



# The Nova Scotia Post

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## UP and COMING

If our regularly planned activities are being cancelled as a result of changes in the pandemic, we will update you as we learn more.

NS Stamp Club - April 12, 7:30pm

Meeting at the Museum

Moncton Stamp Fair - April?  
depending on Covid Regs.

Friends of Philately -  
3rd Thursday of the month

Spring National Postage Stamp and  
Coin Show - April 8-10  
Mississauga

Orapex - April 23-24  
Ottawa

Capex 22 - Jun 9-12  
MTC, Toronto

Check out the status of other shows  
at [www.rpsc.org/shows.html](http://www.rpsc.org/shows.html) or  
[www.csdaonline.com/shows](http://www.csdaonline.com/shows)

## APRIL STAMP FAIR

Saturday April 9

9 am - 3 pm

Dealers

Club Table

Auction at 1:30

East Dartmouth  
Community Centre  
50 Caledonia Rd., Dartmouth

Free Admission

Free Parking

The wearing of Masks should  
be considered when attending

Hosted by the  
NS Stamp Club

## THE MACHINS 2022

by Michael Peach

This year, 2022, in Canada as well as Great Britain there have been new issues of the iconic Machins, first issued in 1970.

A new era in British philately occurred in February when Royal Mail issued four self-adhesive low value Machin definitive stamps, first and second class, and first and second class large, with barcodes. The corresponding non-barcoded stamps will become invalid on 31 January 2023. A trial 2nd class stamp had been issued on 23 March 2021. The low value 2021 Christmas stamps, 2nd and 1st had been issued with and without barcodes and 2nd and 1st class Large only with barcodes. There are new colours. Each stamp has a unique barcode, QR, that will be used to track the letter. The stamps are larger than the current first and second class Machins. The two parts of the stamp are separated by a simulated perforation line. The stamp design and the simulated perforation are printed in gravure, the barcode is digitally printed. The stamps also have the appropriate phosphor bands. The bar code is unique to the specific stamp and when the system is fully operational it will ensure that the stamp cannot be reused and its progress through the system can be monitored.

We await developments, are more barcoded Machin definitive and special stamps scheduled? None of the new issues so far this year, Rolling Stones, Queens' Jubilee and David Gentleman have barcoded stamps.

The Canadian stamp issued to mark the Queen's Platinum Anniversary, uses the Machin image for the first time on a Canadian stamp.

Other countries have started issuing barcoded stamps, such as the Brazil stamp shown in my article about The Insulin Centenary in the December 2021 Post. Germany also issued some barcoded stamps last year.

Will Canada be giving the 'P' stamps bar codes? I notice that printed stamps with small barcodes are used by Canada Post Details and many charity mailings.



Come to Toronto for CAPEX 22  
June 9-12, 2022  
Venez à Toronto pour CAPEX 22  
<https://capex22.org>



## DISTRICT DEAD LETTER OFFICE 1 - NEW HANDSTAMP - DLO # 69

by Gary Steele



37 mm diameter,  
sans-serif, all mixed.  
No proof known

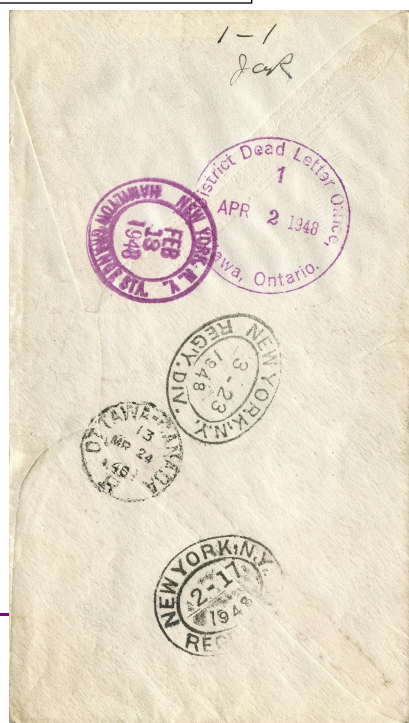
Not all First Day Covers are straightforward. Some end up being very interesting and can have rare handstamps on them.

This registered Artcraft First Day cover from Ottawa to New York was marked Undeliverable... after three notices for delivery had been applied. Ultimately, the cover was marked UNCLAIMED and RETURNED TO SENDER. On March 23 1948 a New York Reg'y, Div. handstamp indicates when the cover was returned to the Canadian postal system. It was received in Ottawa on MR 24 1948.

With no return address, it was sent to the Ottawa District Dead Letter Office as indicated by the '1' circle handstamp on APR 2 1948.

The RARE item comment comes into play with this District Dead Letter Office 1 circle handstamp. There is a similar handstamp with a dash between Ottawa, - Ont., and 'Ont.' as the key difference. This item is the only Ottawa DLO handstamp with 'Ontario.' spelled out.

Thus, a newly reported handstamp.



## POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT CHEQUE 1892-93

by Elizabeth Sodero

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Nova Scotia Stamp Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on every second Tuesday of the month (except July and August) at the Nova Scotia Museum, 1747 Summer Street, Halifax, N.S. The club publishes a monthly newsletter (except summer) which is released on the first week of the month.

Membership is C\$15 per person (C\$20 US, C\$25 International) or C\$22.50 per couple.

Send new membership applications and renewal payments to...  
NS Stamp Club c/o Jeff Parks  
102 Birch Bear Run, Lewis Lake, NS B3Z 4B8

May 1, 1893 cheque ordering the Manager of the Bank of Montreal to pay C.J. Macdonald Esq. P.O.I., the sum of thirty-five cents for "expressage paid on box containing P.O. property from Lorne, N.S. April 3, 1893." It is signed by the Deputy Postmaster General, Wm. White, at Ottawa. Black ink 'UNDER TEN DOLLARS' was added to cheque. Lt. Col. C.J. Macdonald was Post Office Inspector for Nova Scotia from 1878 until his death in 1903, with a brief hiatus in 1885 when he served with the Halifax Rifles during the Northwest Rebellion.



As for the contents of the box, J.J. MacDonald cites in his article on remainders (BNA Topics Jan-Feb 1985 Vol. 42 No. 1) an April 21, 1880 letter from C.J. Macdonald that obsolete postage stamps were to be forwarded to Ottawa in registered boxes.

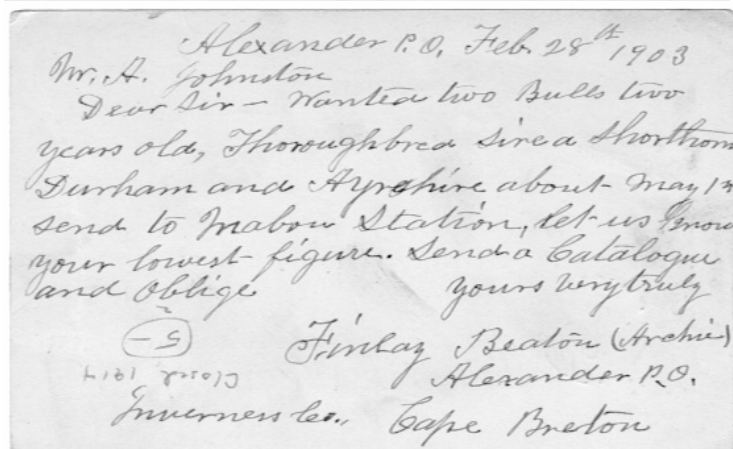
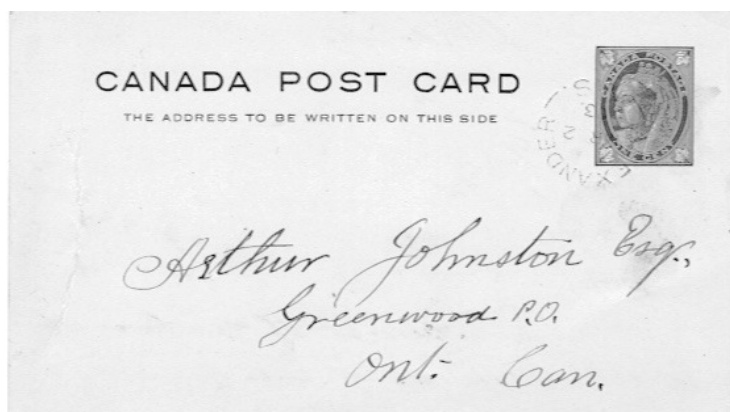


**ALEXANDER, NOVA SCOTIA**

by Elizabeth Sodero

Alexander Post Office, Inverness County, was open from 1876–1893 and 1898–1914. It was Beatonville 1893–1898 and 1914–1930 and then Riverdale 1930–1959. MacPherson attributes the name changes to politics and/or family rivalries. Split ring MR 2 1903 though card written Feb. 28th 1903.

The delightful message from Finley Beaton (Archie) is a request for two bulls, two years old, thoroughbred, sired Short-horn Durham and Ayrshire, to be sent to Mabou Station about May 1st.

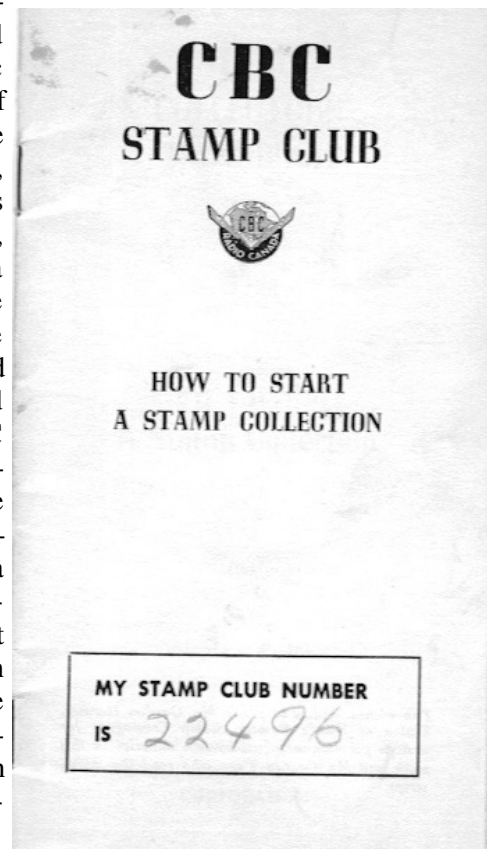
**REMEMBER THIS?**

by Elizabeth Sodero

**CBC Stamp Club of the Air, 1950 to 1975 (for children)**

Hosted by Douglas Patrick, assisted by Mary Patrick, the club met on CBC Radio for 15 minutes (12:30 to 12:45 EST) every Saturday for twenty-five years. For membership one submitted 10 cents and, in return, received a pin, a package of 50 different stamps, a 'guide to stamp collecting' booklet and a membership number.

Doug Patrick worked at the Globe and Mail in advertising. He was a well-known philatelist and member of Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada (PSSC). He and his wife, Mary, published ten books on stamp collecting, and he authored a stamp column in the Globe for thirty three years. He produced over a thousand scripts for the CBC Stamp Club. A frequent guest was the late Michael Madesker RDP FRPSC, a distinguished philatelist and a great proponent of youth philately, and whose contributions to organized Canadian philately are monumental.

**MANY SPECIAL DEALS TO BE HAD AT THE APRIL STAMP FAIR AUCTION**

by Sean Weatherup

Collectors will not want to miss the Spring Stamp Fair, being held April 9<sup>th</sup> at the East Dartmouth Community Centre on Caledonia Road. Local dealers will be out in force with a wide variety of items for sale and they are all looking forward to connecting with customers after so many months with so little direct contact – just as local philatelists are eager to find the newest treasures they have to offer. Following the bourse there will be an auction. Everyone is invited to participate. If you would like to consign items, you may do so by bringing them to the show early in the morning.

There are a number of items already consigned with proceeds going to the Nova Scotia Stamp Club. These have

come from a couple of collections donated to the club through dealer and member Gary Steele. Be forewarned... there are some large box lots of Canada, on paper, off paper, in Albums and stock pages, with stationery and post cards, ephemera and more. Close inspection will reveal exceptional finds and high value. If you are looking for new areas to explore there are also large lots of Canadian 1967 Confederation and the 1972 Landscape Issue – both unchecked for varieties and with plenty to keep a person busy for hours and hours. There are also some interesting cover lots and a huge box of worldwide. There are also a number of items from this holding that will be on the club table including Canada, Germany and USA. Be early and be rewarded.

## IN OTHER PHILATELIC NEWS...

The **RPSC Stamp Talks and Stamp Panels** have been set for this coming year. These Zoom presentations are available for free in real-time. Replays of the Panels are also free but you must be an RPSC member to access the replays of the Stamp Talks. To sign up go to: <https://www.rpsc.org> :

### Stamp Talks

April 11 – Charles Verge – The History of CAPEX

May 9 – Ed Kroft – Politics and Postal Circulars: Lester Pearson's Role in the 1948 Evolution of Postal Relations Between Canada and the State of Israel

June 13 – Leigh Hogg – Postcards – The Pioneer Period – Late Victorian 1898 – 1903

### Stamp Panels

April 18 - The Philatelist and Mentoring

May 16 - Collecting Post Cards

June 20 - Fakes and Forgery

## ORAPEX 2022

ORAPEX, the Ottawa Regional Association of Stamp Exhibitions, is back! ORAPEX 2022 will be held at the Nepean Sportsplex on April 23-24, 2022. The theme is "Topicals, Thematics, and Illustrated Mail."



Nepean Sportsplex  
1701 Woodroffe Avenue  
Ottawa, ON K2G 1W2

Free Admission and Parking

2022 will mark the 59th edition of this show, which is managed by volunteers drawn from the RA Stamp Club, the Amicale des philatélistes de l'Outaouais, the Ottawa Philatelic Society and related philatelic societies and organizations. ORAPEX is one of only a few national-level stamp shows held annually in Canada and is part of the American Philatelic Society's "World Series of Philately."

ORAPEX boasts more than 100 exhibits and over 30 stamp dealers in its bourse and runs an impressive series of society meetings, seminars and study groups. The show's awards reception is a highlight of the weekend and a great chance for everyone to socialize after the exhibits have been judged. (Awards Reception tickets will be available at the Welcome Booth at the show.) Please join us as we celebrate philately - the hobbies of stamp collecting and postal history collecting.

For more information: <https://www.orapex.ca/index.php>

## CAPEX22

Registration is now open for the show. The bourse is full with dealers from Canada, the United States, UK and Europe. More than 25 stamp clubs and societies will be participating with seminars, presentations and information booths. More information about the show including registration and hotels can be found on the CAPEX22 website <https://capex22.org>

## Stamp Oddities

A picture is worth a thousand words. An illustration by the artist Boris Groh received the most public votes in a competition held by the Ukrainian postal service (Ukrposhta). The image called "Russian warship, go f\*\*\* yourself!" will be the subject of a new postage stamp as the country continues to try to keep morale high and win the PR battle against invading

Russian forces. The quote is attributed to the soldiers who defended Snake Island at the beginning of the invasion and has become a rallying cry for the war. We will keep an eye on a possible release date.

Photograph: Ukrposhta



**Atlantic Canada's  
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Hosted by the  
**Nova Scotia  
Stamp Club**  
Celebrating 100 years



**NATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION AND SALE**

<p>East Dartmouth Community Centre 50 Caledonia Road Dartmouth, Nova Scotia</p> <p>On the Bus Route, Free Parking</p>	<p>August 19-21, 2022</p> <p>Friday 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm</p>
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**Exhibits**

**Draws & Door Prizes**

**Stamps for Kids (free)**

**Picture Postage**

**Dealer Tables**

**Awards Reception**

**Show Covers & Cancels**

For more information, visit our website  
[www.nsstampclub.ca/novapex22.htm](http://www.nsstampclub.ca/novapex22.htm)