

# The Bulletin

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## *A SPECIAL MAILING—CHECK YOUR ENVELOPE!!*

Be sure to check the stamp and cancellation on your Bulletin envelope this month. Thanks to Jim Measures and Ann Lange, Postmaster of the Clifford Post Office, we have an envelope that is both a First Day Cover for the new Hockey stamps, and also the First Day of Use for the new Clifford Postmark, to publicize the 150th anniversary of Clifford, Ontario (the same year as Canada's 150th).



Dear Invited Guests,

The Clifford Post Office is excited to invite you to our unveiling of the new Clifford Homecoming Cancellation. This will be taking place **Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 am.**

We will be giving away 1<sup>st</sup> day covers and free tickets to the Hockey Hall of Fame of Toronto.

Please join us for the fun all day long.

Thank you

Ann Lange

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- SAUGEEN STAMP CLUB, Tuesday October 4
- KINCARDINE STAMP CLUB Wednesday October 5
- OWEN SOUND STAMP CLUB Wednesday October 19
- GUELPH STAMP CLUB Tuesday October 18
- STRATFORD STAMP CLUB Thursday October 27

**One Page Exhibits—**

**upcoming topics:**

October: Exhibitor's Choice

November: Remembrance Day

December: TBA

January: TBA

**THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN .....WALT BERRY**

Our September meeting had great attendance of friends interested in the hobby of stamp collecting – many with diversified interests. The monthly door prizes and 50/50 draw is managed by member Marion and her participation is greatly appreciated (Thank you Marion). There is always a good variety of topics covered in the SHOW & TELL – bring along any new and/or interesting items to share with other members. Past President Peter provided several items of interest (welcome back Peter). PP Bill was away on his annual canoe trip – hope he had a great adventure and perhaps he will give an update upon his return. Jim M always has a few items / stories of interest to share – on Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup> the Clifford Post Office will have a launch of their new cancellation along with a number of free admission tickets to the Hockey Hall of Fame. Should you be in the area drop in to share their celebration. Yours truly will be at the official stamp launch of the newest set of hockey stamps at the HHOF.

Members are encouraged to participate in the October single page challenge – there is no specific topic – exhibitors are to pick their own topic from their collection.

Don't forget to support other local clubs and dealers. Check the Grand News for shows!!

Happy Stamping!!



Peter Rabbit and Mrs. Rabbit enjoy some British weather!!

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### What's coming up...

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

**October 1—LAMPEX2016 Sarnia Stamp Club Show**

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

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

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

**November 4-5—Hamilton Stamp Club Fall Show**



**ANOTHER ‘MEASURED’ MOMENT.....*Jim Measures***

**FANNING ISLAND**

You may recall that I was on a cruise and mailed our club bulletin from Fanning Island in 2004. The stamp used shows the cruise ship and a map showing where Fanning is located in relation to Hawaii. Our Bulletins arrived without any cancellations in most cases and in a few cases they were cancelled in Hawaii.

Fanning has never had stamps of their own. The earliest covers that I have seen from Fanning used New Zealand stamps. (That’s what got me interested in Fanning Island.) later they were made part of the Gilbert & Ellis Islands Colony and used G&E stamps,. When that colony was broken up Fanning became part of the Republic of Kiribati, and so it remains.



In the 1920s the people of Fanning Island asked the British Post Office for their own stamps and although proofs were prepared, no Fanning Island stamps were produced.

When I visited, I met some of the residents of Fanning Island—see the

photo I took of a typical family standing in front of their house. I fear for these people as climate change is causing water levels to rise so much that several islands have already had to be evacuated. Prediction are for sea levels to rise 12 feet in the next 50 years and the highest land on Fanning Island was 10 feet above sea levels in 2004. You do the Math! If climate change continues we may never again be able to visit Fanning or many other beautiful islands around the world.



Where will the people go?  
Do we Care?

Another oddball that recently crossed my desk.  
Anyone have any knowledge of this one?





# Saugeen Stamp Club

Chapter 220, Royal Philatelic Society of Canada  
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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 October 11 2016.*

## Beatrix Potter 1866-1943

This year is the 150th anniversary of the birth of this well known writer



of the Peter Rabbit books (among others). The Royal Mail has issued a very pleasant set of stamps to com-



memorate the occasion—I recently received an FDC with the souvenir sheet nicely cancelled—check it out on our website to see it in lovely colour! Of course the RM has issued a number of stamps in the past on the same very popular topic.



## GRVPA 22nd ANNUAL CLUB FAIR

Saturday October 29 2016

10:00am to 4:30pm

United Kingdom Hall, Cambridge