

# **PROJECT OFFICERS' REPORTS**

# APF ARCHIVAL PRODUCTS MANAGER ANNUAL REPORT

Attached to this report are spreadsheets which show monthly totals for:

1. Value of Sales .
2. Quantities of items sold.

These are produced to enable some degree of analysis and interpretation of sales over the year. In some months the credit card facilities of the office have been used to process monies which are not related to sales of APF items. Stampex entry fees, Sale of PSSA Postmarks of SA Book, Frank Pauer credit card transaction at Stampex are the most significant of these. Where monies banked exceed APF sales plus Aust 2013 sales it is because of these transactions. This service comes at zero cost to the APF and will continue to be provided where appropriate.

Based on the figures from the sheets, the Archival Office has had a very successful year. Using rounded off figures and excluding David's sales at Sydney then the value of APF products sold for the year is \$22,000 with an additional \$785 being banked from the sale of Australia 2013 souvenirs. The sales of APF material for the 2013 - 14 financial year was \$9,700.

A scrutiny of the sales shows:

- \$6,600 (i.e. 30%) came from the Sydney exhibition.
- \$6,000 (i.e. 27%) came from new products. These new items the Replica Card Book with and without the black print card, the Sato book, replica Card No. 50, Judges Refresher Course O/Print, Anzac P - stamps and Anzac covers.

This accounts for about half of the increase in sales over the previous year. The rest is a clear indication that we must be doing some things well.

Some of these (in no particular order) are:

- Increased publicity and hence exposure in the APF News.
- Better management of the APF website. I have already had a couple of comments re this and suspect it will be a significant factor in future sales when it is rewritten.
- Pre orders for the Sydney Exhibition were very well received and worth repeating.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped in making the sales achieved this year possible. This ranges from the obvious help on the APF stand to APF News items, to organising new items for sale to updating website information and right through to the supportive and encouraging comments made by so many of you. Hopefully next year's sales will be in the vicinity of \$16,000.

Mike Kovaleff  
24/7/15

## APF SALES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2014 -15

### SECTION A: VALUE OF SALES

MONTH/VENUE	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Stampex	Nov	Dec/Jan	Feb	March	Sydney	April	May	June	TOTAL
AMOUNT BANKED	1278.55	1863.70	1921.20	1268.90	4780.70	640.20	1133.45	672.80	1245.60	6966.30	1197.30	2930.95	1121.25	27020.90
APF SALES	801.30	1070.20	1713.30	1010.80	2910.70	737.45	1010.20	510.00	1065.60	6629.80	1055.00	2671.00	1015.00	22200.35
Aust 2013 SALES		35.00		125.00	185.00				60.00	335.00			45.00	785.00
COMMISSION	80.15	107.00	171.35	113.60	309.55	73.75	101.00	51.00	112.55		105.50	267.10	106.00	1598.55
POSTAGE COST	50.45	51.35	210.70	110.70	20.85	29.90	117.35	159.30	129.80		138.30	208.85	58.45	1286.00
PACKING CHARGE	2.20	1.75	6.05	4.60		1.10	5.70	3.50	5.20		4.00	14.25	2.80	51.15

### SECTION B: SALES BY QUANTITY

MONTH/VENUE	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Stampex	Nov	Dec/Jan	Feb	March	Sydney	April	May	June	TOTAL
<b>STORAGE</b>														
Safe Box	7	1				3		4	2	4		1	6	28
<b>DISPLAY PAGES</b>														
283 x 210 White	400	250	20	50					500					1220
283 x 210 Off White						50	100		200	450				800
283 x 216 white	50		650	150	100	850	100	50		550				2500
283 x 216 Off White			500		700	100	100	200	50	400		550	150	2750
283 x 230 White	100	50	300	150						100			50	950
283 x 230 Off White		400			100			100		50	500		600	1750
** 283 x 420 White				150										150
** 283 x 420 Off White							50		20	200				270
283 x 454 White	20		50	100	400	404								974
283 x 454 Off White			135		150	4	60		40		150			539
283 x 216 Grille	50	200	50		100						150	100	50	700
283 x 230 Grille				50	200		50							300

### SECTION B: SALES BY QUANTITY

MONTH/VENUE	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Stampex	Nov	Dec/Jan	Feb	March	Sydney	April	May	June	TOTAL
<b>POLY SHEET PROTECTORS</b>														
285 x 225	350	300	620	210	200	150		100	550	250	100	250	100	3180
285 x 240			250	150	100		75	100	200	250	300	350		1775
285 x 420			15	100	50				16		20			201
285 x 457			100	100			16							216
285 x 465					100	8	60							168
<b>MYLAR SHEET PROTECTORS</b>														
285 x 225		100	71		100		48			300			50	669
** 285 x 230				80	60							30		170
285 x 240	20	50		19	130		165	100	50	199	160		50	943
** 285 x 415					70		10							80
285 x 465	5	10	40	6	11		10		40		40			162
<b>PHOTO CORNERS</b>														
16mm Poly	14	12	2	2	26				5	1	2	10		74
19mm Poly	2	1	6	2	9		3		2	4		3	6	38
16mm Mylar	2	2			2		1							7
35mm Mylar	1	2	2	2	7		2			1				17

### SECTION B: SALES BY QUANTITY

<b>REPLICA CARDS</b>														
43 Rotary		1			1	1						7		10
44 Sturt		1			1	1						5		8
45 2/- AAT		1			1	3				2		6	1	14
46 Sturt		1			1					1		6		9
47 Railway		1			1					2		7	1	12
48 Melb. Cup		1			1					2		6	1	11
49 Cattle		1			1					3		7	1	13
50Anzac												20	1	21
50A Black Print										54		25	2	81
Non - Current Cards										3		5		8
<b>ABANDONED DESIGN CARDS</b>														
2 Sturt High Value										9		4		13
<b>ANZAC SOUVENIRS</b>														
P - Stamp										82				82
Cover										29				29



## Data Base Project Officer's Report

During 2014-15 the Showman program was used at the half National in Adelaide in October and the Full National in Sydney in April 2015. Problems occurred when in South Australia they could not load the program on their computers for the exhibition. It was then agreed that a laptop be purchased that would be set up permanently for each show in advance so that the task of loading the program was eliminated.

This worked out well in Adelaide and the only problem that they encountered was that the Logo would not fit in the space provided. In Sydney however several problems were encountered that were partly to do with the program and partly to do with the operator. The problems encountered with the program will need to be fixed before the next half National Exhibition in Canberra before the laptop is forwarded to the organizing committee. The other half of the exhibition in Mandurah and the Challenge in Adelaide may pose a problem due to the time between the exhibitions, but as all exhibitions in 2016 should not present a problem as there are experienced operators available.

Apart from Adelaide and Sydney results from other exhibitions have also been updated'

These included:

WA-15 Albany Great War Exhibition Albany August 2014

SEO-14 Philakorea 2014 Seoul Korea August 2014

MAL-14 Malmo National Exhibition and Challenge Malmo Sweden August 2014

AERO14 Aerophilately 2014 Airmail Exhibition Bellefonte Pennsylvania USA September 2014

NZ-14 Baypex 2014 Napier New Zealand National and Challenge November 2014

KL-14 Malaysia 2014 Kuala Lumpur Malaysia December 2014

TAI-15 Taipei 2015 Taipei Taiwan April 2015

Should you exhibit at a National or International Exhibition that is not organized by the APF you should advise Bernard Doherty (Judges Register Project Officer) and I of the official results, if you wish to have the results recorded in Showman. This is important as the APF Commissioners rely on this information when accepting exhibits to ensure that your exhibit is qualified to be sent to an international exhibition. It also ensures that your qualifications as a judge are up to date.

Ross Wood  
Database Management Project Officer  
25 July, 2015

## **Archives Officer's Report**

The Archives of the Federation continues to be housed at Philas House, 17 Brisbane Street, Darlinghurst, NSW 2010. Archives of the Federation in the Philas Library now located to a shelf area in the room containing the Auction catalogue collection. This has made the collection easier to access.

The Archives contains philatelic items and administrative documents of the Federation and its predecessor. Application to view the archives should be made through the Secretary.

On the change of Federation officer's material should be lodged with the Archives. In addition there is a range of records from various events that will form part of our national philatelic history.

State Councils associated with the organising of National Philatelic exhibitions should endeavour to lodge with the Federation archives items related to such exhibitions.

It is also useful for National Commissioners to International exhibitions to lodge copies of bulletins, catalogues and awards lists with the Federation archives.

Archives holds a collection of journals to the Federation. Included are runs of items such as the journal of the French Federation and the Hong Kong Philatelic Society monthly newsletter.

The Federation archivist is available for consultation with other archival officers in the collection, care and accessing of philatelic archives.

David Collyer  
Archives Officer  
Australian Philatelic Federation

## **FRAMES REPORT**

The only movement of frames so far this year has been for Sydney. The containers returned to me in late April and an initial inspection of the frames after having to load them in the rain revealed no concerns with dampness. We actually got the containers loaded before the worst of the weather hit.

There was very little damage to the frames, and I requested that any with problems be put on the front of the load so I could get at them. Most of those have now been fixed.

I have three containers available for use at exhibitions, each with 165 frames.

I have emptied the old blue container and this will now be my store for spare parts etc. I have started to move all these bits and pieces out of the present store container which is in very poor condition, so that I can dispose of it. Once this has been done I will go ahead and purchase the next new container.

I will be making a call on the local volunteers to give a hand with a few jobs that I cannot manage myself, probably a Saturday sometime in August.

Anthony Presgrave  
Frames Project Officer.

## Judges Register Project Officer's Report

### Signatures

Most of the outstanding Judges Register signatures were added at the seminar in Sydney during May 2015

### Currently Accredited

All accreditations for national and international exhibitions, (where advised to the appropriate Project Officer) have been added to the database.

	Traditional	Post Hist	Post Stat	Thematic	Aero/Astro	Literature	Youth	Maximaph	Revenue	Polar	Open	FDC	Postcards
	34	31	20	6	17	6	8	2	7	2	5	3	16
2015	2	3	1	0	2			0	0	1	0	0	0
2016	4	3	2	0	2			0	1	0	0	0	3

Current accreditation indicates that nine jurors need to reaccredit in five classes during 2015 as well as fifteen in six classes during 2016. A table showing currently accredited jurors' year accreditation status is attached (Note, jurors not reaccrediting in 2014 remain on the Year Accredited sheet, but have been noted as **X** on the website accredited listing. Jurors needing to reaccredit in 2015 were advised by email in December 2014, several have replied, and many have reaccredited.

Postcard judges are now included in all Judges Register listing,

The electronic records for each judge, listing dates from serving apprenticeships to international status and intermediaries (eg electronic copies of notification of judging status and assessor reports; where received), as well as exhibits and medal levels achieved have been updated. Records of Jury panels from 1984 to 2015 National exhibitions are now in digital format.

In regard to digital records of national exhibitions, Jury Chairman and Secretary should forward a complete listing of Jury members (eg Chairman, Secretary, IT Recorder, Team Leader's classes and the classes in which jurors served) to the Judges Register Project officer.

Probationary	Traditional	Post Hist	Post Stat	Thematic	Aero/Astro	Literature	Youth	Maximaph	Revenue	Polar	Open	FDC	Postcard
Ebing G	2019	2018											
Kantor R									2019				

### Emeritus Judges

ACT	NSW	QLD	SA	WA
Hans Karman	Alf Campe	Roger Bower	Michael Blake	Margaret Hamilton
	Richard Peck	Ray Chapman	Bernard Wajer	Derek Pocock
	Stephen Wilson	Roger Bower	John Walker	
	Bernard Doherty	Ivar Mastins		

Jurors, please remember to advise the Judges' Register Project Officer of any exhibition results achieved outside Australia, so that you may be accredited for them.

Should there be any perceived discrepancies in the accreditation year tables, or the list of Emeritus Judges please contact B Doherty Email [bjdoh@bigpond.net.au](mailto:bjdoh@bigpond.net.au) so that they may be clarified and adjusted accordingly. PLEASE notify any changes in email addresses.

### Judges Register

All electronic files contained in the Judges Register have now been uploaded to OneNote, following a computer crash. It may be opportune for appropriate APF executive officers to have access to Cloud copies of Project and executive Officer files pertaining to the APF. Food for thought.

Bernard Doherty FAP 27 July, 2015





## **Publications Assistance Officer**

The Publications Assistance program of the Federation was established to assist the publication and promotion of philatelic literature in Australia or concerning Australian philately. Applications for assistance from within Australia should be lodged through the local State Philatelic Council. Requests from outside Australia should be made through the secretary of the APF.

Other forms of assistance to potential authors can include:

- discussion of writing and publishing experiences.
- advice in research techniques.
- reviews of published works.

Literature reviews can be sent to a number of philatelic publications. Each publication gets a different review emphasising the trend of the receiving journal.

Australia maintains an active limited edition publishing network that extends our philatelic knowledge. Works published recently included:

- Australian Commonwealth Specialists Catalogue King George VI – Editor  
Dr Geoffrey Kellow
- Australia's Stamp Replica cards by Martin Walker
- Meter markings of Mauritius by Karl Patrick Kwan-Cheung
- Cape of Good Hope Revenues 1711-1898 (3 Vols) by John Fletcher
- Preparations for war and the Australian Military campaign at Gallipoli: A postal history perspective by Gary Diffen
- Tasmania – Imperforate stamps from Courier to Chalon Heads: by Koicki Sato RDP FRPSL

There is a high philatelic interest in Internet homepages. Sites are maintained by Organised Philately, Australia Post, the Philatelic Trade and individuals. There are also philatelic noticeboards and chat rooms on which the views of individuals can be posted.

Philatelic exhibitions use this medium as a way of reaching a wider number of potential supporters. An active exhibition web site is a useful promotional and sales tool. At Sydney 2015 there were 12 entries in the literature class 7 monographs and 5 journals.

David Collyer

Publications Assistance Officer  
Australian Philatelic Federation

## Research Assistance Officer's Report

The APF Research Assistance Service is designed to assist collectors in learning about their fields of interest and helping find solutions to difficult philatelic problems and by seeking to provide information not readily available to a collector

*A request for research assistance should be made to the relevant State Research Officer, preferably as a written request, supported by photocopies of relevant material. Where necessary the State Research Officer may refer a request to the National Co-ordinator for further advice. Please note, this service is not for expertisation of stamps or for valuation purposes*

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State Research Officers may sometimes send the inquiry direct to the National Co-ordinator. They may also initiate a request themselves to the National –Coordinator, and vice versa. In most cases the Research Officers are linked to or have access to significant philatelic libraries.

Most questions for the APF research service now come via e-mail from collectors who have accessed the Federation web site

There are a number of users of the Research Assistance service who require stamp identification that is probably best met through the auspices of local Philatelic Councils. Questions regarding valuation should be directed to APTA

It is possible to do extensive searches through the journal literature but this takes time. At this time most requests are handled by mail or by phone or by e-mail. This service is beneficial to Australian philately. It is also possible to supply material for judges requiring background on exhibit topics:

- Australian postal rates in the Federal period 1901 to 1911
- Pan American Airways FAM 22 service Miami to Africa .
- Airmail services between China and North America from 1945 to November 1949
- 1938 Sesqui-Centenary Philatelic exhibition
- Australian Airgraph delivery envelopes.
- Pan American Airways FAM 19 service San Francisco to Auckland in 1941.
- The Philately of the 1937 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of settlement in NSW issue.
- British Army Postal service e dates stamps of WW I.
- Kenya 1971 Shell definitive .details of reprints

David Collyer  
National Co-ordinator –  
Research Assistance Service

## APF Webmasters Report 2014/15

### APF Website <http://apf.org.au>

The position of APF webmaster became vacant during 2014/15 and the position of APF webmaster is now held by Peter Allan (Tasmania).

It has been business as usual with few major changes being made to the website.

There has however been considerable new information posted to the site as usual including the latest information about Exhibitions, results, APF Store products and various up-dates from States and members of the APF Executive/Project Officers.

While comprehensive statistics are not currently available, the APF website receives considerable traffic, currently running at the monthly rate of some 500 individual visitors, some 850 sessions and visitors from a very wide range of Countries including: Australia, USA, New Zealand, Britain, Germany, Japan, India, China and others.

### *Other Activities*

1. Assistance was provided to the Newcastle Philatelic Society to set up and develop their own website for both Society and specifically Exhibition purposes.
2. Work has also commenced on an App for the APF. This will be both for android and iPhone users and will present key information about collecting and the APF to collectors. It is hoped this may help provide information about philately to a wider audience.

### *Future developments*

The APF has agreed to a proposal to revamp the current website. It is planned to move it to the WordPress platform and re-engineer the menu, content, layout and functionality.

The main advantages of this will be:

1. Greatly enhanced ability to quickly add new content and pages
2. Provide a site which displays easily on all devices including phones and tablets
3. Ability to easily add a very wide range of additional functionality if needed such as image galleries, blog, social media engagement and many more
4. The possibility of multiple users have access to up-date the site from multiple locations
5. Ability to offer State Councils their own space (within limits) and direct access should they wish to use this.

It is planned to commence development before the end of this year and stakeholders will be offered the chance to express their requirements.

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APF Webmaster  
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## **State Council Forum Co-ordinator's Report**

The State Council Forum has run formally since 1999 in Sydney. The Convenor organises the agenda by requesting items from the states as well as chairing the meeting. Until 2010 the meeting elected a minute taker and a record of the meeting was distributed to the APF Executive, State Councils and those who attended the meeting. For the 2010 meeting the APF executive has supported a request that the minute taker be appointed a project officer.

The 2014 State Council Forum, was held in Brisbane in conjunction with the Annual meeting of the Australian Philatelic Federation. The meeting was convened by David Collyer and a record of the meeting taken Lionel Savins.. The meeting continued format first used in 2003, a session on the Saturday afternoon and a combined session with the APF executive on the Sunday morning. Participants found the combined meeting beneficial in that gave all parties an arena for discussion.

State Councils select the topics to be discussed. While the Convenor arranges the agenda and provides background notes, their state councils present the topics. It is desirable that the structure and processes of the Forum be communicated to the philatelic public.

Topics discussed at the 2014 Forum included:

1. Use of Synopsis at Australian National exhibitions
2. Experiences and implications of reducing the minimum number of frames at national level from three to two
3. Judging one frame entries
4. Decentralising the storage of frames containers to individual states
5. Funding initiatives implications at National level and State level
6. Topical / Subject class.
7. International Philatelic Library
8. Review of national classes – implications for exhibitions and exhibitors
9. APF Store.
10. Mentoring exhibitors across all levels
11. Other collectibles at Philatelic exhibitions
12. Exhibition advertising.
13. What to do about forgeries- detection and action, expertisation
14. Club manpower how best to use it
  
15. Succession planning
16. Journals – where to? Clubs, Study Groups, electronic options.

The combined meeting continued the innovation introduced in 2009. The session for co-chaired, the Forum provided a recorder. The record of all sessions was distributed to the APF, and State Councils before the end of the calendar year. Items raised in the Forum were discussed at the February meeting of the APF executive. The APF Executive has approved the appointment of a record taker who as with the Convenor elected annually, both have the status of project officers. The record of the 2014 Forum was forwarded to the APF executive for discussion.

A wide ranging list of topics is being prepared for discussion at the 2015 Forum.

David Collyer  
Convenor  
State Council Forum.

## **APF NEWS REPORT 2014 – 2015**

Together with John Moore, in the absence of a PRO Executive member, John and I did as temporary editors prepare, edit and produce both February 2015 and July 2015 editions of APF News.

The February issue being 28 pages and the July issue of 32 pages with the central 8 pages being in colour. The feedback from both issues has been good.

The APF Executive has made the decision to make the Editor of APF News a Project Officer's position the following year and I have taken on the role.

The aims for 2015 -2016

1. To continue with 32 page product.
2. To continue with a minimum of 8 pages of colour
3. To increase the percentage of advertising
4. To convert where possible single recipients to receiving a digital version via email
5. The digital version to be in full colour
6. To include a new section for the junior collector

I will also be relying on John Moore to assist me as Assistant Editor as he will deal with the printer and distributor of the mailed edition.

Gary Brown  
August 2015