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Local Post

Local posts are innovation initiatives created by local people where in their opinion the official national services were lacking. So usage is restricted to a stated district, town or country. Normally used only where there is no official service and/or only with the national postal authority approval. A good many of the Local Post services were strongly disapproved of by the national postal authority.

The Coolgardie Cycle Express Co, Australia

An example of a service disapproved of was the Coolgardie Cycle Express which operated from about 1894 to 1897. Coolgardie was a Local Post in the Eastern Goldfields of Western Australia. Coolgardie is some 550 kms north east of Perth WA.



Shown is the reverse side of a souvenir postcard of 1964 with a reproduction of the original advertising postcard of the 1890s. The next two examples are of the stamps used in the 1890s and then an item that went through the service which also has the official WA postage stamp on it as the item went further afield than the Coolgardie service.

Apeldoorn, Netherlands

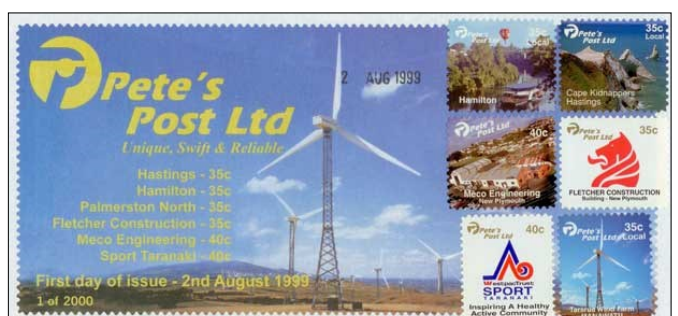
A service that was approved of by the national postal authority was the Apeldoorn service. Apeldoorn is a town in the Netherlands (Holland) in the province of Gelderland in the centre of the country. It is a regional centre. Stamps are issued by the local post service in Apeldoorn. The example shows the arms of the city of Apeldoorn. The company has issued many series of stamps; the series with the arms has been issued for many years and has the character of 'permanent' stamps.



Pete's Post Limited, New Zealand

Today the more usual term for 'Local Post' is likely to be as in New Zealand where the term is 'Alternative Mail provider' with Pete's Post as an example.

After New Zealand Post lost the exclusive right to deliver mail in New Zealand, a number of private firms set up in competition. One of these, Pete's Post, issues stamps and delivers mail nationwide. The example shows wind turbines featured on their 1999 first day cover (an envelope carrying a stamp postmarked with the date that stamp was first issued).



Youth Philatelist of the Year 2016

Lachlan Smith has been with the Hutt Valley Junior Stamp Club (HVJSC) for 7 years and has attended 7 PYC National Stamp Camps.

He has won awards in the HVJSC annual competitions, including the Overall Best Philatelist for the Year and the recently instituted Best Exhibitor trophy.

He has also won prizes in the HVPS's annual competitions.

Successes in Philatelic Exhibitions recently included runner up Best Youth Exhibit 2016.



PYC Inter Club Competition 2016

The exhibits were displayed together with display pages in ten frames, and the Interclub Shield presented at the Ambury Shield Day in Hamilton, on Saturday, 29th October 2016.

- Best Thematic/Open exhibit - Rose McTaggart (Hutt Valley Junior Stamp Club.)
- Best Traditional exhibit - Warrick Wright (Christchurch Junior Stamp Club.)
- Winning Club - Hutt Valley Junior Stamp Club with 311 points.
- And second – Christchurch Junior Stamp Club with 286 points

There was great interest in these exhibits with comments again mentioning "how the use of computers has so improved the general look and presentation of pages".



Excerpts from the Chairpersons Report AGM March 2017.

PYC continues to prosper with our activities continuing to provide benefit to the hobby. 2016 was another successful year for our youth collectors particularly with exhibiting, which included for the first time a New Zealand youth exhibitor, Warwick Wright, getting the Youth Grand Award at an FIP exhibition in New York.

Fun Philately continues to be our flagship product with it being distributed to all our youth who have shown an interest in the hobby. The use of colour in the issues has certainly modernised the look and interest, with positive feedback being received. Anne coordinates her team putting in a lot of effort organising the issues; Anne, and her team, have again done a great job.

The website advancement is also assisting PYC build its profile and reverse the reducing numbers of youth PYC has on its database. We have a need to make stamp collecting desirable again to the

technically savvy youth of today. The funding that we receive from COGS continues to make this development in the website possible.

The Wellington team managed to hold a great camp in 2016 which after some difficulties with a venue came together well. The stamp camps continue to be our vehicle that enables the continued success for our youth exhibitors. The costs of venues and commitment needed does make staging the camps a challenge, although the organising teams do a great job pulling it all together.

A challenge we do have is to bring in new people on to the team; ideally it would be great to see some of our youth who have come through our activities move onto our committee. The PYC executive is a committed group who do a great job with the resources we have. Once again thank you to the executive for the work you all achieve and I look forward to your continued support.

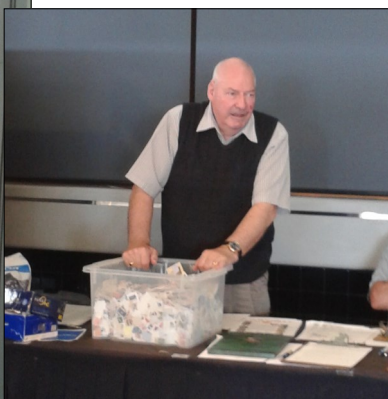
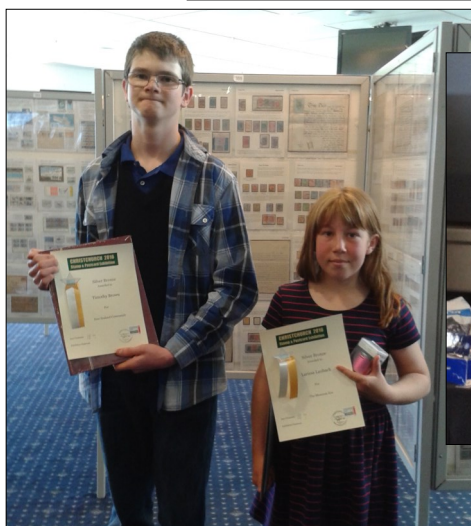
Club End of Year Roundup



Left and below Hutt Valley Junior Stamp Club



Above Pukekohe Juniors



Left and above Christchurch Junior Stamp Club



Above City of Sails Junior Stamp Club

Stamp Camp 2017 News Release

High Flying Stamp Camp 2017

Do you have the time for a week of fun with your Stamps? A week of fun and activities is planned for the 2017 stamp camp.

It is to be held at the Ardmore Training Corps campsite in Ardmore, Auckland from the 9th to 15th July. It will be a week of stamp collecting fun and friendship for 10 to 16 year olds.

Stamp camps have been held in many parts of NZ every year since 1966.

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 and International Stamp Exhibitions. Campers over the years have been very successful in exhibiting.

This is also a great venue with many other activities that we will be utilising with our mystery trips and other planned events. The cost of the Camp is \$250 per person. A deposit of \$100 is required to secure your place. If paid before 31st May 2017 the total camp price will be reduced to \$230 per person.

For further information email pycstampcamp@vodafone.co.nz

NIPEX 2017 10TH JUNE 2017
MT EDEN WAR MEMORIAL HALL
DOMINION RD, MT EDEN, AUCKLAND

Entrants are to be aged 20 years or younger on 1 January 2017

- Entry forms and entries are required on or before 20 May 2017.
- Each exhibit shall be of either 8 or 16 pages.
- Entries should be sent to PO Box 1932, Shortland St, Auckland 1140 or hand delivered to Chris Keery, C/-Auckland City Stamps, 1 Ngaire St, Newmarket, Auckland



PYC INTERCLUB
28 OCTOBER 2017

Entry Form and Entry by 14 October 2017
 Classes – Traditional, Thematic, Postal History or Open

Entrants are to be aged 18 years or younger on 1 November 2016

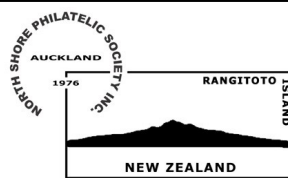
- Judging will be carried out using the judging sheets approved by the PYC.
- There is no entry fee, but return postage must be paid by the club or individual.
- Entries must arrive no later than 14 October 2017.
- Entries must be of four or eight pages and have to be submitted through a Stamp Club. Both Community and School Stamp Clubs are eligible to enter.
- Entries should be sent to PO Box 2979, Shortland St, Auckland 1140.

DID YOU KNOW

Special Japanese Stamps - 'Fumi no Hi' (Letter Writing Day).

In Japan, July 23 is known as 'fumi no hi,' the day of letters. The old name for the month of July was actually 'fumi tsuki' which means 'letter month.'

The old Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications (now Japan Post Holdings) brought this day into life in 1979. Since then, a special commemorative Japan stamps sheet has been issued every single year.



NORTH SHORE OPEN
7 OCTOBER 2017

Entry Form and Entry by 22 September 2017
 Youth Class

Classes – Postal History, Traditional, Thematic or Open

Youth 10 – 22 years old as at 1 Jan 2016

- 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 PO Box 34-253 Birkenhead, North Shore 0746



24-26 NOVEMBER 2017
DISTINCTION HOTEL
100 GARNETT AVE,
TE RAPA, HAMILTON

Entry Form by 30 August 2017.

Entry by 18 November 2017.

Entrants are to be aged 21 years or younger on 1st January 2017.

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)

Youth Developing Exhibits

- 6.5(a) 16-18 years old (1 frame)
- 6.5(b) 19-21 years old (2 frames)

Development

- 6.6(a) below 13 years (8 or 16 pages)
- 6.6(b) 13-15 years (8 or 16 pages)
- 6.6(c) 16-21 years (16 pages)

Youth Entry for National Class & Development are free. Return postage must be paid by the entrant. Entries should be sent to LG Chitty, 141 Main North Road, Otorohanga 3900, email royalpex2017@rpsnz.org.nz, www.rpsnz.org.nz