that the piece was a 'well known copy' of the original letter and that it was worth 'a few hundred dollars.' That was 30 years ago so I suppose it might be worth a little more than that today."

My family, of course, was disappointed to learn that the treasured family letter from Thomas Jefferson was not an original, but I still consider it a wonderful, desirable collectible. Many of the items in my postal history collection are original but others, like the Declaration of Independence, the US Constitution, and a couple of local post stamps, are copies or forgeries as well, so the letter has a happy home and is in good company. And yes, 30 years later I am still happily married and love my wife.

There are two lessons here. First, the contents of a cover can be more interesting than the cover itself. If you have a cover with contents, be sure to examine the enclosure as carefully as you do the cover. Second, the result of examination of an item by a knowledgeable authority may surprise you.

That's all for this issue. Send me a cover from your collection for the next issue. Please include information about the cover to help me prepare the article.



# THE HERALDIC LION

## DEFINITIVE COIL STAMPS OF SWEDEN (1920 – 1926)

by Charlie Freise



Figure 1

5 öre, green, *Heraldic Lion and Coat of Arms stamp*, 1925, Scott #135.

Many collectors are unaware that Sweden began experimenting with coil stamps as early as 1903 and with vending machine booklets in 1904. Since the 1940s nearly all Swedish stamps have been issued in coil formats, booklets or as miniature sheets. During the period 1920 - 1926 there were multiple sets of definitive stamps issued. Several of these issues featured various portraits of King Gustav V. This article will focus specifically on the early heraldic lion with coat of arms stamps issued between 1920 - 1926 (see Figure 1).

The heraldic lion and coat of arms stamp was designed by Axel Törneman and Einar Forseth based upon a sculpture by B. Fouquet. The stamp was released on May 10, 1920. More than 12,000,000 copies of the stamp were printed by the British American Bank Note Company.

These stamps are an intriguing and popular collecting area. They are easily identifiable and readily available through dealers, auctions and websites. With a few exceptions, all of the stamps are reasonably priced and within the budget of most collectors.

The stamps were all printed with gauge 10 or 13 perforations, including the booklet formats. They are usually unwatermarked or will have the type 181 wavy line watermark (see Figure 2). There were several issues printed with a partial Kungle Postverket watermark (see Figure 3). Catalog values vary from printing to printing. Sometimes the unwatermarked stamps hold

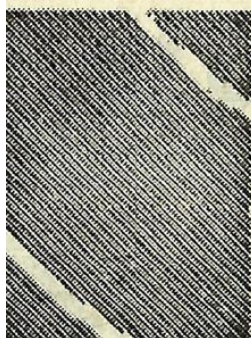


Figure 2, watermark type 181.

Figure 3 - Kungle Postverket watermark



a higher value than the watermarked varieties. An interesting aspect pertaining to the early coil issues is the paper used in the printing commonly appears tinted by the ink color of the stamp. Later issues were printed on white paper. There were multiple printings of the heraldic lions in several colors and values (see Figure 4). While the stamps may not have dozens of perforation and watermark varieties there are a number of different die types. These varieties are something to search for on those long, dreary winter afternoons.



Figure 4

5 öre, copper red, 1921, Scott #117  
 10 öre, green, 1921, Scott #118  
 10 öre, violet, 1921, Scott #119  
 25 öre, orange, 1921, Scott #120  
 30 öre, brown, 1920, Scott #121

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Some of the more difficult issues to add to a collection are the perf 13 coil stamps (see Figure 5). Only the 5 öre (green and copper-red) and the 10 öre (green and violet) issues were perforated in this gauge. The 5 öre, perforated 13, copper-red stamp was issued in 1921 and 1922 (watermarked variety). The remaining perforated 13 varieties were issued between 1924 - 1925.



Figure 5

5 öre copper red, perf 13, 1921, Scott #133  
10 öre violet, perf 13, 1925, Scott #138

The 5 öre (green), 10 öre (green and violet) and 30 öre (brown) stamps were also issued in booklet formats. Individual booklet stamps are somewhat more expensive than the coil varieties (see Figure 6). Obtaining intact booklets panes, in good condition, may prove to be a challenge. The Scott Catalog has a special note concerning the booklet stamps: "Unless part of a booklet pane, any stamp perforated only horizontally or vertically is a coil stamp."



Figure 6  
Booklets

5 öre green, 1920, Scott #126  
10 öre green, 1921, Scott #127  
10 öre violet, 1925, Scott #128  
30 öre brown, 1920, Scott #129

The rarest variety of this interesting stamp issue is the 10 öre green tête-bêche unwatermarked coil stamp (see Figure 7). Good, clean examples of this variety are difficult to find. If you decide to purchase this rare variety it is recommended the example comes with a certificate. The example shown here is currently

available on eBay through the North Stamp Company.



Figure 7

10 öre, green, tête-bêche coil, 1921, Scott #118a

Once a collector has mastered the different printing varieties of the heraldic lions it is easy to follow-up with identifying the different die types. Depending upon which source you are using there are different ways to identify a particular die type. It is important to note that the die types are not found on every stamp value.

The Michel Catalog, and the [Colnect.com](http://Colnect.com) website use the same identifying characteristics in determining the die types for the 5 öre stamps.



Die Type I (left):

Top bar on the "5" is smaller to the right.

Lowest shading line on the hind leg is longer (5 and 10 öre stamps).

Die Type II (right):

Top bar on the "5" is straighter and thicker.

Lowest shading line on the hind leg is the same length as the other shading lines.

The [WorldStampsProject.org](http://WorldStampsProject.org) website lists other characteristics found on the die I and die II types of the 5 öre stamp.



Die Type I :

One line on the lion's back.

Three short lines between the two large ones on the front left paw.

Lower end of the number 5 is even, lower line on the horizontal stroke is straight.

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# New Publications for our Members

## UNITED STATES

*Bakers' U.S. Classics: A Collection of Columns From 'Stamps' from 1962 to 1969*

*The Expert's Book: A Practical Guide to the Authentication of United States Stamps: Washington/Franklin Issues, 1908-1923*, by Paul W. Schmid

*History of California Post Offices, 1849-1976*, research by H. E. Salley

*The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America*, by August Dietz

*Post Office Clerk-Carrier*, by U.S. Post Office

*Pre-territorial and Territorial Denver Post Offices, Exhibit*, by Donald G. Beuthel

*Report of the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads* by United States Congress, House of Representatives.

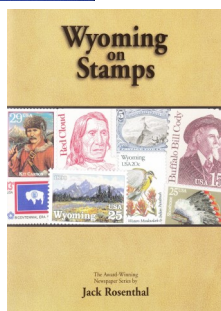
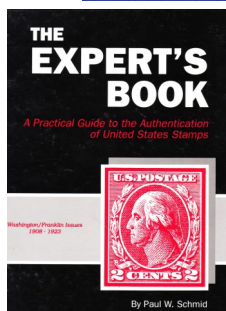
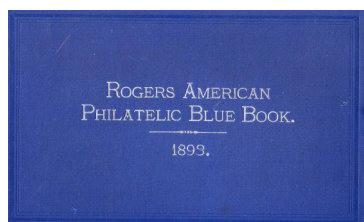
*Rogers American Philatelic Blue Book 1893*, by Albert R. Rogers

*Sanitary Fairs: A Philatelic and Historical Study of Civil War Benevolences*, by Alvin Robert Kantor and Marjorie Sered Kantor

*The U.S. Star Die Postal Stationery Issue of 1860-1861*, by David W. Snow

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*The Colorado Railway Mail Service: 100 Years of Opportunity and Expansion*, by Michael Maselli

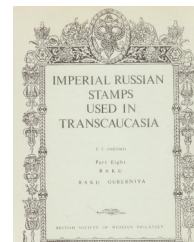
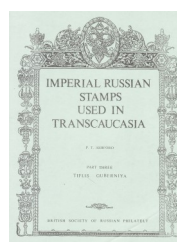
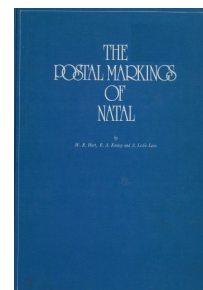
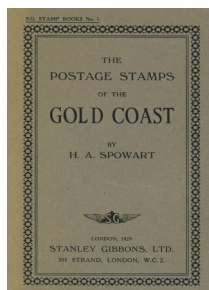
*Colorado 1997 Zip Code Directory*, by the U.S. Postal Service

## AFRICA

*The 'Officials' of South Africa: Stamps of the Union of South Africa, 1910-1961*, by Robert W. Hisey and Ian A. Matheson

*Postage Stamps of the Gold Coast*, by H. A. Spewart

*The Postal Markings of Natal*, by W. R. Hart, B. A. Kantey and A. Leslie Leon



## ASIA

*Каталог Почтовых марок 1857-1991 = Catalogue of postage stamps 1857-1991*

*Imperial Russian Stamps Used in Transcaucasia (Part Three): Tiflis, Guberniya*, by P. T. Ashford

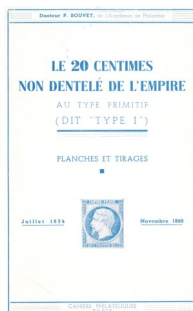
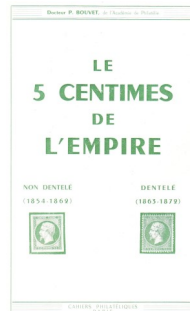
*Imperial Russian Stamps Used in Transcaucasia (Part Eight): Baku, Baku Guberniya*, by P. T. Ashford

*Japanese Postal Marks*, by Morio Komatsu

*Russia Foreign Letter Postal Rates 1916-1924 (exhibit)*, by A. R. Marshall

*The Postal History and Stamps of Sorath*, by R. A. Malaviya

# New Publications for our Members



## LES CACHETS DE ROUTES du Bureau Central de Paris - 1838-56

Le sujet est tellement vaste qu'il est de toute évidence impossible de donner une liste exhaustive de ces cachets. C'est une liste indicative de ce qui a été publié et qui est en vente.

Tout d'abord quelques mots de ce qui a été dit sur le sujet, car de très nombreux articles ont été publiés dans la documentation philatélique.

Plus récemment, nous avons les ouvrages : 'J'ai commencé à collectionner les cachets de routes de l'Empire' par Paul Carrozzini, dans 'Parochies' 81, et 'Les cachets de routes de l'Empire' par Paul Carrozzini, dans 'Parochies' 81, et 'Les cachets de routes de l'Empire' par Paul Carrozzini, dans 'Parochies' 81.

(I) BILLOUXE. — Les Postes Françaises, 1956. — Je n'ai jamais vu ce livre, mais j'ai vu quelques pages dans un ouvrage de Paul Carrozzini.

(II) MAURY. — Les Postes Françaises de la France (1792-1815). — Editions de la France Philatélique, 1956. — Les pages de routes de l'Empire sont de très belles, quelques pages d'une façon générale.

(III) MAURY. — Catalogue des Marques Postales de la France (1792-1815). — Editions de la France Philatélique, 1956. — Les pages de routes de l'Empire sont de très belles, quelques pages d'une façon générale.

(IV) DUBOIS. — Les Postes Françaises (1792-1815). — Editions de la France Philatélique, 1956. — Les pages de routes de l'Empire sont de très belles, quelques pages d'une façon générale.

(V) MAURY. — Editions de la France Philatélique, 1956. — Les pages de routes de l'Empire sont de très belles, quelques pages d'une façon générale.

## EUROPE (continued)

**French Forces Abroad: (exhibit), by Stanley J. Luft**

**Generalgouvernement 1939-1945: Dokumentation über die Postaufgabestempel die im Generalgouvernement 1939-45 zur Verwendung kamen, by Bernhard Albrecht**

**Handbuch der Deutschen Privat Postwertzeichen, by Carl Schmidt**

**Histoire et Catalogue des Marques Postales des Départements Français Conquis sous la Revolution et le Premier Empire, 1792-1815: Fascicule 5 - la Hollande, par le Docteur Carroll Chase**

**Perkins Bacon Great Britain Line-Engraved Postage Stamp Printing 1840-1846: Volumes 1 & 2, by Alan G. Druce**

**Postal Censoring in Finland: 1914-1918 Overview by Juhani Olamo; Censor Marks Edited & Compiled, by Roger Quinby**

## EUROPE

**Le 5 Centimes de L'Empire non Dentelé (1854-1862) [et] Dentelé (1863-1872), by P. Bouvet**

**Le 20 Centimes non Dentelé de L'Empire au Type Primatif (dit "Type I"): Planches et Tirages; Juillet 1854 - Novembre 1860, by P. Bouvet**

**Die Briefmarken der Deutschen Postanstalten im Auslande und der Deutschen Schutzgebiete: Sowie ihre Entwertungen mit Einem Anhang über die Post der Auslandskreuzer 1914/18, by Eduard Ey**

**Les Cachets de Routes du Bureau Central de Paris, 1838-1856, by Carroll Chase**

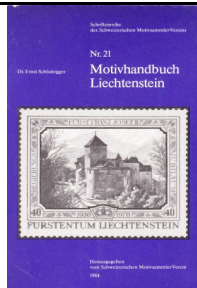
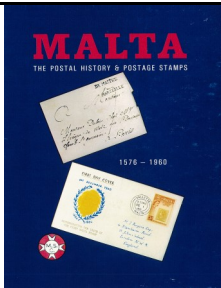
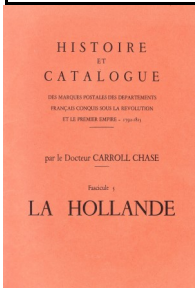
**Les Commandes de Timbres Etrangers a la Monnaie de Paris, by P. Bouvet**

**The Complete Deegam Machin Handbook, by D. G. A. Myall**

**The Deegam Catalogue of Elizabethan Coil Leaders, by D. G. A. Myall**

**The Deegam Catalogue of Machin Se-tenant Pairs**

**Les Documents Postaux de la Guerre 1939-45: Cartes de Franchise Militaire, Formulaires pour Prisonniers de Guerre et Internes, Cartes Interzones, etc., par Georges Chapier et Drain, en collaboration avec Pierre Girard**



**Postanski Manipulativni Žigovi Bosne i Hercegovine 1878-1918, by Zvonimir Pillauer**

**Prirucnik Maraka Jugoslavenskih Zemalja: Bosnia i Hercegovina, - Žigovi na Bosanskim Markama, Volume 1A, 1878-1918**

**Railway Perfins of Great Britain, by R. Bowman**

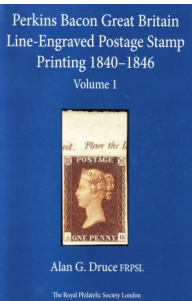
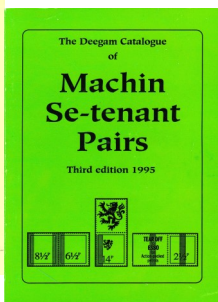
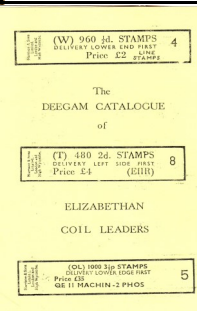
**The Railways of Great Britain pre-1923, by C. Jennings**

**The Royal Philatelic Society: London 1869-1969, by The Royal Philatelic Society**

**De Svenska svarslösenmärkena = The Swedish Reply Post Free Stamps, by Lasse Liwendahl**

**Τα γραμματοσημα της κρητης = Les timbres-poste de Crete, by Nicolas Zervoyannis**

**Tafelnerk AMPOST: aller 3 Ausgaben von 1945-1946**



# New Publications for our Members

## CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA

*1956 Suez 1956: Autour de l'Operation Mousquetaire (exhibit)*, by Stanley J. Luft

## NORTH AMERICA

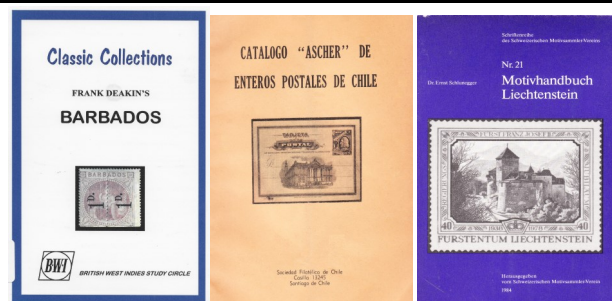
*The Canadian Lathework Design*, by Hans Reiche

*Guida Postal de la Republica Mexicana: Julio de 1913 - Junio de 1914*

*Mexico's Revenue Stamps*

## UNITED NATIONS

*United Nations Postal Administration: Brief Historical Considerations*, by Jose Arce



## TOPICALS

*American Topical Association Publication Guide: Checklists; Handbooks; DVDs*

*Bonsai Stamps Checklist*, compiled by Roger Cichorz

*Conchas Marinhas nos Selos* by Renato Moscatelli

*Essai de Classification des Obliterations Olympiques*, par Raymond Depover

*L'Annee Mondiale du Refugie: ses Timbres, ses Obliterations, ses Precurseurs*, par J. Lepingle

*Lindberghiana*, by Jack E. Bettencourt

*Motivsammlung Schiffe und Schifffahrt = Topical Collecting of Ships and Shipping*, by Ernst Schlunegger

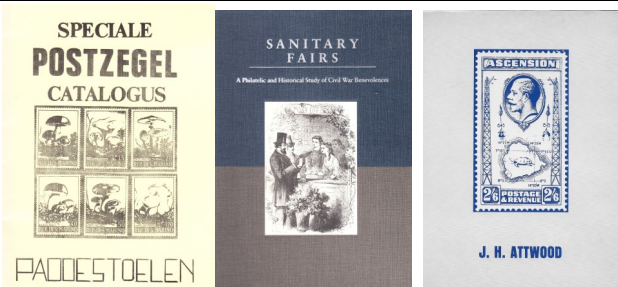
*Natural Disasters on Postage Stamps: A Guide for Collectors*, by Raymond J. Burby

*Rugby e Filatelia*, by Giuliano G. Rossi

## TOPICALS (continued)

*Le "Rosse" delle Rose: Repertorio Mondiale delle Affrancature Meccaniche sul tema "Rose"*, by Lorenzo Netto

*Speciale Postzegel Catalogus: Paddestoelen = Special Stamp Catalogue: Mushrooms*, by Louis Goiris



## MISCELLANEOUS

*The Collector's Own Catalog of Adhesive Postage Stamps of the United States & Foreign Nations*

*Disposing of a Collection: a Guide for the Collector in Estate Planning, a Guide to the Heirs on What to do With an Inherited Collection*

## CDs and DVDs

*CD: Scott U.S. Stamp Collector's Database*

*CD: The Western Express Companies 1850-1890: Their History, Printed Franks and Handstamps*, by Oscar Melton Thomas

*CD: A Digital Library for Swiss Philatelic Research*

*CD: La Poste a Rixheim : son Histoire*, by Michel Kuenemann

*CD: Costa Rica Documentary Revenue Stamp Catalogue*, by Hector R. Mena and Oscar C Rohrmoser

*CD: Index to Costa Rican Philatelic Literature 1863-2011*, by Hector R. Mena and Earl Fossum

*DVD: Bill Dunn's Stamp Life*, by Bill Dunn

# RMPL Board of Directors Meeting

## Board of Director's Meeting September 15, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 3:55 pm.

Board Members Present: Jim Kilbane, Bill Douglass, Rich Palestro, Gary Withrow, Eric Carlson, Rod Haenni, Steve Schweighofer, Paul and Regina Domenici, absent: Tonny Van Loij,  
Guests: Sherri Sorraci-Jennings and Joe Lanotte

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Douglass provided a detailed statement of YTD financials.  
As of August 31, 2022

Checking account: \$75,961,  
Savings account: \$34,309  
Vanguard account: \$300,428 (down \$47,704 due to market trend)  
Current assets: \$414,612  
Fixed assets: \$326, 851  
Total assets: \$975,835  
Expenses: \$70,346

Motion passed to obtain credit cards for library purchases and eliminate petty cash. At this time, Tonny, Steve, Paul, Bill, and Joe, will have access to the credit card account.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Insurance:** Motion was denied to accept the proposed non-liability contract for outside dealers and non-members who conduct business at bourses held in our meeting room. Eric will obtain a standard rental agreement for approval next meeting.

**Space utilization committee:** Steve summarized some parts of the committee's plans and actions to solve storage issues. Actions include, but are not limited to: using the top shelves, moving certain items to the annex (hardbound second copies, older general periodicals, Western and Colorado railroads books, etc.) The Special Collections have been moved to Tonny's office, freeing up space downstairs for future auction donation storage. A motion was passed to keep second copies and reconsider after all available space has been utilized.

**Trash service:** Steve negotiated the use of a shared dumpster with a neighboring business, the cost will be \$50.00 a month. The new dumpster was delivered on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Internet:** Joe Lanotte reported the cost of changing internet service from Century Link to Xfinity and upgrading our local network equipment would be \$12,000, which is not within our means. Board decided to get more information regarding Verizon or

T-Mobile before making a decision.

**RMPL Website:** Migration to a new site is on hold until Roger can correct the RMSS site configuration.

**Security cameras:** Joe Lanotte investigated the cost of different security camera options. If the Board wishes to pursue video surveillance, he recommended purchasing Smart 4K HD. Using the existing Century Link network, the cost would be \$650 for cameras in all 3 buildings. Since camera efficiency would be enhanced by improved internet capacity, the Board decided to wait until internet upgrade options have been explored to determine the best way to proceed with the security measures.

**Scholarship Committee:** Gary, Rich, and Regina reported their findings regarding the creation of annual RMPL scholarships.

1. A motion was passed to form a scholarship fund and offer two \$2500 awards annually for 10 years as long as funds are available as determined by the Board. Beginning in 2023, the initial scholarships will target students attending 2-year programs or certified trade schools. The scholarships will be announced in *Scribblings* and a press release submitted to philatelic publications.

2. The Board approved a motion to utilize a national scholarship platform (BOLD.org). At no cost to us, BOLD.org will create a custom scholarship, post the application on their website, advertise on social media, manage and store applications and verify eligibility criteria by checking transcripts. Preferred applicants will be stamp collectors or family members of stamp collectors. 100% of RMPL scholarship will go directly to the educational costs of the winners we select and BOLD.org will directly disperse the funds to the winning candidates' schools.

**Community Outreach:** One English teacher agrees to use postcards as a basis for student essays. Members of a committee will read the essays and publish the best 2 in *Scribblings*.

**RMPL Bookkeeper:** The Board approved hiring an experienced bookkeeper. Eddie and Bill will meet with her and finalize the details of the job.

### NEW BUSINESS

**2023 APS Advertising for RMPL actions:** As the auction material for May 2023 is exceptional, a motion passed to run a full-page ad for \$1,397 in March 2023 to promote the May auction.

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# RMPL Board of Directors Meeting

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## NEW BUSINESS (continued)

**Professional Cleaning Services:** Motion passed to utilize Stratus cleaning service on a weekly basis.

**Mission Statement Amendment:** To align with scholarship funding, the Board approved a motion to amend the Mission statement to include: "RMPL will give back to the philatelic community by providing financial scholarships which will support eligible candidates in their pursuit of academic and personal goals"

**Handicap access to our buildings:** Motion passed to investigate ways and costs to properly provide an ADA-compliant ramp for the meeting room.

**Designation of a museum area:** Motion passed to create a postal museum area along the back wall of the meeting room, with a budget of no more than \$3000. This will consist of three locking glass cabinets (72" tall x 48" wide x 20" deep). This would allow for the storage of current postal artifacts and allow clubs or members to showcase philatelic material. Gary Withrow volunteered to be the curator.

Meeting adjourned 6:25 pm.

Next Meeting – November 17, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Domenici, Recording Secretary

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The [WorldStampsProject.org](http://WorldStampsProject.org) identifies the following characteristics of the die type II 5 öre stamp:



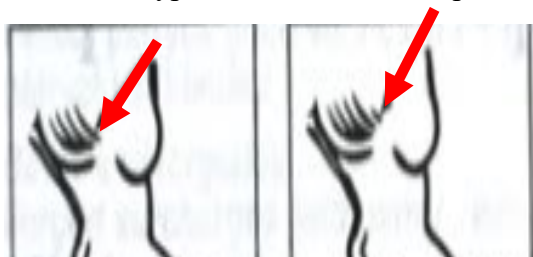
*Die Type II*

*Two lines on the lion's back.*

*Four short lines between the two larger ones on the front left paw.*

*Lower end of the number 5 is wider, the lower line on the horizontal stroke is bent in.*

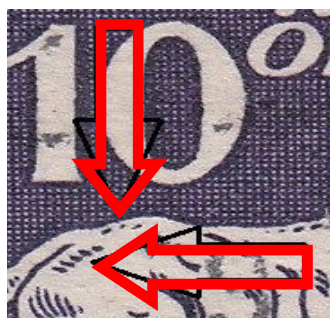
The Michel catalog lists the following characteristics of the die I and II types of the 10 öre stamp:



*Die Type I (left) - four shading lines on the thigh of the hind leg.*

*Die Type II (right) - smaller fifth shading line to the right of the four shading lines on the thigh of the hind leg.*

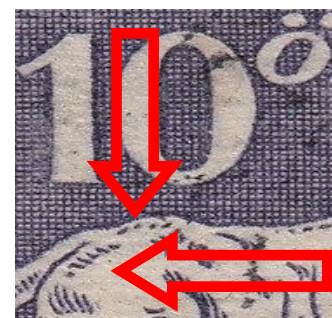
The [WorldStampsProject.org](http://WorldStampsProject.org) has an altogether different list of identifying marks to identify the die I or die II types of the 10 öre stamp.



*Die Type I (left):*

*Three dots on the lion's back.*

*Five lines on the lion's thigh.*



*Die Type II (right):*

*Four dots on lion's back.*

*Six lines on the lion's thigh.*

I began this adventure into the world of Swedish coil stamps as a neophyte with little or no experience. My philatelic horizons were greatly expanded and I learned more about Swedish coils in a few days than in almost 50 years of collecting. I offer my apologies to those who specialize in the stamps of Sweden. It is very possible I missed or misstated an important fact or misidentified the stamps featured. I hope you enjoyed reading this as much as I enjoyed the research.

Sources:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Postage\\_stamps\\_and\\_postal\\_history\\_of\\_Sweden](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Postage_stamps_and_postal_history_of_Sweden)

[https://www.stamp-collecting-world.com/stampsofsweden\\_1920d.html](https://www.stamp-collecting-world.com/stampsofsweden_1920d.html)

<https://worldstampsproject.org/sweden-postage-stamp-varieties-pre-1945/>

<https://colnect.com/en/stamps/list/country/205-Sweden>

## DONATIONS

The library thrives on the enthusiasm and generosity of its members. The following societies, clubs, and individuals made donations to the Library since the last donation listing. These donations were made from July 19, 2022 through September 15, 2022. Thank you!

### INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS

Jonathan Bennett	Helen Milam
John Bloor	Richard Moore
Thomas Cantrall	Joe Neri
William Douglass	Alexander Papp
Roe Emery	Richard Porto
Nolan Flowers	Brian Pugh
Cheryl Ganz	David Reitsema
Robert Gibson	Melvin Roghair
David Goss	Dick Seeley
Don Hillger	Gary Shaver
Charlie Johns	Webster Stickney
Gary McIntyre	Jack Van Ens
Dasa Metzler	Cassandra Zawojek

### NOTES FROM THE LIBRARIAN

The inclusion of the Great Britain Library is moving along. Many books on the entire British Commonwealth are now gracing our shelves. A great big Thank You to the Great Britain Collectors Club for donating these books to the library.

We have withdrawn second copies of books in the Western History (Jack Willard) room. We just needed the space. Special collections will now reside there. Hopefully, this will give patrons better access to the Special Collections for perusal.

Volunteer Daryl Schmitt continues to upgrade our Periodicals room. She's been working hard on replacing the labeling that is unreadable. The entire room looks a lot nicer.

Please remember to return your books on time. If you still need them, we will renew the books for you for three weeks. Just call the library.

Sherri Soraci-Jennings

## NEW MEMBERS

We extend a warm welcome to new members who have joined the library from July 30, 2022 through September 26, 2022.

**Bill Klippstein**, Oak Harbor, OH - gift of Steve Pero

**Dave Gill**, Port Clinton, OH, collects Rattlesnake Island and Ohio - gift of Steve Pero

**Thomas Luly**, Cambridge, MA, collects Colombia, Colombian States and Pre-1940 Worldwide

**Glen Shurman**, Gastonia, NC, collects Scouts and Motorcycles

**Please Note:** New members and membership renewals received after September 26, 2022 will be acknowledged in the next issue of *Scribblings*.

### NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I thank all the readers who provided feedback on the last issue of *Scribblings*. Members provided additional information and interesting facts concerning the Kangaroo and Map stamps of Australia. A special shout out goes to Jerry Eggleston who explained the reason for the "white tablet" on the stamps issued in 1902. He advised the stamp was based upon the postage due stamps of New South Wales (1891-1892). The tablet originally contained the initials N.S.W. and the letters were removed for the 1902 Australian issue.

Pat McNally (please forgive me if I have misidentified you) approached me at the CherPex Stamp Show. We briefly talked about the "broken-leg" variety of the Kangaroo and Map stamps.

In this issue of *Scribblings* Steve Bonowski authored a very interesting article focusing on the stamps of British East Africa. It is a good day when Library members take the plunge and write an article for *Scribblings*. Ask Steve - it really is not that difficult.

My own tentative steps into researching and collecting the early coil stamps of Sweden proved to be most interesting. With little or no knowledge in this area I soon found myself fully absorbed in the research. I was exposed to a new area of stamp collecting that can only be described as "previously filling spaces in a worldwide album." It was an enjoyable and enlightening experience.

Lastly, the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show has stepped into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Mike Pascoe, a library member, volunteered to design, manage and maintain the Facebook page for the show. Please take the opportunity to visit, "follow and like" the page. Mike has done a very professional job and there are already a number of members, dealers, and organizations following the page.

Charlie Freise

# Scheduled Library Events



The RMPL Operations Manager, Steve Schweighofer, maintains a calendar of reserved club times. Clubs should check the calendar regularly and notify Steve ([steve.schweighofer@comcast.net](mailto:steve.schweighofer@comcast.net)) of any updates or changes. Requests to reserve meeting space and time for philatelically related meetings other than those listed here must be approved and scheduled with Steve well in advance. Call the Library or the appropriate club to confirm the place and time.

**Hours of Operation:**  
 Mon - Sat: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
 Closed Sundays and Holidays  
 Phone: (303) 759-9921  
 Email: [rmp1@qwestoffice.net](mailto:rmp1@qwestoffice.net)

## \*\*\*NOVEMBER 2022\*\*\*

- Nov 5 Sat** - meeting 10 AM  
Scandinavian Collectors Club
- Nov 5 Sat** - meeting 1 PM  
Topical Philatelists in Colorado (TOPIC)
- Nov 9 Wed** - meeting 7 PM  
Denver Germany Stamp Club
- Nov 10 Thu** - meeting 2 PM  
Cherrellyn Stamp Club
- Nov 12 Sat - 9AM**  
**Second Saturday at the RMPL**  
 Presenter: Dan Culbert  
 Title: ¡Morazán!
- Nov 12 Sat** - meeting 10 AM  
Mexico/Latin America Club
- Nov 12 Sat** - meeting 1 PM  
Colorado Postal History Society
- Nov 13 Sun** - meeting 1 PM  
Denver Postcard Club
- Nov 17 Thu** - meeting 4 PM  
RMPL Board of Directors meeting - visitors are welcome
- Nov 19 Sat** - meeting 9:30 AM  
Denver Young Collectors
- Nov 20 Sun** - meeting 1 PM  
Great Britain and Commonwealth Collectors Club  
(email to confirm)
- Nov 24 Thu** - Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov 26 Sat** - meeting 10 AM  
Postmark Collector's Club
- Nov 30 Wed** - Denver Stamp Club Auction  
Viewing 10 AM - 1 PM, Auction begins 2 PM

## \*\*\*DECEMBER 2022\*\*\*

- Dec 3 Sat** - meeting 10 AM  
Scandinavian Collectors Club
- Dec 3 Sat** - meeting 1 PM  
Topical Philatelists in Colorado (TOPIC)
- Dec 8 Thu** - meeting 2 PM  
Cherrellyn Stamp Club
- Dec 10 - 9 AM**  
**Second Saturday at the RMPL**  
 Presenter: Ravi Vora  
 Title: "The Mystery of the First Postage Due Stamp of the Indian Sub-Continent"
- Dec 10 Sat** - meeting 10 AM  
Mexico/Latin America Club
- Dec 10 Sat** - meeting 12:30 AM  
Rocky Mountain Aero and Astrophilately Club
- Dec 11 Sun** - meeting 1 PM  
Denver Postcard Club
- Dec 14 Wed** - meeting 7 PM  
Denver Germany Stamp Club
- Dec 17 Sat** - meeting 9:30 AM  
Denver Young Collectors
- Dec 18 Sun** - meeting 1 PM  
Great Britain and Commonwealth Collectors Club  
(email to confirm)
- Dec 24 - 26** - Closed for Christmas Holiday
- Dec 28 Wed** - meeting 2 PM  
Denver Stamp Club
- Dec 31** - Closed for New Year's Eve

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR !

Saturday, February 25, 2023

Beginning 11:00 AM

RMPL 5th Annual Country, Cover and Postcard Lots Auction

Over 400 Lots - No Buyers Premium