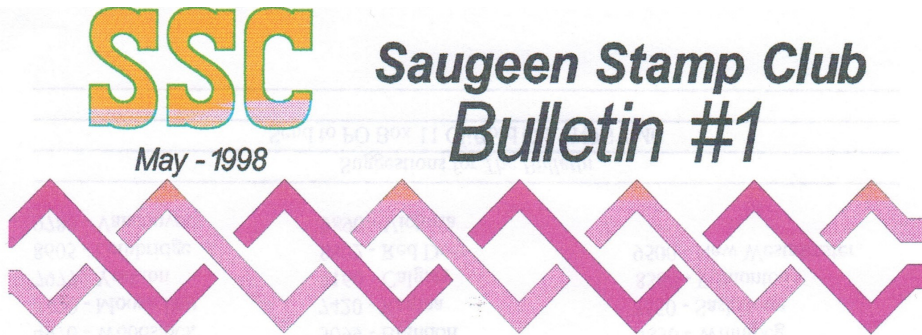


# The Bulletin

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### BIG NEWS

At a Meeting held at The Hanover Curling Club, on 5 May 1998, a new organization was launched. 14 philatelists gathered and agreed that they would like to have a *Stamp Club* in this area. After some discussion four possible names were suggested and after a vote of those present the name - *Saugeen Stamp Club* - was chosen.

There were stamp collectors from Walkerton, Clifford, Chesley, and Mount Forest as well as Hanover in attendance. Since the meeting was held on a Tuesday and this seems to be an open evening for those present, it was agreed that meetings would be on Tuesday evenings, either once or twice per month. The Curling Club is available only during the summer (off season for Curling), so we will be looking for a permanent meeting place; although we will meet at the Curling Club until October.

Next Meeting -- Tuesday 2 June 1998 at Hanover Curling Club 7:30 P.M.  
Come and bring a Friend!!

The programme will include an *Auction* :  
Each person is asked to bring 3 lots, valued up to \$10.00 for sale in the Auction.

One business item must be decided : *Dues*  
How will we finance our Club? What Dues should we Charge?  
Come with your ideas prepared to discuss this issue.

You will (We hope) receive this *Bulletin* by Air Mail from Europe. This is courtesy of Dick & Joan McTavish who are taking a cruise this week.

You may want to save the cover this *Bulletin* comes in, as we plan to mail each *Bulletin* from a different post office and therefore produce some interesting history for our new club. Most *Bulletins* will be mailed here in Ontario, but if any member is going on a trip please advise your Editor, so that we can get some different post marks for our collection of *Bulletin Covers*

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Tip of the Month-- When soaking stamps off paper, Warm water works faster than cold; however, Hot water may cause some ink to fade and therefore damage the stamp.

### Upcoming Meetings

Saugeen Stamp Club  
Tuesday May 5  
Cancelled

Kincardine Stamp Club  
Wed May 6 ?

Owen Sound Stamp Club  
Wed May 20 ?

Guelph Stamp Club  
Wed May 6 ?  
Wed May 20 ?

KW Philatelic Society  
Thursday May 14 ?

Check with the club  
before going to its meet-  
ing. It may be cancelled.

### ONE PAGE EXHIBITS

### UPCOMING TOPICS

NEXT MEETING -  
Design a stamp  
(see details pg 2)

NEXT MEETING + 1 -  
Airmail

NEXT MEETING + 2 -  
Flowers

NEXT MEETING + 3 -  
My Favourite Stamp

## Message From the President

As you read this message, it is sincerely hoped that you, your family, friends and neighbours are well and have adapted to the new restrictions placed on your daily life by the virus. Is everyone following the guidelines set up by the Health experts to rid our communities of this pandemic? As we know there is no known cure only steps to control & prevent. Please do your part – we are all in this together.

Most important is to rely on facts from the medical community and not on the utterings of many people expressing their un-qualified comments.

Many people and businesses are having a very difficult time – from layoffs, business closures, limited activity and lack of financial resources. A suggestion / recommendation has been put forth to support the facility where we hold our monthly meeting. St Matthews Church has been our home meeting location for several years now and they must be suffering from the effects of closure and loss of donations from their congregation and rental of space in the building.

**I propose that we (The Saugeen Stamp Club) continue to pay the rental fee for the use of their facility.**

Should any member wish to comment, please contact President Walt Berry at 519 887 6999 or [wsberry@sympatico.ca](mailto:wsberry@sympatico.ca)

Comments will be accepted until May 14 (prior to the June bulletin issue) and a decision will be made for that bulletin.

On the matter of monthly meetings, this issue continues to be on hold. Members will be advised as soon as possible when the restrictions have been lifted.

The break in monthly meetings should allow members to revisit their individual collections and review their interests.

### A Little Humour

**SOMEHOW, I'M GETTING STRONGER AS I GET OLDER, LAST YEAR I COULDN'T CARRY \$100.00 WORTH OF GROCERIES – THIS YEAR IT IS EASY.**

Sign in a barber shop window: SIX BARBERS - CONTINUOUS DISCUSSION

**Birthdays are good for you. The more you have the longer you live**

Keep WELL & SAFE.

### Design a Stamp

Since we will not be meeting for a while I thought we could have a little contest for the best design of a stamp commemorating the Coronavirus of 2020. I know, I know, no one wants to discuss it any further but maybe we could get it out of our system by designing a stamp. Hand drawn or computer generated. Who will come up with the best design. We will see at our next meeting.

## What's Coming Up

See the Grand News for complete details of the following:

May 2 Saugeen Stamp Club Annual Show and Bourse CANCELLED

May 3 May Day Stamp Show CANCELLED

May 2-3 Orapex, Ottawa TENTATIVE

May 9 Lampex CANCELLED

June Royal 2020 CANCELLED

## ***Another Measured Moment.....***

5 May 1998

5 May 2020 would have been the date of our regular monthly meeting; it would also be the 22nd anniversary of the first meeting of our *Saugeen Stamp Club*.

I don't have an accurate date but it was about 25 years ago that Peter Kritz knocked on my door because; he had heard that, like him, I was a stamp collector. From that time we often sat in Peter's office in the bank, where he was manager, and talked stamps. We decided that perhaps there were others who are also "lonely collectors" who may like to gather and form a stamp club. As a member of the local curling club, Peter arranged for the use of their building for a first meeting, held on 5 May 1998. Hanover at that time had a hobby shop, that sold some stamp supplies, on the main street and Brian the proprietor offered to place an add in the *Hanover Post* to promote such a meeting.

There were 14 people at that meeting, and Brian took a picture of us. A copy of that picture, is in our display cabinet on the wall, in our regular meeting place, in Hanover's St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. There were exactly 14 people at each of the first 6 meetings, but a different group at each meeting. Only 4 of that original group are still active members; do have a look at that picture, {and see how stamps have helped to keep us looking young.} In November 1998 we had 22 people at our first meeting at the Hanover Library, and we continued to grow. By 2003 we were doing so well that we were able to host the RPSC's annual convention and national show. Most would agree that it was one of the most successful Royals ever. We had tremendous support from the town and the community, so when, {*Surprise!*} we had a financial profit, we were able to give about \$2000.00 to various charities in Hanover and to purchase Scott catalogues for several of the local libraries in the area represented by our membership.

The First *Saugeen Stamp Club BULLETIN* was mailed from Majorca, Spain by Dick & Joan McTavish, who were going on a European Cruise, so we have attempted to have it mailed from a different Post Office every month. So far the *BULLETIN* has been mailed from every province of Canada, every territory and from 16 foreign countries. We even got some interesting post marks e.g., White Horse for the year of the Horse, and Paradise Newfoundland.

## Saugeen Stamp Club

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

**Meeting:** St. Matthew's  
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### From the Editor:

Just a reminder to all our members that our meeting and show in May have been cancelled due to the COVID -19 Pandemic.

In the meantime if anyone has any news or items to share during our hiatus please forward them to me either by email or by snail mail I would love to get them for the Bulletin. I will publish the Bulletin as usual during the coming months.

My mailing address is: PO Box 1571, Wingham, ON N0G 2W0

Everyone stay safe and healthy 'til we meet again

I was looking up a definition at one time and found this list and thought it useful as a quick reference. Some I knew but some I didn't. I hope you also find it useful.

**Postal tax stamp** - a stamp which raises **revenue** for charity or war related projects. They are similar to semi-postals, except their use is mandatory instead of voluntary. They are used to show payment of a compulsory tax on mailing letters and parcels.

Scott "B" stamps – Semi-Postal

Scott "C" and "CO" stamps – Air Mail

Scott "CE" stamps – Air Mail Special Delivery

Scott "E" and "EO" stamps – Special Delivery

Scott "F" stamps – Registration

Scott "J" stamps – Postage Due

Scott "MR" stamps – War Tax

Scott "OA" stamps – Perforated Official

Scott "O" stamps – Overprinted Official

Scott "OX" stamps – Officially Sealed

Scott "PWR" stamps – Prisoner of War Free Franks



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