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Almost there! This snow leopard, and the CPS, will soon banish the coronavirus.

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TURNER VALLEY, ALBERTA

by Dale Speirs

The August issue of this bulletin was mailed on July 26 from Turner Valley, a half-hour drive southwest of Calgary. The stamps were the memorial issue for former Prime Minister John Turner. No relation of course, for the village was named after pioneer ranchers, the Scottish brothers James and Robert Turner.

The postal history of Turner Valley and the adjacent village of Black Diamond is in JOURNAL OF ALBERTA POSTAL HISTORY #4. This publication is available as a free pdf from the Postal History Society of Canada Website. All the back issues are there as well. Go to: www.postalhistorycanada.net/php/StudyGroups/Alberta

The Turner Valley post office recently moved into new and larger quarters, shown below. For those who don't keep up with the rural news, Turner Valley and Black Diamond are separated only by a low ridge and within walking distance of each other. They have been talking about a merger off and on for decades, but it appears that the union may actually transpire within a year, producing the town of Diamond Valley.

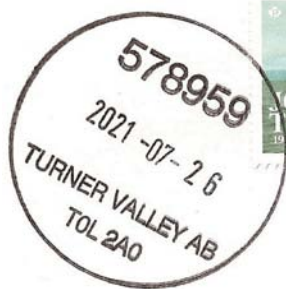
As I was getting the August bulletins postmarked, I asked the postmistress if both post offices would remain open after a merger. She said there was enough business to justify both of them, probably as sub-post offices of Diamond Valley and using that name.

Those of you who collect postmarks are well advised to get samples of the current postmarks before the merger. The postmistress said the existing Turner Valley pictorial cancel had worn out and was discarded, so you are too late to get that one. As you saw when you received last month's bulletin, it was postmarked with the regular self-inking handstamp (see next page). I will be watching after the merger to see if the post offices change their postmarks or keep using the old ones.



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This image is from the bulletin mailed on July 26 in the early afternoon at Turner Valley.

The spray-on Calgary marking is the same day about a half-hour before midnight at the Calgary Mail Processing Plant. I and most CPS members received the bulletin the following day.

AUCTION ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

by Jim Senecal

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To begin the CPS resumption of activities for 2021-22, an auction will be held in the normal meeting room (Room 205) at the Kerby Centre, on Saturday, August 28. Doors open at 09h30 hours.

COVID-19 protocols will apply, that is, registration (for contact tracing), waiver of liability, and masks to be worn. Members are allowed to enter up to 10 lots each. Viewing will be suspended at 11h00 and the auction will be called at 11h30.

CPS circuit books will be available afterwards during the auction reconciliation.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 1

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the CPS Board on August 15 passed a motion to conduct the 2021 AGM via email, Canada Post, telephone, and a live meeting at the Kerby Centre. The meeting will have an approved COVID-19 safety plan in place. The Board has taken this action to ensure that every member is given the opportunity to vote. Ballots will be mailed to all members who do not use email.

Don't forget to enter your vehicle licence plate in the computer terminal if you use the Kerby parking lots, otherwise your car could be clamped or towed.

CALTAPEX 2021 GOES LIVE

by Dave Russum

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We are planning to hold a live CALTAPEX at the Kerby Centre on the weekend of October 16 and 17. That means there is the opportunity to submit some of the exhibits that you have been working on to a friendly, local show.

The Prospectus and Entry Form are available on the CPS Website. The Entry form and Prospectus state that entry forms need to be submitted by September 20. However, because the meeting of the Calgary Association of Philatelic Exhibitors is not until September 22, I am willing to extend the deadline to September 25.

We will again have one-page and mini exhibits (up to four pages). There will be no charge for these exhibits and no need to fill out an entry form. Just let me know how many pages you plan to show. These exhibits are intended for anybody to show items of interest, and will be eligible for People's Choice awards.

I know timing is tight so if you are planning to exhibit in the show, I would appreciate a brief note of your intentions. That way we can get an idea of the scope and make arrangements for frames, judging, and awards.

This will be a live show at the Kerby Centre to encourage people to get back out and support the CPS, our dealers, and our programs. There are many initiatives being pursued to ensure this will be a safe environment for all to enjoy. We will not have a virtual component for this show. However we will consider another CalVirt show in early 2022 open to entries from anywhere.

CIRCUIT BOOKS

by Larry Tweedale

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A new season is approaching for the CPS and for circuit book sales. It will be nice to see my fellow members again! I will be present at the auction on August 28 as well as the AGM on September 1. There will be a number of new circuit books that have been prepared by some of our members. The countries represented in these new books include Canada, France, Great Britain, New Zealand, and Iceland, and others. I hope to see you there and that we can continue to enhance our collections.

A LOOK BACK AT THE 1964 TOKYO OLYMPICS AND CANADA'S PARTICIPATION

by Ray Villeneuve

Ever since they began competing in the Modern Olympics, the Japanese people and athletes were always eager to participate and host these Games. They were first awarded summer and winter Olympic Games in 1940, but conflicts with China and eventually with the rest of the world cancelled those plans. Japan only re-entered the Olympic family in 1952, at the Stockholm Games. They were finally awarded the 1964 Summer Games after the Rome Olympics. Fundraising started soon after.

Beginning in 1961, stamps were issued with fundraising efforts aimed at stamp collectors. A set of three 5-yen stamps were issued in October of that year as part of a four-year program which saw a total of twenty different stamps, printed in quantities ranging between 4 and 14 million.

The stamps were sold with a 5-yen surcharge going towards the Japanese Olympic Fund.

Souvenir sheets containing all the twenty stamps were issued in October 1964 in conjunction with the opening of the Olympics Games.

So philatelists around the world contributed to the fundraising efforts. Tokyo, then as now, needed all the money they could raise.



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Some numbers from 1964: Population of Tokyo: 10 million+

Athlete's village built to accommodate 9,000 people.

Expecting 30,000 daily visitors. Opening ceremony crowd: 80,000. Emperor Hirohito presided over the Opening Ceremony.

Countries represented: 93 North Korea withdrew from the Games in both 1964 and 2020.

Number of competitors: 5,151 (4,473 men and 678 women)

Canadian team: 118 athletes (98 men and 20 women)

Canada winnings: 4 medals

Gold - Rowing pair from UBC, George Hungerford and Roger Jackson. Reservists on the rowing team, they had never raced together before. Their gold medal was one of only two claimed by Canada in Tokyo.

Silver - 800-metre race, William Crothers. On his way to a silver medal, Crothers broke an Olympic record. He was beaten by New Zealander Peter Snell, the world-record holder at the time.

Silver - Judo, Heavyweight, Doug Rogers. He was the first Canadian to win a medal in judo. He lost in the final match against the All-Japan champion, Isao Inokuma.

Bronze - 100-metre race, Harry W. Jerome. Canadian athletic star who held seven world records over his running career while competing for the University of Oregon.

Some Tokyo 2020 facts:

Participating National Olympic Committees: 206, with 11,000 athletes.

The Games budget was officially US\$ 15.4 billion (three times initial budget). Unofficially it was over \$20 billion.

Canadian participation: 370 athletes (145 men and 225 women) competing in thirty sports.

Canada winnings: 7 gold, 6 silver, 11 bronze

References:

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2] www.olympic.ca

FLIPPIN' FENESTRATIONS: PART 4

by Tony Doughty

[Parts 1 to 3 appeared in CALGARY PHILATELIST #179 to 181.]

The Masterpieces of Canadian Art series of fifteen different stamp designs was started in 1988 and concluded in 2002. Four different printers were employed, and four different papers were used. The series makes an interesting longitudinal study of perforation variants most successfully demonstrated by flippin' (or rotating) views of adjacent edges of the stamps.

Refer to the summary table on the next page. Printers used were on Series Number 1 - BABNC; 7 - LM Pty Ltd; 8 and 14 - CBNCL. By my analysis these four stamps display different perforation gauges on adjacent sides, with uniform perforation gauges on opposite sides: 12.90 x 13.60 for The Young Reader (number 1); 14.10 x 14.90 for Vera (number 7) and 13.20 x 13.60 for Floraison and The Space Between Columns # 21 (Numbers 8 and 14).

All other stamps were printed by Ashton Potter Limited. They appear to be Canada's first stamps issued with two different perforation gauges on the vertical edges, that is bi-gauge perforations vertically.



Figure 1

As a single example, consider the Ceremonial Frontlet stamp (issue number 2 - Unitrade 1203) as representing all APCL's printings. I scanned this stamp and rule at 2400 dpi (Figure 1), then imported the image into the word processor.

I scaled the image in the word processor to 450% enlargement and proceeded with flippin' and rotational analysis of the perforations as explained in the previous installments of this Flippin' Fenestrations series.

To undertake the analysis using the vertical perforations, I compared the left and right edges side-by-side as shown in Figure 2. As was to be expected the perforations aligned properly

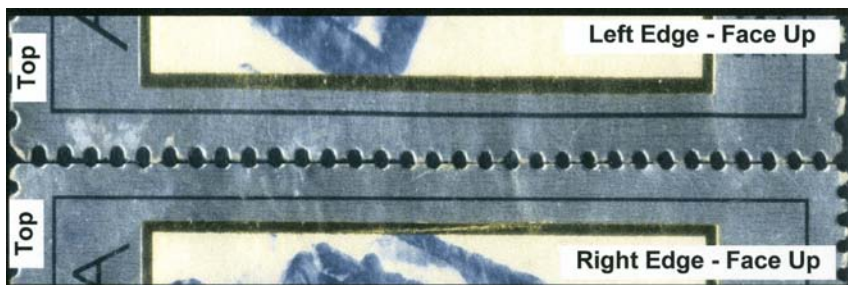


Figure 2

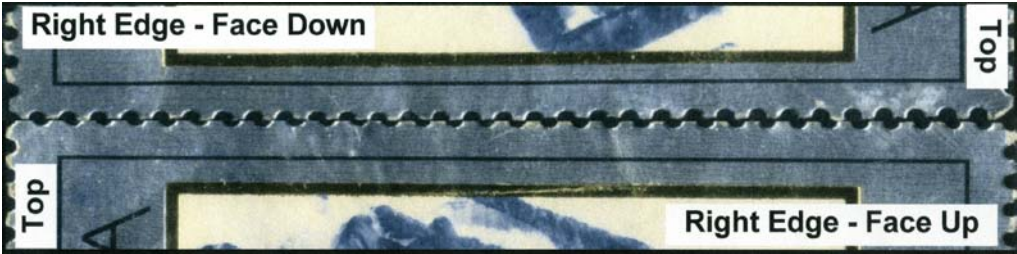
Masterpieces of Canadian Art Series - #1 to #15

Number and Masterpiece Title Tony's Gauge - Measured as*	Unitrade Stated Gauge	Printer Paper Used	Unitrade # Page #
1. The Young Reader Measured as* - 12.90 X 13.60	13.0 X 13.3	BABNC Harrison	1203 262
2. Ceremonial Frontlet Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	13.5 X 13.3	APL Slater	1241 267
3. The West Wind Measured as* - 12.6 X (13.30 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL Slater	1271 270
4. Forest - British Columbia This Stamp appears to be a singular outlier	12.5 X 13.3	APL Coated Papers	1310 275
5. Red Nasturtiums Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL Coated Papers	1419 289
6. The Owl Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL Harrison	1466 295
7. Vera by Fredrick Varley Measured as* - 14.10 X 14.90	14.0 X 14.6	LM Pty L Coated Papers	1516 301
8. Floraison Measured as* - 13.20 X 13.60	13.0 X 13.3	CBNCL Coated Papers	1545 305
9. The Spirit of Haida Gwaii Measured as* - 12.70 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL Coated Papers	1602 314
10. York Boat on Lake Winnipeg Measured as* - 12.70 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL Coated Papers	1635 321
11. The Farmer's Family Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL TRC.	1754 337
12. Coq Licorne Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL TRC.	1800 345
13. The Artist at Niagara Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	13.0 X 13.3	APL TRC.	1863 359
14. The Space Between Columns # 21 Measured as* - 13.20 X 13.60	13.0 X 13.3	CBNCL TRC.	1916 369
15. Church and Horse Measured as* - 12.60 X (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])	12.5 X 13.3	APL TRC.	1945 375

* Stamp Perforations were scanned at 2400 Dots Per Inch, then imported into the word processor and scaled to 450% original size. Measurements were taken by viewing the word document at 100% Zoom.

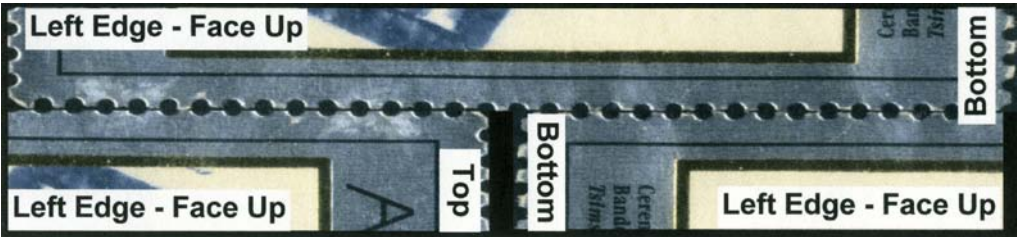
However, when I flipped one of the images vertically to align the vertical perforations with inverted vertical perforations the resulting match showed the perforations are uneven, implying that there are at least two perforation gauges extant on this APCL printed stamp (Figure 3).

By cropping the lower image from Figure 3, then sliding the cropped image left or right, I was able to match the perforations as shown in Figure 4. That is, the upper portions of the vertical perforations are different from the lower vertical perforations. In other words, bi-gauge perforations vertically.



Above: Figure 3

Below: Figure 4

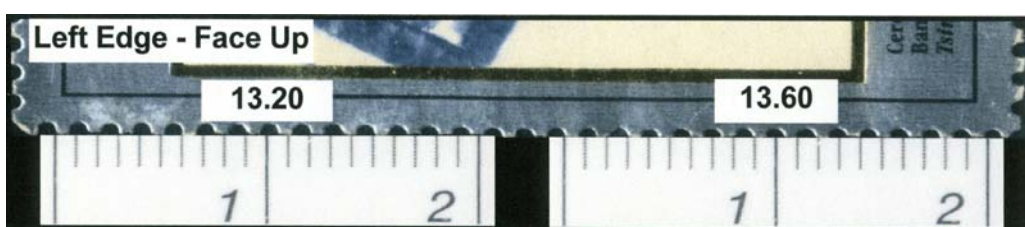


By judiciously measuring the perforation gauges, I was able to determine gauges of 13.20 on the upper half and 13.60 on the lower half of the vertical perforations as indicated in Figure 5. I repeated the analysis using the horizontal perforations. From this analysis, I concluded the horizontal perforations measured uniformly 12.60 as shown in Figure 6.

Although all the images shown in here have been scaled to fit this bulletin’s page width, my original scans were analysed in the word processor scaled 450% to fit the horizontal orientation of a legal (8.5 x 14) sheet of paper.

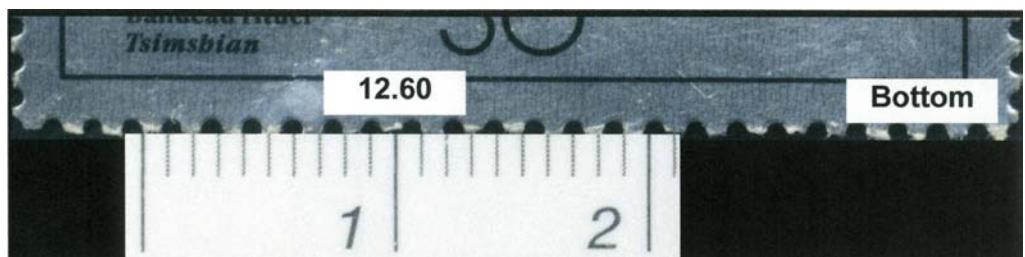
As a final analysis, I desk checked all the Ashton Potter Limited printed stamps, one against another, and found all stamps matched with my comparison stamps. I am confident that my perforation gauge measurements shown in the following table are accurate and that the Ashton Potter Limited printed “Ceremonial Frontlet” stamps gauge as 12.60 x (13.20 [Upper] and 13.60 [Lower])

Other Ashton Potter Limited printings gauge vertically as indicated in the table.



Above: Figure 5

Below: Figure 6



Note: The Forests of British Columbia (number 4) as an outlier! Please test it for yourself! What do you think? As always I welcome your replication of my research and any constructive comments you may have. Particularly I would welcome your report, confirmation or rejection of my fenestration gauge findings, or possibly a more accurate measurement of the perforations on these Masterpieces of Canadian Art Stamps. I would like to hear from you, care of the Editor. Thanks.

[to be continued]

CENTENARY OF CPS IN APRIL 2022

Although the date may seem far away, you know how time flies. The April 2022 meeting of the CPS will be its centennial. Dr Edward George Mason called together some local collectors in April 1922 and they agreed to form a stamp club. Few organizations of any kind have survived as long as the CPS, so we have something to celebrate.

The April 2022 meeting of the CPS will be a birthday party, with a brief history of the club and lots of cake.

The Labour Day weekend will be the big show, CPS 2022 BNAPEX. This exhibition and bourse will be at the Hyatt Regency downtown. It will be sanctioned by both the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and the British North America Philatelic Society. Because it is a national-level show, this will draw out dealers from eastern Canada who ordinarily wouldn't attend Calgary events. Murray Bialek and Dave Freeman are co-chairmen, with a large committee to help them. Planning is well underway and moving along nicely.

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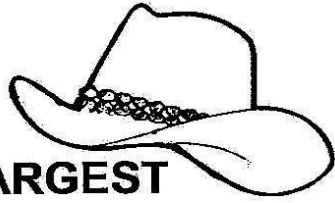
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The August 3 issue of CANADIAN STAMP NEWS devoted a full page to a discussion of CalVirt 2021 and its influence on other clubs that hosted virtual stamp shows later in the year. There were extensive quotes from Norma Nielson and Dave Bartlet.

CAPE MEETINGS

by Dave Russum

The next meeting of the Calgary Association of Philatelic Exhibitors is scheduled for Wednesday, September 22. At the last CAPE meeting there was a strong preference to continue holding CAPE meetings using Zoom to accommodate out-of-town participants and those who would rather not drive downtown on dark winter evenings. The September 22 meeting will therefore be a Zoom meeting.

I am hoping that we will have an in-person CAPE meeting during CALTAPEX 2021. I'd welcome any offers of presentations or discussion items for the September 22 meeting.

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2021

August	28	Auction at Kerby Centre, 09h30 to 12h30
September	1	Annual general meeting - Kerby Centre
	15	Auction - Kerby Centre
	15	Deadline for October bulletin
	22	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
October	6	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	13	BNAPS Regional Group meeting
	15	CALTAPEX show setup - 17h00 hours
	16 and 17	CALTAPEX 2021 - Kerby Centre gymnasium
	20	Auction - Kerby Centre
	20	Deadline for November bulletin
	27	CAPE meeting
November	3	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	10	BNAPS Regional Group meeting
	17	Auction - Kerby Centre
	17	Deadline for December bulletin, no later than 18h00
	24	CAPE meeting

MEETINGS and AUCTIONS are at the Kerby Centre, Room 205 (Lecture Room), 1133 - 7 Avenue SW.

BNAPS (Calgary Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society) meets second Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Bartlet at dave.bartlet@shaw.ca.

CAPE (Calgary Association Of Philatelic Exhibitors) meets via Zoom on fourth Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Russum at russumd@telusplanet.net