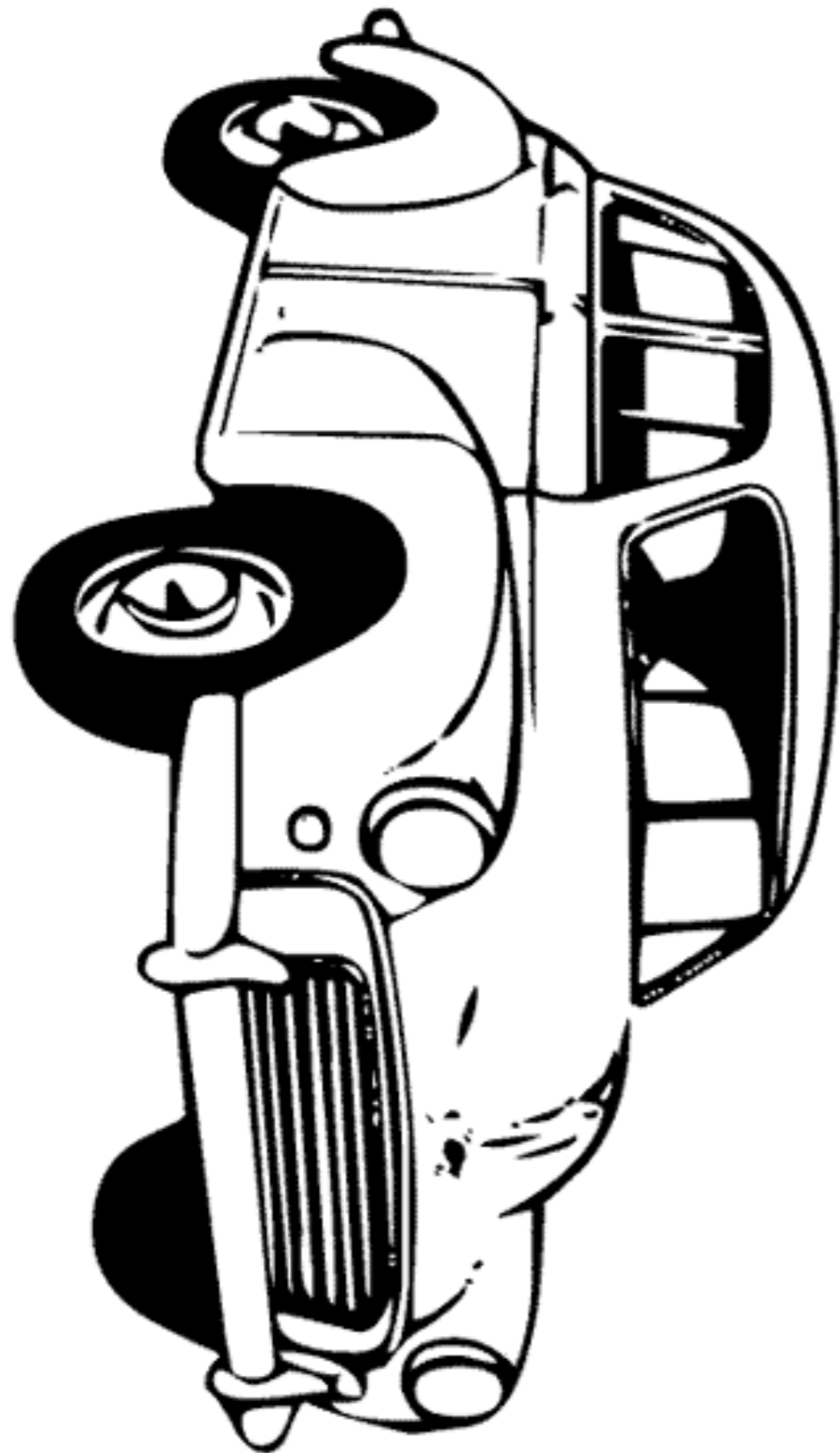


Colouring Competition

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Introducing the APF Stamp Crew



Hi I'm Phil,
meet the new
APF Stamp Crew



I'm Latty,
welcome aboard



and I'm Lee.
We're going to show
you all about Stamp
Collecting

During 2012 we are going to go back to basics, such as collecting tools, how to soak stamps, storing your stamps and some ideas for collecting.

YOUTH PHILATELY NEWS

from the Australian Philatelic Federation

Hello and welcome to my first edition of The Young Collector. I hope you like the changes I have made and enjoy getting back to basics with the new APF Stamp Crew; Phil, Latty and Lee. In the coming months they will help you learn all about the correct equipment needed to look after your stamps, the correct way to soak and store your stamps along with some tips on collecting.

There is no right or wrong way to collect stamps as it depends on the reason for collecting. It might be for pleasure or with an aim to eventually exhibiting. You may want to collect by country, theme, size, shape or colour. The choice is yours.

If you would like to exhibit then you may have to rethink how you collect, but we will discuss this in future issues. In the meantime, if you want to learn more about exhibiting please contact your state Youth Officer and they will be able to point you in the right direction.

Competitions

As well as our normal quiz we also have a colouring competition for the more junior juniors so that they can join in with the fun.

Special prizes have been sent to the winners of the last quiz in **YC Issue 44 Dragons**.

Show News

I hope to meet some of you at the Canberra Stamp Show. I will be attending as a Postcard Judge, but will be along to the Youth Section on Sunday to see you enjoying yourselves playing Snakes & Ladders.

Lets all join in and have some fun

Yvette Trinidad

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- Copies of the APF's junior stamp clubs in your State, please contact your State youth leader.
- Copies of the APF's junior stamp magazine "The Young Collector" can also be obtained from these people.

Featured Websites

Turtle Meter Stamps

Worldwide illustrated catalogue of meter stamps with turtles and tortoises.

<http://turtlemeterstamp.altervista.org/>

Turtle Meter Stamps, the web pages showing all meter stamps (MS) or meter marks of the world with this beautiful reptile. After the first version in November 2000, and second version in 2005, this one has more new meters, now over 200!

As you go deep into the world of Philately you realise how varied and fascinating it is. Originally Philately was exclusively the collection and study of postage stamps. Now other objects, always and necessarily related to postage use, have been included. One of the many branches of Philately is the collection of meter stamps. My collection is based on one of my favourite subjects "Armoured Giants and Dwarfs" or Turtles from all over the world.



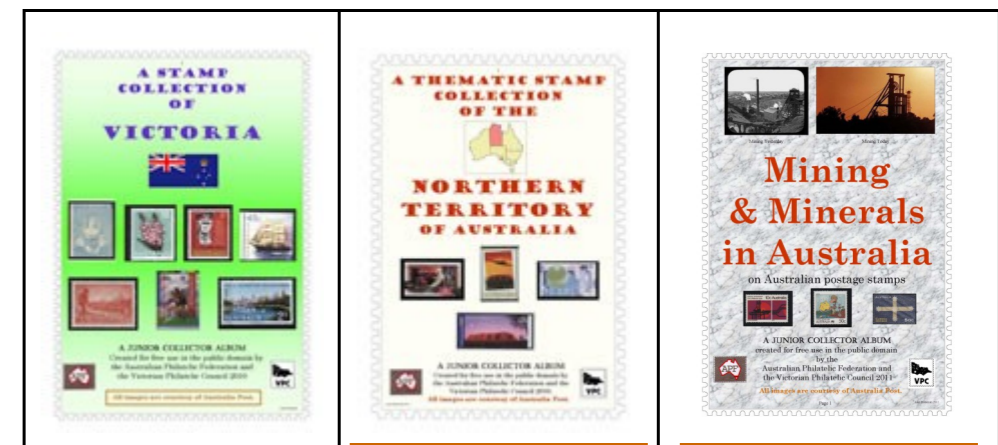
APF Stamp Albums

<http://www.apf.org.au/youth/stamp-albums.htm>

An exciting new concept has been initiated by the Victorian Philatelic Council in conjunction with the APF – downloadable stamp albums.

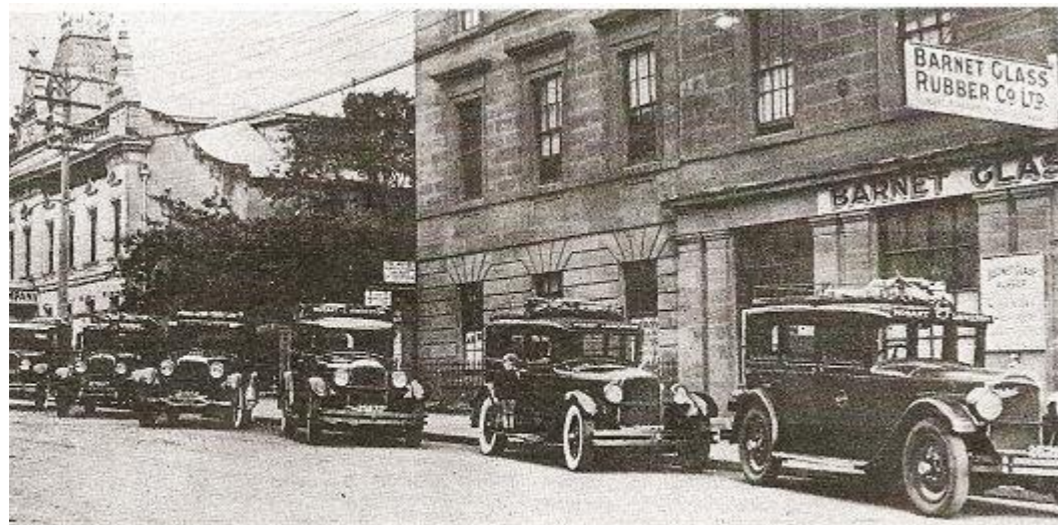
This facility allows a complete stamp album to be downloaded and printed on your own printer, in either full colour or black and white, depending on your printer.

As each new album is added, it will be highlighted in the Updates page, and this page adjusted appropriately. The development of these albums also allows the young collectors in each state to participate in the preparation of their state's album as well as possible theme albums, which will be organized by the State Youth Officer. The overall program will be co-ordinated by the APF Youth Development Officer.



Early Hobart-Launceston Mail Transport

Sourced by Yvette Trinidad



Packards, Studebakers and Hudsons dominated the early Cook mail transport fleet. Here are some of the vehicles on the Hobart-Launceston run pictured in 1927 in Collins St, Hobart.

Mr H. S. Cook, mail contractor of Hobart, started business as a mail contractor in 1915 and today, still holds a contract. He started working with the Post Office when he was fourteen and a half years old as an assistant at the Ouse Post Office. An enterprising man, by the age of 20, he owned his own horses and coaches, and was able to acquire his first contract to transport the mail in Tasmania's cold central highlands to the community of Dee Bridge from his home town of Ouse.

In 1917 he started business with a Fiat nine-seater passenger vehicle on the first mail run from Hobart to Bothwell. These were the beginnings of profitable days, as the Tasmanian Hydro Electric Commission commenced its developments in the area. Mr Cook carried many passengers to the work sites.

The year 1920 saw the start of his contract running from Hobart to Launceston, which he held for thirty or so years. He ran 12 cars on this contract, before the use of passenger buses was allowed. Mr Cook has many experiences to tell of bridges being washed away by floods. One instance was when the bridge at Hamilton spanning the River Clyde was washed away and the ingenuity of the Tasmanian country folk saved the day.

A wire was taken by boat across the turbulent water and pulleys attached to transport the mail and the unfortunate travellers. The travellers were tied into sack bags and swung high across the river. Mr Cook recalled one old lady, who, after putting up with the indignity of the business, became rather hysterical and tried to escape from her conveyance while in mid-air over the river. Mr Cook at the moment owns a fleet of tourist coaches which travel the major highways of the Island State.

He branched into farming, owning nine farms at one stage, and has always enjoyed his association with horses, which he has kept up since he was a lad delivering telegrams by horseback at Ouse. He raced his "telegram horse" in the early days; an occupation which grew into rather a profitable side-line, in eluding stud-farming and many impressive wins.

Source: APO News June 1976 via Stamps.AU

(http://www.stampsau.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1044&Itemid=48)

Stamp Detectives

By Yvette Trinidad

Transport

Spot the differences (there are 5)



Answers to Quiz Issue 44 October 2011

1: 1/6, 2: Opening of the Telephone Cable to Tasmania, 3: Blue, 4: USA Memorial, 5: Two
6: A Map of Australia, 7: Black Swans, 8: 1913 – 1963, 9: Pink, green, purple & yellow, 10: Seven, 11: 'E'



Hi I'm Phil from the APF Stamp Crew and I am here to talk to you about equipment you may need for collecting stamps. Stamp collecting, as a hobby, does not require many expensive tools.

Many of these tools are readily available at most stamp hobby stores.

EQUIPMENT

1. Stamp Tweezers / Tongs

Tongs are used to handle stamps. They look like a pair of tweezers, but with flat blunt ends.

Why use tongs to handle each of your stamps?

Your hands may have acid or food oil on them. These unwanted products may get on your stamp when you handle it. If this happens it may affect the condition of your stamp.

Can I use Normal Tweezers?

This is not recommended as the sharp ends can damage the stamp.

2. A Magnifying Glass

A magnifying glass is good for looking at one of your stamps.

What are you looking for?

You are looking at the stamps general condition. The condition helps to determine its value. And sometimes you need to read the small print on a stamp or try to find a watermark.

3. Storing Your Collection

There are many ways you can store your stamp collection. Listed here are some of the more common ways.

A Stock Book

Good quality Stock Books are another way of storing your stamp collection. They are simple bound *Stamp Albums* using a number of stiff double-sided pages, made up with horizontal pockets of manilla paper, glassine paper or clear film into which stamps are placed.



The most popular sizes comprise between 4 and 32 double-sided pages with each page interleaved with a glassine, or clear, sheet to prevent stamps on adjacent pages from touching.

A Stamp Album / File

A stamp album is basically a file that has pictures of stamps on its pages. You can make your own album from a standard 2 – 4 ring file. Four rings are best as the pages are held in more securely.

Why do you need it?

It's necessary to keep your stamps safe while showing them off to your friends. You also need to organize your collection and this is a great way to do it.

That way you can see what you have and what you don't have. Use a little heavier cardboard paper for the stamp pages as regular school binder paper is too thin and will bend too much. Remember to only use pages made from good quality acid-free paper.

4. Stamp Hinges

In order to place your stamp into your album you need to stick it there. Please do not, under any circumstances, lick the back of a stamp to fix it to your album page. Or use glue sticks, glue or sticky tape to stick stamps into your album. This is not the right way to do it. Instead, you need to use one stamp hinge for each stamp to mount the stamp correctly.

A stamp hinge is a small, folded, rectangular piece of paper coated with gum on one side. You usually handle each small hinge with a pair of tongs or tweezers to keep it from being damaged and to keep it clean.



To be continued next issue.....