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# MEETINGS AND EVENTS :

- May 3rd AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.  
QUIZ NIGHT
- May 17th AUCTION CIRCUIT SHEETS AND DISPLAY  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Meeting begins at 7.45 pm sharp.  
MR BRUCE HAYNES WILL DISPLAY  
" CEYLON PENCE ".
- May 21st STAMP MART 88  
VENUE : The Venville Recreation Centre  
Eighth Avenue MAYLANDS  
Doors open at 10am and Close at 4.30pm  
Two Monster Auctions and 11am & 2pm,  
Raffle, Dealers Stalls, Displays.  
Admission Free. Don't Miss It.
- May 24th GEORGE V PENNY RED NIGHT  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Meeting begins at 7.45 pm sharp.  
Bring along any Penny Reds for analysis  
or bring your knowledge to share with  
this interesting area of philately
- June 7th AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS.  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.  
FIVE SHEET COMPETITION ANY SUBJECT.
- June 21st AUCTION CIRCUIT SHEETS AND DISPLAY  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Meeting begins at 7.45 pm sharp.  
MR KEN BURLEY WILL DISPLAY  
"W A SURFACE PRINTED STAMPS"

- June 28th JUNIOR COMPETITION - FIVE SHEETS  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Juniors bring along a display of five  
sheets of your favourite stamps. Entries  
will be judged by members according to  
age group etc. Supper will be provided  
as well as Circuit Sheets after supper.  
Eyes down at 7.30 pm sharp.
- July 5th AUCTION AND CIRCUIT SHEETS  
MEETING PLACE : Royal Commonwealth  
Society, 183 Roberts Road, Subiaco.  
Auction begins at 7.45 pm sharp.

#### STAMP MART 1988 21ST MAY VENVILLE RECREATION CENTRE

Unlike in previous years where it was possible to set up the tables and stalls etc. the Friday night before the Stamp Mart this year we have the hall only from 6am to 6pm. This means that helpers are required at 6am to help set up the stalls and at 4.30pm to again take them down again and cleanup before 6pm. Help is also required to set up and dismantle the Display Frames at approximately the same time. Help will also be required to run the Auction. This includes displaying and guarding the Auction Lots before the Auction, pencilling during the Auction and accepting money for the sold lots after the Auction.

Remember that without your help Stamp Mart 88 may not be a success, and it is run not only for you, our members but for philately and all stamp collectors throughout the state of Western Australia. So please help if you can in any way that you can.

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#### WA PHILATELIC COUNCIL ANNUAL INTERCLUB PHILATELIC QUIZ

The Annual Western Australian Philatelic Council Quiz as held this year at Pelican Point in the Sea Scout Buildings on Sunday 1st May Commencing at 10am. This year the society managed to win with its one and only team after a daylong struggle. Thanks go to the team of Brian WHITTAKER, Penny

WELLS, Trevor LACY and Ross WOOD. Congratulations must go to Kalamunda who finished second and the Postmark Club who won the Per Capita Trophy (Less than 20 members). The complete results are listed below:

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF WA	130 1/2
KALAMUNDA	122 1/2
STIRLING NUMBER 1	121
WA STUDY GROUP	119 1/2
SOUTH PERTH	119
POSTMARK CLUB	116 1/2
CANNING	100 1/2
STIRLING NUMBER 2	97
ROCKINGHAM/KWINANA	75 1/2

Thanks must also go to the WA Philatelic Council, Mr John McPHEE and Mr Peter STEWART from the Stirling Philatelic Society (the 1987 winners) for organising the questions and the dealers and Australia Post who donated the prizes, not only for the competition winners etc. but also the spot prizes.

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#### WA PHILATELIC COUNCIL CONGRESS THOUGHTS

Mr Brian WHITTAKER our Vice President attended the WA Philatelic Council Congress at the Freeway Hotel in South Perth on Sunday February 21st. His thoughts on some of the points raised at the Congress are printed below.

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For those members of our Society who decided that "Politics as not their Scene", it may still be worth thinking about some of the points raised at the Freeway Hotel, South Perth on Sunday 21st February 1988.

The purpose of the day as to look at the direction our hobby is taking. The past few years have seen a slow recovery from the collapse of the Decimal Boom Time of the late 70's. Many of the societies have struggled to maintain

membership during the past few years, and our Society is certainly in this position. Most old members will remember the days when the attendance at meetings was approaching the 100 mark. Now we consider 50 to be a very large gathering.

The Philatelic Council in our State is our link with the "Big Boys of Philately" and our representation outside the State has been catered for by the members of the Council. Funds to promote philately have been vastly expanded in recent years by the association with the Australian Philatelic Federation, and large grants to recent major exhibitions have been felt necessary to promote Australian Philately, not only at home but also abroad.

Questions posed at the Congress recognised the invaluable work which has been done for the serious philatelist, but asked whether we are being a little complacent. Where are the philatelists of tomorrow? what are we doing to replace the loss of members?

It is estimated that some 30,000 Western Australian collect stamps. Is our council making sufficient funds available to attract these collectors into our Clubs? Are we really doing our best to market our hobby. Let's face it: We have found sufficient appeal in these bits of sticky paper and smudges of ink on envelopes to expend vast amounts of time (and money) studying them. How are we going to get our story across to those thousands of potential enthusiasts unless we get to meet them and offer the joys of philately? And to be cynical about the whole thing: Unless we attract younger members to our hobby, who is going to take over our collections and realise the "investment" which is probably in the back of most collectors minds?

A lot of ideas were exchanged at the Feb 21 Congress. Let's hope they help to promote our hobby and convince the Grass-Roots collector to seek out our societies

B Whittaker

## THE HOOKER SHIELD 1988

Entries for the 1988 Hooker Shield Competition closes Tuesday 6th December 1988. 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 1988 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 competitors 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 6TH DECEMBER 1988

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## BARNES RESEARCH TROPHY

Entries for the Barnes Research Trophy close with committee (who will pass it on to Mr E (Ted) Barnes) on Tuesday 18th October 1988.

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## EXCHANGE SECRETARY CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT

Mr Ross WOOD will cease employment with Australia Post on 27th May 1988. Therefore could all enquiries and return of exchange books be made by telephoning him on 2754991

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