

NOVA SCOTIA STAMP CLUB



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Newsletter

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Meetings : Second Tuesday of the Month at the Nova Scotia Museum, Summer Street, Halifax, N.S. 8PM
No Meetings July or August.

Next Meeting : April 12th, 1988.

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1988 STAMP EXHIBITION

ALL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE 1988 STAMP EXHIBITION CAN BE FOUND ON THE LAST TWO PAGES OF THIS NEWSLETTER. AS AN ADDED FEATURE, THESE PAGES HAVE BEEN LEFT SEPERATE FROM THE REST OF THE NEWSLETTER SO YOU CAN TACK IT UP NEXT TO YOUR CALENDAR OR WHEREVER YOU WANT TO FOR EASY REFERENCE.

Editorial :

The old cliché " Now it's time for everyone to come to the aid of the party " was never more evident than at the March meeting of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club. There were few vacant seats as the members responded to this editor's request in the last Newsletter to come out and give the Executive ideas regarding ways to increase funding for the Club in order for it to continue it's high standard of programming, Exhibitions and the monthly Newsletter. The Chairman of the " Ways & Means Committee ", Bob Vaison, initiated an open forum on the topic and the positive response from those in attendance was heartwarming to the Executive. The interest generated was so high that the business portion of the meeting had to be cut off at 9PM after which a fifteen minute break was taken followed by our monthly auction. Needless to say the planned slide program fell by the wayside but will be rescheduled for the May meeting. Once again, on behalf of the Executive, thank you one and all for your interest and support.

Program for the Next Meeting :

The April 12th Meeting of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club will commence as usual at 8PM and as stated at the last meeting, it will be our Annual Business Meeting with no specific program set up. Those of you who attended the March 8th meeting will remember that it lasted

until 9PM so it seems like we'll have two business meetings this year but it's all in the best interests of the Club. The main business items will be as follows;

-- The President will give his annual Report on the past years activities of the Club ;

-- A vote will be taken on raising the dues to \$15.00 with accompanying Foreign and Spouse rates as outlined in last month's Newsletter;

-- A Notice of Motion will be presented regarding the New Constitution and Bylaws which are found later on in this Newsletter;

-- The Election of Officers for the New Executive, Nominations were announced at the last meeting and can be found later on in this Newsletter;

-- After the Election of Officers any other items of new business can be brought forward.

Lets all make an attempt to be at this meeting also and try to set an attendance record so Ron Lewis doesn't forget his last meeting as our President.

Ed's Note ; Due to the change in fiscal year to July 1st to June 30th, the treasurer's report will not be presented until the September 13th meeting. Starting in 1989, the Annual Business Meeting will be held in September instead of April.

Nominations for the 1988-1989 NSSC Slate of Officers :

Following is the 1988-89 Nova Scotia Stamp Club slate of Officers as selected by the Nominating Committee of Bob Vaison (Chairman), Anna Morris and Bob Fear. The new Executive will look after the Club from April 12th this year until September 13th, 1989 due to the change of the fiscal year. This slate of Officers will be voted on at the April 12th Meeting and nominations from the floor will be accepted as well;

President	George MacKenzie
1st Vice-President	Marilyn Murphy
2nd Vice-President	John Hall
Recording Secretary	Russell Saulnier
Corresponding Secretary	Larry Hitz
Treasurer	C. Archie Thomas
Newsletter Editor	Elizabeth Sodero
Director	John Hurst
Director	David Cole

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Honorary Director	Collins Baugild
Past President	Ron Lewis

Membership Dues :

Due to the change of our fiscal year from 1 April to 31 March to 1 July to 30 June, Club Dues are not due until July 1st this year. Remember the new prices, if passed by the Membership at the April 12th Meeting, will be as follows ;

North American \$15.00, other Countries \$20.00, Spouse Rate
North American \$22.50 and Spouse Rate Other Countries \$30.00.
Dues are payable on July 1st to C. Archie Thomas, 12 Fleming
Drive, Halifax, N.S. B3P 1A9.

Membership :

The following have been accepted as members in the Nova Scotia
Stamp Club ;

860 David C. White
861 Gerald D. Tucker

Ed's Note : The following Newsletters have been returned as
" Moved, Address Unknown ". If any member knows these people, please
remind them to send the editor a change of address card because after
two returns, the members are taken off the mailing list.

Wayne E. Peters, 6297 Young St, Halifax
Rev. John Pace, 2145 Connaught Ave, Halifax

Executive Notes :

The Executive of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club met at the Patrick
Power Library, St Mary's University on Monday, March 14th, for their
normal monthly meeting. The topics for discussion were as follows ;

-----Ways & Means Committee Report - In the absence of Bob Vaison,
Marilyn Murphy stated that the Committee of Bob, herself and John
Hurst had been having informal talks over the telephone regarding
the numerous ideas brought forward by members at the February meeting
and formal meetings will be held in the near future. Their report
is not due until May so there is lots of time yet to provide a
meaningful criteria for gaining additional funding.

-----Exhibition Medals - Marilyn Murphy announced that sufficient
medals had been ordered and received from the " Royal " to cover this
year's Exhibition. As the members at the last meeting are aware,
ribbons are also on hand to place on the winning frames for view at
the Exhibition.

-----Constitution Committee - The Constitution Committee was to
be the President, 1st Vice-President and John Hurst (not John Hall
as listed in the last Newsletter) but due to a misunderstanding,
Ken MacDonald thought he was a member so presented a complete rewrite
of the Constitution and bylaws. The Committee thanked Ken profusely
for his work and quickly accepted them as their findings and presented
them to the Executive for a point by point review and acceptance or
changes as felt necessary. This was done in a very effective manner,
although time-consuming . At the completion of this review, the
new Constitution and Bylaws were approved in principle pending
acceptance by John Hurst who was not in attendance. The new regulations
are presented in total later on in this Newsletter and a Notice of
Motion will be presented at the April Business Meeting followed by a
Vote for Acceptance at the May meeting. Over the years changes have
been approved by the Executive and membership but have not been
placed into a new Constitution booklet.

-----Judges -- The Executive has been trying over the past few
years to get the " Royals " travelling Road Show on judging down in

this area so we can get our present novice judges, Dave Cooper and Gary Steele accredited as RPSC Judges. Marilyn Murphy showed what the Royal has sent instead, three books of specimen pages and a test to be given by our judges. It was decided that this was not a valued test criteria for local Exhibition judging but would be carried out as a means to an end. Marilyn announced that APS were having a week-long symposium on Philatelic matters that she would be attending and Ken MacDonald and two juniors may be there as well. Marilyn stated that she would try and get information on the APS methods of Judging with a view to coming under their umbrella if it benefits the Club.

----- March Auction - Larry Hitz announced that the March Auction netted about \$50.00 for the Club so that was well received.

----- Fiscal Year Transition Period - George MacKenzie stated that definite decisions should or had to be made regarding timing for dues, Annual Meeting, Election of Officers etc. It was decided that Dues would be payable July 1st, Annual Meetings in September, Election of Officers in September and in the case of an Exhibition Chairman and Program Chairman, these selections will have to be made by the Executive no later than June of each year.

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Valley Stamp Club Exhibition :

The following letter was received from Anne-Marie Belliveau, the Secretary of the Valley Stamp Club regarding their 1989 Stamp Exhibition ;

Dear George ;

The Valley Stamp Club will be holding its Annual Stamp Exhibition on Saturday, April 30th, 1988 in the Kentville Fire Hall from 11AM to 4.30PM. The auction will start at 3PM. We extend an invitation to the Nova Scotia Stamp Club members to attend. Admission is free. Coffee and sandwiches will be served.

Sincerely,
Anne-Marie Belliveau
Secretary

Ed's Note : I've known Anne-Marie for many years and is the stalwart of this well-known Club. Although this is not a competitive Exhibition, the exhibits on display could easily win awards at other shows as they have done at our own Exhibitions in past years. The other item which would garner "Gold" anywhere is the Valley hospitality that comes forward naturally at the Valley Stamp Club's Annual Exhibition. Try to plan that Saturday for a trip to Kentville.

Library Addition :

Another item that should have gone under Executive Notes was the purchase of a new book for the library -- Post Mortem Why Canada's Mail Won't Move., by David Stewart-Patterson. Should be interesting.

Constitution and By-Laws :

As stated earlier on in this Newsletter, Ken MacDonald carried out a complete rewrite of our Constitution and By-Laws and incorporated the procedures carried out at the present time. A Notice of Motion will be presented at the April meeting and a vote will be taken at the May meeting regarding approval of them. Following is the new Constitution and By-Laws of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club ;

1. The name of the Club shall be " The Nova Scotia Stamp Club ".
2. The objects of the Club shall be to encourage the collecting of postage stamps and the study of philately, to promote interest in the hobby, and to meet together for the purpose of exchanging and acquiring philatelic items for the mutual benefit of all members.
3. The Executive of the Club shall consist of the President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, three Directors and the Past President. Two of the Directors are to be elected by the Club and one is to be appointed by the Executive.
4. An Auctioneer, Assistant Auctioneer, Program Organizer, Stamp Expertiser (s), Librarian and Auditor are to be appointed by the Club.
5. There shall be a Membership Committee composed of the Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and President of which the President shall be Chairman.
6. (a) The Club shall hold regular meetings at a place to be determined. At such meetings, fifteen members, including Officers, shall constitute a quorum.
 (b) The Annual Meeting shall be held during the month of September in each year.
 (c) In May, the President shall appoint a Chairman of a Committee of three members to present a slate of Officers. The consent of such members to act as Officers must be obtained before their names are submitted.
 (d) The President and Treasurer shall submit their Annual Reports at the Annual Meeting.
 (e) The President shall be empowered to call a special meeting at any time by giving due notice of date and purpose.
7. (a) The Annual dues for Seniors shall be set by the Club at a Regular Meeting having been notified by the previous Newsletter of such wish.
 (b) Dues are payable on July 1st, and shall cover a 12 month period from the date of the Annual Meeting. If not paid by October 31st, membership ceases.
8. (a) Application for membership does not imply acceptance, and
 (b) If, in the opinion of the Executive, any member is guilty of dishonest, or unfair practices with the Club, or reflecting discredit on the Club, such member shall be expelled by the Executive.
9. All expenditures in excess of \$ 50.00 shall be approved by the Executive.

10. Proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws shall be proposed at one meeting for decision at the next, at which meeting they may be approved by a majority vote of a quorum.

Toronto Post Office

(cont'd) Head had been a particularly unfortunate choice as a governor during those troubled times. He was a tactless, insensitive and deeply suspicious man and was convinced that Howard had been one of MacKenzie's supporters. He could not forgive Howard for hiring some of MacKenzie's sympathizers and accused him of not taking arms and joining the government forces during the rebellion. Marion Beyes points out in her biography of Howard in the Dictionary of Canadian Biography that Howard, conscious of his position as a government servant, had done anything possible to remain neutral. He had refused to attend any political meetings and protested he had never been asked to leave his post to take up arms. He had never been in league with MacKenzie, who had burst into his home during the rebellion, harassed his wife, and attempted to commandeere provisions for his troops. Howard was loyal, but in the uncertain mood of those times, Head could neither understand nor tolerate anyone's neutrality. Howard was simply a man to be disposed of as quickly as possible.

He was eventually forced to sell his house and left town to build a new career. After Head's departure, he was able to secure an appointment as treasurer of the united counties of York and Peel, a position he held until his death. His house remained a private residence until 1874 when it was merged with De LaSalle. The original three rows of squarish windows were changed into two rows of tall rounded windows and the roof line altered to match the college and the very existence of the Howard home was soon forgotten.

(to be continued) Steve Vernon

Corvette H.M.C.S. La Malbaie :

(cont'd) Her fighting equipment, as of March, 1943; included ; a forward cated four-inch Navy cannon (mainly for enemy surface vessels), a Hedgehog motar-like anti-submarine system, four depth charge throwers, 70 of 500lb T.N.T. depth charges, and one PomPom and two Oerlikon anti aircraft cannons. Her close range weaponry consisted of four Sten Guns, two Bren light machine guns, six Lee Enfield rifles and four Colt 45's (list courtesy of W.A. MacIntosh). W.A. MacIntosh (on behalf of W.A.B. Douglas, Director of the National Defence Headquarters' Directorate of History) relates H.M.C.S. La Malbaie commenced service with the Royal Canadian Navy on her commissioned date in the spring of 1942. Employed primarily on convoy escort, she began her service in the St. Lawrence in 1942 and 1943 when German submarines were operating in these waters. Subsequently she was employed on escort duty along the North American Atlantic Seaboard. MacIntosh concludes that although the 94-man crew sank no submarines and shot down no aircraft, it performed sterling service in it's role of escorting merchant ships during the Battle of the Atlantic. (to be continued) Walter Horne

Remember the new Newsletter Editor is ELIZABETH SODERO,
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EXHIBITION WATCH

The 1988 Stamp Exhibition is close at hand and a final plea is put forward for participation by Club Members in numerous areas such as Senior Exhibits, Banquet and the Club Table. The final meeting of the Exhibition Committee was held on Wednesday, March 23rd and all Chairpeople are looking forward to another great Exhibition. Club Members are requested to attend at least once during the two day affair in order to renew old friendships, study the Exhibits, and visit the Bourse, which this year will have 12 Dealers and Canada Post. The programme for the three days is as follows ;

Friday, April 8th	6-7 PM	Receive Entries
	6-9 PM	Set-up
	9 - ?	Judging
Saturday, April 9th	10 AM	Exhibition Opens
		Canada Post Counter Opens
	10.15 AM	Junior Auction
	2 PM	Canada Post Counter Closes
	5 PM	Exhibition Closes for the Day
	6.30 PM	Reception/Cash Bar
Sunday, April 10th	7 PM	Banquet -- featuring Dr. M. Allen Gibson as Guest Speaker.
	10 AM	Exhibition Opens
		Canada Post Counter Opens
	2 PM	Canada Post Counter Closes
	5 PM	Exhibition Closes -- Take Down

Senior Exhibits : As of March 23rd we have a total of 80 frames (57 from the Seniors, 12 from the Juniors and 11 in the Court of Honor)We would like to have at least 100 frames in again this year as we have had in the past few years. Plan to enter a frame or two, either competitive or non-competitive and send your entry form in to Gary Steele or give him a call at 864-3976. You can also drop your entry forms off at our booth at Mic Mac Mall on April 2nd.

Frames : Those members requiring frames ahead of time should arrange for pick up with John Hall at 434-6529. Frames cannot be delivered to you, so if you can't pick them up make sure you are at the hotel at 6PM, Friday, April 8th, with your Exhibit ready for framing.

Set - Up : Members are requested to bring their frames and/or entries to the Lord Nelson Hotel as close to 6PM as possible on Friday, April 8th. We hope to have the judging done that evening, and can only do that if the frames are in position as soon as possible.

Advertising/Program : John Hall reports that advertising revenue is down a little bit from last year with only \$530.00 sold so far.

Club Table : We still need people for the Club Table. This will only take an hour of your time on either day of the Exhibition. Items available at the Club Table this year will be our program, membership admission forms, forms for the most popular exhibit, and door prizes.

Award Presentations : The Chairman of the Judges will give a talk assessing the quality of this year's competitive entries and introduce the award winners at the banquet. These awards will have to be given back after the banquet of course in order for the engraving to be carried out. The presentations of the completed awards will be carried out at the May meeting.

Banquet : The reception will be held in the Georgian Room at 6.30PM. Saturday, April 9th, followed by the Annual Banquet from 7 to 9PM in the Admiralty Room. The menu will feature the Lord Nelson's famous chicken dinner with all the trimmings, desert and coffee. The Guest Speaker will be Dr. M. Allen Gibson who will talk about " The Joys of Stamp Collecting ". Dr Gibson is noted for his weekly column on the back page of the Nova Scotia/ of the Halifax Mail-Star and Chronicle-Herald. Plan to attend.

Banquet Tickets : Make reservations for the Banquet by calling Bob Vaison at 422-4828, Anna Morris at 422-5641 or Russell Saulnier at 426-5398 and pick up your tickets at the Exhibition. The price is \$20.00 each but the evening will be well worth the money. Please note that the deadline for reservations or cancellations is Wednesday, April 6th. Those attending should bring their tickets because a door prize may be donated by one of our dealers and won by some lucky member or guest. We need more banquet attendees so please reserve a ticket or two. It will be an evening of great entertainment, great food, great people and a very interesting Guest Speaker.

If you haven't planned to do anything for the Exhibition, please take a look at helping out in at least one area ; enter an Exhibit, work at the Club Table, attend the banquet, or help out at the set-up on Friday evening. It's your Club, your Exhibition, and your responsibility to help out at this time. Give John Hall a call at 434-6529 (evenings) to volunteer your time.

HELP WANTED -- MIC MAC MALL

The Club is having a booth in Centre Court at Mic Mac Mall on Saturday, April 2nd in order to publicize our upcoming Exhibition. As for the Club Table, we need people to sit at the table and discuss the advantages of a Stamp Club with any interested passerbys. Membership forms will be available, please give John Hall a call and volunteer an hour or two, this is a good chance for the ladies to go shopping while their husband does a good deed for the Club or vice versa. Spend an hour or two meeting interested stamp collectors.

DON'T FORGET, THIS YEAR'S STAMP EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD ON ~~FRIDAY~~, APRIL 9TH AND SUNDAY, APRIL 10th.

Saturday

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