

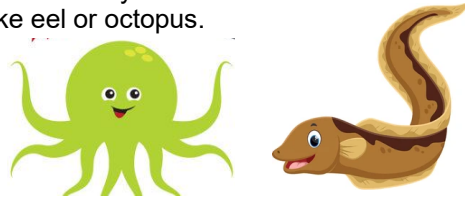
# The Bulletin

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## What to Use When Soaking Stamps

By Diane Jarvis

I tried something new recently and I am not sure I liked it. No it wasn't something to eat like eel or octopus.



It was a technique using something I had never used before.

Let me give you a little history. When I first started stamp collecting (a few years ago) I soaked stamps off in water and put them on several layers of newspaper to dry. Layers and layers of newspaper later (because I never soaked stamps a few at a time) I would be finished. The next day they were all flat and dry. Newspaper seams to wick very well.

As I got older I noticed that newspaper ink was on the back of the stamps. I didn't see anything on the front but it might still be there. So I started scrounging from anywhere, newsprint that was blank. Then I would let them dry and I reused this type of paper for years.



Then I had kids! And I found the Teachers Store. Wow I found a whole stack of newsprint for next to nothing and my kids could use it to paint on and there was plenty for me to use to soak stamps. I still have some left and my kids are 38 and 40. (that is how much I reuse it)



Then came the selling of of those dreaded photo albums with the plastic peel up sheets. Well, I took those suckers apart and threw out the covers and spiral rings (I just couldn't think what I could use them for) and kept the pages. Well, I thought, stamps are getting stickier, maybe if I soak the stamps and put them on the plastic pages (leaving the cardboard in between). Then if some glue is left maybe they will just come off if I flex the sheet. I still put the newsprint in between the album sheets. It

worked and I have used them ever since. Reusing them of course. But I have now added cereal box liners to my stash. They are thinner and even more flexible.

Until the blasted USA came out with their self stick that are just too much self sticky. If you leave any of the glue on them they won't even come off the plastic pages or the cereal box liners. Hence the whole Dawn trials.

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### Upcoming<sup>u</sup> Meetings

Saugeen Stamp Club  
**Sat Feb 3 2024**

Kincardine Stamp Club  
Wed February 7

Owen Sound Stamp Club  
Thurs Feb 8 Zoom  
Wed February 21

Guelph Stamp Club  
Wed February 7  
Wed February 21

KW Philatelic Society  
Thurs February 15

Oxford Zoom Auction  
Fri February 16

Check with the club  
before going to its  
meeting.

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### EXHIBITS

### UPCOMING

### TOPICS

### February

Famous Person

### March

Royalty

### April

San Marino

## **Message from the President**

Please take note of the following:

1. We need a new Coordinator for our Club Show in May 2025. This is Ralph's last year but I am sure he will have a list of dealers that he can pass on.
2. Our February meeting will be **Saturday, Feb. 3 from 1 – 3 pm.**
3. We are looking for a club logo to submit to Canada Post for our May Show.

### Sponsored Stamps of Canada

by Tony Brown

(from the RPSC on-line Library (abbreviated))

Introduced by Canada Post in 1990 as part of a general trend towards increased commercialization of postal services and as a means to provide additional revenue, the sponsorship of postage stamps is a somewhat controversial issue among philatelists. Those who attach considerable import to postage stamps as a medium that helps to define a country tend to feel that commercial sponsorships cheapen that noble purpose. Others are less concerned and view sponsorships as just another interesting facet to the hobby.

This article makes no judgment as to the correctness of sponsorships. Its aim is simply to present the facts about them.

Some examples of the stamps he presented are:

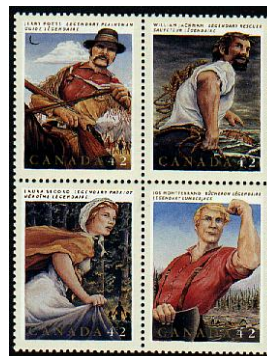
The Canadian Chamber of Commerce sponsored the 39-cent Canada Day issue commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Canadian flag.



On 1 October 1990, MacDonald Restaurants of Canada became the first company whose logo was to appear on a postal issue.



Kraft Foods of Canada sponsored the next two: the Winter Olympics Booklet (7 February 1992) and the Summer Olympics Booklet (15 June 1992).



On 8 September 1992, Laura Secord Inc. sponsored the Canadian Folklore Legendary Heroes issue, which featured Laura Secord along with three other heroes.

## ***Another Measured Moment (returns next month)***

Submitted by Bill Findlay

- from Hobbies – The Magazine for Collectors – September 1936

It is reported that a hotel in Hurley, Wis., sold for \$7,000 in money and \$23,000 in stamps! The stamps and envelopes filled 13 boxes and weighed nearly 2 tons.



A large part of these consisted of World's Fair Columbia postal cards with ten different commemorative scenes. There were 45 albums full of stamps, over 200 full sheets of uncut

stamps, about 300 approval books and sheets; 22 large stock books, mainly US; several hundred packets containing from 100 to 10,000 stamps each;



stamp guide books and uncounted bags and

barrels full of stamps. Total stamps was estimated to number approximated 9 million.



## Saugeen Stamp Club

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

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Club Website:  
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[https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionFiles/Cat\\_OwenSC.aspx](https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionFiles/Cat_OwenSC.aspx) – You may  
view listed items in the current auction on this page. These will be the  
same scans used during the auction

<https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionFiles/OwenTCs.html> – Terms and  
Conditions - please read if you are listing or bidding in the auction

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But back to today. In an auction lot I think in Owen Sound I got a Leuchtturm  
Drying Book.



I hadn't used it up to recently because I kept thinking I really didn't see how it would work. It is spiral bound and I didn't think it was meant to be taken apart to use so if you filled it with wet stamps how would they dry. The pages are very thick and porous so definitely would wick the water out of the stamp but if the book was closed how would the water move out of the pages?

Well I gave it a whirl a while ago. By the next day the pages and therefore the stamps were still wet. I carefully opened each page and put paper towel between the pages. (The newsprint had moved back downstairs where I am supposed to do

these things.) By later that afternoon I gave up. Took out all the stamps from the Drying Book and put them between two sheets of paper towel and then they dried.

So I am going back to my plastic photo pages and cereal box liners and newsprint. Not all the gimmicks are better than the tried and true.

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information and past Bulletins  
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