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President's Report



Nigel
President SAPC

Welcome to the last news letter for the year. It doesn't seem that long ago that I was writing my first report.

It has been a sad time reviewing the names of those who have past on, and this has forced us to take the time to reflect on the achievements and work that these people under took to keep philately moving, and in that light for positive reasons we will see the many holes that have been left vacant at both local, and at state level. It is now time for others to step up and fill these gaps. While we cannot replicate the person gone we can move forward in different ways.

Congress has been and gone. My thanks to the catering group for keeping us well fed, the dealers for bring along their material so that we can keep expanding on the material for our exhibits, and to the exhibitors for taking the time to put an exhibit together and being part of Congress 2026. The exhibits this year have again covered a wide range of different topics, and it is pleasing to see the many different ways that the material is being presented. Lastly to the family members and the public who have come along to support philately in South Australia.

Just a reminder that Congress 2027 will be held during History at SAPHIL House 8– 9 May. Also check out the website for upcoming events and club programmes for next year.
Keep those stamp tweezers busy, until the next news letter, have a great Christmas break, stay safe and well.

Nigel

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Merry Christmas
and best wishes for the
New Year!
Have a great stamp
collecting year and enjoy
all the philatelic events that
will be coming in
2027

Diary Notes

CBO Closure
Friday 11th December, 2026
CBO Opens
Monday 11th January, 2027

January
Saturday 30th
Eastern Districts Auction
9.00am
viewing Auction 1pm
Hectorville

March
Sunday 14
SAPC Direct Sales
12noon to 3pm
SAPHIL House

March
Saturday 20
Glenside Open Day
10am to 3pm
SAPHIL House

May
Sunday 2
APS Open Day
10am to 4pm
SAPHIL House

Saturday/ Sunday 8-9
SAPC Congress
Sat 10am to 4pm
Sun 10am to 3pm
Presentations 1pm
SAPHIL House

Sunday 16
PSSA Open Day
10am to 4pm
SAPHIL House

Saturday/ Sunday 22-23
SAPC Auction
Sat 10am to 4pm
Sun 10am to noon
Auction starts 1pm
SAPHIL House

Saturday/ Sunday 29-30
Match Exhibition
Sat 10am to 4pm
Sun 10am to 3pm
SAPHIL House

Sponsor - Circuit Book Office

Over the years the Circuit Book Office has had many different managers. Our thanks to all who have stepped up to run the Circuit Book Office. To name just a few, Peter Wilson, Mike Kovaleff, Peter Contessa, Werner Pohl, Klaus Hauttennrach and Peter Humby.

The Circuit Book office needs volunteers to be hands on. Again, to name a few our thanks go out to Neville Hannaford, Rose Cullen, Colleen Martin, Peter O'Shaunnessy, Boris Zacharia, Jurgen Kracht and Little Jimmy Constansis.

Our current volunteers have been stretched very thin lately, many have been taking holidays. Again our thanks to goes out to Phil Scott, David Holmes, Peter Brawn, Jeff Taylor, Ruth Bourne, David Phillis, Peter Jones, Steve Osment, Don Costello, and to our newest volunteers David Pettet and David Adams. Lastly my thanks go to Mike Miller our treasurer.

The systems have been changed over the years. Vendor payouts are more frequent based on value sold or the number of pages returned. Since I have taken over I have tried to update many of our records, this included the vendor list. Currently we have 85 vendors but really only 60 are actively putting in sheets on a regular basis.

We support 19 clubs in South Australia as well as 10 interstate clubs, with 60 E books (3000 pages) and 340 normal books (20400 pages) we are always in need of more vendor pages.

Due to the age of many of our vendors we will be looking at removing books next year to help us to keep the system working.

The only increase that we have had over the past couple of years has been the rise of a packet of hinges from $4 to $6, 100 sheets still cost $7.

For the people who can remember back to 2015, the Circuit Book Office use to be on the other side of the room, the area has been expanded, with a storage system that make its easier to use.

Another change this year has been the closure of the office on Wednesdays, this is due to volunteers cutting back on the hours that they come into the office. For all of the philatelic community out their, any excess stamps that you are looking at getting rid of, try the circuit book office and become a vendor.

As always we need our vendors to be putting in sheets, so that we can keep the system running.

We have made the decision to increase club commission from 5% to 10%, being backdated to the 1st July 2026. Also from the 1st of January 2027 vendors will have 5% commission taken from their sales instead of 10%.

Finally just a reminder that the CBO will be closing on the 11th December and reopening on the 11th January 2027.







Briskham Award



Nigel Carter

Since joining the Lower Murray Philatelic Society in 2000, Nigel has been a dedicated and reliable volunteer, quietly working behind the scenes to support both the club and the wider philatelic community. Whether helping to secure clubrooms, raising funds, or taking on committee roles, Nigel has always been willing to lend a hand whenever it is needed. He currently serves as the Treasurer of the Lower Murray PS, and this year Nigel was made a life member of the society.

Known for his friendly and approachable nature, Nigel is always happy to assist fellow collectors with their collections, displays and exhibits. His own philatelic interests include Traditional Philately, Postal History, and many other areas of the hobby.

An accomplished exhibitor, Nigel has taken his exhibits from local competitions through to State, National and International exhibitions, where he has earned many awards and accolades for the quality of his work. He is a strong advocate for exhibiting and generously shares his knowledge with others, actively encouraging and mentoring collectors who are developing their own exhibits.

His passion and expertise also led him to qualify as a National Philatelic Judge, allowing him to contribute to the hobby from both the exhibitor's and judge's perspective. Over the years, Nigel has played an integral role in the organisations of numerous South Australian Congresses, assisting with set-up and dismantling of exhibition frames. His commitment and organisational skills have seen him take on the important role of Frames Manager for the South Australian Philatelic Council (SAPC).

His contribution extends well beyond exhibitions. He has been heavily involved in the ongoing maintenance and improvement of SAPHIL House, helping with projects such as removing a large tree between the building and the neighbouring property, cleaning of the gutters. Also the installation of security cameras in the hall and the continual maintenance of the facilities.

In November 2024, Nigel was elected President of the South Australian Philatelic Council, recognising his years of service, leadership and commitment to the hobby. Looking to the future, Nigel continues to encourage the next generation of collectors. He has been instrumental in developing a stamp design competition for junior students in the Lower Murray region and has also played an active role in the educational workshops conducted by the SAPC.

Nigel's willingness to volunteer, share his knowledge, and work tirelessly behind the scenes has made a lasting impact of philately in South Australia. Through his leadership, mentorship, and passion for exhibiting, he continues to inspire collectors of all ages and experience levels, ensuring the hobby remains vibrant for future generations.

Congratulations from the South Australian Philatelic Community

Butler Award



Dianne James

Dianne's love of collecting started back in 1968, growing up near the Largs Bay North Post Office she quickly became fascinated with First Day Covers, especially the fun tradition of sending them to yourself. Each week she would prepare her covers, often addressing them in green ink - a popular collector's touch at the time. It's these small rituals that helped spark a lifelong passion.

Stamp collecting has always been a part of her family story, Her grandmother, created special stamp folders for Dianne and her brother Graham. Years later, Dianne continued that tradition with her children, sharing not just stamp collecting but the joy of collecting.

Her collection reflects her wide-ranging interests and curiosity. Australian First Day Covers, Postcards and Asian postcards, also Flight covers, Aerogrammes and thematic items that feature orchids, gemstones, trains and the Antarctic. What truly stands out about Dianne is her generosity and involvement in the philatelic community. Over the years, she has helped out the SAPC Congresses (going back to the early 2000's when they were held at the Drill Hall), greeting visitors, selling raffle tickets and also assisting with the set-up of the hall and then with the pull down of the exhibits .

Some of the roles Dianne has undertaken on behalf of the SAPC have been as delegate for Mt Gambier, The SAPC News Bulletin editor, as well as being involved with Aeropex, nd Stampex exhibitions, whether generally volunteering and selling bingo tickets, raffle prizes, managing the Circuit books with the Lower Murray PS, or as a member of the of The Airmail Society and Blackwood Circle.

Dianne is also a passionate exhibitor, sharing her collections at various exhibitions and the local Congress. In 2024, she received the first Peoples Choice award given out a Congress. A reflection of her growth as an exhibitor combined with her beautiful displays and the warmth she brings to the hobby.

Perhaps most special is the way she has inspired others. Encouraging her grandchildren to collect and exhibit as juniors, she has supported her daughter in her own journey in the world of exhibiting, both at local, state and national level.

For her contribution to the Lower Murray Philatelic Society she has been awarded Life Membership. The time, the passion, the commitment and the effort she has given Lower Murray PS has been reflected in her commitment to philately in general in South Australia. Dianne is always willing to step up and volunteer at the many philatelic events that are held in South Australia.

Congratulations Dianne on being awarded the Harry Butler trophy.

Congress 2026

Eastern Districts PS

1	Merv Harris	Gold Coast, West Africa	74	
2	Jenny Roland	United Nations FDC's	75	
3	David Figg	Ted Ryco—Adelaide to Darwin by Bicycle	88	
4	Gordon Monk	A Study of the "Run N" flaw Pane 8 #60	92	329

Glenside PS

5	Neville Hannaford	Brandenburg Gate	68	
6	Rick Dewhirst	Netherlands Indies proving flights 1927—1931	65	
7	David Gilbert	China - Sacred Mountains	73	
8	David Pettet	French Southern Antarctic Territories	77	283

Lower Murray PS

9	Nigel Carter	Cinderella souvenir sheets of the USA the first 30 years	84	
10	Angela Groves	The Man the Legend—Winston Churchill	80	
11	Angela Groves	The Year of the Horse	78	
12	Dianne James	Early Australian Flight Covers	66	308

Literature

13	Phillumeny Club	Observer Magazine	75	
14	SAPC	The SAPC Bulletin	62	

Individual entries

15	G & G Chequers	Vanilla	89	
16	Angela Groves	The Best of the Best	79	
17	Bret & Moira Robinson	Terrestrial Orchids of Europe, Scandinavia and Mediterranean Africa	87	
18	David Figg	The Adelaide Hills Viaduct	86	
19	Dianne James	Prepaid Envelopes.	57	

Sponsor - Congress				
Individual Entries				
20	David Figg	A Child's Plea	87	
21	Linda Welden	Falkland Islands 1878 - 1966	90	
22	Neville Hannaford	Portraits of Frederic Chopin on Postage Stamps	68	
23	Dianne James	Christmas Aerogrammes	57	
24	Ron O'Brien	First Day Covers of PNG	68	
25	Dianne James	Postcards from Vietnam	50	
26	Martin Walker	Postmarks from the Roof of Australia	89	
27	David Pettet	New Hebrides 'English' 1910 - 1973	71	
28	Lorraine O'Brien	Australian Christmas Seals	79	
29	David Pettet	Barbados 1882—1966	76	
State Entries				
30 - 34	Gordon Monk	The Die 2 flaw explained from its inception to final and why the Phase 1 flaw is so rare.	87	
35 - 37	Jim Howard	The country that was administered by a Company—North Borneo 1881 - 1946	88	
38 - 40	Dianne James	1966 Australia's changeover to decimal currency	66	
41 - 43	Angela Groves	JRR Tolkein	81	

Best Club Entry



Eastern Districts

Best State Entry



Jim Howard

Congress 2026 - Trophy Winners

Best Traditional Entry



Gordon Monk

Best Traditional British C/wealth Entry



Linda Welden

Best First Day Cover Entry



Jenny Roland

Best Postcard Entry



Gaye & Graeme Chequer

Best Thematic/Topical Entry



Bret & Moira Robinson

Frugal Entry



Dianne James

Congress 2026



Special presentation to Jenny and George, for the many years of ongoing support of events that the South Australian Philatelic Council has been involved with or associated with. Your support is greatly appreciated.



The Bruce Assherton Literaure Award was presented to Joe Mercer of the Phillumeny Club (Match cover collectors society).

David Figg receiving his medal and certificate





Dianne James - Butler Award hanging in pride of place.











Circuit Book Office

Good news from the CBO, the manager and treasurer have decided to change the commission payouts to all clubs from 5% to 10%, this will be back dated to 1st July, 2026, also the commission for vendors will be reduced from 10% to 5% from 1st January, 2027. This will bring in more money to the clubs and also the vendors.

We are still looking for more volunteers to help out, if you are interested contact Jeff or Linda. Training is on Tuesdays . Also more vendors are required to keep the system up and running. You might have noticed that some pages are looking empty this is because we are running short of vendor pages, and some pages have been left in the books longer than the usual two years.

Lastly we will be removing books 336 - 340 from rotation and placing those sheets back into other books, vendors will not be disadvantaged..

Linda ands Jeff

SAPC workshop

The workshop held in August was based on "What the judges look for" when judging your exhibit. The judges have a score sheet that they use, and this is based on your knowledge of the topic, the philatelic material, your presentation, research and most importantly your front page. This is telling us what we should see in the exhibit.

The first frame of material up on the boards was all about **what not to do**. The exhibit had very little annotation and the material was based on how much money this person had to buy the rarest of stamps available. A very impressive display of material, but not a very good exhibit.



The rest of the material up on the boards covered many different topics, older exhibit and more recent exhibits. The older exhibits highlighted how trends over the past few years have changed. The different styles, themes and material have in some ways become more modern with the classics not as popular as they use to be.

Our next workshop will be April 11, and the topic will be Thematics/Topical, with the 2nd session being presented by Martin Walker on Aerophilately.

SAPC Auction update

The November auction was again successfully run. With over 1000 lots to be auctioned off the material ranged from the deceased estate of Peter Humby, to local vendors material as well as from external vendors. Thanks to everyone who assisted with setup, security, catering, the auction, and then the tedious task of putting everything away again.

We have already started to lot material for the May 2027 auction. If you would like to put material into the May auction we will be accepting material anytime from late November onwards, and local members 10 lots only at this stage.

SAPC Direct Sales

We are facing our second storage problem for auction lots due to receiving two deceased estate lots plus holding unsold lots from previous sales, this means we need to hold our second direct sale day. This will occur on Sunday March 14th from 10am to 3pm. Like our first, lots will be priced and displayed and all you need to do is pick up, give to our volunteers and then collect and pay when you finish purchases. A catalogue will be email so you can look for lots which suit your interests. If you wish to be added to our email list please contact Linda on 8212 3557. Our first sale day proved to hectic and even frenzied early on and buyers were disappointed with the way we managed this.

There will be a couple of changes for this day. The first one being **NO ONE** will be allowed in until 10am, the second is the collection and payment of lots will be more formal. Should turn out to be another good day and we hope to see you there.

Property Management update

Over the last three months we have not had any major maintenance issues associated with the main building. Our main air conditioning unit needed a mother board change, and while the technician was hear we had him clean the filters. Sadly, though some of the clubs are still not leaving the main hall as they find it. Chairs left out, dishes not washed etc. Also, the front and rear exterior of the building will be painted during the break, this will help towards maintaining the building. Just a reminder that we have meetings on most days of the week spread out through the month, as well as events on the weekend.



Margaret Noack

1938 - 2026

Margaret Noack passed away at the Tanunda Lutheran Home on 27 July 2026. In recent years we knew her as a member of a number of local philatelic societies but most of her philatelic and life history was spent overseas. This tribute draws a lot from her philatelic autobiography appearing in the British Society of Australian Philatelists' journal in 2016 and notes from her family. They reveal a life well-lived and a great surprise to those of us who only knew Margaret in her later years.

Margaret was born and grew up in the small farming community of St. Kitts, near Eudunda. Her childhood ambitions were to travel the world and to become a "cowgirl"! Encouraged by the teacher of the one-room school at St. Kitts, Margaret moved to Kapunda to further her education. She dropped out of Kapunda High School to get a job at the local hospital and earn enough money to buy a horse. By 1957 she was working with horses in country Victoria and so began her life as a cowgirl.

She entered local rodeos and competed in the ladies' buckjump. Success in these competitions led her to Queensland to compete in a series of weekend rodeos. In 1958 she found herself competing at the Australian Championships at Longreach where, on her first attempt, she became the National Ladies' Buckjumping Champion!

Unfortunately, the ladies' events at rodeos weren't enough to make a living from so Margaret returned home to South Australia. She still competed at local rodeos and won the South Australian Ladies' Buckjump Championship at Marrabel. Despite her love of horses, her other ambition to see the world still burned.

In 1960 she booked a passage to Vancouver on the freighter *Lakemba*. It was a lengthy voyage as



At the Marrabel (SA) Rodeo Grounds

the freighter stopped at Fiji for two weeks to load sugar. In Vancouver Margaret joined a group of friends to invest in an old car and set off on a trip across western United States visiting the Old West cowboy towns and Indian reservations until the car gave up in Texas. From there she moved to Toronto and got a job as a nursing assistant for a couple of years.

From Canada, she moved to London for her next series of travel adventures. In Europe she hitchhiked throughout Scandinavia and did a camping tour of Europe including Berlin just before the infamous wall was built. An overland trip to Ceylon followed. Leaving England, she travelled through Europe and the Holy Land, on to Baghdad, the deserts of Iraq and the mountains of Iran. Following a brief spell back at home Margaret set sail for South Africa.

Based in Johannesburg for three years, Margaret was able to travel to Rhodesia, South-West Africa, Mozambique, Botswana, and Swaziland. It was in South Africa that Margaret's childhood interest in foreign stamps was rekindled. Working for an optical company that received mail from all over the world Margaret volunteered to do the daily post

on her own time so she could collect the stamps. From South Africa it was back to London travelling overland through Africa via Dar Es Salaam, the Serengeti, Zanzibar, Nairobi and Kampala just missing Idi Amin's military coup.

After a few jobs in London, Margaret joined the BBC as a computer programmer and later worked for the Lambeth Council in a similar role until her retirement. Then she got a part-time job at Stanley Gibbons. Her thirst for travel continued and during this time Margaret travelled across Europe, including a trip on the Trans-Siberian Railway, a visit to Gallipoli for the 75th anniversary of ANZAC Day and a return to South Africa to visit the battlefields of the Zulu Wars. Many of her trips to Europe were to see the opera singer Jessye Norman of whom she was a big fan.

At one of these jobs Margaret was spotted retrieving the stamps from the waste paper baskets and this led to an invitation to join the Hammersmith Stamp Club. It was here that she was encouraged to specialise and went on to form a very good collection of South West Africa including material from the German Colonial period. Worthwhile collections of British Sudan and Tuva were also formed along with material relating to Martin Luther.

Margaret was a member of the British Society of Australia Philately, the Pacific Islands Study Circle, and the Croydon (UK) Philatelic Society where she was president from 2010 to 2012.

Never forgetting her roots, Margaret formed a collection of stamps telling the story of Australia. Frustrated by the proliferation of new stamps issued by Australia Post, Margaret switched to collecting the stamps and postal history of the Australian Territories – particularly Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island. Such was her passion for Norfolk Island philately; she travelled from London to attend a philatelic forum on the Island in 2003.

Despite the frustration of Australia Post's all too frequent stamp issues Margaret developed collections of the icons of Australian history. The story of the ANZACs, Douglas Mawson the Antarctic explorer, the story of QANTAS and the famous aviators, Ross & Keith Smith; Kingsford Smith; Bert Hinkler and the South Australian aviation hero Captain Harry Butler.

I first met Margaret on one of her regular visits home. She turned up at a meeting of the South Australia Study Group where we learned of her interest in the postmarks and picture postcards of Kapunda and the Barossa Valley and, in particular, those of St. Kitts. I remember taking my own accumulation of St. Kitts postmarks to a subsequent meeting where she looked at them intently and put the lot into her handbag! It took ages to persuade her to return them.



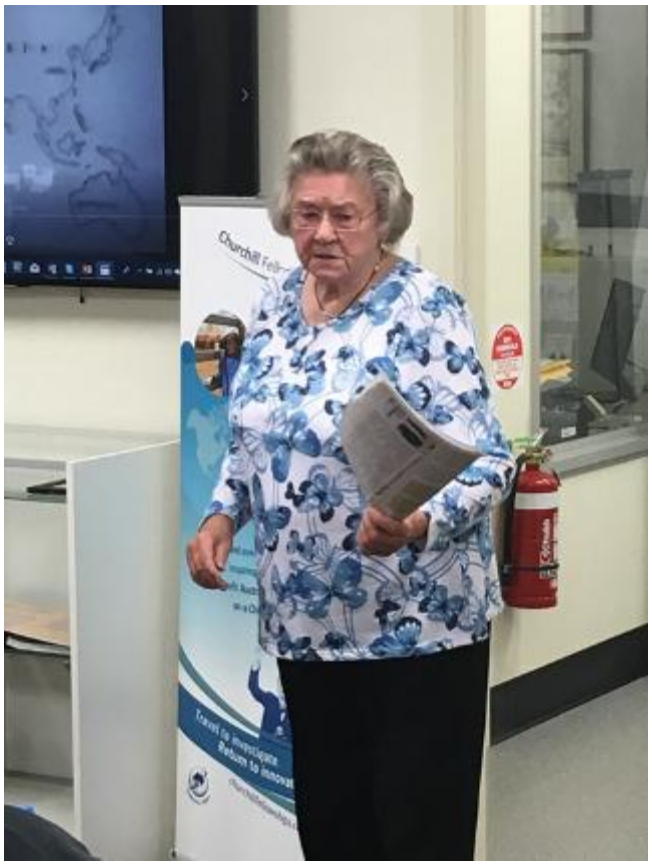
In 2012, Margaret returned to Australia for the final time and purchased a house in suburban Adelaide. She soon found herself in familiar territory joining the Community Philatelic Society, the Philatelic Society of South Australia and the Australian Air Mail Society, where she was president from 2013 to 2020. She had the best of times during this period as the Society celebrated the centenaries of the air mails carried by Maurice Guillaux, Basil Watson, Graham Carey, Harry Butler and Ross & Keith Smith. She was president during Aeropex 2019 welcoming Aerophilatelists attending the exhibition from all around the world.



Margaret Noack with the flight crew from her Adelaide to Mount Gambier flight carrying the Arthur Bergen centenary covers on 24 May 2014.

One of the more interesting centenaries for her was that of Arthur Bergen's birth. This coincided with a stamp event at Mount Gambier, where Bergen was a RAAF pilot and navigator trainer in World War II. Margaret was persuaded to carry souvenir postcards and covers on a flight from Adelaide to Mount Gambier and signing all of them after they had been postmarked.

As an avid reader and contributor to the daily newspapers "Letters to the Editor" she learned of the campaign to celebrate the centenary of Ross & Keith Smith's flight from England to Australia. Sunday Mail columnist, Lainie Anderson, had become the public face of the committee formed to celebrate the centenary and to encourage the building of a new museum to house the Vickers Vimy aircraft on show in the car park at Adelaide Airport. Margaret invited Lainie Anderson to speak on the aims of the Epic Flight Centenary Committee during the annual SA History Festival. I believe this was Lainie's first public speech on Ross and Keith Smith's flight. So began the Society's commitment to the History Festival and we have hosted a presentation every year since, excepting 2020 when covid interrupted us all.



Introducing Lainie Anderson for her talk on the Epic Flight Centenary, May 2018.

Margaret was always eager to show and speak about her collections at club meetings but never entered club competitions or philatelic exhibitions. She would never write up her collections in a uniform manner, and all her displays were a hotch-potch of items on other collectors' pages, stock cards and sales sheets. When asked why she kept her collections in this way she would argue that the prior ownership of her gems was a part of their history and worthy of preservation.

Following a hip replacement in 2023, Margaret moved to her beloved Barossa Valley, taking a unit at the Tanunda Lutheran Home. She was diagnosed with bone cancer in 2025 and the subsequent decline in health saw her move into residential and palliative care until her passing.

Margaret's philatelic collections will be handled by Abacus Auctions in Melbourne.

Martin Walker.



AAMS visit to the SA Racing Pigeon Association in May 2016.

Vale



Peter Siggs
1945 - 2026

Well known collector and contributor to philately in South Australia, Peter passed away at the age of 81 after a long battle with cancer.

He was educated at Unley High School and as a student was an active and talented sports person, being a member of the SA Under 17 Basket ball team and heavily committed to Surf Life Saving.

His competence as an employee of Telstra saw him rise to the management level where he shifted From Adelaide to Darwin to Mount Gambier and back to Adelaide overseeing the implementation of significant structural changes in the delivery of services.

Every thing Peter tackled was approached with enthusiasm, commitment and done in depth. This was especially true of his collecting. His major collecting interests were postmarks, State stamps, Kangaroos, KGV Heads and Cinderellas, and then anything else that was different of unusual.

Peter was one of Community Philatelic Society many stalwarts, joining the club in 1993, he immediately became their club delegate, then getting involved in the commercial side of the club and their auctions at that time, he then stepped into the position of Secretary as just another task to be done. Life Membership was justly deserved and something he was quietly proud of.

As an member of the Philatelic Society of South Australia he was particularly keen on the State and Commonwealth Specialists Groups as these meetings gave him the opportunity to both learn and contribute to his above interests. A couple of postmark illustrations in the SA Postmark books came from his material.

Peter moved to Victor Harbor and quickly became a valued member of the Encounter Bay Club after being involved with the initial establishment of this group in 2000 as a branch of the Community Club many years earlier.

The Encounter Bay Open Days were headed by free appraisals of philatelic material done by Peter. Having worked for Kevin Battersby (Hallmark Stamps), for many years describing material for Hallmark auctions and assisting with the running of the auctions, Peter's knowledge of stamp valuation and how the market worked, he willingly used to offer free appraisals on items and collections - a service that proved popular and important a for number of locals.

At the same time his commitment to the Community Philatelic Society continued unabated, travelling to their fortnightly meetings, organising the production of souvenir material for the 50th Anniversary, being involved in the sale of the Club's philatelic material and later in the decision to non incorporate the club which led directly to monies being used to totally refurbish SAPHIL House, all the while still remaining one of the regular helpers and organizers of auctions at Congress and also with PSSA's specialist groups.

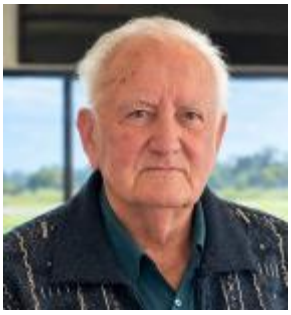
His Harry Butler nomination in 2018 was just reward for the many years of involvement at club level with Community PS as well as the other clubs and organizations he was involved with.

As if that was not enough, Peter joined with Mike Kovaleff to establish the SAPC Auctions. Peter took pleasure in talking to vendors about their collections, taking the material, researching then describing and lotting the material for the auctions. His commitment to the routine of organizing and describing material for the auctions was evident up until two weeks before his death.

Peter has been a highly respected and likable person and philatelist whose contribution to philately in South Australia has been phenomenal. His friendship group will miss his knowledge, humour, quick witted retorts and company.

Peter will be sadly missed by many people from many clubs across South Australia.

Vale



Robert Phaup

1939- 2026



It is with great sadness that we remember Robert (Bob) Phaup, a long-standing and highly valued member of the Lower Murray Philatelic Society.

Bob became a member of the Society after moving to Murray Bridge in 1982 and, over more than four decades, made an extraordinary contribution to our club and to the wider philatelic community.

Throughout his years with the Society, Bob held many positions, including Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Circuit Book Superintendent, SAPC Delegate for more than 17 years, and Youth Coordinator for the Junior Stamp Club.

Bob was always willing to give his time and energy to support philately and the community. He organised bingo ticket sales as a fundraiser, working with various community groups throughout Murray Bridge. He regularly visited both country and metropolitan stamp clubs as a guest speaker or to host displays, and was always happy to assist fellow collectors with creating, preparing and displaying their collections.

His contribution to exhibiting and judging was equally significant. Bob completed a judges' training course and served as an apprentice judge at our local Congresses before becoming a qualified State Judge, judging at Stampex in 2003. His knowledge, dedication and careful research were greatly respected.

One of Bob's particular areas of interest was Australian Post's Peel and Stick stamps. He undertook extensive research into this area and exhibited more than 12 frames on the subject. His collections were regularly recognised at Congress exhibitions, with awards including:

- Australian First Day Covers (1927–1948) – Large Silver
- Covers produced by A.M.C. Guthrie – Large Silver, Vermeil and Large Vermeil
- US Presidential Series (1939–1942) – Vermeil
- USA First Day Covers (1930–1940) – Bronze, Silver and Large Silver
- Wide World Productions (1946–1952) – Large Silver
- Wide World Productions (1953–1965) – Large Silver
- George VI Coronation Definitives – Silver
- Our Threatened Species – Silver
- Traditional Australia's Definitive Peel & Stick Stamps – Silver, Silver-Bronze and Large Silver.

Bob was also a strong supporter of philatelic exhibitions and Congresses. He willingly assisted with the practical work behind the scenes, including mounting and setting up displays, both at local Congresses and at National Exhibitions.

His tireless work and contribution to philately were widely recognised, and Bob was honoured in 2005 with the Briskham Award, the highest state award available for his service to the philatelic community.

Yet, while Bob's achievements in philately were considerable, those who knew him will remember much more than his collections, awards and years of service. He was a thoughtful and kind man, generous with his time and knowledge and always willing to help others. He was well liked and deeply respected within the community.

Bob will be greatly missed by his fellow members of the Lower Murray Philatelic Society, by the many collectors and clubs he supported over the years, and by the wider philatelic community.

Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with Bob's wife and daughter, and his family, at this very sad time.

Vale, Bob.

Your contribution to philately, your friendship and your willingness to help others will not be forgotten.

Australian Airmail Society

The Airmail Society has a small number of local members attending meetings but the variety of Airmail related material that is put up at their meetings is excellent. If you are interested in Airmail as a collecting theme please come along and get acquainted with the members.

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

Visitors most welcome

Australian Postcard Society

The members of the society have made the decision that we will now meet from February to November. We have also made our Empire Trophy a 16 page competition instead of 9 pages.

We will be producing 2 souvenirs for our Open Day on 2nd May.



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

Visitors most welcome.

The Blackwood Circle

Mega Auction Bonanza - A Great Day for Blackwood Philatelic Circle!

The Blackwood Philatelic Circle's recent stamp auction was a wonderful demonstration of what makes our club special: enthusiastic collectors, a great team of volunteers, and a shared passion for stamps and philately.

There was plenty to enjoy on a glorious Spring day, with a fantastic range of auction lots attracting interest from collectors.

John Cornelius was a real drawcard, enjoyed a great day, and added another attraction for attendees.



Our friendly door greeters also helped make visitors feel welcome while making bidder registration much easier.

Almost 800 lots were available for viewing, offering something for everyone, from vintage stamps and popular culture themes to covers and complete albums. With close to 40 people registering to bid, there was plenty of interest and enthusiasm for the auction.

The kiosk proved popular, particularly the toasted sandwiches and tea and coffee. Clearly our collectors appreciate a good feed as well as a good stamp.

Beyond the auction itself, the day created some exciting opportunities for the club. We received six enquiries from people interested in selling stamps, two new membership enquiries and another potential membership lead. Our new club pamphlet and membership form gave us useful tools to promote the BPC, while additional Facebook exposure and new followers helped spread the word even further.

Of course, every event gives us ideas for next time. We identified opportunities to improve the collection of unsold lots by external vendors, provide more tables for bulky items, prepare additional toasted sandwiches, and strengthen security and the reconciliation of bidder payments.



The clash with the South Australian Collectibles Fair and Market may also have affected attendance and sales. These are valuable lessons that will help us make future events even better.

Most importantly, the auction showed that Blackwood Philatelic Circle is more than a place to buy and sell stamps — it is a community of people who enjoy sharing their interests and working together.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped set up, pack down, welcome visitors, run the kiosk, register bidders and keep the day running smoothly. Special shout-outs go to Linda W for providing administrative support and Jeff T as our auctioneer! The willingness of so many people to pitch in made a real difference, and the kiosk team deserves particular praise for working so well together and having a well-organised system.



Thank you again to everyone who contributed, attended, purchased lots or helped promote the club. Your support keeps our hobby thriving and helps introduce philately to new collectors. Put **11 September 2027** in your diary - we look forward to building on this success at our next event!

Lara Cameron-Smith,
President/Secretary

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

City of Noarlunga

Looking back on our club's past year, I'm incredibly proud to be a member. While much has happened, one thing has remained constant: our members are like family, always there for each other and willing to lend a hand. Everyone contributes in their own way to the club's success, and the support of our wonderful committee and members has made my role as Secretary so much easier.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Larry Wakely for his years in the role of President, at the last AGM Larry has now stepped into the role of Vice President and Peter Fellenberg has taken on the role of President. Once again thankyou Larry.

There was great sadness at the sudden loss of Peter Humby, Vice President, in Feb. this year. His tireless advice and mentoring behind the scenes, to many of the members just cannot be replaced. In honour of Peter Humby, members decided to have the clubs first ever perpetual trophy to be awarded to the winner of an end of years competition. This year the prestigious award was won by Lorraine O'Brien, for the entry of "Penny Black, Postal reform & Postal history, in the People's Choice award, Alphabet letter "P'.





On a much lighter note, our displays for the year have been of such high standard, some very different and never been seen before, which has

led to much friendly banter & discussion within our group. We have gained some new members who have enthusiastically participated in displays, donated items for raffles, and auctions.




Larry Wakely presenting to Steven Smith




Peter Fellenberg with Trevor Finch and Richard Andruszkiewicz

At Congress in October three Individual members gained Silver and two Vermeil awards, they are being encouraged to go for Gold next year, such a fabulous result.

Our club program for next year has been finalized and promises to be exciting viewing for all the members.

We take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Lorraine O'Brien, Secretary of NPS.

The City of Noarlunga Philatelic Society meet on alternate Thursdays of each month from February at .700pm at Seaford Christian Churches, Seaford.

Visitors most welcome.

Community Philatelic Society

We have had a couple of interesting displays in the last three months. Our thanks to David P for his display on Barbados. His display as always is very interesting and easy to look at, and his talk reflects his interest in the Commonwealth countries that he collects.

Phil presented his first half of his postmark collection. 20+ pages of various countries with different cancels, a truly amazing collection.

Our members 6 pages of material proved to be very interesting. 6 of our members had 6 very different topics of collecting. It really is great to see our members bringing along their material for us to have a look at.




February 2027 Community PS will be moving to SAPHIL House for their meetings. New members most welcome.

Community PS meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 6.00pm, at SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide
Visitors most welcome.

Eastern Districts Philatelic Society

Next year we have made the decision to move our monster auction to Saturday 30th January. By holding on a Saturday we are hoping to have more people coming along. If you would like to put material in please contact George for lot numbers. There is plenty of parking for everyone and there will be light refreshments to appease

those hunger panes while looking at spending your money. Hope to see you their.



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

After the Encounter Bay AGM the club has had a change of committee. Welcome to our new president

Encounter Bay Stamp Club meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 7.30 at
Carrackalinga House, *Victor Harbor.*

Glenside Philatelic Society

Glenside again have had a range of topics for their displays. Nevilles Sweden covered their history in stamps including King Gustav III, Royal Palaces - Stockholm and Drottningholm, the Vasa Museum, castles, musicians, authors and film.



The club held the annual Charlie Niitoya 16 page competition a few weeks ago, there was 9 entries with a wide range of different subjects, ranging from Papua Airmails, Classic Cars, Tgerrestrial Orchids, Southern African flowers and Countries. This competition is by popular choice and the winner this year was Rick D. Also the top four entries hopefully will form Glenside's club entry into to Congress 2027 to be held next year during History Month.



Thankyou to everyone who has participated in putting on displays, bringing in material for the club auction, supplying afternoon tea. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped out at our meetings, and for the continued support over the past year .

Jeff Taylor, President Glenside

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!

Numismatic Society of SA

If you are interested in finding out about your coins or bank notes this is the club for you. Come

along to one of the 4 Bourses held each year, whether your looking for information of wanting to sell, our members look forward to helping.



The Numismatic Society of South Australia (NSSA) held their 9th Annual Coin and Banknote Expo in the Drill Hall, Torrens Parade Ground on the weekend of Sat 3/10 (10-5) & Sun 4/10 (10-4).

The hall was chock-a-block full, with 37 dealers from around Australia sharing 100 tables.

The driving force behind these successful Expos is Richard W, NSSA Secretary who does a sterling job in organising all aspects of the show including marshalling a team of volunteers from the Society.

As soon as bookings were open earlier in the year, the hall was fully booked within a few days and this year there was a waiting list of about 10 dealers the Club was unable to accommodate.



By all accounts, it is regarded as the best Expo of its type anywhere in Australia.

Attendance estimates were 1,500 on the Saturday and 500 on the Sunday.

Catering was once again provided by Jenny R, ably assisted by her sister Toni, Dianne F, Carol B & George T.

Dealers very much appreciated the table service they received with their orders being taken and delivery of food and drink direct to their stall. They particularly liked the scones, jam & cream on offer each day.

The $10 charge for off-street parking (cheaper than in the street if you want to stay a few hours) and the $2 Adults, $1 Pensioners & Children entry fee did not affect attendance.

Next year will be the 10th Annual Expo and the hall has already been booked for Sat 2/10 & Sun 3/10. Mark it in your diaries and plan to attend.

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

Visitors and new members are welcome!

Philatelic Society of South Australia

Displays by members of the Philatelic Society of South Australia (PSSA) and visitors from other societies continue to be the key feature of PSSA meetings.

On 27 June, Andy K. presented a display of Russian postal cards, which were first issued in January 1872 under an Imperial Government monopoly that lasted more than two decades.

Although the first postal card required a postage stamp, subsequent cards were pre-printed with an inscribed stamp. There was a low rate card for local use and a higher rate card valid for postage to anywhere in the Russian Empire.

In 1874, Russia, along with many other nations, joined the General Postal Union (renamed the Universal Postal Union in 1878) and Russia adopted the UPU's universal standards. Imperial postal cards continued to be issued until 1917, when the Tsarist monarchy was overthrown in the Russian Revolution.

On 25 July, Anthony P. displayed his outstanding collection of River Murray memorabilia. He noted the importance of the river to First Nations peoples over thousands of years, providing food resources and transport with their primitive watercraft.

The early European settlers also recognised the

river's trading potential and pioneers Francis Cadell and William Randall introduced paddle steamers to the river. In 1853, Cadell aboard the *P.S. Lady Augusta* and Randell aboard the *P.S. Mary Ann,* set off from Goolwa, with both reaching Swan Hill on 17 September. The river trade then rapidly expanded, ultimately reaching the Queensland border.

Navigation on the river was hazardous as there were no printed charts or navigation aids. Skippers also had to contend with floating debris and shifting shoals , especially after floods.

The colonies of South Australia and Victoria progressively established post offices at riverside communities along the river, with the riverboats playing an important role carrying mail between the post offices, as well as providing a mail service to isolated properties enroute.

In 2003, Australia Post marked 150 years of river navigation with the issue of five 50 cent stamps picturing paddle-steamers.

Anthony's comprehensive display included letters, covers, promissory notes, freight tables and a replica of Cadell's gold medal awarded for his 1853 pioneering journey.

At the 1 September AGM, President Jennifer M. displayed a topical display of owl stamps from around the world, with comprehensive information on their distribution and calls, which she imitated.

On 26 September, Jim H. presented a display of Sarawak stamps with a fascinating discourse on the Brooke family's more than 100 year rule as Rajahs of Sarawak.

James Brooke was an English derring-do adventurer who arrived at Sarawak during a local rebellion. In exchange for helping the Sultan of Brunei put down the revolt, James was granted land and installed as the first Rajah of Sarawak in 1841. The Rajah maintained strong ties with the Royal Navy and in 1848 was knighted by the Queen.

Sir James Brooke never married and, when he died in 1868, his nephew Charles Johnson Brooke became the second Rajah. Charles Brooke was an able and effective administrator who significantly expanded the area of Sarawak under the control of the Rajah. He maintained close ties with the Royal Navy and, in1888, Sarawak became a British Protectorate and Charles was knighted by the Queen.

Sarawak did not have a domestic postal service until 1869, when the first Sarawak stamp, bearing the portrait of the recently deceased Sir James Brooke, was issued. This 3 cent stamp was only valid for domestic postage. All subsequent stamp issues, up to the Japanese invasion in 1941, bore portraits of the reigning Rajah.

Sir Charles Brooke died in 1917 and his son, Charles Vyner Brooke became the third Rajah. Vyner Brooke spent much of his time overseas and was in Australia when the Japanese invaded Sarawak in 1941.

After the Japanese surrender in 1945, Sarawak was placed under British Military Administration with its postage stamps overprinted BMA. Rajah Vyner Brooke returned briefly to Sarawak in 1946, where he promptly abdicated and Sarawak became a British Crown Colony.

In 1963, Sarawak was granted self-rule by the British and became a founding member of the Federation of Malaysia.

Between these major displays, members presented small displays on a wide range of philatelic topics.

Finally, on a sad note, in August, we learnt of the passing of Margaret Noack, who had been in declining health for many months and then, in September, the death of Peter Siggs who finally lost his brave battle with cancer.

PSSA meet on the 1st Tuesday at 7.30pm, and on the 4th Saturday at 1.30pm of each month from February.

New members and visitors welcome!

Salisbury Philatelic Society

Our Fair held on Saturday proved successful again, although the auction was a little smaller than last year. With 33 our members and 33 visitors throughout the day the canteen was kept

busy.

Thankyou to all the visitors and vendors who have made the fairs successful over the past few years. The society appreciates your support.



The Society have made a decision based on financial reason to move to a new meeting venue from the 3rd November.

That venue is the Para Hills Uniting Church, Liberman street, Para Hills.

Para Hills Uniting Church, Liberman St, Para Hills

on the first and third Mondays of the month from 7.30pm

Visitors most welcome.

Port Pirie Philatelic Society

It is with sadness that the membership of the Port Pirie Philatelic Society learned of the passing of Jim Caspers, our secretary-treasurer, on October 3rd 2026. Jim came to Port Pirie following a distinguished involvement with South Australian Rifle and Gun Clubs at both State and Interstate level. In 2022 Jim took on the position of secretary of the society. In 2024 Jim's background in the banking industry led to him combining the secretary's position with that of treasurer. Jim committed to our society and his input was invaluable. The members of the Port Pirie Philatelic Society extends their sincere condolences to Jim's family.

The Port Pirie Philatelic Society meets on the last Monday of each month (except December and January) at 1pm at the BHAS Bowling Club in Port Pirie.

Printed Collectibles Society

The Printed Collectables Club of SA Inc. held their Annual One-Day Fair on 12 September 9.00am to 3.00pm at the usual venue, Hectorville Senior Citizens Centre, 47 Reid Avenue, Hectorville.

The hall was once again full of traders, booked by both members and non-members, however there were a few regulars who were absent.





Catering was done by Jenny R assisted by her sister Toni.

Attendance was down due to it clashing with the Blackwood Philatelic Society's Super Auction which also had John Cornelius present with his half-price sale of philatelic material.

As a result, next year's Fair will be moved to the third Saturday in September (18/9) so as not to clash with Blackwood.

This will also mean it does not clash with the Royal Show and is still before the AFL Grand Final weekend. The hall has already been booked and confirmed with the Campbelltown City Council.

Put the date in your 2027 diaries and plan to attend.

The Printed Collectables Society meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month (except December) at 8pm at SAPHIL House.

Exhibitions Results 2026

Brisbane Stamp and Coin Show

Michael Blinman Large Vermeil
Traditional (8 frames) 84 points
NSW 1888 - 1913

David Figg Large Silver
Literature 73 points
"Observer"

Clyde Zeigeler Large Silver
Revenues (5 frames) 73 points
Australian Custom Duty

Jerry Bell (AMCCS) Gold
Literature 86 points
"Lighting up Australia"

Bandung 2026 Asian International Stamp Exhibition

MD Zahidul (Echo) Islam Large Silver
Traditional 77 points
Definitive stamps of Bangladesh 1973 - 77

MD Zahidul (Echo) Islam Large Silver
Thematics 75 points
The Religious development of civilizations

Swanpex 2026

David Figg Gold
Cygnet Class (State entry) 70
General Douglas MacArthur

National Judge - Profile MD Zahidul (Echo) Islam



Echo began his journey in philately when he was inspired to start collecting when he was ten. His passion quickly developed and under the guidance of Mr MD Kader he hone his skills and learnt how to participate in philatelic exhibitions.

He has achieved first place in a junior group at the Bangladesh National Philatelic Exhibition in Dhaka in 1992.

Echo's international advancement in philately consolidated in the World Stamp Exhibition in New Delhi in 1997, where he gained a Vermeil medal in Youth.

Currently residing in Australia, he has participated in 11 national stamp exhibitions in Australia and New Zealand. Gaining both Large Vermeil and Gold for 2 of his exhibits. He has undertaken the process of becoming a judge and has just recently signed the judges register. He has also been an assistant commissioner, Congratulations Echo on your willingness to participate in philately in Australia.



Echo has taken his passion to developing a website "Echo's Phila House" dedicated to promoting and celebrating Bangladeshi postage stamps. Itis pleasing to see Echo giving back to philately by trying to encourage people to from his home country to become interested in philately.

Australian Virtual Exhibition



Exhibitions - Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027



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COLLECTORS and ENTHUSIASTS.

At the show you will see stamp exhibits on display, be able to browse a wide range of Stamp & Coin dealer booths plus socialise with other stamp enthusiasts & collectors. It is a major event for anyone wanting to add to their collections. The stamp exhibits are grouped into classes and individually judged according to set criteria. Each exhibit showcases a particular topic where the exhibitor is telling a story using philatelic material. The diversity of exhibits is wide with often rare and seldom seen material displayed from private collections on show. Entries are received from exhibitors in Australia, New Zealand and overseas countries. The Exhibition will also have a special range of souvenirs for sale to collectors.

Please email souvenirscanberra2027@canberrastamps.org for details.

Want to know more? Contact the Exhibition via Email: secretarycanberra2027@canberrastamps.org

EXHIBITORS.

Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027 is a National Philatelic Exhibition with all National-level classes, State-level classes and a Banknote class. Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027 offers for the first time the new APF Special Studies Class for those whose exhibits don't fit well for the rules in the other classes.

Please see https://apf.org.au/special-studies-class/ and the prospectus for details. Have you ever wanted to exhibit your PNCs? If so now is your chance!

It also introduces a 'Narrow-Subject' (2-4 frames) to Australia as a team-based challenge. This class has appeared at a number of recent Asian and World exhibitions as an experimental class.

There is also an 'As You Like It' class where exhibitors can exhibit as they wish without being constrained by the usual exhibiting class rules.

There are two Special Challenges at Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027

- Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Federal Parliament in Canberra with a major prize for the best exhibit with a Democracy and Parliament connection
- Australasian Narrow-Special Challenge (2-4 frames) - a team based challenge

Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027 offers the last opportunity for Australian and New Zealand exhibitors to qualify for the Melbourne 2027 Asian International Exhibition. Prospective entrants to Melbourne 2027 should enter via Melbourne 2027 subject to obtaining the necessary qualification at Canberra 2027.

Further information on entering Canberra Stamp and Coin Show 2027 including the prospectus can be found at: https://canberrastamps.org/canberra-stamp-ande-coin-show-2027-exhibitors/ while the online form can be found at: https://canberrastamps.org/cscs-2027-entryform/

To ask questions about your exhibiting send an Email to:

exhibitscanberra2027@canberrastamps.org

Remember the CLOSE OFF DATE FOR ENTRIES – 28 February 2027

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Linda

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♦ Meets 1st Wed of month except Jan from 4.30pm

Nov 4 Zeppelins DJ
Dec 2 Festive display - all members
Feb 3 Antarctic Tourist Labels
Mar 3 Australian Air Mail Labels
Apr 7 World Aerogrammes
May 5

Australian Match Cover Collectors' Society

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

Nov 27 Christmas Dinner
Jan 22 President's Night
Mar 26 Members Choice

Australian Postcard Society

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♦ Meets 4th Thursday of each month from 7.45pm.

Nov 26 Christmas breakup supper
Feb 25 Empire Trophy (16 pages)
Mar 25 Visit to Philicia Antiques (4.30pm)
Apr 22 Falkland Islands - LW
May 2 Postcard Open Day (10 - 4pm)

Circuit Book Office

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Blackwood Philatelic Circle

Blackwood Uniting Church, Main Rd, Blackwood.
blackwood.philatelic.circle@gmail.com
f www.facebook.com/blackwoodphilateliccircle
♦ Meets on 2nd Saturday of each month except Jan from 1.30pm.

Nov 14 Val Bould Competition
Dec 12 Xmas Display - members 3 sheets
Feb 13 President's Display
Mar 13 5c Grasslands stamp issue - JT
Apr 10 Themes of the World - AB
May 8

Bordertown & Districts Philatelic Society

85 Beeamma Parsons Road, Padthaway 5271.
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ortlepp@bigpond.com
☎ 0408 849 325
♦ Meets 3rd Thursday of the month from 7.45pm

City of Noarlunga Philatelic Society

Seaford Christian Churches, Cnr Grand Boulevard, & Main street, Seaford
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☎ 0419 675 376
♦ Meets alternate Thursdays from 7.00pm.

Nov 12 King George VI Part 1 - BL
Nov 26 Members choice—music on stamps
Dec 10 Xmas Social evening
Feb 4 Free Choice—6 sheets all members
Feb 18 President's Surprise—PF
Mar 4 Europe Pt 2 from 1981—RO
Mar 18 Easter Theme 6 pages—all members
Apr 1 KGVI part 2—BI
Apr 15 Anzac 6 pages—all members
Apr 29 Letter Q—Peoples Choice Award
May 13 French Territories—DP

Club details and Programmes

Community Philatelic Society

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☎ 0421 367 665

♦ Meets 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 6.00pm except January and December.

Nov 6	Circuit Books	
Nov 20	Ascension Islands -	DB
Feb 5	Circuit Books	
Feb 19	6 page - all members	
Mar 5	Circuit Books	
Mar 19	Postmarks -	PS
Apr 2	Circuit Books	
Apr 16	United Nations -	IC
Apr 30	Circuit Books	
May 14	French Polynesia	DP

Eastern Districts Philatelic Society

Hectorville Community Centre, Reid Ave Campbelltown.

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

Nov 12	LNWR - GT
Dec 10	Xmas party and awards presentation
Jan 30	Monster Auction
Feb 11	Club Comp/Quiz night
Mar 11	Cultural Revolution of Chinese Stamps
Apr 8	Comfort funds - JR
May 13	

Elizabeth Philatelic Society

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

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

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☎ 0414 998 267

f Elizabeth Stamp Club

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

Nov 13	Japanese Occupation Stamps
Nov 27	Kishangarh
Dec 4	Xmas break up & Liberia
Jan 22	Swap & Articles of Interest
Feb 12	President's night
Feb 26	Burma
Mar 12	Australian Railway Stamps
Mar 26	Armenia
Apr 9	Belgium
Apr 23	Denmark
May 14	Sth Aust Perkins, Bacon 1/ Brown

Encounter Bay Stamp Club

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

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

Nov 4	Visiting display - Alan
Dec 2	Xmas & 1 sheet display - stamps I like looking at
Feb 10	
Mar 10	Anthony's display
Apr 7	
May 5	

Glenside Philatelic Society

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

Nov 7	Indian Airmails - RD
Nov 21	World Cars - TF
Dec 5	Xmas Lunch, Trophy presentations etc.
Feb 6	Australian Butterflies - JT
Feb 20	Nepal - EK
Mar 6	South Georgia - PG
Mar 20	Open Day with J Cornelieus attending
Apr 3	Falkland Dependencies - LW
Apr 17	One Framers - DF
May 1	

Lower Murray Philatelic Society

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

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♦ Meets 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday of the month from 10am

Nov 7	8 page comp
Nov 15	8 page comp
Dec 5	Appreciation luncheon
Jan 17	Display - NC
Feb 6	One page on Animal Kingdom
Feb 21	Display - AG
Mar 6	One page on Postmarks
Mar 21	Congress Entry review
Apr 3	One page on Transport
Apr 18	Display by - DJ
May 1	One page on Celebrations

Club details and Programmes

Mount Gambier Philatelic Society

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Mount Gambier.

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Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month from 7.30 pm except December. (except winter) July to September meetings start at 2pm

Nov 17 1970's Painting series
Nov 30 Christmas dinner
Jan 19
Feb 16
Mar 16
Apr 20

Numismatic Society of South Australia

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

Nov 19 Meeting 7.30pm
Dec 17 Bourse and Xmas Dinner
Jan 21 Meeting 7.30pm
Feb 18 Bourse 6pm
Mar 18 Meeting 7.30pm
Apr 15 Meeting 7.30pm

Philatelic Society of South Australia

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide.

✉ PO Box 6068,
Halifax St, Adelaide. S.A. 5000
📠 anthony.presgrave@bigpond.com
☎ (08) 8212 3557
♦ Meets 1st Tuesdays from 8pm and 4th Saturday from 1.30pm.

Nov 3 Tues Australian Disinfected Mail - MW
Nov 28 Sat Small displays - all members
Dec 1 Tues Christmas breakup
Feb 2 Tues Small Displays - all members
Feb 27 Sat Norway - DH
Mar 2 Tues Australian C/wealth Postage Dues - SW
Mar 27 Sat Post Separation Russian Zone Germany -AB
Apr 6 Tues
Apr 24 Sat
May 4 Tue
May 16 Sun **Open Day**

SA Power Networks

✉ PO Box 2079, Magill, S.A. 5072
📠 erichurrell@bigpond.com

Currently meeting in members home, please phone for meeting details. 0430 367 157

Port Pirie Philatelic Society

BHAS Bowling Club, 1 Halley St, Risdon Park.

✉ PO Box 108, Port Broughton, 5522
📠 geoff-josie@bigpond.com
☎ 0429 858 856
♦ Meets last Monday of each month (Feb - Nov) from 2.00 pm.

Nov 30 Xmas luncheon
Feb 22 President's Display
Mar 22 AGM + Members Display
Apr 26 Visitor/Member display
May 31 Member display

Printed Collectibles Club

SAPHIL House, 22 Gray Court, Adelaide.

✉ PO Box 163, Hope Valley, S.A. 5090
📠 fredyboy1966@gmail.com
☎ 0428 265 739
Meets 4th Tuesday of each month from 8.00pm except December.

Nov 27 Meeting
Jan 26 Meeting
Feb 23 Meeting
Mar 23 Meeting
Apr 27 Meeting
May 25 Meeting

Riverland Philatelic Society

Berri Library, Riverview Drive, Berri

✉ PO Box 901, Berri, S.A. 5343
📠 saund-rp@bigpond.com.au
☎ (08) 8584 4716 or 0428 841 343
♦ Meets on 4th Monday Feb to Nov from 10.00am.

Nov 24 AGM & small displays - Vi
Feb 22 Most disliked stamp or set - All
Mar 22 Trains - RH
Apr 19 America and Lunch - Alan
May 24 PSE's - Pat

Stirling Philatelic Society

The Hut (Old Aldgate Railway Station) Aldgate.

✉ 12 Alderley Rd, Aldgate, SA, 5154
📠 stphilsoc@gmail.com
☎ 0413 742 976
♦ Meets 4th Friday of each month from 7.30pm.

Nov 27 TBA - GL
Dec 18 Russian Civil War—MM
Jan 22 Gilbert and Ellis Islands - MM
Feb 26
Mar 26
Apr 23

German Philatelic Club

☎ 0408 019 218
♦ Contact club for meeting details.

Club details and Programmes

Salisbury Philatelic Society

Salisbury Lutheran Church, Waterloo Corner Rd, Salisbury.

✉ PO Box 336, Salisbury, S.A. 5108
steve.osment@bigpond.com
☎ 0428 738 088
f Salisbury Philatelic Society
♦ Meets 1st Monday (Feb-Dec) from 7.30pm & 3rd Monday (Jan-Nov) from 7.30pm.

Nov 2	Members 1 frame Comp - Harry Lower trophy
Nov 16	Wesley First Day Covers - JM
Dec 7	Presentation night & Xmas break up
Jan 18	
Feb 1	
Feb 15	
Mar 1	
Mar 15	
Apr 5	
Apr 19	
May 3	

Strathalbyn Philatelic Society

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

✉ C/- Lloyd Deer, PO Box 686,Strathalbyn, S.A. 5255
lloyd.deer1@bigpond.com
☎ 0428 596 119
♦ Meets 2nd Monday of each month from 8.00 pm

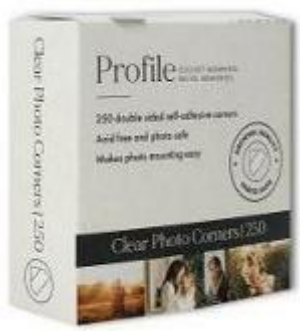
Nov 9	Trevor & Wendy visit & presentation
Dec 14	Christmas BBQ & social night
Jan 12	Tony's presentation
Feb 9	SA Postmarks & Regd's Covers - DJ
Mar 9	JW presents
Apr 13	JP presents
May 11	Strathalbyn History night

Ukrainian Collectibles Club

Ukrainian Museum, 6 George Street, Hindmarsh.

✉ PO Box 466, Woodville, S.A. 5011
☎ 0417 702 234
bandura@ozemail.com.au
♦ Currently meeting in members home, please phone for meeting details.

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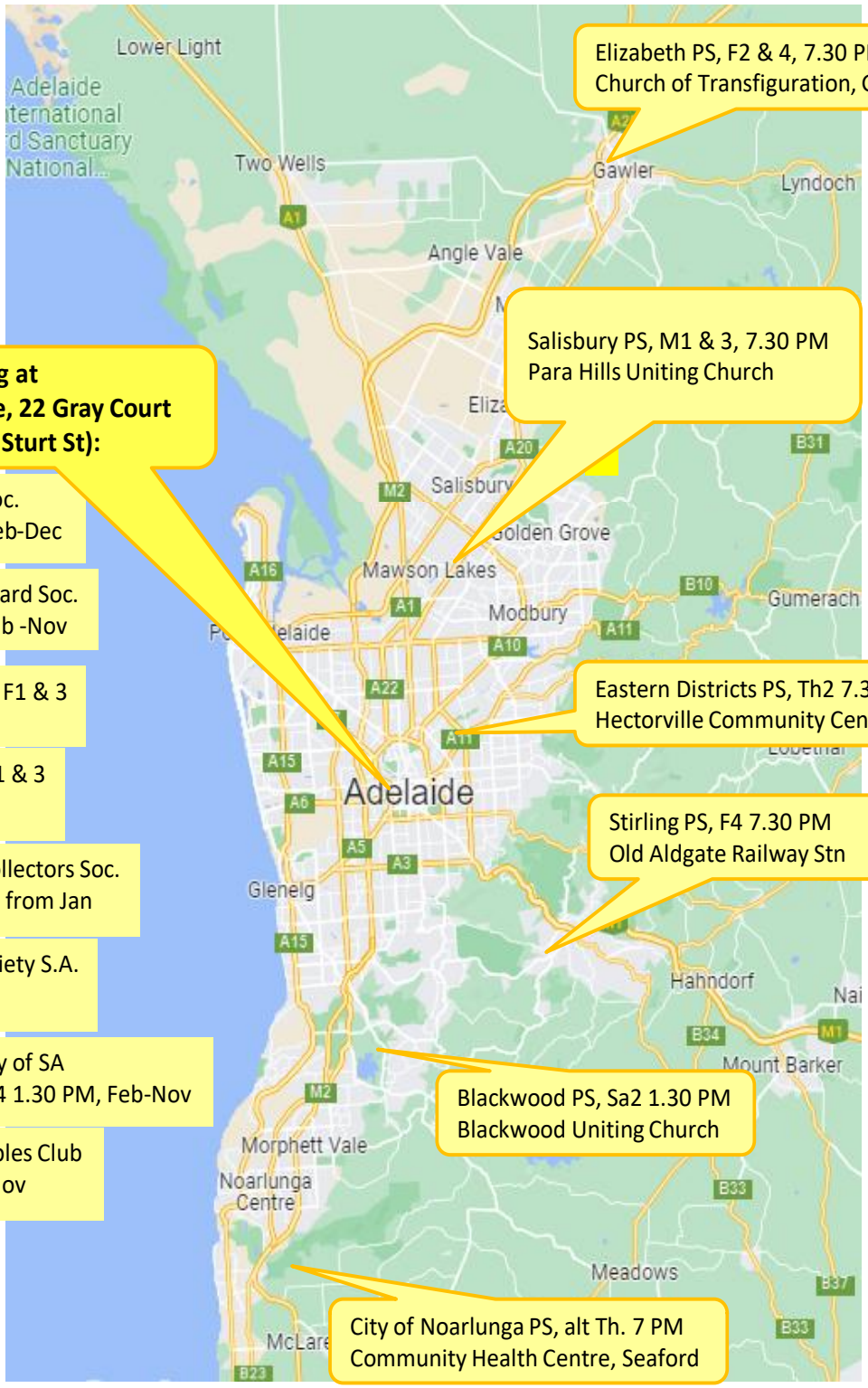


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Aust. Airmail Soc.
W1 4.30 PM, Feb-Dec

Australian Postcard Soc.
Th4 7.30 PM, Feb -Nov

Community PS, F1 & 3
6.00 PM

Glenside PS, Sa1 & 3
1.30 PM

Match Cover Collectors Soc.
F4 8 PM, odd M from Jan

Numismatic Society S.A.
Th3 7.45 PM

Philatelic Society of SA
Tu1 730 PM, Sa4 1.30 PM, Feb-Nov

Printed Collectibles Club
Tu4 8 PM, Jan-Nov

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