

## **BELLVILLE Philatelic Society - Filatelievereniging**

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### MINUTES

### **MARCH 2018 MEETING**

#### PREVIOUS

#### 14 MARCH 2018 AUCTION

We had a very successful and enjoyable auction evening. We are able to present the Table View Hospice with a donation of R 260. Thank you for everyone's generous support. Unsold items have already been reallocated to the next auction scheduled for August.

#### FORTHCOMING

### 11 APRIL 2018

#### ONE FRAME CUP & ROUND TABLE EVENING

<u>One-Frame Cup:</u> The rules are simple: 16 pages, classical or thematic (each will be judged with its own rules).

<u>Round Table Evening</u>: Johan Bezuidenhout will facilitate the rest of the informal evening. The seats will be rearranged in a circle and every member is requested to bring an interesting item to share.

#### SATURDAY, 21 APRIL 2018 EXHIBITION SEMINAR

We are in the process of organising a full-day exhibition seminar at the Bellville Library. The aim of the seminar is to assist exhibitors on the interpretation of the FIP rules and how to prepare and put forward the best exhibit following those rules. The rules will be illustrated by examples of what to do and what not to do. Our guest speakers have been finalised and our program is as follows:

09:30 – 10:30 – Traditional (Michael Wigmore)

- 10:30 10:45 Break
- 10:45 11:45 Postal History (Hugh Amore)
- 11:45 12:30 Lunch
- 12:30 13:30 Thematics (Henk Geertsema)
- 13:30 13:45 Break
- 13:45 14:45 Open (Anne Marie Wigmore)
- 14:45 15:00 Break
- 15:00 16:00 One Frame (Emil Bührmann)
- An entry fee of R50 will cover the costs of a light lunch (sandwidges) and coffee / tea.

The venue has been booked. Please diarize this date. Booking is essential – RSVP by the 16<sup>th</sup> April.

#### 9 MAY 2018

#### LADIES NIGHT & "WHERE DO I BEGIN?"

<u>Ladies Cup</u>: This cup is open to all female members and for any category. The minimum of 32 pages (2 frames) applies with all the normal rules for each category. Exhibitions will be judged according to the category it falls into.

<u>Where do I begin?</u>: Reanie de Villiers will facilitate the rest of the informal evening. Many of us have stockbooks full of sorted stamps, but don't know how to go from there to a small 8-Page exhibit. If you have ANY specific question, please let Reanie know to include it in the discussion.

#### 13 JUNE 2018

#### **AFRICA & REST OF THE WORLD CUPS**

<u>Africa Cup:</u> All countries in Africa, including Madagascar and Mauritius, are included in the exhibition range for this cup. Minimum 2 frames (32 pages) exhibit – as for a traditional exhibit.

<u>Rest of the World Cup</u>: All countries, excluding the Africa continent, are included in the exhibition range for this cup. Minimum two frames (32 pages) exhibit – as for a classical collection.

#### 11 JULY 2018 THEMATIC CUP & THEMATIC EVENING

<u>Thematic Cup</u>: Minimum two frames (32 pages) exhibit – covering any subject that cannot be categorized as a traditional exhibit (e.g. country).

Diederik Viljoen will give a short talk on ThematicSA and specifically, the Western Cape branch. Members can bring along any thematic items for a "show and tell".

# Hunting for colorful autumn foliage on postage stamps: Topics on Stamps

[https://www.linns.com/news/world-stamps-postal-history/2016/september/colorful-autumn-foliage-postage-stamps.html]

By Denise McCarty

"Autumn in Ohio is a feast for the senses. With a wide variety of trees, Ohio forests gradually begin to blaze with brilliant hues of red, gold and orange from September to mid-November ... " is how the Ohio tourism website (http://www.ohio.org/) begins its description of the fall season in this state.

In other areas, the leaves may start to turn sooner, or later, or in warm climates, perhaps not at all.

So if you are only seeing green leaves or bare trees during your afternoon drives, walks through parks or hikes in the woods, you can always open a stamp catalog to discover fall foliage on postage stamps. In addition, you can look through the Scott New Listings Update section of the monthly issue of Linn's Stamp News to find new stamps that display the colorful topic of autumn leaves.

Many of the stamps featuring this season are inscribed with the word "autumn." For example, a 1971 7¢ stamp from Canada bears that word in both English and French. This stamp is part of a series of four showing Canada's national symbol, the maple leaf, in different seasons: The Spring stamp was issued April 14 (Scott 535), Summer June 16 (536), Autumn Sept. 3 (537) and Winter Nov. 19 (538). Canadian artist Alma Duncan (1917-2004) created the illustrations for this series.



# A 1971 Canadian stamp celebrating the season of autumn shows maple leaves.

Germany highlighted the relevant months of each season on four stamps issued in 2006. On the 0.55 stamp for autumn, the months from August through January are inscribed at the bottom with the four months that include parts of fall in a seasonal dark orange, matching some of the leaves in the design. This Autumn stamp was issued Oct. 5, 2006, in sheet form (Scott 2366) and Nov. 9, 2006, in a booklet of 20 (five stamps for each season, 2397-2400).

The months of autumn are outlined in dark orange at the bottom of this 2006 stamp from Germany.

A United States stamp related to fall does not include the word as part of its design. On May 3, 2013, the U.S. Postal Service issued four nondenominated forever stamps showing the flag in the different seasons. The Flag in Autumn design depicts aspens covered with golden leaves behind the flag. Several varieties exist of the A Flag for All Seasons stamps.



Also in 2013, the USPS issued a \$5.60 Priority Mail stamp picturing Vermont's Arlington Green Bridge in autumn.

For more images of New England's famous fall colors, there are the  $34\phi$  and  $37\phi$  Vermont stamps in the two Greetings from America issues of 2002 (3608 and 3740), and the  $44\phi$  New Hampshire stamp in the 2008-12 Flags of Our Nation series (Scott 4307).



# The Greetings from Vermont stamp includes a scene of autumn in New England.

A little further south, a West Virginia autumn is depicted on the \$5.75 Glade Grist Mill Priority Mail stamp issued Sept. 29, 2014 (4927).

Among the other U.S. stamps featuring the colorful trees of fall is one of four designs in the 2014 Hudson River School Paintings set. This forever stamp (Scott 4920) reproduces Distant View of Niagara Falls by Thomas Cole. Sugar maples are pictured in the

foreground of this autumn scene.

One of the earliest stamps showcasing the season also is part of a set honoring artists and their works. Issued Dec. 6, 1950, this Russian stamp (Scott 1527) depicts Golden Autumn by Isaac Ilyich Levitan (1860-1900). This 1895 landscape painting shows a grove of birch trees.



In 1950, Russia issued this stamp picturing Golden Autumn by Isaac Ilyich Levitan, who is known for his landscape paintings.

A single yellow birch is featured on a new stamp just issued by Sweden Aug. 25. This coil stamp and a booklet of five self-adhesives comprise the set called Autumn Glow. The designs show photographs taken by Christoffer Collin, known to his 1.4 million Instagram followers by the user name @wisslaren. In addition to birch, the photos show maple, rowan and beech trees with their fall foliage.



# Sweden's new Autumn Glow issue, which includes this coil stamp plus a booklet of five, showcases the photography of Christoffer Collin.

Collin said: "Seeing my photos on stamps is really a lot of fun, but it is even more fun to be able to share the photos of the area around my hometown, Karlskoga. I like the connection between the digital media that I normally work with and the fact that the photos now can be sent as actual greetings to the entire world."

Even more recent is an Israeli stamp issued Sept. 13, the fourth in a series called Seasons in Israel. The 4.10-shekel stamp is inscribed "Autumn" in the upper right, but the orange and golden leaves at the bottom of the stamp and

on the attached tab (label) also indicate the season. The fall color scheme is continued in the sail of the kite and on the girl's jacket. Shown in the background is the Hula Valley Nature Reserve from a photograph by Ilan Malester.

#### The design of this Seasons in Israel stamp shows children taking advantage of the autumn breeze. The stamp will be issued Sept. 13.

Two fall scenes can be found on stamps listed in this month's Scott New Listings Update: an Icelandic stamp called Autumn Leaves (Scott 1408, issued April 28, 2016) and a stamp from Malta showing a woman at Buskett Gardens in autumn (1566, issued June 21, 2016).

The latter stamp is inscribed "Sepac," indicating that it is part of the multination series organized by the Small European Postal Administrations Cooperations. Each year, member postal administrations issue Sepac stamps based on a central theme. The theme for this year's series is the Seasons, so naturally some of the stamps focus on fall.

The Sepac issue from Malta also includes stamps with spring, summer and winter themes, although only the aforementioned stamp bears the inscription. Likewise, Iceland's Autumn Leaves stamp is part of a set that shows spring flowers, butterflies in summer and snowflakes in winter. The Sepac inscription appears on the Spring Flowers stamp.

Autumn in Saumarez Park is pictured on the Sepac-inscribed stamp issued May 25 by the Channel island of Guernsey.



Guernsey's 2016 Sepac stamp shows autumn at Saumarez Park, the island's largest public park.

Monaco used a single tree to represent all four seasons on its Sepac stamp issued June 24. The golden colors of autumn are prevalent on the right side of this 1 stamp.



#### A tree for all seasons is pictured on this stamp from Monaco, part of the 2016 Sepac multination series.

If you want to continue to search for autumn leaves on stamps, Finland and Japan are two good places to start. Several Finnish issues focus solely on the autumn season. Japan has issued several stamps with autumn themes and will be releasing five new Autumn Greetings stamps Oct. 25. Two of the designs depict a fox and rabbit, respectively, with red and gold leaves in the background.

However, autumn stamps aren't limited to these two countries by any means. Some sets of stamps picture a particular region

or place in all four seasons. For instance, a recent set of stamps from Romania is called Seasons at a Village Museum. They were issued May 20 of this year to mark the 80th anniversary of the Dimitrie Gusti National Village Museum.





Autumns colors also can be found on stamps that feature leaves, trees and forests. The American Topical Association (http://www.americantopicalassn.org/) offers to its members a tree checklist that includes more than 4,000 listings.

Sometimes, autumn leaves turn up in surprising places, such as on a March 14, 2013, issue from Liechtenstein that combines mathematics and nature (Scott 1568-1571); and other times, where they are found is more predictable, such as on a Danish stamp issued in 2011 (1530) honoring that year's Europa theme of Forests, in conjunction with the International Year of Forests.

A squirrel and leaves are pictured on a Danish Europa stamp issued in 2011, the International Year of Forests.

### **Programs of other societies in the Western Cape**

	THE ROYAL			
MEETINGS:	Second and fourth Monday of each month at 20:00 at the Athenaeum, Newlands, Cape Town			
9 APRIL 2018	Werner Barnard (guest exhibitor)			
23 APRIL 2018	Volker Janssen: Denmark & Iceland; Brian Fenemore: GB Overprinted Postal Stationery			
14 MAY 2018	Phil Collins: Union of South Africa; Malcolm Murphy - Mystery			
28 MAY 2018	Malcolm Suttill – Stellaland & GB Postal History from Charles II			
11 JUNE 2018	Volker Janssen - Cape of Good Hope			
25 JUNE 2018	Victor Millard - Imperial Airways			
	STELLENBOSCH			
MEETINGS:	First Tuesday of the month at 19:00 at Le Donjon, La Societé, La Clemence, Webersvallei Rd, Stellenbosch			
APRIL 2018	No information available			
MAY 2018	No information available			
JUNE 2018	No information available			
	PAARL			
MEETINGS:	Second Thursday of the month at 19:30 in the MBA Boland building, Concordia Street, Paarl			
12 APRIL 2018	Tema: Letter Z			
17 MAY 2018	Combrinkbeker-kompetisie			
14 JUNE 2018	Tema: Letter A (Worcester)			
	PINELANDS			
MEETINGS:	Last Wednesday of the month at 19:30 in the Activities Room of Pinelands Public Library			
25 APRIL 2018	Jannie Hofmeyr: Main: The Future of Philately; 1page: Personalities beginning with "D"; David Sinclair: Voluntary: Blue Train			
30 MAY 2018	Auction (or Foreign evening)			
27 JUNE 2018	All Members: Main: Family History; 1page: Personalities beginning with "E"; Voluntary: Workshop			
	FISH HOEK			
MEETINGS:	First Tuesday of the month at 19:30 at Minor Hall - Civic Centre, Recreation Road, Fish Hoek			
14 APRIL 2018	Annual Big Stamp Auction on Saturday morning from 9am to 12pm with visitors from other Societies			
1 MAY 2018	Foreign Evening & Competition (Max 14 pages). Volker Janssen will show out of competition.			
5 JUNE 2018	Colin Rowe will show GB			
	DURBANVILLE STAMP FAIR			
MEETINGS:	First Saturday of the month from 09:00 – 12:30 at Bergsig D.R.Church, c/o Boland Way & Protea Way, Durbanville			
STAMP FAIRS	Stamp Fair dates for 2018 are: March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th, June 9th, July 7th, August 11th, Sept 1st, Oct 6th, Nov 3rd, Dec 1st (all 1st Saturday except for June & August).			
LIVE AUCTIONS	Live Auction dates for 2018 are: March 17th, May 19th, July 21st, Sept 15th, Nov 10th			
THEMATICSA, WESTERN CAPE	Meets on Stamp Fair dates from 09:30 – 10:30			



NAME	SURNAME	BIRTHDAY
Stan	Rowland	01 March
Alan	Hugill	19 March
Reinder	Nauta	25 March
Anne Marie	Wigmore	13 May
Neil	Matthee	16 May
Gert	Strydom	27 May
Reanie	de Villiers	12 June
Jan	Rossouw	14 June
George	Coetzee	24 June
John	Potter	06 July
Diederik	Viljoen	20 July
Johan	Bezuidenhout	25 July

# SUBS FOR 2018

Federation Fee 2018: Society Fee 2018: **Total Membership Fee 2018:**  R 200 (incl vat) R 90 (same amount payable by non-home members) <u>R 290</u>





## PROGRAM 2018

MONTH	SUBJECT	TEA DUTY	ONE PAGE
10 JAN 2018	ALL MEMBERS' NIGHT & 8 PAGE CUP	I POTGIETER C MATHEY A HORSTMAN	HERBS & SPICES
14 FEB 2018	ONE PAGE, CUPS & AGM	J POTTER R DE VILLIERS	WILD ANIMALS
18 FEB 2018	COMMITTEE MEETING	AT THE HOME OF WERNER BARNARD, D'URBANVALE	19:00
14 MAR 2018	AUCTION	H MULDER A HUGILL	
11 APR 2018	ONE FRAME CUP & ROUND TABLE EVENING	J BEZUIDENHOUT E STOCKENSTROM	GENTLEMEN
21 APR 2018	EXHIBITION SEMINAR	AUDITIORUM, BELLVILLE LIBRARY	09:30 – 16:00
9 MAY 2018	LADIES CUP & "WHERE DO I BEGIN?"	R LOO C MULLER	SOCCER
13 JUNE 2018	AFRICA & REST OF THE WORLD CUPS	R HARM N MATTHEE	YOUTH
15 JUNE 2018	SA VIRTUAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION (SAVPEX 2018)	BLOEMFONTEIN	
11 JULY 2018	THEMATIC CUP & THEMATIC EVENING	S ROWLAND D VILJOEN	PAINTINGS
AUG 2018	COMMITTEE MEETING	AT THE HOME OF WERNER BARNARD, D'URBANVALE	19:00
8 AUG 2018	AUCTION	S LIGHT T OLCKERS J DU PLESSIS	
10 SEP 2018	QUIZ EVENING	THE ROYAL	20:00
12 SEP 2018	INTERCLUB COMPETITION	BELLVILLE	
1 – 3 OCT 2018	JUNASS 2018	ATHENAEUM, NEWLANDS	
10 OCT 2018	TAKING STAMPS ONLINE & OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS	C MATHEY I POTGIETER G STRYDOM	TRANSPORT
17 – 20 OCT 2018	NATIONAL EXHIBITION 2018	CENTURION	
19 OCT 2018	CONGRESS	CENTURION	
14 NOV 2018	VISITORS & BELLVILLE EXHIBIT EVENING	H MULDER J POTTER	"К"
5 DEC 2018	PRESIDENT'S EVENING	AT THE HOME OF WERNER BARNARD, D'URBANVALE	19:00
9 JAN 2019	ALL MEMBERS' NIGHT & 8 PAGE CUP	A HUGILL A HORSTMANN	SPACE
13 FEB 2019	ONE PAGE, CUPS & AGM	N SMITH AM & M WIGMORE	POLITICS
13 MAR 2019	AUCTION	M & J REEVES D CROUKAMP K LOUWRENS	

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