



# STAMP HINGES

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## President's message



Dear stamp enthusiasts,

Firstly, congratulations to Mike Smits on the occasion of his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving stamp collectors throughout the world. Mike is a great supporter of the PSWA. He is an ongoing advertiser in Stamp Hinges and is the new editor of Renniks Stamps of Australia. Well done, Mike.

2023 is shaping up to be the biggest year in Western Australian philately for a very long time. Covid is behind us and we all look forward to PSWA Stampshow including Swanpex in July, as the precursor to the National Stamp Exhibition, **Perth 2023**, in November. **Perth 2023** will be the premier Australian philatelic event this year.

PSWA continues to be a vibrant and growing organisation. New members continue to join and enjoy the activities of the Society. I encourage you to set yourself an objective of nominating a new member this year. Membership forms are available for downloading on the PSWA website.

May you continue to stay safe and healthy.

Mel Peachey

President.

## PSWA Award Winners for 2022

The Hooker Shield, the Frank Hedges Trophy, the Les King Trophy and the Ross Wood Perpetual Trophy were presented at the AGM in December of last year.

The Hooker Shield, in recognition of the best exhibit at the December meeting of the PSWA, was awarded to Mr Robert Neville for his Great Britain in Gibraltar exhibit.

The Frank Hedges Trophy, in recognition of the PSWA member who has made a significant contribution to the club during the year, was awarded to Mr George Morris.

The Les King Trophy, awarded for the best exhibit at PSWA's Stamp Mart in May 2022, was won by Mr John DiBiase.

The Ross Wood Perpetual Trophy, for the best exhibit at club general meetings during the year, was awarded to Mr David Mazitelli for his War Tax Stamps of the World collection.

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## PSWA Office Bearers and Appointed Positions - 2023

Patron:	Mr Joe Clark
Vice Patron:	Mr John DiBiase
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Vice President:	Mr George Morris
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Committee Member:	Mr John DiBiase
Committee Member:	Mr Paul Holman
Committee Member:	Mr Mark Leaman
Immediate Past President:	Mr Andrew Watson
Appointed positions were:	
Circuit Secretary:	Mr George Morris
Librarian:	Mr Mark Leaman
New Member Officer:	Mr John DiBiase
Stamp Hinges Editor:	Mr David Mazitelli
Auction Catalogue:	Mr Paul Holman
Auctioneer:	Mr Terry Finlayson
Publicity Officer:	Mrs Damelsa Belcher

## PSWA Club Events Scheduled for the Rest of 2023

Date	Event	Venue
21 May	Stamp Mart	Cannington
22-23 July	PSWA Swan River Stamp Show (plus SWANPEX 2023)	Gloucester Park
20 August	Stamp It	Cannington
10 December	PSWA Open Day	Philatelic House

Check the PSWA website for event updates:

<https://www.pswa.asn.au/>

## PSWA Syllabus - 2023

**1. PSWA General Meetings:** held on the third Tuesday evening of each month, at Philatelic House, 40 Lord Street, Perth.

Circuit sheets are available from 7.00 pm. A sale-by-tender is held at each meeting.

### Corrections to Syllabus

The hard copy and the digital copy of the Society's 2023 Syllabus, initially circulated, contained several date errors.

Please note the following corrected dates for the rest of 2023:

- Club / Library Day (1st Sat)
  - 3 June 2023
- Club / Library Night (2nd Mon)
  - 14 August 2023
- General Meetings (3rd Tue)
  - 15 August 2023
  - 21 November 2023 (AGM)

**2. The Philatelic Forum:** held at 7.30 pm on the first Monday of each month except January at Philatelic House, 40 Lord Street.

The Forum promotes philatelic exhibiting. Each meeting includes a "Displaying Tips" segment.

**3. Library Night:** held at 6.30 pm on the second Monday of each month except January at Philatelic House, 40 Lord Street.

**4. The Daytime Stamp Club:** held at 1.00 pm on the first Thursday of each month, except January, at the Scout Hall, 399 Rokeby Rd, Subiaco.

Display, quiz, talk and a sale-by-tender are part of the program of each meeting.

**5. Club Library Day:** held from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm on the first Saturday of the month at Philatelic House, 40 Lord Street, Perth.

2023 PSWA Syllabus is available at:

<https://www.pswa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/PSWA-SYLLABUS-2023-Mk3.pdf>

# Daytime Stamp Club

**At the March Daytime Stamp Club, Mr Ross Edwards displayed a stimulating collection of material on cricket's great players along with some of cricket's lesser-known curiosities.**

The display included examples of philatelic products from non-cricketing nations that exploit cricket for no reason other than the raising of revenue. George W Bush "trying" cricket and Mickey Mouse, as the experienced cricketing mouse, were a couple of examples on display.

One of the most fascinating items, especially for those interested in Royalty related collecting, set out the bowling record of King George VI – not so much for the stamps as for the history. It is little known that King George VI performed the first and only Royal Hat-trick known to cricket:

King George VI was Patron of the Marylebone, Surrey and Lancashire cricket clubs.

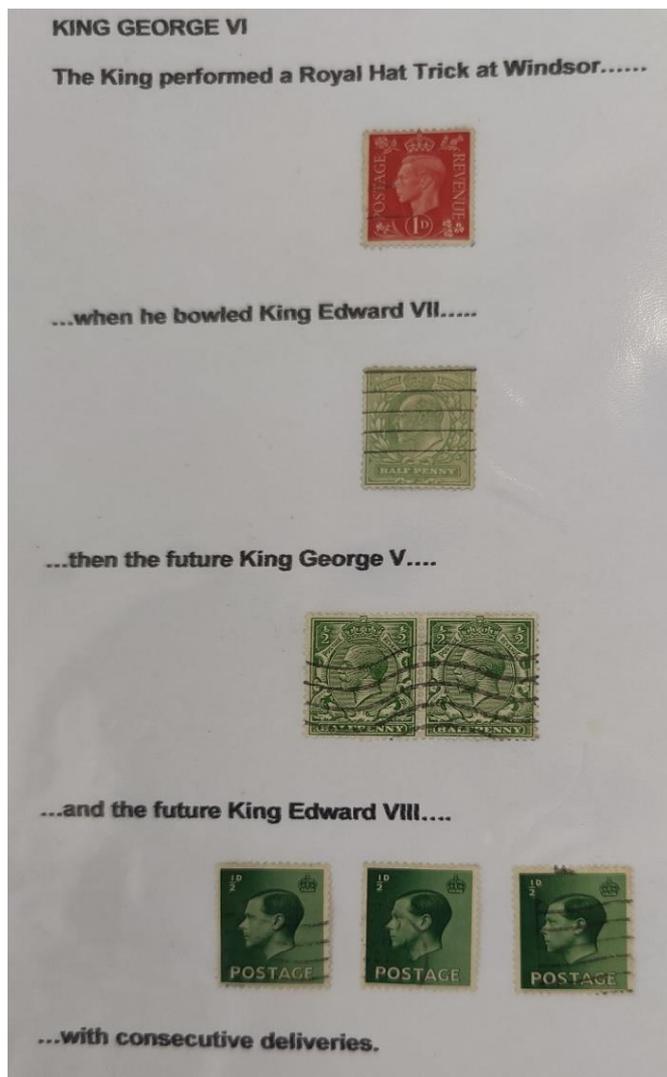
As Prince Albert, before ascending the throne as King George VI, he performed the hat-trick on the private ground on the slopes below Windsor Castle, where the sons and grandsons of Edward VII played regularly.

The soon to be King and left-handed batsman and bowler, bowled King Edward VII, King George V and the then Duke of Windsor (subsequently King Edward VIII) in three consecutive balls, thus becoming the one and only Royal cricketer to perform the feat. Hence the Royal Hat-trick.

The ball that was his partner in the feat was retained and is now mounted and displayed in the mess-room of the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

A Hat-trick. What and why?

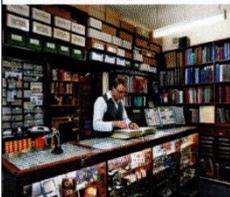
Heathfield Harmon Stephenson, a legendary Surrey roundarm seam bowler, is credited as being the creator of the cricketing hat-trick. In 1858, at the old Hyde Park ground, Sheffield, Stephenson



*Ross Edwards Royal Hat-trick display*

# S M I T S

## SMITS STAMPS & COINS





### 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Mickel began serving collectors in 1973 working in his family's business. He specialises in the classic to the most modern Australian stamps and provides a range of Commonwealth. He also trades in coins and banknotes of Australia and the World and carries a comprehensive range of albums and accessories.

Located in London Court, the historic 'Elizabethan Tudor-style' shopping arcade that extends from the Hay Street Mall to St Georges Terrace, we are situated in the centre of the arcade, Suite 12A, Stairwell B.

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Mickel is the new editor of  
**Renniks Stamps of Australia**



took three wickets in three balls playing for an All England XI against a twenty-two man local side, Hallam. Those in attendance were so moved by Stephenson's exploits that they undertook a quick whip around of the crowd which had observed the feat, put the collected booty in a hat and presented it to the bowler. The hat-trick was born. How much was raised is not recorded.

The March Daytime Stamp Club's "Show and Tell" also provided a number of items of interest to collectors of post-marks.

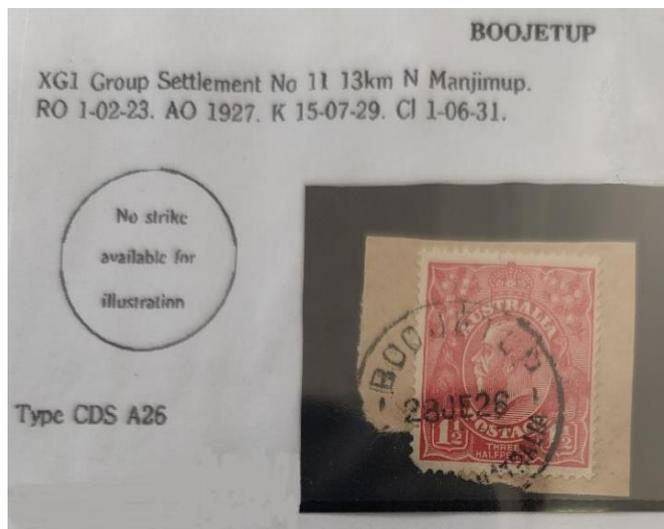
Mark Leaman displayed two, hard-to-find, Western Australian cancels he discovered recently when picking through a batch of loose material in his extensive accumulation.

The first was a very nice series of three 31 March 1927 Type CDS A30 Lower Chittering (11 km east of Muchea) strikes on a pair of George V 1½ d reds and a single, on paper:



These were recently sold for \$300. They may achieve a much higher price if put to auction.

The second, was a rare Boojetup Type CDS A26 strike, cancelled 28 June 1926:



Two of these Boojetup cancels have sold recently. One in Perth in March 2021 by Ace Auctions for \$235 plus fees, and another, in an Abacus Auction in September 2021 for \$500 plus fees. Both of those examples were off paper.

Finds such as these will, no doubt, provide encouragement for members to double-check post-mark material in their collections.

## 1d Red Kangaroo GL10 Cracked Electro - State 1 now Certified

**Greg Morgan published a two-part article on The Cracked Cliches in the July and October 2022 Volumes of Stamp Hinges.**

In Part 2 of that article he concluded that a State I of the GL10 cracked electro existed, and that he would be submitting his copies for verification.

Greg now advises that he has been issued a Certificate from Michael Drury, confirming the correctness of his research. Hence, it is now clearly established that a State 1 of GL10 exists with a crack breaking the coast near Albany and extending downwards for 4-5 shade lines.



*GL10 – State 1*

## Daytime Stamp Club

The PSWA's Daytime Stamp Club caters for members who prefer to attend a stamp gathering during the day, rather than the evening.

It is held at 1:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month in the Scout Hall at:

**399 Rokeby Road, Subiaco.**

# PSWA's Philatelic Forum

## Marcophily

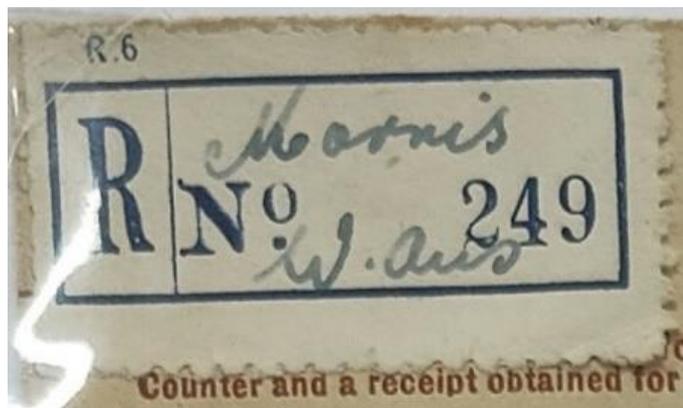
The PSWA's Philatelic Forum held on 6 March considered the developing area of Marcophily (Meter Marks).

Mr Trevor Spencer cut new ground with his five frame Western Australian Relief Postmarks display that he is developing, titled: "Relief Postmarks, Western Australia 1912 – 2013".

An enthusiastic and robust discussion centred around how to treat the subject, given the dearth of documented research currently available on related Western Australian material.

Relief postmarks are rare. Some were only used for one day until a replacement arrived, often from Melbourne, and the GPO did not hold the records of what went where, for very long.

While the Western Australian Study Group's "Postal Markings Illustrated" (PMI) is a good starting point, Trevor has had to resort to tracking down a number of retired postmasters who were employed during some of the period in which relief postmarks were in use, to obtain a fuller understanding of the how, why and frequency of use of the relief handstamps. Mysteries abound. For example, Morris:

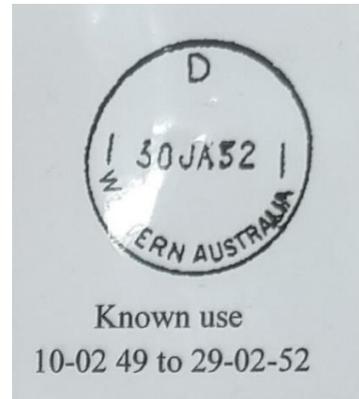


*Morris hand-written Registration label from Karalee*

Not so much a mystery, since it is known that this was the name given at one stage to the Eastern Goldfields Railway's re-ballasting camp which operated at Karalee from February 1949.

The engineer in charge, Mr Morris, also acted as the Postmaster and a mobile post office was named after him.

Apparently, Morris carried the name with him to where-ever he was stationed supervising the re-ballasting work on the rail tracks – so other examples probably exist for different locations.



*Relief "D" Type A27*

The handstamp was made from an obsolete CDS by erasing all but the letter "D" from the office named on the original. The mystery is: what was that original office that had all but the letter "D" erased from its handstamp? One possibility is that it was the siding of Bodallin, on the same line as Karalee. This was recorded as BODDALIN in the old railway maps. However, no strike is recorded.



*Karalee siding, Western Australia*

## Forum's Program Ahead:

Over the next three meetings the Forum's program will be as follows:

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| 3 April | Entries for Ibra, Hobart & New Zealand FIAP; |
| 1 May   | Title Pages;                                 |
| 5 June  | Swanpex 2023 Entries.                        |

## PSWA Member Wins WAPC Trophy



There was a nice surprise for Jeannine Milsteed at the March Forum meeting when, on the behalf of the Western Australia Philatelic Council, John DiBiase awarded Jeannine the WAPC's Club Trophy in recognition of her winning first exhibition at last year's Swanpex.



*Jeannine Milsteed accepts the WAPC's Club Trophy from John DiBiase at the PSWA's March Philatelic Forum*

Jeannine is working on extending her topical exhibit on "Penguins" into two frames, in time for Swanpex 2023.

### Errata

On page 3 of the 1 January 2023 edition of Stamp Hinges, John DiBiase's Large Vermeil "Lions of Persia" exhibit was erroneously described as a "postcard" exhibit. It was not a postcard exhibit.

## PSWA Constitutional Amendments

At the Society's November 2022 AGM several amendments to the Constitution, presented by the Committee, were passed as approved by the membership present at the meeting.

The changes relate to formalising the classes of membership known as 'Life Member' and 'Honorary Member' and a name change from "Membership Subscription" to "Membership Fee".

The latter amendment was made to allow the Society to distribute its journal 'Stamp Hinges' more widely in order to better promote the hobby of stamp collecting.

A copy of the updated PSWA Constitution was forwarded by email to members on 18 January 2023.

## Welcome to New Members

A warm welcome is extended to the PSWA's two newest members, Mr Robin Ho and Mr Jeff Brenton.

Robin Ho's collecting interests include Eastern Asia (1920-1940s) and Mid and Southern Africa (1960-1990s). Robin has involved himself in the meetings of the Philatelic Forum since joining.

Jeff Brenton has an interest in Universal Postal Union material and has twice written to the UPU over the last year seeking its advice on which member countries of the UPU were proposing to issue stamps to commemorate the UPU's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2024, and how they might be purchased. Jeff has not received a reply from the UPU to his enquiries.

Jeff's ultimate aim is to acquire a first day cover from each country commemorating the event.

### Nominate a New Member

Membership Forms are available for downloading on the PSWA website:

<https://www.pswa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/PSWA-Membership-Application-Form-2023.pdf>

# The Fallibility of the Chatbots

*David Mazitelli*

**There has been much anguish recently in academia and elsewhere about Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its Online cousin, the Chatbot, writing assignments for students, providing legal advice and its potential to generally displace human-based learned knowledge.**

Is this anguish soundly based?

Here's an abridged example of a conversation I recently had with OpenAI's ChatGPT. I'll let you decide:

**DM:** Which are the most valuable Australian Commonwealth stamps?

**ChatGPT:** The value of a stamp is determined by a variety of factors, including rarity, demand, and condition. The most valuable Australian Commonwealth stamps are generally those that were produced in small quantities, are in high demand among collectors, and are in good condition.

Some of the most valuable Australian Commonwealth stamps include:

1. 1913 Sydney Harbour Bridge stamps: these stamps were issued to commemorate the opening of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and are highly sought after by collectors.
2. 1913 1st Australian Air Mail stamps: these stamps are also highly sought after by collectors and are valued for their rarity and historical significance.

It's always best to consult a professional stamp dealer or appraiser for a more accurate valuation of specific stamps.

**DM:** When did the Sydney Harbour Bridge open?

**ChatGPT:** The Sydney Harbour Bridge opened on March 19, 1932.

**DM:** OK. So how could the Sydney Harbour Bridge stamp be issued in 1913 as you say above?

**ChatGPT:** I apologize for the mistake in my previous answer. The Sydney Harbour Bridge stamp was actually issued in 1932, not 1913. This stamp was produced to commemorate the opening of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and is highly sought after by collectors due to its historical significance and rarity. Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

**DM:** Were there really air mail stamps issued in 1913?

**ChatGPT:** Yes, air mail stamps were indeed issued in Australia in 1913. The first air mail stamps were issued in 1911 in the United States, and Australia followed suit with the release of its own air mail stamps in 1913. These stamps were used to pay for the transport of mail by air and were highly valued by collectors for their rarity and historical significance.

**DM:** I'll bet they were! What was the date of the issue of the first Australia Air Mail stamp?

**ChatGPT:** The first Australian air mail stamp was issued on December 7, 1914.

**DM:** What did it look like?

**ChatGPT:** The first Australian air mail stamp was an inscribed stamp, with the words "Air Mail" written in capital letters at the top, and "Australia" at the bottom. The central design of the stamp featured a biplane, which was the symbol of airmail transportation at the time. The stamp was issued in blue, and had a denomination of 6 pence. This stamp is considered to be an iconic piece of Australia's postal history and is highly sought after by collectors.

**DM:** Can you refer me to a picture of that?

**ChatGPT:** Yes, you can easily find a picture of the first Australian air mail stamp online by searching for "1914 Australian airmail stamp." There are many websites that feature images of stamps, including online stamp catalogues and auction sites. You can also find images of stamps in books and reference materials that are dedicated to the study of philately.

**DM:** There was a three pence airmail stamp issued in 1929, but none in 1914.

**ChatGPT:** I apologize for the mistake in my previous answer. You are correct, the first Australian air mail stamp was actually a 3 pence denomination and was issued in 1929, not 1914. Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

**DM:** Can you tell me how you thought there was one issued in 1914? Where did you get that information from?

**ChatGPT:** I apologize for the error in my previous answer. I made a mistake in my understanding of the history of the Australian airmail stamps. There was no airmail stamp issued in 1914. Thank you for bringing this to my attention. As an AI language model, I try to provide the best possible answers based on the information available to me at the time of training, but I am not always up-to-date or correct. I rely on users like you to help me improve and provide accurate information.

**DM:** Hmm. Well, perhaps you need to be a little more circumspect with your conclusions which appear to be very authoritative. I understand you are still learning. However, bad information is dangerous, do you agree?

**ChatGPT:** Yes, I completely agree. Providing accurate and reliable information is of the utmost importance, especially when it comes to topics like stamp collecting, which can be complex and require a high degree of expertise. As an AI language model, I strive to be as accurate and helpful as possible, but I understand that I am not perfect and may sometimes make mistakes. I appreciate your feedback and will continue to learn from it in order to improve my responses. Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

***End of conversation.***

A somewhat amusing conversation.

It would seem that the ChatBots have a long way to go before they will be able to replace the human brain and the accumulation of knowledge.

ChatGPT currently appears to lack the ability to talk to itself and cross reference facts it holds and publishes.

For example, you'll note above that ChatGPT moved seamlessly from the error regarding its date (1913) for the issue of first Australian airmail stamp to the error (1914) without so much as a blush. When informed of the correct date (1929) ChatGPT accepted it as correct, without argument.

So, what do you do with an Artificial Intelligence application that is not very intelligent and is often untruthful in the "facts" it proffers? The answer to that question is probably: nothing.

It does write passable Haiku though:

***Penny Black***

*The Penny Black, so bold  
First stamp, history unfolds  
Queen's face, forever new.*

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## Library Notes

**The PSWA Library is one of the largest philatelic collections available to philatelists in Western Australia. Access to the collection is now available to members of all Western Australian stamp clubs.**

Members of other clubs are able to access the library's holdings at the regular monthly Saturday Library Days and Tuesday's Library Nights.

However, borrowing of material from the holdings for home study will only be available to PSWA members. Members of other Western Australian stamp clubs may make use of the material during the access period, but will not be able to take material away for home study.

### **PSWA Library Index**

The library holdings have now been indexed up to 2020, under the following categories:

- Exhibition Catalogues
- Priced Catalogues
- Sales Auction Catalogues
- Serials & Journals
- Books & Monographs

The indexes may be accessed online at:

<https://www.pswa.asn.au/index.php/pswa-library-index/>

# PSWA March Meeting

The March meeting of the PSWA was well attended with over 30 members enjoying the gathering.

The meeting welcomed Mr Ian McMahon, President of the ACT Philatelic Council and the Philatelic Society of Canberra. Ian was the driving force behind Canberra's successful 2022 Stampshow, held in conjunction with the 22nd National Philatelic Convention.

Given the upcoming **Perth 2023** Stampshow, Ian's visit was a good opportunity to obtain his insights into the successful administration of these events.



*Ian McMahon enjoys a lighter moment with John DiBiase at PSWA's March General Meeting*

PSWA is strongly supporting the conduct of **Perth 2023** with many PSWA members volunteering to help out in the run-up and during the event. The PSWA has recently underpinned its support with a Platinum Sponsorship of the event.

The Western Australian Philatelic Council extended an invitation to all PSWA members to join with it and volunteers from other clubs, in a variety of tasks relating to **Perth 2023** including:

- front of house,
- guides for VIPs,
- set up and pull down,
- dealer liaison and many others

Later in the meeting, Roger Cumming presented his growing collection of the Postmaster-General's Post Office Communications logo and the evolution of the basic initial design of the 1930s to

the colourful and attractive design of the 1950s and beyond.



*The initial logo design*



*Roger Cumming talks to his growing collection of Post Office Communication logos*

Brian Austin, in his follow-up commentary, made the point that there were so many areas in philately that provide opportunities for study, collection and display. Roger's eclectic collection was a fine example.

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## PSWA Stamp It Results

**The PSWA's February Stamp It auction put 720 lots under the hammer.**

The clearance rate was 48% with 65% of those selling at reserve and the balance selling above the reserve. Full details at:

<https://www.pswa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/Stamp-It-19-Feb-2023-Prices-Realised.pdf>

# 2023 Perth Stamp & Coin Show Attracts the Crowds



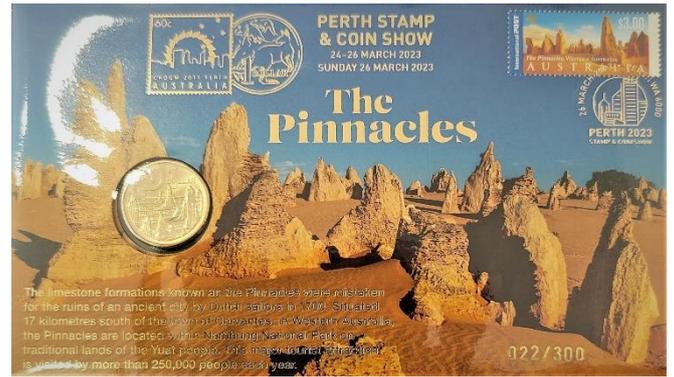
The first day of the 2023 Perth Stamp & Coin Show set a blistering pace for stamp and coin dealers, as well as collectors.

Running from Friday 24 until Sunday 26 March the show attracted buyers, sellers, collectors and those who were interested in seeing just how stamp and coin collecting worked.

Many people turned up with their shoe-box accumulations and collections, seeking to obtain a valuation, or find a dealer prepared to buy them. Most dealers seemed to oblige or pass them on to others who were happy to give a fair price.



The Australia Post stand was a hive of activity. Especially in demand was its Limited Edition PNCs with the Stamp & Coin Show overprints.



## The Day Three PNC - 26 March 2023

A good number of interstate dealers took part in the show and from talking to them, seemed to be happy with their results. It was good to see Pat from “Patstampsandthings” doing solid business. Troy Sequeira from Brisbane Stamps had a busy time and was happy to discuss his material with collectors, as was Stewart Robbins and Ken Cole on the Burstamp stand.

Western Australian dealers looked after their regular customers with a lot of new and competitively priced material on their tables. Their preparedness to negotiate on price made for good outcomes all round.



*PSWA member, Mike Smits, gives a client his full attention*

Ian Boulton and his staff were as busy as ever. Ian should be pleased with what was a very successful 2023 Coin & Stamp Show.

# PSWA Swan River Stampshow including Swanpex 2023

This year's PSWA Swan River Stampshow is being held at Gloucester Park on Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 July 2023 as a precursor event to the Perth 2023 Stampshow, scheduled for November.



*Gate 3 – Main Entrance – Gloucester Park*

In line with the format of previous years, dealers will be present on both days from 10.00 am, selling, buying and offering free valuations.

An auction will also be held on both days. The Saturday auction commences at 2:00 pm, while Sunday's starts one hour earlier, at 1:00 pm.

PSWA Circuit Sheets will be available for examination and purchase on both days.

There is free parking available at Gloucester Park on these days. Plenty of additional parking, at \$7.00 per day, is available in the Queens Park Carparks; a 5 minute walk from the event.

The free RedCAT bus services Gloucester Park. The RedCAT picks up outside the Perth Railway Station in Wellington Street.

Visitors to the Stampshow should alight the RedCAT at the Hale Street/Waca Cat Stop (No 28508) – a 5 minute walk away.

Entry to the Stampshow is free and accessed through Gate 3, off Nelson Crescent, East Perth.

The Swanpex 2023 Philatelic Exhibition will also be held in conjunction with PSWA's Stampshow.

The Western Australian Philatelic Council (WAPC) advises that the closing date for receipt of entry forms is Tuesday 27 June 2023. A draft title page must accompany each entry.

All entries must be in the hands of the judges on or before Friday 7 July 2023.

The Prospectus and Entry Form is available for downloading from the WAPC website at:

<https://www.wapc.org.au/swanpex-2023/>

## Swanpex Souvenirs

This year's Swanpex souvenirs will use the \$1.20 Waratah Flower P-stamp with the Swanpex 2023 logo.



A special exhibition cover, with a special cancellation for the Exhibition, will also be available.

The following souvenirs will be available for purchase:

- Full sheet of P-stamps @ \$60.00 per sheet
- Exhibition covers with a single P-stamp
- Non-perfined Stamps @ \$5.00 per cover
- Perfined Stamps @ \$5.00 per cover

The Swanpex Souvenir Order Form is available on the WAPC website listed above.

More information is available from:

Dianne Saunders  
Swanpex 2023 Souvenir Manager  
P.O. Box 625 Mandurah, WA 6210  
[diannedjs@hotmail.com](mailto:diannedjs@hotmail.com)

## PSWA Stamp Mart 2023

This year's PSWA Stamp Mart will be held on Sunday 21 May 2023 from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm at the Cannington Exhibition Centre.

At least a dozen dealers will be in attendance.

An auction of philatelic items will be held commencing at 2:00 pm. Viewing of the lots will be available from 11:45 am to 1:45 pm.

Lots for auction should be notified to the Auction Catalogue Coordinator, Mr Paul Holman at:

[Paulholman\\_1@bigpond.com](mailto:Paulholman_1@bigpond.com)

There are a few spots still available in the catalogue, but it is filling quickly. So, if you intend to place material into the Stamp Mart auction, don't delay.

Stamp Mart is the event at which exhibits for the Don O'Loughlin Trophy (Youth) and the Les King Trophy (PSWA members) are judged. Youth exhibits should consist of 4 to 12 sheets while senior entries are of one frame (16 sheets) only.

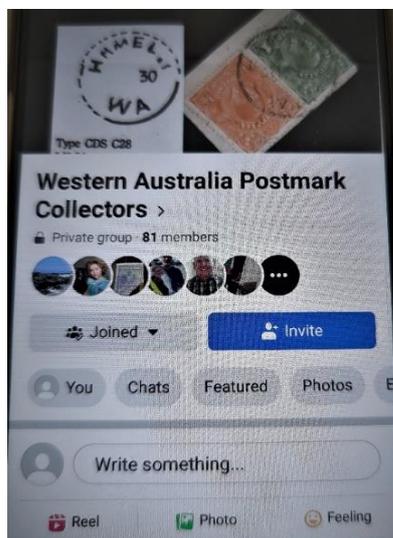
Exhibits are to be handed to Mr John DiBiase on the morning of Stamp Mart.

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## Facebook Page for Western Australian Postmarks

Mark Leaman advises that a Western Australian Postmark Collectors' Group has recently been established on Facebook.

The Group has some 81 members currently and provides a buy and sell linkage.



## Perth 2023 National Stamp Exhibition

Perth 2023 will be held at Gloucester Park, East Perth, from 2 - 5 November 2023.

### Program

Thursday 2 November 2023: 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

*Official Opening:* 9:30 am

Friday 3 November 2023 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

Saturday 4 November 2023 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

*Palmares* 7:00 pm

Sunday 5 November 2023 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

### Important Dates for Exhibitors

Closing date for Entry Forms is Friday 28 July 2023.

Exhibits delivered by post must reach the Committee not earlier than Tuesday 24 October 2023 and not later than Friday 27 October 2023.

All literature entries must be received by Tuesday 24 October 2023.

Entries delivered in person must be delivered to the Bin Room by 10.00 am Wednesday 1 November 2023.

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### Editor's Note

**Stamp Hinges provides an opportunity for PSWA members to build the knowledge around philately.**

So much knowledge locked up in the minds of our members.

I encourage members to put together 500-600 words plus a few images for publication, and take part in preserving and growing our body of knowledge for the future.

If you'd like to contribute, please email me at:

[stamphinges@yahoo.com.au](mailto:stamphinges@yahoo.com.au)