



DISPATCH



KWPS NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting

Thursday June 8, 2023

**Live Meeting, Albert McCormick
Community Room 7 PM
Visitors always welcome.**

**Live Auction *bring lots of small
change, since each item needs to be
paid immediately.* Thanks, Tineke**

Guelph Circuit Books

**Next Meeting Thursday September
14, 2023 7pm**

Welcome New Members

**Shadde de Hann, John Dundon, Alexander & Velmon Haag,
Charles Ramon, Peter Weidemann**

Guelph Stamp Club

KWPS and GRVPA club members are invited to visit meetings of the Guelph Stamp Club at Dublin Street United Church (enter at rear) 68 Suffolk St. W. Guelph. Meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm

Oxford Philatelic Society Woodstock

2nd Wednesday of the month, evening meeting from 7-9 pm.

4th Wednesday 7pm Zoom meeting.

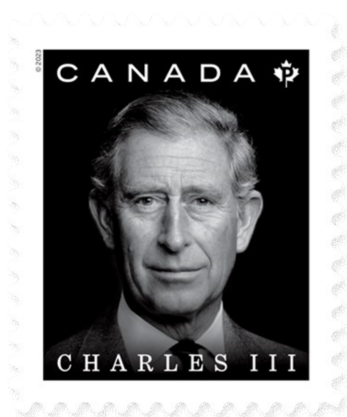
1st and 3rd Friday of each month Zoom Auction

4th Thursday of the month meeting at 1-3pm, Southgate Kinsmen Room.

Constuction Change for Driving to Meetings

- Take HWY-85 N/Conestoga Pky toward Waterloo
 - Take the Northfield Drive exit, West ramp
 - Turn left onto Weber Street
 - Turn Right onto Glen Forest Boulevard
 - Take First Left Turn at Church onto Sprucehill Ave.
 - Take First Left Turn at Cedarbrae Ave.
 - Continue Through 4 way stop and turn right onto Old Albert Street
 - Turn right into Parking Lot at Community Room at the back of building
- THE INTERSECTION OF PARKSIDE AND WEBER IS CLOSED UNTIL THE END OF JUNE**

2023 Canada Stamp Program



May 8, 2023

His Majesty King Charles III definitive, issued .
The 2006 photograph also appeared on a stamp issued by Jersey Post to mark the 70th birthday of The King (then The Prince of Wales) in 2018.



May 23, 2023.

the RCMP was established as the North-West Mounted Police by an Act of Parliament on May 23, 1873 Designed by Réjean Myette, the stamp features a collage of imagery representing the modern RCMP organization, with emphasis on its multiple functions.

RPSC Zoom Talks

Register in advance for webinars:

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

- **June 12** – Ken Pugh - “Fakes and Forgeries”
- **July 10** – TBD
- **August 14** – Lisa Tam – “NFTs: What are these New Fangled Things?”
- **September 11** – Duncan Barber - “GB Machins: An Overview”
- **October 10 (Tuesday)**– Willow Moonbeam - “Tour the Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library”
- **November 13** – Bill Longley - “Military Philately”
- **December 11** - Peter MacDonald – (Something Christmas related)

• RPSC Virtual Zoom 2023 Stamp Panels

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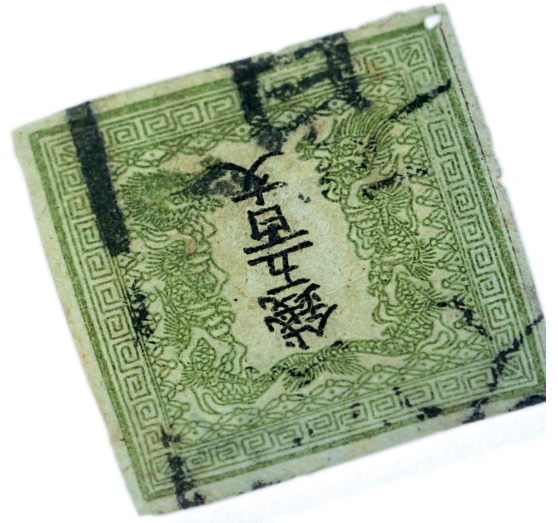
- **June 19** - Understanding exhibits
- **July 17** - Show and tell: Summer
- **August 21** - Exchanges, swapping, and pen palling
- **September 18** - Stamp clubs
- **October 16** – Dealing with Dealers
- **November 20** - Auctions
- **December 18** - Show and tell: Holidays

Asia's Most Valuable Stamp

The Japan 1871 500mon Center Inverted is as legendary and mysterious as any of the most expensive philatelic items of the world, albeit the sales pertaining to this stamp are shrouded in secrecy. Its first public appearance was in 1973 when it was sold at a public auction to an anonymous Japanese collector for \$75,000.

That collector was Ryohei Ishikawa, the six time Grand Prix winning philatelist whose collections of Hong Kong, Hawaii and more

especially Classic United States claim fame as the greatest collections of their time. Ishikawa carved out a reputation as the great promoter of philately and stated; "I consider this stamp the most valuable in Asian philately, and for an Asian collector like myself, the most valuable stamp in the world. I would have paid any price to obtain it". Originally discovered in 1953 by the American collector John C. Linsley, who spotted the inverted characters on the Dragon design in a Japan collection he had acquired. It seems he was unsure if it was a forgery and did nothing with the stamp. In 1954 the stamp was bequeathed to his son Mark E. Weber, who in 1973 submitted the intriguing inverted issue to the expertising committee of the International Society for Japanese Philately (ISJP). The ISJP determined it was entirely genuine.



Its authenticity is unquestionable since the plate positions of the frame and the center, applied in a two part printing process, fall exactly in-line given that one sheet was inadvertently printed upside down. It has an expert certificate from The Philatelic Federation of Japan dated 2016. Firstly, it is a First Issue stamp, from the first issue of Japan and even its highest face value at 500mon; Secondly, it comes from a country with a great philatelic tradition and large population, which has historically commanded an important position in the international philatelic world. But, perhaps the third attribute is the most significant with respect to its place in a league of great rarities – that it is indisputably the most valuable stamp of Asia. The good news is that we will soon get to know exactly what it is worth, because it will be in the David Feldman International Auction on Saturday June 3, 2023.

Thanks to Jim Measures for allowing Dispatch to Share his exhibit.



An Illustrated Philatelic Glossary

Oxford defines “Glossary” as
“dictionary or list of technical or special words”

The purpose of this exhibit is to list some of the “special words” used by philatelists and to show some examples to illustrate how these words are understood by stamp collectors.

Like Scouting, Philately is a sociable hobby, where friends gather in clubs, Scouts have “Campfires”, Philatelists have “Stamp Shows”.
This exhibit attempts to bring the two together.



To accomplish this purpose primarily stamps related to Scouting have been chosen.

We will see stamps from friends around the world,
each illustrating some aspect of philately.

