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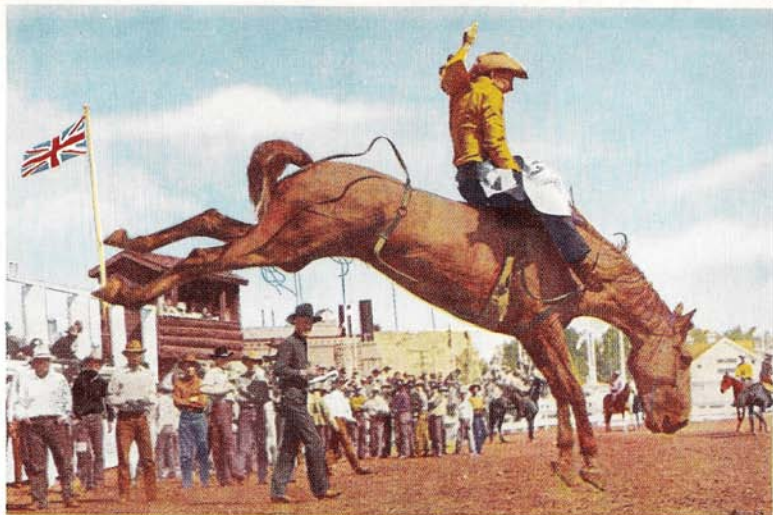
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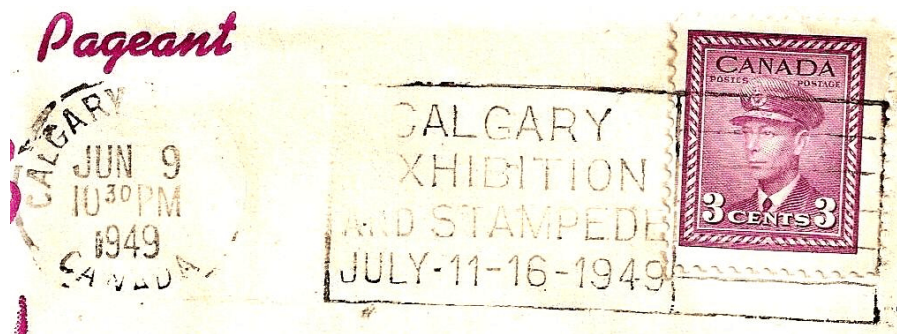
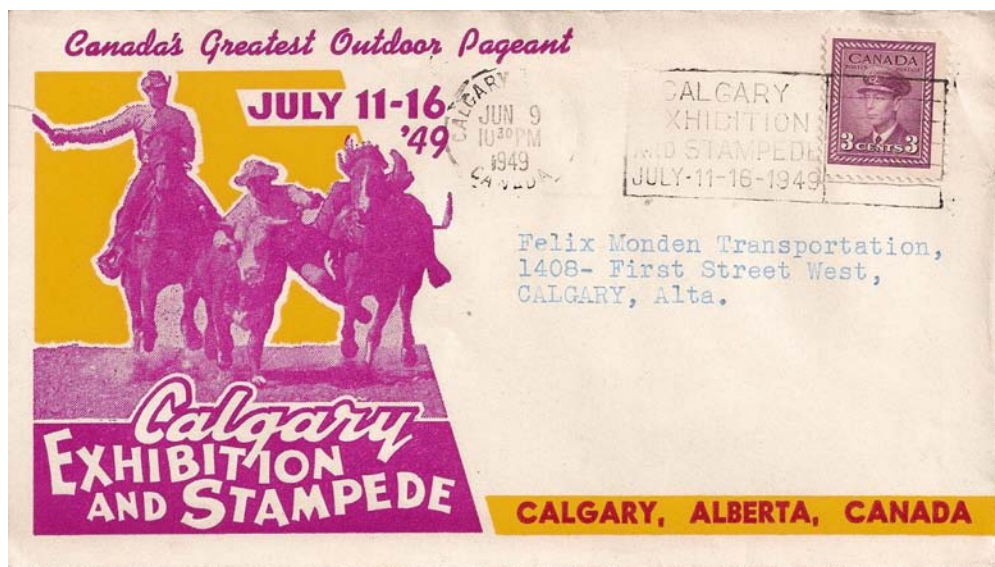
CALGARY STAMPEDE 1949

by Dale Speirs

The first Calgary Stampede was held in 1912, for which the Canadian Post Office (as Canada Post then was) used a slogan cancel. Private organizations and businesses mailed illustrated publicity covers. Since then there have been thousands of postal history items produced.

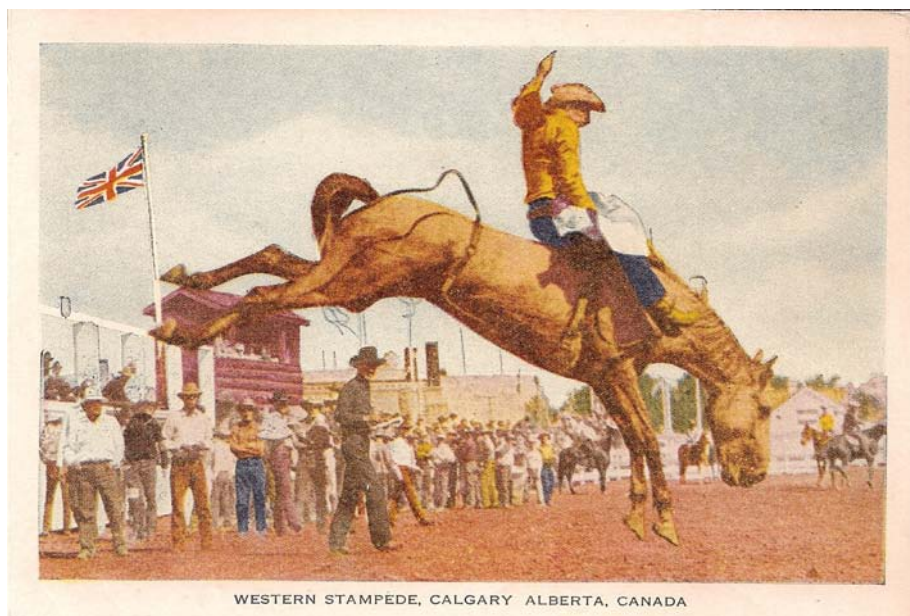
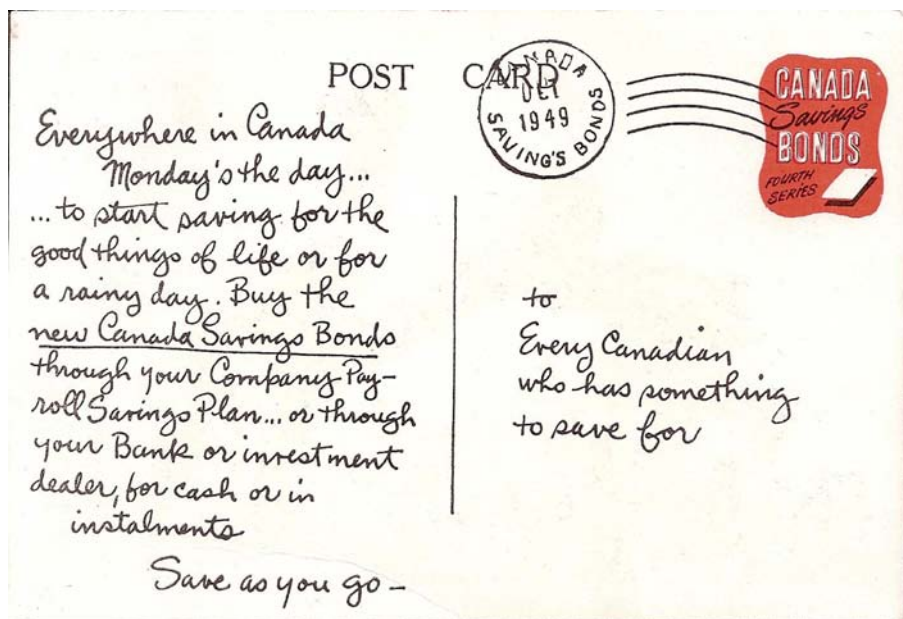
No individual collector can claim to have a complete collection. The fun is chasing down variations in covers and postcards. I am trying to have at least one item from each year of the Stampede and after thirty years am still missing a few years. To show examples of what can be collected, here are some items from the 1949 Stampede.

Each year the Stampede organization put out several types of illustrated advertising covers, an example of which is shown below. This one also has a slogan cancel advertising the rodeo. The purple and yellow cachet is striking and a bit garish, but then again modesty is ill-suited for advertising. A computer-enhanced image of the slogan cancel is at bottom.

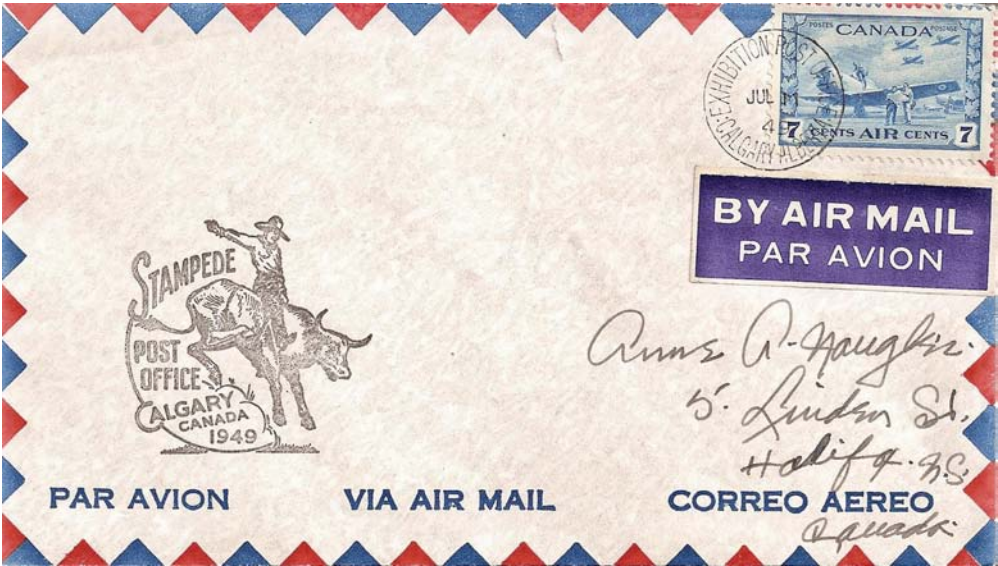


The front of this bulletin shows a 1949 Stampede letter sheet. The back side is blank for the customer to write a letter. The sheet was then folded and sealed, with the address written in the space provided.

Below are the two sides of an advertising postcard using the same image as the lettersheet. The message appears to be handwritten but was actually printed. The card was obviously unaddressed advertising matter delivered by a lettercarrier.



The most common type of Stampede cover seen in dealer stocks is the rubber stamp cachet and on-site post office postmark, as shown below. There are many variations



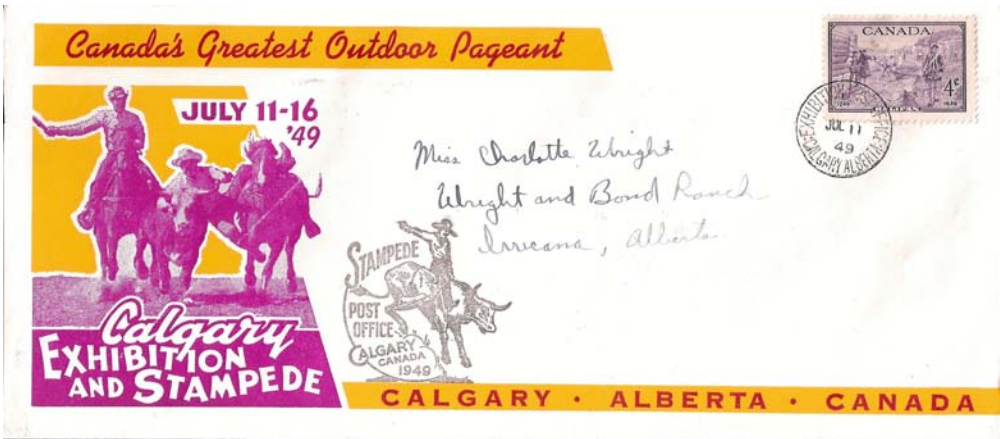
Real-photo postcards are exactly that, a photograph with postcard markings on the back for the address and message. The reverse of this postcard was too faint to scan but there was a credit line for Calgary Photo Supply. Shown is a window display at Hudson's Bay store.



An interesting postal item. The return address was a rubber stamp on the back for a Toronto man, the corner was for a Tillsonburg hotel, and the cover went to New Zealand. Covers to USA and Britain are common. I am collecting Stampede covers to other destinations overseas.



Illustrated covers came in both #8 and #10 sizes, with matching letterheads. The #10 cover below has the same design as the #8 cover shown on page 3. The letterhead that came with this cover is shown on the next page. The address on the envelope was to Miss Charlotte Wright, Wright and Bond Ranch, Irricana, which was an hour's drive northeast of Calgary.



CALGARY Exhibition and Stampede

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+
POULTRY SHOWS
+
DOG SHOWS
AND NUMEROUS
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1948
ATTENDANCE
376,983

PRIZE MONEY AND PURSES FOR 1949 - OVER \$100,000.00

Dear Charlotte

I hope you had a swell time at camp
and learned to swim okay there are no ~~new~~
new rides and one new side is ~~new~~ ~~How~~

Having a swell time.

Love
Jim

The message reads:

Dear Charlotte

I hope you had a swell time at camp and learned to swim okay. There are no new rides
and one new sideshow. Having a swell time.

Love, Jim

THE 2022 UKRAINIAN WAR: FIGHTING THE INVADERS

by Dale Speirs

[Previous parts appeared in CALGARY PHILATELIST #191, 196, 198, 204, 205, and 211.]



Ukrposhta, the Ukrainian post office, continued to issue stamps in support of troops defending their homeland against the Russian invaders.

The stamp at left contrasts the home with soldiers on the frontlines. Below is a sheetlet that shows military vehicles supplied by foreign countries. Notice the Canadian flag in the top centre margin.



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WHERE DID IT GO?

In 2020, as part of the Far and Wide landscape definitive series, Canada Post issued a stamp depicting Carcajou Falls in the Northwest Territories. The dominant feature of this waterfall was a tall column of rock standing in the splash pool of the waterfall.

The waterfall is only accessible by helicopter and receives few visitors. In June 2022, an overflight showed the rock column still there, but when the next visitor came by in July, the column was gone.

The strata alternate between hard sandstones and soft shales. Inevitably erosion had its way and now there is no trace of the column. That is indeed how the waterfall formed in the first place, as the Carcajou River flowed over a ledge and then slowly began cutting back into the rocks. This is the same method that Niagara Falls have been undergoing.

You can see the rock column in the middle of the stamp. It would be cute if Canada Post issued a revised stamp without the column.



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2024-2025

by Murray Bialek

Your membership for the 2024-2025 season is due. If you have not already paid at one of our meetings, you may pay your dues of \$25 three different ways:

1. Preferably via e-transfer directly from your bank account to the CPS Membership Director, Murray Bialek, at mbialek@shaw.ca
2. By cheque made out to Calgary Philatelic Society and mailed to:
CPS, c/o Murray Bialek
Box 71126 RPO Silver Springs NW
Calgary, AB T3B 5K2
3. With cash at our next club meeting in September.

CALTAPEX 2024 EXHIBITS

by Dave Russum

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Now is the time to plan your philatelic exhibits for our show. 1-frame (16 pages) to 8 frames (possibly 10 frames depending on space) on all topics are welcome. New and experimental exhibits from first time exhibitors (young and old) are particularly encouraged. We will have a qualified judge to provide advice and feedback to exhibitors.

The Prospectus and Entry Form will be available on the CPS website (www.calgaryphilatelicsociety.com). Please submit entry forms at your earliest convenience so we can plan for the scope of the show.

CALTAPEX will include space to show free mini-exhibits on the topics of the Royal Canadian Air Force, aerophilately, and Calgary.

CIRCUIT BOOKS

The CPS circuit books do not circulate during the summer. However, that is the ideal time to prepare new books for September and the start of a new season. The books will also be at CALTAPEX for a wider audience.

Here is an opportunity to dispose of single inexpensive stamps. Blank books are \$1 each and can be obtained from Larry Tweedale at ltweed@telus.net or (403) 282-9726 (please leave message).

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Philip Wolf, proprietor, in his store

BNAPS

In early June the Calgary and Edmonton Regional Groups of the British North America Philatelic Society merged to form the Alberta Regional Group. Meetings will continue via Zoom on second Wednesdays except July and August. To join the meetings, contact Dave Bartlet at dave.bartlet@shaw.ca

On June 12, the Group held its regular meeting on Zoom. Dave Bartlet was the host and there were 9 participants. The theme was Stampede rodeos, not just Calgary but other places that use the name.

Dale Speirs led off with two presentations. The first was the decline and fall of the Stampede Post Office in the late 1980s until its final gasp in 1990. The good news is that Shoppers Drug Mart now has a postal outlet called Stampede Station, one block west of the Stampede Victoria Park LRT station. Dale then discussed other Alberta Stampedes, such as Lethbridge (now called Whoop-Up Days), Medicine Hat, Bruce, and Strathmore.

Dave Freeman provided an overview of the different types of Calgary Stampede covers that can be collected. The postmarks come as slogan cancels, CDS, oval, and pictorial. There are lots of commercial covers from businesses which advertised the Stampede with printed cachets on their envelopes. Dave mentioned the 1913 Winnipeg Stampede and the 1947 Coronation Stampede.

Doug Lingard then showed Calgary Stampede illustrated covers from 1912 to 1924, which were privately printed by businesses, not the Exhibition Board. Next was a 1927 Ottawa postcard for their Central Canada Exhibition which had as part of its events “A real western stamped”. Doug concluded with a number of non-rodeo exhibition postmarks.

Dave Bartlet displayed advertising material and real-photo postcards of the 1913 Winnipeg Stampede, which lost money and thus was never repeated. He also had postcards of the 1916 New York City Stampede. He finished up with covers from BNAPEX 2012 commemorating the centennial of the Calgary Stampede.

Arnie Janson was the final speaker, with a quick look at an 1865 cover sent to Québec City with an imperforate 5-cents Beaver stamp.

The BNAPS Group will take the summer off and resume its meeting on September 11. The Zoom meetings are free; contact Dave Bartlet for more information.





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CLUB NEWS

The June bulletin was mailed on June 10 from the Shoppers Drug Mart retail postal outlet on Cornerstone Blvd NE. The clerk told me the outlet opened on April 30. The Willie O'Ree hockey stamp was used since it fit in nicely with the Stanley Cup playoffs underway.

WHAT DO OUR MEMBERS COLLECT?

by Dave Russum

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At the June general meeting, I proposed creating a list of what our members collect. This list would be available to members at meetings so that individuals can make contact with others with similar interests, get advice/expertise, trade material, and expand their collecting circle.

For those who don't mind publishing their contact information on-line, we could include a list of this information on the CPS Web site. If you are not comfortable with this we can limit your information to a printed list accessible on the Stamp Line during CPS meetings.

14 members signed up at the last meeting, I have entered their information into a spreadsheet. I'm sure there are many others who could benefit from this resource. If you want to be included, please email or phone me with your name, countries or topics of interest, and your contact information (email and/or phone number).

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CPS MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

2024

August	7	Deadline for August bulletin - 18h00
September	4	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	4	Deadline for September bulletin
	4	Stamp Line theme - sports
	11	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	15	Deadline for CALTAPEX entries
	18	Auction - Kerby Centre
October	25	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
	1	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	1	Deadline for October bulletin
	1	Stamp Line theme - Calgary stamps, postmarks, covers
	9	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	16	Auction - Kerby Centre
	18	CALTAPEX set-up - 17h00 to 19h00
	19 to 20	CALTAPEX - Kerby Centre gymnasium
November	23	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
	6	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	6	Deadline for November bulletin
	6	Stamp Line theme - Thanksgiving and Halloween
	13	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	20	Auction - Kerby Centre
December	27	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
	4	Christmas Social
	4	Stamp Line theme - Christmas

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Meetings and **Auctions** are at the Kerby Centre, 1133 - 7 Avenue SW, Room 205 (Lecture Room), at 19h30. Auction lots should be in before 19h30 to allow viewing.

BNAPS (Alberta Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society) meets via Zoom on second Wednesdays. 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

Junior Club meetings information from Jim Senecal at 547-7681.