



**Newcastle Philatelic Society Newsletter
VIEWS FROM NOBBYS**

Newcastle Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 239C, NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

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WHAT'S ON IN YOUR SOCIETY

THE NEWCASTLE PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETS 7.30pm SECOND THURSDAY of EACH MONTH
MAYFIELD EX-SERVICES CLUB, 2nd FLOOR MEETING ROOM, HANBURY STREET, MAYFIELD
VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME

DATES	DETAILS
Thurs 13 August 2009	ANNUAL COMPETITION , (Experienced, Intennediate and Beginners' Sections) A.G.M. and Presentations of Awards Night
Wed 19 August 2009	Newcastle Daytime Meeting : 10.00 am 48 Mackie Avenue New Lambton East Display by Ed Burnard - "ALTERNATIVE POSTS IN NEW ZEALAND"
Sun 16 August 2009	Junior Stamp Activities Meeting, at WALLSEND STAMP FAIR , 11am
Thurs 10 September '09	"GERMAN OCCUPATION OF POLAND 1939-45" - Display by George Kuszelyk
Wed 16 September '09	Newcastle Daytime Meeting : 10.00 am 48 Mackie Avenue New Lambton East, Display by Russell Goddard - "A VARIETY OF TOPICS"
Sun 20 September '09	Junior Stamp Activities Meeting, at WALLSEND STAMP FAIR , 11am
Thurs 24 September '09	STAMP AUCTION N/GHT(details, phone Don Catterall 02 4943 5639)
Thurs 8 October 2009	"CHILE - POSTAL HISTORY" - Display by Gordon Gibbons
Sun 18 October '09	Junior Stamp Activities Meeting, at WALLSEND STAMP FAIR , 11am
Wed 21 October 2009	Newcastle Daytime Meeting : 10.00 am 48 Mackie Avenue New Lambton East, Display by John Hill- "POSTAL INNOVATIONS -THE STORY CONTINUES"
Thurs 12 November '09	"AUSTRALIAN PHILATELIC LITERATURE" Display by Geoff Kellow (Sydney)
Sun 15 November '09	Junior Stamp Activities Meeting, at WALLSEND STAMP FAIR , 11am
Wed 18 November '09	Newcastle Daytime Meeting : 10.00 am 48 Mackie Avenue New Lambton East, Display by Tony Walker - "THE NORTHERN POLAR REGION"
Thurs 10 December '09	"AUSTRALIAN PARCEL POST MAIL" Display by Bernard Dohetiy
Mon 14 December 2009	Visit MAITLAND PIDLATELIC SOCIETY (phone John Moore 4956 8931)
Sun 20 December '09	Junior Stamp Activities Meeting, at WALLSEND STAMP FAIR , 11am
DECEMBER 2009	NO Newcastle Daytime Meeting

AUCTION REPORT, MAY 2009

Another cold, wet and windy night, not a good start to proceedings - then instead of the large Excelsior Room we finished up with the smaller Terrace Room. Thankfully the staff had set the room up properly for us and after all lots were laid out, it wasn't too bad, apart from lots of bumping bums in the aisles. 17 vendors had submitted 365 lots and there was plenty on offer to suit most tastes. 31 Bidders made their presence felt to the tune of \$1,376, and that is a terrific sales total with most people currently watching their pennies closely. 153 lots were sold and that again is a very strong result. Top sale of the night was a page of Ceylon Queen Victoria overprint rarities which fetched \$120.

Next was a stock book with many pages of better Australian Pre Decimal issues including several sets of Victorian Centenary and Macarthur etc. This album went for \$60 and was a great buy at that price. The initial forest of raised hands was testament to its attraction and value, as well as to the eagle eyes of the buyers present.

A number of large stock books chock full of relatively common issues were all sold for around \$25, whilst a NSW 2d Laureate attracted fair interest and sold for \$24. Several superb KGV lots also found a willing recipient at a reasonable price. Late sales as always kicked the night along with over a dozen items going from the batches I was looking after. Congratulations to Mark Saxby on his maiden run as auctioneer. The lad is a Natural! Thanks also to all the willing workers. A Very Good night for philately, Don Catterall, Auction Convenor.

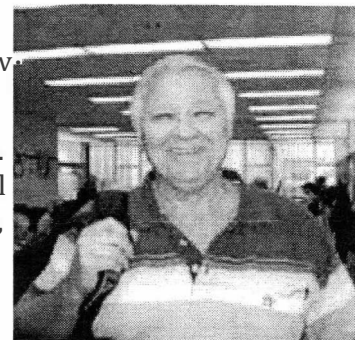
- Lipstick adds colour to an old pastime.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2008-2009

Once again it is my pleasure to express thanks to **all** the members of the Committee. Their professional and good-natured attitudes have continued to ensure the smooth running of our Society.

As in last year we have sadly lost a few members, but happily enrolled a few more, our numbers remaining approximately the same.

The promised 'Questionnaire' on Society's Activities went out to all 125 members. We received 35 replies. Thanks to all those who participated. The statistical results were tabled at a Committee meeting, and made available to all members, as was the list of 'Additional Comments' expressed by members.



I'm now taking this opportunity to provide an analysis of those results.

A general view seemed to be that most of our existing activities are 'OK as is', some members requesting more, some less of the activities. On the 'very good' side can be included the following:-

- OUTSIDE COMPETITIONS - 100% of members in favour of our exposure to these events.
- NEWSLETTER - everybody liked it - well done Ron (and Carol) - carry on the excellent work.
- EXCHANGE BRANCH - very well supported - a great benefit especially to those less able to attend meetings - congratulations to Kevin.
- AUCTIONS - very popular. Although a few members requested more, some even after every meeting, the Committee believe that large auctions three times a year are better than smaller, possibly less patronised more frequent events- so they will stay as they are.
- SWAP/SALE NIGHTS - majority of members are happy as is. For this activity, and also the AUCTION above - our grateful thanks to convenor Don Catterall.
- CHALLENGES - of great interest to those who like rummaging for goodies in dealers' boxes to find material associated with a particular challenge subject.

A somewhat more lukewarm response was recorded for

- DAY TIME MEETINGS - these are, however, a boon to members who cannot get to our evening meetings, as well as to those who need more 'stamping' than once a month.

Now to our normal monthly meetings:-

- PHILATELIC DISPLAYS - the most popular of our activities by far.
- POPULAR CHOICE COMP and ANNUAL COMP - competition by members very popular.
- OTHER HOBBIES NIGHT - least popular of post-business activities. Perhaps it should only be held infrequently - say at five year intervals or so?
- REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES and GENERAL BUSINESS - a large element of unpopularity, mainly on the length of time it takes. It is hoped the recent reduction in the Reporting function will overcome this shortcoming. General Business must remain however - members need a forum for discussion of new or outstanding philatelic matters, especially those relating to our Society.

Comment was also made by some (newer) members regarding their lack of knowledge of how certain activities work. A 'Summary of Society Activities' will be made available in the very near future.

Other comments raised by members will be reviewed by the Committee as time permits.

Of the many activities we have held I was most pleased with the numbers and quality of the entries in our Popular Choice competition. Congratulations to our winner David Pickering.

Our Philatelic Displays included four from invited non-members, and five by members. I have also noted that at least five of our members were invited to display at other clubs, and I have attended three of these myself, where displays by Warren Oliver, Gordon Gibbons and John Moore at a top Sydney club were genuinely applauded (**Inset Photo - President at PHILAS for displays**). Well done. It is terrific that our Society's members are so well recognised.

In closing, I would like to thank all members for the support you have shown me in my final year as President, and encourage you all to participate in our current and future activities.

- John Pugsley, President - 2007-2009

**** FOR COLLECTORS OF STONE BENCHES ON STAMPS !**

History fans and arts patrons are to get the chance to adopt a stone or marble bench in the majestic grounds of the Chateau de Versailles in France, to help pay for their upkeep

THE SECRETARY'S SNIPPETS -August 2009.

As a follow up from feed back in the recently survey conducted amongst members we have been trailing a new procedure at monthly meetings, where the minutes of the previous week's committee meeting are distributed prior to the meeting, thus these serve as a record of financials, incoming and outgoing correspondence as well as reports from the various committee members. This trial concludes at the September meeting when it will be reviewed, so in the mean time any comments, constructive or otherwise, will be appreciated.

An innovation at our monthly meetings is 'Impromptu' displays, where a member is allocated a maximum of two minutes to talk about a philatelic item of interest. Ideally this will be one page only, which will be available for viewing after the conclusion of the main display of the evening. Those interested in participating should make an advance booking with the secretary.

Congratulations are extended to our President John Pugsley who recently achieved a Gold medal award at International level and a Special Prize for his exhibit "Aspects of the Boer War" which was shown in Hong Kong. John's exhibit has been accepted in London 2010, which is one of the world's most prestigious philatelic exhibitions.

On the subject of exhibitions, as I type these snippets a number of members are preparing their exhibits for Melbourne 2009 and Philakorea.

The 2009 /10 programme is currently being finalised and as usual there is a great variety of displays, as well as the usual favourite activities of popular choice, auctions and swap and sale nights.

Just a reminder if you wish to receive an electronic copy of the committee and monthly minutes, email me at moore.john@optusnet.com.au .
 - John Moore, Secretary -

SWAP AND SALE NIGHT,, JUN€ 2009

Quite a useful night ensued with ten sales tables set up and most sellers doing a bit of buying as well. In all 30 people attended with half a dozen of the buyers being non- members, though mostly regulars who come to our auctions.

There was a diverse range of items on offer, I found plenty to take home with me and so did most of the others. Our next event will be our Auction Night on 24th September. See you there.

Don Catterall. Operations Coordinator.

NEWCASTLE PHILATELIC SOCIETY Inc. EXCHANGE BRANCH
STATEMENT of INCOME and EXPENDITURE NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK
1 u.fuly 2008 to 30th June 2009

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Balance at Bank 01/07/2007	2,327.70	Payments to Vendor	1,356.05
Sales &om Books and Late Fees	1,392.65	P.O. Box	75.00
Interest	.00	Fees - H. Adams	15:00
		Balance at close 30//06/08	<u>2,274.30</u>
	<u>\$3,720.35</u>		\$3,720.35

STATEMENT of INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

National Australia Bank Ace No 62-120-8541 12 months term

Balance at 23/02/2008	3,159.49
Interest	<u>31.69</u>
Balance re-invested	\$3,191.18

The Books of the Exchange Branch have been audited and found to be correct
 J. E Hill Hon Auditor 30/07/2009

In submitting this report we take the opportunity to thank all those Members who by their cooperation have helped to make our task a little easier.

It is disappointing that more Members are not taking the opportunity to use the Exchange Branch to buy and/or sell.
 Kevin Simkus - Exchange Branch Convenor

** "A KING'S RANSOM" : The largest king's ransom in history was raised by Richard the Lionheart to obtain his release from the Holy Roman Emperor Henry VI in 1194. The English people were forced to contribute almost 150,000 marks to free their sovereign. Nearly as large a ransom was raised by Atahualpa, King of the Incas, when he offered Pizarro a roomful of gold and two rooms full of silver for his release in 1532. At today's prices, the ransom would be worth more than £4 million sterling (or \$9 million Australian). Unfortunately, it was not sufficient to buy Atahualpa his freedom; he was given a mock trial and executed.

AUSTRALIAN AIRMAILS 1914-1934

Display by John Sadler (Sydney), 14th May 2009

It was a fairly ordinary looking envelope - a 1½d. red KGV stamp in the corner, and an Oodnadatta S.A. postmark dated 20 July 1928. But it turns out there was nothing "ordinary" about it. It was a cover carried from Oodnadatta to Melbourne in the "Love Bird", piloted by Captain J.H. Larkin, and John's research showed that though there may have been covers carried on this flight, this one was the only one currently known to exist. I asked John Sattler for more details. "On 4th July 1928, Australian Aerial Services, in conjunction with the combined Australian Railways, undertook a survey flight to Palm Valley, near Alice Springs with a view to establishing a winter tourist resort. Two aircraft were involved, "Love Bird", an ANEC 111, VH-UGF, piloted by Captain J.H. Larkin, and "Wattle Bird", a DHSO, VH-EUJ, piloted by Captain Frank Neale. The planes left Melbourne on 4th July, travelling via Broken Hill, Farina and Oodnadatta, arriving at Alice Springs on 16th July. The return flight left Oodnadatta, on 22nd July and arrived in Melbourne on 28th July, flying 11,000 miles."

John's display, however, started in 1914, when the French aviator, Monsieur Maurice Guillaux, flew between Melbourne and Sydney in his Bleriot carrying about 25kg of mail - some 1785 people paying one shilling (10 pence) to send a postcard by Australia's first airmail. This 1000 kilometre flight in 9 hours and 35 minutes established a record for the longest airmail flight in the world at that time - it was also the longest flight that had been made in the Southern Hemisphere.

Then there was the First England to Australia Unofficial Air Mail - Ross Smith's Historic Flight, in 1919. The Australian Government had offered a prize of £10,000 (\$20,000) to the first Australian to fly a British aircraft from England to Australia within a 30 day period. Ross and Keith Smith, with Jim Bennett and Wally Shiers, left Hounslow (London) at 9.05 a.m. on 12th November 1919, and arrived in Darwin on 10th December, winning the prize. Their aircraft was a Vickers Vimy, G-EAOU. This was the first aircraft to enter Australia under its own power. A search of the archives showed that 321 covers were addressed to Australia, and this first air mail from England did not reach Melbourne until 25th February 1920. It was in Melbourne that the covers had affixed the special Ross Smith "stamp" that had been produced, and were impressed with an oval cachet dated 26th February 1920.



One of only 12 covers to have an Australian stamp affixed.

In 1924, an aircraft set out from England to Australia to demonstrate the reliability of small aircraft. It ran into bad weather and crash landed in India on 24th January 1924, and took a further three months to get to Sydney. "Reliability"???

Kingsford Smith's Epic Trans-Pacific Flight in the "Southern Cross" left San Francisco 31st May 1928, unofficially carrying air mail. The Fokker F.VII 3M flew from the U.S.A. to Brisbane, Australia, via Hawaii and Fiji. The crew had Charles Kingsford Smith and Charles Ulm as pilots, with radio operator James Warner and navigator Harry Lyon. They arrived in Brisbane on the morning of 9th June, having covered a distance of 7,220 miles (11,554 km) in a flying time of 83 hours 11 minutes. Two days later the "Southern Cross" flew to Sydney.

John's display, which, it turns out, won Gold Medals at Newcastle Stamp Show 2003 and at Swan River Stamp Show in 2004, continued through further airmail flights to 1934 - a really magnificent display. Thank you, John !!

- RID/JS. -

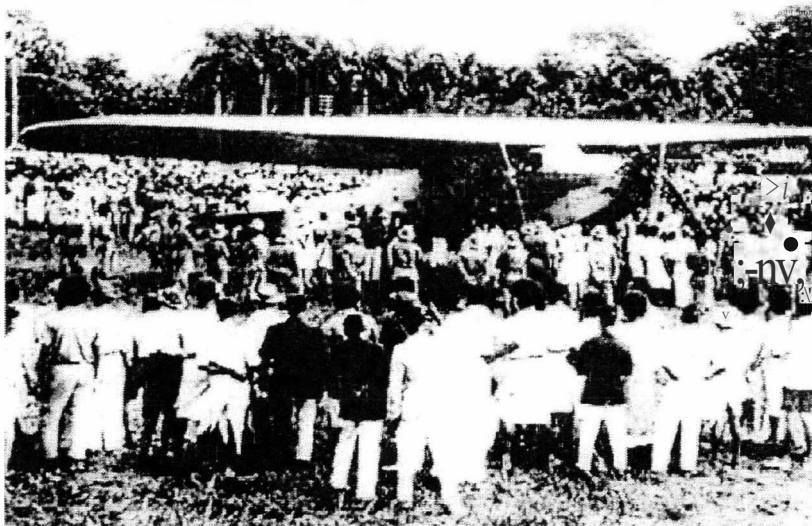


Photo showing the crowd that greeted the "Southern Cross" upon its landing in Fiji. This was only the second aeroplane to visit the island.



** A politician is the only acrobat who can open his mouth and put his foot in it while straddling the fence.

A PHILATEUC HISTORY OF ESPRR. ANTO TO 1960

Roger B. Eggleton (from the U.S.A.) - Display to the Newcastle Philatelic Society, 9 July 2009

Esperanto is a simple international auxiliary language. In contrast with any natural language, it is very simple and flexible in structure, and is easily learnt. Its use for international communication is intended to be neutral, and its goal is nothing less than international peace and understanding. In the last 122 years, it has gained hundreds of thousands of followers with Esperanto speakers in 118 countries, including Australia. In fact, two Esperanto speakers from Newcastle's Esperanto Society attended this meeting as visitors.

Roger's collection covered the history of the Esperanto movement, from publication of the language in Warsaw in 1887 by **Dr. Ludwig Lazar Zamenhof** (1859-1917) - a Polish eye specialist and linguist - through its early growth to a finally stable respectability by 1960. Roger chose the cutoff year 1960 to include the 1959 centenary celebrations of Zamenhof's birth, but to exclude the post-1960 era, which saw a mushrooming of philatelically motivated stamps and event items.

The early growth of the Esperanto movement coincided with the pre-World War I **picture postcard** era, so much of the Esperanto correspondence of the period is on postcards. By about 1907 postcards with specific Esperanto themes (such as International Congresses) began to appear. **Migratory postcards** are a scarce and interesting class of early Esperanto correspondence, and included in Roger's display was one from 1933 which started in Gennany, was re-addressed to Yugoslavia, then to Turkey, then Bulgaria, Poland, Norway, and finally back to Germany! Special **postal cancellations** for Esperanto events first appeared in 1912, for the 8th Esperanto World Congress in Krakow, Poland, fourteen years before the first Esperanto postage stamps.



Envelopes and **postcards** with messages promoting Esperanto were privately printed by Esperanto groups. One was the Queensland Intelligence and Tourist Bureau, which published postcards with some Esperanto text, to reach a wider international readership. Post-World War I, this practice was taken up in various countries, including Germany, Switzerland, and Brazil. In the 1920's the U.S.S.R. included Esperanto directions on many of its official **postal cards**, and in 1926 became the first country to issue **postage stamps** with Esperanto text, for the 6th International Proletarian Esperanto Congress in Leningrad. In 1927 the U.S.S.R. issued the world's first stamp portraying Dr. Zamenhof, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of publication of Esperanto.



Advertising stamps and **poster stamps** play a significant role in the history of the Esperanto movement. The first advertising stamp appeared in connection with the second International Esperanto Congress, held in Geneva, Switzerland in 1906. Advertising stamps were increasingly used to promote subsequent World and National Congresses. Soon **poster stamps** appeared promoting Esperanto, and others with Esperanto texts promoting political subjects, such as anti-war themes during the Spanish Civil War.



Noted in Roger's display was a postcard to an Esperanto language professor: "Thank you that you returned my **letter** corrected". 160 pages from Roger's collection were awarded Best of Show at CORNPEX 2006, the annual show of the Cornbelt Philatelic Society in Bloomington, Illinois (U.S.A.). The selection of 120 of these pages in this display represented about 20% of his current collection.

-RJD/RBE -

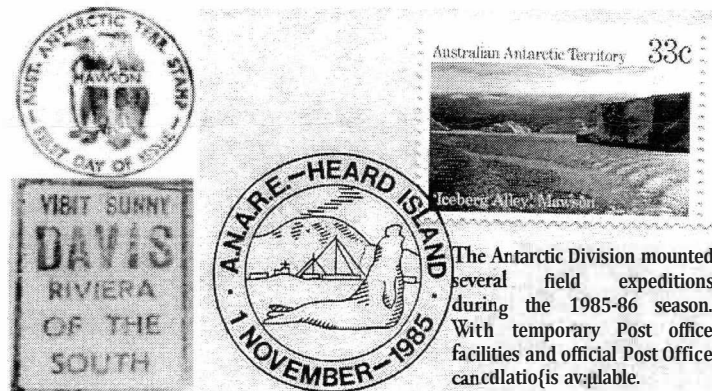
THE NEWCASTLE DAYTIME MEETINGS,
at Studio 48, 48 Mackie Avenue, New Lambton East, at 10 a.m.
on the THIRD Wednesday of each month (except December).

"AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY" - Display by DON RUTHERFORD, Wed. 20th May 2009

HEARD ISLAND is Australia's most remote Territory, being over 4630 kilometres south-west of Fremantle and roughly mid-way between South Africa and Australia. It is gale-swept, volcanic, and is 43 km long and 21 km wide, its highest point being Big Ben, 2747 metres (8500 feet) high. While Sir Douglas Mawson visited the island in 1929, it wasn't until 1947 that the ANARE set up a permanent scientific research station, with Antarctica's first Post Office, which was initially in a tent. Dan's display showed a number of philatelic items relating to the base. Included in the island group are the McDonald Islands - three small rocky islands 48 km west of Heard Island, teeming with bird life. The Heard Island station was closed in 1955

following the establishment of Mawson Base on the Antarctic mainland, and Dan's display continued with several items from there.

The windy, inhospitably bleak Wilkes Base, established by the U.S.A. in 1957 and transferred to Australia in 1959, was replaced by Casey Station in 1969, and this, together with Mawson, Davis and Macquarie Island, are the current post offices in the Australian Antarctic Territory.



The Antarctic Division mounted several field expeditions during the 1985-86 season. With temporary Post office facilities and official Post Office cancellations available.

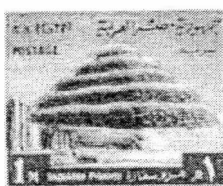
"AMBLING ACROSS EASTERN EUROPE" - Display by RON DAVIS, Wednesday 17th June 2009



"Where on earth is Abkhazia??" someone said. While Ron was doing the research for this display, he discovered that he had quite a few stamps from the newly independent countries in the former Western U.S.S.R. - and he included them too. So Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Chechnya, Georgia, Uzbekistan, Abkhazia, Kyrgyzstan, and Moldova joined Hungary, Serbia, North Ingermanland, Poland, Danzig, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Odessa, Czechoslovakia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Croatia, Yugoslavia and Turkey in his display of postcards, postmarks, registration labels, covers, and, of course, stamps. "Not many of our Society members collect these countries these days," was a comment from one of the Daytime viewers.



"PRE-HISTORY - EARLY MAN. FOSSILS. Etc." - Display by SANDRA BAKER, Wed. 15th July '09



What a scope of subjects!! In addition to dinosaurs and dinosaur footprints, Sandra had included display sheets of the origin of Mankind, rock art, pottery and ancient figurines, the history of writing, antiquities in museums, and lots of fossils. Neanderthal Man was included, as were petroglyphs from Ireland, Runic stones from Denmark, Stonehenge 2500 BCE, monoliths and standing stone circles, marine suNivors and fossils from the Ice Age from Aland, early pottery, Runic drawings from Norway, rock art from Africa, rock paintings from Spain and France, treasures from Cyprus, Minoan art, ancient Greek coins, Pompeii, and fossils from Hungary, Zambia, and British Antarctic Territory. There was pre-historic art from Malta, Bronze Age sailing ships from Denmark, Roman Britain in the times of Claudius and Hadrian, stromatalites from Canada, orbicular granite from Finland, gemstones from Mozambique and ancient sealing stones from Greece. Quite mind-boggling !

The Newcastle Philatelic Society Inc.

TREASURERS REPORT 2008-2009

Accounts at the Newcastle Permanent Building Society, Charlestown N.S.W.

CHEQUE ACCOUNT <Working Account>

Opening balance	\$ 3326-27
Add deposits	<u>3870-80</u>
Total	\$ 7197-07
Less withdrawals	<u>3580-89</u>
Total Balance 30-06-2009	<u>\$ 3616-18</u>

INSURANCE FUND ACCOUNT.

Invested	18-11-2007	17000-00
Transfer from Cheque Account, 18-11-2008		<u>1000-00</u>
Invested	18-11-2008	<u>\$ 18000-00</u>

Interest on this account paid monthly into Cheque Account.

N. P. S. EXHIBITION ACCOUNT.

Invested	22-11-2004	17082-25
Annual interest	22-11-2008	1173-34

Interest paid into Cheque Account.

The Newcastle Philatelic Society Inc. Cheque Account
at the **Newcastle Permanent Building Society**
307 King St. Newcastle (Account at Charlestown N.S.W.)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE 2008-2009

Income		Expenditure	
Subscriptions	1272-00	Room hire	770-00
New member	13-50	Stamp purchase	187-50
Interest	2172-90	Australian tax office	264-30
Commission and sales	204-90	Affiliations	235-00
Sundries	207-50	Bank charges	11-90
		Expenses	525-49
		Sundries	186-70
		Donation	150-00
		Insurance	250-00
		Transfer to insurance fund	1000-00
Total	<u>3870-80</u>	Total	<u>3580-89</u>

HOW TO POST A BANK!!! : In 1916, when the governors of the bank at VERNAL, Utah, U.S.A., decided the community needed a modern, brick-built bank they came up against a snag. The nearest brick suppliers were at Salt Lake City, 407 miles away. As VERNAL had no railway, freight carriers were quoting \$2 a hundredweight to haul the bricks needed to build the 70ft by 97ft building, the total cost of transport being a prohibitive \$2000. But they discovered that the bricks could be sent by post for less than half that. Postal regulations stipulated the weight of a package should not exceed 50 lbs, so packages of 10 bricks at a time began to flow through the postal system. It wasn't long before a postal inspector came to find out what the delay was in the other packages. He found the local man with mounds of bricks to deliver to the Vernal bank. So they limited consignments to 200 lbs a day, but the directors got around this by getting local farmers and townsfolk to become consignees for the bricks...!

No doubt the postman was hoping that they didn't open a branch office!

OF INTEREST TO ALL NOVOCASTRIANS : The memory of the Roman occupation of Britain survives in many place-names. The Romans built fortified camps throughout Britain - they called them "castra" ("camp"). As these Roman camps grew and became larger settlements, the Roman "castra" was frequently attached to older Celtic names. In several variations, "castra" now forms a familiar element in such place names as Chester, Manchester, Winchester, Lancaster, Gloucester, Worcester and Rochester. "Novo" is "news". "Castra" is "camp", NOT "castle"!!

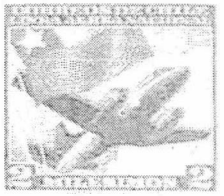
**** No, you're not old. You're chronologically gifted.**

NEWCASTLE PHILATELIC SOCIETY - QUESTIONNAIRE 2009 - RESULTS

The Questionnaire was sent out to 125 members. There were 35 responses in total. 4 members indicated they required 'Meeting Minutes' to be emailed to them - these are with our Secretary. Not every question was answered by all 35. Therefore the following tables show the total responses to each question. The 'Percentages' (of total responses) shown are rounded to whole numbers only, and may not add up to 100% in total. 21 responses included 'Comments'. These have been summarised separately and are reported elsewhere, with a further analysis of the figures shown here.

Attend Evening Meets	Always	Most times	Seldom	Never	Tot.resp.
	9	9	12	2	32
Percentage	28	28	38	6	

		<<<<<<<<<< Ratings 0 to 9 >>>>>>>>>>										
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TOTAL
Report on Activities	Responses	-	-	2	2	1	1	4	4	6	8	28
	Percentage	0	0	7	7	4	4	14	14	21	29	
General Business	Responses	1	1	-	1	2	4	2	3	6	8	28
	Percentage	4	4	0	4	7	14	7	11	21	29	
Philatelic displays	Responses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	22	29
	Percentage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	21	76	
Popular choice comp	Responses	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	8	13	28
	Percentage	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	11	29	46	
Other hobbies night	Responses	4	-	1	1	1	4	4	4	3	7	29
	Percentage	14	0	3	3	3	14	14	14	10	24	
Annual comp	Responses	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	9	13	27
	Percentage	0	0	4	0	0	4	4	7	33	48	
Challenges ?	More	OK as is		Moderate			No interest				Tot resp	
	3	17		8			2				30	
Percentage	10	57		27			7					
Sales by tender ?	More	OK as is		Moderate			No interest				Tot.resp.	
	9	21		2			-				32	
Percentage	28	66		6			0					
Swap/Sale nights?	More	OK as is		Moderate			No interest				Tot.resp.	
	4	21		3			2				30	
Percentage	13	70		10			7					
Day-time meeting ?	Always	Often		Seldom			Never				Tot.resp.	
	4	3		5			21				33	
Percentage	12	9		15			64					
Exchange Branch ?	Often	Seldom			Not yet		No interest				Tot.resp.	
	24	1			4		5				34	
Percentage	71	3			12		15					
Newsletter ?	Excellent	OK as is		Boring			Never read				Tot.resp.	
	19	14		-			-				33	
Percentage	58	42		0			0					
Outside Competition ?	Yes	No				Tot.resp.						
	32	-				32						
Percentage	100	0										



Stamps from CHILE
- see display on
8th October '09

FREE ADVERTISEMENTS !!

August, 2009

Our member's advertisements: Phone RON DAVIS on 4951 7878 if you have something you want to buy, or swap, or sell.

WANTED:

DAVID-PICKERING, phone 4953 2735 - ALL Australian 'Specimens' Overprints.

JOHNMOORE, RO.Box 528, Cardiff; 2285 or telephone 02-4956 8931 wants:

Australian Debit Docket that was issued to claim fees on underpaid registered mail (HARD TO GET!).

REXHILL, phone 4957 0776 - preprinted pages for albums, Great Britain from 1840, British Commonwealth, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, early Norfolk Island, early Cocos Island.

STEPHEN BURTON, Quality pre-1950 Australian Mint or Used. Will pay cash for better items, or trade. Also buying quality singles and collections world-wide. Phone 4954 4002, or 0432 540 760.

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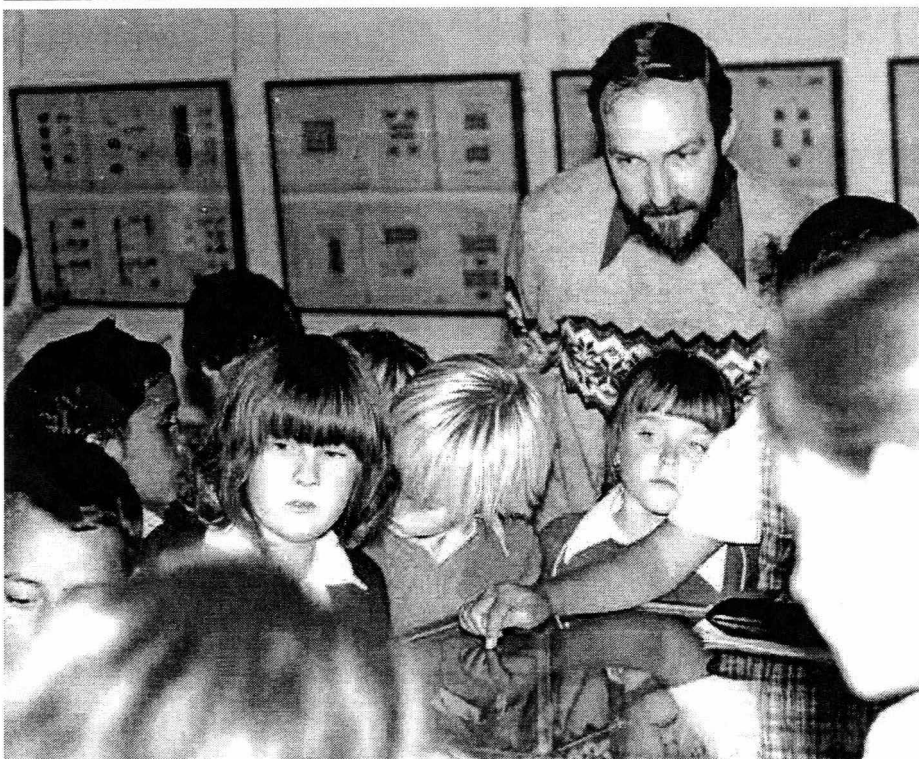
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