

# The Bulletin

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## The Trent-Severn Waterway

You might recall Jim Measure's column last month about his travels on the Trent-Severn. I had the privilege of going to Peterborough this past weekend, located in the middle of that great waterway. While there, my wife and I took a short two hour cruise to see the great Lift Lock just north of that city. It is pictured on a Canadian stamp that Jim used to illustrate his column (and re-used here) - along with my own photo of that amazing piece of engineering. If you get the chance to see it, it is well worth the trip!!



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**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- SAUGEEN STAMP CLUB, Tuesday August 2
- KINCARDINE STAMP CLUB Wednesday August 3
- OWEN SOUND STAMP CLUB Wednesday August 17

## Kitchener-Waterloo Royal \*2016\* Royale

Friday August 19th to Sunday August 21st  
 Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex  
 101 Father David Bauer Drive



25+ Dealers and 150 Frames of Exhibits

**One Page Exhibits—**

**upcoming topics:**

Aug: Royalty (but not QEII)

September: Transportation (cars only!)

October: TBA

## ***THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE..... Walt Berry***

July was another super meeting of friends attending the monthly meeting of the Saugeen Stamp Club in spite of the warm weather in our catchment area. The monthly single page challenge only had a single entry – this monthly challenge presents a chance for members to practise their exhibiting skills for the club challenge at next years' annual show. Treasurer Ralph is working towards booking the hall for the first Saturday in May and this will be confirmed once the contract is in place.

Club Treasurer reports the club is in good financial shape – and the Royal account should be closed out by members with signing rights. As members may recall this account was created during the Royal held in Hanover with the purpose of promoting philately to the youth of the area.

Past President & bulletin editor Bill Findlay was presented with his corrected Vermeil award for our club bulletin – Great work Bill and thank you for the work you do for the club. The original award had misspelled his name and a new award requested from the American Philatelic Society.

A note of thanks also goes out to the volunteer who stepped up to record the auction results – Thank You Judy. We are so fortunate to have many volunteers who readily make the club meetings interesting – especially auctioneer David aided by Dieter and Ken.

Club members are reminded to support local clubs who have their annual show coming up in the next few months – especially Royal 2016 being held at the Waterloo Memorial Recreation Centre on August 19 – 21. Please check your Grand News for other shows... Kincardine August 13<sup>th</sup>, Cambridge September 17<sup>th</sup> and Owen Sound September 24.

The recent publication from the Royal Philatelic Society (The Canadian Philatelist) has an excellent article penned by Jim Phillips – Director of Stamp Services at Canada Post. Jim outlines the reality that stamp collecting is on the decline and despite efforts by many club across the country, new collectors are not being attracted to the hobby. This requires the postal administration to expand the stamp program to interest non collector individuals in topics of interest – such as the Star Trek issues.

### **What's coming up...**

*See the Grand News for complete information on the following shows:*

**August 13—KINEX—Kincardine SC Annual Show**

**August 19-21—Royal\*2016\*Royale, Waterloo**

**September 17—Cambridge Stamp Show**

**September 24—Owen Sound Stamp Show**

**October 15-16—CANPEX2016 London ON**

**October 22—Guelphpex 2016 Guelph Stamp Club Show**

**October 29—GRVPA Club Fair, Cambridge**



**ANOTHER "MEASURED MOMENT".....D.J. "JIM" MEASURES****GREECE**

As a young collector I obtained numerous job lots of stamps and became intrigued with those that were using a language that was not familiar to me, especially the Greek stamps that even used an alphabet that was strange. However what also got me interested in Greek stamps was the great detail that I saw when I took out my magnifying glass.



Some of these stamps are older than me and were engraved with amazing detail. I delighted in seeing the tiny ships in a harbor or the details of the Battle of Salamis on these engraved stamps. When I get out a catalogue it is a particular challenge to locate them when the writing on the stamps is totally foreign to me. Nevertheless there is a feeling of satisfaction when I am eventually able to identify such a stamp.

It seems that dealers who made up the job lots include many foreign stamps that were eye catching but not popular because of the language difficulty for people such as me and my friends, who were just staring out in this wonderful hobby. By taking time to examine some of these old beauties I can get lost in the wonder of them and imagine that I am back there seeing these scenes once again. I'm glad that I still have some of these stamps to remind me of the wonder that first attracted me to

Stamp Collecting.

**GRVPA 22nd ANNUAL CLUB FAIR**

Saturday October 29 2016

10:00am to 4:30pm

United Kingdom Hall, Cambridge

450 Circuit books—two silent auctions



## *Saugeen Stamp Club*

*Chapter 220, Royal Philatelic  
Society of Canada  
Chapter 1538, American  
Philatelic Society  
Chapter 21, Grand River  
Valley Philatelic Association*

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## **GRVPA NEWS...**

Check out the latest *GRAND NEWS* for information about our fellow clubs, and their meetings and shows.

*The next GRVPA Directors  
meeting is August 20 2016,  
at the Royal.*

## **Saugeen Stamp Club**

We welcome the Sales Circuit from sister club in Owen Sound to our August meeting—more opportunity to add to your collection. And those of you who are members of both clubs can add to this circuit as well as the Saugeen circuit.

Remember to check out our website -  
<http://saugeenstampclub.webplus.net/>.

Along with *The Bulletin* from 2014 on, you will find links to the RPSC, the GRVPA and other organizations, as well as contact info for our club.

