

# FUN PHILATELICALY

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## NEW ZEALANDS LAST "OFFICIAL" STAMPS

In August, 1906, Cabinet decided that "as from 1st January next, the existing system of franking letters, packets and telegrams sent on public service, is to be abolished, and that in lieu thereof such correspondence is to be paid for by means of official stamps."

The completion of the first hundred years after the proclamation of New Zealand as a British Colony was naturally a special event, marked by special centennial publications and a large exhibition at Wellington in spite of World War II having begun. Planning for a special set of stamps had begun as early in 1936, and resulted in an original set of twelve, followed by two additional values.

This was the only time that a commemorative set was overprinted Official. It was considered that because of the historical importance of the issue, and the fact that the stamps would be in general use, that overprinting them on this occasion was justified.

To enable this issue of stamps to be overprinted three printing types (Formes) were made and the type of the overprint was different from that used for the other issues of NZ stamps in that there was a space between the letters "ff".

Row 4, Column 3 having a fault. That fault was the Type of the word "Official" had the double "ff" touching each other when of course like all the rest there should have been a space between the two "ff's".

In due time the printing caused the printing plates to wear and cause problems in all values of this set. The Printer Company tried to overcome this by replacing the worn Types with those that had not worn so much including new Types. However this replacing and including new Types caused the Printer Company to rearrange the position of the various Types which resulted in the double "ff" variety getting moved to Row 1 Column 10. The double "ff" variety also appeared in the other values of this set from that time on except for two values namely 1½d and 9d.



One Forme (printers type) was used for the 1s value, one for the 2½d and a third for the other values.



Sheets for the 2½d contained 160 stamps which resulted in one particular stamp which appeared in



The double "ff" printing error is shown on the top stamp of these two

There are many other printing faults to be found in this issue such as those to be found in the two values 1½d and 3d where the overprint was in Red while Black was selected for the other values. The 1½d colour Red did not vary to any

marked degree but the shade of the overprint for the value 3d ranged from bright red to maroon. On the 2d value, the overprint black appeared sometimes as grey-black and so there are many other flaws to be found but the double ff varieties are perhaps the more interesting.

# Stamp Camp 2014 News Release

## High Flying Stamp Camp 2014

Do you have the time for a week of fun with your Stamps? A week of fun and activities is planned for the 2014 stamp camp.

To be held at the Ardmore Training Corps Campsite in Ardmore, Auckland from the 6th to 12th July, it will be a week of stamp collecting Fun and Friendship for 10 to 16 year olds. This is a new camp site for our stamp camp and promises to be an exciting venue for our activities. The building of a new teaching block in 2013 extends the excellent facilities that the camp offers.

The camp is being organised by the Philatelic Youth Council of New Zealand to educate and

train enthusiastic young stamp collectors in the more detailed aspects of stamp collecting and exhibiting. Stamp camps have been held every year since 1966.

P.Y.C.'s top youth trainers will be guiding the young participants through the amazing fields of watermarks, perforations and printing as well as showing the techniques of how to put together a competitive stamp exhibit.

The programme for camp includes opportunities to learn more about the collecting process and how to put together a great stamp exhibit. Most of the previous campers in recent years have been able to take what they have achieved at camp and exhibit it in National Stamp Exhibitions.



This is also a great venue with many other activities that we will be utilising with our mystery trips and other planned events. At a cost of \$250 for the camp fee it is a very cost effective camp and will be a great week.

For further information email [stampcamp2014@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:stampcamp2014@vodafone.co.nz).

## Excerpts from the Chairpersons Report AGM February 2014.

The dedicated team we have in the PYC is the key to the achievement of what we have done during the last year. Without them these would not have been possible so I thank the whole executive and wider team for their efforts.

The Philatelic Youth Council has had some successes in the past year with further gold achievement awards being achieved by two more collectors. The Upper Hutt national exhibition had another strong youth contingent which was again pleasing to see.

The stamp camps are still significant for our youth to develop collections suitable for exhibiting. We need to maintain our camps to give us these collectors as they provide part of the positive profile we have. The 2013 Otaki camp was a great camp and was a great success with all campers completing their exhibits.

2014 will be an exciting year with the prospect of the first Youth International exhibition for some time in Malaysia in December. We need to use this year,

especially the first half, before entries are due, to ensure New Zealand is well represented.

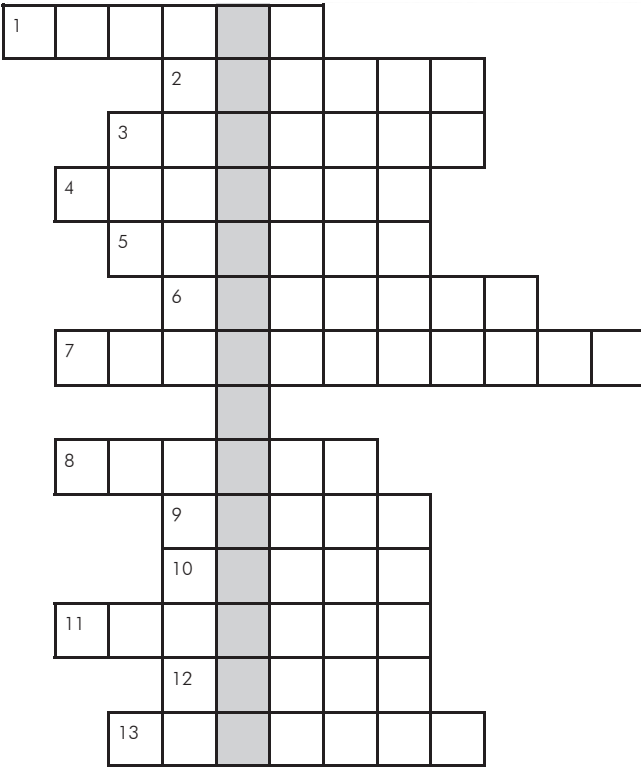
Fun Philately is our significant vehicle that provides the on-going communication to our wider youth collectors around the country with the absence of a greater network of stamp clubs. Anne and her wider team put in a lot of effort to get the issues out which is appreciated.

Technology still remains an area where PYC needs to develop a presence, with the internet, giving opportunities to build a solid base of youth that are either not able or unwilling to join the clubs. This does need to be a focus for 2014.

Funding for PYC for the 2013 financial year was stable with us able to get funding from The Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) which is appreciated and does help. The products we sell keep our finances ticking along and it is important that this continue with other projects to maintain an income stream.

# Country Puzzle

Use the English names of the countries that issued these stamps to fill in the puzzle below.  
The shaded squares spell out an important message!!



## CITY OF SAILS FINISH TO 2013 PUKEKOHE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Even though we are a small club at the moment the City of Sails Youth Stamp Club have had an eventful year. The members are all keen and have done well throughout the year with entering various competitions. The Christmas Party & Prize Giving was held in December and was a day of fun and games. Louise (Leader) provided the game called "Chinese Whispers" which was thoroughly enjoyed by all (members & leaders) The prizes and awards were then given. The afternoon ended with members enjoying a most delicious afternoon tea.



Rocel Katuin took out the Stamp Champ Award for 2013. She entered lots of the one page competitions each month and did well with her 4 page entry on Butterflies.

Her sister Junel was awarded a certificate for her contribution to the club. Junel not only enters as many of the competitions as she can, but she also passes on her knowledge to others.

We are really lucky to have these hard workers contributing in our club. We are very proud of them.





## World Youth Stamp Exhibition 2014

This year there is a World Youth Exhibition in Kuala Lumpur. Your Club Leaders know of exhibitors that have the necessary qualifying level. Entries for this event close very soon, please talk to your Club Leaders for more information.

# CLUBS

### CITY OF SAILS YOUTH STAMP CLUB AUCKLAND

Meet 2nd Saturday of the month  
Time 2.00pm  
Place Ranfurly Room,  
Epsom Community Centre,  
202 Gillies Ave  
Contact Tim Beach  
418 3126  
tim.beach@iconz.co.nz  
Barbara Streeter  
299 5993

Write to PO Box 2979, Auckland

### PUKEKOHE JUNIOR STAMP CLUB

Meet 1st Sunday of the month  
Time Swapping 1.30pm  
Meeting 2.00pm  
Place Reid Anderson Hall, Anglican Church,  
Cnr Wesley & Queen Sts  
Contact Yvonne Middleton  
238 9443  
ycmidd@ihug.co.nz  
Jacob Lieffing  
238 9835

### HUTT VALLEY JUNIOR STAMP CLUB

Meet 2nd Saturday of the month  
Time 1.00pm  
Place Epuni Baptist Church Hall  
Waterloo Road, Epuni  
Contact Ross Gainsford  
567 2429  
gainsford.family@xtra.co.nz  
Leila Thomson  
589 2981

### CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR STAMP CLUB

Meet 3rd Saturday of the month  
Time 1.30pm  
Place Philatelic Centre  
67 Mandeville Road, Riccarton  
Contact Geoff Tyson  
Tel 359 6279

**PLEASE NOTE: The Christchurch Junior Club has changed it's meeting date to the 3rd Saturday of the month starting with the March meeting.**

The above list of stamp clubs is made possible from the information supplied by each club. Contact the nearest organiser for the latest information and meeting details.

## NORTHPEX

12 APRIL 2014

## WHANGAREI PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Entry Form and Entry by 2 April 2014

Youth Class

Classes – Postal History, Traditional, Thematic or Open

Youth no older than 18 on 1st May 2013

- Entry is FREE.
- Exhibits can be 8 or 16 pages.
- The Competition is open to the members of all New Zealand Stamp Clubs and Philatelic Societies.
- Entries will be judged to approximate National level. A critique and the marking sheet will be returned with each entry. Judges will be available at the Exhibition to discuss exhibits.
- Special prizes will be available and awarded at the judges discretion.
- Details and entry form from C/-25 Tauroa Street, Whangarei 0110 or hbertolet@clear.net.nz.

## BAYPEX 2014



14-16 NOVEMBER 2014

PETTIGREW GREEN ARENA, TARADALE  
NAPIER

Entry Form by 30 June with a copy of title page.

Entrants are to be aged 21 years or younger on 1st January 2014.

Classes

### National

- 5.1 up to 15 years (1 to 3 frames)
- 5.2 16-18 years (2 to 4 frames)
- 5.3 19-21 years (3 to 5 frames)
- 5.4 16-21 years (1 frame - Non FIP)

### Development

- 6.3 below 13 years (8 or 16 pages)
- 6.4 13-15 years (8 or 16 pages)
- 6.5 16-21 years (16 pages)

Youth Entry for National Class \$10 per frame and is free for Development. Return postage must be paid by the entrant.

Further details please contact BAYPEX 2014, PO Box 864, Hastings 4156, email [clairemole@xtra.co.nz](mailto:clairemole@xtra.co.nz)

## PYC INTERCLUB

8 NOVEMBER 2014

## PHILATELIC YOUTH COUNCIL

Entry Form and Entry 25 October 2014

Classes – Traditional, Thematic, Postal History or Open

**Entrants are to be aged 18 years or younger on 1 November 2014**

- Judging will be carried out using the judging sheets approved by the PYC.
- There is no entry fee, but return postage must be paid by the club or individual.
- Entries must arrive no later than 25 October 2014.
- Entries must be of four or eight pages and have to be submitted through a Stamp Club. Both Community and School Stamp Clubs are eligible to enter.
- Entries should be sent to PO Box 2979, Shortland St, Auckland 1140.