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President's Report



Hello everyone,

It only seems like a month has past instead of twelve. It has been a mixed type of year with the news of clubs closing due to low numbers and the passing of members.

On the positive side of organised philately it has been good to see clubs reaching milestones, or

members being recognised for the hard work and effort they are known for. Especially to Martin Walker for his elevation to Fellow of the British Society Australian Philately and also for his Life membership to Para Hills. Also, Bronwyn Holdsworth for being awarded the Harry Butler Award for her services to the Strathalbyn Philatelic Society.

There has been a wonderful response to the auction's being held at SAPHIL House and the work done be a select few is to be commended. The CBO has been busy again this year, but the job is getting harder, sadly due to the passing of members and less vendors putting in sheets. Maintenance work is ongoing with SAPHIL House to be repainted over the Xmas break.

It was pleasing to see so many entries for Congress, with the level and quality of entries increasing dramatically. The comments received were very positive. To everyone who entered this year a very big thankyou, because without your displays at club level we can't encourage you to take that next step up to exhibiting for your club at Congress.

Collecting stamps is a wonderful hobby and with Christmas looming quickly, find the time to reflect on life, stay safe and enjoy the break. Happy collecting until we see you next year and the next issue of the SAPC news is presented.

Nigel (SAPC President)

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Have a great stamp
collecting year and enjoy
all the philatelic events that
will be coming in
2026

November

Diary Notes

Sunday 2 Congress feed back session 10am to 3pm SAPHIL House

Saturday & Sunday 8-9 SAPC Auction

10am to 4pm and 9am to 12noon Auction starts 1pm SAPHIL House

December

Friday 12 CBO closes for Christmas

January

Monday12 CBO Office reopens

Friday 16 Closing date for SAPC News articles

February

Monday 9 7pm Delegates meeting

March

Monday 2 Salisbury Auction From 7pm Salisbury Lutheran Church

April

Thursday 9
Eastern Districts Auction
Viewing from 7nm

Viewing from 7pm Hectorville Community Centre

> Sunday 12 SAPC Workshop

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide 10am to 3pm

Visitors and new members welcome!

Sponsor - Australian Postcard Society

The Australian Postcard Society Inc. (APS) began with a group of interested people meeting on Thursday 5th March 2009 to discuss the formation of a postcard club in Adelaide. For many years, the Postal Stationery & Postal History Society (PS&PHS), founded in Adelaide in 1976, had catered for picture postcard collectors. A motion at a PS&PHS meeting, which was duly passed, saw the APS become a breakaway independent group.

At the 5th March 2009 meeting, an interim committee was created. An elected committee followed with the late John Bell being the inaugural President.

Having chosen a name for the Society, it was duly registered as an incorporated association on 19th June 2009.

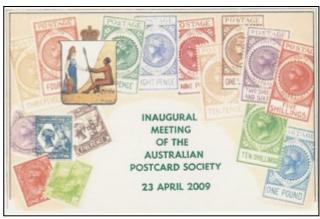
From inception, it became affiliated with the South Australian Philatelic Council, which came with the following benefits:

- * access to a meeting place, with gatherings scheduled in SAPHIL House on the fourth Thursday of each month except December;
- * coming under the umbrella of the Australian Philatelic Federation via the Council with the availability of very competitive insurance cover.

At its Inaugural Meeting at which more than forty people attended; 32 financial members registered by the end of that night.



A Souvenir Postcard was available on the night, with a special set of Counter Printed Stamps and cancelled with a special Club Postmarker, believed to be the first of its type issued.





A website was set up courtesy of two interstate members. That original website contained general information, a members' area and links to other Australian clubs. The current website can be found at https://www.australian-postcard-society.com/

The Club commenced issuing a magazine, initially edited by Pauline & David Edwards. The current editor is Linda Welden.

Just under two years after becoming incorporated, we held our Inaugural Postcard Exhibition on 14 & 15 May, 2011 in the Drill Hall on the Torrens Parade Ground.



Sponsor - Australian Postcard Society

The Centenary of the Ross & Keith Smith Vickers Vimy flight from England to Australia in 2019, coincided with our tenth anniversary, so we decided to issue another postcard in conjunction with the Aeropex 2019 Stamp Exhibition.

Open Days on the weekend in SAPHIL House and Trading nights held on our meeting nights have also featured in the Club's Programme.







Australian Postcard Society celebrates 10 years 2009-2019



Postage stamps and labels issued to commemorate the epic flight by Ross Smith, Keth Smith, James Bennett and Waiter Shiers, who flew from England to Australia in 1919 to claim the £10,000 prize offered by the Australian Government.

Over the years, the Club has also organised a postal bid auction.

We also hosted State Congress held in SAPHIL House in 2020. The Club is again hosting State Congress this year.





At its peak, the society had 73 members on its books, but today the number is down to 35. We still have a few interstate members.

Regular attendance at meetings these days is usually in the low to mid teens, but those who attend are enthusiastic and are eager to see what items are available for bidding on in the monthly auction. Each meeting has a display and there are usually lots of postcards owned by the Club (which have either been donated or purchased) to peruse at very reasonable prices.

If picture postcards are your scene or you would just like to come along to a meeting to see what we get up to, you would be made very welcome.

Meetings are held in SAPHIL House at 7.45pm on the fourth Thursday of each month except December.

Butler award



Bronwyn was the inaugural secretary when the club was commenced in 1979 following the calling of a public meeting. This

was unfortunately cut short at the end 1981 when Bronwyn became ill with acute leukaemia. Her interest in stamp collecting has continued throughout the years despite work commitments and involvement in various community activities. Bronwyn has always had an active role within the club holding several executive positions over the years and more recently has volunteered to take on the extra role of circuit book supervisor for our club.

In December 1999 Bronwyn became treasurer and currently still holds that position. Changes to the banking requirements in our rural community have been challenging however Bronwyn has handled this competently and monitors carefully banking transactions and processes. Her monthly reports are concise and presented in a easy and understandable way.

Bronwyn has provided copy for the local paper "Southern Argus" when the club has had special events. also coordinating various philatelic displays at the Strathalbyn Council public library inviting other members of the club to be involved.

New Zealand and Canadian stamps are of special interest to Bronwyn, after residing in New Zealand and visiting Canada on many occasions.

Every year our club members are invited to compete for the "Hallmark Trophy" and in 2016 Bronwyn was the recipient with her display of 'Cat' stamps

Every Christmas the club has a raffle which is managed by Bronwyn. In addition Bronwyn assists with the wrapping of gifts for our fun night. Every meeting we have a 'sale by tender' which Bronwyn handles with her usual efficiency.

Occasionally Bronwyn provides transport for one of our members who cannot drive anymore. She also actively shares her interest in stamp collecting with others, inviting them to our club functions.

Congratulations to Bronwyn Holdsworth

44th Congress Report

Congress has been and gone for 2025. The variety of material shown and the level of entries getting better each year making the hard work all worthwhile. This year due to other commitments we only had three local dealers in attendance.

Set up on Friday was completed by 5.00 with tea supplied for the 20+ volunteers that assisted with set up. Over the 2 days we had 3 people sitting at the reception desk selling raffle tickets and giving out handouts to the philatelic members who came to the show.

Pull down was achieved very efficiently, with 25+ people involved and again tea supplied by the catering team. Thanks to Jenny and Toni.

After a brief introduction from our President Nigel, Peter Humby chatted about Stampex 91 and the members still involved in philately today. Eric Hurrell was then asked to present certificates to all the exhibitors, and the trophies to the class winners in Nigel Carter, Michael van der Linden, Neville Solly, Linda Welden and Peter Humby.

The Interclub trophy this year went to Encounter Bay. Well done everyone.

A wide range of themes and topics were again on show this year, with 36 individual entries and 5 state entries received. 27 different exhibitors took the time and effort to participate in the Congress competition. Of the 27 exhibitors 10 have National and International experience, with 8 novice exhibitors, along with the many exhibitors who have been participating over the last 4-5 years on a regular basis.

Many thanks to all the volunteers, the exhibitors and the philatelic community for attending Congress this year.

Congress 2026 will again be held at Hectorville on the 10th & 11 October.

2027 will see a change of venue and dates for Congress. SAPHIL House is the venue and the dates will be the 22nd- 23rd May" during History Month..

APS Congress						
Australian Postcard Society - 319						
1	Jenny Roland	Nurse Edith Cavell	85	Vermeil		
2	Linda Welden	Antarctic Cinderellas late 1970's	77	Vermeil		
3	Martin Walker	Adelaide Grand Prix	78	Vermeil		
4	Ron Ritter	S.S. Britain	79	Vermeil		
Eastern Districts Philatelic Society - 298						
5	Merv Harris	Australian Custom Duty Stamps	62	Silver		
6	David Adams	The Sower Motif 1903 - 1969	76	Vermeil		
7	Linda Castle	Postcards of WWI	75	Vermeil		
8	David Figg	The Australian Match Industry	85	Gold		
Glenside Philatelic Society - 302						
9	Neville Hannaford	German Resistance Against Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Regime	70	Vermeil		
10	Rick Dewhirst	Greek Airmails 1926 - 1939	71	Vermeil		
11	Bret & Moira Robinson	The Wandering Monarch	84	Gold		
12	David Gilbert	China—Mao Tse Tung and the Legacy of the Long March	77	Vermeil		
		Encounter Bay Philatelic Society - 322				
13	Jill Presgrave	SA - The Clare Valley in Pictures	78	Vermeil		
14	Clyde Ziegeler	Australia London Custom Duty Markings	72	Vermeil		
15	Neville Solly	Holiday accommodation at Victor Harbour in the early 1900s'	91	Gold		
16	Anthony Presgrave	Mail Routes on the River Murray.	81	Gold		
City of Noarlunga Philatelic Society - 265						
17	Ron O'Brien	Railway Locomotives of the World	60	Silver		
18	Frank Chester	The Art of Boxing under ther Marquis of Queensbury Rules.	57	Bronze		
19	Peter Humby	History & Study of the 10th Aust Nat Exhibition Anpex 1955	77	Vermeil		
20	Peter Fellenberg	USA Medicine Proprietary	71	Vermeil		
Para Hills Philatelic Society - 318						
21	lan Birse	Australian Military Mail from Vietnam	76	Vermeil		
22	Gordon Oates	Australian Postage Dues	72	Vermeil		
26	David Figg	When matches were handed out on Qantas Aircraft	86	Gold		
24	Martin Walker	New Zealand Air Mail Letter Cards	84	Gold		
Exhibitions Results 2025						
Thailand International Stamp Exhibition 2025						

Nigel Carter, Silver 74 points

Postal History (3 frames)
Mis-sort Marks of the London Inland Office

APS Congress								
Lower Murray Philatelic Society - 282								
25	Nigel Carter	Belgium 1935 State Seral Issue Publicity Labels	91	Gold				
26	Di James	Royal Airforce War Medals	59	Bronze				
27	Di James	Aeropex 94	61	Silver				
28	Angela Groves	Lord of the Rings	71	Vermeil				
Individual Entries -								
29	Peter Humby	Australasian United Steam Navigation Company	67	Silver				
30	Peter Humby	50th Anniversary of Epic Flight from England to Australia	50	Bronze				
31	Peter Humby	Captain Cook Bi-Centenary 1970	80	Gold				
32	Michael van der Linden	Adelaide/SA Unframed Postmarks	88	Gold				
33	Di James	Australian Pre stamped envelopes	58	Bronze				
34	Di James	Peel & Stick Boxes	56	Bronze				
35-36	Di James	AAT - Heard Island.	58	Bronze				
37	Di James	Early Australian Air Mail covers	50	Broonze				
State Entries -								
38-40	Angela Groves	The Weird, the Wacky and the wonderful	68	Silver				
41-43	Angela Groves	Chinese New Year - Year of the Snake.	54	Bronze				
44-46	Gordon Oates	One Penny KGV Steel Plates - an essay on KGV 1d Perkins Bacon Steel plates	54	Bronze				
47-49	Julie MacGillivray	Regional Stamps: Machins & Pictorial Designs 1971 - 2022	62	Silver				
50-52	Nigel Carter	GB Missorted Mark used by The Inland Post Office	70	Vermeil				

Interclub winners - Encounter Bay



Clyde Ziegeler and Tony Presgrave presented with the trophy by Eric Hurrell.

Jill Presgrave and Neville solly absent.



Dealers

Peter Humby chatting about Stampex 91



Setting up and tea after pull down





APS Congress 2025 - Trophy Winners

Best Traditional Entry



Best Postal History Entry



Best Postcard Entry





Best State Entry



Michel Roland Dependencies Award



APS Congress 2025 - photos





























SAPC Congress 2025 - School comp

A Mannum story that flew to New Zealand

A story that travels



Each August, the SALA festival paints South Australia in colour, creativity and connection—this year, Mannum was no exception. Friday 1st August, our town came alive with two vibrant exhibition at the Mannum Community Gallery and Mannum Community College.

Amongst the material on display an unexpected collaboration between history teacher Angela Groves and her Year 9 student Mia. It all began with a dragon named Barry the 2nd.

Barry is not your typical fire-breathing dragon, towering and richly detailed he certainly looks the part- powerful and fearsome, but as his creators revealed his heart tells a different story.

"He looks tough but he's just lonely" Ms. Groves stated. "All he really wants is a friend". The dragon and his tale were born from a shared love of mythical creatures between Angela and Mia, they started crafting the story together, imagining a character who might look fierce but who feels deeply. As Angela made clear "It was all Mia's vision".

As the story unfolds a girl bravely faces the misunderstood dragon and offers him a cookie, they become friends, the villages start to see the feared become part of the village community.

Unable to attend the SALA due to illness her dragon still found a special place in the exhibition. Her original pencil drawing, the story and something truly special, a custom —designed postage stamp and matching cover were proudly displayed for all to see.

The drawing itself is a striking piece of fantasy artwork:" a majestic dragon in flight, captured mid-motion with wings stretched wide and rich with detailed texture. Its form is both powerful and graceful, and its eyes, piercing yet wise, seem to hold a story of their own. With just pencil and imagination, Mia brought to life a creature that was as emotionally deep as it was visu-

ally impressive.

The stamp and envelop that was Angela's doing. Angela shared her story with a frien at New Zealand Post, so inspired were they that they helped arrange a custom stamp and printed cover featuring Barry the 2nd in all his glory.

Barry the 2nd wasn't part of the competition but it was Angela's belief that the artwork created by Mia deserved to be seen. This wasn't Mias first recognition either. In 2023 she won the 6—9 age group in the SAPC's first Stamp Design Competition, where she designed a postcard commemorating Remembrance Day.

"Mia is in Year 9 - only fourteen", she's incredible, and deserves to be seen and I really hope that Mia is as proud as I am. She is very talented, thoughtful, kind and full of creativity and I hope that it takes her to the world of creativity that few of us ever really achieve.

Congratulations Mia from the South Australian Philatelic Council on wonderful story with incredible artwork.

This article has been printed with the permission of Mia.





Butler award



Eric Hurrell presented Bronwyn with her award.

Hi Linda, (editor and Congress Co-Ordinator)

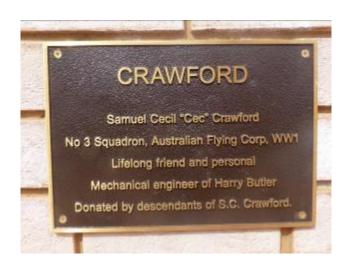
I felt very honoured and also very pleased to receive the Harry Butler award for 2025. I have always enjoyed my association with the Strathalbyn Philatelic Society usually called "The Stamp Club" over the years. Good and interesting times with all who are or have been part of the Club.

I am being a little cheeky here by attaching a photo of myself and my granddaughter Natasha admiring the sculpture of Harry Butler that stands in Minlaton, when I and a number of our Crawford family joined a huge crowd to witness the unveiling of the sculpture and memorial to Harry in October 2015. Harry Butler and his plane the "Red Devil" have been part of my Crawford family stories long before I was born. Grandpa Cecil Crawford was Harry's mentor, friend and mechanic plus also his cousin-in-law., so Dad and my 2 aunties and 2 uncles had quite a lot of personal knowledge of the legendary Harry Butler and his airplane exploits. I've also attached a photo of the plague that the Crawford Family donated to the Harry Butler Memorial Wall.

It is a great honour to receive this award with it's very special connections to my family. It never occurred to me, 10 years later after the unveiling of the memorial to Harry, and also the many years as a young child visiting Minlaton to view "The Red Devil", that I would receive an award in his name.

Many Thanks
Regards
Bronwyn Holdsworth (nee Crawford)
Treasurer
Strathalbyn Philatelic Society





SAPC News and events

Circuit Book Office

The CBO has a new manager in Linda Welden. We have been updating guidelines for the volunteers and the work that needs to be done in the office and how to be trained as well as new guidelines for the vendors, as well manuals for both. All vendors and clubs need to make sure that they have filled out the new forms so as to update details. If you haven't the next time your in please do so.

The CBO has sadly lost one member and another through retirement, we are therefore looking for anyone interesting in joining us to please contact Jeff on 0407 182 891 or Linda on 0421 367 665. Training is done with the Tuesday volunteers.

We currently have 11 volunteers with a couple on standby. All clubs should have received their club commission by now.

The CBO Office will close Friday 12th December and reopen 12th January. Thanks you to everyone for your support through the year.

SAPC Direct Sale Day.

The Direct Sale day held on Sunday 31st August proved to be highly successful and very popular. We now have storage space back, thanks to all the 45 buyers, (more bidders than our last auction). Most had an enjoyable day and were able to buy the lots that they were interested in. We are acutely aware that a small number who came were unhappy and disgruntled because we started much earlier than the advertised time with many lots already sold. (apologies from the SAPC News editor for the wrong start time in the August edition of the SAPC News). We apologise for this oversight.



We try hard to run things so you can be pleased with your purchases. If we need to hold another Direct Sale day in the future there will be some changes to procedures, one being, no-one will be permitted to purchase material before the set starting time.

Lots for the May auction will be accepted from mid January, with a limit of 10 lots per vendor.

FEEDBACK from Direct Sales Day

Hi there to the volunteers for this event.

CONGRATULATIONS, as from what we saw, this was such a well organised first time event on the calendar.

Both Ron & I were able to purchase some items for our ever-expanding collections.

It was such an inviting start from the beginning being greeted & being given the hand out information by David Figg, signing in was a breeze.

We were both impressed by purchases being able to be handed in to the attendant so that we did not have to carry them around with us whilst looking at other items. The whole process was very well thought through & certainly a pleasurable few hours spent by us.

John, who checked out the running sheet, calculations & purchased lots was ever so helpful.

Thank you all for your continued hard work in presenting yet another opportunity for stamp collectors to enrich their collections.

Great job everyone. Thanks again.

Cheers, Lorraine & Ron O'Brien

City of Noarlunga Philatelic Society Inc.

SAPC Workshop Session

Our latest workshop proved to very successful with 19 attendees, but, most importantly its very satisfying to see new faces coming along to learn about the exhibiting process. The subject this time was on how we use the different Microsoft programs for our exhibits.

Thanks to Tony for talking about Word, Linda on Excel and a special thanks to Bret for his comprehensive talk on how Power Point can be used for your exhibits.

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Not only did we have the rundown on the different programs with some very interesting questions and answers, but we also held a tips and tricks session, this included how to mirror articles eg. covers with cancels or stamps (you don't always want to see the whole article) but also how to mount coins, medallions, long covers etc. We also had examples of how to set up and balance an A3 page with covers, Julie also passed on where she purchases her plastic folders to hold her A3 pages. (Spotlight is the place to go to check out what you can find)!!.



We look forward to seeing you at our next session on April 12, and we will be looking at Traditional, Postal History and Airmail classes. If anyone has a specific request for our workshops please let us know so that we can look at organising for the workshops.

Again thanks to Jenny for supplying lunch for everyone.

SAPC Congress Judging

With 7 Club, 5 State and 8 individual entries received, (41 entries) all covering a variety of topics. It was pleasing to see 8 first time exhibitors entering as well we received 2 entries for The Other Collectibles Class that was introduced this year. The 7 judges were kept very busy. Thanks, again to Jenny for supplying lunch for all of us.



Congress 2026 dates 10th & 11th October. Also we will be moving the dates for Congress 2027 to May 22 - 23 during History Month and the venue will be SAPHIL House. Please make a note of the change of dates in case your club has competitions that require judges.

Hilda Mahlzan 1934-2025

It was sad to hear of the passing of Hilda Mahlzan aged 91 in mid July. Sadly dementia had caught up with Hilda over the past 10 years.

Hilda and her husband Gunther were members of many clubs in South Australia including Southern Districts, Glenside, PSSA, PSPH and Postcard societies and many State Exhibitions. Hilda while not being on the official committees of the clubs was a valuable helper in the hospitality and catering side of the clubs meetings.

She will be sadly missed.

Jeff Harris 1941-2025

It was sad to hear of the passing of Jeff Harris after a long illness. Jeff was a member of PSSA from 1988 and served as Treasurer for a short time. He was a long time member of Community PS as well as joining Glenside PS when he returned to live in Adelaide. Jeff managed to achieve his aim of celebrating his 84th birthday.

Jeff was a serious collector of Tasmania as well he had just started collecting French Southern Antarctic Territory.

Jeff will be sadly missed.

SAPC News Articles NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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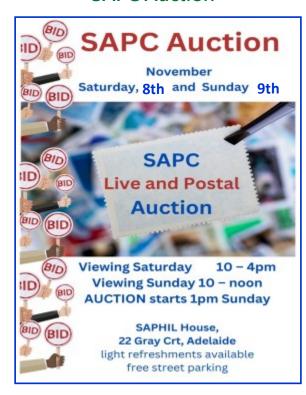
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SAPC Auction



Club News

Australian Airmail Society

Our 5th November meeting we have Brian Peace our special International guest speaker from London giving a talk on "Australasian Crash Mail'. Brian has released 5 volumes of material as well as 2 editions of Mail salvaged from Shipwrecks.

If you are interested in attending talk please contact Martin on 0418 800 132.

The Australian Airmail Society now meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month except January from 4.30pm at SAPHIL House.

Visitors most welcome.

Australian Postcard Society

The Postcard Society were the hosts of Congress this year. Thank you to all the clubs who entered exhibits and to all the members who supported the dealers who attended.

Congratulations to all the winners and to Neville Solly for winning the Postcard Trophy as well as Bronwyn Holdsworth on receiving the Harry Butler Award.



The Australian Postcard Society meet on the 4th Thursday of each month except December from 7.45pm at SAPHIL House.

Visitors most welcome.

The Blackwood Circle

Our August Open day went well with about 38 people through the door, 6 dealers attended with about 17 club members turning up. Most of the dealers had reasonable sales from the day. Thanks to Jenny and Toni for do the catering, everyone appreciates the time and effort to organise. The club has gained 2 new members from the open day, this helps the club keep its momentum going. Keep an ear out for upcoming changes to Blackwood meetings.

Jeff has stepped down as President after 10 years. He advised the members at their September meeting. Trevor as Vice President has taken over until a new President is elected February next year.





The Blackwood Philatelic Circle meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month except January from 1.30pm at the Blackwood Uniting Church.

Community Philatelic Society

Our thanks to Julie for her display of Machins—Regional and Pictorials. This display has gone from 16 pages to 48 over the past 2 to 3 years. It is amazing to see how such a single stamp design can be incorporated into many different countries with just some small changes to the design area.

Continual improvement comes with finding different material, this include covers, booklets, margin information, etc has made this a very interesting exhibit. Julie entered this exhibit into Congress this year, congratulations on achieving Silver with your state entry.



At our September meeting we had 6 pages of material from Phil, Julie, David and Linda. It is really interesting to see what the members bring along and the variety as well.

Phil had a set of 18 SO Petrol cards from 1971 with interesting views on each, David had the early issues of New Caladonia (due to the French influence he decided to change his font to a more appropriate look) along with a couple of covers to highlight the stamps, Julie had a variety of material that include two covers from Lundy 1971 & 2011 definitives, (very colourful Puffins) as well as a Northern Ireland Machin with a coin embedded. Also a Paquet boat cover. Lastly,



from Linda, British Postal Strike covers from 1971 and also a few from Herm Island. Thanks to everyone for taking the time to bring along your material.

Community PS meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 6.30pm, at Edwardstown Baptist Church, Community Centre, Corner Rothesay and Dorene Ave, St Marys.

Visitors most welcome.

Eastern Districts Philatelic Society

The South Australian Philatelic community and Eastern Districts Philatelic Society has lost one of its long time members on 29 July 2025 after a short illness.

Marilyn joined Eastern Districts on November 2014 and became an important part of the club, she was always willing to assist by taking part and helping to sell raffle tickets, assist in the kitchen with supper, scribe when we had our monthly club auctions and take part iin putting up invited displays for the members enjoyment.

Marilyn entered our yearly club competition in 2023 and represented EDPS as part of our Congress tea with her collection of Czechoslovakia Philatelic Celebration and stamp designers.

Her philatelic collecting interest were on the subject of minerals, Czechoslovakia, Prague, European cities, exploration and culture.

The Australian Postage Dues and her display on Telecommunications which through Martin Walker was an invited display at Anpex 2022. The display was then donated to the Telecommunications Museum in Melbourne.

Marilyn was a friend, wife, mother and proud philatelist and will be sadly missed.

Eastern Districts PS meet at The Hectorville Community Centre on the 2nd Thursday of the month from February, starting at 7.30pm.

Ample parking and wheelchair accessible Visitors and new members are welcome!

Encounter Bay Stamp Club

ENCOUNTER BAY STAMP CLUB HAS MOVED.

Earlier this year the building that the club has used since 2000 became unusable due to major structural problems and the club has had to move to a new yenue.

The Club now meets in Carrackalinga House which is about 100 metres further along the same street. Parking is available both in the same Shopping Centre car park or a car park behind the house.

Meeting date and times have not changed.

Encounter Bay Stamp Club meet on the 1st
Wednesday of the month at Carrackalinga House
Victor Harbor.

Glenside Philatelic Society

At our AGM in August, our President Paul Goodliffe made the decision to step aside after seven years. Jeff Taylor is now our President and Paul is Vice President. Jeff thanked Paul for his efforts in have Glenside move to SAPHIL House for meetings. Paul was presented with a cake as



well as a display by Paul. Thanks again to Paul for his outstanding service to Glenside PS.

Glenside members were given the opportunity of seeing an amazing display on The Titanic. Thanks Richard for presenting your material and talking about so many different aspects of your display.

With over 2200 people on board when the ship left Queenstown, the last port before New York. Only 707 people survived the tragic disaster.

As a Royal Mail Ship with a state of the art Sea Post Office where mail was sorted and cancelled



in route to all her destinations, over 3400 mailbags were ultimately loaded aboard the Titanic. There were 5 Royal Mail workers onboard (all

lost their lives), the were honoured with a bronze Memorial Plate cut from a spare propellor.

The Charlie Niitoja Club Competition again proved to be very popular with 5 entries judged by popular vote with the winner being Neville H for his entry Aust Best..... A different way of highlighting some of Australia's best people and



events. Congratulations to everyone for taking the time to enter.

Glenside meet at SAPHIL House from February to November on the 1st and the 3rd Saturday of the month and the first Saturday of December 1.30pm.

Visitors and new members are welcome!

Lower Murray Philatelic Society

The club was pleased to have Mervyn & Helen



bring their stock to sell at the club so members were able to sit down, relax and search for that elusive item.

The circuit books are always available for members to check through as well. The club aims to



have a small auction each meeting or otherwise we do a pick up lots at reserve price when one is not available.

Most Saturday meetings a pooled lunch is available for those present to enjoy especially when the club invites guests this will sometimes fall on a Sunday as well as the normal Saturdays meetings

We invite stamp enthusiasts to come visit our club there will always be a welcome.

Lower Murray meet at the White Park Centre, 19 Mulgundawah Rd, Murray Bridge, SA. on the 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday of the month from 10am.

Guests are always welcome at our meetings and events.

Numismatic Society of SA

The Numismatic Society of South Australia held their 8th Coin & Banknote Expo at the Drill Hall, Torrens Parade Ground on Sat 4/10 (10am-5pm) & Sun 5/10 (10am-4pm). There were 35 local and interstate dealers in the hall, but the Royal Australian Mint were absent this year. Trading was brisk with close on 100 waiting for the doors to open on the Saturday.

A raffle was held each day with 18 prizes in all, 6 drawn on the Saturday and 12 on the Sunday.

Due to the cost of hiring the venue there was for the first time a \$5 admission fee (\$1 for pensioners and children) plus \$10 to park on the Parade Ground.

This did not seem to deter attendees on either day although Sunday was as expected a bit quieter than Saturday.

Catering was once again by the SAPHIL House





team who provided their usual pre-order and delivery service to the stall holders which was much appreciated.

The Numismatic Society meet at SAPHIL House on the 3rd Thursday of the month except from 7.45pm.

Visitors and new members are welcome!

Para Hills Philatelic Society

Para Hills has made the decision to start winding up their bank accounts with the intention of deregistering as a society.

The club has donated \$5000 to the SAPC with the intention that the funds be used to foster a youth programme. Gordon Oates, society treasurer, at their September meeting tabled a notice of motion to wind up the club at the end of the year. There will be a small final gathering with basket supper at their December meeting at the Para Hills Uniting Church hall to which all past and present members are invited, after which the application to de-register the society will be lodged

with Corporate Affairs and the assets disposed of in accordance with requirements, with the balance of funds also donated to SAPC.

Sadly, another club to closing due to the dwindling memberships. Para Hills was formed by school children in 1970 with 40 – 60 children membership with their parents attending for support, hence the Sunday night meeting time which remained constant for the life of the society. How times have changed.

Philatelic Society of South Australia

Displays by members of the Philatelic Society of South Australia (PSSA) and visitors from other societies remain a key feature of PSSA meetings. Recent presentations have maintained this tradition.

On Saturday, 28 June, members of the Australian Airmail Society (AAS) participated in a joint meeting where Martin W. and David F. (also PSSA members) presented displays covering various aeronautical activities associated with the AAS since 1958. Topics included pioneer flights, early airmail services, experimental flights, expansion of air services after World War II, aviation postal stationery and commemorations of historic flights. Exhibited items included mail recovered from aircraft incidents, 1930s rocket mail experiments, details of pigeon post in Australia (notably the 2015 SAPC Philatelic Congress event involving the release of 115 homing pigeons from the Torrens Parade Ground), Antarctic flights, and photographs related to the Vickers Vimy aircraft's 1919 England-to-Australia flight.

The Tuesday, 1 July meeting featured guest speaker Richard P., who presented a display on the Titanic and its tender, Nomadic. The Nomadic was constructed for transporting first and second class passengers to and from White Star Liners while docked off Cherbourg, whose harbour was unsuitable for large ships.

Richard's presentation included a poster produced after the Titanic disaster showing the ship's cat, Jenny, and three kittens leaving the Titanic at Southampton prior to its final voyage. After the sinking, stories circulated that Jenny, sensing danger had led her kittens ashore. Rich-

ard also described Reverend Francis Browne, who photographed life aboard the Titanic during its initial coastal voyage before disembarking at Queenstown. These photographs later gained public interest and were featured in the display. The Nomadic was converted to a floating restaurant in the 1970s, moved to the River Seine, then became derelict. In 2006, it was purchased by the Northern Ireland Department of Social Development, transported to Belfast, restored, and is now part of Belfast's Titanic Museum.



Jane Bridle, of the Noarlunga Philatelic Society and granddaughter of a Titanic crew member, attended the meeting.

On Saturday, 26 July, the PSSA hosted the Postal Stationery and Postal History Society (PS&PHS) for a joint meeting. During his introduction, Martin W. noted the PS&PHS will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in February 2026, and recalled notable displays and material shared over the years.

The PS&PHS displays featured postal stationery and history relating to the Independent Order of Rechabites (an Australian temperance group), the United Society of Christian Endeavour, South Australian newspaper wrappers, Eyre Peninsula Railway history, development of the British postal system stemming from the Post Office Act 1660, and the impact of cyclones and floods on Australian mail services.

On Tuesday, 5 August, Jim H.'s display addressed postal service development in the Malay states of Perak, Selangor and Trengganu. Jim explained that the spread of Islam in the 16th-century had led to the Malay Peninsula being divided into independent Islamic sultanates. However, by the late 19th century, economic changes and disputes led to British colonial intervention and ad-

ministrative support in Perak and Selangor. Trengganu transferred from Siamese to British control under the 1909 Anglo-Siamese Treaty. British-based postal administrations were then established. Initially in Perak and Selangor, Straits Settlement stamps overprinted with the state names were utilised. Definitive stamps featuring Malay-specific designs and portraits of ruling sultans followed. Jim's display also reviewed Japanese Occupation overprints, postwar thematic issues, and concluded with the 1986 agricultural products issue.

On 23 August, David F. presented four one-frame displays illustrating typical content found in the Open, Polar, Postcards, and Collectables exhibit classes.

<u>Open Class</u>: Focused on General Douglas MacArthur's military service from 1937–1945, including his roles in the Philippines and as the Supreme Commander of the Southwest Pacific Area.

<u>Polar Class</u>: Featured the stamps and postal history relating to the 1961 Antarctic Treaty and the Antarctic Treaty System.

<u>Photo Class</u>: Highlighted Edward "Ryko" Reichenbach's 1914 bicycle journey from Adelaide to Darwin, documented through numerous photographs. Details were provided on subsequent aspects of Ryko's career and the fate of his photographic archive.

<u>Collectibles Class</u>: Examined WWII patriotic war slogans on matchbox labels created by four Australian manufacturers, with examples supporting national savings and security efforts.

On 2 September, the PSSA held its Annual General Meeting, reappointing current office holders and electing Shane Hilton as an additional committee member.

At the general meeting following the AGM, PSSA President Jennifer Mibus and Martin Walker, President of the PS&PHS, announced the two societies would amalgamate in the New Year. Also, Jim H. reported that the Borneo PS had set up a display at the Royal Philatelic Society of London to mark the 80th anniversary of VJ Day and Japan's

surrender on 2 September 1945. The display included material supplied by Jim.

Jennifer concluded the evening with a display of stamps and related information on habitat from her mother's thematic collection of Horned Owl species.

PSSA meet on the 1st Tuesday at 8pm, and on the 4th Saturday at 1.30pm of each month.

New members and visitors welcome!

Postal Stationery & Postal History Society of SA

PSPH will hold its 50th Anniversary on February 2026. With only 8 to 10 members attending the bi-monthly meetings the decision has been made to cease holding meetings. Next year PSPH will be fostered by PSSA and will provide 4 displays a year on related material. Again, it is sad to see another club folding.

Printed Collectibles Club of SA

The Printed Collectables Club held their 17th Annual Fair at the Hectorville Senior Citizens' Centre, 47 Reid Avenue, Hectorville on Saturday 13th September from 9.00am until 3.00pm.



There were 18 traders occupying 50 tables with a great variety of collectables on offer. Trading was brisk in the first two hours compared to the after-



noon which was quiet.

Catering was by Jenny & Toni and there was no raffle this year. Judging by the number of stand holders returning year after year one can only assume that they are doing okay sales-wise.

Printed Collectibles Club of SA meet at SAPHIL House on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 8.00pm.

Visitors and new members are welcome!

Salisbury Philatelic Society

Salisbury Philatelic Society

MONSTER AUCTION

Monday 2nd March 2026 at The Ark Salisbury Lutheran Church 10 Waterloo Corner Road Salisbury

Programme

5.30pm Hall opens to vendors For submitting of lots

6.00pm Submitting of lots closes

No late entries

6.45–7.45pm Viewing of Auction Lots8.00pm approx. Auction commences

Raffle drawn midway through the auction

Any Enquiries please contact the Secretary Steve Osment Phone 0428738088 Email steve.osment@bigpond.com

Salisbury meet at The Salisbury Lutheran Church, 10 Waterloo Corner Rd, Salisbury, on the first and third Mondays of the month from 7.30pm

Visitors most welcome.

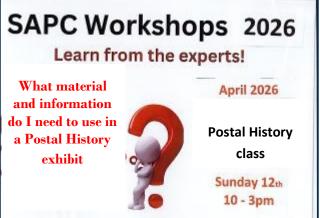
Strathalbyn Philatelic Society

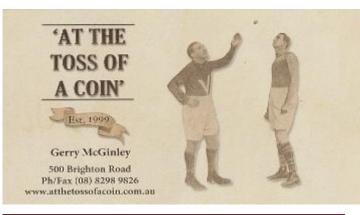
At our August meeting the annual Hallmark trophy night was held. Several members participated, judged by popular vote the winner Dr Jim Wilhelm was presented with the trophy for his display on "Cricket" by local councillor and club member by Craig Maidment. Congratulations Jim



Strathalbyn PS meet in the Rosa Hoare room, Lutheran Church, cnr Commercial & North Terrace, Strathalbyn meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month from 8.00 pm.







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Australian Airmail Society

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide. 5000

PO Box 10159, Adelaide Business Hub, Gouger St, Adelaide. S.A. 5000

<u>~</u> saphilatelist@gmail.com

A 0418 800 132

Meets 1st Wednesday of every month except Jan from 4.30pm

Aug 6 AGM & One frame displays - all members

Sept 3 The Nobby Buckley Story - GO

Oct 1 Airmail Postal Stationery -all members

Nov 5 Airmail Crash Covers - BP Dec 3 Festive Display - all members



Australian Match Cover Collectors' Society

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide. 5000

PO Box 367, Daw Park, S.A. 5041 <u>~</u> david.figg@internode.on.net

A 0450 073 311

www.//amccs.org.au

Meets bi-monthly on 4th Friday of each odd month from 8.00pm.

Nov 28 Christmas Dinner

Jan 23



Australian Postcard Society

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide. 5000

 \bowtie PO Box 281, Edwardstown, S.A. 5039

<u>~</u> lindaw3456@gmail.com

0421 367 665

Meets 4th Thursday of each month except Dec from 7.45pm.

Nov 27 Xmas breakup Jan 22 Lundy - LW

Feb 26 Kevin Pappas Postcards book - RH



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Blackwood Philatelic Circle

Blackwood Uniting Church, Main Rd, Blackwood.

6 Glenwood Dr, Bellevue Heights, S.A. 5050

<u>~</u> teepeeandruth@gmail.com

A 0437 050 831

Meets on 2nd Saturday of each month except Jan from 1.30pm.

Nov 8 Members 3 sheets on a theme

Dec 13 Xmas Break up

Feb 14 TBA - AG Presidents display



Bordertown & Districts Philatelic Society

Bordertown Primary School.

 \bowtie C/- PO Box Bordertown, S.A. 5268.

cdhuntmudnulla@yahoo.com.au <u>~</u>

a 08 8753 4126

Meets 3rd Thursday of the month from 7.45pm.



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City of Noarlunga Philatelic Society

Seaford Christian Churches, Cnr Grand Boulevard, and Main St, Seaford.

 \searrow C/- PO Box 97, Seaford, S.A. 5169

<u>~</u> artist48@bigpond.net.au

~ 0419 675 376

Meets alternate Thursdays from 7.00pm.

Peter Humby / Peter O'Brien Nov 13

Nov 27 Special display SAPHIL House Archives

Dec 11 Christmas Social Evening

Feb 5 Members 6 sheets for display

Feb 19 Australian royalty on stamps - MK



Community Philatelic Society

Edwardstown Baptist Church, Community Centre, Corner Rothesay and Dorene Ave, St Marys.

PO Box 281, Edwardstown, S.A. 5039

lindaw3456@gmail.com

2 0421 367 665

Meets 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from
 6.30pm except January and December.

Nov 7 Circuit Books

Nov 21 Ascension Island DB Dec 5 Xmas social night

Feb 6 Circuit Books

Feb 20 6 page —all members

E.B.

Encounter Bay Stamp Club

Carrackalinga House, rear entrance, corner of Hill and Torrens Streets, Victor Harbour.

anthony.presgrave@bigpond.com

(08) 8555 3311

 Meets 1st Wednesday of each month except Jan from 7.30pm.

Nov 5 Display by Alan

Dec 3 Christmas meeting

Jan 7 no meeting

Feb 4 TBA

Eastern Districts Philatelic Society



Hectorville Community Centre, Reid Ave Campbelltown.

PO Box 2110, Salisbury Downs, S.A. 5108

m450603@gmail.com

2 0418 846 243

 Meets 2nd Thursday of each month except Jan from 7.30pm.

Nov 13 Silvered postcards - DC

Dec 11 Xmas party and Awards Night

Feb 12 Selection of One Frame displays - JR



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Glenside Philatelic Society

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Crt, Adelaide, 5000.

☐ 1A Wilpena St, Eden Hills, S.A. 5050

pagoodie@ozemail.com.au

2 0418 846 243

 Meets 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month except Jan from 1.30pm.

Nov 1 Pre Decimal Kangaroos - EH

Nov 15 The Wandering Monarch - B & M R

Dec 6 Christmas Lunch & Presentations

Feb 7 Lundy - LW Feb 21 China - DG



Elizabeth Philatelic Society

Church of Transfiguration (Anglican Church) 35 Adelaide Road, Gawler

C/- 37, Andrews Road, Elizabeth Downs, S.A. 5113

Igedragon@gmail.com

2 0414 998 267

Elizabeth Stamp Club

• Meets 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 7.30pm.

Nov 14 Forgers and Forgeries

Nov 28 Pneumatic Telegrams

Dec 5 Xmas break up

Jan 23 Swap and Articles of Interest

Feb 13 Presidents Night



Lower Murray Philatelic Society

White Park Centre, 19 Mulgundawah Rd, Murray Bridge, SA.

LMPS Secretary, PO Box 3, Purnong, via Mannum, S.A. 5239

Imphilsocsec@gmail.com

(08) 8570 4074

www.lowermurrayphilaelicsocidety.org.au

 Meets 1st Saturday of the month from 10am and 3rd Sunday of the month from 10am except December.

Nov 4 Visit by John C

Nov 19 Display Trevor J

Dec 2 Xmas Lunch

Jan 18 Display by Nigel

Feb 7 Display by AngelaFeb 22 Display by Trevor and

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German Philatelic Club

20408 019 218

Contact club for meeting details.







Mount Gambier Philatelic Society

O'Halloran Community Centre, O'Halloran Tce. Mount Gambier.

PO Box 2261, Mt Gambier, S.A. 5289

mgphilatelic@gmail.com

2 0419 817 697

Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month from 7.30 pm except December. (except winter)

Winter months July to September meetings start at 2pm

Nov 18 Postcards—Pauline
Dec 2 Chrismas Dinner

Jan 20 Feb17



Numismatic Society of South Australia

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide. SA. 5000

secretary@sanumismatics.org.au

(08) 8165 3446

www.sanumismatics.org.au

Meets on 3rd Thursday of the month from 7.45pm.

Nov 21 Meeting

Dec 19 Meeting & Bourse

Jan 15 Meeting Feb 19 Meeting



Para Hills Philatelic Society

Para Hills Uniting Church, cnr Liberman & Barcoo Rd, Para Hills. SA. 5096.

PO Box 64, Para Hills, S.A. 5096

Meets 1st Sunday of each month at 8.00pm except Jan, and 2nd Sunday September.

Nov 2 "Thus it is written" -PB

Dec 7 Festive Display and final meeting



Philatelic Society of South Australia

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide.

PO Box 10159, Adelaide Business Hub, Gouger St, Adelaide. S.A. 5000

anthony.presgrave@bigpond.com

2 (08) 8212 3557

 Meets 1st Tuesdays from 8pm and 4th Saturday from 1.30pm.

Nov 4 Tues Norway Local Post - DH
Nov 22 Sat SA Departmentals - AP
Dec 2 Tue Christmas Breakup

Feb 3 Tues Feb 28 Sat



Port Pirie Philatelic Society

BHAS Bowling Club, 1 Halley St, Risdon Park.

geoff-josie@bigpond.com

2 0429 858 856

 Meets last Monday of each month (Feb - Nov) from 2.00 pm.

Nov 24 Meeting and Christmas lunch
December & January NO Meeting

Feb 23 President's Display



Postal Stationery & Postal History Soc

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide.

PO Box 10159, Adelaide Business Hub, Gouger St, Adelaide. S.A. 5000

saphilatelist@gmail.com

2 0418 800 132

 Meets 2nd Saturday of even months (Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct and Dec) from 1.30pm

Dec 13 Greetings Telegrams - MW

Feb Last meeting





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SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide.

PO Box 163, Hope Valley, S.A. 5090

fredyboy1966@gmail.com

2 0428 265 739

Meets 4th Tuesday of each month from 8.00pm except December.

Nov 25 AGM & Xmas Social

Jan 27

Feb 24



Stirling Philatelic Society

The Hut (Old Aldgate Railway Station) Aldgate.

□ 12 Alderley Rd, Aldgate, SA, 5154

stphilsoc@gmail.com

2 0413 742 976

Meets 4th Friday of each month from 7.30pm.

Nov 28 Switzerland - CP

Dec 19 TBA

Jan 23

Feb 27



Riverland Philatelic Society

Berri Library, Riverview Drive, Berri

saund-rp@bigpond.com.au

(08) 8584 4716 or 0428 841 343

 Meets on 4th Monday February to November from 10.00am.

Nov 24 AGM & Postcards - RH

Feb 23



Strathalbyn Philatelic Society

Rosa Hoare room, Lutheran Church, corner Commercial & North Terrace, Strathalbyn.

Iloyd.deer1@bigpond.com

2 0428 596 119

Meets 2nd Monday of each month from 8.00 pm

Nov 10 Trevor & Wendy Johnson & LMPS

Dec 8 Christmas BBQ Social night

Jan 12 Tony presents

Feb 9 SA Postmarks and Registered Covers - DJ



Salisbury Philatelic Society

Salisbury Lutheran Church, Waterloo Corner Rd, Salisbury.

steve.osment@bigpond.com

2 0428 738 088

Salisbury Philatelic Society

 Meets 1st Monday (Feb-Dec) from 7.30pm & 3rd Monday (Jan-Nov) from 7.30pm.

Nov 3 St Helena - RY

Nov 17 China - DG

Dec 1 Christmas Breakup

Jan 19 Malayasia - PB

Jan 19 Malayasia - PB

Feb 2 Seychelles - MH

Feb 16 Australian Reprints - JR

meeting details. 0430 367 157



Ukrainian Collectibles Club

Ukrainian Museum, 6 George Street, Hindmarsh.

PO Box 466, Woodville, S.A. 5011

2 0417 702 234

bandura@ozemail.com.au

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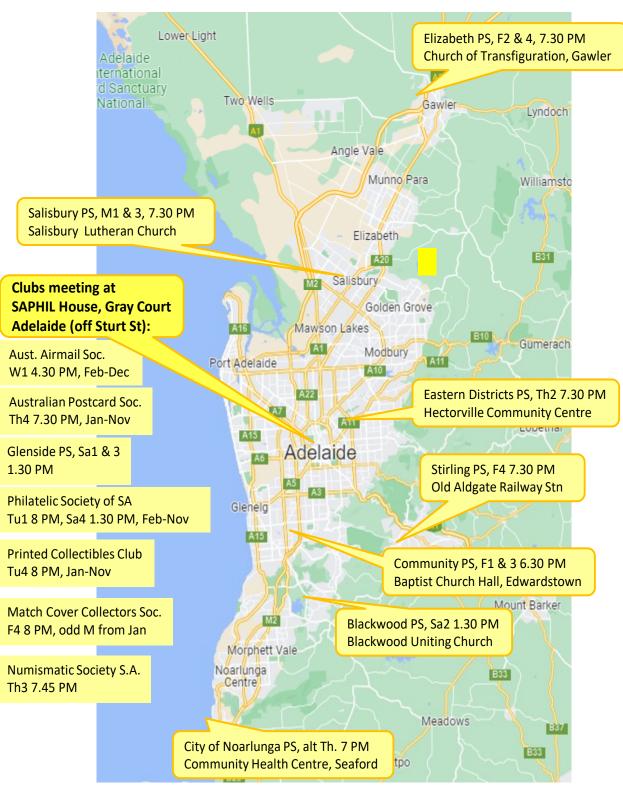
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Key:

Club name (PS = Philatelic Society), meeting day(s) of month & time, location; NB 'F1' = 1st Friday. **Country clubs** in Encounter Bay (Victor Harbor), Mount Gambier, Lower Murray (Murray Bridge), Port Pirie, Riverland (Barmera), Strathalbyn.

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