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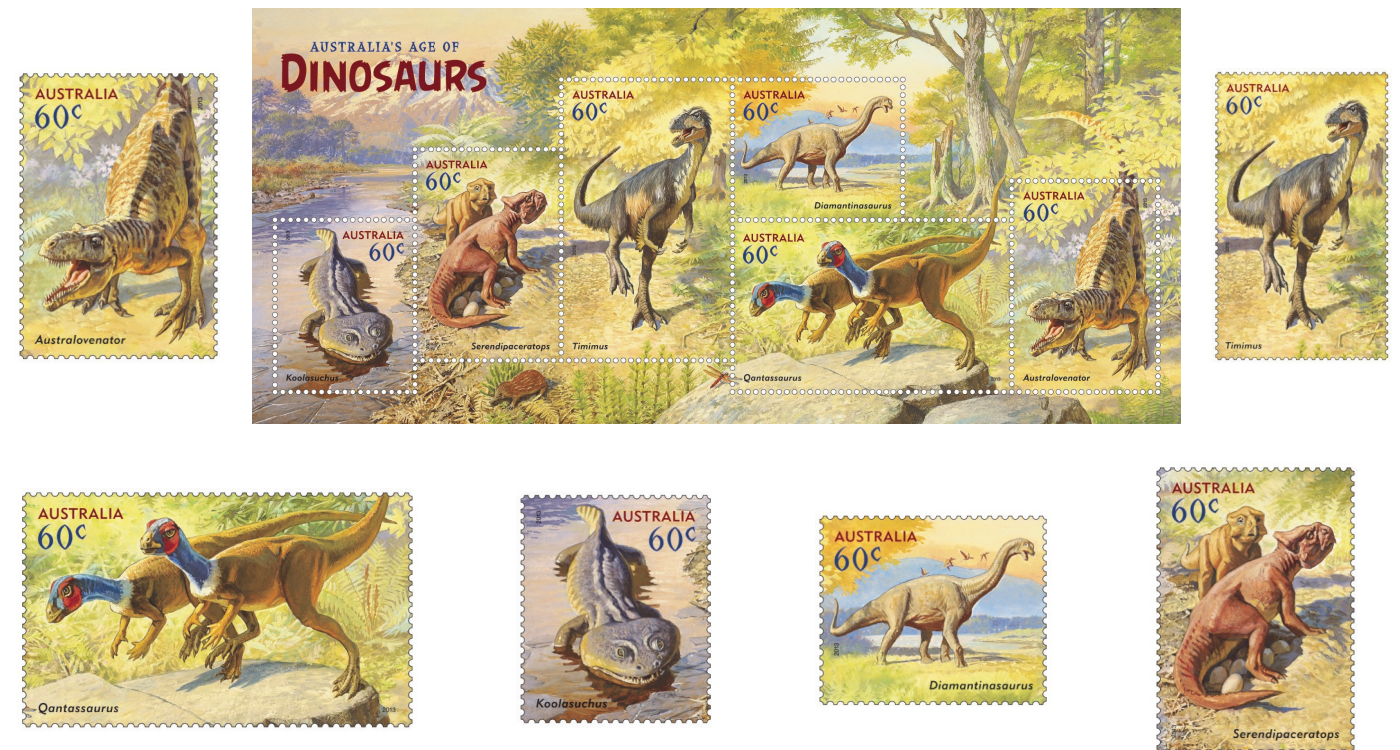
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Australia's Age of Dinosaurs



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APF Stamp Crew



Welcome to the latest issue of *The Young Collector* magazine.
In this issue we will learn how to soak stamps.

YOUTH PHILATELY NEWS

from the Australian Philatelic Federation

Hello and welcome,

Hope you have been enjoying getting back to basics with the new APF Stamp Crew: Phil, Latty & Leigh. This month we will learn the correct way to soak stamps

There is no right or wrong way to collect stamps as it depends on the reasons for collecting, whether for pleasure or with the aim of eventually exhibiting.

Our State YDO report:

ACT - Jenni reports things have been a little quiet for the Canberra Club lately, but are set to liven up with the warmer weather and Stamp Collecting Month on the horizon.

QLD - Joan reports she has been busy with show preparations for the national one frame in Brisbane

SA - Barbara sees children at two eastern suburbs primary schools – East Marden and Thorndon Park.

TAS - Gary from the Devonport Club has had some success going directly to a number of schools.

WA - Andrew is gearing up for SRSS 2013. We are hopeful of having a good attendance.

VIC - Laurie has been visiting schools and helping interested children discover the joy of collecting.

NSW - Audrey Ferris from Orange held a meeting on 10 July 2013. Eight children attended and did quizzes and games. The children loved the auction that was also held.

Competition results:

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

Let's all join in and have some fun.

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Featured Websites



<http://www.facebook.com/YouthPhilately>

This page has been put together by the FIP Youth Commission. It has pictures from shows around the world.



<http://auspost.com.au/education/stamps/students/index.html>

This page is the official Australia Post educational website with lots of information about stamp collecting and how stamps are made.

(from the website)

Welcome to your section of the Stamps and collectables website. You will find all sorts of great things on this website, including:

Stamp explorer

For information on how to become an explorer and to view stamp issues, coin releases and past *Stamp Explorer* magazines.

Stamp collecting

All you need to know about collecting stamps, including what stamps to collect and how to start a collection.

All about stamps

Find out about stamps, their history and how they are made today.

Fun and games

Choose from adventure, puzzle and memory games to test your skills.

Stamps and Collectables glossary

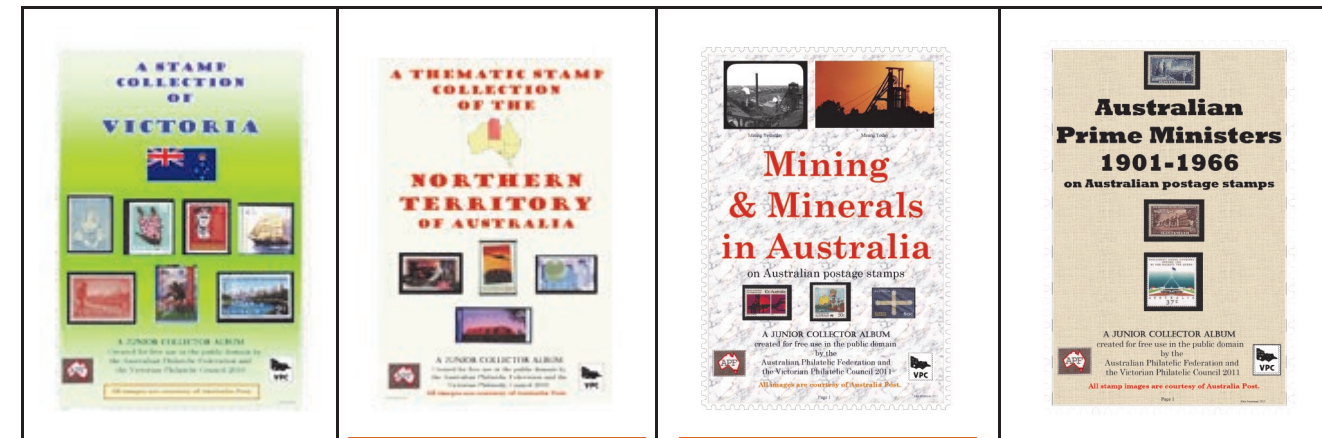
For stamps and collectables words and their definitions.

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.

As each new album is added, it will be highlighted in the Updates page, and this page will be 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.



Australia 2013

The World Stamp Expo Australia 2013 was enjoyed by all – young and old. The show was a huge success thanks to the support of Australia Post and all the volunteers who came from different parts of Australia and New Zealand to help out.



The children attending the show had fun collecting their stamps for their Australia 2013 Passports



The Australia 2013 show booklet was a huge hit. A big thank you to Jenni Creagh for creating the workbook that this was based on.

Also, a special thank you to Carol Cheung and Jeff Trinidad for supplying the photos of Australia 2013 World Stamp Expo.



Stamp Detectives

By Yvette Trinidad

Dinosaurs

Spot the differences (there are five)



Answers to Spot the differences Issue 45 (February 2013)

1: Tiger's eyes are a different colour 2: Cross symbol is a different colour

3: Year missing 4: Background is a different colour

Soaking Stamps

Hi. I'm Latty from the Philately Gang and I am here to talk to you about soaking stamps the right way. Equipment you will need;

1. Two plastic containers (ice-cream containers are fine but make sure you wash them well first.)
2. Paper towels, or tea towels, to soak up the water from the stamps.
3. Scissors.
4. Stamps on paper.
5. Stamp press to flatten stamps when dry.

1 You need to decide which envelopes you would like to keep.

- a These might include nice postmarks.
- b An example of your favourite stamp being used on a cover.
- c Slogan cancels.

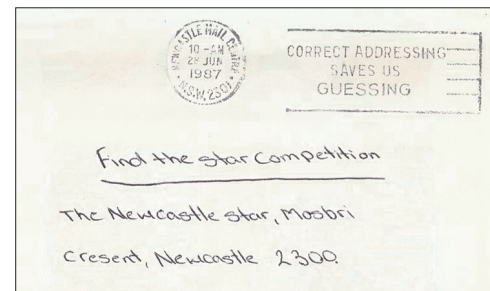


Australian Postmark



International Postmark

Slogan/
Machine
Cancel



2 The envelopes with the stamps that you want to include in your album will need to be prepared for soaking.

- a Cut the stamps roughly from the envelope using round-nose scissors.
 - b Trim the paper around the stamp to about half a centimetre (5mm).
 - c Separate the stamps into three piles; "OK", Self-adhesive" and "Care needed**"
- (*This will include stamps on pink, red, green, blue or other strongly coloured paper as the colour might run.)



OK



Peel 'n' Stick



Care Needed

3 Now we are ready to soak the stamps.

- a Get your two plastic containers and ask a grownup to help you fill them about halfway; one with warm water and the other with cold water.
- b Place the stamps from the OK pile into the warm water but not more than 30 stamps at a time.
- c Leave the stamps to soak for around 15 to 20 minutes.
- d After the time has finished the stamps will begin to float away from the backing paper.

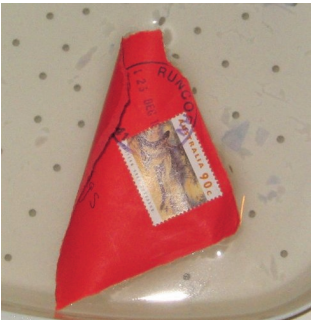


4 Peel 'n' stick or self-adhesive stamps

- a Follow steps 1 and 2.
- b The water needs to be a bit warmer.
- c The stamps will need to soak for longer as the gum is harder to remove.

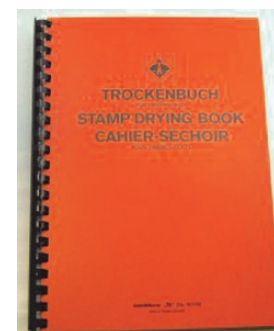
5 Stamps that need extra care (coloured paper)

- a Follow steps 1 and 2 with a few exceptions.
- b Place the stamps face up in the water so they float. (you do not want water getting on to the stamps)
- c Float no more than five stamps at a time because if the colour starts to run you will need to remove the stamps quickly.

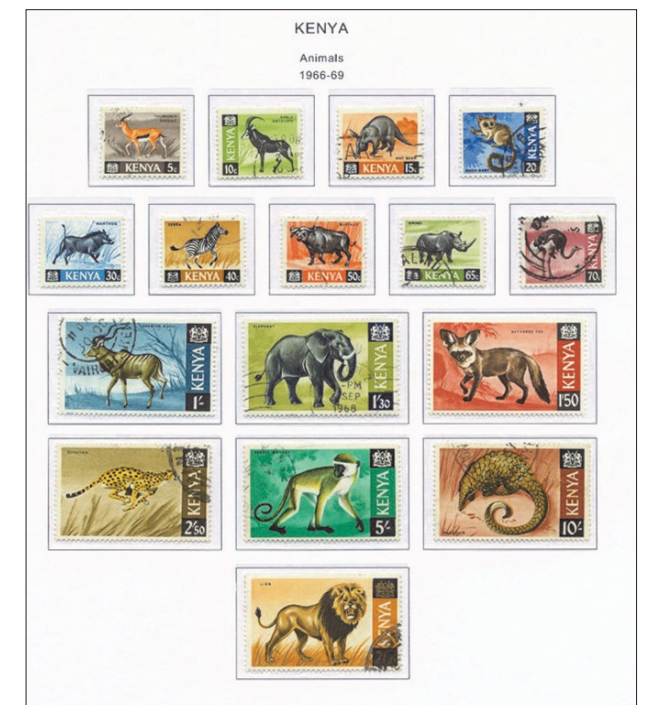


6 Rinsing and drying your stamps

- a As the stamps float off the trimmed paper place them in the cold water.
- b Remove the stamps from the cold water and place them face down on the paper towel, tea towel or in a drying book.
- c Some stamps will curl while drying.
- d Once they are completely dry they will need to be put between two sheets of paper with something heavy placed on top, like a telephone book.
- e After the stamps have been completely dried and pressed they will be ready to place in your stamp album or stock sheet.



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Special stamp drying books are a great way to dry your stamps.



Don't forget to ask your family and friends to pass on their old envelopes.