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MEETINGS AND EVENTS :

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| Sept | 1st | <p>AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.
 MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
 Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.
 ONE SHEET COMPETITION "RECESS"
 All lots for Auction to be in by 7.30</p> |
| Sept | 17th | <p>AUCTION DISPLAY AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.
 MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
 Meeting begins at 7.45 pm sharp.
 MR BILL FALCONER WILL DISPLAY "GERMANY" & MRS PENNY WELLS WILL DISPLAY "NEW ZEALAND".</p> |
| Sept | 22nd | <p>VISIT BY OTHER CLUBS
 AUCTION BRING A DISPLAY CIRCUIT SHTS
 All Visitors from other Clubs and Societies invited to bring up to 10 Auction Lots and 10 sheets for Display. Supper will be Served
 Auction begins at 7.45pm Sharp
 All lots for Auction to be in by 7.30
 Don't forget that the 20 lots advertised in the June "Stamp Hinges" will be included in the Auction on this evening.</p> |
| October | 6th | <p>AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.
 MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
 Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.
 ONE SHEET COMPETITION " WOMEN "</p> |
| October | 13th | <p>INTER-CLUB CIRCUIT SHEET NIGHT
 MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
 All welcome to an extravaganza of Circuit Sheets from all participating societies and the W.A.P.C.
 Eyes down at 7.45 pm sharp.</p> |
| October | 20th | <p>AUCTION DISPLAY AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.
 MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth</p> |

Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
Meeting begins at 7.45 pm sharp.
THE PRESIDENTS DISPLAY NIGHT
NOMINATIONS OF OFFICE BEARERS 1988

November 3rd AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.
Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.
ONE SHEET COMPETITION 'TRANSPORT

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OF EXCHANGE BOOKS AND PHILATELY

During the study of a recent stamp exchange book I noticed a CTO example of the Two Pence stamp of the Territory of New Guinea 1932 Bird of Paradise issue which was postmarked NAMATANAI NEW GUINEA 27 MAR 40. The item caused me to wonder who in early 1940, at that off beaten track station, would want a CTO copy of the common value of a by then eight years old definitive issue.

Namatanai, on the lower south-east coast of New Ireland, was the Sub-district headquarters station of the Namatanai Sub-district which comprised the southern portion of the Administrative District (now Province) of New Ireland - a District which occupied the northeastern sector of the (then) Australian Mandated Territory of New Guinea. The Province is a varied and interesting maritime area. Namatanai Sub-district today comprises the parliamentary electorate of Sir Julius Chan the recently appointed deputy prime minister of the newly elected Papua New Guinea Government of Mr Paias Wingti. In 1940 however, Namatanai station was a place where external visitors were few and the tourist trade nil.

Members will recall that the outstanding Cup-pex '87 display "Airmails of Papua New Guinea 1926-40" by "Stampom", included unique covers from early 1930's New Guinea mainland flights originated by or addressed to H E Woodman.

The late H E Woodman was an Australian who served with distinction with the First AIF in France during the Great War, and later became a member of the administrative field service of the Territory of New Guinea, in which capacity he was stationed in various Districts. He eventually retired as District Commissioner of the Madang District (now Province) on the north coast of Papua New Guinea. He was also a keen resident philatelist - a rare circumstance in the New Guinea early days.

Research indicates that at the relevant date Mr Woodman was the Assistant District Officer in charge of Namatanai Sub-district and accordingly it would almost certainly have been he who obtained the CTO stamp for his philatelic purposes.

This time-worn stamp's ownership and philatelic travels from that time until its appearance in our Society's stamp exchange book almost half a century later, would make an interesting story if only it could be unravelled.

Ed.

Thanks go to Mr J P White for this interesting story about the Two Pence New Guinea stamp which was only one "ordinary" item to most people in our Circuit Books but like all stamps and philately enjoyment of the hobby is the reason why we participate.

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THE HOOKER SHIELD 1987

Entries for the 1987 Hooker Shield Competition closes Tuesday 1st December 1987. For the benefit of members wishing to participate the rules are reprinted below:

All members of the Society are eligible including past winners (but not past winning entries) - are invited to submit entries. A range of 12 -15 sheets per entry, with no more than one sheet to be used entirely for descriptive words.

Certificates will be awarded to winners of sections. Overall best entry will receive the HOOKER SHIELD. The judging panel to consist of three judges.

SECTIONS:

1. AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH AND STATES
2. REST OF THE WORLD
3. POSTAL HISTORY
4. THEMATICS

The monetary value of the stamps will not be taken into account. The Judges decision will be final.

JUDGING WILL BE BASED ON :

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| 1. PRESENTATION | Neatness, arrangement,
mounting and write up | 25 marks |
| 2. PHILATELIC KNOWLEDGE | This encompasses finding
information that lies beyond
the basic catalogue | 25 marks |
| 3. ORIGINAL RESEARCH | | 10 marks |
| 4. CONDITION | Appearance based on
availability | 15 marks |
| 5. COMPLETENESS | | 10 marks |
| 6. APPEAL | This is the "appeal" that
the judges "feel" that the
entry would have to the
average/collector viewer | 15 marks |

All this makes a total of a possible 100 points.

THE 1987 NOVICE TROPHY

All members of the society irrespective of age will be eligible to enter EXCEPT those who have won Society awards. Members who entered the NOVICE level at WAPEX 84

exhibition and did not receive an award of silver or above are eligible to enter as well. This award was introduced to hopefully provide a stepping point towards future entry into the HOOKER SHIELD. Unsuccessful competitions in previous Novice Trophy competitions can re-enter but not with the same entry. For those members eligible and wishing to enter the rules are reprinted below:

A range of 10-12 sheets per entry with no more than one sheet to be used entirely for descriptive words. Monetary value of the stamps will not be taken into account. The judges decision will be final and the judge will award the points on the following basis:

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| 1. | PRESENTATION | Neatness, arrangement and condition of material | 40 marks |
| 2. | THEME | and its development | 20 marks |
| 3. | KNOWLEDGE | and research (write up, information, etc.) | 40 marks |

ENTRIES CLOSE WITH THE JUDGE TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 1987

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VISIT BY OTHER CLUBS

On Tuesday 22nd September (4th Tuesday) a meeting will be held which requires your support. You are urged to attend and bring with you a plate, up to 10 Auction Lots and 10 sheets of a display. As all clubs have been invited to bring auction lots and sheets for display all members are urged to do the same to make it an interesting evening. Supper will be served before circuit sheets and immediately after the display so please come along and enjoy the evening. Auction lots to be in by 7.30 pm sharp please.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Sir,

I would like to congratulate Gordon Darge for his excellent article in The West Australian of 8th August. In my opinion, it is the best "protest" I have read concerning the deluge of "pretty Pictures" which emanate from around the world and I agree that they are philatelically sterile. The thematic collector may have some interest in amassing such coloured trifles but I would hesitate to classify him or her as a philatelist, who according to the dictionary, studies stamps. There's nothing to study!

The newsagents and supermarts all sell cheap packets of modern issues - mostly pre-cancelled - and unfortunately a

a lot of this rubbish is finding its way into circuit books. There's nothing that can be done about it but it's a pity that the otherwise excellent books are being downgraded in some instances. The Exchange Secretary has to accept what he receives and does a first class job.

Yours sincerely,

Dick Samek

I agree with most of what Mr Samek says about the pretty pictures and the amount of cheap modern issues that are finding their way into the circuit books. If you have a surplus of stamps other than these types of issues and would like to sell them to other members why not become a contributing member to the circuit. Contact the Exchange Secretary for the required forms and details if you are not sure of what to do.

Ed.

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NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE BEARERS 1988

On the back page of all Stamp Hinges is published a list of all the executive officers of this Society.

All the positions of the elected officers become vacant on the 17th November at the Annual General Meeting. Nominations however close with the Secretary on Tuesday 20th October 1987.

Therefore if you wish to nominate someone for the 1987 period of office please attend the October meeting or make prior arrangements with the Secretary. Remember that the President has served 3 years in that role and under the constitution is not eligible for that position in 1988. Also it is after all your society and this is your chance to have a say in the direction that the Society is going.

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BARNES RESEARCH TROPY

Entries for the Barnes Research Trophy close with committeeman Mr E (Ted) Barnes on Tuesday 20th October, 1987.

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