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Speed skater Clara Hughes with a stamp honouring her. More inside on page 3.

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COMMITTEES - see page 15 for list of committee chairpersons.

FIRST DAY CEREMONY IN CALGARY FOR WOMEN IN WINTER SPORTS

On January 24, at Canada Olympic Park in northwest Calgary, Canada Post held the official first-day ceremony for the Women in Winter Sports stamps. Eight members of the CPS were able to attend and enjoy the event, which was in the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame. Canada Post parked a postal van with the stamp images in front of the Hall.





Danielle Goyette was an Olympic hockey player.



Nancy Greene won gold in 1968 for skiing.



Sonja Gaudet was a Paralympic competitor.



Shirley (died 2013) and Sharon Firth were twin sisters who competed in cross-country skiing.

Sharon is at right, and Shirley's two daughters represent her.



STAMPS AT CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

The Airways Foods postal outlet set up a table selling Canadian and Chinese postage stamps in the dealer bourse at the Chinese Cultural Centre during the Lunar New Year celebrations.



SHIPLEY PARCEL TAGS: PART 3

by Dale Speirs

Postmarks: General Comments.

Figure 19 is an example of a postmark that requires a bit of historical knowledge. Non-Calgarians may not realize that Forest Lawn was annexed by Calgary in 1961. It is on the far side of the Bow River valley from the downtown and is today a central suburb, although back then it was out in the boonies. This tag was mailed from the Gilt Edge Pharmacy. I checked the post-1961 tags to see if there were any from this drugstore with Calgary postmarks but there were none.

This leads to a point worth considering. None of the tags were Calgary to Calgary, nor any of the surrounding villages such as Forest Lawn, Montgomery, or Bowness that were subsequently swallowed up by the city. I suspect that Shipley had its own pick-up and delivery service within the city, or else hired a common carrier.



Figure 19

Postmarks: Special Dates.

I checked all the dated stamps to see if any were first day of issue tags, but no such luck. I don't know if this was because the person who compiled these tags picked them out or if rural post offices were always late in opening packages of new stamps. Given that about three-quarters of the tags had undated roller cancels, it is possible that some of them may have been first day tags but can never be recognized as such.

One tag that isn't a first day but matches another date is shown in Figure 20, a strip of three of the Alberta-Saskatchewan 50th anniversary stamp. It was issued on June 30, 1955, well ahead of the actual date the two provinces came into existence, which was September 1. The strip is postmarked from Kindersley, Saskatchewan, and the date is September 1, 1955, a perfect match for the theme of the stamps.



Figure 20

Postmarks: Roller Cancels.

Blind roller cancels can only be identified by the client name on the tag, but some towns had rollers with their names embedded in the cancellers. Named roller cancels came in many styles over the years. Figure 21 is the Brooks roller cancel, which was used quite often by that post office and shows the large letter style.



Figure 21

[to be continued]

MAJOR CHANGES IN CLUB EXECUTIVE

The CPS needs three new people for committee positions urgently. Please contact Murray Bialek at 241-2006 as soon as possible. New blood is needed; please don't sit back and expect the same few people to do all these jobs.

Membership Chairman Julius Szekrenyes was seriously ill as this issue goes to press. Murray Bialek will temporarily handle the duties but we need someone who can take over permanently. Duties include tracking memberships using a computer spreadsheet and printing mailing labels for the bulletin mailouts.

The Treasurer has given notice and would like to train a replacement. A retired accountant would be ideal but anyone who knows basic bookkeeping could take over.

The Volunteer Co-ordinator position is open. Main duties are rounding up and scheduling volunteers for shows and other events. Ideally someone for this job would also circulate the food list for the Christmas potluck.

CPS SPRING BOURSE 2018

The annual Spring Bourse will be held on the weekend of April 21 and 22 at the Kerby Centre gymnasium. On the Saturday it will be open 10h00 to 17h00, and Sunday from 10h00 to 15h00. There will be an auction on Sunday, beginning at 15h30 after the show has closed. Details from Walter Herdzik at 270-7845.

EDMONTON STAMP CLUB 2018 SPRING NATIONAL STAMP SHOW

Calgary philatelists are strong competitors each year at the annual Edmonton show, so potential exhibitors should take note of the information below. This is a national-level show. It will be on the weekend of March 24 and 25, Saturday 10h00 to 17h00, Sunday 10h00 to 16h00. The venue is the Central Lion's Recreational Centre, 113 Street and 111 Avenue in Edmonton. Free admission.

The theme of this year's show is: Canada's Peace Keepers in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the Armistice. The bourse will have stamp, postcard, and cover dealers from across Canada. As well, there will be stamp circuit books, door prize draw, and a junior stamp table. The exhibits are national-level competitive stamp exhibits (WSP). For information on entering exhibits, contact Exhibits Chairperson: liuszmoser@gmail.com

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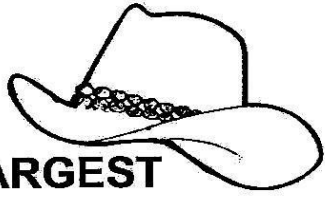
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CLUB NEWS

The February bulletin was mailed from the Lakeview RePO (Shoppers Drug Mart) using the Pond Hockey stamps.

The President's Pot was awarded in January to Julius Szekrenyes for his work as Membership Chairman, and in February to Danny Chow for auditing the annual financial statements. In March it was presented to Peter Fleck for the various behind-the-scenes jobs he had been doing.

The speaker at the January meeting was Don Wilson on pioneers of stamp design 1840 to 1900. At the February meeting, Peter Fleck had a brief slide show sent to him by Michael Teekens about local Australian philately. Ray Villeneuve then presented on the philatelic history of the Olympics from 1896 to 1928. The March meeting speaking was Yusuf Javeri on Pakistan independence misprints and overprint errors.

Murray Bialek has been in communication with Canada Post about a possible presentation by them on Thursday evening, June 28, about the 2018 stamp programme. They need 20 people to justify it. The exact location will be determined later. Unfortunately they cannot do it on a club night as the presenter will only be in town a short while. If you are seriously interested, please let Murray know as soon as possible at 241-2006.

The Calgary Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society meets second Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Bartlet at 829-3580. At the January 10 meeting, Dale Speirs gave a talk on the Shipley parcel tags. The February 14 meeting was a show-and-tell by the attendees, with the latest in Canada kiosk stamps, a look back at the 1988 Calgary Winter Games, Royal Canadian Navy, and some miscellaneous lots.

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2018

March	14	BNAPS Regional Group
	21	Auction
	28	CAPE meeting
April	4	General meeting
	11	BNAPS Regional Group
	18	Auction
	21 and 22	Spring Bourse
	25	CAPE meeting
May	2	General meeting
	2	Deadline for June bulletin
	9	BNAPS Regional Group
	16	Auction
	23	CAPE meeting
June	6	General meeting
	13	BNAPS Regional Group
	20	Auction
	20	Deadline for July bulletin
July	13	Free Stampede breakfast, 08h00 at Kerby Centre

MEETINGS and AUCTIONS are at the Kerby Centre, Room 205 (Lecture Room), 1133 - 7 Avenue SW, at 19h30. Auction lots should be in before 19h30 to allow viewing. If you park in either of the two Kerby lots, don't forget to register your vehicle's licence plate at the computer terminals in the building.

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JUNIOR CLUB meets monthly September to November and January to May on second Saturdays (north side of city) and third Saturdays (south side of city). Information from Jim Senecal at 547-7681 (north side) or Pat Prevey at 238-3435 (south side).

CAPE (Calgary Association Of Philatelic Exhibitors) meets fourth Wednesdays except June to August and December. For details, contact Jim Taylor at 238-3698.