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The SGSC Team at the 21st World Scout Jamboree - Hylands Park, Chelmsford, UK
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(Photo courtesy of Alex Hadden)

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the first issue of the new style Bulletin. I hope that you like it and that it will become an accepted part of the Club's life.

Many of you will not know me - or for that matter, many of the other Committee Members - so I am starting a "This is Me" feature in this issue and I am asking the other members of the Committee to send their own item in for use during the year. When we've finished with these that perhaps we can start with profiles of some of our other members.

The Centenary year of Scouting has now passed into history - and how will it be remembered? Well, firstly there was a truly excellent Jamboree at Hylands Park, with about 40,000 people either participating or assisting with activities and events. The Club were pleased to have played their part in this thanks to the kind offer from the International Badgers Club to share their exhibition facility. Secondly, there were many highly successful District and County Camps around the UK - and many others overseas - even if our own one was spoilt a bit by the weather. Thirdly, there does seem to be some evidence of a growth in interest in the Movement. Against this was the fact that for various reasons (none of which seem to be entirely satisfactory) there was no Jamboree postmark - for the first time since 1929.

On the downside for SGSC, all of this activity and interest has not manifest itself by giving us a great growth in membership. We are still in a situation where more of our members are passing away of old age than are joining us full of youthful vim, vigour and enthusiasm.

So this is where you all come in. I assume that because you are members then you are interested in the continuing success of the Club. This means that we have got to get many more young people interested in our hobby of philately - especially of Scout and Guide collecting. Would you be prepared to get out and give talks or hold meetings in your own Scouting/Guiding community - and, if so, what would you need to make it work? Let us know what you want and the Committee will try to develop material to fill the gaps. Or, at least, write to us and let us know what you think we should do to avoid the possibility in five or six years time of the SGSC shutting up shop altogether.

Remember - from a mercenary point of view - if there are no future collectors then all of our collections become, in effect, valueless. So that's my challenge to you all for 2008.

For myself, my challenge is to give you an interesting and informative Bulletin which will assist you in meeting your challenge.

Terry Simister

**Copy dates for the remainder of 2008 are: - March 15th, May 17th, July 12th,
September 15th and November 11th.**

Please send copy, including photos, electronically where possible.

CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

John Ineson

Welcome to Terry Simister our new Editor, only the fourth since the club was formed in 1957. He follows Wilfred Nodder 1957-1967, Howard Fears 1967-1975 and Peter Duck 1975-2007. The job of the Editor is to edit material sent to him for publication. Therefore it is essential that more articles are sent to Terry for publication. If you have never seen your name in print, now is the time to make a start!. I have appealed for a new Treasurer many times, but still we do not have a volunteer. Surely one of our members would consider taking on this small duty, as our club cannot run without this important position filled.

Another year brings a new size Bulletin, the fourth since our inception 50 years ago. As mentioned in a previous bulletin, in the UK, the Post Office no longer charges just for weight but for size which has increased our postal cost by nearly 70% per issue. Unfortunately we can no longer bear the extra cost, so this is the reason for the change.

In my last Chairman's Notes, I mentioned the two booklet panes of Victoria Cross stamps (which included the Jack Cornwell stamp with their value omitted), that Grosvenor Auctions had for sale in their November sale. I was surprised that they sold with one making £6800 and the other £7000 plus of course the added 15% buyers premium. (approximately Euro 9500 and 9800, US\$ 13600 and 14000). Errors in the U.K. stamps rarely happen these days due to the advanced printing technology, and to date I have not heard of any in the stamps produced for the centenary of Scouting last year.

Having had a reason to read through the 1920 programme and souvenir book for the first World Jamboree, I was surprised to read so much about Stamp Collecting which was one of the main activities. You will recall that most of the events took place indoors at the Olympia stadium in London. On page nine we are informed that "The collection of postage stamps of Great Britain kindly lent by Mr L.O.Trivett, The Boy Scout Deputy Commissioner for Nottinghamshire, is the finest collection of English Stamps in the world. Here can be seen one of only two known copies of the artist's proof of the Penny Black, but this is only one of many beautiful rare specimens. The boys are encouraged to collect stamps, as apart from their financial value, it is an excellent means of teaching history and geography". In the souvenir book there is one and a half pages on stamp collecting and

on another page the names of the winners of the best collection of stamps. This included Scout F. Godden of the 28th Beckenham Troop, who later in life became famous for his Godden Stamp Albums.

As one who watches Scout items on eBay, I was interested to see that a registered cover from the 1947 World Jamboree come up for sale recently. Although it is thought that up to 550 covers could have been sent registered, it is surprising how scarce they are. The one sold had the Jamboree de la Paix rubber cachet on a registration label numbered 166 and was dated 10th August 1947. It is known that a cover sent on 19th August was number 554 so it would have been expected that more than 10-15 are recoded. The cover sold in December to one of our SGSC members for US\$1337 (about £670, Euro 900) had 33 bids.



Details are beginning to arrive about the Euro-Scout 2008 stamp exhibition in Switzerland. It is being held at Benken SG, Switzerland from Friday July 25 until Sunday July 27 2008. Benken, which is a small village and it would appear to be about 30-40 miles (50-65km) away from Zurich Airport. There will be a ladies programme on the Saturday. More information in the next Bulletin. As mentioned before, we are holding Euro-Scout in the UK during 2010.

Our next meeting will be during the Philatex Stamp show at the Royal Horticultural Society, Lawrence Hall, Greycoat Street, Westminster, London and we have been allocated a room from 10.30-12.30 when displays will be given by members of the committee. This is an open meeting and you are welcome to bring a friend.

COMMITTEE PROFILE - Terry Simister - Editor and “still” Treasurer.

I was born in Bristol in 1944 but grew up and spent most of my life until marrying in Hackney in East London. I joined the 2nd Hackney Wolf Cubs in November 1956 after a little bit of a false start. My birthday when I would be 8 was on the Wednesday so my father took me along to the Cubs on the preceding Friday. The Cub Mistress, or CM as she like to be called, came over to me and asked if I wanted to join. I replied “Yes” and she said “When will you be eight?”, to which I responded “Next Wednesday”. There was short silence and she then said “Well come back next Friday!” Which I did. It turned out that Miss Brown, for that was her name, and the GSM, Frank Chapman, were very close friends of my father.

The same Miss Brown took me, aged nine, on my first visit to Gilwell Park - back in the days when the Buffalo Lawn area was chained off to prevent general access. CM stood with me at the chain and putting her arm on my shoulders said “Terence, one day if you get to be somebody important in Scouting you may be asked to take tea on this Lawn”. The reverence in her voice sticks with me to this day and I often wonder what she would think of the current annual reunion and the general melee around the Lawn.

Because the 2nd Hackney were a Sea Scout Group I transferred to the 11th Hackney when I reached 11 and remained there through Scouts, Senior Scouts and Rover Scouts until I eventually left in 1965. I never quite got my Queen’s Scout Badge (and therein lies a story all of its own) but I did really enjoy all of the time.

In 1967 I married Betty and we moved to the house that we still occupy in Chelmsford.

My next involvement in Scouting came in 1969 when a friend asked me if I would like to put my son’s name on the waiting list at his Cub Scouts and, at the same time, would I help them with the Model Maker Badge. I guess you’ve all heard the rest but I became the football Manager for the Cubs, then onto the Group Committee, then the Group Chairman and eventually the Group Scout Leader, all with the 27th Chelmsford - whilst two sons enrolled.

Since then I’ve been a DSL, ADC Scouts, ADC Development and am currently GSL of the 26th Chelmsford as well as being the Producer of Chelmsford Gang Show which celebrated its 50th annual performance last April. I’ve also been to two World Jamborees - Korea in 1991 and UK in 2007.

I have been a “collector” for almost all of my life and started on Scouting matters in 1978 when I purchased a small collection of Scout and Guide Stamps. I joined the SGSC, becoming member number 2000, and have been on the Committee for a few years now. My collecting extends over anything and everything related to Scouting - postcards, cigarette and trade cards, badges, matchbox labels, paper ephemera in general, as well as books and records, especially those related to Gang Shows, china, etc. etc.

I have a very tolerant wife, who currently runs the District Scout Shop as well as doing small props for the Gang Show, otherwise none of this could happen.

Best wishes, Terry

(Normally I will include a photo but you’ve already got one of me on the front cover)

In one hundred years of Scouting the tents we use have evolved from the traditional bell and ridge army types to lightweight hi- tech models using modern materials for use in all seasons and extremes of weather. Artists of Scout and Guide stamps have however largely failed to move with the times but modern nylon dome type tents are seen on the 1991 World Jamboree miniature sheet from Ghana ,the 2007 100y stamp from Turkey ,and the 2007 55c stamp from Eire.



The Scout campsites in the early days were usually formal rows of bell tents, similar to those seen on the 2007 Isle of Man miniature sheet and the 1932 25b Scout stamp of Rumania. Bell tents have been out of fashion with Scouts for many years being overtaken by the ridge tent but are now slowly making a comeback and some were used at the 2007 World Jamboree. The ridge tent is still by far the most used by Scouts worldwide, and provide Scouts with the basic skills of tent pitching as pictured on the 1978 25c Scouting stamp from St.Christopher, Nevis,Anguilla. Early Scout postcards picture the most basic of shelters using Scout staves as poles, a more modern hike tent is seen with Cub Scouts on the 1991 75c stamp from Antigua Barbuda, this tent having a mesh insect proof door a luxury unheard of back in 1909 ! A small pup tent and forester tent are also pictured on the M9 Lesotho stamp of 2002.



Scouts have always been adept (or inept) at constructing backwoods shelters using natural materials as seen on postcards of c.1909. In Countries where these methods are used to build native houses Scouts use them too to make shelters as shown on the \$2 2007 stamp from Kiribati and the 1982 35c stamp from Papua New Guinea.



Other types of tent are seen on Scout the older type of expedition tent on the metal framed tent pictured on the the Cayman Islands. From the Czech 11kc stamp shows a Scout camp with wooden walls, a type of traditional eastern Europe.



stamps too, including stamps of Bhutan and 1982 20c stamp from Republic their 2007 the tents all having low Scout tent popular in



NEW ISSUES NEWS from Bob Lee

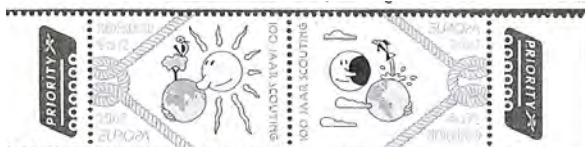
At last I am starting to see a reduction in the volume of New Issues relating to the Centenary of Scouting and, as I stated previously, I have been pleasantly surprised at the relative lack of Class “C” and “D” Issues to attack our pockets even more. As I write this in late January, I am still waiting for issues from 23 Class “A” countries so there will be additions for our collections for some months to come.



Class	Country	Stamps	£. p
A 576	Canada	100th Anniversary of Scouting pre-paid B-P envelope	2.70
A 577	Egypt	100th Anniversary of Scouting 1 val.	0.40
A 578	Kiribati	100th Anniversary of Scouting and World Jamboree 4 vals + M/S	4.55
A 579	Kosovo/UN Admin	100th Anniversary of Scouting 2 vals.	4.75
A 580	Mexico	100th Anniversary of Scouting	2.85
A 581	Nepal	100th Anniversary of Scouting 1 val. of B-P	0.30
A 582	Netherlands	100th Anniversary of Scouting & Europa 2 vals.	1.70
C 583	Paraguay	100th Anniversary of Scouting	2.65
A 584	Peru	100th Anniversary of Scouting	3.15
A 585	Poland	100th Anniversary of Scouting & Europa 1 val.	1.50
C 586	Rep of Djibouti	2 sheets of 2 values, Owls with Scout Badge, also exists imperf.	7.45
C 587	South Georgia	100th Anniversary of Scouting 5 vals.	5.25
A 588	Spain	100th Anniversary of Scouting & Europa 1 val.	0.70
A 589	St Thomas/Prince	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 16 sheets x 1 val, animals Birds, etc exists imperf	45.00
A 590	St Thomas/Prince	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 10 sheets x 4 vals. and 10 sheets x 1 val. Animals, birds, etc. exists imperf.	90.00
A 591	St Vincent/Canouan	100th Anniversary of Scouting and World Jamboree sheet x 21 vals.	9.80
A 592	St Vincent/Mustique	100th Anniversary of Scouting set + M/S, also exists imperf.	8.25
A 593	Tuvalu	100th Anniversary of Scouting set + M/S	7.35



NEW ISSUES NEWS continued



Country	Postcards	Date
Argentina	100th Anniversary Camp, Cordoba	18/21 Aug 2007
Argentina	JOTA 50th Anniversary Buenos Aires	19/21 Oct 2007
Canada	50th Anniversary of Sudbury Scouts, Cubs & Beavers	01 Sept 2007
Canada	SOSSI Chapter at Royal 2007 Exhibition Toronto	12/14 Oct 2007
Czech Republic	90 years of Scouting in Pilsen, Pizen	14 Sept 2007
Czech Republic	World Jamboree England, Praha 6	27 July 2007
Czech Republic	XV11 Meeting of Scout Collectors, Praha 1	13 Oct 2007
Germany	100 years of Scouting, Wolfsburg	13 Oct 2007
Germany	100 years of Scouting, Koln	20 Sept 2007
Japan	Aichi Scout Exhibition, Nagoya-Naka PO	15/21 Aug 2007
Japan	22nd Asia Pacific Conference, Yoyogi (Tokyo)	01 Oct 2007
Japan	Ibaraki Council Cub Beber Rally, Ushiku	04 Nov 2007
USA	Scouting Centennial, Plattsburgh NY	08 Sept 2007
USA	100 years of Scouting, Red Feather Lakes	28 June 2007
USA	100 years of Scouting, Red Feather Lakes	26 July 2007
USA	100 years of World Scouting, Richmond	13 Oct 2007
USA	100 years of World Scouting, Richmond	14 Oct 2007
USA	100 years of Scouting, Puerto Rico	29 April 2007
USA	One World, One Promise, Chillicothe	05 May 2007
USA	Calumet International Camporee, Smethport	18 Aug 2007
USA	Girl Scouts GS Postal Station, Washington	09 June 2007

Membership Secretary's Update

As you are probably aware I have recently taken on the position of membership secretary for the club and I am gradually working to update the records.

At the last SGSC Committee Meeting we agreed to change over to a common date of membership renewal and subscriptions.

This should simplify the process and means that I will be able to remind everyone of the due date by writing in the bulletin!

It was agreed that the date should be 1st April each year, beginning in 2008. I shall be writing to you all individually over the coming months to advise you of your next renewal date and the cost worked out on a pro rata basis depending on the expiry date of your current subscription.

It is with great sadness that I have to report the death of three of our members.

Geoff Gatenby (No.1616), Richard Hargreaves (No.1814) and Joseph Zimmerman (No.598)



All passed away in the weeks preceding Christmas, our thoughts are with their families....

NEW MEMBERS

Stella Terry	No.3009 Chippenham, England
Ivan Goya	No.2865 (Re-instated) Torrejon de Ardoz, Spain
Andrew Morel du Boil	No.3010 Aberystwyth, Wales
Albert Nickels	No.3011 Bideford, England
Jamal Abdullah	No.3012 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
David Allen	No.3013 Ely, England

Welcome to you all - we hope that you find membership of our club enjoyable, informative and interesting.

Tim Reed - Membership Secretary

THE SCOUT AND GUIDE PHILATELY OF 1957.....continued by Peter Duck

Firstly, the illustrations for items included in the November/December 2007 are shown. Sweden, which is usually fairly prolific with the use of Scout postmarks, only produced one in 1957, used between 6–13 August for Salvation Army Girl Guides Camp at Skara. Following their National Camp in 1956, Switzerland only issued a rubber-stamp cachet for the Centenary. This was for the Regional Assembly at Place du Chateau Lausanne on 22.2.57 and was oblong in shape. It included the Swiss Scout badge, and was printed in either green or purple. A few other Scout Group handstamps are recorded – from Groupe Orbe-Union, Scout Sports Vidy and Brigade Vieux-Castel, La Chaux-de-Fonds. During July, the Swiss Girl Guides held an International Camp at Goms Ulrichen to celebrate the Baden-Powell Centenary. A Mobile Post Office was sited at the Camp, and use was made of a supplementary postmark on 28 July only.

The Chinese Scouts in Taiwan held their Winter Jamboree at Chang Hoa from 6 – 16 February. Two different handstamps appear to have been used, printed in either red or purple on the cacheted covers. Scout Week also took place in February for which a cacheted cover and a sheet of 50 identical labels were issued. The Girl Scouts in Taiwan produced a cover with handstamp for their National Camp in July. The cachet is an adaptation of a B-P sketch entitled “Jambreeze”. The Taiwan Boy Scouts issued four different cacheted covers for their National Jamboree, also in July, but as I am unable to read Chinese, not many details are known. There were also two sheets of 16 labels produced – 4 x 4 different designs. The First Zone Summer Camp was held at Taipei in August and the rubber stamp cachet used coincided with the issue of their Scout stamps on 11th August 1957. The cachet was used from 8 – 15 August and shows the year as 46 which is the equivalent of 1957. A Scout philatelic exhibition was held from 20 –24 November 1957 for which a cacheted cover with rubber stamp was issued.

A letter posted to the Organiser of the Jubilee Jamboree in U.K. from Boy Scouts of Tanganyika shows a very attractive rubber stamp print of their National emblem.

The Ukrainian Scouts in Exile celebrated their 45th Anniversary from 6.V.1956 to 1.XI.1957, and labels and covers were adapted for use in 1957. As my knowledge of Ukrainian is not very good, I am not always aware of their significance. A rubber stamp dated 3-5.VIII.57 was used on a cover from Ukraina, Manitoba. A series of six labels issued in 1956 were reissued with the text “Jubilee Jamboree in Great Britain 1907 – 1957”. The labels appear perforate and imperforate in tete-beche pairs as well as on souvenir cards. The Ukrainian Scouts in Australia held an event at Lilydale, Victoria for which a special cover and handstamp was issued.

Numerous cacheted covers were produced by the Boy Scouts of America during 1957. Various events were commemorated, but the most important was the 4th National Jamboree held at Valley Forge, PA from 12 – 18 July. A slogan postmark was used on mail posted at the camp from 12 to 20 July. I can number 20 different cacheted envelopes used at the

A meter slogan was also used the the Boy scouts of America National Council, New Brunswick, NJ.

“Onward...For God and My Country” was the theme of meter slogans used in Boy Scout offices around the country. Also “Scout-Capades” were advertised in Buffalo, NY and “The Scout O Rama” in Highland Park, ILL.

The Girl Scouts also produced a couple of meter slogans for offices in Philadelphia, PA “1957 – The Girl Scout Year” and the National Convention held in November was publicised in New York, NY.

Returning home to Great Britain, a number of cachets and labels were produced to advertise many Jubilee Year Scout events. Labels were used for The Scout Show at Kelvin Hall, Glasgow and Jubilee Rallies at Barnet, Eltham and Lanarkshire. Also for “Voyage of the Venturer” produced by Ralph Reader which took place at the Royal Albert Hall in London – I remember seeing this fabulous show.

The 23rd Wakefield, Yorkshire celebrated their 21st birthday with a cacheted cover in March. Scottish Girl Guides held an International Camp at Blair Atholl in Perthshire in July for which a rubber stamp cachet and a label were produced. And the Girl Guides World Camp took place at Windsor at the same time as the Jubilee Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield. A special circular label was issued, also a privately produced rubber stamp was prepared by the former Publicity Secretary of our Club, John Hobbs.

I have a letter in my collection which is addressed “Scout Master, Roumanian Contingent, Scouts Jamboree, Windsor Great Park, Windsor”. The envelope was forwarded to Sutton Coldfield, and as there were no Roumanian (Exile) Scouts at the Jamboree it was returned to the sender who lived in Doncaster and was asking for a pen-friend.

The Jubilee Jamboree was followed by the 16th World Scout Conference in Cambridge, but no philatelic items are recorded from this event. Sale & District celebrated the Jubilee Year with their Scout Week cachet in late September. The 10th Annual Gathering of Methodist Scouters at Gilwell Park issued a cacheted cover on 26 October.

The Jubilee Jamboree stamps which had been issued on 1st August 1957 were legally valid until 29 February 1972, one year after decimalisation. Covers bearing these stamps valued at their equivalent in decimal currency (minimum of 3p for first class post, or 7 1/2d in old money) could be sent to Windsor for postmarking. I produced three covers, each of which also bore the overprinted stamps for Bahrain, Muscat and Qatar (Probably unique?) Although the Jubilee Jamboree stamps were demonetised from 1st March 1972, I have two later covers with them on, one used in 1975 and one in 1979. Both were prepared by our late President, Roy Rhodes.

Apart from a myriad of Scout stamp issues during the year, I do not think that 2007



ILLUSTRATIONS FROM NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2007 ISSUE



ПЛАСТОВИЙ ЮВІЛЕЙНИЙ РІК



BY AIR MAIL
PAR AVION



NORTH *Scout* of America
AREA COUNCIL



BUFFALO AREA COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Community Club Building
33 EIRE ST., - CORNER NEAR
BUFFALO 9, NEW YORK

See the
SCOUT-CAPADES
Buffalo Memorial Auditorium
MAY 3-4, 1957



SOUVENIR



1957
SIXTH YEAR
EVENTS



The Secretary,
London Office,
Boy Scouts Assn.,
3, Broad Place,
S.W. 7.



THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION
GLASGOW COUNTY BOY SCOUT COUNCIL

The Secretary, London Office,
Boy Scouts Assn.,
3, Broad Place,
S.W. 7.



23rd. WAKEFIELD
(Sandal Methodist)
SCOUT GROUP
21st. BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATIONS 30th & 31st March 1957



Wm J. Reddin
McCulloch D44
Harvard Business School
BOSTON 65 Mass.
U.S.A.



POSTAGE & RETURN TICKET
NECESSARY

Lovely weather,
Great camp
Love,
Auntie.

21 JUL 57

Miss Smith,
London,
Witchford,
Worcestershire



Dear Miss Smith,
Thank
much for the
have had to
here meet my
Queen was
the was very
might be that
camp for with
program
lots of love &
love for



GIRL GUIDE
WORLD CAMP
WINDSOR 1967

John E. C. [unclear] [unclear]

Wakefield

18, Barnburgh Avenue,
Thotton, MalDEN.

SALE & District
SCOUT WEEK



Sept. 29th—Oct. 5th

JUBILEE YEAR

1957



97, Northenden Rd., SALE, Cheshire.

"To do my duty to God"



B.P.

10th ANNUAL GATHERING
ASSOCIATION OF
METHODIST SCOUTERS
GILWELL PARK
26/27 OCTOBER, 1957



97, Northenden Rd., Cheshire.

JUBILEE JAMBOREE

Sutton Park, Warwickshire, England
August 1-12, 1957



REGION ELEVEN DELEGATION

Jamboree Troops 111, 112, 113
from
Washington-Idaho-Oregon-Alaska
Western Montana

PETER J. DUCK
59 GILPIN CRESCENT
WHITTON
MIDDLESEX, TW2 7BP

FUTURE DATES

23rd February, 2008 - At Philatex (See Chairman's Notes)

An Open Meeting together with a short Committee Meeting will be held at Philatex in Room 21 at 10.30am until 12.30pm

Club Meetings

Provisional dates for meetings to be held at the North Richmond Scout HQ (location details on request) starting 2.00pm are:

12 April 2008,

14 June 2008 (AGM) - Plenty of warning - a good turnout
would be nice

22 November 2008.

At the moment the first two dates are confirmed but the November date is provisional subject to confirmation that the hall is available.

Regional Meetings

Please send details of any proposed meetings to the Editor so that they can be included in this column for future issues.

Reports on any meetings held would be welcome for publication.

Euro-Scout 2008 Stamp Exhibition

This is being held at Benken SG, Switzerland from Friday July 25 until Sunday July 27 2008.

More information in the next Bulletin.

Euro-Scout 2010 Stamp Exhibition

This will be held in the UK and preliminary discussions are already taking place regarding possible venues and dates.

Australian Scout Stamps Announced.

By Dr. William Wells

The Australian Government has declared 2008 to be the “Year of the Scout” in Australia, honouring the Centenary of Scouting in this country.

Australia Post will issue three Scout stamps on 19 February 2008 to mark the Centenary of Scouting in Australia, and 2008 The Year of the Scout. There will also be a wide range of other philatelic products including maxicards, first day covers, stamp booklets and a prepaid envelope.

There will be three maxicards, with a separate card for each stamp. The picture shows a design related to the relevant stamp, and that stamp is cancelled on the picture side of the card on the first day of issue (see photos). Postage is prepaid for overseas.

The 50c stamp will be available in sheet format, and in self adhesive rolls. The design (courtesy Snowgum Australia) shows some boy and girl younger members near a hike tent and working on a computer – symbolising the continuing importance of outdoor activities in this high tech era.

The \$1.30 stamp is for international postage, and represents the international aspects of Scouting. The photo was taken by Andres Morales (from Costa Rica) during the 20th World Scout Jamboree in Thailand in 2003. The Scouts represent some of the different cultures attending the Jamboree (including an Australian).

The \$1.95 international stamp shows a portrait of B-P. The maxicard shows B-P mounted on a horse – and comes from a photograph taken when B-P visited the 1st Australian Jamboree at Frankston in 1934.

The design of the basic first day cover (with set of three stamps) shows one of Victoria’s earliest Scouts – Geoffrey Fethers. His godfather (E.W. Wears, later to become Chief Commissioner of Victoria) returned from England in late 1907 with a Scout uniform given to him by B-P, and Wears passed this to Geoff. Shortly afterwards the 1st Elsternwick Scout Troop was established.

Fethers lived an interesting life and became very well known. He qualified as a veterinary surgeon, and served in the latter stages of the First World War. He wrote a column for the Victorian rural paper “The Weekly Times” for over 53 years, and broadcast weekly on 23 commercial stations for 12 years, and regularly on the ABC country show for another 8 years. He died in September, 1988.

In addition to the standard First Day Cover there will be a Prestige cover with an actual World Scout badge attached, and a postal numismatic cover with 50c stamp and 50c Scout coin.

There will also be three stamp packs. The standard pack will have one of each stamp, the “2008 The Year of the Scout” pack will have a sheetlet of ten, with the 2008 logo printed in tabs attached to the stamp. There will also be a special “collector” pack.

A special “Scout” prepaid envelope will also be issued, which Australia Post hopes will be used by Groups and Scouts during the year, to publicise Scouting to your friends. (RRP 60c covers the envelope and local postage).

For more information see Australia Post website www.auspost.com.au/stamps

I have been assisting the Australian Post Office in design of these stamps, and other products. To me, the most attractive items are the maxicards, which will be sold with the related stamp cancelled on the first day of issue.

I believe that this is the first time a cover has been sold with an actual World badge attached, and there is also a “Stamp Collecting” badge included in one of the packs.

The Brighton Philatelic Society (Victoria) is honouring Scouting with a one day display of Scouting collectibles. The souvenir cancellation will be dated 22 February, and the cover will show the high value Scouting stamp – with a portrait of B-P. Cost is USD5 each (includes separate postage) and they are available from Brighton Philatelic Society, Box 8062 North Road LPO, Brighton East, Victoria 3187 Australia (see website www.brightonps.org.au).

The National Stamp Exhibition being held in Canberra from March 14/16 will also have a Scouting theme, and a range of souvenirs will be available.

I am involved in preparing three “Scouting” displays – a Court of Honour Display at the Australian Post Philatelic Gallery, which will run for three months, and displays at the Brighton and Canberra events.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 3 Maxicards
- 1 x Geoffrey Fethers (Courtesy Scout Heritage Centre, Victoria)
- 1 x BPS Cancel
- 2 x logos





The 21st World Jamboree and the Writtle Chelmsford Post Office by Michael Feigenbaum

Attending the 21st World Jamboree, I sent my mail using the closest post office just outside the site. This was done on August 26th, the "First Day Issue" of the Centennial stamps and on August 27th, the official opening day of the World Jamboree,

Part of the Greater Chelmsford Township, is the Village of Writtle / Chelmsford, which rests on the north side of the Jamboree. By going out of gate No.5 and walking a short distance, one would reach the post office of that village.

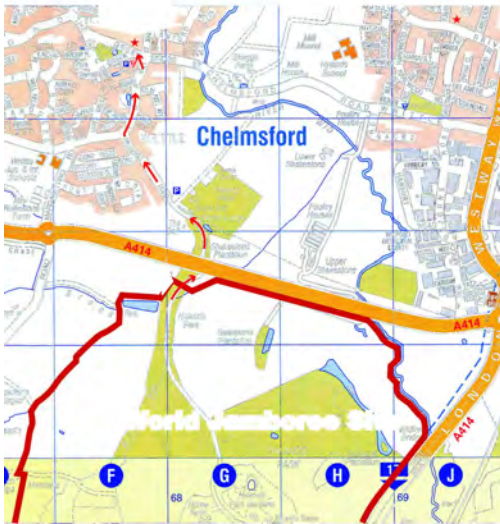
This Royal Mail Post Office was located inside a General Store, across from a small Park. Inside and behind a secured glass window, two women postal employees worked. The store itself had its own employee which sold small office supplies, snacks, toys, gifts, greeting cards etc.

While they had no special first day cancel at this facility, they did have the common Royal Mail round shaped cancel, which shows day, month and year.

Not having a Post Office at the Jamboree to cancel the centennial stamps and this village having the closest post office, I felt I was making the right decision walking my mail from the Jamboree to the Writtle Chelmsford Post Office to post them.

Mail from the 1st World Jamboree did not have a special postmark, and was cancelled with the local "Richmond, Surrey" postmark and at the 2nd world jamboree in Denmark, mail was sent locally to a post office in a village or place called "Gjentofte", and they in turn used their local postmark.

Please see the map for the proximity of the Writtle Chelmsford Royal Mail Post Office in relation to the Jamboree. Also see samples of these Cancellations which include the front and backside of a Signed for/Registered cover sent on the opening day of the jamboree. Then a little article of my personal experience along with pictures of some mail I sent, showing the Writtle Chelmsford postal cancel. These cancels show the first day of the 6 stamp issue and the first official opening day of the jamboree.



József Zimmermann



By Jan Henrik Bergqvist

SGSC member No. 96 & SOSSI L.M.35

My very good friend, my former Ass. Scout Master and member number 598 of Scout and Guide Stamps Club and a life member of SOSSI, József Zimmermann has passed away at the age of 88 years on 29th November 2007 at Pilisvörösvár near Budapest.

Jozsef was a Boy Scout already at young age. Having learnt to fly gliders with his troop in the hills on the outskirts of Budapest, he became a pilot in the Hungarian Air Force during the 2nd World War. When Hungary was annexed by Germany in 1944, he fought against the Russians and during that year was shot down and taken prisoner. He was sent to Siberia for four long years and after that time he suffered bad aching in his legs as soon as the weather turned to below freezing. During the Hungarian Soviet invasion in 1956 he fled via Austria to Sweden where he was treated for Tuberculosis. He became a technician at the Philips laboratories at Järfälla, outside Stockholm.

In December 1965 he went to Hungary to celebrate Christmas with his mother and took the opportunity to see some scout friends from the old time in a private home. However, during this gathering the Hungarian Secret Police knocked at the door and they were all arrested. The communist inspired court sentenced them all to two years imprisonment for “subversive activities”. As Jozsef at this time was a Swedish citizen it turned to much publicity in daily Swedish papers and National TV News.

Since Jozsef was a single man, I acted to support him and worked on behalf of the Swedish Scout Association to protect his belongings, collect his mail etc. and was acting with the Swedish Government Foreign Office to support him. I sent him several letters through diplomatic courier mail – nothing reached him. Finally I got a request to send him a Hungarian-Swedish dictionary and did write a short message a few pages into the book. That was the only contact he got from outside (except visits by the Swedish Ambassador).

After 1½ years in prison he was released because of “good behaviour”, received the order to leave his home country and without any money in his pockets put on a plane and headed for Stockholm. Our Foreign Dept. telephoned me and asked me to find Jozsef, which I did in the home of his Hungarian friends in Stockholm. He came for supper to my home and that was an extremely thin man, standing there in the middle of his coat. In the following years he was my Assistant Scout Master and we enjoyed wonderful scouting life with our troop in Kallhäll including several camps. In 1969 we both attended the Golden Jubilee of Gilwell Park in London and had the pleasure to talk with several members of the Baden Powell family including Lady B-P and also the Chief Scout Lord Rowallan.

Due to health reasons (his legs were still aching in wintertime in Sweden) he immigrated to Johannesburg in 1974 where he was employed by Philips Industries. He soon became very active in the South African Scout Association as a Group Scout Master. When the communist regime fell in Hungary he decided to immigrate back to his native country. During the following years he was an active member as a Fellow of the World Scout Foundation and attended many of their functions world-wide. One day he took part in a gathering of Air Force pilots from the 2nd World War, pilots from England, USA, Soviet, Germany and Poland. He did point out in a letter to me that this was one of the most exhilarating moments in his life. Jozsef and I were regularly in contact with telephone, e-mail and letters.

My daughter Gunilla visited Budapest in October 2007 and I had asked her to telephone Jozsef. He pointed at that moment out “that I’m just a simple Zimmermann”. He was a good Scouter with a deep

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The following items are available. Orders to Peter J. Duck, 9 Broadlands Court, Kew Gardens Road, Richmond, Surrey TW9 3HW. Payment with order please: cheques payable to P.J.Duck, USA \$ bills or EURO notes accepted at current rates.

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USED		
TNZ82 TANZANIA (4)	2.15	2.00
TNZ82S TANZANIA MS	2.25	2.00
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VAN82 VANUATU (5)	2.00	1.80
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TDC82S TRISTAN DA CUNHA MS	0.75	0.70
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GIB82 GIBRALTAR (1)	0.75	0.75
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BRV82 BRITISH VIRGIN IS. (4)	1.50	1.50
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ZRE82S ZAIRE MS	3.50	-
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SOL82S SOLOMON ISLANDS (4) Scouts only	0.50	0.50
SWZ82 SWAZILAND (4)	0.75	0.75
SWZ82S SWAZILAND MS	0.80	0.80
TKC82 TURKISH CYPRUS (1)	1.20	-

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RWA83 RWANDA (8)	2.25	-
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SUR83 SURINAME (4)	1.40	-
GIB83 GIBRALTAR Commonwealth Day (4 – one Scout/Guide)	0.75	-
GIB83S GIBRALTAR Scout/Guide value only (1)	0.20	-
COO83 COOK ISLANDS (8)	3.00	-
COO83S COOK ISLANDS MS	-	3.00
AIT83 AITUTAKI (3)	1.00	-
AIT83S AITUTAKI MS	1.25	-
NUI83S NIUE MS	0.90	-
PHL83 PHILIPPINES 7 th National Jamboree overprint (1)	0.15	-

ITEMS FROM STOCK

PHL54F		
PHILIPPINES 1954 1 st National Jamboree pair on cacheted FDC		1.50
TWN56J		
TAIWAN 1956 3 rd National Jamboree cacheted cover with handstamp		1.00
ISR07		
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MAY07		
21 st World Jamboree Malaysian Contingent handstamp + label on SGSC card		0.30
MEX07		
21 st World Jamboree Mexican Contingent handstamp on SGSC card		0.20
PER07		
21 st World Jamboree Peru Contingent handstamp on SGSC card		0.20
PHL07		
21 st World Jamboree Philippine Contingent handstamp on SGSC card		0.20
SRB07		
21 st World Jamboree Serbian Contingent handstamp on SGSC card		0.20
VEZ07		
21 st World Jamboree Venezuelan Contingent handstamp on SGSC card		0.20

IMPORTANT NEWS

We will be changing the name and password of the Members part of our web site with effect from 1st February. This is to protect the names and addresses of our members and from this date until next year you will need to enter:-

User name: **jamboree** and Password: **olympia** (no capitals)

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The SGSC stand at the recent Active8 training day held at the Kent County Showground near Detling

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EDITORIAL

Well, I've made it to my second issue, without too many problems.

Firstly, can I thank all those of you who wrote offering their congratulations on the January/February issue and for the many suggestions - all constructive - regarding the layout, typeface, font and font size for future issues.

I must admit that the first issue was, to some extent experimental as, in many ways, is this issue, but I have settled on a typeface and font size to use for the future.

For those that are interested, the first issue was prepared on an A5 format, using a variety of typefaces and font sizes so that I could see how they came out. This issue is being prepared on an A4 format, using Times New Roman typeface/font and a font size of 16pts, which should come down to a readable size when the pages are reduced on printing.

I did get a bit of material for this issue - after pressing the Committee - but, once again it seems that we are only relying on the same old writers. Doesn't anybody else out there have something to say about this hobby of ours - especially since we extended the remit of the Club to include paper ephemera such as postcards, cigarette cards and the like.

To try to encourage participation I am going to introduce a new feature starting with this issue under the title of "MY FAVOURITE SCOUT STAMP". All I need is a photo/scan/copy of the stamp with a write up giving details of its issue and the reasons that you like it better than all the others that have been issued over the past 100 years.

The second part of the "Meet the Committee" feature appears in this issue and quite rightly covers Peter Duck who was my predecessor as Editor for more years that he cares to remember. Peter did a fantastic job getting out the Bulletin over those years, without the benefit of the modern computer and Desk Top Publishing that I am using. Thanks for all those issue Peter.

Terry Simister

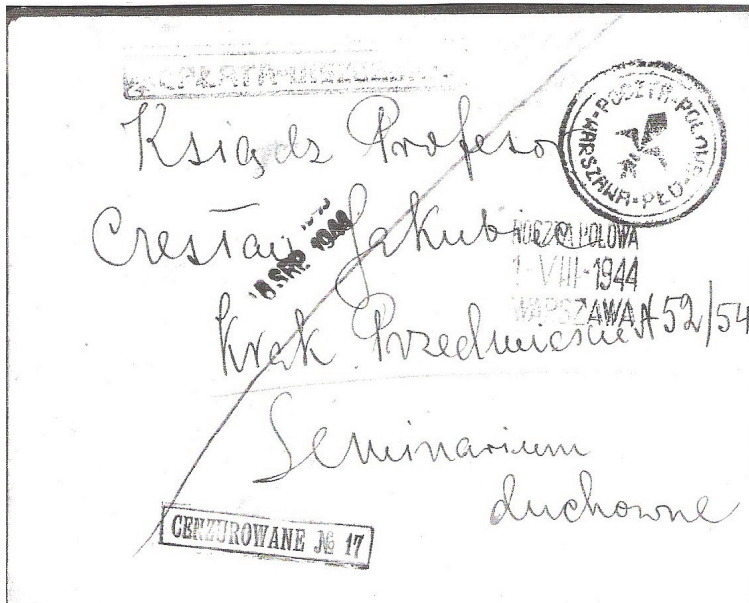
MISSING from last issue:

- ❖ Bottom of the second page of Scout & Guide Philately of 1957 was the final line - "produced quite such an interesting variety as 1957."
- ❖ Bottom of Fred Zimmerman obituary was the final line "believer in God."

Many favourable comments have been made to our editor and members of the committee regarding the new size Bulletin, which thanks to our new Editor Terry Simister, was issued earlier this year. To keep up the standard of the Bulletin, he will still need articles from members, not just from some of those on the committee.

Gottfried Steinmann, one of our members from Germany reports that on the 9th February at the Felzmann auction at Düsseldorf, Germany a collection was auctioned which was of great interest to Scout stamp collectors. The collection consisted of about 120 items of covers, stamps and stamp designs from the time of the Warsaw Uprising of 1944. The starting price was €190,000 (£14,600..US\$ 29300) which was quite a sum! Will there be anybody interested?

I wondered. But surprisingly, not only the Polish Post Office and the bank PKO – both undertakings of the Polish Government, but also representatives from the German Government showed interest and interfered. It was suspected,



that this collection was to be bought by Berlin in order to be presented to Warsaw. Seemingly the Polish wanted to acquire it themselves. So the auction was set for two hours earlier, apparently to keep out other buyers, (so the Polish media speculated). In any case there was no other buyers present, so the collection was sold at the starting price of €190,000 plus 18% commission= €224,200 to the Polish buyers. In the future it will be shown at the 1944 Warsaw Uprising museum in Warsaw.

Entry forms, which should be completed by 31st March, have now arrived for the 2008 Euro-Scout Philatelic Exhibition being held at Benken, Switzerland

from 25th to 27th July 2008. The show is non-competitive and application forms can be obtained from Fredy Scherb whose email address is **fred.scherb@bluewin.ch** As Switzerland is not in the EU, customs details will have to be followed and these are mentioned on the reverse of the entry form. The exhibition will take place at the Hall of the local municipality and in the nearby Restaurant Rössli. Both premises are in the centre of the village of Benken, which is situated about 35 miles from Zurich. As usual there will be an Exchange Market which will take place on the Friday and Saturday at the Rössli Restaurant. Full details can be found on the website **www.euroscout2008.ch** At the same time as the Euro-Scout meeting is being held, the Swiss National Scout Camp “Contura ‘08” will be taking place nearby from Wednesday July 23rd until Wednesday July 30th

I was interested to read and see a photograph of Len Moss in one of the New Zealand Auction catalogues that he has reached the age of 100. Over the years I had seen his name and address on covers and at one time he was a member of the SGSC. Peter Duck remembers him coming to his house in June 1979 when Len was in the U.K. for the 50th anniversary of the Arrowe Park World Jamboree which he attended in 1929.

LEN MOSS

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR 100TH BIRTHDAY



Len Moss was one of John Mowbray's first employees in the 1970's. John was delighted to attend Len's party on 15th December, and present him with a birthday card signed by 30 of Mowbray Collectables staff.

Len enjoys good health, spoke to 100 people without a microphone, and reminded us that if the youth of today joined the Boy Scouts, they would soon learn to behave! Well done Len!

COMMITTEE PROFILE - Peter Duck - Sales Service and ex-Editor

I was born in 1932 and grew up in Chiswick, West London. In 1939, at the outbreak of World War II, I was evacuated with my schoolfriends to a village in Hertfordshire. On my return home at the end of 1941 I found that some of my old friends were Wolf Cubs, so I joined as well.

Not a very distinguished year in the Cubs, but just after my 11th birthday I became a Boy Scout. Scouting in wartime Britain was rather a stop-start affair as leaders were being called up to serve in H.M.Forces. By 1946 our Troop was back on its feet again and I became a Patrol Leader and at 15 was one of the first new Senior Scouts.

I had almost gained my to do my National Service years. During this time I and on my release became old Group 18th Chiswick My first introduction to when I attended the 5th steg, Switzerland during ence which I have never



King's Scout badge when I had in the Royal Air Force for two was invested as a Rover Scout Assistant Scoutmaster in my (St.Nicholas).

International Scouting was World Rover Moot in Kander-August 1953. A great experience which I have never forgotten.

In 1957 I worked on the staff at the Jubilee Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield. You can read all about this in SGSC Bulletin for March/April 2007.

Following this I transferred to 20th Chiswick Group as Assistant Senior Scout Leader. I remained here until resigning in 1965 before my marriage to Audrey in 1966 and moving out of the district.

Having joined the Scout Stamps Collectors Club in 1959, I got the philately "bug" and never looked back. Our late President Roy Rhodes took me under his wing, and I learnt a great deal about our hobby.

1963 saw me working in the Post Office at the 11th World Jamboree, Marathon, Greece. This was a wonderful opportunity to make many Scout philatelic friends and obtain some fine items for my collection. Later I became a member of the Scout Fellowship and was able to attend the 14th World Jamboree, Nordjamb`75 representing our Club in the Scout Stamp Bank.

My term as SGSC Bulletin Editor started in 1975, and as you will know I have just retired from this position. In 1979 I had left my employment to become a (very small-time) stamp dealer, specialising mostly in Scout & Guide philately. This continued until 2001 when I passed by business to Bob Lee.

In Scouting, I am still a member of the Scout Fellowship, registered through "Network Russia" which has helped to Scouting re-organised again in that country.

Designing stamps for the 100 anniversary of scouting by Michael Feigenbaum

I had designed and developed program ideas and images for the national organization of the Boy Scouts of America for about 25 years. This included designing the national handbook, and the badges every boy earned and placed on his uniform. I also served the World Scout Bureau simultaneously providing art and photography for about 20 years. Having given so much service, I felt it was time in the early 1990s to move on. To concentrate on my personal life and business which had grown overwhelmingly.

A few years ago I realized the World Scout Movement was going to be 100 years old. The year 2007 would be celebrated with a World Jamboree and other events. Having just retired and with time on my hands, I started to personally celebrate, by creating colourful art which could be used to inspire and support the movement during its centennial year. I envisioned the art to be produced as postcards. Having collected them I realized it was an inexpensive way to replicate art. With a few dozen designs I first approached the Scout Association of the United Kingdom. Their Supply Group first chose 4 of my designs to be used as greeting cards, but later backed out of marketing them.

25 years ago I worked for the World Scout Bureau, in developing the 75th anniversary Logo which was used on postage stamps. It was a great success with over 100 countries using the logo, on just about 200 individual stamps. Thinking about it convinced me to transform my designs into stamps. With the idea in assisting and convincing the people in the stamp business into issuing relevant stamps. I created stamp sheets with my designs and placing them strategically in a presentation book.

Major countries used the services of their own Postal Agency in the design and the printing of stamps. But small countries used the services of independent companies who specialized in designing, printing and marketing them. So I approached these Philatelic organizations and printers in Europe, and the UK, before getting the attention of the inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation headquartered in New York City.

Upon approaching Inter-Governmental, I found that they had their own in-house artists and designers. Speaking with their Art Director I convinced him to give me an interview. At that meeting he looked at my book for less than a minute, which ended in him leaving the room for a few minutes and returning with the inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporations President, Mr. Sammi Malamude. He greeted me by complimenting my work and stating the desire to work with me. After talking generally about the unique aspects of the business, I made him an

offer that he couldn't refuse. It took all of a few minutes and which a hand shake sealed the deal.

When I created the stamps I made a point of placing 2 statements on each stamp. It included the heading "21st world scout jamboree" , as well the "100 Years of Scouting". I purposely used the Arabic numbers "100", instead of the word "Centennial" which had been promoted by the world scout organization of the scout movement. 25 years earlier when I developed the 75th Anniversary logo of world scouting, "Arabic Numbers" were found to be a proven success when communicating in all languages worldwide. Fancy words or graphic images which inspire discovery, hindered getting the message through.

I created postage stamps for twenty-three nations. All the stamps I created either had my name, or my initials MF and MBF placed on the stamps or the trim. 25 designs were also executed as Postcards and were issued by 14 scout groups and distributed at the 21st World Jamboree. 165,000 of these postcards were printed.

I designed stamps for...

Antigua & Barbuda

Bequia, Grenadines of St. Vincent

Canouan, Grenadines of St. Vincent

Commonwealth of Dominica

Federated Sates of Micronesia

The Gambia

Ghana

Grenada

Grenada Carriacou & Petite Martinique

Guyana

Liberia

Maldives

Montserrat

Mustique, Grenadines of St. Vincent

Nevis

Palau

Sierra Leone

St. Kitts

St. Vincent & the Grenadines

Turks & Caicos (pending for approval of design, but not printed yet}

Tuvalu

Union Island, Grenadines of St. Vincent

Zambia

NEW ISSUES from Bob Lee

The slow-down in the arrival of New Issues has now started but I am still waiting for stamps from a further 17 countries to complete our Centenary collections. The issue from Switzerland was sold out very quickly from their Philatelic bureau and is already quite difficult to locate. Macedonia is another country to underestimate the popularity of both Europa and Scouting and there is a scarcity of the miniature sheet which very quickly sold out. The Philatelic bureau cut all customers' orders and it has been a very hard task to locate sufficient copies for the SGSC and Arge Pfadfinder new issue services as I have had to obtain small quantities from several different suppliers located throughout Europe.



IFSCO CLASS	MY REF	COUNTRY	STAMPS	
ADDITIONS TO PREVIOUSLY LISTED ITEMS				
A	566	Macau	100th Anniversary of Scouting m/s	£1.10
A	574	Argentina	100th Anniversary of Scouting	£2.75
A	594	Vatican	100th Anniversary of Scouting and Europa	£2.55
NEW ITEMS				
A	595	Angola	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 4 vals & m/s	£3.80
C	596	Benin, Rep. Of	Scout Centenary sh x 6 vals, 3 trains & 3 B-P in head Dress; also imperf.	£4.50
C	597	Benin, Rep of	10 x Flora & Fauna sh of 4 vals each with Scout badge, inc B-P; also imperf	£23.00
C	598	Benin, Rep of	15 x Flora & Fauna s/s each with Scout badge, inc B-P; also imperf.	£34.50
A	599	Bulgaria	100th Anniversary of Scouting and Europa, 2 vals from sheets	£2.75
A	600	Bulgaria	100th Anniversary of Scouting and Europa, 2 vals from booklets (stamps are smaller than item 599)	£3.55
C	601	Djibouti, Rep of	Elephants sh x 4 vals each with a Scout badge; also imperf.	£4.25
C	602	Djibouti, Rep of	Scouting & Fire Engines 3 sh x 2 vals with B-P; also imperf.	£8.90
A	603	El Salvador	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 2 vals	£0.55

C	604	Guinea Bissau	100th Anniversary of Scouting sh x 4 vals of Scouts & cats + s/s; also imperf.	£8.45
A	605	Macedonia	100th Anniversary of Scouting & Europa, 2 vals.	Sold Out
C	606	Malawi	Disney & Fauna 2 sh x 6 vals plus label B-P with head dress on label.	£9.75
A	607	Moldova	100th Anniversary of Scouting & Europa, 2 vals.	Sold Out
A	608	Morocco	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 1 val.	£1.60
D	609	Palestine Nat Auth,	10 x Flora & Fauna sh of 4 vals each with Scout badge; also imperf.	£23.00



D	610	Palestine Nat Auth.	13 x Flora & Fauna s/s each with Scout badge; also imperf.	£29.90
C	612	St Thomas & Prince	100th Anniversary of Scouting, sh x 4 vals Scouts & dogs + s/s; also imperf.	£9.40
A	613	Albania	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 2 vals	£10.15
A	614	Mauritius	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 1 val from set of 4 Anny's.	£0.60
A	615	China, Taiwan	100th Anniversary of Scouting, 1 val.	£0.70

All available from Bob Lee , 57 Church Rise, Chessington, Surrey, KT9 2HA, UK; together with used, FDC, booklets etc. Send s.a.e. Or 2 IRC for details or e-mail sgscboblee@aol.com

FUTURE MEETINGS

Since we moved the Club Meetings in London away from (the now very expensive) Baden-Powell House our attendance figures have fallen, but there was not a significant change when we met last year at Gilwell. There are now two possible further venues, both Scout related, which may be available. The first is the HQ of the 101st Islington Group in Holloway Road, North London - just two minutes walk from the tube. The second is the home of the Docklands Scout Project just about half a mile from South Quays Station on the Docklands Light Railway. Would either of these attract you - please let us know.

Today all Scouts wear the familiar World Scout membership badge in white on a purple background a good example seen on the 1982 \$1,50 stamp of St .Vincent as well as numerous others. In the early days of Scouting things were very different with countries having their own versions of badge some still in use today and illustrated on Scout stamps too as on the 1987 miniature sheet from Uganda. According to the first edition of Scouting For Boys in 1908 the Scout's badge is the arrow head which shows the north on a map or on the compass".The arrow head was shown above a scroll bearing the Scout motto and from that was tied a knot to remind a Scout of his daily "Good Turn".This badge together with the later versions are all seen on the 1/- 1966 British Vincent was also overseas then Boy Common-The badges countries usually incorporated national or religious emblems within the arrowhead design the American eagle and their 4c 1960 stamp from Zone. Others include the on the Thailand badge and on the badge from Kuwait seen on their Scout stamps. Some countries have more than one association the badges of both Luxembourg with the unusual design of their Federation's badge showing a stylised tent and campfire. Denmark and the Netherlands



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1968 stamp from Gibraltar. The pre Scout badge on the 1964 set of St Vincent stamps used in forty five branches of the Scout's Association the British wealth of nations. from other coun-



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also with two Associations, Germany and Belgium with three the latter shown on a 1957 First Day Cover, and during the First World War 1914-18 the German



Pfadfinderbund had an attractive very stylised badge used on their postal labels.



A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT - RON HOWARD

I apologise for my procrastination; my intention was to add my “bit” on first request - but you know “I seem to be busy doing nothing - thus never finding time” - poor excuse.

I want to take the opportunity to thank you Terry, especially for the tremendous effort you made prior to and at the Jamboree, and not to forget his supporting team, Alex, Frank and Gottfried - Well done. Having visited the Jamboree in 1957 it was a disappointment that I could not attend this in 2007.

We have received the first edition of the new Bulletin by our new Editor, and I think all will agree it is indeed a great production and in this new world of technology shows what can be done. Congratulations Terry.

Now we must not forget the effort over the previous years of Peter Duck who did an extraordinary job of producing Bulletins, new issues and many other things, with the support of Audrey. I appreciate his help and backing when I became Chairman and his loyal friendship from when I first joined the S&GSC.

The future success of the Club depends very much on a Committee of new and younger members, most of us at present are ageing and, though still young at heart, feel that the Committee needs you. It has been the best Committee that I have known and we must as a Club be around for the 150th Jamboree in 2057.

Honestly, you won't regret it.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Scout and Guide Stamps Club will be held on Saturday 14th June, 2008 in The North Richmond Scout Headquarters, Old Deer Park, Richmond, London commencing at 14.30. (Site Map available on request to the Secretary)

The purpose of the Meeting will be to review the Club Financial Year ended 31st December, to hear reports and recommendations from the Officers, to receive and approve the Financial Report which is included as page 18 of this Bulletin and to consider Any Other Business which has been notified in writing to the Club Secretary by 7th June, 2008.

At our Club meeting which was held in connection with PHILATEX at the Royal Horticultural Society's Lawrence Hall in Victoria, London there were nine members present. Not a great total considering how many members live in the South East of England.

Four members brought along displays, all of which were very interesting.

Firstly, Margaret Davison showed us items from the Girl guides World Camps at Windsor in 1957 and Foxlease in 1997. Margaret had attended both of these Camps, as a member of staff in 1957 and as a visitor in 1997. A very personalised and well presented display.

Melvyn Gallagher then showed us a fine selection of very early Scout postcards, including the famous Scout Patrol Heads series by Tuck's. Very scarce - and you either like them or you don't.

John Ineson presented a wide range of labels, many of which were from the early days of Scouting, especially Hungarian. These included publicity labels as well as match box covers. A very colourful display.

I showed the early Italian and Jugoslav sections of my collection, most of which were postcards. There were a great many postcards from the Italian Scouts, all very colourful and patriotic, issued before the Movement was banned by the Mussolini Government in 1928. Of particular interest I should like to mention what is believed to be the earliest recorded Scout item for Italy, which is a postcard from August 1910. It shows a picture of the first Boy Scouts shown as "Italian B.B. Scouts Ragazzi Esploraori on trek in Apennines".



The card, which was posted at Bagni di Lucca on 30.8.10 was written by Sir Francis Vane of Hutton who is regarded as the founder of Scouting in Italy. Part of the message reads “The Movement for Peace Scouts ‘Little Knights of the World’ the Italian papers call them is progressing rapidly here in every city. I send a photograph of some of these. Your Comrade Francis Vane of Hutton, Pres.” (Unfortunately Sir Francis Vane’s ideas about the principles of Scouting were in opposition to Baden-Powell’s and in fact the *Giovani Esploratori Italiani* were not recognised by the Boy Scouts International Bureau up to their disbandment by Mussolini. (See *BADEN-POWELL* by Tim Jeal, 1989.)

In the small section of Jugoslavia, I have a letter from the Boy Scouts International Bureau in London but sent from Kandersteg and written in French, which confirms that M. Popovitch is the recognised Chief Scout of the Serb, Croat and Slovene Boy Scouts Association. The letter is signed by Hubert Martin, director, and bears two Consular Service stamps valued at 2 shillings and 7 shillings and 6 pence, stamped by the British Vice-Consul at Belgrade on 8th Sept. 1926. I also have a postcard (undated) “with best wishes for St. George’s Day” signed by M. Popovitch.

A pleasant meeting, with hardly any stamps on show, but a lot of history.

My Favourite Scout Stamp

by Terry Simister

I’m not quite sure why I first stamp from Bermuda but it favourite. It was issued on the 50th Anniversary of the a simple clean design and I everything that I grew up be-Scouting, with its code of loy- there was the ER for the mon-good that the British Com- had given to the world over so many years. To complete it there are the central words “On My Honour” which is certainly a code that I have “done my best” to follow over my whole life.



caught on to the 1965 has become my firm 24th July 1965 to mark Bermudan Scouts. It is think that it epitomised lieving in - there was alty and belief and archy and everything monwealth of Nations

I have had the stamp in my collection for many years but about five years ago I was lucky enough to purchase the original artwork, signed by the artist and with and alternative part design to shown the Queen’s head instead of the crown.

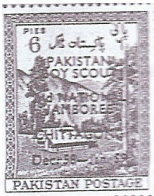
Following the issues for the fiftieth anniversary of Scouting, 1958 was a very quiet year for stamps. Only two issues, which were fairly straightforward.

The 3rd Pan Arab Jamboree was held in identical stamps valued at 35p and 40p on 31st August. These stamps were captioned (United Arab Republic) as Syria was con- cally with Egypt at that time. The stamps duced imperforate in small blocks of four in expensive) edition. No postmark is known for this Jamboree.



Syria and two peared on U.A.R. joined politi- were also pro- a limited (and

Pakistan celebrated their 2nd National Jamboree at Chittagong, East Pakistan (which is now Bangladesh) with overprints on 6p and 5 Annas current many prints. Decem- of first Office which



The stamps were is- ber and there were day covers. An Experi- L.188 was situated in used a circular post-



the over- sued on 28 many types mental Post the Camp mark.

A number of Scout and Guide postmarks were used during 1958 but, as my collection does not extend beyond 1957, I am having to use photocopies of photocopies to show them.

The 2nd International Ski Concourse of Austrian Scouts was at Innsbruck on 15-16 February and a fine “snow star” cancel- ion was used.



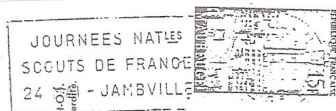
held lat-

The “Support Boy Scouts Campaign” postal slogan was re-used in Sydney N.S. for a second year.



Finland’s Scouts held a camp at Hango-Hanko from 20-27 July for which a simple Scout badge emblem was used in the postmark.

The National Days of the Scouts de France Jambville were announced with a postal gan used at Meulan, Seine at Oise during



at slo- April.

Brexbachtal at Bendorf (Rhein-Sayn) was the campsite of the DPSG Scouts and a special postmark was used through from May to November.



Germany
1958,

“Megali Odigiki Kataskinosis Elliniki Ghi” - “The Great Girl Guide Camp of the Greek Land” took place at Aghios Andreas in July and a special supplementary postmark was used from 10 - 22.VII.58 The supplementary postmark which shows the head of a Greek Goddess though not on Aghios Andreas cancella-



Israel celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the foundation of their new State with a Jamboree at Haifa at which a special postmark, including Scout and Guide



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Trieste was the venue for the 4th Spring Conference of the G.E.I. Old Scouts of Italy. A postmark was used from 31 May to 2 June.

Japanese Scouts held four events during 1958 for which cancellations were used - these are always printed in red. The dates are shown as year 33 of the Showa Period and are pictured as follows:

1. Tokai Cub Scout Rally, Nagoya Aichi.
2. 3rd Yamagata Camporee, Mansei Yamaha.
3. 10th Oita Camporee (Boy and Girl Scouts) Oita.
4. Osaka Camporee, Tayonaka Osaka.



Japan 1



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Norway also produced four postmarks during the year, all with fairly plain designs:

1. Speiderleiren (Scout Camp) Hinderavag 26 June - 1 July N.S.F. Scouts.
2. Speiderleiren I Sogn 1 - 8 July N.S.F. Scouts
3. Frelsearmeens Landsleir, Sandvik 2-8 July National Camp of Salvation Army Scouts.

4. KFUK Speidernes Landsleir 16-23 July - no town name included - National Camp of YWCA Guides.



Norway 1



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10th World boree was due take place in Philippines in 59 and a public



ity slogan was used in Manila on 31st October. This slogan was used again in February 1959 in an amended format.

Two camps The NTO from 1 - 14 their Nation-ras from 5 -



in Sweden used special Girl Guides at their National and Ca Au-



postmarks. dingralagret Scouts with mp at Vaste-gust.

Boy Scouts of China, Taiwan held ree from 8 - 24 August. The spe-dating system of year 47.



their Provincial Summer Jamb-ocial postmark used the Chinese

Baden-Powell's 101st birthday was commemorated in Taiwan with this special cover....



Levy's Boy & Girl Scouts Cachet Covers of the United States catalogue produced by SOSSI last year lists 86 different covers during 1958.

SCOUT AND GUIDE STAMPS CLUB

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December, 2007.

2006	Expenditure	2007	2006	Income	2007
1,149.00	Bulletin Expenditure	1,360.25	1,136.00	Annual Subscriptions	854.29
772.57	Bulletin Postage	872.31	500.00	Five Year Subscriptions	375.00
137.25	Exhibitions and Meetings	374.00	0.00	Auction Income	335.80
130.03	Post and Travel	87.12	0.00	Advertisements	27.30
78.00	Sales Service	870.87	102.26	Sales Service	1,497.47
150.00	Stamp Insurance	130.00	10.66	Donations	1.05
121.11	Printing and Stationery	42.32	0.00	Sales Stall at Exhibition	20.00
14.00	British Thematic Association	14.00			
20.00	Friends of Thematica	20.00	107.99	Interest	152.79
399.50	Badges	340.75			
131.08	Web Site	106.00		Total Income	3,263.70
0.00	Bank Charges	4.00			
	Total Expenditure	4,221.62	1,245.63	Excess Expenditure over Income	957.92
3,102.54		4,221.62	3,102.54		4221.62

Statement of Funds as at 31st December, 2008

Brought Forward			Carried Forward		
Current Account	2,019.97		Current Account	1,017.03	
Less Uncleared Cheques			Less Uncleared Cheques		
	452	-146.50		473	-236.12
	453	-399.50		474	-18.57
	1,473.97	1,473.97		475	-464.26
				476	-33.00
				477	-8.36
					256.72
					256.72
High Interest Account		4,987.52	High Interest Account		5,140.31
PayPal Account		240.50	PayPal Account		308.04
Excess Expenditure over Income		-957.92	Cash In Hand		39.00
		5,744.07			5,744.07

NOTES

1. Unearned balance of five year subscriptions included in above figures is £300.00
2. After the close of the year further Income from Sales during 2007 was received totalling £290.75

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T.A. Simister Hon. Treasurer

I have examined the foregoing Statement of Accounts and all vouchers relating thereto, including Bank Balances and other balances, and certify that the Accounts are in order and show the position of the Club as at 31st December, 2007.

Signed

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B. Forshaw. Hon. Auditor

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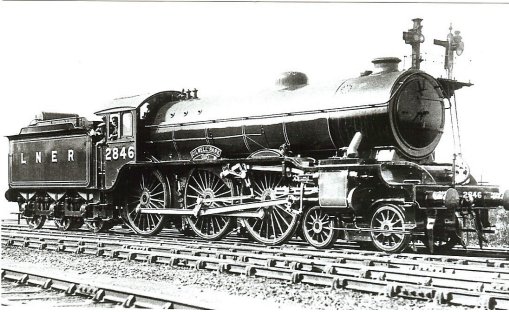
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PAPER EPHEMERA

The Club extended its remit last year to include “other types of Paper Ephemera” so I thought that we’d end this issue with a montage of the type of items which come within this category. If any are your speciality the send us an article.



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Gilwell Park from the air taken in 2004 after latest rebuilding programme - from a postcard published by The Scout Association

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EDITORIAL

I've now done two issues and I received such a gargantuan postbag for the second that the postman almost couldn't get all three of them in his pocket at the same time!!

I really did think that more than one person would come forward with details of their favourite Scout stamp from the last 100 years. Please don't leave it to everyone else - put finger to keyboard or pen to paper and send something to me. Let me know that there are members out there alive and kicking.

The second issue was prepared on an A4 format, using Times New Roman typeface/font and a font size of 16pts, which seems to have come down to a readable size when the pages were reduced on printing.

I did try experimenting with setting pictures into the text and, much to my surprise, only received comments on this style from two members - both of whom didn't like it. I must assume that everyone else did. However, I will try some more experiments in this issue until I get a really good style established.

Scouting is not just commemorated on stamps, but on a wide range of collectables. The club has decided to extend its field of interest to other paper ephemera such as postcards and cigarette cards. SGSC member and Scout Historian Colin Walker is to contribute a regular feature covering these areas of Scout collecting. I welcome the first of these "Colin's Corners" in this issue.

Over coming issues you are going to hear a lot about EuroScout 2010 because for the first time this "Scouting" Philatelic Exhibition is coming to the UK and is being hosted by the SGSC. The dates will be 13th May, 2010 for setting up and then open to the public for 14th, 15th and 16th May. I know it seems a long way away but please reserve the dates now and mention it within your Scouting Districts if you are still involved in the Movement so that we can encourage as many people as possible, especially young people, to attend. Full details, including venue, will follow shortly.

The third part of the "Meet the Committee" feature appears in this issue and covers John Ineson our illustrious Chairman - more to come.

Finally, a time saving request - for me. For those of you who have access to a computer, I would appreciate very much receiving articles in "electronic" format, along with scans of illustrations etc. This will save me literally hours of typing and help to get us back on schedule. Of course, if you don't have this equipment - I'd rather have something hand written than nothing at all.

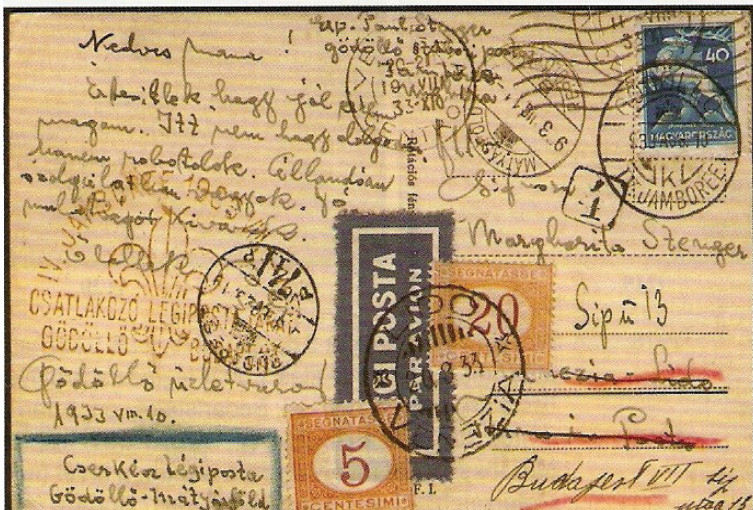
Terry Simister

The AGM of the SGSC takes place on Saturday 14th June at the North Richmond Scout Hut at 2.30pm when it is hoped by the committee that they will get some support from our members. It seems sad to think that with over 40 of us living within 50 miles of London, we have still not found a volunteer to become our Treasurer. Terry Simister has been doing this for some years, but as he has become our Editor, it is essential that we have somebody else to take on this job, as without a Treasurer, we cannot legally exist. Please either contact Terry or myself if you would be prepared to support the SGSC.

It is always good to read reports when members give displays to other clubs. In the May edition of the *Picture Postcard Monthly* it mentioned that "John Roberts introduced Scouting to Bristol Postcard Club last month, illustrating his talk with a large number of postcards that were passed around for perusal. John outlined the history of the Scout movement, featuring Baden-Powell, camps and jamborees. The cards were a mix of old and modern, and showed the appeal of Scouting throughout the world. Top series included Tuck's 'Our Boy Scouts' animal heads and Norman Rockwell's modern paintings. John also talked about his adventures buying cards on eBay and his exchanges with fellow collectors worldwide".

Recently a most interesting postcard was sold by auction in Hungary. The card

was posted at the Boy Scout World Jamboree and has the "k" Gödöllő cancellation dated 10th August 1933. On arrival at the Mátyásföld Hungarian Airport it was cancelled 11th August and then sent by Air Mail to Venice Lido, Italy. The card was posted with the 40 filler jam-



boree stamp, but should have had the correct rate of 70 filler. Therefore arriving at Venice it was surcharged with postage due stamps to the value of destination

on the card, it was again cancelled on 25 centimes and postmarked on 19th August. When it arrived at Venice Lido, the the 20th August, but was not accepted so was then sent back to Budapest. Estimated at approximately £100, it made £340 (US\$ 680, Euro 440) plus of course the buyer's premium of 15%

Plans are moving ahead quickly for the Euro- Scout Philatelic meeting being held at Benken, Switzerland from 25-27 July. All details were given in the last Bulletin, or you may like to go into the website of the organizers www.euroscout2008.ch. During the weekend, IFSCO will be holding their bi-annual meeting which participants may attend.



As you are all aware, I like to follow Scout items that are being offered on eBay. Being a collector of the Scout India Rocket mail, I was interested to see offered by an Indian dealer, two impressions of the publicity labels with a defaced die. It appears that a hacksaw or such item has been used to cut across the original printing block. They measure approximately 136 x 200mm (5¼ x 7¾ inches). On the reverse is written “All India Scouts Jamboree 1-7th February 1937. Long live H.M. the King / Rocket Dispatch SH6” Described as unique and the only known one seen so far. The opening price was approximately US\$ 5000 (£ 2532, Euro 3240) but at this price, there

were no bids.

For those who do not collect India Rocket Mail, there were three labels produced in Red, Green and Blue in quantities of 2,000 each. After the Jamboree a Guide Rally was held at Bengal in March 1937 and 500 labels were printed in Orange, with an overprint.

COMMITTEE PROFILE - John Ineson - Chairman



John, aged about 11, with his younger sister.

I was born at Colchester, Essex in 1933 and at eight years old I joined the Wolf Cubs at Colchester Royal Grammar School where I spent a year taking part in their activities. In 1943 I went away to boarding school where unfortunately due to the war, the Scout Troop had folded due to the Scout Leaders leaving to join the forces. Therefore I regret that I never went through the Movement as a young Scout.

I have been a stamp collector since I was eight years old, and remember at school receiving approvals and was able to purchase part sets of stamps up to the value of 3d (just over 1p new money) with some of these having six or seven values. From accumulating stamps worldwide, I gradually went into collecting British Commonwealth, but then had a period of not collecting until about the time I did my National Service in the Royal Air Force. Working in the Air Traffic Control section was my Sergeant who was a serious collector of stamps, and he soon encouraged me to collect again.

On leaving the Royal Air Force in 1954, I joined my family Agricultural Seed Business, and within a few months I was talked into joining the 1st Bures Scouts as an Assistant Scoutmaster. Then within two years, I became Scoutmaster and then in 1960 I became Assistant District Commissioner followed in 1964 as D.C. This I did for some 13 years until I was appointed as Assistant County Commissioner for International Scouting, which I continued to do until I reached the age of 67. In 2005 I was awarded the Silver Wolf, the highest award in adult Scouting.

My Scout stamp collecting probably started in 1955 as I became more involved with the movement. I attended the 1957 World Jamboree as a Scout Leader and with the issue of the commemorative stamps for this event; I started to collect Scout stamps. During the Jamboree, a meeting of SOSSI (the US club) was held which I attended as a visitor, and met Roy Rhodes for the first time. Within a few weeks I had joined the Scout Stamp Collectors Club (which we were then known) and given the membership number of 56.

Like most of us, I started by collecting Scout stamps, which until the 1957

Jamboree, less than 100 had been issued. I knew that some people collected covers and special postmarks, but at that time this was not for me. No doubt the publication of the hard backed book *Boy Scout & Girl Guide Stamps of the World* by Gordon Entwistle in 1957 helped increase our membership. I remember in 1964 purchasing from Stanley Gibbons my first Mafeking 1d bicycle stamp which cost £12. Since then I have specialised in the Mafeking 1d Cyclist and 3d BP stamps as well as the overprints. This has been followed by collections of Hungary and Romania, both places I have visited a number of times. My other Scout collections include the U.K., 1918 Czech and 1937 India Rocket Mail.

In 2002 I was elected as President of IFSCO for a two year term. I belong to a number of Philatelic Societies including the Hungarian P.S., Anglo-Boer War P.S., Sudbury (my local) Philatelic Society as well as the SGSC, SOSSI and the Royal Philatelic Society of London, of which I was elected a Fellow in 1986. I became Chairman of the Scout & Guide Stamp Club in 1997.



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40th Anniversary of the First Italian Scout Stamp
By Maurizio Cavalli, President of AISF (adapted by Peter Duck)

From 19 to 24 September, 1967 the City of Arco hosted the 3rd International Exhibition of Scout Art and Photography. A special postal slogan was utilised to advertise the Exhibition; this was in use from 25th July to 24th September, 1967. At the Show the Minister of Posts - Signor Spagnoli (and ex-Scout) promised the assembly that Italy would have a Scout stamp in 1968. This promise was realised on St George's Day, 23rd April, 1968 when a number of Scout Philatelic Exhibitions were held, all with first Day postmarks. These took place in Ancona, Torino, Roma, Mirano and Trieste.

The value of the stamp was 50 Lire and the design is well known with the flaming camp fire forming the Scout emblem. The left side of the badge represents to emblem of ASCI Scouts and the right side the GEI Scouts. Also a Wolf Cub and Boy Scout are depicted in front of their tents. The stamp's designer was Carlo Pontani and other essays by Manciola and Grasselini are shown.

Illustrations to accompany this article are on page 20 of this Bulletin

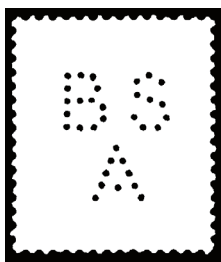
“BOY SCOUT ASSOCIATION” PERFINS

by Roy Gault

A Google search for “W O Hawkins” on another matter led me to the website of ‘Scouts on Stamps Society International’ (www.sossi.org), and their title page ‘British Scout Perfins’. The brief, but interesting, details recorded there can now be amplified with what we currently know, and hopefully even further with your collective input.

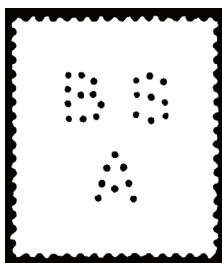
Most people are aware that the ‘Boy Scouts’ movement was started by Robert Baden-Powell (in 1907). In fact, the ‘Boy Scout Association’, with their headquarters at 114-116 Victoria St, London SW, was reformed soon after in 1910. However, in June 1917 they moved to new headquarters at 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW, which is an appropriate point to introduce the topic of Perfins.

1918-1939



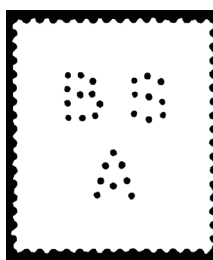
B6500.02

1939-1941



B6500.01a

1941-1952



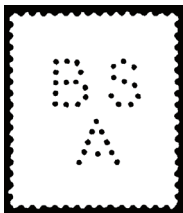
B6500.01

Three perfins are known to have been made for use by the ‘Boy Scout Association’, and all three were produced by J Sloper & Co Ltd. The earliest die, **B6500.02**, is relatively easy to come by and appears to date from the time of the move to their new headquarters in 1917. The earliest date I have on record from a loose stamp is the 10th September 1918.

This die was replaced c1939 by **B6500.01a**, probably single headed, and using the now standard 4-pin high alphabet. The die was somewhat short-lived as it was almost certainly destroyed by the Luftwaffe in the “Blitz” on Sloper’s premises in May 1941. The replacement die, also single headed, was **B6500.01**.

Please help by looking through your collections for all three of these dies and let me know of anything that is additional to what we currently know - dates, postmarks, issues, values.

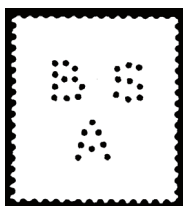
1918-1939



B6500.02

Dates: 10 Sep 1918 - 1 July 1938.
Issues: I(RC/BC) ½d-4d, 6d, 9d (bk)
M 1d, 1½d, 3d, 1/-
Q ½d, 1½d, 2½d, 3d
Ident: Boy Scout Association,
25 Buckingham Palace Rd, London SW1.
Pmks: London SW1, Farnham, and Sheff(ield).

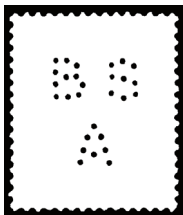
1939-1941



B6500.01a

Dates:
Issues: Q 1d
Note: Sloper single headed die, destroyed in 1941.
Ident: Ø Boy Scout Association,
25 Buckingham Palace Rd, London SW1.
Pmks:

1941-1952



B6500.01

Dates: ... Feb 1950.
Issues: Q 1d, 4d, 6d
R 2d, 3d
S 2½d
Note: Sloper single headed die.
Ident: Boy Scout Association,
25 Buckingham Palace Rd, London SW1.
Pmks: (London) SW1, and Alre(sford), Ha(nts).

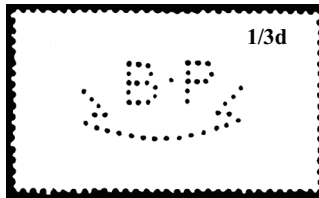
The second part to this piece involves the ‘World Scout Jubilee Jamboree’ G.B. stamps issued on the 1st August 1957. The ‘SOSSI’ website lists twenty-one perfin dies that can be found on this issue, seven of which were new to the list I’ve been keeping for years. The combined total, including updates since the original article was published in the Perfin Society Bulletin, is now **52**. Apologies for publishing such a long list, *but again could I ask you to look at your collection for these dies and report any new values?* Even better if you can report any new dies!

	<u>PS Cat No.</u>	<u>Letters</u>	<u>Die in Use</u>	<u>2½d</u>	<u>4d</u>	<u>1/3d</u>
1	A0830.01M	A/BROS	1930-1965	2½d		
2	A2720.02	A.H	1895-1960		4d	
3	A5610.01	AV	1945-1960	2½d		
4	A5800.02M	AWG	1945-1972	2½d		
5	B0520.01	BBC	1939-1960		4d	
6	B3300.01	BH/C	1953-1975	2½d		
7	B3310.01	B/HC	1945-1953	2½d		
8	B4860.01	BME	1954-1965	2½d		
9	B5616.01	BP/Curve	1957-1957	---	4d	---
10	B5617.01	B.P/Curve	1957-1957	2½d	---	---
11	B5617.02	B.P/Curve	1957-1957	---	---	1/3d
12	B7180.02M	B/TH	1923-1959	2½d		
13	C0530.02	C.B/B	1905-1965	2½d	4d	1/3d
14	C6900.01	CS/C°	1939-1966	2½d		
15	<i>C7280.01M</i>	<i>CSS/C°L^d</i>	<i>1952-1965</i>			
16	C8280.01M	C.W.	1954-1966	2½d		
17	D3310.01	DMS	1900-1957	2½d		
18	D4710.01M	DT	1945-1995			1/3d
19	E4110.03M	ES	1920-1970	2½d	4d	
20	F2460.01M	FL ^d	1930-1968	2½d		
21	F3160.01M	FP	1945-1985			1/3d
22	G1540.01M	GE/C	1908-1993		4d	
23	G4290.01	G.R/&C°..	1925-1965		4d	
24	H0010.08	H	1940-1965	2½d		
25	H0730.02	H&B/L ^d	1930-1965	2½d		
26	I1510.01	M IL	1935-1985	2½d		
27	J4720.01	JK/&S	1920-1958	2½d		
28	<i>J5360.01</i>	<i>J.M./HX</i>	<i>1930-1970</i>			
29	J6420.01M	J.R.	1912-1975	2½d		
30	J7640.02	JT/&C°	1952-1969			1/3d
31	K0110.01M	K.B/B	1905-1965	2½d	4d	1/3d
32	L0280.02	L&B	1954-1958		4d	
33	<i>L1330.01</i>	<i>LCT</i>	<i>1905-1964</i>			
34	L3410.01M	LL	1950-1980			1/3d
35	M0011.02M	M	1957-1985			1/3d
36	M1060.02M	M/C	1882-1975	2½d		
37	M3620.01	M.L	1915-1957	2½d		
38	M5860.01M	M.V/C°.	1920-1975	2½d	4d	
39	N0360.01	NB/L	1945-1975			1/3d
40	P3620.01M	P.P.	1920-1980	2½d		
41	R0010.09M	R	1938-1969	2½d		
42	S0590.01c	SB/C	1939-1980	2½d		1/3d
43	S1210.01M	SC	1944-1996	2½d		
44	S5740.01	S&P.	1930-1975	2½d		
45	<i>S6490.01M</i>	<i>S.S/C</i>	<i>1926-1990</i>			
46	T0370.01M	T.B.B.	1890-1968	2½d		
47	T1110.01	T.C.S./L ^{id} ..	1950-1957	2½d		
48	<i>T1880.01</i>	<i>TG/C°</i>	<i>1935-1966</i>			
49	W3450.02M	W/H	1920-1975		4d	
50	W4370.01M	WILLS	1952-1985	2½d		
51	W5320.01	W.M/G.B	1949-1965	2½d		
52	W7490.01	W.T.G/M	1908-1954	2½d		

In the table you will note that five dies (shown in italics) are known used on the Scouts issue, but the precise stamp details are not known. Perhaps you are lucky enough to have some of them. A point worthy of note is that two dies, “K.B/B” (K0110.01M) used by Keep Bros Ltd, Export Merchants, Birmingham, and “C.B/B” (C0530.02) used by Cadbury Bros Ltd, Birmingham, are known on *all three values*. All bar two (B3310.01, and T1110.01) have known or suspected users.

Of course the catalyst for this piece is **W O Hawkins**, and it is he who provides the link between:

- The two “BS/A” Scouting dies
- ‘J Sloper & Co Ltd’ who made the dies
- The 1957 Scouting issue
- The three ‘commemorative’ perfinns



He is recorded as being the Company Secretary of J Sloper & Co Ltd for 25 years, from 1939 until 1964, and was almost certainly the prime mover behind the three ‘commemorative’ dies B5616.01, B5617.01, and B5617.02. *But, does anyone know of his scouting connections?*

One final comment is that a ‘Boy Scouts Imperial Jamboree’ was held in 1924 in conjunction with the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley. Could it be that some commemorative stamps were perfinned “BS/A” and are waiting to be discovered? If you have such a beast or know of one, I’m sure **John Nelson** would be pleased to hear from you!

Some of the following code letters have been used in the main body of the article. Please note that the code letter 'A' for pre-1881 issues is not used - the stamps involved are 'described' often using Stanley Gibbons catalogue numbers and plate numbers (where known).

Stamp Issue Codes used by the Perfin Society of Great Britain.		
B QV 1d Lilac	C QV High Values	D QV Lilac & Green issue.
E QV Jubilee issue	F KEVII definitives	G KEVII High Values
H KGV Downey heads	I KGV Typographs	J KGV Seahorses
K KGV 1924/5 BEX	L KGV 1929 PUC	M KGV Photogravure
N KGV Silver Jubilee	O KEVIII definitives	P KGV Coronation
Q KGV Dark colours	R KGV Light colours	S KGV Changed colours
T KGV Commems	U QEII Wildings	V QEII Machins (£sd)
W QEII Machins (£p)	X QEII Commems	Y/Z QEII Regionals (£sd/£p)

This article is an updated version of the one that previously appeared in the Bulletin of the British Perfin Society.

JUNIOR SECTION

Melvyn Gallagher

Unfortunately we do not have a Junior Section for this issue because Melvyn has had serious personal problems which prevented him preparing the copy.

I'm sure we all send our best wishes to Melvyn at the current time.

Closing dates items for future issues:-

July/August - 12th July; September/October 15th September
and November/December 11th November.

A Note from Lawrence Clay of SOSSI re issue Jan/Feb, 2008.

I would like to submit a correction. Under New Issues, you list a page of "Postcards" which should have read "Postmarks", I believe. (Ed: this is quite correct - thanks) At any rate, you list a USA one for October 13 and October 24 as Richmond. This is not correct. The correct spelling is Richland. This particular cancel was used in Richland, Washington. I am familiar with it since it is my design used at my local stamp club annual stamp show.

THE AFTERMATH OF WAR. BOY SCOUTS IN DISPLACED PERSONS CAMPS - By Peter Duck

This year I am putting an exhibit into the THEMATICA Exhibition on 28/29 June with the above title. The exhibit comprises 16 pages and includes Scout Post stamps and covers from Estonian, Lithuanian, Polish, Russian and Ukrainian Scouts. As usual with competitive exhibits, an introductory page is required. The text of this is as follows:

“Following World War II, many thousands of people found themselves in Displaced Persons camps in defeated Germany. Amongst them were many Boy Scouts who had been forcibly removed from their homelands for many reasons. Scouts from Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, Russia and Ukraine in particular set up postal services within their Camps and these operations were very much appreciated by the inmates. As usual with postal operations, stamps are required and despite many difficulties these appeared in various forms.

Russian and Ukrainian Scouts had already been banned from their homelands in the early 1920's following the advent of the Soviet Union. Consequently their need for some recognition was greater than the exiled Scouts from Estonia, Lithuania and Poland. Although due to the Communist occupation of their countries they were unable to return home either.

After 1950 the Displaced Persons Camps were closed and the inmates dispersed to many countries around the world. Estonian Scouts found themselves in Sweden, Lithuanian Scouts to Great Britain, where they took part in the Jubilee Jamboree of 1957. Poles dispersed to France and some remained in Germany. The Russian Scouts started up a local post in the U.S.A. based in New York, Ukrainian Scouts could be found in Canada.

Now, since the fall of Communism in the 1990's, all can settle in their homelands again.”

Estonian Scouts celebrated their 35th Anniversary at the D.P. Camp in Augsburg, two stamps were issued, plus a souvenir sheet.



The Lithuanian Scouts produced three stamps for their Scout Post which operated in Meerbeck Camp. Also their Congress was held in Augsburg on 24.04.46 for which a revised version of their earlier stamp was issued.





Polish Scouts operated a post at the Lubeka Camp for which a special cachet and postmark were used. This cachet has been seen on mail destined for the United Kingdom and Germany.

The Russian Scouts started their Postal Service when stamps were required to send Easter Greetings in 1946. These stamps were extremely crude and produced by mimeograph. A “Flimsy”

postcard and two other stamps were later issued all printed by the same method. More stamps appeared later and most of these were printed on to old calendars and other stationery. Various overprints appeared on their stamps, for the revaluation of the German currency in which they were priced, also for philatelic exhibitions held in some camps.



Russian Scouts also overprinted some of their stamps for “Russian Scouts Mail VII Jamboree” (7th World Jamboree, Bad Ischl, Austria 1951).

Ukrainian Scouts produced a varied range of stamps and postcards, including a set of four to commemorate their participation in the 6th World Jamboree in Moisson, France in 1947. Other stamps included a set of 16 in four different designs, which were probably used for fund raising as much as for postage. These were overprinted in 1948 for the Scouts Rally in Hannover.



From around 1950 the Displaced Persons Camps were being closed and the inmates dispersed to other countries. Not many people wanted to return home to Nations under communist domination.

Many Estonians went to Sweden where they became well established. Their 10th Anniversary in exile was commemorated in 1954 and their 3rd National Camp held at Angelholm in 1956.



Some Lithuanian Scouts were able to attend the Jubilee Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield in 1957. Two sets of fund raising labels and souvenir sheets were produced for their participation and some were used at the Jamboree itself.

Polish Scouts held a Rover Moot in the Black Forest area of Germany in 1949, when a stamp priced at 20 pf was issued. Also their Troops in France produced some attractive sheetlets of four labels in various colours in booklets.



A Russian Scout Post was established in New York, U.S.A. From the early 1950's. Many of their D.P> Camps stamps were surcharged with anti-Communist slogans.

Canada became the home for many Ukrainian exiles and a great number of labels, covers and cancellations were produced right up to their independence as a nation in 1991.

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STAMPS MINT AND USED (Please note - some issues are only available in mounted mint condition; but unmounted will be sent where possible).

				MINT	USED
GUY83	GUYANA	1983	15th World Jamboree Overprints (3)	4.50	-
SPA83	SPAIN	1983	75th Anniversary of World Scouting (1)	0.35	0.25
COO83J	COOK ISLANDS	1983	15th World Jamboree Overprints (8)	3.50	-
CAN83	CANADA	1983	75th Anny. World Scouting/15th WJ.	0.30	0.20
PEN83J	PENRHYN	1983	15th World Jamboree Overprints (3)	2.25	2.25
PEN83JS	PENRHYN	1983	15th World Jamboree Overprints MS	2.50	-
AIT83J	AITUTAKI	1983	15th World Jamboree Overprints (3)	2.00	-
LBY83	LIBYA	1983	15th Pan Arab Jamboree (2)	0.75	-
UGA83B	UGANDA	1983	Boys Brigade Overprints (4) on '82 Scout issue	2.00	2.00
UGA83BS	UGANDA	1983	Boys Brigade Overprint MS	-	2.40
CAR83	CENT. AF. REP.	1983	15th World Jamboree and Wildlife	2.50	-
LEB83	LEBANON	1983	75th Anniversary of World Scouting	4.00	-
CHD83JS	CHAD	1983	15th WJ Overprint on 1982 Scout issue MS	2.75	-
MRT84	MAURITANIA	1984	Famous Men B-P and 15th World Jamboree (1)	0.25	-
PAR84	PARAGUAY	1984	76th Anny. of World Scouting and Girls Scouts	1.00	0.30
DMK84	DENMARK	1984	Honouring Scouting (1)	0.45	0.25
INA84	INDONESIA	1984	Children's Day (4 - 2 Scouts)	1.35	-
INA84S	INDONESIA	1984	Auspex Exbn MS with 1 of above Scout stamps	1.00	-
BEN84	BENIN	1984	1982 Scout stamp revalued (1)	1.00	-
CHL84	CHILE	1984	Antarctic Expln strip 3 - 1 Scout value	-	0.65
UPV84	UPPER VOLTA	1984	World Wildlife Fund + Scout Badge	2.20	-
BRZ84	BRAZIL	1984	65th Anniversary of Girl Scouts	1.50	1.00
GUY84	GUYANA	1984	60th Anny. Girl Scouts 2 O/P on Scout O/P	2.00	-
SUR84	SURINAM	1984	60th Anny. Scouting & 8th Caribbean Jamb.	1.25	-
PAN84S	PANAMA	1984	Postal Tax for Children's City MS-shows Scout	3.00	-
OMA84	OMAN	1984	16th Arab Scout Conference (4)	1.75	1.50
PAK85	PAKISTAN	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (1)	1.00	0.75
IOM85	ISLE OF MAN	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (5)	2.50	2.00
DOM85	DOMINICA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	3.00	3.00
DOM85S	DOMINICA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS	2.75	2.75
STL85	ST. LUCIA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	3.25	3.00
STL85P	ST. LUCIA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4) Specimens	6.00	-
BAH85	BAHAMAS	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	1.50	1.50
BAH85S	BAHAMAS	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS	1.50	1.50
COM85S	COMOROS	1985	Phil Exbn. Argentina O/P on 1982 Scout stamp	1.70	-
NGR85S	NIGER	1985	Phil Exbn. MOPHILA O'P on '82 Scout stamp	1.85	-
BLZ85	BELIZE	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (5)	2.25	2.00
KEN85	KENYA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	3.00	2.50
GRN85	GRENADA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	3.00	2.00
GRN85S	GRENADA	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS	3.00	2.00
CIS85	CISKEI	1985	75th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	0.80	0.80
ITEMS FROM STOCK (Continued at bottom of page 16)					
BOP85	BOPHUTHATSWANA	1985	Mafikeng Centenary Scout Camporee PMK on cachet cover	0.60	
GB80	GB	1980	SSCC Exhibition Large Postcard with Postmark = 2 handstamps		0.40
GBX82C	GB	1982	Culverstone & Vigo Scout Christmas Post stamp on cover		0.40
GB94N	GB	1994	Northumbria Jamboree set of 4 Postcards		0.80
GBX95F	GB	1995	Faversham Scouts Christmas Post stamp - self adhesive		0.15
NR-C	NETWORK RUSSIA SCOUT FELLOWSHIP		publicity cards (postcards size)		0.20

Now is the time to make your reservations for EuroScout 2008 in Switzerland. This is the seventh EuroScout and I have been fortunate enough to attend them all. At those six exhibitions I can only remember seeing one other North American and that was only at one show. So, I'd better explain what they are.

What is EuroScout?

In the Spring of 1996 ArGe Pfadfinder, the German Scout stamp club, invited the Scout collectors of Europe to bring their Scout Stamp displays for a special three day weekend exhibition. They held the show, which they named EuroScout, in Grafing near Munich. The response was so positive and the event was such a success that the attending Austrians offered to host a second EuroScout two years later. And so was started a biannual event that continues today, each show in a different European country.

EuroScout is an international show of Scout and Guide stamps, postal documents and philatelic literature and includes related postcards and paper ephemera and memorabilia. Anyone can arrange to display their exhibit by notifying the organizing Scout stamp club. Admission is free and open to the public. Swapping of stamps, covers, ideas and opinions is encouraged. Bring your new covers to mail with the EuroScout cancel. Many attendees wear their Scout uniform with the new host country's EuroScout neckerchief. Usually, a special program including a city tour is planned for your spouse. A celebration dinner for all is normally held on Saturday evening. So if you want to see and learn about some of the finest items of Scout Philately and have the opportunity to meet with the collectors themselves, this is your chance. Exhibitors are more than willing to extol the virtues of their presentations to anyone who is interested.

Your Invitation to EuroScout 2008

EuroScout 2008 takes place Friday, July 25th to Sunday, July 27th 2008 at Benken, Sankt Gallen in Switzerland. Benken is about a 36 mile drive from Zurich, between Lake Walensee and Lake Obersee. The date was chosen to coincide with Contura '08, the national camp of the Swiss Guide and Scout Movements. Benken (SG) will host Contura '08 visitor's center and sub-camp No. 1. Now is the time to schedule your European trip

Find out more now, by contacting me or visiting www.euroscout2008.ch/index.php?menuid=9 the EuroScout 2008 website. Information includes a map, the schedule, a hotel list, an exhibit application form, etc.

EuroScout and the Birth of IFSCO

At EuroScout 1998 in Schwanberg, Austria, representatives from each of the attending Scout stamp clubs were invited to Limberg Castle. There we held what has become known as the "Limberg-Talks"; a series of candid and decisive discussions about establishing an international organization of scout stamp collector clubs. This was not a surprise to SOSSI as Gottfried Steinmann, who was the driving force at the talks, had addressed us a year earlier at Pacific '97 on these ideas. Attendees of the Limberg-Talks returned to their individual Scout stamp clubs to promote the concept of creating such an organization. Two years later at EuroScout 2000 in Comacchio, Italy, IFSCO (International Federation of Scout & Guide Stamps Collecting Organizations) was founded! Meetings of the IFSCO delegates have been held every two years at the EuroScout exhibition.

Visit www.ifsco.info to learn more about IFSCO.

EuroScout	1996	May 17-19	Grafing, Germany
EuroScout	1998	Sept. 18-20	Schwanberg, Austria
EuroScout	2000	Sept. 22-24	Comacchio, Italy
EuroScout	2002	Sept. 25-27	Gent, Belgium
EuroScout	2004	Oct. 15-17	Prague, Czech Republic
EuroScout	2006	Nov. 2-5	Alcalá de Henares, Spain
EuroScout	2008	July 25-27	Benken SG, Switzerland

(This article first appeared in the SOSSI Magazine)

My Favourite Scout Stamp

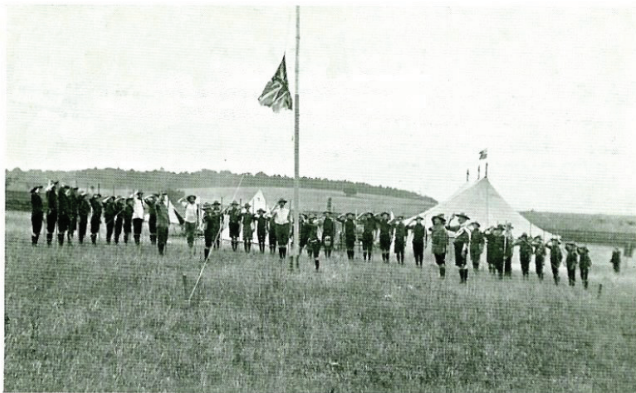
by Roger Bowers



My own choice is not for one stamp but for the set issued by Liberia in 1970. There were 50 stamps in all, obviously intended for collectors and I doubt postage needs were considered. The entire set consisted of superb paintings by Norman Rockwell who was to US Scouting what Ralph Reader was over here. The Scout theme throughout is an excellent group and Rockwell was a fine contemporary artist and illustrator whose work was often seen on the front of Saturday Evening Post. I have seen his work elsewhere on stamps.

21WJ-SS	SGSC	Souvenir Sheet 1990 with hand overprint for 21st World Jamboree 2007	0.25
ITA70	ITALY	1970 3rd Scout Exhibition, Ancona PMK on maxi Card	0.50
FRA94M	FRANCE	1994 Scout Museum Dourleux PMK on plain envelope addressed to UK	0.50
ROM01	ROMANIA	2001 Students Orgn. PMK showing Girl Guide on face of Guide postcard	1.20
SPN83	SPAIN	1982 75th Anny of Scouting Exhibition, Barco de Valdeorras PMK on card	0.75

B-P's Holiday Camp, August 22nd - September 4th 1908



SALUTING THE UNION JACK—THE ACTUAL FLAG THAT FLEW OVER MAFEKING. (Copyright)
 Boy Scouts at Lieut-General Baden-Powell's Holiday Camp. No. 5.

Whilst many of us have been glad to join in and promote the Scout Association's Centennial Year of 2007, we need to bear in mind that there was only one major 'scouting' event of 1907 and that was the experimental camp held on Brownsea. That camp however was not attended by Scouts! How could it be, the Law and Promise had yet to be written. January 1908 saw the formation of the first Scout Patrols and Groups resulting from the publication of *Scouting for Boys* which included the Law and Promise so, 2008 then is our true centennial year. The first major Scout Camp attended by Baden-Powell was run under the auspices of the *Scout Magazine* in the summer of 1908 at Humshaugh, near Hexham in Northumberland, not far from the Roman Wall. Part of its purpose was to be a model and inspiration for future Scout camps. B-P arranged for photographs to be taken with the direct intention that the images should be used on postcards and magic lantern slides for instructional and promotional purposes. A set of six postcards costing 6 pence (2.5p) of which the above is one, was first advertised in the *Scout Magazine* under the heading 'Camp Scenes' on May 29th 1909.

This postcard, number five in the series, shows the Humshaugh campers saluting the Union Flag. Baden-Powell is to our right, wearing the same long white shoulder ribbons he wore at Brownsea. There were 36 participants, 30 of whom were winners of a competition set by *The Scout* magazine to increase its circulation. Scout FD Watson collected 29,000 coupons from the magazine, which published one coupon per issue over the fifteen-week period of the competition! Every one of the 'Gallant Thirty' had collected at least 4,600 coupons.

Despite Baden-Powell's assurances that there was to be no 'royal road' to the camp, other than by winning the competition, six boys attended by special invitation.



Three of these boys had been at the Brownsea Camp, B-P's nephew Donald, Humphrey Noble, the son of a rich Newcastle industrialist, and George Rodney, a future Lord. Another of the specially selected boys was John Cattermole, from the nearby hamlet of Humshaugh, chosen because he was a bugler in the local Boys' Brigade. He is to the left in the postcard image but shown enlarged here blowing his bugle for a flag-raising ceremony.

John Cattermole later emigrated to Australia but sent his bugle back to Humshaugh to be blown at a commemorative event at the Humshaugh site in 1957. His presence at the

1908 camp illustrates the closeness of the Boys' Brigade and the Scout Movement at that time. Ten Boys' Brigade members had attended the Brownsea Camp. The YMCA, Church Lads' Brigade and the Boys' Brigade all had Scout Patrols within their own organisations.

Under enlargement the postcard shows at least 41 figures in the horseshoe, with at least four of those being adults. Probably all of the 36 boys are depicted, but not all of the adults who were known to be present at the camp. There were six leaders including B-P and two American instructors who may or may not been there when the photo was taken.

The caption to the postcard states that the 'Union Jack' is one that was flown over Mafeking. It was also used at Brownsea. It looks tattered and torn, and was described by Sir Percy Everett, who briefly attended both the Brownsea and Humshaugh camps, as having bullet holes as evidence of its Mafeking pedigree.

This postcard and others taken at Humshaugh in the same series have much to tell us about this mainly forgotten camp, which some feel has been unreasonably overshadowed by the earlier experimental Brownsea Camp. (As far as the author is aware no stamp has ever been issued to commemorate the Humshaugh event and none are planned.) Space does not allow for a complete description of the other postcards but they can however be found in the author's new book, *The Dawn of the World Scout Movement*, obtainable from Colin@ScoutingMilestones.co.uk. A general history of the Humshaugh Camp can be found at his *Scouting Milestone's* website at www.scouting.milestones.btinternet.co.uk/humshaugh.htm

The postcard, though quite hard to find, may be obtained in good condition at between £15 to £20 pounds from postcard fairs or from eBay. The author recently attended Northumberland's 'Look Wide' camp, held at Gosforth Park in May this year which celebrated the centennial of the Humshaugh camp.

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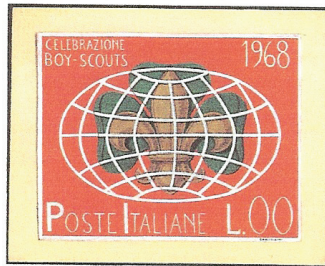
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“Jam-Roll”, reunited with “Eccles” in front of the White House at Gilwell Park during the 2007 World Jamboree, has been saved for UK Scouting. See the Chairman’s notes on page 4

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EDITORIAL

Things are looking up. I've actually now got a little store of articles for the future and there are even some letters from members included.

This is good news for this, the 300th Edition of The Bulletin. I doubt that those who established the then Scout and Guide Stamps Club had even looked 50 years and 300 issues into the future - but if they had I wonder what they would have seen? Another opportunity for some letters!

Not too much from me for this issue because there's a lot to get in, so I'll just say that I hope you enjoy it and that it encourages you to put pen to paper. I've even managed to get Ron to write two more pieces!

Terry Simister

Member's Letters

From Henry Gowland re Colin's Corner:

I was very pleased to read that Colin had been to Lookwide Marra 2008. I was also there with cubs from 1st Hexham of Hadrian District in the county of Northumberland. They had a great time and all managed to get silver or gold certificates!

The Cairn is just a few miles north of Hexham. Sometimes in the summer we take the boys there and cook dough twists over small fires. It was good to get publicity for the centenary of Scout camping where it all started.

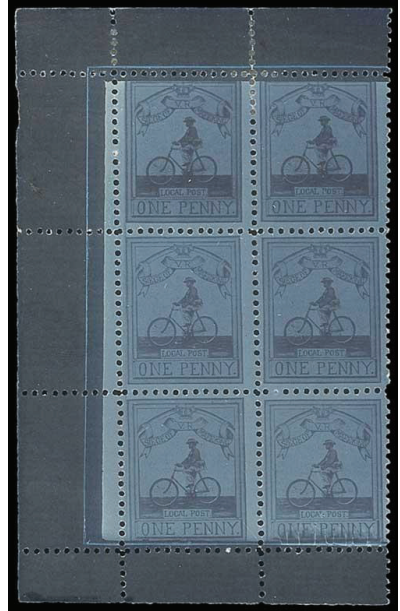
The SGSC bulletin is all the better for the new format. Keep up the good work.

From Peter Duck re Colin's Corner:

In Colin Walker's excellent article in the last Bulletin on the subject of Baden-Powell's Holiday Camp 1908 there is in fact one stamp which shows a scene from the Camp at Humshaugh, although it does not specifically mention the event. The Republic of Upper Volta (now Burkina Faso) issued a series of 8 stamps on 21st May 1984 to honour Famous Men. The 500 Fr value shows General Baden-Powell 1857 – 1941 with a scene taken from postcard No.6 which is captioned ROUND THE CAMP FIRE – GENERAL BADEN-POWELL TELLS A SCOUT YARN. The wall in the background of the postcard has been airbrushed out and appears on the stamp in sky blue. The cachet on the first day cover is of the same design as the stamp. A miniature sheet also exists, the border of which shows B-P blowing a kudu horn, plus a group of more modern Scouts. Other famous men in the set of stamps include Louis Bleriot (the first man to fly across the English Channel), Abraham Lincoln and Henri Dunant (Founder of the Red Cross). All eight stamps also appear in a combination sheetlet.

The AGM of the Club was held during June and as usual was very poorly attended with only one non-committee member being present. Apologies were received from nine members who could not attend for various reasons. In his report Tim Reed our Membership Secretary mentioned that we had 259 members, an increase of three on last year. Congratulations go to both Bob Lee and Peter Duck who have been made Honorary Members in recognition of their distinguished services to the club over many years. Peter Duck has now taken on the role of President from Ron Howard. It is hoped that the 2009 A.G.M. will be held at the Scout Headquarters Training Ship, The Lord Amory, based in Docklands, London

Very little Scout philatelic interest being sold on eBay during the last few months. However the auction held by Spink's of London in June contained a mint half sheet of the Mafeking cyclist 1d stamps. The description in the catalogue states "1d deep blue on blue, the left half of a sheet with margins on three sides, the lower stamp (10) showing the 'cracked plate' variety, fresh and fine unused with large part or full original gum". Estimated at £2-3000 it made £16,000 (US\$ 31520, Euro 20000) plus of course the dreaded buyers premium. These stamps were sold from the Royal Collection which personally belongs to the Queen. The decision was taken a few years ago that duplicated material should occasionally be sold and the proceeds used to purchase other items for the collection. As they already had a proof sheet of the 1d cyclist stamps as issued, it was not considered necessary to keep this half sheet. At one time the Royal Collection had one mint and three used Reversed Head stamps from the only sheet of twelve stamps. Two of these have now been sold, with one of them at least being in an overseas Scout collection.



By the time you read this Bulletin, the 2008 Euro-Scout meeting being held in Switzerland will have taken place. The next one is being hosted by the SGSC from 14-16 May 2010 at Chelmsford where we have already booked the Shire Hall for this event.

My travels recently took me to Bucharest, Romania where I attended EFIRO 2008. This philatelic stamp exhibition was held under the patronage of F.I.P. and

was the first world exhibition to have been held in Romania. Unfortunately it was not well supported by the philatelic trade, but the various Postal Administrations were there in large numbers. The displays were first class and came from all parts of the world. There was only one Scout exhibit by Panayotis Cangelarios of Greece which was very good and included a number of original artist drawings and scarce varieties. There is very little Scout material still available in Romania and most of the good material has been sold within the last ten years. In fact I met two part time dealers who are buying Romanian collections from abroad, who then break them down and sell on eBay or elsewhere either individually or in small lots. This printing error on the 6 lei stamp from the 1932 Scout set is the only item that I purchased for my collection.



I have been very busy the last few months being involved with the purchase of the Rolls Royce given to B.P. at the 1929 World Jamboree. Those who visited Gilwell during the 2007 Jamboree will recall that the car was on show, and rumours started to circulate that it was for sale. With the encouragement of the Hon. Michael Baden-Powell, (the founder's grandson) a Limited Company was formed last year to purchase the car with Michael, myself and two other Directors. The company named B-P Jam Roll Ltd (after Jamboree and Rolls Royce) has been given charity status and an appeal was sent to a small number of interested people so that the car could be acquired before going public. The car has now been purchased thanks to a number of large donations and a loan. We now have to raise funds to pay back the loan and pay for its restoration and insurance. If you would like to donate please contact our Treasurer steve@jamroll.org or visit our website www.JamRoll.org It is intended that once the car has been restored it will be loaned for major events in the U.K.

From Don Douch:

Many thanks for the latest Bulletin, No. 3. I am sorry that I didn't respond to the photo layout in No. 2 - I think splitting the text around pictures is a bad mistake, so I much prefer the layout in No. 3, thank you. I also think that reducing the size of text, as on page 13, spoils the look, although I find this acceptable for lists, such as that on page 9 or the Sales Service. Full justification can be a problem as on pages 15 and 18, and some title/author headings. Apart from reorganising the text to accommodate long website addresses, they could be split with something like a ~ (tilde) symbol, as long as its use is explained somewhere. I think that is quite enough criticism for now!

COMMITTEE PROFILE - Ron Howard- Vice President



My story starts 1923 in Fakenham, Norfolk; soon afterwards we moved to London. When eight years old I joined 31st Willesden/2nd Neasden as a Wolf Cub. I was also a choirboy, these two events set me on a path for life. 1935-39 I was a Scout, most of the Group's members were then evacuated due to the commencement of war.

I joined the L.D.V. (Home Guard), was a firewatcher and also managed to get bombed out of home for a short time!

In 1942 I enlisted in the Royal Engineers and served in Algeria and Tunisia in the 1st Army. After a year returned to the UK to join OCTU and trained as a Platoon Commander. In 1945, with the Norfolk Regiment, found me in Holland and Germany - to be greeted with - "you will last two battles"! I did just that, was wounded and sent back to UK and hospital. My war had finished.

Nearly two years later I returned to the Norfolk Regiment to be demobbed. I met Diana and married (have been for 61 years!). I joined Scottish Provident Assurance in the City of London, also became a Senior Scout Leader, then followed as a Wolf Cub Leader in North West London.

We moved to Kingston upon Thames in 1951 and by 1952 we had both our children, Alan and Ann. We were Sunday School Teachers and were asked if we would start Cub and Brownie Packs, much needed in the local Community. So, with an overflowing waiting list I returned to Scouting in 1956 as Group Scout Master, with a full Cub Pack of the 1st Coombe Group. (Diana as Brown Owl with a full Brownie Pack).

A year later I became District Cub Master in time to meet the Canadian Scouts at the 1957 Jamboree who were billeted in our District. I was to show them all the tourist spots and act as their Liaison Officer. Mid Jamboree all the Cubs in Surrey gathered at their local railway station, trains took hem to Sutton Coldfield - quite a day - wet and muddy.

The 1st Coombe grew to all sections and our own H.Q. Was built by parents and friends.

After leaving the DCM job I became ADC Scouts, Senior Scouts, General Duties (No. 2) to the D.C. My next post was D.C. I was awarded the Medal of Merit.

I had my Wood Badge in 1958 but when I went to Gilwell I saw the Scout Stamps exhibit and soon afterwards became a member, followed by joining the Committee, a Happy Band and I have had many adventures over the years with the

exhibitions put on from time to time. I have really enjoyed the company of the Scout friends I have made in the Club, not forgetting the ladies who have supported us so well.

In 1997 we moved to Dorset, nearer the family here and I am catching up on things I have never had time to do before.

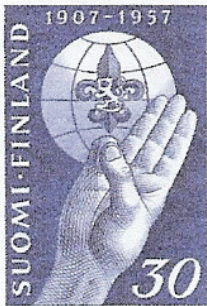
To finalise, I collected stamps as a boy, resumed in 1946 in hospital and continued collecting ever since - the GVIR Empire, followed by QEII. Wit my Scout collection I have stayed with stamps and miniature sheets mainly from 1918 to 1997.

Until it ceased operations a few years ago I was Chairman of the United Nations Study Group (Stamp Club) and have everything the U.N. Post Office has produced.

Being quite fit I hope to be able to attend and enjoy the EuroScout 2010 at Chelmsford and this I look forward to.

My Favourite Scout Stamp by Ron Howard

Over the years I have seen so many different designs on Scout and Guide stamps it is difficult to choose one. However, having said that I think the stamp I like most was the one from Finland in 1957 - 30m for 50th Anniversary of Scouting. It shows the Scout sign and the fingers remind us of the three parts of the Scout Promise. The Scout badge superimposed on the World Globe denotes our World Wide Brotherhood. A very simple design with a clear message and printed in Ultramarine.



I also think that the period 1967-1972 produced some very good and bad designs from the Arab States, if these were purchased used - very cheap - you had nothing to lose.

With all the multiple issues today, my suggestion is to limit your collection to a theme, what you like and so on.

Good Hunting.

Membership Secretary Update Tim Reed

The conversion of membership renewal to a single date of 1st April is progressing well. Virtually all of our UK members should have by now received a letter from me in relation to their outstanding membership fees. Thank you to those of you who have settled their accounts so quickly, it is much appreciated. The next phase of the process will be the overseas members. I shall be writing to you all in the near future. Although the conversion is taking time, the end result will make things a lot easier for everyone and hopefully it will lead to a more efficient membership renewal process in the future.

It didn't require any Primaries or Caucuses to decide who would be the new President of SGSC. The six other members who attended our Annual General Meeting on 14th June voted unanimously for myself. I am most honoured and delighted to have been given the privilege of leading our Club. The election occurred as Ron Howard had decided to retire, having become President in 2000 following the death of Roy Rhodes in November 1999. Ron has served our Club well for many years as Committee Member, Secretary, vice-President and President. He has agreed to continue as Vice-President once again.

One other retirement to report, that of Keith Burtonshaw through ill health and his inability to travel to meetings. Keith is one of the long standing members of SGSC having joined in the early 1960's. Our thanks to him for all his input over the years.

At the A.G.M., our Membership Secretary's report said that currently had just over 250 members. This is a sad fact, because in the 1960/1970's we could count about 750 members, and our meetings were attended by between 20 and 30 people. Of course, it isn't only happening to us. Most philatelic clubs report lower membership numbers, and yet the philatelic and collecting trades are talking about increased turnovers. So, most probably things can be put down to the change in "Club mentality", where people do not want to join in, or take responsibilities. Even last year's World Jamboree didn't bring much in the way of renewed interest in Scout philately. What can we do about it?

On a happier note, plans are going ahead with the eighth EuroScout exhibition which will take place in Chelmsford from 13 to 16 May 2010. Let us hope that somehow we can increase our membership by that time, and make an impression on the Scout and Guide Movements as well as the general public.

This issue of the Bulletin is the 300th and I have calculated that I was Editor responsible for issues No.99 to 296. The first issue to be given a "whole number" was the Bulletin for May/June 1980 (Volume 12.No.3), this was No.131. Our present Chairman, John Ineson had worked this out and a list was given year by year of 12 volumes of the "Journal" followed by 12 volumes of the "Bulletin". A quick glance through that particular Bulletin showed a list of 19 new members plus two reinstatements. Also the report of a meeting held on 20th April 1980 included names of 19 people present. Will we ever achieve this again?

WALTER GROB-SIGRIST 1914 – 2008



One of the great names from the early days of Scout philately has passed away. Walter Grob-Sigrist of Lutry, Switzerland died on 28th June 2008.

A more detailed remembrance will be in the next Bulletin.

CZECH



SCOUT



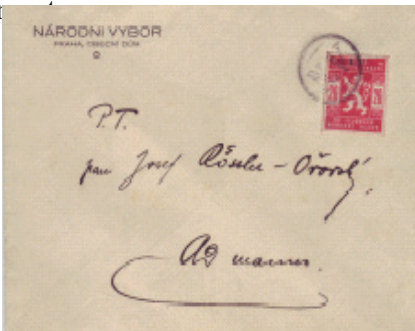
SERVICE 1918

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The excellent service provided by the Czech Scouts facilitated their newly formed country something that was essential at that time “The organization and distribution of the Official Postal service”. Said service lasted from Novem-

ber 7 to 25, 1918. Thanks to the disinterested service of the scouts who hand carried and delivered all correspondence safety and secretly, different organizations and people in official positions could interchange mail with the new govern-



NARODNY VYBOR (City Hall) HAND-DELIVERED
TO J.R. OROVSKY

A.B. Svojsik



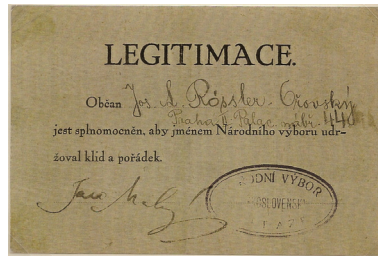
The scouts started to prepare the bases of the Postal Organization for the National Committee (the principal government institution of the new Republic) at the beginning of September of 1918. A.B. Svojsik, founder and first chief of the scout movement in Czechoslovakia, had instructed and indoctrinated youngsters with patriotic values, from the first years of the foundation as an Association until

WWI. During and after the war, the scouts were in perfect conditions for taking action and serve their country where help was needed; so the moment has come!.

After the partition of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the revolutionary government needed to count on loyal servers, people they could trust on for the delivery of important documents between members of the National Committee, the Army, and Government Offices. At that time the scouts were the best alternative for their activity; because the National Committee could not trust many officials and post-men that were not happy with the new take over and the overthrow of the Augsburg dynasty.



On November 4, Team nineteen's chief writes R. Orovsky telling him that his team keeps serving in the state station (telegram delivery).



AUTORIZATION (REVERSE) Official identification card authorized by the National Government to maintain the service in optima peace conditions.

At the end of October, 1918, the first days of Independence of the Czechoslovak Republic, the National Committee of Prague created an auxiliary service of scouts for mail delivery.



CITATION. Dr. Frantisek Nussl was one of the first instructors of the scout's chiefs on February 1913, he had two sons Frantisek and Jan, who did an outstanding service, especially Jan for his diligence delivering the mail.



REVERSE dated on November 2, in the name of the Scout's headquarters chief Orovsky, appointed several scouts at 7,30, 3/XI/18 to serve in the National Committee at Harrachov Palace.

At the first time, this delivery was no really official, it was just a verbal agreement between the scout office and the National Committee (in that time located in the Harrachov Palace). The chief scout, J. Rössler Orovsky, member of the first Prague National Council, offered the organization of the postal service and the emission of nationalistic stamps to the scouts.



Rössler Orovsky.

Narodni Vybor (National Liberation Committee) signed on November 7 the official order 324/R which confides the Postal Service to the scouts, its regulations, and the establishment of stamps and postmarks.

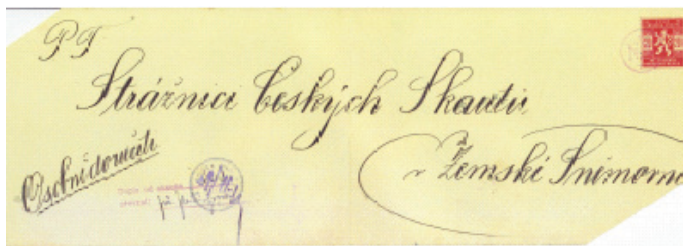


The firm Kolman, in the Vinohrady district, printed 30.000 copies with a value of 10 heller each, made in color blue; and 50.000 of 20 heller in red, both usual colors in Slavic flags. At the same time a thousand copies of a entire 10 heller blue and perforated simulated stationery postal

came up intended to be used among the Scout Organization and between the scouts and the National Council. In these copies, we can see a rampant lion, a Bohemian symbol, and the inscription "Posta Ceskych Skautu" in the upper part; which means: Czech Scout Mail, and "Ve Sluzbach Narodni Vlady": to the National Government Service, in the lower part. They also printed the respective set of postmarks. The scouts were going to take the tasks of receiving the mail, its postage, and its corresponding delivery.



Entire



COVER SENT TO CZECH SCOUT'S GUARD POST AT THE NATION'S PARLIAMENT. RED POSTMARK NV, HAND-DELIVERED ON NOVEMBER 19.

The National Council and the headquarters of the scouts, on October 28, 1918 (the date of the Republic foundation) were located in Harrachov Palace; that day, A.B. Svojsik made a public announcement of the new scout's duty in the Prague press. The following day, all the scouts gathered under the Czechoslovakian Olympic flag, and marched to the City Hall, where their duty was made public. After that, all in their uniforms and with identification documents of the National Council speeded out in Prague and its surroundings. They followed their duty day and night, delivering the mail in bicycle, or just walking; having since that time free access to all



CITY'S DISTRIBUTION MAP

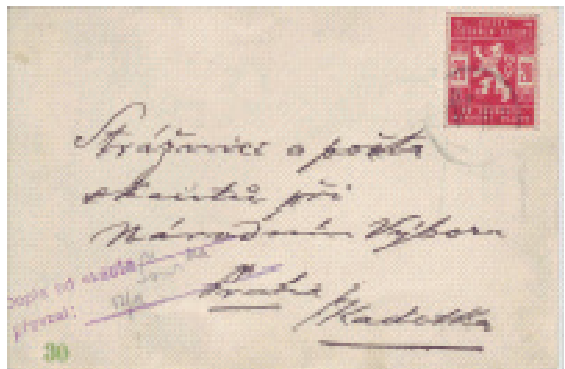
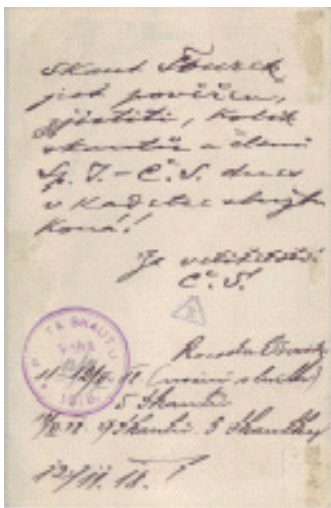
government members on duty during the three weeks

that the service lasted. The Scout Service was suspended the evening of November 25 by order of the Chief Scout Rössler Orovsky. In that moment, the scouts on duty went back to their schools or jobs. At that time the socio-political situation had gone back to regular levels; the mail officials went back to their jobs, and there was

not any fear regarding the confidentiality of the Postal Service among the members of the government.



Scout stamp delivering letter



PRAGUE'S NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SCOUTS (MILITAR ACADEMY).

SCOUTS IN THE MAIL SERVICE AT THE GUARD POST OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT PRAGUE'S MILITAR ACADEMY- SCOUT SOUREK CONTINUES AS LEADER, AND CHECKS HOW MANY SCOUTS ARE ON DUTY



Post card with the 10h blue stamp, National Committee oval cancel with the National Committee's Director address on the back side. It's written: certify receiving the copy of the telegram num. 76 coming at the day 3.XI from Modrany in Prague at 3.XI.1918. Sign R. Orovsky .

Cover with 20h. red stamp and 20h red stamp with negative perforation on both vertical sides. N.V. and two lines cancel with the signature Bohm-a. The cover contains lawyer Karel Rix's address. In the left upper corner is the cancel of CZECH YACHT CLUB IN PRAGUE, seat of the scouts.

On December 21, 1918, the Government authorized the scouts to retake their service just for one more day, because of the arrival of President Masaryk at Prague's castle. Again the Czech scouts were chosen for this mission and they offered their services in a quick and discrete way. They served as postmen carrying letters, telegrams, news, and information between Prague's Castle, the Parliament, the City Hall, the train station, the Mail office, the telegram station, members of the Parliament and other authorities; but we will talk about that in another time.



Arrival of the first President
T.G.MASARYK



To serve is the scouts' principal characteristic; high services as this one, or not as high services, which remain unknown. Anyway, examples like this one, about the Czech scouts, are needed to make the Scouting something different from children's game.

More images & information:
www.japhila.cz/hof/0076/index0076a.htm

A Few Thoughts

By Peter 'Shanghai' Shore

Being a comparative new boy on the stamp block I find I seem to be all the time playing catch-up philately. As soon as I get the hang of one item of terminology, or hear about a new piece of history, unique forgery or cheeky design – another one comes up. I suppose if you have been collecting all your life and have a good memory – then you are on top of it for you are adding knowledge slowly one by one instead of wading knee deep.

I am sure readers can imagine my confusion.

My original *raison d'être* for stamp collecting was that:-

- a) I have been a life long Scout
- b) I love stories with pictures
- c) I needed a hobby now that I was retired and less active and
- d) that it could be within, and not suffer too much, on my pocket money. (Oh yes – at 75 my wife still ensures that I do not waste any!

Philately looked the answer...though I became rather jaundiced and disillusioned on reading of the exploits and specialities of many of the contributors.

Then I read in the recently superbly designed and published layout of the SGSC Bulletin that articles/items were wanted and so I thought maybe some of my problems, queries, quandaries and frustrations could be answered by those out there who know more than me – and that surely must be the same for rest of the class.

Maybe this is not quite what you were looking for – but..... for instance.....

No. 1. Why cannot the SGSC produce their own Idiots Guide to Terminology/collecting/specialising.....and not just explain the word or expression – but give an example or two. For example.....using Scout Badge Test Series No.9 (1947) as a guide...Tete-beche.....vignette...spandrel.....un-removed matrix.....I could go on forever

No2. Highlight, suggest or introduce sub-sections for collecting and specialising.....”Rocket Mail-who did what, when, why and where? Uninhabited territories that sell stamps.....illogical technological errors in perforations or watermark.....historical and hysterical oddities.....who counts and measures perforations (besides tea-bag fanatics!)

No.3. Flags of the country when the stamps was currently issued – the changes in politics

No. 4 Famous people who have graced Scout and Guide stamps from other walks of life and for other non-scouting reasons – maybe on cigarette cards as well.

No.5 Post cards that are pertinent

I know all the above is probably old hat and common knowledge to the greater number of members – but if I were to try and enthuse a new-comer to the art, pleasure and satisfaction of stamp collecting then, nowadays, I am afraid one would have to reduce the object down to more sizeable, chewable, understandable chunks. Nowadays youngster have a much narrower shorter-lived time span, imagination or energy. We know that from Colony, Pack, Troop and Group nights.

As final examples.....

I have been going through my collection slowly country by country and ‘decorating’ the pages – first with a standard style title – then a date that scouting started in that country – the countries flag/s – a map and a short history of the country and if the country has its own registered and recognised scout badge. Now if I only did that fully, in detail, in colour and historically, politically, Scouting factual – I could probably spend years on just one country. So – highlight to would-be ‘savers’ all the aspects one could consider and give examples – maybe an address for potential pen-pals – with view to visit one day.

Then.....I happened to land on **Redondo** in my slow trawl through the countries – and it did not take long to be totally immersed, amused and magnetised by this isolated so-called country with its make-believe kingdom – with Royal Family and even an application form to join the Royal Redonan Navy (mind you there was a proviso that would be admirals/ordinary seamen had to supply their own boats and Would my beat up Merlin Rocket circa 1950 really get a warrant).

And what about **Niuaafo’ou** ? Does any one really think that the second paddler from the back of the boat shown on a tourist postcard going out to collect tin can mail from the passing ship, who has to throw any mail for the island over the side as there is no harbour to call at – actually was a scout? (deep breath!) Has he been named/recognised? Did his father ever run a troop or group.....surely there has to be more?

In conclusion my feeling is that stamp collecting is the owning of a piece of colourful paper - a Pandora’s Box – all it needs are the keys to unlock the exciting goodies.....

Is this a challenge that the club and its luminaries would like to take up?



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STAMPS MINT AND USED (Please note - some issues are only available in mounted mint condition; but unmounted will be sent where possible).

The following issues are 75th Anniversary of Girl Guides/International Youth Year (IYY) unless shown

		MINT	USED
GUE85	GUERNSEY (3)	1.20	1.00
CHD85	CHAD Philexafrique triptych	1.85	-
COM85	COMORES Philexafrique triptych	1.75	-
DJI85	DJIBOUTI Creation of Djibouti Scout Assn (2)	1.00	-
GRD85	GRENADA GRENADINES (4)	2.50	2.25
GRD85S	GRENADA GRENADINES MS	2.00	1.95
JER85	JERSEY IYY set of 5	2.00	-
JER85G	JERSEY Girl Guide stamp only (1)	0.25	0.20
TWN85	TAIWAN (2) (\$18.00 only used)	0.60	0.20
NEV85	NEVIS (4)	0.80	0.80
NEV85SP	NEVIS (4) with SPECIMEN overprint	5.00	-
GUA85	GUATEMALA 75th Anny Scouting (5) (Q0.20 u. Only)	0.75	0.10
CAR85	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (1)	1.00	0.50
GER85	GERMANY 30th World Scout Conference (1) 0.45	0.30	-
GUY85	GUYANA strip of 5 overprints	1.50	1.00
SRL85	SIERRA LEONE (4)	-	2.25
SRL85S	SIERRA LEONE MS	-	2.50
JAM85 J	AMAICA 5th Pan American Jamboree (4)	1.50	1.50
PHL85	PHILIPPINES 45th Anniversary of Girl Scouts	0.95	0.80
TON85	TONGA (4)	4.50	3.50
CON85	CONGO (1)	1.00	0.50
TUV85	TUVALU (4)	1.00	1.00
TUV85S	TUVALU MS	1.00	-
GRN85C	GRENADA 4th Caribbean Cuboree (4)	2.25	2.00
GRN85CS	GRENADA 4th Caribbean Cuboree MS	1.75	1.50
GIB85	GIBRALTAR (3)	1.60	1.60
ANT85	ANTIGUA & BARBUDA (4)	3.25	3.00
ANT85S	ANTIGUA & BARBUDA MS	2.50	2.25
CAN85	CANADA (1)	0.30	0.20
BLZ85R	BELIZE 80th Anny. Rotary Intl o/p on Guide issue (5)	3.00	-
LES85	LESOTHO (4)	1.95	1.85
LES85S	LESOTHO MS	2.00	2.00
SOL85	SOLOMON ISLANDS (5)	1.95	1.80
ASC85	ASCENSION (4)	2.20	2.00
USA85	U.S.A. Block of four	0.80	-
ANG85	ANGUILLA (4)	2.50	2.00
BRN85	BRUNEI Scout/Guide value from set (1)	0.35	-
STV85R	ST. VINCENT Royal Visit o/p on 1982 Scouts (2)	2.45	-
EGT85	EGYPT 30th Anniversary of Air Scouting (1)	0.35	0.25
GAB85	GABON Philexafrique triptych	2.00	-
UGA85	UGANDA Girl Guides + Women's Day (3)	2.45	-
UGA82S	UGANDA MS	2.00	1.50
TKC85	TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS (4)	3.00	2.50
TKC85S	TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS MS	2.25	2.00
GUI85J	GUINEA Scout Jamboree Jambville o/p on B-P (1)	1.00	-
SGP85	SINGAPORE (4)	0.85	0.80
PAK85J	PAKISTAN 10th National Jamboree	1.00	-
DOM85B	DOMINICA 40th Anny UN showing B-P (1)	0.70	-
RWA85	RWANDA (8) overprints on 1982 Scout issue	-	1.50
SWZ85	SWAZILAND (4)	0.90	0.90
ZAI85	ZAIRE (7) overprints on 1982 Scout issue	2.75	2.50
ZAI85S	ZAIRE MS overprint	1.25	1.10
BRN85J	BRUNEI National Jamboree (3)	1.45	1.45

When the 50th Anniversary of Scouting was celebrated in 1957, the then Soviet Russia or U.S.S.R. Dominated Eastern Europe together with the satellite communist states, including Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia. East Germany, Hungary, Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia.

Since the fall of communism, the map of Europe has been redrawn with a huge number of new countries where Scouting has started or been revived after many years.

In 2007 the 100th Anniversary of Scouting and Europa was celebrated by most European States with an issue of two stamps or more
New countries that once formed part of the old Yugoslavia, including Bosnia Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Slovenia and even the world’s newest country, Kosova under U.N. administration, have all issued these stamps as has tiny Albania a nearby former “hard line” communist state.

The break up of the old Soviet Union into separate Republics has seen a huge number of similar Scouts stamps, including issues from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Latvia and Ukraine.

From the 1990s many other Scout stamps appeared too from parts of the old Soviet Union that are not recognised as independent sates and most of these issues are bogus or only local carriage labels sold to exploit collectors. The names of these “States” are very exotic and include Abkhazia, Batum, Buriata, Caratchaev-Cherkasis, Dagestan, Evrejskaya, Gagauzia, Kalmykia, Karelia, Kamchatka, Karakalpakia, Inguishetiya, Kirgistan, Mordovia, Ossetia, Saha-Yakutia and Sakhalin.

Czechoslovakia that issued the Scout Post stamps back in 1918 had been a communist state with no Scouting, but in 1993 became two States of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, both of which have issued Scout stamps as too have many of the former communist states that had strong Scout Movements prior to 1945, including Hungary and Poland.



Everybody knows that the Victorian/Edwardians had scrapbooks and not surprisingly these housed collections of 'scraps'. Less well appreciated is that the 'scraps' were not merely newspaper and magazine cuttings as typically formed the content of post 2nd World War scrapbooks, but were specially manufactured high-quality die-cut chromo (coloured) lithographs, usually printed in Germany, on every subject under the sun including Scouting.

As is the case with other forms of Scout related Ephemera it is possible to start a collection with items that date back into Baden-Powell's military career. The



quality English postcard manufacturer's Raphael Tuck for example produced an entire sheet of images relating to the Siege of Mafeking, the most outstanding of which was the Siege Train - which B-P had specially armoured in the railway workshops. The complete sheet as produced by Tuck's is now almost impossible to find, but part sheets with the Siege Train would cost in excess of £100. Not quite as rare is a 'giant' scrap (29cms tall) of B-P in his 'wide awake hat' on his horse, from a set of Boer War General's by Birn Bros of London. The same image was also produced in a smaller scale (12 cms tall).

When Scouting began in 1908, B-P never specified the colour of the Scout shirt it merely had to be 'flannel', and scrap manufacturers

illustrated Scouts in a variety of colours, all true to life. Images of Girl Scouts also added variety. Though some people assume they are rather whimsical, girls could in 1908/9 officially be part of the Movement.

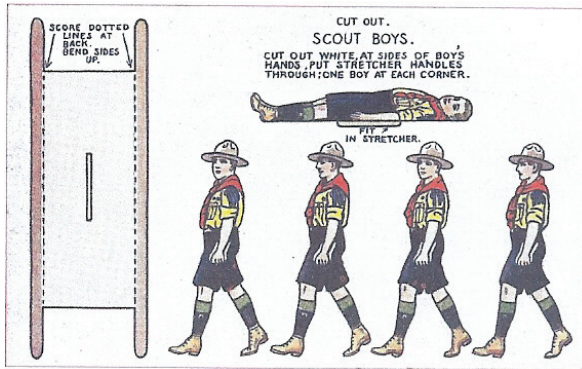


The figures often include a patrol name and 'call' at their base but you will look in vain for badges. These were omitted I suspect not just because they would be difficult to 'read' at the scale of the subject, but also because they might have infringed copyright. Baden-Powell inspired Scouting in several youth organisations, e.g. Boys' Brigade Scouts, Church Lad's Brigade Scouts as well as his own B-P Scouts. Without the detail of badges etc, no one organisation could be identified. To differentiate his own brand of Scouting in 1909, it was the Fleur de Lys with the two five pointed stars that was copyrighted, not the uniform or even the distinctive 'wide-awake' hat. Scrap manufacturers and other illustrators could then tap into a very fast growing 'market' without cost if they merely depicted Scouts in uniform without their badges.

A close relation to 'scraps' were card 'cut-outs', or press-out figures. These were made with special 'tabs' that could be bent behind the figure to make it stand up on a flat surface. Continental manufacturers such as Epinal, Artina and Jelp produced entire Scout Troops complete with flag staff, tents etc on card sheets in excess of A3 size. Depicted here is an English example on a postcard which was produced as a part of a set of six. Again the figures from all six cards (maybe with some duplicates) could be used to construct an entire Scout camp.



Good bright examples of Scout scraps in mint condition are



quite hard to find but are not expensive, perhaps six or seven pounds per scrap. Dealers will often have items that have been 'reclaimed' from scrapbooks by soaking, a process which need not necessarily harm the subject. The thinnest part of the scrap, necks, patrol flags etc are though very susceptible to damage and have sometimes been

repaired from behind without altering their outward appearance. 'Cut-outs' rarely survive if divorced from their original background and prices vary widely. The postcard example illustrated is by Mack of London, Toy Town Series very rare and I have only seen one other example sold at £70.00. Other cards in the same series depict trek carts, tents, and a campfire etc.

Like Cigarette Cards, Scouting scraps and 'cut-outs' were collected by young people, possibly Scouts themselves, and provide a colourful and contemporary view of early Scouting.

Dr Lovelace's Soap 'Cut-Out' Tradecard - the leaping boy scout was hinged over the Scout make the 'base' and 'wobbles' most appealingly!



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IS THIS A POSSIBLE RECORD FOR A SCOUT POSTCARD?

Having recently received my May/June copy of the Scout and Guide Stamps Club Bulletin I thought I would include this interesting postcard which sold on Ebay recently for what seems to be a high price -A\$ 455 - I think the exchange rate would be about two Aus \$ to one £ -- so that makes the card about £219!



I spend some time on Ebay mainly looking at buying scout badges and also postcards. Over the past few years I have been pleased with the items I have bought. There have been many occasions when I would have liked to purchase the badge or postcard but finances

dictate that you have to stop bidding.

Over the past few months I have noticed that a few items seem to attract a lot of bids and I am always interested to see what the final outcome is.

One such postcard was of Robert Baden-Powell and it did not look to my why there was so much interest in the postcard. Maybe it was the message and address on the back, and as can be seen the date. I have included details of the card and would be pleased to hear from readers why the postcard attracted so much interest and eventually the high price.

Yours in Scouting - John Roberts

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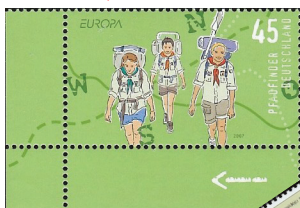
September 15th, November 11th, January 11th, March 15th and May 17th.

Please send copy, including photos, electronically - where possible.

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"Uma escola de cidadania, por meio de jogos, para rapazes e raparigas" reconhecida internacionalmente como método de formação do carácter através do desenvolvimento das virtudes cívicas.
Robert Baden-Powell (1857-1941), fundador do Escutismo, em 1907.



"A citizenship training system, through games, for boys and girls" internationally recognised as a method of character building through civic virtues development.
Robert Baden-Powell (1857-1941), founder of Scouting, in 1907.



A selection of "Europa" issues for the Centenary of Scouting

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2008



My Favourite Scout Stamp

by Frederick J. Oppliger



The stamp is Philippines (Scott #1075, Michel # 939, Yvert #797, Domfil #970.25 or SG #1168) from the 1970 Tourism set showing Pasonanca Park, Zamboanga City, Philippines.

The reason for this being my favourite stamp is due to the fact that between 1963 and 1966 I had travelled around the world, at my own expense, and thus the Philippines was one of the

many countries visited, for two months in March and April of 1966.

Being a Scout/Scouter, I was invited, having already completed Wood Badge in the United States, to serve as the Assistant Quartermaster for their First Commissioners Wood Badge Course in the Philippines. As for the Course director, it was the then Gilwell Camp Chief, John Thurman.

Thus, I met Scouters from all parts of the country and was invited to visit them as I later travelled about the country.

So, when I got to Zamboanga City, I thus looked up the Scouts and was offered accommodation in their “Scout Cabin” which I thought would be one of the number of cabins that were in the City Park, of which some are shown on the stamp.

As I recall, the cabins shown are the ones for the Girl Scouts, even though it looks like there is a Scout Fleur-de-Lys on one of the Cabins. On the other side of the amphitheatre, out of view on the stamp, are other cabins, open fronted, that the Boy Scouts utilized.

Thus, to my surprise, I was taken to the Cabin that is built in the tree, just as the stamp shows, to spend the night!

It seems that only “Dignitaries”, so to speak, get to stay in the Cabin and the previous occupant from the previous week had been the American Movie Actor, Joseph Cotton.

By no means was I a “Dignitary” but I was / am a member of the Scouting Program, and thus this is my reason for considering this to be “My Favourite Scout Stamp”.

Chairman's Notes

John Ineson

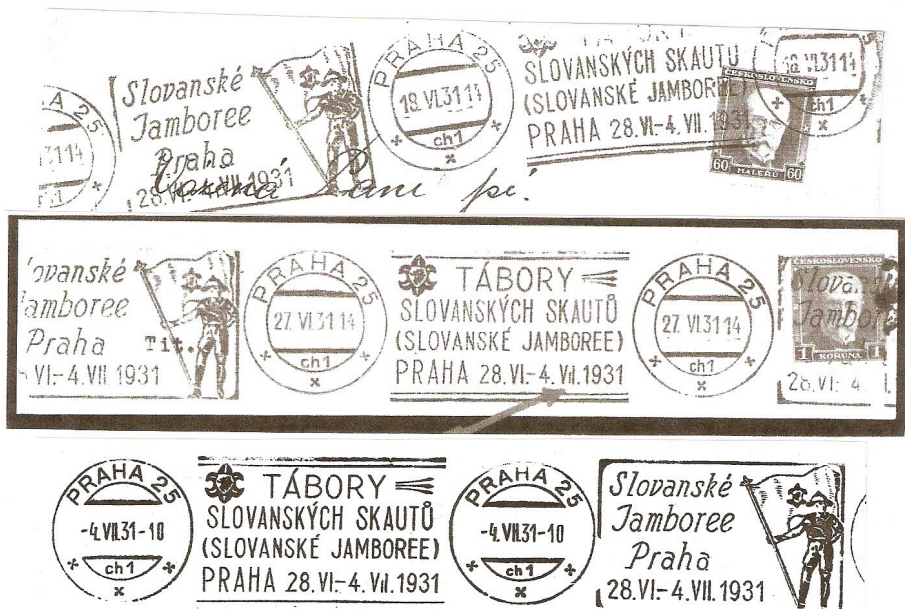
As you will see in Peter Duck's report, the 2008 Euro-Scout meeting in Benken, Switzerland was a great success. The village situated in a most beautiful part of the country was a superb setting for this bi-annual event, and having the Swiss National camp "Contura 08" nearby gave an added attraction for visitors. The displays, which were non competitive, were as usual of a very high standard, with exhibits coming from most European countries as well as India and the U.S.A. During the weekend a meeting of IFSCO, the umbrella organization of Scout and Guide Stamp Clubs, took place with our member Randall Frank being appointed President for the next two years. IFSCO now has its own website www.ifSCO.info

I did think that the last Bulletin number 300 was a very good issue, and at last our appeal for articles was answered. Other than the usual contributions from committee members, it was good to receive letters or articles from Don Douch, John Roberts, Benito González Bugallo, Peter Shore and Colin Walker. Regarding the very high priced Baden-Powell postcard that John Roberts referred to, is it dated 1908? All I can see is March 6th with the year rather blurred, but no doubt the buyer considered it to be 1908. Therefore if it is, it could be one of the earliest recorded used Scout postcards bearing in mind that the first part of Scouting for Boys was published on January 16th 1908, only seven weeks before. Do any other members have a Scout postcard with an earlier postmark?

In my last Chairman's Notes, I mentioned the purchase of Jam Roll, the Rolls Royce car presented to B-P at the 1929 World Jamboree and at the same time gave the web site address www.jamroll.org Unfortunately there has been some delay with this site going live, but it is now online and you are invited to view this and if you would like to donate towards this project, details are on the website. The car has recently been on view at Gilwell during the annual reunion where the Hon. Michael Baden-Powell, the grandson of the founder was in attendance.

Although I am attending the FIP International Philatelic Exhibition in Prague this September, unfortunately I will have left before the special exhibition "90 years of Czech Scout Delivery Postal Service Mail 1918" which is being held at the Prague Postal Museum. This runs from September 19th to November 23rd and will display the stamps and covers of the Scout Post of November 1918.

In 1931 a Scout Roller cancel was used from 16th June to 5th July to advertise the National Jamboree held near Prague in Czechoslovakia. Three types of this roller cancel are recorded. The top one shows the cancel used from 16th June, but by 20th June the Roman figure V11 has been broken so that it appears after this date as VII. The third is a rarely seen cancel with only one circle by the date of the postmark.



As you are all probably aware the next World Jamboree will be held in Sweden in 2011. At the recent World Scout Conference held in South Korea, it was agreed that the 23rd World Jamboree will be held in Japan. No doubt another case for a large issue of special stamps.

EDITORIAL

Well, here we are a bit late but I'm afraid that I have been very busy over the past couple of weeks getting things ready for our Gang Show Auditions. We have big problem this year in that the Theatre is reducing the amount of changing room facility that we have which will mean that we will have to cut something like 20% out of the cast - 20 young people who will not get that unique experience.

There are two large obituary notices in this issue and I make no apology for taking up the space for these. Within the timespan of about three months we have lost two of the major collectors of Scout Philately (and other items) and we will all be the poorer for their passing.

Its appeal time again. I'm running short of articles - haven't even got a Favourite Scout Stamp. Come on - remember you can send them by e-mail.

Terry Simister

COMMITTEE PROFILE – Graham Osborne – Secretary

16th Christchurch (St Georges) was my first introduction to Scouting starting as a Wolf Cub in 1950 aged eight and for some two and half years I had a very interesting and rewarding time. I gained the Leaping Wolf and graduated to become the Senior Sixer. This was followed by some four years as a scout in the St Georges Troop and whilst the scouting we undertook was active and outdoors, training and badge work was not a high priority and I never progressed much beyond second-class status. One of my memories from that time is using a trek cart to take the troop to weekend camps in a village some 5 miles outside Christchurch. Great fun, holding up the traffic in the then narrow streets and bridges of Christchurch!

Fortunately by this time, a District Senior Scout Unit had been formed and number of us became the founder members of it. Thanks to the efforts of a dedicated SSM and later, a RSM, there then followed a number of years during which I really experienced the Scouting/BP spirit. A number of us achieved the Queen's Scout award and Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, although I think it fair to say we received the awards on behalf of our two leaders. As part of our training programme a number of us opted to assist with Cub Packs or Troops and I became an ACM at 1st Christchurch (Town) Group, serving for a very enjoyable 7 years (I still have the parchment warrant). During this time I became involved in the Christchurch Gang Show and, when the show reached Gang Show standard, was lucky enough to receive my red Gang Show scarf from Ralph Reader himself.

Leaving school at 16 after "O" levels I entered the Civil Service joining the Department of Employment in Bournemouth in 1958. It was there that I eventually met a young lady named Christine and we became an item – on our first "date" Chris sat in the audience of the Gang Show whilst I performed in "drag". Fifty years later we are still going strong. In 1964 I went to Oxford – to work in the Employment Exchange, not to the University – followed in 1965 by a move to Reading. By this time Chris was also an ACM with the Town Group and I was travelling backwards & forwards at weekends to Christchurch. We married in 1967 and moved to Reading and gradually our involvement with Scouting in Christchurch lessened but grew in Reading. In 1968 we both became ACSLs at 52nd Reading and some 4 years later I took over as CSL serving for 4 years. In 1973 I also took on the ADC (Cubs) appointment for Reading South District.



1959

However this did not last too long as in 1974 I was moved to lead the Occupational Guidance Unit at Luton. We had hardly moved into our house in Luton when a neighbour called and asked if I was willing to start a Scout Troop for a Cub Pack that met at a nearby school – he was the District Secretary!

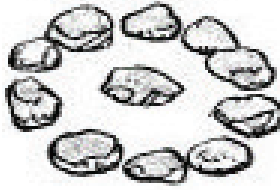
So in 1975 I formed the 3rd Someries Scout Troop in Luton later becoming Scouter in Charge until 1981 when I began commuting to London. At this stage I handed over the SL post becoming GSL. By this time we had a young family although, with me looking after the Scouts (and, sometimes, the children), Chris was able to take on ACSL at the Group. During this time I became involved with the local Church serving for a while as Churchwarden and as Treasurer.

In 1983 my work then moved me to Basingstoke where again the Scouting network quickly worked and I was soon ASL at the 8th Basingstoke URC Group becoming SL some 3 years later. In 1988 I returned to commuting to London and the long hours and a responsible post meant I had to give up the SL appointment and for a short while became ADC (Cubs) for Basingstoke East District. As this did not fit well with my hours of commuting I eventually became Deputy District Commissioner for Basingstoke East District until 1994 when a change of responsibilities involving travel away from home meant that I had to relinquish my scouting appointments. Although I was very pleased to be asked to lead the Camp Fire at this year's Centenary Celebrations of the 1st Christchurch (Town) Group.

A work colleague at Reading introduced me to Philately and as my awareness of the subject grew I developed an interest in Scout & Guide stamps although I think it fair to say that my interest and knowledge has not developed as far as some of my fellow committee members. The technical term for my level of collecting is, I believe, “a bob a jobber”, which seems appropriate.



I retired from the Civil Service in 2002 and felt that I could repay (and further) the interest I had in Scouts Stamps by volunteering to take on the role of Secretary of the SGSC, which had just become vacant. I also think that I wanted to ensure that I something to do to fill all the time I would have in my retirement. I need not have worried as I have less free time now than when I was working. Besides stamps and the SGSC I am Treasurer, Bell Ringer and Lay Reader at my local church, Secretary and Treasurer to two local charities, I enjoy walking – particularly Long Distance Footpaths (by the time you read this I hope to have walked the Peddars Way and Norfolk Coastal Path) – and find that Real Ale aids those moments of reflection!



WALTER GROB-SIGRIST 1914 – 2008

One of the great names from the early days of Scout philately has passed away. Walter Grob-Sigris of Lutry, Switzerland died on 28th June 2008. Walter`s name appeared in the list of new members in our Journal for March 1963. We became friends through correspondence and first met at the 11th World Jamboree in Marathon, Greece that year.

Later in the 1960`s we visited his home and had the privilege of seeing his fantastic collection. As a relative newcomer to our hobby, I can remember being overwhelmed with his collection of Mafeking items. Also his World Jamboree material, Swiss Scout philately etc etc was mind-boggling!

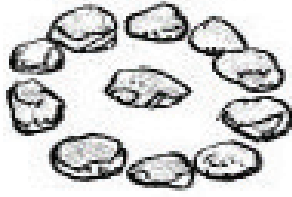
In 1953 he arranged one of the first Scout philatelic exhibitions at the 5th World Rover Moot in Kandersteg. Although I was at the Moot, my interests did not include philately, so I did not connect with it.

In 1973 he helped to organise a wonderful exhibition JUBIKA73 to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the Scout Chalet in Kandersteg. Also in the 1970`s we travelled together to various Scout shows in Italy. Our conversations and correspondence were mostly in French, and as my knowledge of the language is moderate we did have a few misunderstandings at times! In later years, parts of his great collection were dispersed. I do not have much detail on this, but know that his Mafeking material was sold in London.

In later years he became rather frail and we last met shortly after his 90th birthday in May 2004.

His presence and name in the world of Scout philately will be sadly missed. Condolences have been sent to his wife, son and daughter.

PJD



KEITH BURTONSHAW 1930 - 2008

Keith, who was one of the leading Scout collectors in U.K. died on 12 September 2008, just two days before his 78th birthday.

A quiet and modest man, he had a great knowledge of Scout philately as well as badges and cigarette cards. his collection was vast, and he often delighted us a meetings with selections of his "treasures".

He was also an accomplished landscape artist and his paintings were quite well known in local exhibitions.



Keith looking to add to his collection at an SGSC Exhibition

Having taken early retirement from the Prudential Insurance Company he devoted his time to his painting and his collections. He also served the local Scout community acting as Treasurer to one of the local Groups. He became a member of our Club in the early 1960's, also a member of SOSSI for many years. He was an SG-

SC Committee member from 1992 until his retirement earlier this year.

Keith will be greatly missed by many people and our condolences have been sent to his brother Alan.

PJD

The following article is by our member Michael Harrington and was originally published in the June 2008 edition of the magazine of the Masonic Philatelic Club

SIR GEORGE ROBEY

He was a comedian when proposed into Liverpool Dramatic Lodge No1609, on 24th December 1900 by W. Bro. T. Bush PM, balloted for, and initiated on 22nd January 1901, passed on 26th February 1901, and raised on 26th March 1901. At that time he was living at 35 Circus Road, London. He never went through the



This sheet of 12 stamps/labels were produced for the Prince of Wales Boy Scout Fund, showing George in various costumes



The Robey family

He was born George Edward Wade on 20th September 1869 in Herne Hill, London. As his father travelled abroad for his work, George studied at the University of Leipzig where he learned to speak excellent German and got involved in a duel which fortunately did not prove fatal. On their return to England it was his fathers intention to send him to Cambridge but this was not to be, and George found a clerical post with the constructors of the Birmingham tramway.

In order to appease his family he took his stage name from a firm of Birmingham builders – at first Roby. He later formally adopted the name Robey by deed poll.

He had many interests in the arts, in music and song but once on stage discovered his natural talent for comedy. He was soon earning small fees but his big break came as an assistant to ‘Professor’ Kennedy, a stage hypnotist. He began to attract attention in his own right and was booked to

play the Oxford music hall in June 1891, still only 21.

From the moment he appeared on stage he had the audience in his grip, demanding that they stop laughing in a manner still echoed in such comedians as Frankie Howard and Tony Hancock. Not for nothing was he later billed as the ‘Prime Minister of Mirth’. *Kindly temper your hilarity with a modicum of reserve*, he begged his audiences; and as the laughter continued urged them to *Desist!!*



Two early cigarette cards

He had been offered a knighthood for his charitable services, but had declined it as not fitting for a comedian, but almost at the end of his life in 1954 he finally accepted a knighthood and died later that year on 29th November in Saltdean, Sussex.

Future meetings and Venues

In the hope that it will encourage some of our UK Members - and, perhaps even one or two from overseas, to attend Club Meetings we are able to confirm the following:-

1. The next meeting will take place at the North Richmond Scout HQ, London on the 22nd November.

2. Rooms had been booked at 2009 Philatex meetings as follows:

28th Feb. starting at 15:00 to 17:00

and 7th Nov. starting at 10.30am to 12.30pm.

These meetings to be open to Club members with any Committee business being discussed as necessary.

3. A Committee meeting will be held on 25th April at the North Richmond Scout HQ.

4. The June 2009 Committee Meeting and the 2009 AGM will both be held on 20th June at the Headquarters Training Ship, the Lord Amory, at the Docklands Scout Project in London.

FUTURE COPY DATES

November 11th, January 11th, March 15th and May 17th.

Please send copy, including photos, electronically - where possible.

From Peter Duck:

I should like to take this opportunity to advertise my "100 List" which has been going well for some years and currently has 21 subscribers. The lists contain 100 items of Scout & Guide interest including stamps, covers, postcards, labels and ephemera. Most items are priced at under £1.00 and as one item is sold, another replaces it. Lists are dispatched two or three times each year. If you wish to subscribe, please send a 1st class stamp, or a couple of Scout badges or postcards from overseas. There is no further charge for the lists provided you order something, and after two "no orders" names are deleted.



NOTE THE DATES NOW 14TH TO 16TH MAY, 2010
IN THE SHIRE HALL CHELMSFORD, ESSEX, UK.

The Stamp History of Redonda

by Peter Shore

I have always thought there was more to a stamp than counting its perforations, checking its postmark or inspecting its lack of glue, so let's look at the stamps issued by..

.....**Redonda** – or should it be more formally announced as -

The Kingdom of Redonda

Situated in deepest South Caribbean waters approximately 16.58N and 62.19W – give a windswept yard or two, is some 34 miles (nautical or otherwise) WSW from Antigua is some 200 acres in rock – storm bound, wind lashed, isolated and very uninhabited!



This desolate, desperate island apparently was first sighted by our old friend Christopher Columbus way back in 1493 and thought it seems that he did not/could not go ashore. It wasn't until 1856 when a certain Mathew Dowdy Shiel, an Irish sea trader, came across it and somehow landed, and later claimed kingship until 1872 when it was annexed by Britain (who else?) and became part of the colony of Antigua.

Dowdy – or should we say “doughty”? - Shiel organised labourers from Montserrat and began mining operations for bird guano (phosphates) and by battling an obviously unfavourable climate, lack of harbour, sea swell, prevailing winds managed to shift – and supposedly sell - some thousands of tons of guano.

Now things start getting exotic and misty.....Mathew Dowdy Shiel then abdicated his throne or kingship, for his son Mathew Phipps Shiel who later settled in England as a novelist of repute!.

1899 saw a hurricane destroying most of the island's fragile buildings and the last shipments of guano were despatched about 1912. By that time Phipps had been appointed King Felipe and became a well published, read and popular man of arts. On his death in 1947 his title was succeeded by the poet John Gawsword, subsequently crowned King Juan I. Not only was he well known/respected in London literary circles but was also generous with Redondan titles!. You named it – you bought it!

Later a request – nay – a demand, was proclaimed that honourable seafarers should offer their services and join the Royal Redondan Navy – in fact the author

of this doubtful but fascinating yarn – has in hand as we speak an application to register his family craft for honourable service of the aforementioned Royal Redondan Navy with which he hopes will bring certain perks, rewards and prize money.!

More information I am sure can be acquired by just visiting to Redondan Consulate in Britain, The Wellington Arms, Park Road, Freemantle, Southampton, though I doubt if it will be free!

www.wellingtonarmsouthampton.co.uk/html/redonda.html

Historical Note: in 1997 a very mixed bag of entrepreneurs, royal family, writers and journalists visited the island and climbed to King Juan’s Peak passing the sad remains of the Post Office (established by Antigua in 1987 to issue stamps – though sadly wrecked a little later to another hurricane), the miners barracks, cisterns, bakery and rusting equipment all once laboriously erected and run by Victorian engineers.

References. John Gawsworth Wikipedia Lost Club “Wellington Arms”, Southampton.

Thematix ‘09

Following the demise of Thematica the trade section will continue under a new name - Thematix ‘09 and will be held at:

The Jester Suite
Harlequins Rugby Club
Langhorne Drive
Twickenham
Middlesex
TW2 7SX

Dates will be confirmed by the end of 2008 and will be either 26th/27th Jun or 3rd/4th July 2009.

The new venue has plenty of car parking, is a short walk from the railway station and will provide space for a similar number of dealers.

Our member Bob Lee is one of the co-promoters of this new event

Extract from the July issue of
Picture Postcard Monthly

‘Positive’ sale for TVS as Scouts score

What Trevor Vennett-Smith described as a “*good and positive sale*” grossed over £54,000 at Nottingham in May, with two lots of the 1960s-published *Scouts of the World* catching the eye. 64 of the first (1964) set realised £218 and all 111 of the 1968 issue made £403. Best single price was for the perennially popular Louis Wain, one of whose Jackson’s adverts with a cricket

Images of B-P

Throughout his career B-P appeared on postcards and other souvenirs, from the photograph by Elliott & Fry wearing military uniform, with the soon to be familiar wide brimmed hat of the South African Constabulary that he formed in 1900 and the later Boy Scouts.



Postcards, either commercial productions or from private photographs, fall into several clear categories; the Hero of Mafeking as mentioned, sometimes sold as one of a set of Boar War Leaders, and as other souvenirs such as cigarette cards, to silk pictures and even advertising bookmarks - then, as now, celebrities helped to sell products!

The next group of cards are those picturing B-P as the General in the dark frock coat and peaked cap and can be dated in line with his promotions; being promoted Major General in 1903, Lieut-General in 1907 and Inspector General of Cavalry in 1908, commanding the Northumbrian Division of the Territorial Army also in 1908. These card usually depict B-P on inspection tours of the army and



also inspecting Boy Scouts. Following his retirement from active military service in 1911 he was made Colonel of the 13th Hussars and cards show him wearing their splendid uniform.



The most difficult cards to find are those of B-P in civilian dress, usually wearing what appears to be very creased and scruffy looking suits made of thick fabric that were normal dress for a gentleman back then. Sometimes he is seen visiting a local Scout Troop, usually on an unofficial basis as he happened to be in the area, and new images of him are still being found.

The other group of cards show B-P wearing the very earliest Boy Scout uniforms and later the more regulated versions of either the shirt and wide brimmed hat as in the well known 1929 oil painting of B-P by the artist David Jagger. (This is also seen on many stamps) There are finally those of B-P as Chief Scout wearing a tailored jacket with



The image of B-P as the Hero of Mafeking

From Peter Duck re Perfins:

Following Roy Gault's article on Boy Scout Association Perfins in the May/June 2008 Bulletin, I am able to report a few others, and no doubt there are more which have not been recorded.

First of all, for the uninitiated the word "Perfin" is derived from "perforated initials in stamps". These were first produced in the 19th century by public concerns and private companies as a precaution against theft.

The earliest recorded perfins in Scout stamps were from the 5th World Jamboree, Vogelenzang, Netherlands in 1937. The three Jamboree stamps appear with a range of perfinned letters – three letters such as VNS, NBV, NGM, double letters W&C, V&H, LR, and single letters S, K and H. Some are perfinned upright, others inverted and some sideways. In my collection I have 12 variations, all used

stamps, also 2 with S sideways in the 1 1/2c and 6c Jamboree stamps on post-cards. It is believed the S was used by a company with kiosks selling newspapers, postcards etc.

One further stamp from this period is the Netherlands Indies 7 1/2c World Jamboree stamp with letters PAR. I believe there was a study made some years ago on the 1937 perfins, but I have lost track of it.

The Australian stamps issued for the Pan Pacific Jamborees of 1948 and 1952 appear with various State Government Office perfins and the following are recorded:-

GNSW (New South Wales), VG (Victoria), T (Tasmania), WA (Western Australia).

Also commercial perfins D&JF and CA are known. The State perfins appear in upright, inverted and reversed positions. I have never found one on a used envelope. The 1960 stamp commemorating 50 Years of Girl Guides also appears with State Government perfins.

The only other Scout stamp I can record is from U.S.A. 1950 for 40th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America. The stamp is perfined TIIM (or MIIT reversed) and is inverted on the used stamp.

In 1985 the Polish scouts in London celebrated their 75th Anniversary. An exhibition was held in South Kensington and a special postmark was used on 11.XI.1985. Cards bearing the postmark also carry the "King Arthur and Merlin" 17p stamp (issued 3rd September 1985) with perfined initials ZHP (Związek Harcerstwa Polskiego = Polish Scout Association). These initials also appear in a 1p Machin definitive stamp. If my Polish is correct, this was a limited issue of 600 stamps which were affixed to numbered souvenir covers, but not postmarked.

Two other perfins related to Scouting can be found. Firstly from Germany in 1915. The company of F.A.Seiler, Dessau produced Scout uniforms in the early 1910's. They used stamps perfined SD and my cover has printed address "An die Leitung des Pfadfinderkorps" plus hand-written Dischingen. (To the Leader of the Scout Group in Dischingen).

Secondly from Romania in 1932. Cartea Romaneasca was a supplier of Scouting articles and other printed items relative to education and sport. Their perfined 50b Aviation Fund stamp carries the letters CR inverted. The flimsy postcard also bears a meter slogan showing a girl diving into the sea and includes the word CERCETASI (= Scout).

Cigarette Cards

As in the other subject areas so far covered in this 'corner', this traditional area of collecting can help document the 'two lives' of the Founder, his army career particularly after the Siege of Mafeking, and the meteoric rise of Scouting. The subject though, in purely Scouting terms, is something of an anachronism. Though Baden-Powell was a smoker in his early army career and again, in strict moderation, in his later life the founder was totally opposed to young people smoking, and he was associated with several anti-smoking organisations. In *Scouting for Boys* 1908, he warned against its dangers, and his voice contributed to sale of tobacco being made illegal to under 16's in that year. This of course chimes very well with the current health-related prohibitions placed on the habit.



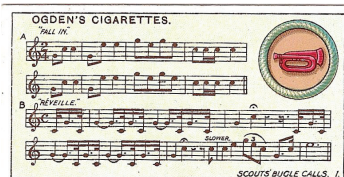
Cigarette Cards, introduced in the US in the late 1870's were widespread by the time of Siege of Mafeking 1900 and it is a fact that B-P's popularity in the form of his image on cigarette cards helped the sale of many different cigarette brands, the most common of which was probably Ogden's Guinea Gold whose 'Photographic Series' cards used the famous Elliott and Fry 'wide awake' hat portrait. This card has quite a few variations but can readily be obtained for a couple of pounds,

surely a bargain for a genuine B-P contemporary photograph! Rarer is the same company's image of B-P on horseback, and coloured hand-drawn Boer War images of B-P such as that produced by Salmon and Gluckstein in 1901. It is fortunate indeed that all cigarette cards can be purchased as single cards as well in complete sets (usually at around a third higher than price of the set divided by its number of cards - though in the case of B-P cards this 'rule' is often exceeded). The 'holy grail' for many Scout Collectors however is a one card set issued by Lambert and Butler in 1901 entitled 'Baden-Powell, King of Scouts' which I have seen advertised at £500. Predating the Scout Movement by seven years, the title of course refers to B-P's army scouting achievements. Two of the three VC's awarded during the Siege of Mafeking can be found in the Taddy's VC series, other cards depict Lady Sarah Churchill who was also besieged in Mafeking with B-P. It is also possible to find images of B-P's School (Charterhouse), its tie, the badges and uniforms of the regiments in which he served etc. Perhaps the most bizarre 'B-P'



issue was the Ogden Tab Cigarette card of 1902 which portrayed B-P's pet Maltese Terrier that won 2nd prize in the Toy Dog Show and Crystal Palace during that year.

The earliest set of Scout Cards that I have been able to encounter is that published by Copes in 1910, but in the following years at least 10 cigarette manufactures issued sets of Scout Cards. Ogdens alone had nine sets of fifty cards though it has to be said that some of these are duplicated with merely different coloured backs. I estimate that there are around 1000 different Scout and Guide related Cigarette Cards to be collected. Most of these are in complete Scouting sets, usually 50 cards per set, that can often be purchased for £60-£70. Some 'single' images of B-P show up in



sets of famous people, the most bizarre perhaps is the Ritchie portrait in 'Players' Straight Line Caricature series of 1926. With such a range of images to choose from there is almost bound to be a card to illustrate any Scouting theme – and I exploit this to the full in the many articles to be found on the Scouting Mile-

stones website. Just as an example of how bizarre you can get, Ogdens published five different cards depicting the 'sheet music' for Scout Bugle Calls.

Scout Hero Jack Cornwell VC, not surprisingly, is well depicted. My book, 'JT Cornwell VC and the Scouts Badge of Courage', illustrates nine different cards showing Jack and I am sure there must still be others.

Being something of a *proselytising* non-smoker myself I have only recently come to see the potential of collecting Scout Cigarette cards and am therefore not in any way an expert, though there are others in our club who can be described as such, including our editor Terry Simister, Chairman John Ineson and late committee member Keith Burtonshaw.

As with all other forms of collecting, condition is everything. Creased or stained cards, no matter how rare are practically worthless, and those with rounded corners - perhaps with a history of being flicked against a wall as was the want of many child born before the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, have 'space holder only' interest to avid Cartophilists (Cigarette Card Collectors). If you are not too fussy about pristine condition, 'singles' can often be found for a pound a piece (though rarely B-P images). The best guide for cigarette card collecting remains 'Cigarette Card Values' by Murray Cards whose 2007 catalogue was sold at £7.50.



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Editorial

Well, this is it - I've made a year as the Editor - and a very interesting time it has been as well! Mostly it has gone very smoothly and I am very grateful to those of you who have supported me by sending in articles. I can always do with more - especially for the "My Favourite Scout Stamp" pieces. There have been one or two problems - like letters going astray and e-mails not getting through but overall I feel that it has been a success and from the letters and e-mails that I've received I think you do too.

So now we approach 2009 and Scouting's 102nd year. I don't know about you all but here we are slowly getting a series of Scout Groups celebrating their own Centenaries, with many issuing commemorative badges but, so far, no stamps or postmarks.

I've been asked by several people about the franking mark that we sue on the Bulletin distribution. I hope that you all notice it was different this time - Guiding instead of Scouting. These franks belong to a company which trades as both "One Stop Scouting" and "One Stop Guiding" and sells items to both Movements, such as scarves (neckers), badges, camping equipment, etc. etc. So whilst it is not strictly a Scouting or Guiding meter mark it is at least strongly related.

By the time that you are reading this we will be only about 18 months away from EuroScout 2010, which as I seem to be constantly reminding you is being held in Chelmsford in the UK. The dates have been specifically chosen to coincide with those of the UK National Stamp Exhibition in the hope that this will encourage visitors to the big event to stay on a day or so longer and come to see us. For those who are not aware of it, EuroScout is a Pan-European Scout Philatelic Exhibition which is held every two years in a different European location. It has been running for several years now and recent venues have included Switzerland, Germany and Spain.

Please log the dates now as we will need plenty of help with the setting up and taking down of the exhibition frames and other paraphernalia.

Full details of the event will be published early in 2009 but it will include the exhibition itself in The Shire Hall at Chelmsford, a celebration Dinner on the Saturday evening at a local hotel and the opportunity to visit both Gilwell Park and also Hylands Park the site of the 21st World Jamboree and home to the commemorative "One World Garden".

Hotel details will be finalised shortly and this information will be included in the published details for the event. Look forward to seeing and meeting you all there.

Terry Simister

Chairman's Notes

John Ineson

During my travels earlier this year I visited the world philatelic exhibition held at Prague in the Czech Republic, which attracted an impressive 45,000 visitors over three days. I had never seen so many people looking at the exhibits which came from 61 countries, and it was difficult to get close to the frames. Only one Scout exhibit and that was by our member Benito Bugallo of Spain who also attended the show. Women and children were admitted free, while the cost to male adults was 80 czk (£2.50) per day. Travel tickets for one day cost 100czk but 330czk for three days, even the Czechs cannot work this out!. The keeper of the Royal Philatelic Collection, attended with a display including the legendary 2d blue Mauritius stamp of 1847. However, strict security measures meant that this and the other items from the Royal collection could be seen by only about 5000 visitors, who had to queue for up to four hours. On the Saturday during the show, the annual collectors fair took place with some 220 dealers selling Miner-

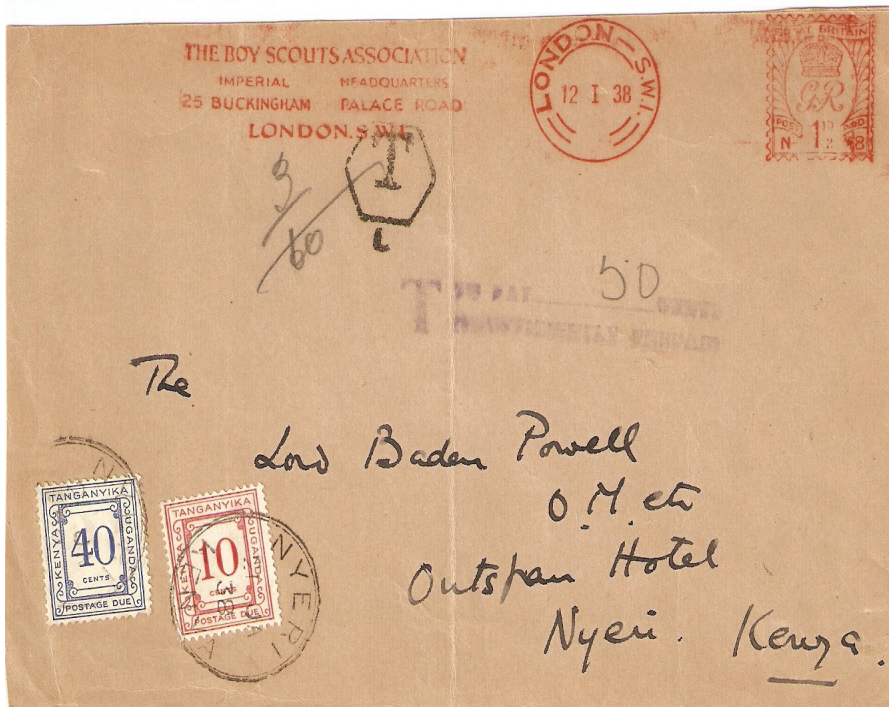


als, Coins, Telephone Cards, Banknotes, Postcards and Stamps.

I returned to Prague three weeks later to attend 18th meeting of the Czech Scout Collectors. This was very well attended with visitors numbering between 2-300 with some of our members from the U.K., Finland, Germany and Austria. Following this I visited the National Postal Museum where there was an exhibition to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the first Scout stamps and postal service run by the Scouts in 1918. However this was rather a disappointment as most of the material was modern, despite knowing that there were some real treasures in their archives including an inverted President Masaryk stamp.

Sold recently by Prestige Auctions of Australia was an exceptional example of runner mail smuggled out of Mafeking during the siege. This tiny letter sheet (folded to 52 x 62mm) to England with a Cape of Good Hope 1d stamp tied

by a light “Crocodile Pools, South Africa” cancellation was written on 19th November 1899. Travelling via the northern route, it has the Bulawayo transit back stamp and then arrived at its destination, Halifax, England on February 25th 1900. Very few runner mail items are known from the earlier days of the siege and as the Mafeking overprint stamps were not issued until March 1900, this mail was underpaid and the letter shows the large “T” tax mark and the postage due of 5d. The message reads “We are both well and in good health. Mafeking is



still flying the Union Jack”. Estimated at Australian \$500, it made \$2700 (£1345, €1546, US\$ 1875 at mid November rates)

I have recently purchased the front of a package sent from the Boy Scout Association in London and addressed to Lord Baden-Powell, Outspan Hotel, Nyeri, Kenya. Posted on 12th January 1938, it was underpaid by 5 pence and so bears 50 cents Postage Due labels of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika (as it was then known). When it arrived. Lady Baden-Powell wrote to Eileen Wade, her Secretary in England “Thanks so much for sending ‘Mudley’. It came in this and though I don’t mind a bit about paying the 5d for under stamping, ought the office stampers [sic] be advised to weigh letters for Africa!! It is 1d per half ounce isn’t it!”

COMMITTEE PROFILE – Melvyn Gallagher –
Vice Chairman and Junior Section

The Collector Badge was the first that I gained in the 2nd Upminster Cub Pack, moving on to the 1st Upminster Scout Troop where, as a P.L. I led a Patrol to the 1967 Greater London North East Diamond Jubilee Camp to Germany. It rained and rained and the insanitary toilet arrangements led to most of the campers becoming ill. The survivors, including me, enjoyed the arrival of the German army relief column that handed out American tinned army k rations that contained all sorts of treats, including cigarettes.

My Group later celebrated their 50th, our H.Q. Hosting a visit from the Chief Scout, Charles Maclean. I had supervised the building of a huge pioneering project - a very tall multi-stage tower like those used to besiege castles, that promptly collapsed when the great man was safely indoors and, after being hauled upright again, stayed erect long enough to get his approval.

Now attending the, then, Coopers' Company Grammar School in Bow it boasted a huge and thriving Scout Group that I soon joined to enjoy two week green field summer camps in Devon and trips to Luxembourg, scrumpy and schnapps, happy days! My Group was the 11th Stepney and the name changed to the ungainly 22nd Tower Hamlets (West). I don't recall any Groups from other points of the compass. We were famed throughout the East End of London for our unique brand of "Gang Show" that we called the "Coopers" Capers and which ran from the 1950s to packed houses and rave revues in the Press. Many, before my time, praised a young star - one Bernard Bresslaw - who went on to star in Carry On films and more serious London Theatre. The songs, lyrics and comic sketches were mostly written by our Group's founder, Don Sutherland, known to us all as "Pug", who had taught music at the school and went on to become Deputy Camp Chief at Gilwell. He never forgave Ralph Reader who he said plagiarised much of his material. My roles included some wearing female attire (the photographs are all safely under lock and key!). During the summer the Group has a standing camp at Gilwell on our own unique private site called the "Lazy B Ranch" - no guessing what the B stood for! Fenced off and situated behind the swimming pool it was our reward for helping to restore Gilwell after the War. Sadly it later became unusable when a new pump house was built and it became largely waterlogged.

Collecting stamps, as well as many other things, and my interest in art and antiques was fostered at school by my Art Master, but after A Level there was, back then, no suitable University course to cater for my interests that were in the museum or auction worlds. Accepting a position as a trainee with a small with a small, old established, London auction house in Kensington which was taken over by Christies in 1975.

Now an A.S.L with my Group, the school became co-ed and moved to Upminster in leafy Essex so the Group became the 3rd Cranham. My work in the world of auctions helped me to add to my stamp collection that was now a thematic Scout based one and a dealer informed me of our Club which I joined and by 1981 I had been coerced to join the Committee and my arms still bear the scars to this day.

My career at Christies had to be balance with my Scouting, difficult at times as my work included much travelling, both at home and abroad. My academic life started afresh rather late in life as an external student at Reading studying for the exams of my professional body the Incorporated Society of Valuers & Auctioneers. Becoming a Fellow and serving as Chairman of their Fine Arts Committee as well as setting and marking exam papers and developing the B.A. Fine Art Valuation course at Southampton and serving as an external examiner there. My professional body was later absorbed by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors - so I am now a Chartered Fine Arts & Antiques Surveyor.

I ended up heading the Valuations Department at Christies in Kensington as a Director and appeared as an "Expert" on the B.B.C's Antiques Roadshow. As well as writing for books and magazines. I parted company with Christies in 2002 as part of a large cull and now work as an independent consultant.

The founder of my Scout Group had died in 1985 and nobody could replace him; after much infighting the role became mine in order to keep the Group running and it has to this day, with my role now as Scouter-in-Charge.

I have other strange hobbies too, including the study of Artillery, being a founder ,member of the Ordnance Society; I help to run a local clay shooting club and am a long standing uniformed member of the British red Cross, being the proud holder of their highest award - the Badge of Honour. My local Scouts benefit from these other activities through shooting contests and first aid courses.

It becomes more difficult to encourage the youth of today to collect stamps with so many other diversions and activities available to them, entered around computers and mobile phones - but I am an old cynic. At best it has now become and transient hobby for those of Cub age, but I keep trying!

(Photo shows Melvyn at Essex Jamboree playing at being Stephen Smith)



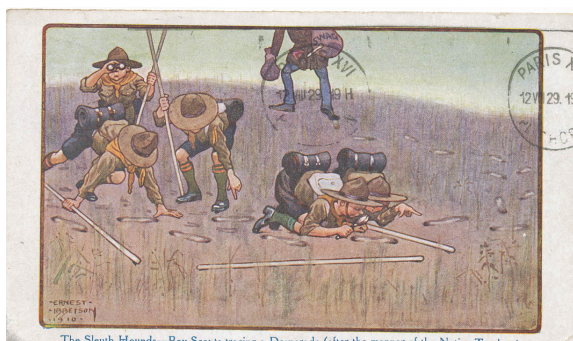
Ernest Ibbetson

1910

Ernest Ibbetson, was a British painter and book illustrator, especially known for his illustrations of British Army uniforms.

He was one of the first to produce witty, coloured pictures on postcards, showing Scout life in the country.

The issue of this card series in 1910, series no 970 by Faulkner & Co. Ltd., London, surely enhanced the imagination of boys worldwide, and supported greatly the development and rapid growth of the Scout movement



The Sleuth Hounds—Boy Scouts tracing a Deserter (after the manner of the Native Troopers)



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	MINT	USED
GAM85 GAMBIA 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	2.50	2.50
GAM85S GAMBIA 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl guides MS	3.00	3.00
TOG85S TOGO 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides overprints on 2 x Horse Racing MS	6.00	-
BAN85 BANGLADESH 1985 3 rd National Jamboree overprint (1)	1.00	-
BAN85A BANGLADESH 1985 3 rd National Jamboree DOUBLE overprint (1)	8.00	-
BAN85B BANGLADESH 1985 3 rd National Jamboree DOUBLE overprint INVERTED	8.00	-
DHU85 DHUFAR 1985 75 th Anny of G.Guides black o/p on Q M Birthday issue Block 4+MS	0.80	-
DHU85R DHUFAR 1985 as above with RED overprint Block of 4 + 2 x MS	1.00	-
ERT85 ERITREA 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides - as above Block of 4 + 2 x MS	1.00	-
ERT85R ERITREA 1985 as above with RED overprint Block of 4 + 2 x MS	1.20	-
NAG85 NAGALAND 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides – as above Block of 4 + 2 x MS	1.00	-
NAG85R NAGALAND 1985 as above with RED overprint Block of 4 + 2 x MS	1.20	-
OMN85 STATE OF OMAN 1985 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides Block of 4 Imperf + MS	0.80	-
OMN85R STATE OF OMAN 1976 as above with RED overprint Blocok of 4 (perf) + 2 x MS	1.20	-
STL86S St.LUCIA 1986 Honouring Scouting MS with plain background	3.00	2.50
STL86SA St.LUCIA 1986 Honouring Scouting MS with background of birds	4.00	-
STL86G St.LUCIA 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS with plain background	4.00	3.50
STL86GA St.LUCIA 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS with background of flowers	5.00	-
STV86S St.VINCENT 1986 Honouring Scouting MS with plain background	4.00	3.50
STV86SA St.VINCENT 1986 Honouring Scouting MS background of animals	5.00	-
STV86G St.VINCENT 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS with plain background	3.50	3.00
STV86GA St.VINCENT 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS with background of fungi	4.50	-
STV86SS St.VINCENT Honouring Scouting MS (STV86SA) with SPECIMEN overprint	7.50	-
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BRB86 BARBUDA 1986 75 th Anny of Girl Guides overprint on Antigua & Barbuda(1985) (4)	-	4.50
BRB86S BARBUDA 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides overprint MS	3.50	3.50
PAR86 PARAGUAY 1986 Fungi issue with Scout badges (6)	-	0.45
MON86 MONTSERRAT 1986 50 th Anniversary of Girl Guides (8)	2.25	2.00
MON86S MONTSERRAT 1986 50 th Anniversary of Girl Guides (8) with SPECIMEN overprint	7.50	-
BOL86S BOLIVIA 1986 XVI JAMBOREE MUNDIAL overprint on 1985 MS	10.00	-
KIR86 KIRIBATI 1986 60 th Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II (5 – one Guide stamp)	1.60	-
KIR86G KIRIBATI 1986 Guide stamp only (1)	0.15	-
KIR86C KIRIBATI 1986 Guide stamp on Presentation card	0.50	-
DOM86 DOMINICA 1986 AMERIPEX Exhibition (4 – one with Donald Duck in Scout uniform)	4.00	-
MAV86 MALDIVES 1986 60 TH Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II (1 Girl Guide stamp)	0.25	-
MAV86C MALDIVES 1986 above stamp on presentation card	0.55	-
IND86 INDONESIA 1986 National Jamboree (3)	1.60	-
TRD86 TRINIDAD & TOBAGO 1986 75 th Anniversary of Scouting (2)	1.75	1.50
BHU86 BHUTAN 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides overprints (4)	3.00	3.00
BHU86S BHUTAN 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides MS	2.00	2.00
OMA86 OMAN 1986 17 th Arab Scout Camp (2)	1.00	0.80

THL86 THAILAND 1986 75 th Anniversary of Scouting (4)	0.50	-
MAR86 MARSHALL ISLANDS 1986 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides block of 4	1.50	1.30
USA87 U.S.A. 1987 75 th Anniversary of Girl Scouts (1)	0.25	0.18
MAV87 MALDIVES 1987 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides (4)	-	2.50
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ANT87 ANTIGUA & BARBUDA 1987 16 th World Jamboree (4)	2.50	2.25
ANT87S ANTIGUA 7 BARBUDA 1987 16 th World Jamboree MS	2.00	1.75
ZIM87 ZIMBABWE 1987 75 th Anniversary of Girl Guides (3 only – 23c missing)	-	0.75
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GS-POL "Scouts & Guides in the Polish Underground" book by Gottfried Steinmann	12.00	
FIN63 FINLAND 1963 Scouts Winter Camp Jyvaskyla PMK on cachet cover	0.60	
FIN69 FINLAND 1969 22 nd World Scout Conference Helsinki PMK on cachet cover	0.60	
FIN65 FINLAND 1965 Scout Union of Finland Camp Hakkis Sauvo PMK on cachet cover	0.60	

My Favourite Scout Stamp

by Wilfred (Wilf) J. Lewis

It is the Great Britain 1957, 1st August, 2 ½ d carmine-red, S.G. 557, for the World Scout Jubilee Jamboree. This stamp was designed by Mary Adshed, with the St. Edward's Crown Watermark 165.



The complete 1957 set with its face value of 1s 9 1/2d which equates to £0.10 (10p) in current money.

I remember my favourite stamp for two reasons:-

The first was when I was 10 years and 10 months old and had been collecting stamps for a few years before. I attended the school stamp club where I had started to build the beginnings of my stamp collection. But, back to my favourite stamp - my friend, who was also a stamp collector, had an older sister who worked in the local Post Office and he had mentioned this Scout stamp to me. I was a Wolf Cub at the time and I went to buy this 2 ½ d Scout stamp only to find that it was one of a set of three costing a total of 1s 9 ½ d. My pocket money at the time was 1s 6d.

The second reason for it being my favourite stamp is because it is a scout Jamboree celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Scouting. The Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield was attended by thousands of Cubs and my pack, the 1st East Ham, was one of the. After 50 years I still remember the Jamboree and I am now with my own Cub Scout Pack, the 1st Whitehead.

I did work at the 21st World Jamboree for three weeks and there I met Terry Simister for the first time.

Future meetings and Venues

Just a reminder of forthcoming Club Meetings to be held in the UK:-

1. Rooms have been booked at Philatex for Club meetings as follows:

2009

28th February starting at 15.00pm to 17.00pm

7th November starting at 10.30am to 12.30pm

2010

27th February starting at 10.30am to 12.30pm - Room 31

6th May starting at 10.30am to 12.30pm - Room 23

6th November starting at 12.45pm to 14.45pm - Room 23

These meetings to be open to Club members with any Committee business being discussed as necessary.

2. A Committee meeting will be held on 25th April, 2009 at the North Richmond Scout HQ.

3. The June 2009 Committee Meeting and the 2009 AGM will both be held on 20th June at the Headquarters Training Ship, the Lord Amory, at the Docklands Scout Project in London.

FUTURE COPY DATES

January 11th, March 15th and May 17th.

Please send copy, including photos, electronically - where possible.

PLEASE NOTE

We will be changing the name and password of part of our web site from 1st January. This is to protect names and addresses of our members, and from this date until next year you will need to enter:-

User name: **jamboree** and Password: **birkenhead** (no capitals)



NOTE THE DATES NOW 14TH TO 16TH MAY, 2010
IN THE SHIRE HALL CHELMSFORD, ESSEX, UK.

SCOUT POSTAL FRANCHISE IN GREECE.

From SCOUT STAMPS AND POSTMARKS OF GREECE compiled by Reg Morris as a Scout Stamps Collectors Handbook in 1965.

In 1950 and by Royal Decree, the Greek Scout National Headquarters in Athens were granted the facility of free inland postage up to a maximum of 100 letters per month. Such letters required, in lieu of postage, the application of the official seal of the Headquarters. Overseas mail and mail in excess of the monthly quota attract normal postage rates.

However, short memories coupled with a benevolent attitude towards the Scout Movement have resulted in an increasing acceptance that all internal official Scout mail enjoys delivery free of postal charge. And “all” includes mail from Regional Commissioners as well as National Headquarters, provided that such letters bear the Scout official seal. This is invariably applied to the front of the letter in violet.

Thus an interesting exercise is to acquire a specimen of each of the five possibilities.

- (a) Overseas Mail from National Headquarters with normal postage.
- (b) Inland Mail from National Headquarters, exempt from postage.
- (c) Inland Mail from National Headquarters not exempt (posted towards the end of the month).
- (d) Inland Mail from a Regional Commissioner exempt from postage.
- (e) - ditto – but subsequently taxed by the postal authorities.

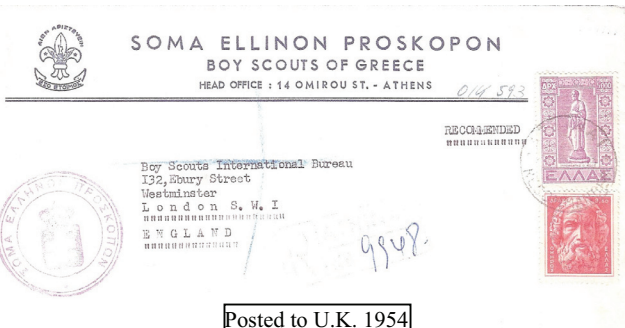
Further notes from Peter Duck.

Many of the earlier envelopes from Greek Boy Scout offices and Commissioners, also from Girl Guides, carry handstamps on the front. Most of those known to me have the postage stamps affixed to the reverse, which seems to be the norm for inland Greek letters of the pre-war period.

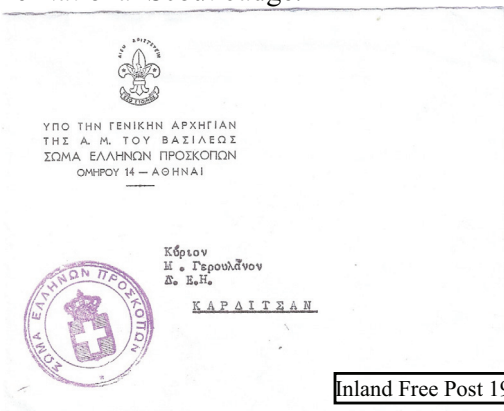
The earliest envelope in my collection with free internal postage is from 1957, but one cover from 1954 has the stamps affixed to the reverse – dated 27.11.54, they were being honest! Two envelopes I have which were sent to U.K. both carry the official seal and stamps on the front.

Many envelopes are known from various local Scout Commissioners using their official seals only in the 1960's. Some of them have tax marks, but no outstanding postage seems to have been collected. As all are addressed to National Scout Headquarters in Athens, no doubt this was overlooked. The Commissioners from the following areas seem to have made full use of the facility: Amalias (Pelopennese), Chalkis, Chios (two different types, one taxed), Karditsa, Kastoria (Macedonia), Karpenission, Lefkas (Ionian Islands), Mytilini (Lesvos), Pyrgos (Pelopennese), Naousa (Macedonia), Rethymnion, Polygyros, Serrai, Stavroupolis, Trikala and Volos (Thessaly).

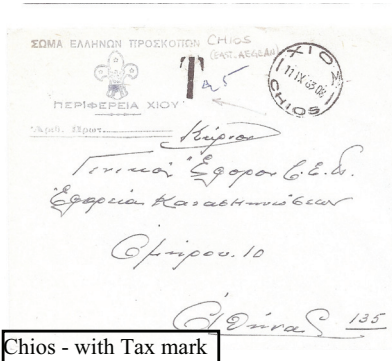
Greece became a Republic in 1973 and this can be noted by the removal of the Royal Crown from the official seal used on mail. Letters from the 1980's show two types of handstamps, one includes a shield within a wreath, the other with the eagle from the National Scout badge.



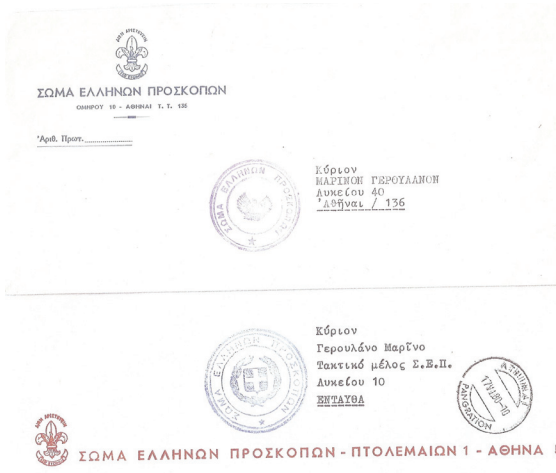
Posted to U.K. 1954



Inland Free Post 1959



Chios - with Tax mark



Top 1990s - Below 1980



ABOVE
Top Pyrgos, Bottom Amalias
Both Commissioners

The 31 exhibits on show at EuroScout came from 11 different countries, mostly from European collectors, but also from U.S.A. and India. During the weekend of 25 – 27 July at least 14 nations were represented, including one visitor from Argentina.

The exhibition was held in connection with the Swiss National Camp CONTURA08, the Headquarters of which was in the village of Benken, although the Scouts were spread out in eight sub-camps in the locality.

Postmarks were used at the EUROSCOUT Exhibition and CONTURA Camp, both of which included the location of 8717 BENKEN SG. (St.Gallen).

The 31 frames of displays together with 5 frames of Scout philatelic literature were housed in the Restaurant Rossli (very convenient in the hot weather!). 20 other frames, which included Swiss Scouting history as well as World Scouting, were mounted in the Municipal Hall which was opposite. This exhibition was on show throughout the CONTURA08 Camp.

It is difficult to pick out the highlights of the EuroScout exhibition, there were so many fantastic items on show. Some were presented as thematic displays, others showed items from a few countries. Here is a list of exhibitors with the titles of their displays:

Philippe van Hille (Belgium) Scout & Guide postmarks of France 1938-1998.

Mateo Diaz Pablo Jesus (Spain) Education System of Cub Scouts.

Alberto Vezzalini (Italy) Italian Scout postmarks 1952-1972.

Peter Duck (G.B.) Boy Scouts celebrate 50 years of Scouting 1907-1957.

Pan de Alfaró Estanislao (Spain) One World, One Promise.

Maurizio Cavalli (Italy) "Saluti dal Jamboree".

Gerhard Winter (Austria) B-P.

Werner Kradolfer (Switzerland) Worldwide and Swiss Scouting.

Randall Frank (U.S.A.) 1967 World Jamboree Postal Card.

Giovanni Cucchiani (Italy) The Siege of Mafeking.

Horst Ziegler (Austria) Austrian Scout Philately.

Walter Grob-Sigríst (Switzerland – In Memoriam) The Scout "Wild Tiger" stamps of Siam. Also Scout Rocket Posts 1937-1975.

Gottfried Steinmann (Germany) 21st World Jamboree. Also "Scout Postmen".

Adri Saltzherr (Netherlands) Saint George, Knight and Saint.

Alessandro Pierotti (Italy) Scouting in Romania.

Andrea Donati (Italy) EuroScout.1996-2006.

Josef Peter (Germany) Scouting – an idea in the World. Also Scouting in Germany.

Scout Archive of Austria – Scouting Work. Also “The Idea of Scouting”.
Helmuth Fritsch (Germany) “Scouting is....”
Benito Gonzales Bugallo (Spain) Saint George a living legend.
Josef Harold (Austria) Scouting Activities.
Steinar Halvorsen (Sweden) The World Brotherhood of Scouting.
Jan Cosyns (Belgium) Siam, China, India + Rocket Mail.
Julian Rodriguez Fernandez (Spain) Once a Scout, Always a Scout.
Hubert Schnabl (Austria) International Scout Work.
Suresh Rao G.N. (India) World Scout Movement.
Luis Martinez de Salinas (Spain) Scouting.
Wilhelm-Otto Neuback (Austria) Scout Philately of Japan.

Highlights of the weekend included the opening ceremony on Friday evening when we were welcomed by Werner Kradolfer, President of the Swiss Scout Philatelists Club, Horst Ziegler, President of IFSCO and other dignitaries. The speeches, mostly in German, were followed by a reception with aperitif.

On Saturday morning the biennial meeting of IFSCO delegates was held. The President, Horst Ziegler of Austria gave a resume of the previous two years` activities, one of the main points of which was everybody`s disappointment with Royal Mail in not providing a service at the 21st World Jamboree 2007 in Chelmsford.

It was then time to elect a new President, and the unanimous choice was Randall Frank of U.S.A., with Luis Martinez Salinas of Spain as his Deputy. Hallvard Slettebo of Norway was elected as Secretary.

Saturday concluded with a festive dinner at a nearby lakeside hotel.

The exhibition closed at 3.30 pm on Sunday and everybody dismounted and took away their displays.

A wonderful and inspiring weekend.

PJD

(A selection of photos from EuroScout 2008 were included on the back cover of the previous issue of the Bulletin)

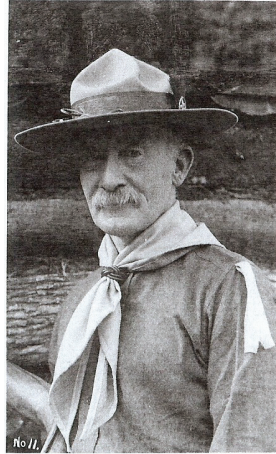
We have received the dates for **ThematiX 2009** ~ The National thematic stamp fair, to be held at The Harlequins Rugby Ground, Twickenham, West London on the last weekend in June - **Friday 26th and Saturday 27th June 2009**

The organisers will be releasing adverts to the Philatelic press for the new year editions but thought that you might like to be amongst the first to have the dates.

A further selection of B-P Images



ROUND THE CAMP FIRE—GENERAL BADEN-POWELL TELLS A SCOUT YARN. AUGUST 1904



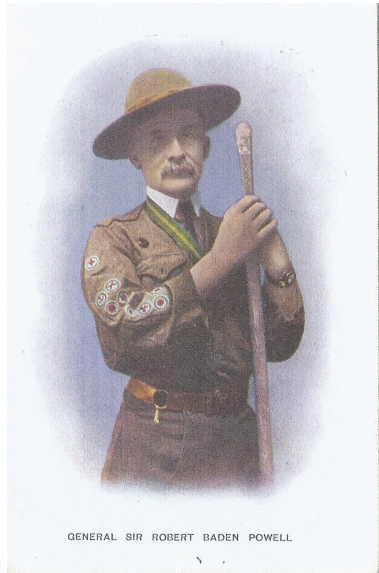
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Major-General R. S. S. Baden Powell presenting S. African Medals on Cavalry Parade.



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GENERAL SIR ROBERT BADEN POWELL.



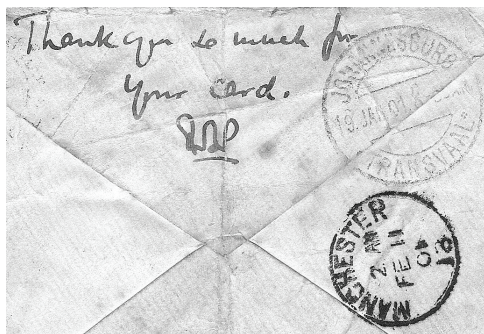
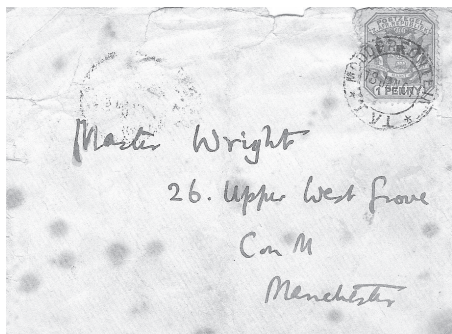
Letters.

Amazing as it may seem to some dedicated philatelists, it is a fact that the contents of their valuable covers are often historically more significant than the envelopes themselves.

The Siege of Mafeking occasioned what many people regard as the first Scout Stamps. Baden-Powell wrote in 'Camp Fire yarn No.1', that the Mafeking Cadets were his first Boy Scouts. Cadet Sergeant Major Warner Goodyear was the subject of the Mafeking blue 'cyclist' stamp. There were also two different sized stamps depicting the head of Baden-Powell. These stamps along with the 'Mafeking Besieged' overprints appear on 'covers' that were run through the Boer Lines, sometimes called 'Kaffir Mail' and these can be worth several thousand pounds. Of greater value to historians however are the actual letters sent out from the town describing the conditions the besieged had to endure. A letter in my collection from B-P's gunnery Office, Major Panzera, sent home to his family during the Siege, describes how the 'home-made' gun (The Wolf - named after B-P) and the ammunition for it, were made in the railway workshops and how an old naval cannon with the initials 'B P' cast into its barrel, found on a farm, was mounted on a new carriage. It was extremely useful, having the longest range of any of the British Weapons*.

Shortly after the Siege, Baden-Powell was invited to form a new regiment, the South Africa Constabulary, to stabilise the lands recently taken over from the Boers. Because of his fame as the 'Hero of Mafeking', he had thousands of applicants including many from under-aged boys.

I have a letter posted from Moddersfontein on January 18th, 1901 –with B-P's



initials on the reverse of the envelope. B-P advised Master Wright that at the

moment he was not old enough to join him but, "... *you must do your best to grow up quickly and become a man.*" Was this the first time B-P ever used this phrase to a boy? Master Wright is told to be "*strong, truthful and obedient*", virtues B-P was later to write about in the Wolf Cubs' Handbook.

On his return to England in 1901, Queen Victoria had died but the new King, Edward VII, had yet to be crowned. Baden-Powell was summoned to the royal residence of Balmoral where he wrote to his favourite aunt, Lady Flower on October 12th 1901, on stationary provided in his room, which, because the Court was still in mourning, was edged in black.

B-P thanked his aunt for sending him tickets to the zoo,

"Unfortunately I am acting as a zoo myself tomorrow to be stared at and patted, However it is not as bad as I feared, eels get used to being skinned and so must I."

The Founder then breaks off from his letter writing with a couple of // oblique lines and returns to write;

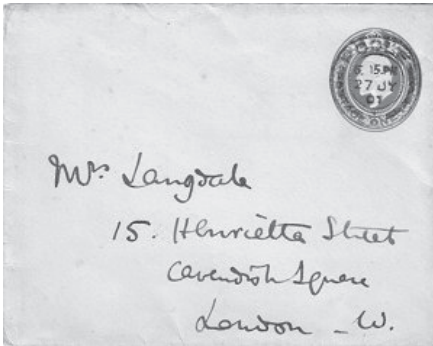
"I broke off this letter to go and see the King, and had a cosy chat with him and the Queen, received my C.B. (Companion of the Order of the Bath) and my medal (Queens South Africa) from his hands...."

B-P signed the letter, Stephenson Baden-Powell, a rare signature used only in his family circle where he was familiarly called 'Stephe' (pronounced Stevie). The Founder was named after Robert Stephenson after, his famous Godfather engineer.

Finally, no-one could under-estimate the significance of three letters sent out from Brownsea Island by Baden-Powell in 1907, that are now in the collections of two of our members, John Ineson and Melvyn Gallagher. Despite the often stated fact that the Brownsea Camp was 'experimental' and the boys were clearly not Scouts, two of those letters have a letter-heading proclaiming "Scouts' Camp, Brownsea Island" with a green fleur-de-lys. The first ever used in connection with Scouting.



SCOUTS CAMP,
BROWNSEA ISLAND,
POOLE.



B-P wrote to Mrs Langdale, on 26th July 27th July, 1907, “Now I am down here preparing my Boy’s Camp, It is just the perfect place for it”

Again on August 9th,

“I am just breaking up camp here – I am in a tearing hurry – The camp has been a great success but hardish work.”

There are many other B-P letters that have much to say about our history and are of enduring interest. They are all of course ‘one offs’, yet they do come onto the market. Those featured in this article belong to club members, purchased at auction, some even on eBay! Surprisingly perhaps, a Baden-Powell letter need not

The Camp has been a
great success - but hardish
work
Am sorry - Forgive
best regards
Yours
B Baden Powell

be out of the price range of most collectors, some in my collection have been purchases at under £100. I would encourage Scout Philatelists, to remember B-P’s immortal words, “Look Wide, and when you have done that Look Wider” and consider the letter as well as the envelope!

*The author has written several books on Mafeking including ‘Mafeking Artillery’ and the ‘The Mafeking Siege Register’, judged by Mafeking philatelist Frederick Lawrence, as a ‘must have book’, and also the very recently published bound volume with commentary of ‘The Mafeking Siege Slips’.

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Whichever way you say it - it means the same. So at this very special time of year can I hope that we can all pray to our own Gods that we will find a way to Peace on Earth and Goodwill to all Men.

And to all of you who are - or were Scouts and Guides - please remember your Promise and your Law. If we could get all the World to live by these rules it would be a far better place for everybody.

