

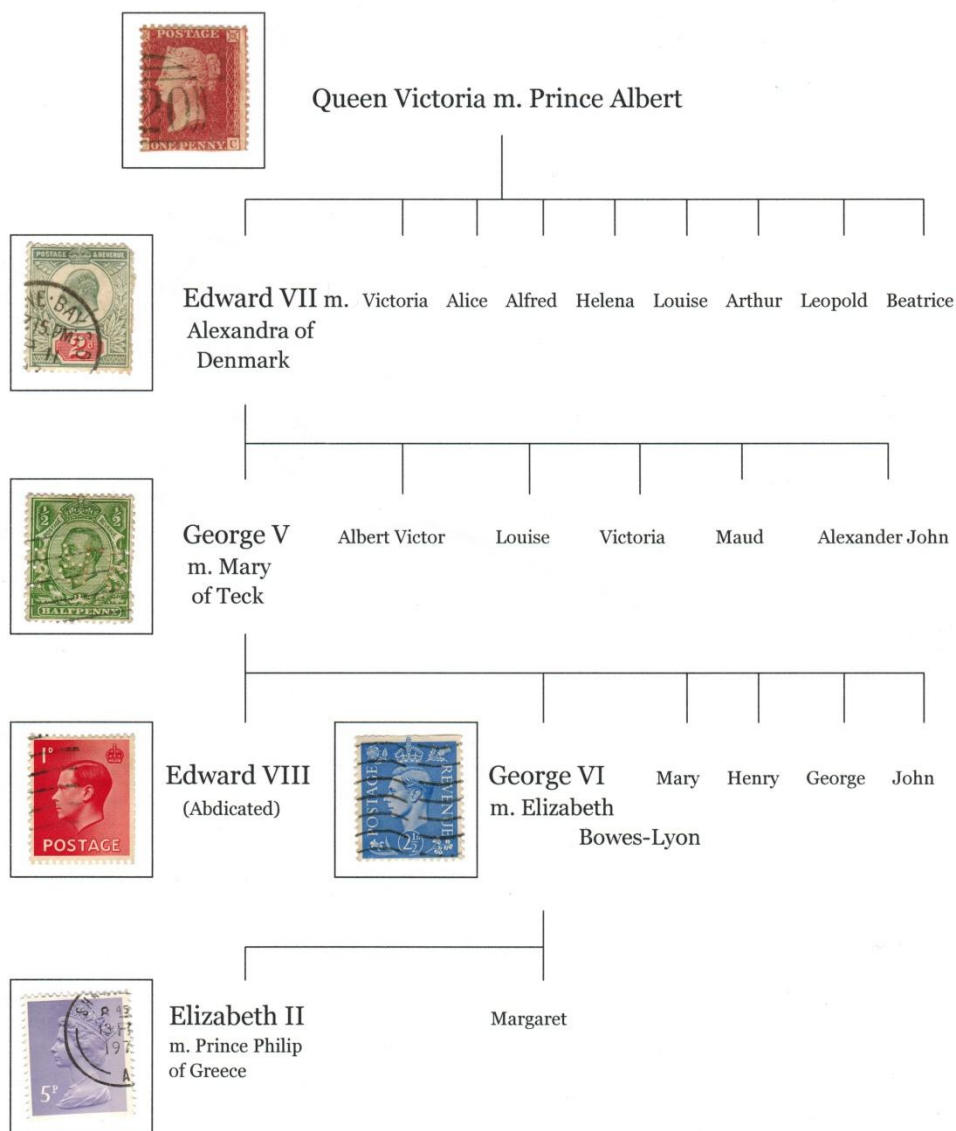
# The Bulletin

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Upcoming Meetings

- Saugeen Stamp Club  
Tuesday July 2
- Kincardine Stamp Club  
Wednesday July 3
- Owen Sound Stamp Club  
Wednesday July 17
- Guelph Stamp Club  
Wednesday July 3  
Wednesday July 17
- KW Philatelic Society  
Thursday July 4

The Lineage of Queen Victoria



**One Page Exhibits -  
Upcoming Topics**

**July -**  
Natural Phenomenon

**Aug -**  
Canada

**Sept -**  
Medals

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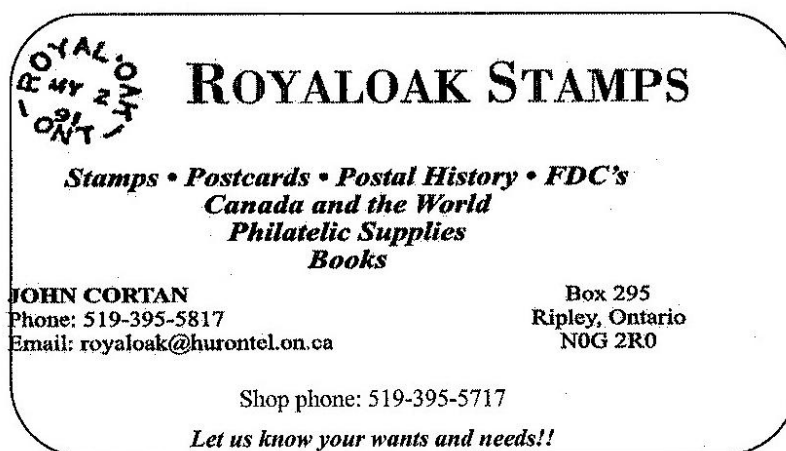
## **THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN.....Walt Berry**

Another good meeting of friends at the June 2019 Saugeen Stamp Club. The main issue for the evening discussion was the application of a replacement for the editor of the Grand News and her proposal for the format of forthcoming issues. Several issues were discussed i.e number of pages; distribution generally, including copies to members who do not have internet & members who have dual membership in clubs within the Grand. How will advertising revenue be used. The sharing of viruses on members computers could also be a concern. The important issue is that it is a positive step forward to replace the long-term volunteer who has been doing the work of editor. There will be bumps and grinds to be worked out along the way.

The Peoples Choice award has been taken in to have current winners names added for 2018 & 2019 – presentation will be made to David Pugh upon his return from his adventure to the eastern coast of Canada in August. **Please consider being the auctioneer for the month of July.**

The winner of the single page challenge chose Medals (Award Badges) for the September Exhibit –

**I am sure many members have material they would like to sell to fellow members – outside of the sales circuit. Bring it along and make it available during the meeting.**



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### **What's coming up:**

*See the Grand News for complete details for the following:*  
June 21-23, 2019 – Royal \*2019\* Royale, Hilton Mississauga  
July 18 – 21 – PHSC Symposium  
August 10 – Kinex 2019 – Kincardine Stamp Club

## Another Measured Moment.....

### King Edward VIII – The Canadian Connection



About 1920, David Edward Windsor was Prince of Wales when he first visited Canada. With his brother who was later to be King George VI, he opened the new gates, named “The Princes’ Gates” at the CNE in Toronto. Then on a western tour he purchased a ranch in Alberta, where he spent several summers during the 1920s.



During his early visits to Canada, the Prince of Wales spent some time in the Kitchener and Galt area where he met a young lady, Millicent Milroy, the daughter of a local farmer. Miss Millicent Milroy was a teacher and one of her early positions was at Lambton Mills, now in the west end of Toronto, where one of her students for 4 years was my mother.

When she left my mother’s school she moved to Alberta and according to the story that she told in later years she renewed her friendship with the Prince of Wales and they were secretly married. It was to be a “Morganatic Marriage”; that is to say, the wife and any children could have no claim on the assets or title of the husband. This was a common practice for high ranking men in past centuries whenever they married a commoner.

Millicent Milroy returned to Ontario in 1933 and eventually retired in Rockwood. She claimed that she had 2 sons from her marriage and that they were given away in adoption in order to avoid embarrassment to the royal family. On several occasions she showed friends her family Bible containing notes about the marriage, photographs of the Prince and an Alberta marriage certificate. The story may have never come to the attention of the public beyond Miss Milroy’s friends, except that in 1968 she had a monument erected for her grave in Cambridge’s Mountainview Cemetery on which she is identified as “Daughter of James and Helen Milroy, .... Wife of Edward VIII, Duke of Windsor”. A variety of magazines and TV programmes learned of this claim and did a variety of stories on the topic, some speculating on the effect that Miss Milroy’s claim would have had on events of 1936 when Edward was King and attempting to marry Wallis Simpson.

In the 1970s Millicent Milroy was well known as a writer of Letters to the Editor of the *Guelph Mercury* although she never spoke of the Prince of Wales in those letters. Was the final chapter of this story written when Millicent died in 1985? Her vacant house in Rockwood was broken into with nothing taken except for her family Bible with the pictures and marriage certificate. Perhaps they will be found some day reviving interest in a “Royal Canadian Drama”.

Miss Millicent Milroy has never appeared on a Canadian postage stamp, although she is a central figure in a fascinating Canadian story. Edward, however has appeared twice on Canadian Stamps and five times on the stamps of Newfoundland; all as Prince, long before his reign as King. There were stamps prepared in 1936 showing him as our King, but when he abdicated in December 1936 they were all destroyed. The only postage stamps ever issued that showed him as King Edward VIII were the four British stamps issued in 1936.

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One of my hobbies is genealogy. I have created a very large family tree over the last 45 years going back 10 generations on one line. I have been collecting stamps even longer. I don't know yet if there are stamps with genealogy as a topic. Some day in my free time I must research. (Don't you find that since being retired you have less free time.) Another hobby, although waning, is the English royal family. Not because of interest but because of space in my home. This started when the Queen came to Canada in the 50's.

Well you say "Why am I sharing this about myself?" I have an answer... I have combined these three hobbies into one little project; "The Lineage of Queen Victoria", a family tree of the British Monarchy using stamps to portray the monarchs. Can you do the same.... mix your hobbies into one project?

Diane Jarvis

***Shared Strategies:***

***In keeping with the stamp collection that was distributed through sales to other collectors this past winter, have you made provisions for your collection when you can no longer spend time with it?***

***Saugeen Stamp Club***

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

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