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## Royal Wedding Day

A surprise stamp issue commemorating the *day* of the Royal Wedding was announced “at the last minute”.

The design features Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge travelling in a Landau from Westminster Abbey to Buckingham Palace shortly after they were married.

A single design (Permanent™ value), in a self-adhesive booklet of 10, two different souvenir sheets, and a prepaid postal card were *sheduled* to be released June 22.



However, due to a postal disruption (see page 3), the stamps were not delivered to postal outlets until late June/early July. As such, the “June 22, 2011” first day covers do not truly represent the actual “day of issue”.

## 2012 Unitrade

The 2012 edition of the *Unitrade Specialized Catalogue of Canadian Stamps* has been completed and sent to the printer. It should be at your local dealer by the end of September or early October. After many years of keeping the price the same (\$42.95), this year’s price rises by a buck to \$43.95. Sixteen more pages have been added to this edition. Nearly 90 pages have been added to the catalogue in the last seven years since the last price increase.

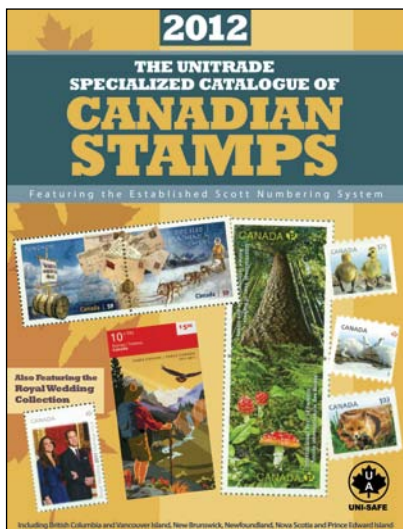
The new stamp issues for 2011 required several new pages (far too many). This year’s edition paid particular attention to the Air Post Semi-Official and Newfoundland issues with new listings and illustrations added throughout.

## Dues Notice

Included with this issue is the annual dues notice. We would encourage you to return it as soon as possible to avoid the annoying follow-up reminder letter!

**Dues notice ...**  
*included with this issue*

Please read your dues notice — it may not be an actual “payment required”. Some of our members pay their dues a couple of years at a time. If you are of one of these, the enclosure may simply be an update as to your account status and no payment may be required.



## Who are We?

We are the Elizabethan II Study Group under the auspices of the British North America Philatelic Society (BNAPS) — The Society for Canadian Philately.

Our journal, the *Corgi Times* is published 6 times a year.

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Annual Dues

Canadian addresses is C\$15.00. US and Canadian addresses option of US\$15.00. All others US\$19.00.

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## Canada Post News

Here is what Canada Post is up to these days...

### ► Quarter 3 Stamp Issues

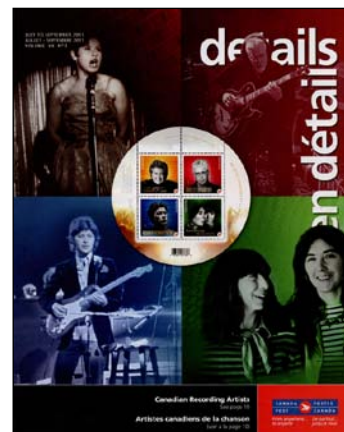
Well, Canada Post is making it even easier to think about giving up collecting modern issues. The unneeded souvenir sheets, postal cards, pane layouts and other collectibles that are arguably targetted strictly at the stamp collector's wallet are becoming quite annoying.

Here is what the July to September 2011 *Details* magazine from Canada Post is showing for new issues this coming quarter:

- June 22 – Royal Wedding Day: booklet of 10, two different souvenir sheets, postal card
- June 30 – Recording Artists: four different booklet panes of 8 stamps each, souvenir sheet of 4, with four different panes of 16 stamps each also released July 30, four different postal cards
- July 7 – Roadside Attractions: booklet pane of 8, souvenir sheet of 4, four different postal cards
- August 8 – Miss Supertest III: booklet of 10, souvenir sheet of 2 with one stamp being at the international rate, two different postal cards, collectible folder (\$19.95)
- August 17 – Canadian Innovations: booklet pane of 8 [the least expensive issue this quarter]
- September 6 – Mental Health semi-postal: booklet pane of 10, souvenir sheet of 2

Total cost for stamps only: \$116.37 + taxes. One might also need to add in various first day covers, the Miss Supertest III collectible folder and quarterly pack due out in a couple of months.

So, six unneeded souvenir sheets, eleven unneeded postal cards, and four unneeded additional panes of 16 for the Recording Artists (see page 14 in this issue).



## Corgi Times

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## Study Group Business

❖ New members

<none this time>

## Planning Calendar

This is a listing of major exhibitions and bourses with a large content of both Canadian Exhibits and Canadian dealers. Minimum listing criteria: two day event; 1000 page exhibition; 18 dealer bourse with 50% offering Canadian material.

The goal is to list events far in advance to encourage either exhibiting or attendance and preferably both.

### 2011

**BNAPEX 2011:** Sep 2–4, 2011 in North Bay, ON

The ESG “Show-n-tell” has been scheduled for Friday, September 2, 2:30–3:30PM, in Founders A room, during BNAPEX 2011 at Clarion Resort Pinewood Park in North Bay, Ontario.

**ROYAL 2012:** Jun 1–3, 2011 in Edmonton, AB

## BNAPEX 2011

**BNAPEX 2011** is just around the corner. This year’s show is being held in **North Bay, ON** and runs from September 2nd to 4th. The Elizabethan II Study Group is holding a “Show-n-tell” meeting at 2:30PM on the Friday. Our Chairman, Bob Elias, will be presiding.

## Late Mailing

This issue of the *Corgi Times* was printed and mailed about two weeks later than it should have been, along with the May-June issue which is over two months late ... my apologies.

Our standard request ... please pass along articles for publication. Surely with a group whose membership is over 125 members, we can get *many* articles for publication? I just read from the APS 2011 Board meeting minutes that *The American Philatelist* has a 3-year backlog of articles waiting to be published. Wow.

## Postal Disruption

On June 3, after months of negotiations failed to produce a new deal, CUPW members began a series of rolling, 24-hour strikes in cities across the country. The company responded 12 days later by locking out workers, shutting down mail service from coast to coast. Here are notes I took as the “strike” progressed...

**June 2**  
Winnipeg 10:59 local time

**June 3**  
Hamilton 11:45pm (48hrs)

**June 5**  
Montreal 11:30pm

**June 6** midnight local time  
Victoria, BC  
Moncton, NB

**June 7**  
Calgary 11:00pm EDT  
Edmonton midnight EDT

**June 8** 11:30pm  
Labrador City, NFLD  
Bathurst, N.B. (Acadie-Bathurst, CUPW local)  
Summerside, PEI  
Ste-Thérèse, QC  
St-Jérôme, QC  
Hearst, ON  
Brantford, ON  
St. Thomas, ON  
Flin Flon, MB  
Yellowknife, NWT  
Whitehorse, Yukon  
Vernon, B.C.

**June 9** 11:00pm EDT  
Quebec City  
Kitchener, ON

**June 10** 10:00pm EDT  
Red Deer, AB (48 hours)

**June 13**  
Canada Post says mail will only be delivered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

**June 13** 10:00pm EDT  
Breton, NS (Sydney, North Sydney, Sydney Mines, New Waterford and Glace Bay)  
Fredericton, NB  
Mauricie, QC  
Sherbrooke, QC  
Corner Brook, NL  
Cornwall, ON  
Windsor, ON  
Niagara Falls, ON  
Regina, SK  
Nanaimo, BC (10:00 p.m. local time)

**June 13** 11:30pm EDT  
Toronto  
Montreal

**June 14**  
Canada Post suspended operations across the country after 12 days of rotating strikes by its 48,000 unionized urban workers.

A day later, Labour Minister Lisa Raitt signalled that the government would table back-to-work legislation if the two sides couldn’t reach a deal.

**June 20**  
The bill was tabled on June 20 and led the opposition New Democrats to hold a days-long filibuster — a non-stop debate in the House of Commons — to hold up passage of the back-to-work bill for 58 hours.

**June 27**  
Under the terms of federal legislation passed on Parliament Hill over the weekend, Canada Post had to end its lockout and 48,000 urban postal workers had to return to work by 8:45 p.m. ET Monday, June 27.

### Stamp issues

The Signs of the Zodiac: Cancer issue and souvenir sheet were available at my local post office on the day of issue (June 22). The Royal Wedding Day issue (June 22) was not available until several days after the disruption was over.

# Canada Post 2011 Stamp Program

Issue dates are subject to change by Canada Post. Shaded entries are changed/new from the last time we presented this list.

| Issued | Description  | Scott#   |
|--------|--|--|
| Jan 7  | Year of the Rabbit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) pane of 25</li> <li>\$1.75 souvenir sheet</li> <li>\$29.95 uncut press sheet of 12 souvenir sheets</li> <li>\$1.89 postal cards (one of each design)</li> </ul>   | 2416<br>2417   |
| Jan 17 | Baby Wildlife rate-change definitives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) Arctic Hare, self-adhesive roll of 100</li> <li>\$1.03 Red Fox, self-adhesive roll of 50</li> <li>\$1.25 Canada Geese, self-adhesive roll of 50</li> <li>\$1.75 Polar Bear, self-adhesive roll of 50</li> <li>\$1.03 Red Fox, self-adhesive booklet of 6</li> <li>\$1.25 Canada Geese, self-adhesive booklet of 6</li> <li>\$1.75 Polar Bear, self-adhesive booklet of 6</li> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) Arctic Hare, self-adhesive, uncut press panel of 100</li> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) Arctic Hare, self-adhesive roll of 5,000</li> <li>\$4.62 gummed souvenir sheet of 4</li> <li>\$1.89 postal cards (one of each design)</li> </ul> | 2425<br>2427<br>2428<br>2429<br>2430<br>2431<br>2432<br><br>2426<br>2424 |
| Jan 17 | Canadian Pride rate-change definitives (five designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permanent™ (59¢), self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>Permanent™ (59¢), self-adhesive booklet of 30</li> <li>\$2.95 gummed souvenir sheet of 4</li> </ul>  | 2419–23<br><br>2418  |
| Feb 1  | Black Heritage Month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>59¢ Carrie Best self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>59¢ Fergie Jenkins self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.89 postal cards (one of each design)</li> </ul>   | 2433<br>2434   |
| Feb 7  | Permanent™ (59¢) Celebration, self-adhesive booklet of 6   | 2435   |
| Feb 21 | Art Canada: Daphne Odjig <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>59¢ pane of 16</li> <li>\$1.03 self-adhesive booklet of 6</li> <li>\$1.75 self-adhesive booklet of 6</li> <li>\$3.37 gummed souvenir sheet of 3</li> <li>\$32.36 uncut press sheet (2 panes of 59¢ and 4 panes of souvenir sheet)</li> </ul>   | 2436<br>2438<br>2439<br>2437   |
| Mar 3  | Sunflowers (two designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive roll of 50</li> <li>\$1.18 gummed souvenir sheet of 2</li> </ul>  | 2443–44<br>2441–42<br>2440   |
| Mar 21 | Permanent™ (59¢) Signs of the Zodiac: Aries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.89 postal card</li> </ul>  | 2449   |
| Apr 21 | Permanent™ (59¢) Signs of the Zodiac: Taurus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.89 postal card</li> </ul>   | 2450   |
| Apr 21 | Permanent™ (59¢) International Year of Forests (2 designs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>self-adhesive booklet of 8</li> <li>\$1.18 souvenir sheet</li> </ul>   | 2462–63<br>2461  |
| Apr 29 | Royal Wedding (2 stamps) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.75 self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>Permanent™ (59¢) and \$1.75 in gummed pane of 16</li> <li>\$2.34 gummed souvenir sheet of 2</li> <li>\$2.34 gummed souvenir sheet of 2 (overprinted)</li> <li>\$10.54 gutter booklet (4 x \$1.75 + 6 x 59¢)</li> <li>69¢ domestic prepaid size 10 envelope</li> <li>99¢ domestic prepaid postal card</li> </ul>  | 2466<br>2467<br>2464–65<br>2465b<br>2465c<br>2467b                       |
| May 3  | Commemorative Envelope: Canadian Forces Postal Service   |  |
| May 9  | Commemorative Envelope: University of Regina   |  |
| May 13 | 59¢ Unusual methods of mail delivery (2 designs)   | 2468–69  |
| May 19 | 59¢ Parks Canada 100th Anniversary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.89 postal card</li> </ul>   | 2470   |
| May 20 | Permanent™ (59¢) Signs of the Zodiac: Gemini <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>self-adhesive booklet of 10</li> <li>\$1.89 postal card</li> </ul>   | 2451   |
| Jun 1  | Commemorative Envelope: Wilfrid Laurier University   |  |

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| Jun 9  | Permanent™ (59¢) Art Deco (5 designs)<br>• self-adhesive booklet of 10<br>• \$2.95 souvenir sheet<br>• \$1.89 postal cards (one of each design)<br>• \$53.10 uncut press sheet (18 souvenir sheets)   | 2472–76<br>2471       |
| Jun 22 | Permanent™ (59¢) Signs of the Zodiac: Cancer<br>• self-adhesive booklet of 10<br>• \$1.89 postal card   | 2452                  |
| Jun 22 | Signs of the Zodiac<br>• \$2.36 gummed souvenir sheet of 4 designs  | 2445                  |
| Jun 22 | Royal Wedding Day<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 10<br>• \$1.18 gummed souvenir sheet of 2 (with Westminster Abbey)<br>• \$1.18 gummed souvenir sheet of 2 (with Parliament Buildings )<br>• \$1.89 postal card                           | 2478<br>2477<br>2477b |
| Jun 30 | Recording Artists<br>(Ginette Reno, Bruce Cockburn, Robbie Robertson, The McGarrigle sisters)<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 8 (4 different covers)<br>• \$2.36 gummed souvenir sheet of 4<br>• 4 x \$1.89 postal card (1 of each design) |                       |
| Jul 7  | Roadside Attractions<br>(The World's Largest Lobster, The Wild Blueberry, The Big Potato, The Giant Squid)<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 8<br>• \$2.36 gummed souvenir sheet of 4<br>• 4 x \$1.89 postal card (1 of each design)         |                       |
| Jul 30 | Recording Artists<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) gummed panes of 16 (4 different)  |                       |
| Aug 8  | Miss Supertest III<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) self-adhesive booklet of 10<br>• \$2.34 gummed souvenir sheet of 2 (Permanent™ (59¢) and \$1.75)<br>• 2 x \$1.89 postal card (1 of each design)  |                       |
| Aug 17 | 59¢ Canadian Innovations (4 designs), self-adhesive booklet of 8  |                       |
| Sep 6  | Mental Health<br>• Permanent™ (59¢) + 10¢ self-adhesive booklet of 10<br>• \$1.38 gummed souvenir sheet of 2  |                       |
| Oct 3  | International Year of Chemistry   |                       |
| Nov 1  | Christmas (Holly and Stained Glass)   |                       |

## Elizabethan II Market Place

Classified listings in the Market Place are \$1.00 for 25 words. Additional words are 5¢ each. Camera ready display ads (preferably 300dpi, black and white tiff scans) pertaining primarily to the Elizabethan era will be accepted at the following rates: 1/8 page \$5.00; 1/4 page \$8.00; 1/2 page \$15.00 and a full page at \$30.00. 25% discount for four consecutive insertions of the same ad.

Full payment must accompany ad. Payment in Canadian funds to: Elizabethan II Study Group. Mail to Editor: Robin Harris, PO Box 104, Seddons Corner, MB R0E 1X0, Canada.

WANTED: Covers bearing stamps from BK88 (#939, #941, #947) or #947c, cancelled between 1985 to 1987. All destinations. Contact David Oldfield. kdoidaho@roadrunner.com

# ESG Financial Statements

by: Ron Rush, Treasurer

## Elizabethan II Study Group Financial Statements for the Period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

### OPERATING FUND

|          |                                      |                   |       |
|----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|
|          |                                      | Amounts in CDN \$ |       |
| Income:  | Membership dues                      | \$479.50          | _____ |
|          | Total Income                         | \$479.50          |       |
| Expense: | Toner, Paper & Printer               | \$170.44          |       |
|          | Postage                              | \$904.60          |       |
|          | less savings due to bulk purchase    | (\$467.62)        | _____ |
|          | Total Expense                        | \$607.42          |       |
|          | Operating Fund Balance June 30, 2011 | (\$127.92)        |       |

### RESEARCH RESERVE FUND

|  |            |       |
|--|------------|-------|
| Balance June 30, 2010                      | \$8,863.52 |       |
| Additions - See Note A                     | \$128.00   |       |
| Interest (net of bank charges)             | \$33.01    |       |
| Publishing & Distributing Postal Rate Book | \$307.70   |       |
| Donations re Perforation Gauges            | \$87.50    |       |
| Publishing Christmas Seal Book             | \$73.00    | _____ |
| Balance June 30, 2011                      | \$9,492.73 |       |

### BALANCE SHEET

|  |             |       |
|--|-------------|-------|
| Assets                                   |             |       |
| Cash In Bank - Operating Fund            | \$12,196.52 |       |
| Prepaid supplies                         | 678.67      |       |
| Advance to Editor                        | \$306.00    | _____ |
| Total Assets                             | \$13,181.19 |       |
| Liabilities                              |             |       |
| Memberships paid in advance              | \$405.00    |       |
| Due to Treasurer                         | \$10.81     | _____ |
|  | \$415.81    |       |
| Total Study Group Equity                 |             |       |
| Balance June 30, 2010                    | \$12,264.09 |       |
| Current Period Operating Income          | -\$127.92   |       |
| Change in Research Reserve Fund          | \$629.21    | _____ |
| Balance June 30, 2011                    | \$12,765.38 |       |
| Total Liabilities and Study Group Equity | \$13,181.19 |       |

### Notes to Financial Statements

The majority of our dues for this year were collected before we closed the books last year. We were prompted to do this to take advantage of the postal mailing costs..

Our printing costs are very low due to advantageous purchases of materials in previous years. Postage costs were reduced as well due to a postage purchase at less than face value.

E II SG's continuing support by members/ authors producing valuable research tools and documents for the use of other members and others has proven to be a valuable investment as reflected in the Research Reserve Fund.

### Note A:

The Study Group thanks the following members:  
James Love, anonymous (2)

*A very special thank you to Ron Rush who has now retired from the position of Treasurer of the Elizabethan II Study Group. Ron did a fantastic job of keeping things in order (including myself) over the past several years.*

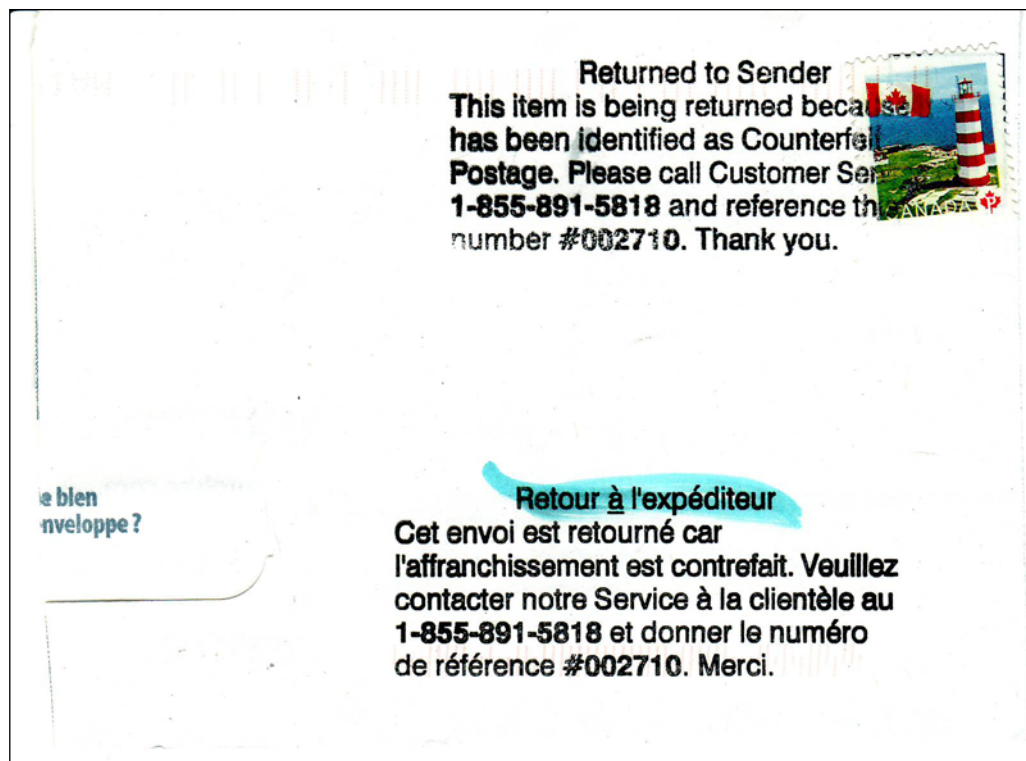


## Quebec Forgery Cancel

by: Richard Gratton

Here is a new cancel applied in Québec to mail that have forgeries.

[Editor: the *Corgi Times* last discussed these counterfeits in the March-April 2011 issue (page 65). The May-June 2010 *Corgi Times* contained an extensive article written by ESG member Leopold Beaudet.]



## Memorable Canadian Stamp Numbers

by: Robin Harris

In the September-October 2010 *Corgi Times* (page 24) I included images of our John Deere tractor's "hours of usage" gauge. At the time it was 586 and 593. I commented on how these particular "numbers" had a recognizable significance to me as a stamp collector.

Here is an image of the same gauge, taken in the last week or so ... does Canada Scott number 700 have a philatelic significance to you?



Scott 700 belongs to one of the four 10¢ Inland Vessels stamps released November 19, 1976. These were the second in a four-year series of "Ship" stamps.

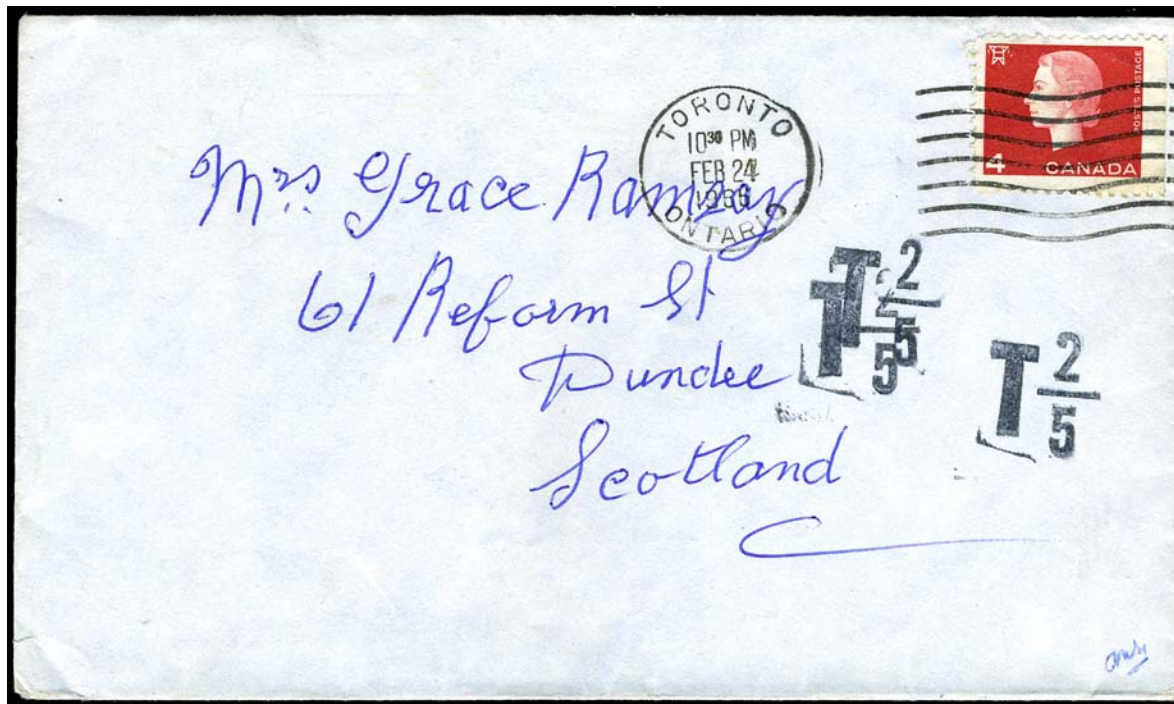
I remember that these stamps were quite popular with collectors, especially after the first series (8¢ value) was extremely popular with the public. Many collectors were buying full panes of these on the day of issue in anticipation of an early sell out.

## Update to Postage Due Articles

by: John Aitken

Recently, on eBay there was a correspondence to England in several lots, which had some covers worth noting. All had been prepaid at 4¢ (the domestic local delivery letter rate) and so were short 1¢ of the minimum 5¢ required for a letter to England.

There were two letters mailed in early 1966, and both had a fractional due of  $\frac{2}{5}$ . These are the first examples I have seen using a denominator of 5, for a preferential letter rate.



Another cover was sent January 4, 1963, and was marked T 10 centimes. This becomes the latest known use of the 10 centimes marking.

As noted in the Chung, Machum and Narbonne international rate book on page 182, there was a postal guide supplement dated March 1, 1963 which announced that the new minimum would be lowered from 10 centimes to 5 centimes. At present the earliest known example of this is February 25, 1963 on a letter from Alma Quebec to Belgium, bearing a 5¢ Cameo and marked T 6 centimes (for 2 x the 1 cent deficiency).

There was one other interesting “due” cover on eBay. It was sent from Montreal to the Philippines, and was short 1 cent of postage. The Montreal exchange office used a domestic T 10 cent marking, and in the Philippines postage due of 7 centavos was assessed. The addressee is the same as on the cover shown at the top of page 41 in the Nov-Dec 2009 issue. On that cover it appears that the Philippine Post Office in Manilla dated the cover with a handstamp approximately 6 weeks after the cover was mailed in Canada. The cover recently on eBay had no month of mailing in the machine cancel just a date of 4 \_ 1963. Manilla post office markings are from mid-April. If a 6 week transit time is used to estimate the mailing date, this suggests that the cover was sent March 4/63 and assessed 10 centimes due after the rate had been reduced.

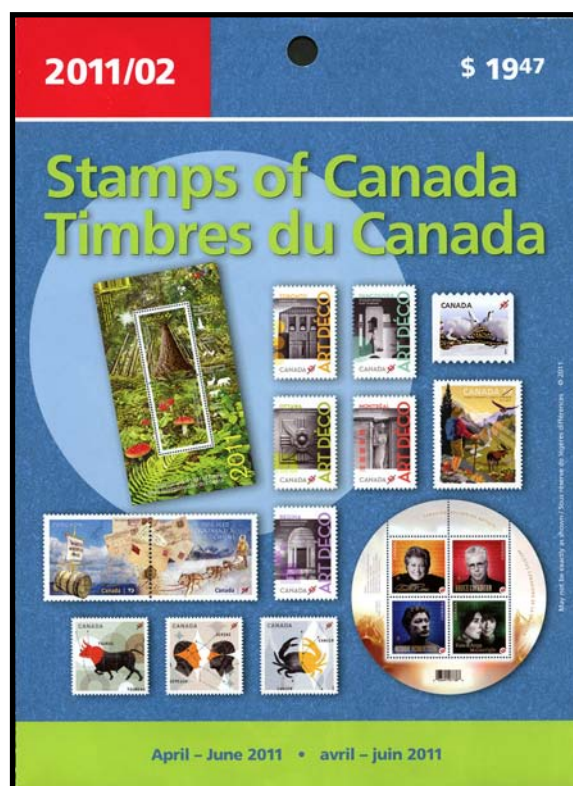
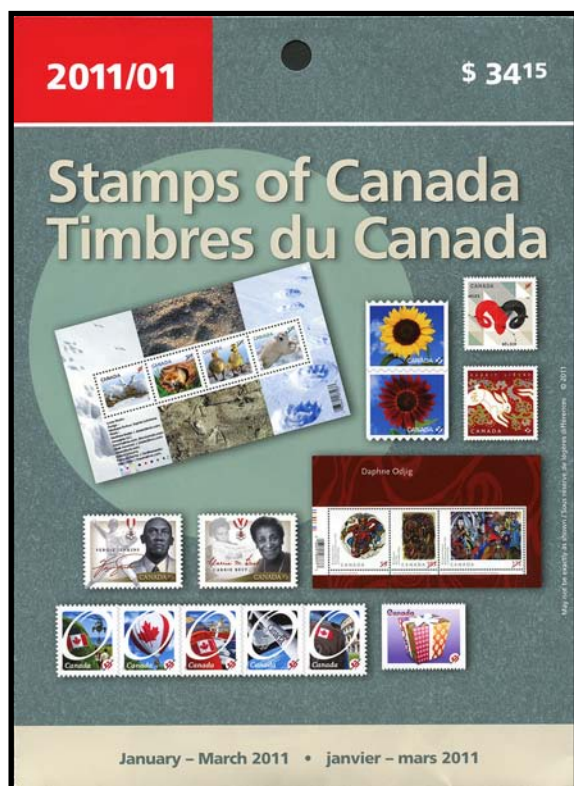
# Articles Urgently Needed



# 2011 Quarterly Packs

by: Robin Harris

For the record, here are the packaging and die cut to shape self-adhesive stamps from the first two quarterly packs for 2011. These items are unique and only available in these quarterly packs (some may be available in the annual collection).



The Permanent™ Baby Wildlife coil is from the roll of 5,000. The International Year of the Forests pair has die cutting between the two stamps but it is very shallow. One would likely end up with an attached pair if the backing paper was removed (similar to the two Flower stamp pairs from quarter 1).

The Baby Wildlife singles include the booklet (left column) and coil stamps. The booklet stamps have text on the backing paper. It is not possible to differentiate these particular stamps once they are removed from the backing paper.



# Picture Postcard

by: Robin Harris

Canada Post has introduced a new type of Picture Postage™ ... a Picture *Postcard*. Using your mobile phone or Apple iPod, wherever you are in the world you can take a picture and then have it uploaded to Canada Post and have one or more postcards sent to anyone else in the world, all for \$2.45 per postcard (plus GST/HST).

I first noticed this feature on Canada Post's website while browsing for the various Royal Wedding products (<http://www.canadapost.ca/cpo/mc/personal/campaigns/royal/royal.jsf>).



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Using my son's iPod we were able to take a picture of our house, upload the image via the Canada Post app, provide our billing information, select a recipient, enter a message and have the Postcard order generated (order #255). A few days later I received an e-mail (shown at right) indicating that the postcard had been printed and mailed, with details of how the billing would show up on my credit card statement. I was surprised that Lowe-Martin was producing these postcards compared to Canadian Bank Note producing the Picture Postage™ stamps.

A couple of weeks later the postcard arrived!



(my daughter was celebrating "Swedish flag day" when this image was taken)

Picture Postage™ Mobile Postcard Application  
Postcard Produced  
Dear Customer,

Thank you for your interest in the Picture Postage™ Mobile Postcard Application.

We are happy to inform you that your Picture Postcard has been printed and mailed.

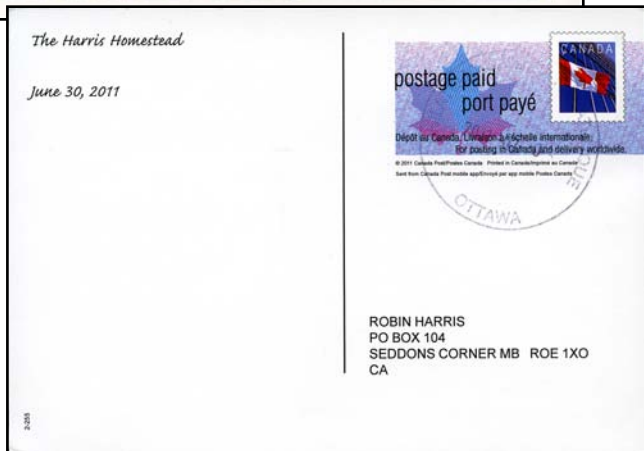
Please note that the transaction will appear on your credit card statement as Lowe-Martin Company Inc.

If you have any questions, please contact us via email at [picturepostage@imgroup.com](mailto:picturepostage@imgroup.com) or 1-888-889-8558.

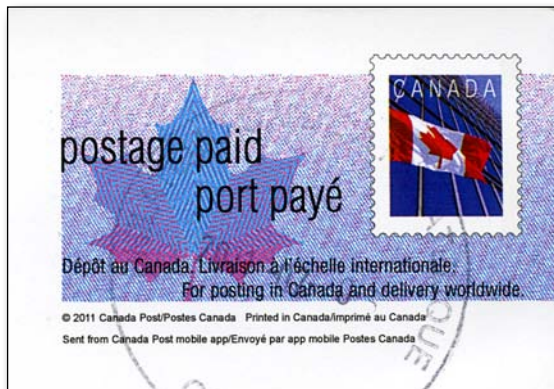
Sincerely,

Picture Postage™ Mobile Postcard Team

E-mail from Canada Post indicating postcard was printed and mailed



Picture Postcard produced on Apple iPod  
(the Harris Homestead, the "capital of Canadian philately")

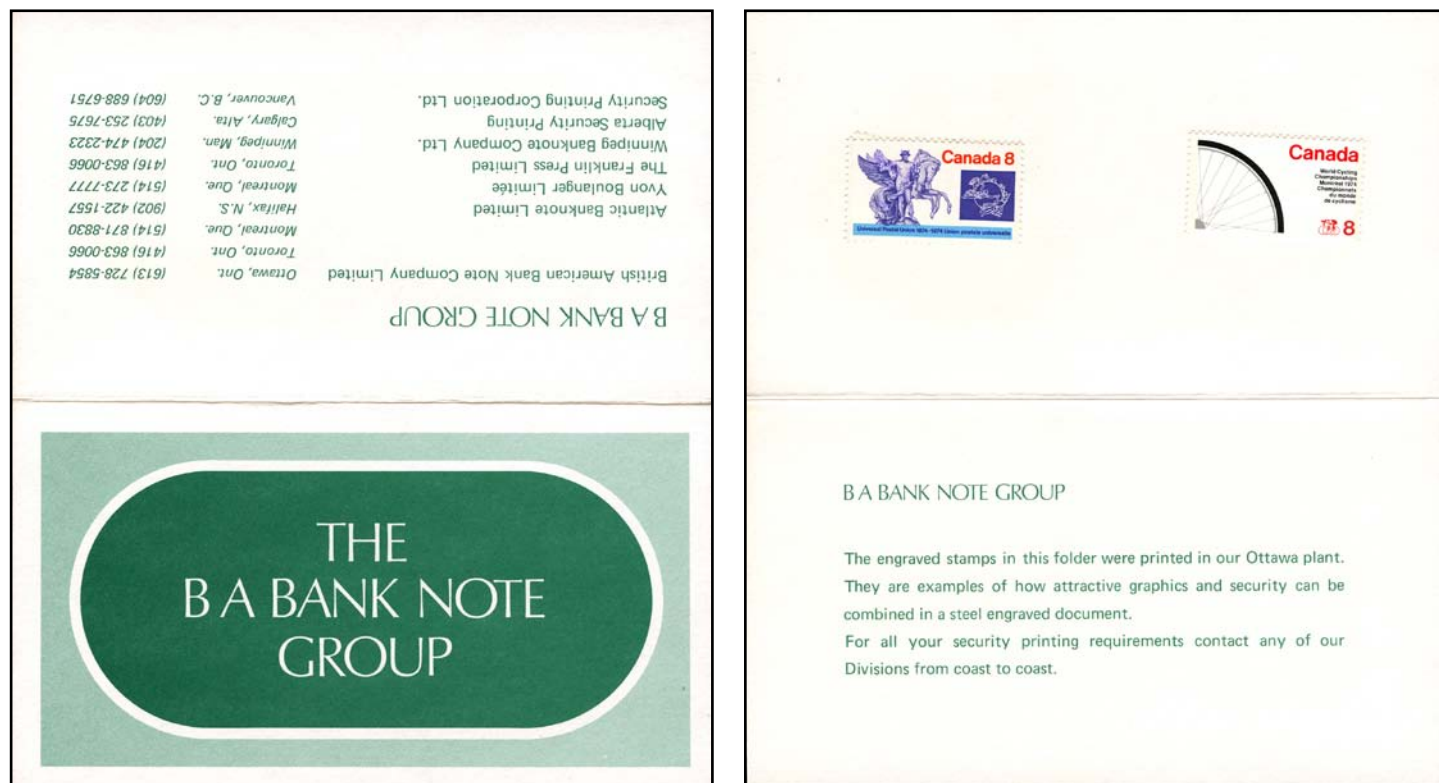


Postage indicia (actual size)  
[too bad a new indicia wasn't developed for this product]

## B A Bank Note Group Presentation Card

by: Robin Harris

A presentation card produced by B A Bank Note Group, circa 1974, passed over my desk recently. I would be interested to hear from anyone who might have similar cards. This particular one has a single example of the UPU Centenary and World Cycling Championship issues affixed to the inside of the card (but not cancelled). (images are scaled at 58%)



## Paper Varieties Discovered

Two of our members have recently passed along *just discovered* new paper varieties.

### ► 1971 Christmas

Mirko Zatka reports the finding of the 10¢ and 15¢ Snowflake Christmas stamps (Scott 556, 557) on *ribbed* paper. This is very distinctive and is like the other ribbed paper varieties of that era (such as the Plains Indians issue).



### ► 1973 Sir John A Macdonald

Dr. Jim Watt reports finding several panes of the 1¢ Macdonald definitive (Scott 586) on *high fluorescence* paper (nearly high bright).



There is always something to discover on Canadian stamps, even some 40 years later!

# Dates of Wilding Plate Proofs and Printings

by: Robert J. Elias

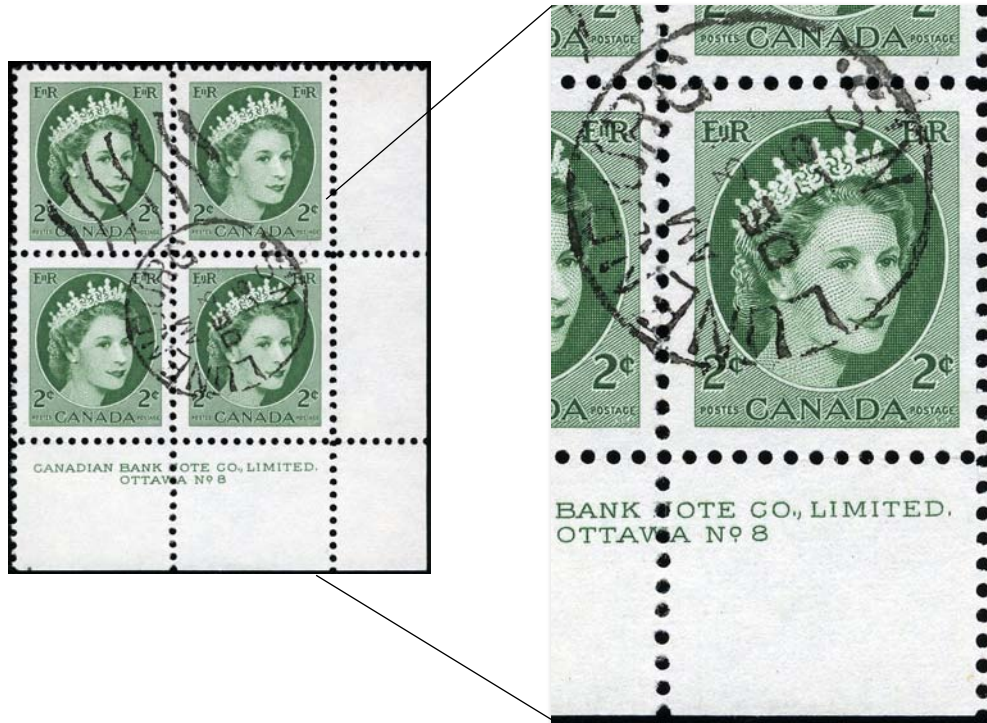
Exact dates of issue are known for printings from the first plates that were used to produce Wilding post-office panes (see Table). Issue dates of printings from subsequent plates, however, are unknown. Harris [1] provided guesses for the plates that included a printer's control number in the lower-left inscription, based on comparisons with known dates for commemorative issues having similar control numbers. He also took into account the time interval when inscriptions were trimmed off all printings (November 1957 to May 1958) and the introduction of inscriptions on philatelic stock only (May 1958). For some of the later plates, Beaudet [2] found dates on which the Philatelic Service shipped standing orders of inscription blocks, thereby providing a guide to issue dates.

The present study records the date of proof for all of the Wilding plates (see Table). The original, dated plate proofs are preserved in the collection of Library and Archives Canada and can be examined for verification in Ottawa. Descriptions of each proof, including the date, can be accessed online by using "Archives Search" [3]. Because the date of proof preceded the date of issue of printing from a plate, this information can be used to verify or better constrain the issue dates that were previously estimated or unknown (see Table). It seems that the printing from a plate was normally issued within just a few months of the date of proof, further helping to constrain the issue date. The shortest known time difference between proof and issue involved the 6¢ denomination; proofs of plates 1 and 2 were dated May 7, 1954, and the date of issue was June 10, 1954. Possibly the longest delay was for plate 16 of the 2¢ denomination, with the date of proof on January 12, 1960, and the date of shipment of inscription blocks by the Philatelic Service on November 8, 1960. The date of issue of field stock, however, may have preceded the shipment of philatelic material.

In one case, I can provide additional support for the predicted date of issue. Plate 8 of the 2¢ denomination was previously thought to have been issued in summer 1957 (see Table). Based on the date of proof, which was October 5, 1956, an issue date within a

| Denom-<br>ination | Plate | Date of proof | Date of issue of printing from Wilding plate  |                     |   |
|-------------------|-------|---------------|---|---------------------|---|
|                   |       |               | <i>This study</i>   | <i>Harris, 1998</i> | <i>Beaudet, 2002</i>  |
| 1¢                | 1, 2  | Apr 14, 1954  | Summer 1955   | Jun 10, 1954        | Mar 18, 1960<br>Mar 18, 1960  |
|                   | 3     | Mar 17, 1955  |   | Jun 10, 1954        |   |
|                   | 4     | Jul 28, 1955  |   | Fall 1955           |   |
|                   | 5     | Mar 27, 1956  | Summer 1956   | Fall 1955           |   |
|                   | 6     | May 2, 1956   |   | Summer 1956         |   |
|                   | 7     | May 22, 1956  |   | Summer 1956         |   |
|                   | 8     | Jun 13, 1957  | May 1958  | Fall 1957           |   |
|                   | 9     | Mar 3, 1958   |   | May 1958            |   |
|                   | 10    | Mar 3, 1958   |   |                     |   |
|                   | 11    | Feb 2, 1960   |   | after May 1958      |   |
|                   | 12    | Feb 3, 1960   |   |                     |   |
|                   |       |               |   |                     |   |
| 2¢                | 1, 2  | Apr 5, 1954   | Summer 1955   | Jun 10, 1954        | Mar 18, 1960<br>Mar 18, 1960<br>Mar 18, 1960<br>Nov 8, 1960<br>Jan 25, 1960<br>Jan 25, 1960<br>May 15, 1962 |
|                   | 3     | Apr 12, 1954  |   | Jun 10, 1954        |   |
|                   | 4     | Nov 12, 1954  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 5     | Jun 23, 1955  | late 1955/early 1956  | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 6     | Nov 21, 1955  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 7     | Apr 27, 1956  |   | Jun 1956            |   |
|                   | 8     | Oct 5, 1956   | late 1956*  | Summer 1957         |   |
|                   | 9     | May 28, 1957  |   | Summer 1957         |   |
|                   | 10    | Oct 31, 1957  |   | after Nov 1957      |   |
|                   | 11    | Dec 30, 1958  | late 1957/early 1958  | May 1958            |   |
|                   | 12    | Dec 30, 1958  |   | after May 1958      |   |
|                   | 13    | Jul 7, 1959   |   |                     |   |
|                   | 14    | Aug 5, 1959   | Jan 25, 1962  |                     |   |
|                   | 15    | Sep 10, 1959  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 16    | Jan 12, 1960  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 17    | Apr 13, 1961  | Jan 25, 1962  |                     |   |
|                   | 18    | Sep 21, 1961  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 19    | Nov 10, 1961  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 20    | Sep 4, 1962   | late 1962/early 1963  |                     |   |
|                   |       |               |   |                     |   |
| 3¢                | 1, 2  | Apr 27, 1954  |   | Jun 10, 1954        |   |
| 4¢                | 1, 2  | Mar 16, 1954  | late 1954/early 1955  | June 10, 1954       | Mar 18, 1960<br>Nov 8, 1960   |
|                   | 3     | Apr 12, 1954  |   | June 10, 1954       |   |
|                   | 4     | Oct 15, 1954  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 5     | Nov 8, 1954   | Spring 1955   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 6     | Feb 7, 1955   |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 7     | Jul 6, 1955   |   | Summer 1955         |   |
|                   | 8     | Jan 16, 1956  | Spring 1956   | Summer 1955         |   |
|                   | 9     | Oct 31, 1956  |   | Dec 1956            |   |
|                   | 10    | Nov 30, 1956  |   | Dec 1956            |   |
|                   | 11    | Aug 1, 1957   | Dec 1956/early 1957   | May 1957            |   |
|                   | 12    | Aug 22, 1957  |   | May 1957            |   |
|                   | 13    | Oct 17, 1957  |   | after Nov 1957      |   |
|                   | 14    | Nov 25, 1957  | late 1957/early 1958  | after Nov 1957      |   |
|                   | 15    | Aug 13, 1958  |   | May 1958            |   |
|                   | 16    | Aug 13, 1958  |   | after May 1958      |   |
|                   | 17    | Sep 4, 1959   | Fall 1958   |                     |   |
|                   | 18    | Jun 22, 1960  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 19    | Jul 12, 1962  |   |                     |   |
|                   |       |               | Fall 1962/early 1963  |                     |   |
| 5¢                | 1, 2  | Feb 17, 1954  | early 1955  | Apr 1, 1954         | Mar 18, 1960  |
|                   | 3     | Mar 18, 1954  |   | Apr 1, 1954         |   |
|                   | 4     | Jun 29, 1954  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 5     | Oct 26, 1954  | Spring 1955   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 6     | Dec 15, 1954  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 7     | Feb 3, 1955   |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 8     | Mar 11, 1955  | Summer 1955   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 9     | Mar 18, 1955  |   | Fall 1954           |   |
|                   | 10    | Jun 22, 1955  |   | Summer 1955         |   |
|                   | 11    | Jun 12, 1956  | Summer 1956   | Summer 1955         |   |
|                   | 12    | Sep 14, 1956  |   | Dec 1956            |   |
|                   | 13    | Nov 5, 1956   |   | Dec 1956            |   |
|                   | 14    | Nov 25, 1957  | Dec 1956/early 1957   | after Nov 1957      |   |
|                   | 15    | Jan 29, 1959  |   | May 1958            |   |
|                   | 16    | Jan 29, 1959  |   | after May 1958      |   |
|                   | 17    | Sep 16, 1959  | 1960  |                     |   |
|                   | 18    | Dec 9, 1959   |   |                     |   |
|                   | 19    | Jan 12, 1960  |   |                     |   |
|                   | 20    | Jun 12, 1962  | 1960-1962<br>not used**   |                     |   |
|                   |       |               |   |                     |   |
| 6¢                | 1, 2  | May 7, 1954   |   | Jun 10, 1954        |   |
|                   |       |               | *supported by an inscription block cancelled Dec 31, 1956<br>**printings attributable to this plate are unknown |                     |   |





few months seems more likely (i.e., late 1956). This is consistent with an inscription block bearing a cancellation date of December 31, 1956 (see Figure).

- [1] Harris, D.R. 1998. 1952-53 *Karsh*, 1954-62 *Wilding*, 1962-66 *Cameo Definitives*.
- [2] Beaudet, L. 2002. 1954 QE II Wilding plates - date of issue. *Corgi Times*, January-February 2002, p. 54.
- [3] [www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/lac-bac/search/arch](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/lac-bac/search/arch) (under "Archives Search" type the Scott catalogue number (e.g., 337), under "Type of material" select "Stamps and postal material", under "Hierarchical level" select "Item", click "Submit", find relevant items by clicking the numbered results for their descriptions). Example below.

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**Place of creation** Canada

**Extent** 1 postage stamp : die proof, steel engraving, green ; 17.0 x 21.0 mm.  
Support 12.6 x 12.6 cm

**Language of material** English

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# Recording Artists 2011

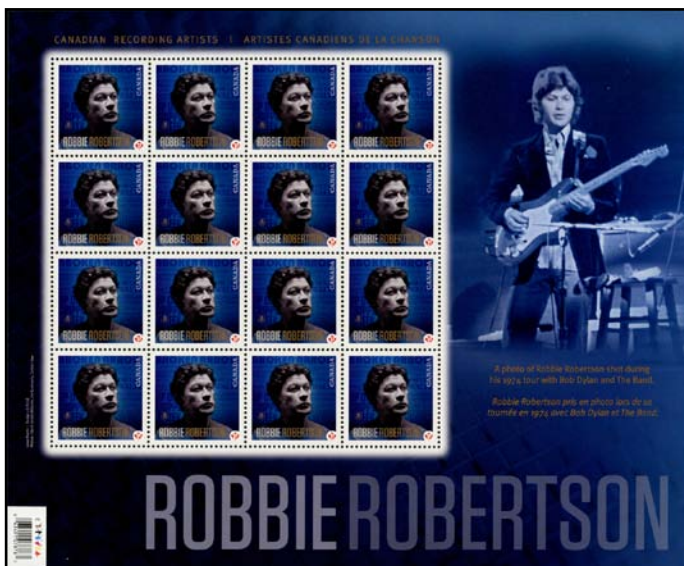
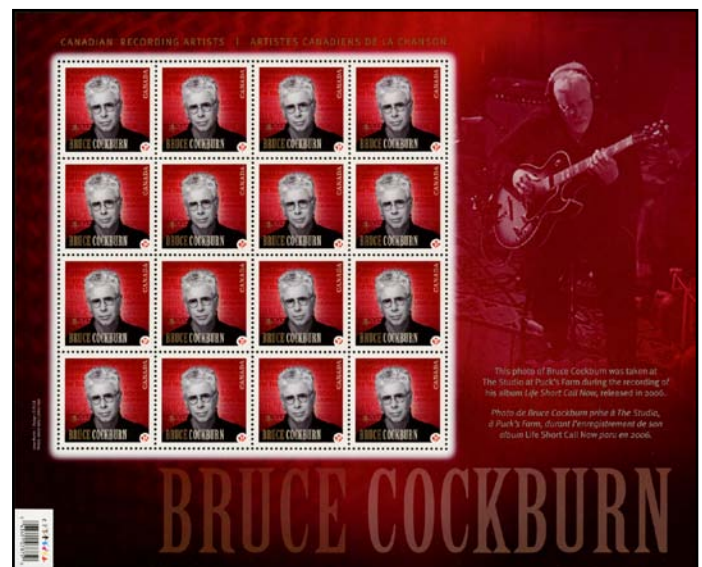
by: Robin Harris

Canada Post's third installment of Recording Artists stamps (the previous sets were issued in 2007 and 2009) were released June 30th. The typical souvenir sheet of four and four different self-adhesive booklets were released, just like the previous issues. However, each of this year's stamps was also released in panes of 16 on July 30. The pane layout is similar to what the United States Postal Service has used on their Legends of Hollywood and other issues – a wide selvedge at right illustrating the honoree in some specific performance.

It turns out that the perforation gauge between the souvenir sheet singles and the panes of 16 stamps *are different*, thus producing four new varieties. The souvenir sheet is perf 12.5x13.1 while the stamps from the panes of 16 are perf 12.5x12.5.

The souvenir sheet had a printing quantity of 205,000 panes. There were 10,000 panes of each of the panes of 16 stamps produced, resulting in some 160,000 singles, if the panes are torn apart and the stamps actually used. Used specimens of the single stamps from panes of 16 could prove to be quite scarce in the years to come.

Hmm? Another money-grabbing format produced by Canada Post specifically to get more dollars from collectors?

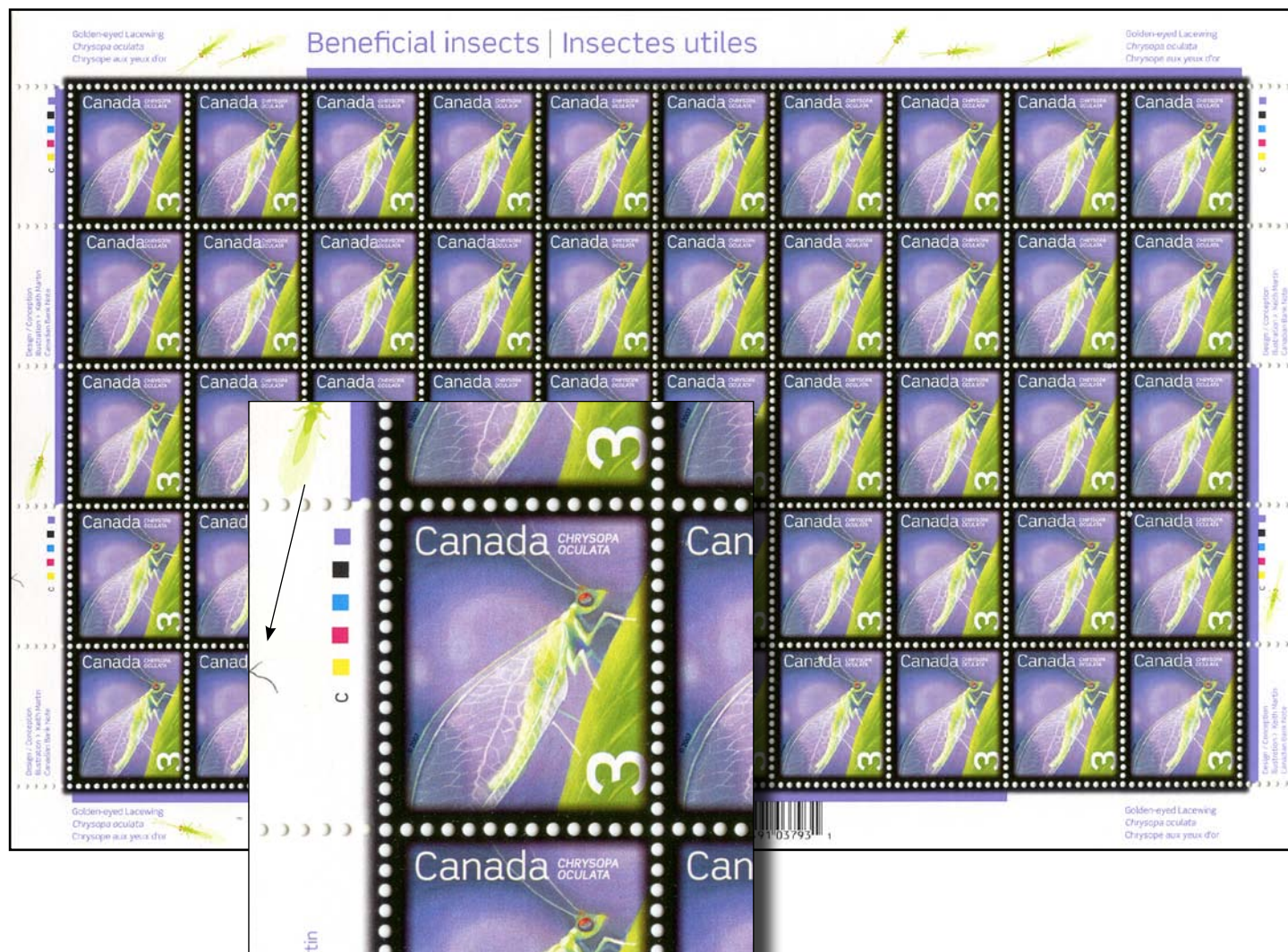




### 3¢ Beneficial Insect Selvedge Variety

by: Andrew Chung

Here is a “checkmark” flaw found on the left edge of the pane selvedge on the 3¢ Beneficial insect stamp. This was spotted in local post offices earlier this summer. Interestingly, the pane is from the *original* printing, as noted by the ‘Canada’ placement on the first four stamps in the second row. Our post office had the corrected reprint panes for quite some time, but their latest stock is the reprint. Curious?



### 8¢ Library of Parliament Centennial

by: Dr. Jim Watt

While browsing through some Centennial material recently I stumbled across this fascinating plate variety on the 8¢ Library of Parliament stamp. The stamps are general tagged, PVA gum on high fluorescent paper (Unitrade 544pvii).

Notice the vertical flaw passing through the “C” of “CANADA” on the bottom right stamp in this block of four.

I’ve called this the “burning library”.





## 3¢ Canada Lily Variety

This variety has been reported before (but I couldn't find the exact reference in a previous *Corgi Times*) but a decent image was not shown. The stamp is the original printing of the 3¢ Canada Lily stamp (Scott 708) issued April 22, 1977.

The variety is a green reversed, horizontal checkmark along the left side of the design. The variety is found at position 35 (C5R4).

Thanks to Dr. Jim Watt for passing this pane along for illustration purposes.



## 57¢ Prudence Heward Varieties

A correspondent has passed along a couple of varieties on the 57¢ Prudence Heward stamp issue of 2010 (Scott 2395). It is not yet known if these are constant (likely not). Your help in finding other examples would be appreciated.



Position 3:  
White circle on fence post



Position 16:  
the left portion of the white collar on the dress normally hidden by the pink tunic shows through slightly