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Colouring Competition

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Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne Vic

APF Stamp Crew







Welcome to 2013. We are in for a bumper year and will be showing you more "back to basics" for the hobby, such as stamp collecting tools, how to soak stamps, storing your stamps and some great ideas for collecting.

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YOUTH PHILATELY NEWS

from the Australian Philatelic Federation

Hello & Welcome The Young Collector.

Hope you liked the changes I have made and enjoyed getting back to basics with the new APF Stamp Crew; Phil, Latty & Leigh, 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 reasons for collecting, whether for pleasure or with aim of eventually exhibiting.

You may want to collecting 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 further issues, in the meantime if you like 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 to be able to join in the fun.

Special prizes have been sent to the winners of the last quiz in **YC Issue 45 Transport**

Show News:

I hope to meet some of you at the AUSTRALIA 2013 FIP WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION in Melbourne May 2013

Lets all join in and have some fun

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For information about junior stamp clubs in your State, please contact your State youth leader.

• 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. Page 11 The Young Collector

PARENTS WANTING TO HELP SUPPORT THE STAMP EXPO

Help support the World Stamp Exhibition, which is to be held in Melbourne in May by becoming an exclusive member of the Patrons Club or Supporters Club.

As well as supporting this world renowned event you will receive a host of exclusive benefits including limited edition souvenirs and exhibition privileges.

Patrons Club \$500



Limited to 250 members (Almost sold out)

Supporters Club \$100



Limited to 500 members

Souvenirs

There's a wide range available.





Visit the official Australia 2013 world stamp expo website to see what's on and details about all of the souvenirs available, which postal administrations will be attending and information about the highlights of the show, including the many exhibits and Court of Honour.

www.worldstampexpo.com.au

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The Australia 2013 World Stamp Expo will be the highlight of the 2013 philatelic calendar. Under the auspice of the Fédération Internationale de Philatélie (FIP) the exhibition will be held in Melbourne, Victoria in May 2013.

The Expo will feature the largest collection of philatelic and numismatic items on show in Australia since 2005, and will commemorate the centenary of the 1913 Kangaroo and Map Stamp – Australia's first national postage stamp.

The World Stamp Expo will bring together national and international dealers, traders and collectors from over 30 countries. Over 85 trade stands will be operated by local and international stamp dealers, postal administrators, mints and other stamp organisations. Visitors to the exhibition will see the latest World Stamp Expo issues and products, as well as innovations in stamp design and production. There will be plenty to see and do for novice collectors, or the more seasoned philatelists, and those with an interest in history and design.

Expo highlights will include the Court of Honour featuring items from the Royal Philatelic Collection and Australia Post's National Philatelic Collection, over 54,000 album pages of competitive exhibits, free appraisals, talks and an extensive onsite presence by Principal Sponsor, Australia Post.

The Expo will run for six days from Friday 10 May to Wednesday 15 May 2013 at the Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton. Details on how to book, souvenirs, catalogues, and what's on can be found on the website.

For the Juniors



Come along and join in the fun with Phil, Latty & Lee (Philately), there will be lots of goodies, showbags, word treasure hunts & a special exhibition work book.

Entry. Children in prams will be admitted free with a paying adult. Ticket prices are a **Daily Pass**: A\$10 (inc GST) and **Season Pass**: A\$35 (inc GST), which includes a free show catalogue to the value A\$10.

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Stamp Detectives

By Yvette Trinidad

Animals
Spot the differences (there are five)





Answers to "Spot the difference Issue 45 February 2012"

1:First O in country name changed to a C, 2: Second O in country name missing 3: Green on third rectangle changed to purple, 4: Year Missing, 5: Currency missing

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STAMP COLLECTING EQUIPMENT

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 hobby stamp stores.

STAMP COLLECTING EQUIPMENT

In the last issue we cover the following items:

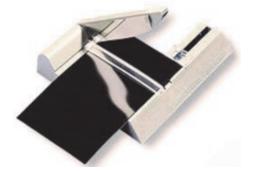
1. Stamp Tweezers / Tongs, 2. A Magnifying Glass, 3. Storing Your Collection and 4. Stamp Hinges now we will continue

5. Stamp Mounts

A stamp mount is just a little stamp holder made of special acid free plastic. It is good for holding a stamp that has the original gum on the back of a stamp.

The front is clear plastic so you can see the stamp. Usually a mount is used to protect a special stamp

in your collection.



6. Hagner Pages

Hagner Sheets are A4 size come in a variety of styles from 1 strip per page (for mini-sheets) to 8 strips per page (for smaller stamps).

This is the most flexible system for storing your stamps, as you can more the pages around as you collection grows

They will fit binders with 2 rings to 4 rings

As the following items are used in stamp identification they are optional if you are only collecting stamps

for the fun of it.



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Featured Websites



http://www.sydneyyouthstampgroup.org.au/index.html

The Sydney Youth Stamp Group aims to promote the enjoyment, understanding, study, appreciation, and history of stamp collecting and philatelic exhibiting to young people of all ages.

The aims of the group will be achieved by:

- Regular workshops at Philas in Sydney.
- Establishing stamp related programs for schools, community-based organisations and/or libraries.
- Liaison with interested persons and groups within NSW, interstate and nationally.

Workshops

Four workshops for children aged seven to 18 years are held each year during the school holidays at Philas House, which is located at 17 Brisbane Street, Surry Hills NSW.

Events

Stamp Fairs, Stamp Exhibitions and other philatelic related events that the Sydney Youth Stamp Group attend throughout the year.

Activities

Free activity sheets and stamp pages can be downloaded from the website.

Schools

The Sydney Youth Stamp Group can assist Primary Schools by introducing stamp collecting to students.

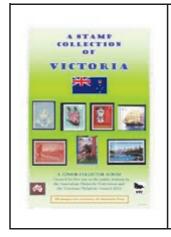
APF Stamp Albums

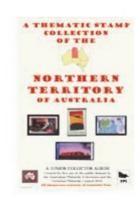
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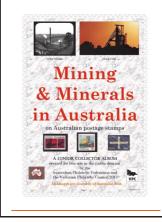
An exciting new concept has been initiated by the Victorian Philatelic Council in conjunction with the APF downloadable stamp albums.

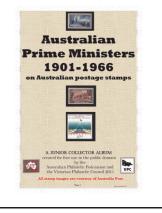
This facility allows a complete stamp album to be downloaded and printed on your own printer, in either full colour or black and white, depending on your printer.

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









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Animals are plentiful and these are some we saw as we drove across the Nullarbor.



Down the south-west of Western Australia we saw many wonderful trees. These are massive and grow to enormous heights with the trunks going straight up. These are called Karri trees. Also we saw the Boab trees which store water.

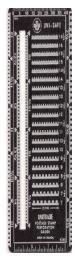


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7. Why do we use a perforation gauge?

A perforation gauge is a little piece of thin metal or plastic with a lot of markings on it. These markings measure the number of perforations on a stamp. Perforations are the tiny holes that separate one stamp from another.

There are many different types of perforation gauges, including electronic gauges.





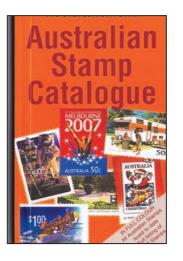
8. How do we detect watermarks?

There are different types of watermark detectors. One type is where a liquid filled satchel is placed on the stamp and pressed down to show the water-mark. Another way to detect watermarks is by soaking your stamps using a little tray in which you pour special liquid.

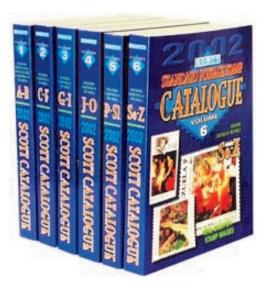


9. How do I find out about stamps issued by country?

Some stamp catalogues list important stamps that usually cost a lot of money. The catalogue sometimes gives a photo of the stamp so it is helpful for stamp identification. The stamps of most countries are available in individual catalogues or you might like to purchase a world catalogue which lists stamps released by all the countries of the world.







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Guest Article

By David & Pauline Edwards South Australia

A Trip to Perth

My name is David and I run a small stamp club at Wynn Vale School every Tuesday at lunch time, and you can see from the pictures there is a large and very enthusiastic group of children.



Stamp Club is held Tuesday Lunchtimes in the Library
We are always having fun!



Some weeks ago I had the chance to go to an National Exhibition in Perth and decided to drive over with my wife. We saw many wonderful sights on this trip and I decide to share some of it with the children at school. I thought the best way to share my trip and the sights was through stamps and postcards.

The Outback Services stamps remind me of all the large trucks that passed us and on the Nullarbor Highway I saw a pedestrian crossing across the road and thought 'that was funny', and after a while further along we came across another crossing and a sign saying "Flying Doctor Landing Strip".

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Some interesting Australian stamps to collect include the ones which have a design in the "gutter" of the print sheet. A gutter is the area that joins the two halves of the stamps on the sheet together when the stamp sheet is printed.



The gold fields of Kalgoorlie and the large open cut mine is a sight to see. The trucks that haul the rocks from the bottom of the mine are enormous.



Although we saw many wonderful sights I think the whales stand out the most.

