



KITCHENER-WATERLOO PHILATELIC SOCIETY



DISPATCH

Next Meeting

Thursday March 13 7 PM
Albert McCormick Arena
Community Room
Show and Share for Everyone
Cambridge Circuit Books,
Table Auction, “Buy it Now”
bring lots of change

“sign in” no cost at the door for Special 90th Anniversary Door Prizes

Future Meetings

April 10 Topic: “A.B.C.’s of Stamp Collecting!”

Guelph Circuit Books, Table Auction, Buy it Now” Stamp Table

May 8 Speaker To be announced Cambridge Circuit Books,
Table Auction, Buy it Now” Stamp Table

June 12th Called Auction Guelph Circuit Books

90th Anniversary Year Celebration: December 6, 2025 11:30-2:30
East Side Mario’s, Waterloo \$40. per person

the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic will host the Royal 2026

National Stamp Exhibition June 11-14, 2026

90th Anniversary Name Tags Order your new name tag for \$5.00
at the Meeting or etransfer \$5.00 to kwpskw@gmail.com
indicate the name you want on the name tag.

STAMPFEST 2025 ONE PAGE EXHIBIT CHALLENGE

Stampfest 2025 – Saturday April 26, 2025

- Create a one- or two-page exhibit (using 8.5 x 11) on any subject
- The exhibits will be added to frames at Stampfest
- The public will be given a ballot to vote for one exhibit
- Prizes will be the following:
 - First Prize - \$25.00 credit to the KWPS table auctions, called auctions, or circuit books
 - Second Prize - \$15.00 credit to the KWPS table auctions, called auctions, or circuit books
 - Third Prize - \$10.00 credit to the KWPS table auctions, called auctions, or circuit books
- Bring your one-page exhibit to our April 10th club meeting.
- If you plan to enter an exhibit page but you need more time, please let Al Hills know so that your exhibit can be added to the ballot. Email Al at: alan.hills@sympatico.ca

George Pepall has the following supplies available to members at no charge

✦ **Quadrille 3 ring Album Pages to mount your exhibit on**

Plastic Sheet Protectors to protect your exhibit page

Clear corner mounting stickers for covers, postcards or other items

You may also need stamp hinges or mounts to attach stamps to your exhibit

Bring your exhibit materials to our March 13th or April 10th meetings and George or other members will assist you in preparing your exhibit.

Vimy Ridge



CANADA'S NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL

CANADA'S NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL MEASURES 200 FEET SQUARE AND IS 125 FEET IN HEIGHT. IT OCCUPIES THE CENTRAL POSITION ON VIMY RIDGE IN FRANCE.

THIS MAGNIFICENT STRUCTURE WAS DESIGNED BY MR. WALTER S. ALLWARD, CANADIAN ARCHITECT AND SCULPTOR, IN 1921, UNDER WHOSE SUPERVISION THE ERECTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

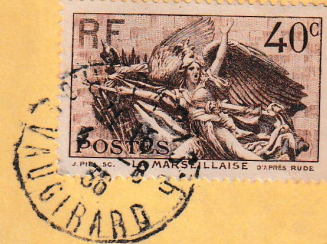
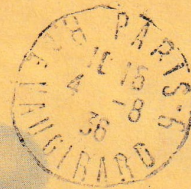
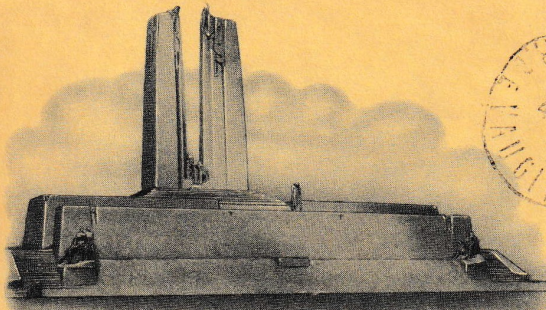
HIS MAJESTY KING EDWARD VIII WILL UNVEIL THE MEMORIAL AT THE CEREMONY, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON JULY 26TH, 1936, IN THE PRESENCE OF 6,000 CANADIANS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN A SOLEMN PILGRIMAGE TO EUROPE TO PAY HOMAGE TO THOSE WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE.

SYMBOLISM OF VIMY MEMORIAL

AT THE BASE OF THE STRONG, IMPREGNABLE WALLS OF DEFENCE ARE THE DEFENDERS, ONE GROUP SHOWING THE BREAKING OF THE SWORD, THE OTHER THE SYMPATHY OF THE CANADIANS FOR THE HELPLESS. ABOVE THESE ARE THE MOUTHS OF THE GUNS COVERED WITH OLIVE AND LAURELS. ON THE WALL STANDS AN HEROIC FIGURE OF CANADA BROODING OVER THE GRAVES OF HER VALIANT DEAD. BELOW IS SUGGESTED A GRAVE WITH A HELMET, LAURELS, ETC. BEHIND HER STAND PYLONS SYMBOLIZING THE TWO FORCES CANADIAN AND FRENCH, WHILE BETWEEN AT THE BASE OF THESE IS THE SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE WHO, GIVING ALL, THROWS THE TORCH TO HIS COMRADE. LOOKING UP THEY SEE THE FIGURES OF PEACE, JUSTICE, TRUTH AND KNOWLEDGE, ETC., FOR WHICH THEY FOUGHT, CHANTING THE HYMN OF PEACE. AROUND THE FIGURES ARE THE SHIELDS OF BRITAIN, CANADA AND FRANCE. ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE PYLONS IS THE CROSS.

ON THE WALLS ARE INSCRIBED THE NAMES OF 11,285 MISSING CANADIANS, THAT IS, THOSE KNOWN TO BE DEAD BUT HAVING NO KNOWN GRAVES.

MAILED DURING PILGRIMAGE
WITH COMPLIMENTS OF



CANADIAN PILGRIMAGE
TO THE
UNVEILING OF CANADA'S MEMORIAL
ON
VIMY RIDGE
AND TO THE
BATTLEFIELDS
OF
FRANCE AND BELGIUM
JULY-1936

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COLOMBIA'S TORTUOUS TERRAIN

Three ranges of the Andes mountains run the length of Colombia and divide it into regions that differ widely in climate, population and characteristics in general.



These mountains were formidable obstacles to inter-communication and for generations they hampered the Country's commercial and industrial development.

From early days the link between the Caribbean Coast (Barranquilla) and the Capital city of Bogotá (deep in the interior), was the mighty Magdalena River.



(Modern vistas of these two cosmopolitan cities)

Flat-bottomed stern-wheelers transported freight and mail 600 miles up the river; then it was portaged around the rapids to be re-loaded on



another river steamer for the balance of the journey to Girardot. From there it was transported overland to Bogotá (8,630 ft elevation).

Depending on the Season and the river water level, that journey could take anywhere between a week to a month.

Railways were built to connect various cities, but it was not until 1961 that a line linked the Capital to the Caribbean coast.



It can truly be said that Colombia jumped from the mule to the aeroplane for inter-city contact.

Air routes were established before many of today's highways.

Future Shows

Oxford Philatelic Society
annual show
**OXPEX/OTEX March 15,
2025**

OXFORD PHILATELIC SOCIETY
presents **73rd OXPEX & 43rd OTEX**
SATURDAY, MARCH 15th, 2025 9:30am - 4pm
St. Mary's Catholic High School
431 Juliana Drive, Woodstock, ON N4V 1E8
Free admission & parking • framed exhibits • 15 dealers • youth gift bags
sales circuits • draw prizes
EVERYONE WELCOME!
1949-2025
Proudly celebrating 76 years of Philatelic excellence
<https://rpssc.org/chapters/oxford/index.htm>

LONPEX25. Saturday, April 12th, 2025 Westview Baptist Church, 1000 Wonderland Road South London from 9 am to 3:30 pm Dealers, Displays lunch room

A. Ruggles Store for Gen. Merchandise and Post Office, c.1900



Opened as **FLORA** on April 1, 1863 the name of the post office was changed to **FLORADALE**, February 1, 1876. It continued in operation until July 31, 1990, at which time the post office was converted to a franchised operation (#015652), closing on January 2, 2004.

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Our Ninetieth Anniversary

Stampfest 2025

SATURDAY

April 26, 2025

– 10 am to 4 pm –

Trillium Lutheran Church

**22 Willow Street, Waterloo N2J 1V5
UPTOWN WATERLOO**

Free Admission • 10 Dealers • Judged Exhibits

Sea of Stamps

for Youth and Returning Collectors

☐ **Everyone Welcome!** ☐

May 3/25

Saugeen Stamp Club's Annual Stamp Show & Bourse
Saugeen Stamp Club Clifford Community Auditorium 2 William Street
Clifford, Ontario 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Door Prizes, exhibits, Dealers, Circu9t Books, Lunch Counter, Free admission, Free parking and no stairs. Interested dealers please contact John Cortan at johncortan@gmail.com

Contact: Rosev van Sickle
E-mail: rosevs@wightman.ca

SPRINGPEX 2025

Hamilton Stamp Club
Stamp Show

Fri. May 16 & Sat. May 17

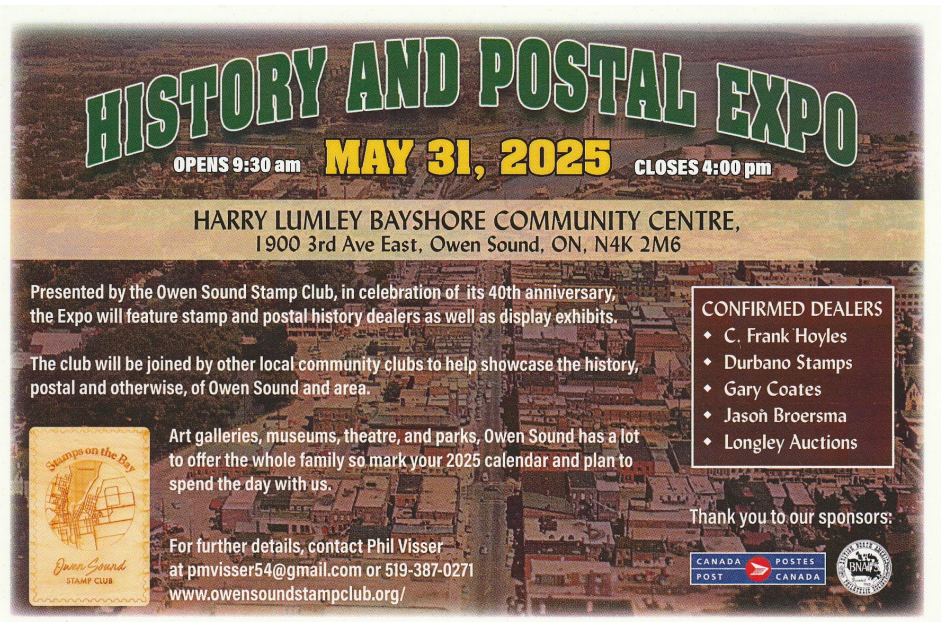
Bishop Ryan High School
1824 Rymal Road East
Hamilton Ont. L0R 1P0

Friday, May 16

Voice Auction - 6:30 pm
Viewing - 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Guest Sales Circuits - 5 pm - 9 pm

Saturday, May 17

10:00 am - 4:00 pm
15 Stamp Dealers * Silent Auctions
Hamilton Stamp Club Circuit Books
Free stamps & prizes for students
Web Site: www.hamiltonstampclub.com



HISTORY AND POSTAL EXPO
OPENS 9:30 am **MAY 31, 2025** CLOSES 4:00 pm

HARRY LUMLEY BAYSHORE COMMUNITY CENTRE,
1900 3rd Ave East, Owen Sound, ON, N4K 2M6

Presented by the Owen Sound Stamp Club, in celebration of its 40th anniversary, the Expo will feature stamp and postal history dealers as well as display exhibits.

The club will be joined by other local community clubs to help showcase the history, postal and otherwise, of Owen Sound and area.

Art galleries, museums, theatre, and parks, Owen Sound has a lot to offer the whole family so mark your 2025 calendar and plan to spend the day with us.

For further details, contact Phil Visser
at pmvisser54@gmail.com or 519-387-0271
www.owensoundstampclub.org/

CONFIRMED DEALERS

- ♦ C. Frank Hoyles
- ♦ Durbano Stamps
- ♦ Gary Coates
- ♦ Jason Broersma
- ♦ Longley Auctions

Thank you to our sponsors:

CANADA POST POSTES CANADA

March 10 - Arnie Janson - **A Variety of Varieties, Chapter 3** *A Study of the Many Varieties on Stamps*

You are invited to a Stamp Talks Zoom webinar.

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/2317352292743/WN_ITNR2sc3QgSOAb2azl50CQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

- **March 17** - **A Philatelic Glossary** - [Jean Wang, Charles Verge, Peter MacDonald]
- *Definitions and examples of common philatelic terms*

Register in advance for this webinar:

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- **April 14** - Mattia Guida - **Square Circle Cancels**
- **May 12** - Gregg Redner - **Collecting auxiliary labels and markings**
- **June 9** - Mirko Zatka - **Specialty Collecting Areas for Modern Canada**
- **April 21** - **So You Want to Host a Club Show** - [Bruce Pollock Dianne Earl, Al Hills]
- **September 15** - **An Introduction to Collecting Postal History** - [Jane Sodero Gregg Redner]