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EDITOR'S COMMENT

Welcome to the 100th edition of the South Pacific Perfin Bulletin (SPPB). In celebration of it being the 100th edition we have made it a bumper edition.

The Bulletin was first issued in late 1986 by David Dell in New Zealand but in early 1988 David Andersen became Editor and he has been editor for all editions up to and including #99.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank David for his long and valuable service to the PCNZA, and the hobby in general, including his published study "Australian Official Perfins" (1st Edition 1987, plus updates, and 2nd Edition 2007). But particularly for his guiding hand as Editor, that brought the SPPB from humble beginnings to quickly become a polished, relevant, informative and sustained journal.

I would recommend that all members look to owning a full set of the back issues of the SPPB as it was, and remains today, a goldmine of excellent information about perfins.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following members who have joined since the previous issue

#280 Dr. John Crowther, Idolsberg, Austria

BACK ISSUES OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC PERFIN BULLETIN - SPPB

Now that we have reached issue 100 would you like to read what has come before it?

Shortly the Club will be launching a website and this will include online access to the back issues of the SPPB, but if you cannot wait, or you are not online, then you can get these back issues in two ways, as follows:

Option 1 CD with issues 1–99 for A \$10 including postage to Australia and New Zealand. Rest of the World A \$15.

Option 2 Printed copies of an issue from 1-99 for 50c each, plus postage at cost.

Give them a read, you will find something of value. I always enjoy reading the early ones with the summaries of patterns for each State, both postal and revenue. These were examples of good co-operative communication between members, pre internet and pre email, so all old fashioned research and communication. The Australian surveys that are in these early issues of the Bulletins are supported by excellent images and but for the Joe Purcell study that lead to the writing of Commercial Perfins of Australia (Grant/Mathews – 1992) they would have most likely become the basis of the Australian perfin catalogue.

PERFINS ON FACEBOOK

(David Andersen)

There is now a new way to share information and connect with other collectors, Perfins on Facebook

Next time you are looking on social media try my Facebook group located at:

http://www.facebook.com/?ref=tn_tnmn#!/groups/229194150465173/

INCORPORATION

(David Coath)

As advised in the last Bulletin the Club is taking the long overdue step of becoming an incorporated body.

This was being undertaken by the Treasurer, Lindsay Parker, but another member has volunteered his excellent skills and experience in such matters.

Dan Ryan has been a member of the PCNZA for a couple of years now and he is also the CEO of Scouts South Australia and he has years of experience in the not for profit sector and its structures. This will equip him well to take over steering the Club through the incorporation process.

Dan is reviewing the legislation and documentation and will be reporting progress in the April Bulletin. I would like to thank Dan for offering his assistance to help the Club make this important step.

CLUB PERFORATOR

Long-time member Arthur Taylor has taken over custody of the Club perforator and will be offering a service to members who want stamps perforated.

Stamps need to be Australian or New Zealand stamps from the period after the date the device came into service, February 1998. They need to be in multiples (no single stamps) as these are easiest to accurately fit under the punch head. No peel and stick stamps please as these tend to gum up the mechanism

Send your stamps to Arthur Taylor, 19 Sundowner Ave, BERRARA, NSW 2540

THANKS TO ARTHUR TAYLOR

Now that Arthur has the Club perforator he has agreed to prepare all the envelopes for mailing out the Bulletins.

This will ensure that all issues of the Bulletin carry PCNZA stamps for member's collections

COMMITTEE VACANCY – AUCTIONEER

(David Coath)

Since the March 2012 Meeting the PCNZA has had a position of Auctioneer on Committee.

This position has responsibility for conducting the Clubs Auctions. This includes receiving lots, creating descriptions, and preparing them into a printed Auction catalogue for distribution with an issue of this Bulletin. Then the position has the task of receiving bids, deciding winning bidders, dispatching invoices, receiving payments and distributing lots to successful bidders.

The Auction is a once a year process at present so the task is not arduous, in fact I have just done the job myself and it was quite interesting.

I would be happy to hear from anyone who is interested in taking on the position and indeed the responsibilities of the position could be altered to fit the individual.

If any member has an interest in the position then they could contact David Coath at: davidcoath@onthe.net.au or on 03 9437 0366.

VALE - TOM LATTO

(David Coath)

Late last year we heard the sad news that Tom Latto (member # 161) from Lancashire, England had passed away.

Tom joined the PCNZA in July 1997 and collected Australian Official perfins.

PERFIN AUCTIONS RUN BY BOB SZYMANSKI

Bob Szymanski is a member of the US Perfin Club (President 2000-2005 and 2009-2011) as well as a member of our sister group the BNAPS Perfin Study group in North America.

Bob conducts private auctions of perfin material on a regular basis. He conducted his first auction in 2001 and is now starting Auction #42. The Auctions provide a service to retiring collectors and allow the sharing of material within the Perfin community and in addition Bob sends 5% of sales as a donation to the Club of the vendor.

Anyone who belongs to any recognised perfin club is welcome as a bidder.

If you wish to participate in these Auctions the easiest way is to get in touch with Bob directly. He can be contacted via email at perfinman@comcast.net or by mail to:

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Milford, MA 01757-1371
United States

CLUB AUCTION 1/2012 – CLOSED 31 DECEMBER 2012

The Club Auction 1/2012 closed on 31 December 2012 and a high proportion of lots were sold. Cheques will be going out to vendors soon. The unsold lots are available at reserve on a “first in” basis and a short list of these lots is included with this Bulletin.

To make a bid email it to davidcoath@onthe.net.au or by mail to David Coath, 4 Fleming Crt, Research, VIC, 3095 or by phone on 03 9437 0366

NEXT CLUB AUCTION - MATERIAL WANTED

The next Club Auction is set to be issued with the July Bulletin so if you have any material that you want to sell then please send it to David Coath, 4 Fleming Crt, Research, VIC, 3095.

Australian private perfin covers are very popular and so are New Zealand single private perfins. Also I was surprised at the brisk bidding for Overseas perfin lots in this auction.

So if you have some perfin material that you do not need then share it with your fellow members through the Auction

AUSTRALIA 2013 FIP WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION

(David Coath)

The PCNZA has received confirmation of its Meeting Room slot for the upcoming Australia 2013 FIP World Stamp Exhibition to be held at the Exhibition Buildings in Melbourne from 10 – 15 May 2013.

The PCNZA have secured Meeting Room 2 for 10 - 12 am on Sunday 12 May, 2013.

The Meeting Rooms are located in the Main Hall and seat about 50 people. The organisers say that they will have computer based projection facilities available and some exhibition frames, should they be required.

It is our objective to keep any formal aspects of the meeting to a minimum and focus on talking about perfins. If anyone has something that they wish to share at the Meeting or display then please drop me a note and I will make sure that it gets onto the agenda for the meeting.

Thanks to Dingle Smith for his help in securing a weekend slot.

If you want any information on the event see <http://www.australia2013.com/>

I look forward to seeing you there.

MEMBERS PUBLICATIONS AND WEBSITES

Queensland Postage Stamps, 1879-1912 by Kenneth F. Scudder, FRPSV

This is a comprehensive study of all Queensland surface-printed issues from 1879 to 1912, including the 1881 Chalon Head Lithographed high values, and the 1882 Bradbury Wilkinson Chalon Heads, as well as the duty adhesives of the same period.

These neglected issues are full of much philatelic interest, with all the designs from 1882 onwards being derived from a single 2d steel die engraved by Bradbury Wilkinson. Ken traces the techniques used to develop these designs from the original 1882 shaded Background type, through issues with a white Background, the '2-Numeral' and 4-Numeral' issues. All stamps are dealt with comprehensively, with full details of the "Types" used to make-up the printing plates (all illustrated), the printings made, exhaustive lists of plate flaws, and the essays and proofs. There is also a new look at the famous '2-Numeral' 6d Green.

There are chapters dealing with the 1899 'Small' ½d, the 1900 Charity issue, and the 1903 Commonwealth design, as well as Papers and Perforations, and the Specimen overprints.

The book is the result of many years work and this new volume is one of the most important new books on Australian Colonial stamps for many years. The book totals 400 A4 pages with over 100 in colour, and costs A \$125 plus postage.

The book is available from the Royal Philatelic Society of Victoria, PO Box 490 Ashburton, VIC, 3147 or by emailing their Publications Manager pleitch@iinet.net.au

MEMBERS PUBLICATIONS AND WEBSITES (Continued)

Private Revenue Perfins of Australia, Incorporating Commercial Security Overprints
by Dave Elsmore and David Coath

As advised in the last Bulletin this is now available online for free.

Dave and David have appreciated the positive feedback from members about the scope, format and the content.

The NSW section is huge, but it is nearing completion so have a look through this if you get a chance.

As always Dave and David are happy to receive input in the way of additional information, corrections and improvements and if you are able to help your name will be added to the list of contributors on the opening page of the site.

Visit <http://www.perfins.com.au/OZ-Revenue-Perfins/PRPofA-index.html> or just enter via perfins.com.au and click on the word “HERE” on the bottom left hand corner or on the tabs at the top of the page with the moving arrow saying “FREE Revenue Perfin Book”.

Website - Perfins.com.au – Dave Elsmore

Perfins.com.au received its 7000th visitor during January and Dave Elsmore reports that the site is getting more and more popular with new features, news and links.

Have a look at the site and try the “Perfin Research” tab or the “Perfin Exhibits” tab.

Countries		Pages	Hits
 Australia	au	1,018	9,960
 United States	us	333	885
 Germany	de	179	202
 Great Britain	gb	80	511
 Austria	at	52	506
 New Zealand	nz	49	467
 Russian Federation	ru	43	77
 France	fr	41	82
 Luxembourg	lu	39	40
 Sweden	se	37	104
 Spain	es	36	289
 Netherlands	nl	32	179
 Italy	it	31	237
 Brazil	br	21	88
 Canada	ca	19	141
 Ukraine	ua	18	18
 Ireland	ie	13	25
 China	cn	10	10
 Japan	jp	7	7
 Hungary	hu	5	31
 Denmark	dk	4	6
 India	in	4	19
 Bulgaria	bg	3	11
 South Africa	za	3	15
 Lithuania	lt	3	3
Others		19	149

As you can see from these statistics the site is attracting visits from all over the world but solid interest from Australia.

For January 2013 the visits were as follows:

Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits
Jan 2013	361	789	2,099	14,062

MEMBERS ACHIEVEMENTS

Dingle Smith

2012 marked the 80th Anniversary of the Philatelic Society of Canberra and in November 2012 they had a special celebration meeting.

At that Meeting PCNZA Member Dingle Smith was made a life member of the Philatelic Society of Canberra.

Dingle was recognised for his 30 years of assisting to organise the Clubs popular Easter Stamp shows that are held every two years.

William (Bill) Register

Bill could not have hidden his Exhibiting success from the recent Blenpex 2012, even if he had wanted to, as two of our New Zealand members, Tony Nobilo and Harold Waite went to the trouble to mail me the results and highlighting Bill's entries.

Bill had entered two Perfin exhibits and received the following results:

New Zealand Perfins (Traditional: NZ and Aust.) – Vermeil (Silver Gold)
Japan Perfins (Traditional: Other Countries) – Vermeil (Silver Gold)

Congratulations Bill, a great result and the first time I had seen a Japanese Perfin exhibit at an Australian or New Zealand Exhibition. Perhaps other members can consider a Single Country Foreign collection for exhibiting.

CIRCUIT BOOKS

(Mark Saxby)

The Clubs Circuit Books offer excellent value and choice of material with the added advantage that the material is well described and allocated catalogue numbers. So if you are looking to build your collection then these books offer an easy path.

During 2013 we will be looking to put more books into the circuit and increase the frequency of the books.

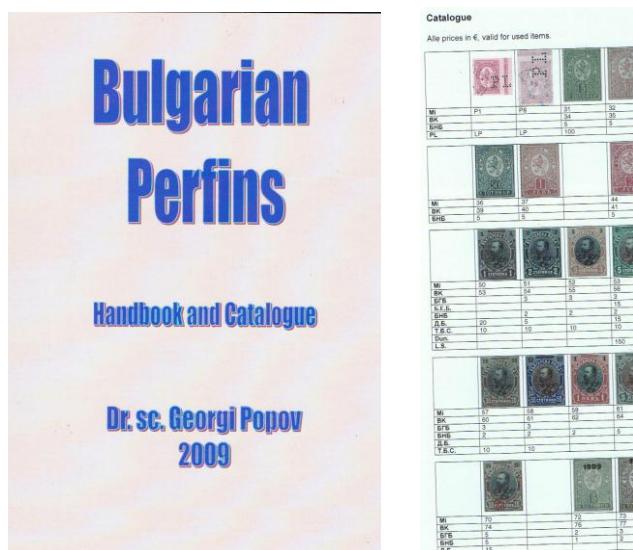
Members of the Circuit are asked to forward the books on as soon as they can so that the books can get around the circuit as quickly as possible.

If you are interested in joining the Circuit contact me by email at saxbyml@bigpond.com or by mail to Mark Saxby 7 High St, Greta, NSW, 2334.

NEW BULGARIAN CATALOGUE BY DR GEORGI POPOV (2009)

The Club library has secured a copy of the new “Bulgarian Perfins – Catalogue and Handbook (2009)” by Dr Georgi Popov

The catalogue was awarded a large silver at the Lisbon 2010 Exhibition and is written in English. The catalogue is in 52 pages, mainly colour, and features a listing of issues found with the various Bulgarian patterns.



If any member has an interest in borrowing the catalogue then please contact David Coath at: davidcoath@onthe.net.au or write to David Coath, 4 Fleming Crt, Research, VIC, 3095.

MEET A MEMBER – HAROLD WAITE (New Zealand)

Harold was born in Auckland, NZ and has spent more than 70 years there, where he has worked as a carpenter.

He first became interested in stamps as a young boy in the 1940's but he did not start collecting perfins until the 1970's when he exchanged some material with another collector and found some perfins in the lot that he had been traded.

This was a watershed for Harold's collecting and in time he disposed of most of his non perfined stamps and built up collections of the perfins of New Zealand, Australia and the UK as well as some New Zealand Postal history.

For his New Zealand perfins Harold collects all issues and all positions for a given pattern but for the larger Australian and UK collections he just collects all patterns on all issues.

Harold has exhibited his perfins at a National level in New Zealand, winning a Silver in 1998 and a Large Vermeil in 2009.

Harold has used his hobby as a reason to get abroad and his first trip was to AUSIPEX (1984) in Melbourne but he is a regular visitor to the PCNZA's meetings, where ever and when ever they are held. In 2000 he visited the International Exhibition in London, and in 2006 attended one in Washington. In 2010 he returned to London and was a visitor at the GB Perfin Society's meeting.

Harold is a founding member of the PCNZA and he is Member # 7.

THE GOLDSBROUGH MORT PERFINS-UPDATE (John Amiet and David Coath)

In the October Bulletin I included an article about the various devices and the patterns of the stock, station and wool trading company Goldsbrough Mort and Co Ltd.

In summary the devices and patterns were as follows:

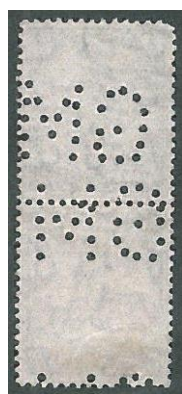
GM&COLTD.1 (1924 – 1928) Single die device
 GMCOLTD.1 (1929-1931) Two die device in a horizontal array
 GMCOLTD.2 (1932-1935) Two die device in a vertical array
 GM.1 (1936-1937) and GM.2 (1936-1937) Suspected to be 2 die device
 G.2 (1937-1940) and G.8 (1937-1940) Suspected to be 2 die device and a modification of the GM.1 and GM.2 device.

In the article I asked members for any examples that would help us to understand the structure of the GM (.1 and .2) and GM (.2 and .8) devices.

John Amiet found the following vertical pair with multiple strikes that almost certainly confirm the structure of the GM (.1 and .2) and GM (.2 and .8) devices.



GM Front



GM Back



G.8 above G.2 *



GM.2 above GM.1*

* The G.8 and G.2 and GM.2 and GM.1 images are correct and to scale for the patterns and the separation between the dies

There are 3 strikes on the vertical pair that John sent me and I will refer to them as Strikes 1, 2 and 3 working downwards from the top of the pair.

Strike 1 This is a strike of GM.1 but it does not show any consistent relationship to any of the other strikes so I would suggest that it is not related to strikes 2 and 3.

Strike 2 This is a strike of GM.2 with its characteristic “weak chin”

Strike 3 The strike only gives us the top 3 pins of the G but these match perfectly with the top of GM.1 and do not fit the top of GM.2.

The conclusion is that:

GM (.1 and .2) device is a 2 die device in a vertical array (GM.2 over GM.1)

G (.2 and .8) device is a 2 die device in a vertical array (G.8 over G.2)

PRIVATE PERFINs OF THE 1927 CANBERRA ISSUE (Colin Clark Hutchison)

When I was a lad growing up in Melbourne I wanted to add to my childish collection of stamps, so one day my father took me to visit a stamp dealer named Mr Feibes, who was a refugee from Europe. Like all small boys I wanted nice colourful stamps from exotic places. Mr Feibes, at his Shop on the 2nd floor at 80 Swanston St, would have none of this, and he insisted I should collect Australian stamps, which started the basis of my collection today.

I started with early Roos and continued on this basis up to the end of 1990 by which time I had lost interest in the new issues, as there were just too many.

I had always liked the early commemoratives and it was at this time that I had the chance to have first offer to purchase some examples of the 1927 Canberra stamps for sale by private treaty. The main items were imperf vertical and horizontal pairs, the latter postally used. From there it just progressed with FDC's, varieties, official perfins, covers with interesting usage and then Private Perfins on the Canberra issue. There are also some interesting ephemera which can be collected that adds another dimension to a collection of this nature.

About 25 years ago I started to collect perfins because they were plentiful, cheap and offered the opportunity to collect something different. The perfins and my interest in the Canberra issue naturally combined.

Some years ago I entered an exhibit of the Canberra stamp at The Association of Scottish Philatelic Societies and was awarded a Bronze-Silver. This was rather disappointing, so I entered exactly the same exhibit at the annual British Society of Australian (BSA) Philately and was awarded a Large Vermeil. As the BSA competitions are always judged by people who are International Judges, I knew I had been given a fair award. These days I have tended away from Exhibiting in favour of collecting.

There are a total of 134 different Private perfins reported on the 1927 Canberra and a full list is provided below. I thank David Coath and Jen Prosser for sharing what they have.

Examples of a few Private perfins on the Canberra issue are:



Symbol.3
Famous Lasky
Film Services

RA.4
Richard Allen & Son

PLD.1
Prescott Ltd.

A.9 A.11 A.15 AA.1 ACO.2 ACS.2 AE.1 AECO.1 AICO.1
A+R.1 AS&S.1
B.9 B&B.1 BMC.1 B&N.15 BP.1 BP.6 BP.9 BS&F.5 BS&F.9
C.1 CCM.1 CEL.1 CMCO.1 CPSCO.2
DC&CO.1 DJF.1 DJLTD.2 DJLTD.4 DJLTD.5 (possibly on .3&.6)
DUN.1 DWMLTD.1 DWMLTD.2 DWMLTD.4
ECS.1 ED.1 ED&CO.2 ED&COLTD.1 EFCS.1 ES.1 ESCOLTD.1
ESCOLTD.2 ET.7 ETCO.1
F.1 F.2 FG.5 FJCO.1
G.1 GAS.2 GB.3 G&COS.1 GDCO.1 GDCOA.1 GLTD.1
GM&COLTD.1 GO&CO.1 GRW.1 GT&CO.1 GW.1 GWS&CO.2
HB&CO.1 HB&CO.2 HS.4 HSLD.1 HSLD.4 HSLD.5
IDH.1 IH.13 IH.14 IOA.1 IOA.2
J&BS.7 JC&COLTD.1 JCH.2
K.4 K.5 K.8 KBW.4 KL.1
LBL.1 LL.2 LLG.2 LLG.3 LLG.4 LLG.5 LLG.6 LLG.10
M.9 MCK&C.2 MCP.1 MH.4 MMICO.1 MMICO.2
NASC.2 NASC.3 NB.1 NSGCO.1 NUF.1 NZIC.4 NZL.3 NZL.8
OK.3 OK.4
PD&CO.1 PL&B.12 PL&B.13 PLD.1 PTCO.2
QICO.1
R.1 R.2 RA.4 RICO.1 RICOLD.1 RR&CO.1
S&A.2 SB.5 SG.2 SH&CO.1 SH&COLTD.1 SIC.1
TB.8 TBS.2 TTEA.1 TYSLD.1
VOCO.3 VOCO.13 VPC.3

W&COA.1 WDC.1 WILLS.3
 Y.1
 SYMBOL.3

I wonder are there other issues that members have that we can add to the listing?

If you can please let me know by email to Colin Clark Hutchison at castlesod@hotmail.com or by mail to, Castle Sod, Kirkcudbright, DG6 4RT, Scotland, UK.

References: “The 1927 Canberra Commemorative” (2012) by Dr Geoff Kellow
 “Handbook of Australian Private Perfins” (2003) by John Mathews

Editors Comment:

Collecting perfins from just a single issue, or series of issues, or a stamp design, is a great way to collect. I know a perfin collector who just collects KGV, another who just collects Roos and one who just collects the KGV Jubilee issue.

There are many iconic issues, like the 1927 Canberra, that could catch your eye and make a great collection and indeed exhibition. The 1929 WA Centenary, the 1928 Kookaburra, the 1932 Bridge or indeed any of the 1930 Commemorative Sets would make a great collection. This period is at the end of the Service Puncture era and most of the users at this time are large companies who are high volume mailers so perfins on a good range of issues are easier to find.

Give it a try.

OFFICIAL PERFIN OF THE 1927 CANBERRA ISSUE (Colin Clark Hutchison)

The Canberra stamp issued on 9th May 1927 was the first Commemorative stamp of The Commonwealth of Australia and generated a great amount of interest with the general public. The stamp was issued to commemorate the official opening of the new Federal Parliament Building by H.R.H. The Duke of York, (later King George VI).

At the time there was also considerable discussion about the suggestion by Mr A. A. Rosenblum that the stamps be overprinted “OS” for use by Government Departments, and this eventually led to the decision to puncture only a limited quantity. However the decision was mainly based on the idea that Federal Parliamentarians should have stamps available for their use, as it was a stamp being issued to commemorate the opening of the Federal Parliament Building. In addition some stamps were to be reserved for “cancelled- to- order” sets and others for use by Government Departments. The total number punctured “OS” was 18,800; consisting of 8,640 for Federal Parliamentarians and 10,160 for “cancelled- to- order” and for Government Departments (combined).

At the time it was the practice for the State Government Departments of New South Wales and Tasmania to purchase normal stamps and have their own State Government Printers puncture stamps for official use with their appropriate State

perforation device. In this instance the OSNSW (type C) and the T. Other States received their “OS” punctured stamps from the Government Stamp Printer in Melbourne.

Only two covers are recorded for First Day of Issue. The cover (fig.1) addressed to Lady Gellibrand with two “OS” Canberra stamps was probably sent by her husband Major General Sir John Gellibrand who was a Member of the House Representatives for Tasmania and would have been at Canberra for the opening. The cover was last offered for sale by Prestige Philately, Auction 145 in 2009 and was not sold at the offer price of A \$6,400 + buyers commission.



Fig.1: Gellibrand FDC as offered for sale by Prestige Philately, Auction 145 in 2009

Covers with “OS” Canberra stamps are scarce, whether from Parliamentarians or Government Departments. In (fig.2) is a cover sent by Sir Henry Barwell who was a South Australian Senator and would have received his allocation of two sheets of 80 stamps each punctured “OS”.

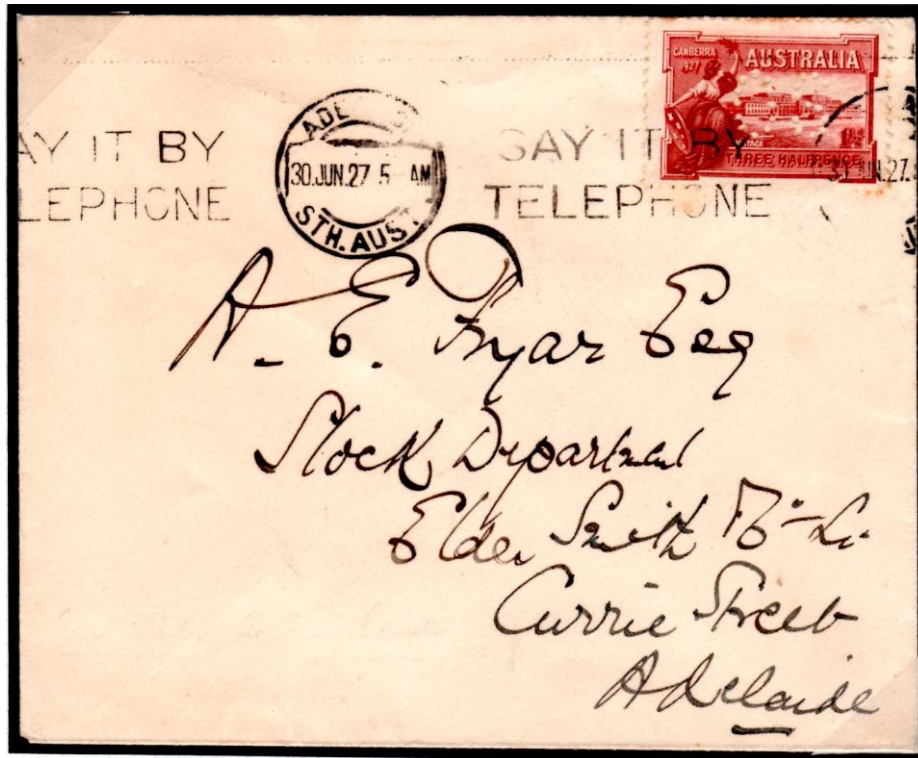


Fig. 2: Sir Henry Barwell cover

It is generally believed that few "OS" stamps were used by Government Departments. These OS were punctured by the OS (type F) or Melbourne OS which had been used to perforate the issues of Victoria, Western Australia and Tasmania until immediately prior to the Federal period, and then the issues of Papua (1912 – 1931). A similar pattern was also produced by a device located in Brisbane but this was not the Type F Melbourne device. Refer Australia Official Perfins (AOP) page 18 and 30 and SPPB #66 July 2004.

The OS (Melbourne Type F) was a 10 die device in a vertical array and was chosen for use on the Canberra issue because width of the stamp made it unsuitable for puncturing with the either of the OS (Type H) devices that were 12 die devices in a horizontal array (See, AOP) page 37).



Fig 3: OS (Type F) Multiple. Note consistency between vertical strikes and not the horizontal strikes.

New South Wales used stamps punctured “OS/NSW” (Type C) which are only found punctured sideways (position 2) as the device was a 12 die device designed for the KGV definitive issues and the width of a KGV approximates the height of the Canberra issue. (fig. 4) All covers recorded to date with the OSNSW (type C) are from the Metropolitan Meat Industry Board (fig.5).



Fig.4: OSNSW (type C) strike in position 2



Fig.5: OSNSW (type C) on cover from the Metropolitan Meat Industry Board.

In Tasmania the "T" puncture was used. The puncturing was done using an old 12 gauge perforator with pins removed to form the necessary gap between stamps of a complete sheet of 80. The puncturing was done in two stages with the sheet of stamps turned 90 degrees for the second stage. This often resulted in the "T" being badly formed. The rare OHMS cover (fig.6) posted at Launceston is a good example of correct usage.

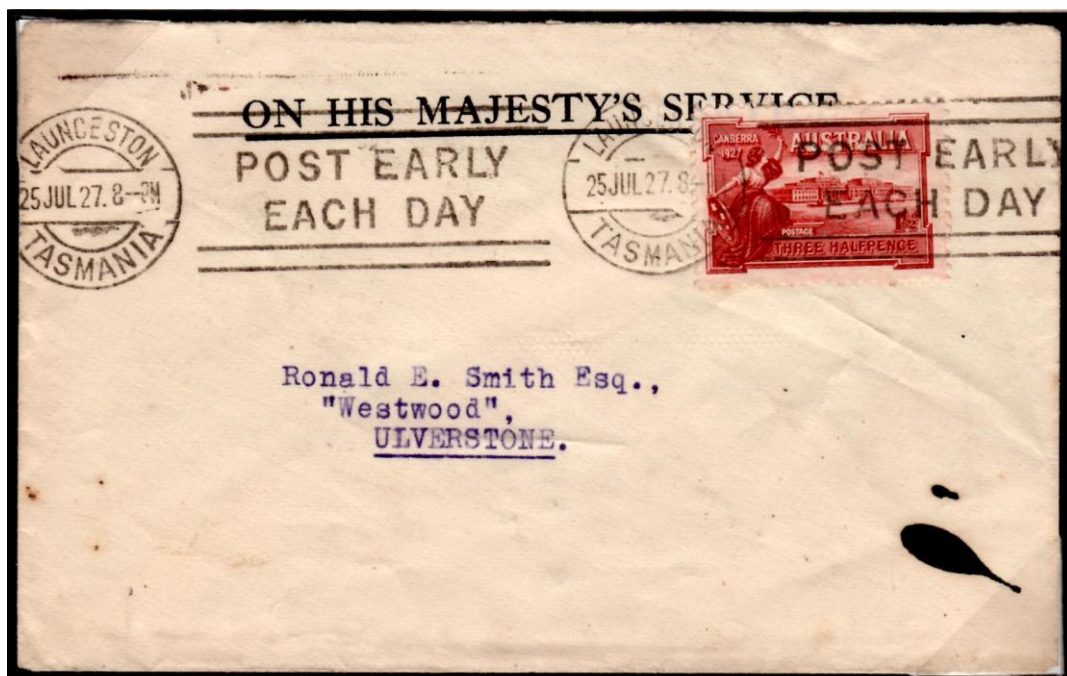


Fig. 6: T on OHMS Cover

Given the rarity of some of the Canberra material it is producing high prices at Auction and this is also true of examples which have been perforated Officially. This raises the issue of forgeries and in my next article in the April Bulletin I will address

this issue in depth and show examples of the forgeries and how to go about detecting them.

References: “The 1927 Canberra Commemorative” (2012) by Dr Geoff Kellow
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 Prestige Philately – Auction No 145
 South Pacific Perfin Bulletin #66 article by Ken Scudder.

NEW REPORTS

(John Amiet, Dave Elsmore and David Coath)

This is a new part of the Bulletin in which members can share new or updated reports of perfins and users. The reports in this issue are all Australian Private perfins but that is coincidental and not intentional and members are invited to share any information within their collecting interests. Please forward any reports to the Editor.

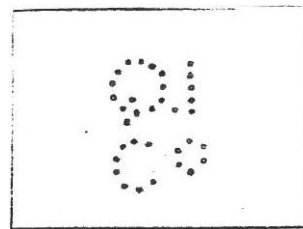
WILLS.1 on a Victorian Revenue



John Amiet has sent in a previously unreported revenue use of WILLS.1

This is consistent with the company's usage of perfins on revenues at their other office in Sydney.

New QI/CO on a NSW revenue



Dave Elsmore reports this new QI/CO which he has found only on NSW revenue Stamps. It is similar to QICO.1 but the Q and the C have more pins. I have sorted my QI/CO's and found that I already had some of the new pattern mixed in with my existing QI/CO's. So check what you have.

User for LAF&CO.1



I was offered a small collection of perfins recently and I could not see anything special in it until I noticed this LAF&CO.1. Firstly it is on a revenue which is a new report in itself but the cachet gives enough to confirm the user as L A Fairburn, Livestock Auctioneers in Melbourne.

MEMBERS REQUESTS

This is another new feature of the Bulletin. If you want to start a new collection or are looking for a specific pattern, cover or the like, just ask your fellow PCNZA members and see if they can help.

Arthur Taylor – Accommodation for Australia 2013.

Arthur and his wife Helen are travelling to Melbourne in May 2013 to attend the Australia 2013 Stamp Exhibition and are looking to see if any members in Melbourne can offer a spare bedroom for a couple of nights.

If you are able to assist, then please give Arthur a call on 02 4441 2355.

Michael Millar – Looking for “S crown O”

Michael is a member of the both the US and GB Perfin Clubs and is looking to find examples of the “S crown O” on the 1929 UPU and Edward VIII issues and if possible examples on cover/card or wrapper.



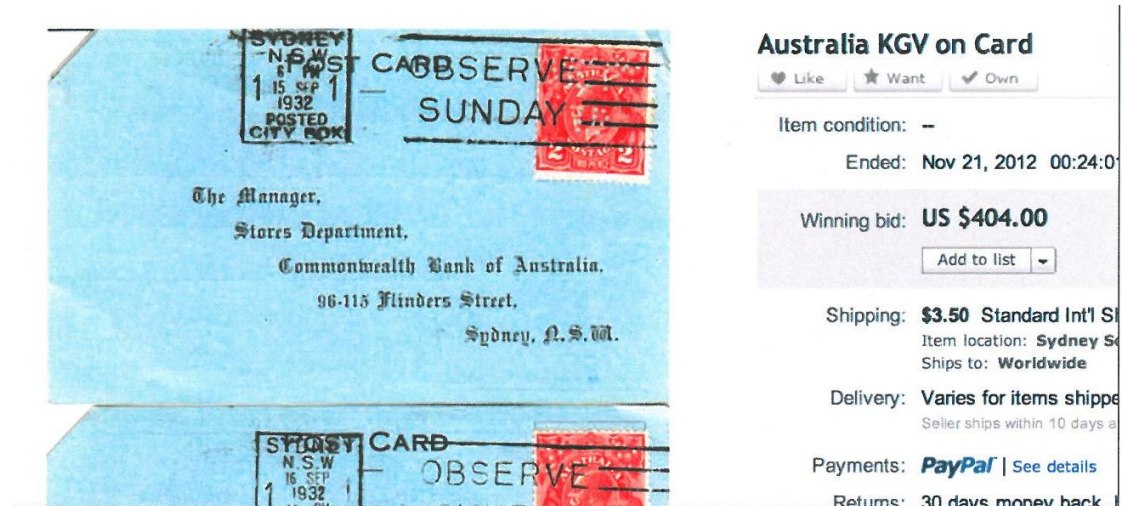
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AUCTION WATCH

1949 £1 Silver Wedding perf K	reserve \$30 NZ
1988 40 c “Royal 100” on RPSNZ Cent. X 10	reserve \$75 NZ
1990 “NZ/1990” on ½ d and 1 ½ d Cent. MUH	reserve \$15 NZ
6 d Kangaroo(3 rd wmk) perf small OS MUH	reserve \$60 NZ
4 d KGV single wmk Block of 9 MUH (with OS in selv.)	reserve \$600NZ
1933 NZ Health perf VOCO used in Wellington	reserve \$75NZ

NZ Stamp Duty perf 1924 piece £1000, £100, £50, £40, £3 and 8/- reserve \$400NZ
 NZ 1935 Arms Stamp Duty perf £5,973 reserve \$500NZ
 NZ 1935 Arms Stamp Duty perf £44,000, £15,300, £75,000 reserve \$3000
 NZ 1 ½ d Boer War perf "W&T/Ld" reserve \$30

And this item from ebay which sold for the surprising amount of \$404.00



Special Thanks to Tony Nobile for sharing these auction results.

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