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## UP and COMING

**Note: Times and dates may change**

RPSC Stamp Talks - May 9  
Ed Kroft <https://www.rpsc.org>

NS Stamp Club - May 10, 7:30pm  
Museum of Natural History

RPSC Stamp Panel - May 16  
Collecting Post Cards

Moncton Stamp Fair - May 14,  
June 18, July 9, August 13  
100 War Veterans Ave Moncton  
NB

Friends of Philately -  
3rd Thursday of the month

Capex 22 - Jun 9-12  
MTCC, Toronto

NOVAPEX 2022 Aug 19-21  
Dartmouth NS  
Details below

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)

## NOVAPEX 2022 REPORT AND APPEAL TO MEMBERS

by Sean Weatherup

As most of you are aware Novapex 2022 is proceeding and planning is well underway.

This National Show will be held at the East Dartmouth Community Centre from August 19 to 21, 2022.

Sean Weatherup will chair the show along with co-chair Jane Soderro.

The exhibitor's prospectus and entry form are now available on the Nova Scotia Stamp Club web site. We are anticipating a strong showing of exhibitors and urge members to get their entries in sooner rather than later.

The theme this year is, of course, the celebration of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club's 100 Anniversary. With that in mind the committee would like to prepare an exhibit of frames celebrating this milestone. This exhibit may contain anything relating to the club and its history. We are asking members to contribute any material they think may be relevant. All submitted material will be returned. We are looking for old show covers, old newsletters, newspaper articles, photographs, etc., especially from the early years. Covers to and from stamp dealers from Halifax and throughout Nova Scotia would be a nice addition. If you have a substantial amount of material, please feel free to organize it however you wish, on 8 1/2 by 11-inch pages and they will become part of the exhibit. If anyone has anything to contribute, please contact Sean ([sweatherup@eastlink.ca](mailto:sweatherup@eastlink.ca)) or Jane ([jmfsoderro@hotmail.com](mailto:jmfsoderro@hotmail.com)).

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We are also looking for volunteers, both on the organizing committee and during the show itself. Please contact Sean or Jane if you are available to help.

## THE MACHINS AGAIN

by Michael Peach

On April 4, 2022, Royal Mail introduced a new series of ten Machin definitives with barcodes. The stamps are all printed with a barcode separated from the stamp with a simulated perforation. The stamps all have a new design with the Queen's profile in colour on a white background with a coloured border line. The values are 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1.00, £2.00, £3.00, £5.00.

A rate increase for international mail was also announced on April 4, 2022 and there were four new Machins of the earlier design with barcodes, £1.85, £2.55, £3.25, £4.20.



So, collectors will need quite a deep pocket for the 2022 Machins.

**Atlantic Canada's  
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Stamp Club  
Celebrating 100 years



**NATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION AND SALE**

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

## EARLY DATE RECTANGLE - DLO # 70

by Gary Steele

BUREAU DES REBUTS  
DEAD LETTER OFFICE

25 IX 1948

No. 1  
MONTREAL, CANADA.47x35mm  
sans-serif, all caps  
Proofed 3 VII 1948

It may take a few minutes to decipher the various layers of one marking on top of others for this cover.

The Canadian A.B.C. Co. sent this War Issue franked 15 cent airmail cover (as the lower value War Issue stamps were still in use) on 4 SP 1948 to Germany. The Canadian A.B.C. Co., a ski company, was founded in 1940

by Heinz Kuch and Soren Berner.

One can only assume the next handling has to do with the four labels attached on the reverse top area which read “zur Devisenüberwachung zollamtlich geöffnet” which translates to “opened by customs for currency clearance”. The machine cancel date is unclear.

From here two **Retour! / Non admis!** large boxed handstamps were applied front and back. English translation ‘Returns not allowed’. In addition, four pointing finger **Return to sender / Retour a l'envoyeur** handstamps were applied, (one can only assume these were applied in Canada) over a crossed-out mailing address with a large black penciled ‘X’.

However, the envelope was returned to Canada to the Montreal Dead Letter Office with a receiving Pitney Bowes machine imprint on SEP 25 '48. The same day a clerk No. 1 per boxed DLO handstamp processed the envelope for return to the Canadian A.B.C. Co. with a boxed **TAXE / CHARGES 3 CENTS** applied for the Dead Letter Return fee. Payment was made with a 1 cent and 2 cent postage due stamp, pencil cancel.

There are many questions and assumptions as to the timing but reasonable in most cases. The one clear feature is that the DLO handstamp clearly dated is only a couple months after the proofs were made and is so far the earliest reported date for this handstamp.

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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



*No word limit nor is there a limit on the number of annual insertions. Some members have expressed an interest in knowing what others collect: if you want to share your collecting interests here and include a collector profile, we'll do it.*

**Marty Zelenietz** writes: My 9-year-old gymnast granddaughter is crazy about cats. I've put together a small collection of gymnastics on stamps, and cats on stamps, to try to get her interested in stamp collecting. If you can share a couple used duplicates of either topic with me, I'd appreciate it as I try to create a new collector.

**Jeff Parks** comments: We are receiving a lot of donated material from people who have either inherited collections or have collections they no longer want. If you would like to help collect and sort the material for sale/auction within the club please let me know.



## JACK MINER - CANADIAN CONSERVATIONIST WHO SHOULD BE COMMEMORATED ON A STAMP

by Dennis Bedley

I was reading the April-May issue of Canada's History (<https://www.canadahistory.ca>) and came across an article about Jack Miner. Every year when Canadians observe National Wildlife Week during the week of April 10<sup>th</sup>, they are paying tribute to one of Canada's greatest conservationists. His name rang a bell and I remembered I had a couple of covers from or to him so I went through my albums and came across the cover shown. I always thought the envelope was worth saving because of the Canada Geese on the front of the cover. The stamp is the common 2 cent green (Unitrade #338) QE II Wilding. This shows that a common stamped envelope can be quite interesting with a little investigation.

Jack Miner was born April 10, 1865 in Dover Township, Ohio. He went to school for only three months and remained unable to read or write until he was in his thirties. His family moved to Kingsville, Ontario near Lake Erie and he eventually became a professional trapper and hunter. After a decade or so, he began to notice a decline in once abundant wildlife populations. In 1900, Miner helped form the Essex County Game Protection Association. In 1909, he began to affix metal leg bands to wild fowl who visited his pond refuge which he had built a few years earlier. His bands included his home address along with a request to hunters to return the bands to him. Miner was the first to receive information regarding his bands. The information obtained was used to assist the creation of the Federal Migratory Birds Convention Act in 1917. This treaty signed by Canada and the USA gave the Federal Government the ability to protect migratory birds and implement waterfowl hunting regulations which included seasons and limits.

The New York Times reported that 10,000 people visited

his bird sanctuary on his 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday and Prime Minister Mackenzie King and Henry Ford were among the people sending telegrams. Miner died on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1944. He was buried on his bird sanctuary. More information can be viewed at

<https://jackminer.ca>.

**10,000 Honor Miner, Bird's Friend**  
KINGSVILLE, Ont., April 11 (Canadian Press).—About 10,000 tourists, many from Detroit and other cities over the border, made week-end visits to Jack Miner's bird sanctuary here in honor of the seventy-second birthday of the Canadian naturalist. Among telegrams were those from W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, and Henry Ford.

The New York Times

Published: April 12, 1937

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Postcard: Jack Miner's Bird Sanctuary, Kingsville, Ontario...  
Image from eBay





## PO INSPECTOR CHARLES MACDONALD, PART II

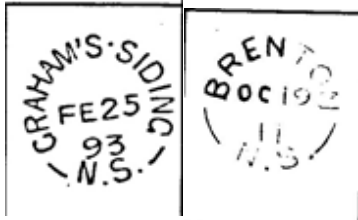
by Jane Sodero

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As Post Office Inspector, Macdonald was the link between the residents and postmasters of Nova Scotia and the Deputy Postmaster General in Ottawa. He fielded requests for new post offices and changes in location of existing post office. In addition, he handled resignations of postmasters and requests for upgrades in services such as offices being able to issue money orders.

Many of the inquiries Macdonald and his office handled are available on-line at <https://tinyurl.com/5xapk2w8>. The following is a typical application for a new post office. Graham's Siding was located about one mile east of Shortts Lake, Colchester County. It was likely named after early residents of the community with a mill operated by the Graham brothers in the 1870s<sup>2</sup>. In 1892, an R. A. Harvey applied for a new post office. The Post Office Inspector's office prepared a report for the Postmaster General which outlined the location of the new post office as well as of existing offices and a map; the make-up of the community in terms of population (25 families) and local industry (farming); the mode and frequency of service (semi-weekly, courier) and the name of the proposed postmaster (Thomas A. Brenton).<sup>3</sup>

This application was successful as the Graham's Siding post office, with Thomas A. Brenton as postmaster, opened on February 2, 1893. A split-ring cancel was issued for the new post office as well as when the name was changed to Brenton.<sup>4</sup>

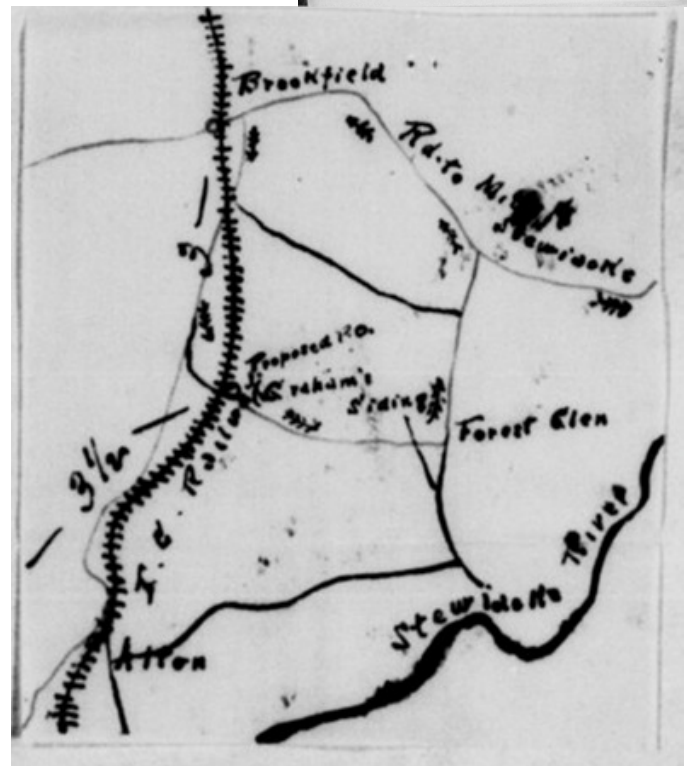


Brenton's wife, Mehitabel took over as postmaster in 1898 after Thomas' death. On June 1, 1903, an Act of Parliament changed the name of the community to Brenton, changing the name of the post office as well. Mehitabel resigned on June 2, 1924 in favour of her son, Lloyd Victor Brenton. Lloyd Brenton was succeeded by his son, Aubrey Brenton. The Brenton post office was closed on September 6, 1953, about a year after Aubrey resigned his post.

<sup>2</sup>Public Archives of Nova Scotia. Place-Names and Places of Nova Scotia. Belleville, Ontario: Mika Publishing Company, 1982.

<sup>3</sup>Deputy Postmaster General: correspondence addressed to the Post Office Inspectors, 1851-1902: C-7254 images 72 to 76.

<sup>4</sup>Hughes, J. Paul. Proof Strikes of Canada, Volume IV: Split Circle Proof Strikes of the Maritimes. Kelowna, BC: Robert A. Lee Philatelist Ltd, 1989.



## 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>



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