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**Etymology** The word "philately" is the English version of the French word "philatélie", coined by Georges Herpin in 1864. Herpin stated that stamps had been collected and studied for the previous six or seven years and a better name was required for the new hobby than *timbromanie*, which was disliked. He took the Greek root word  $\phi\lambda(o)$ -*phil(o)*-, meaning "an attraction or affinity for something", and  $\alpha\tau\acute{\epsilon}\lambda\epsilon\iota\alpha$  *ateleia*, meaning "exempt from duties and taxes" to form "philatelie". The introduction of postage stamps meant that the receipt of letters was now free of charge, whereas before stamps it was normal for postal charges to be paid by the recipient of a letter.

The alternative terms "timbromania", "timbrophily" and "timbrology" gradually fell out of use as *philately* gained acceptance during the 1860s.



Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Stoke School at 7:15pm sales table, 7:30 meeting

### Club Programme

**Sunday:** July 12<sup>th</sup> – NOTE this is a SUNDAY  
From 1.30 to 3.30 (Bring some pages from your album)

**Display letter:** display deliciously dazzling delicacies depicting denominations denoting Deeeeeeeee

**Follow the red boxes... and follow the money.....**

What was it worth - all 322 stamps from 1967 to 1979 will set you back \$33.55 - wow still \$\$\$\$ for champers!

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USA Independence Day – 4<sup>th</sup> of July







Richmond's Kelvin Trower with some of his collection at Stoke School over the weekend. Photo: Monique Bergman.

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Kelvin Trower, from Richmond, has been collecting stamps for around 40 years. At the open day,

he displayed a collection of stamps and hand-embroidered cards made during World War One that came out of a collection of postcards from a Miss Annie Wells who resided at Tophouse, Blackball and Havelock.

"I have been a market gardener all of my life and outside in all sorts of weather.

"I only have Sunday afternoons off, so I lock myself inside and work on my stamp collection, it is a real passion that I have," says Kelvin.

If you would like further information, please go to the nelsonstamps.org.nz website or contact Allan on 547 1140.

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"Some people see an advert about the open day and think it is a good time to get rid of old bags of stamps, but most people come in with their collections and it is a chance for people to see stamps they may not have seen before," says committee member, Pam Frahm.

Weldon Lineham, from Stoke, has been collecting stamps for around 40 years. "I started collecting stamps when I was

young and had a break, and when my hair started turning the right colour I went back into it. It is a relaxing hobby but you are also focused on something, it keeps your mind active and it's a good form of education, you learn a lot when you are researching. We collect because we are obsessed," says Weldon.

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July 14 is BASTILLE DAY

♪ La La LA Lah LA,

LaH la LA,

♪ La LaH La LA,

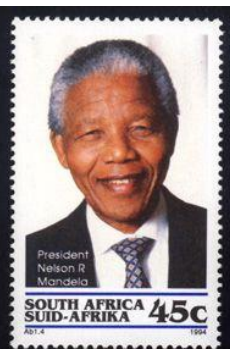
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## AGM REPORT

Following our decision last year to have 3 year terms for the club's elected officers, we have had a switch round this year. Both president and secretary stepped down and declared they would not stand again, as Allan had long ago done his 3 year term. The new president for the 2015 term is Robert Perrin and new secretary is Nik (as this fits in with the newsletter anyway). However Robert then announced he will be away for the next 3 meetings, and Nik will be gone from Aug to October so either Allan or John Glaiyser will step in for Robert and somebody will do the secretarial work for me. Hopefully the newsletter will not be interrupted - I am working on September now.

OTHER FAMOUS PRESIDENTS THAT RANK ALONG SIDE OUR OWN HARDWORKING ONE





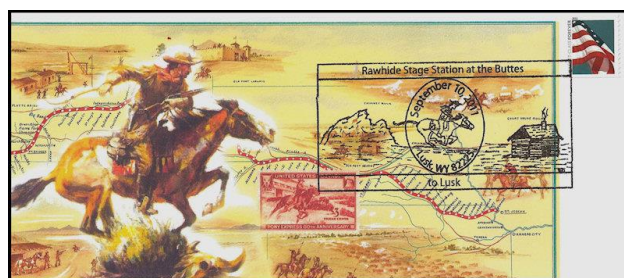
In philately, the term **cover** pertains to the outside of an envelope or package with an address, typically with postage stamps that have been cancelled and is a term generally used among stamp and postal history collectors. The term does not include the contents of the letter or package, although they may add interest to the item if still present. Cover collecting plays an important role in postal history as many covers bear stamps, postmarks and other markings along with names and addresses all of which help to place a cover at a given time and place in history.



[AAT](#) cover from 1959



Logo: First Day Cover Society



Winner: "Event cover" – Pony Express 2012

The term originates from the practice of covering a letter by folding a separate sheet about it to physically protect it and prevent infringement of confidentiality. In the first half of the 19th century it became the fashion to cut the cover into a diamond or lozenge shape. This was the precursor of the version of the envelope known today. Its convenience and popularity led to the lozenge design being adopted for the special pre-paid postage envelopes and covers issued in 1840 after postal reforms were introduced by Rowland Hill and others.

**Categories** - Names for cover types is also terminology usually used by collectors of stamps and postal history.

A wide variety of covers can fit into several basic categories. Sometimes there will be an area of overlap in the subject of categories. For example there are *First day covers* that were also sent with mail aboard airplanes on *First flight* mail runs. *Event* covers can also include *First flights*, or other types of covers. A military cover sent to a head of state can also be referred to as a *Historic cover*.

- A [first day cover](#) is typically an envelope with a postage stamp canceled on its first day of issue. The design or theme of the stamp may be printed on the cover to enhance its appeal to the philatelic community.
- An [event cover](#) celebrates an event or notes an anniversary.
- [Stamp on cover](#). This is a cover that is collected as an example of a given stamp postally used on a cover, however older stamps with recent cancellations are usually philatelic (mailed with the intention of recovering and collecting the item).
- A [pre-stamped cover](#) is a cover that already has an imprinted stamp.
- [First flight covers](#) are those carried on an aircraft, usually authorized by a government or postal administration, for the first time on a particular route.
- [Commemorative covers](#) can include a wide variety of subjects and usually have a commemorative design and often a special postmark that designates the place and date of the specific event.
- A [stampless cover](#) is an envelope or folded outer sheet bearing an address and manuscript or ink-stamped postal markings without prepaid adhesive postage stamps, normally from the period before adhesive postage stamps became available or common in the mid-to-late 19th Century.
- [Military covers](#) can include a wide variety of subjects that may include first flight covers, and prisoner of war covers. Mail sent from an Army Post Office (APO) or a Navy Post Office (Fleet Post Office, FPO) are common types of military covers.
- [Railroad covers](#): mail processed aboard special rail cars outfitted with an official post office where mail is sorted en-route to its general destination.
- [Historical covers](#) are those that have special historical significance above and beyond that of the average collectible cover. These can include mail sent by Kings, Presidents or other heads of state. If the historical cover is to or from a General in an Army, the cover then can also be classified as a military cover.
- Other specialty types of covers include [Censored covers](#), along with [Blockade mail](#), [Pony Express](#) covers, [Prisoner of war covers](#) and [Patriotic covers](#).

The stamps from 1980 to 1989 set you back **\$171.39**  
especially 1985 to 1989 at \$36.56, \$11.59, \$21.09,  
\$29.58 and \$34.24 a bottle of Sav blanc maybe even 2

I am pleased to report that the projector we noticed at the school hall is available if we want to use it. We would need to contact the school first, and they will show us how to connect and use it. It is set up for M/Soft Power Point and software programmes like slide shows, as long as you have it on your lap top.

# **A New Postage Stamp Combining Features Of Legendary ‘Marianne’ With FEMEN Leader Sparks Outrage In France** By Mathilde Hamel July 17 2013

*“It was a surprise, it was completely unexpected. France has always acknowledged the women who fight. This is a symbol for the entire world.”*

Inna Shevchenko, leader and co-founder of the FEMEN feminist group, welcomed the introduction of a controversial new postage stamp in France, her new home since she fled her native Ukraine for political asylum. The new stamp combines the physical and facial features of Shevchenko and Marianne, the mythical embodiment of the French Revolution and republic.

Marianne was made particularly famous after the artist Delacroix painted her bare-breasted in the painting “La Liberté Guidant Le Peuple” in the Revolution of 1830. The image, co-created by artist Olivier Ciappa and illustrator David Kowena, was also influenced by Renaissance art, French comic strips and even the graphic novels of Japanese manga.

Ciappa thinks Shevchenko is an appropriate model for the stamp since the mythical Marianne would have been a member of FEMEN if such an organization had existed in her time. (Shevchenko and her fellow FEMEN often bare their breasts during their well-orchestrated public protests).

“Her struggle is a manifestation of French values “liberty, equality, fraternity”. The choice of stamp this time was somewhat unusual as it was left to a panel of high school students, who selected 3 designs. The final decision was made by Pres. Hollande.

The depiction of Marianne is more youthful than in her previous incarnations, Hollande said he wanted the stamp to reflect the promises he made to help the country’s younger generation. “The republic’s new stamp would have the face of youth, it would be created by youth, and would be chosen by youth”.



To celebrate the new stamp, on its website FEMEN slightly altered France’s famous national motto “Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité” to “Liberté, Égalité, FEMEN.” FEMEN also said the stamp reflects its “uncompromising struggle against patriarchy [and] aesthetics of ‘sextremism.’

But not everyone is pleased with France’s new national emblem. Christine Boutin, the former leader of the center-right Christian Democratic Party, and a former minister under ex-Pres. Sarkozy, called for a boycott, stating that the image provides a bad example to French youth, “[The stamp] is an affront to the dignity of women and the sovereignty of France,” the Christian Democrat party said in a statement. A group called “French Spring” tweeted: “Are there not enough beautiful and emblematic women in France that we have to import our models from Ukraine?”



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## **Marianne Stamps**

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*The Marianne Issues roughly in order since 1944.*

*Each new president chooses a new design for their 5 year term. Issue 1 was by Edmund Dulac who designed many GB stamps as well.*

During the French Revolution (1789-1792), the idea of a woman representing the Republic became popular, but it wasn't until the Second Empire, some 60 years later, that she was named Marianne.

"Marianne" was originally the name of a secret society which struggled against the regime, becoming celebrated by participating in the revolt of the slate workers of Trelage, near Angers.

These pro-republican citizens represented "Marianne," a common French name, as the proud woman leader, defying her enemy. After the fall of the Second Empire in 1852, the Third Republic kept Marianne as the symbol of the proud, strong France.

She symbolises the attachment of the common citizens of the revolution to the Republic - Marianne is liberty, equality and fraternity.

**Marianne on French stamps** - Marianne has been used on most definitive stamps issued since 1944, as well as several commemoratives. When Marianne is not clearly wearing a Phrygian cap she is known as ‘the Republic’.

**BUTTTT the stamps from 1990 to 1999 cost your wallet**  
\$35.20 + \$56.05 (incl \$10 Kiwi stamp) + \$48.35 + \$52.60  
+\$63.10 + \$77.10 + \$88.50 + \$87. + \$91.65 + \$88.05 equals  
\$687.85 or \$68/76 per year not too bad yet, enough  
left for 2 whole bottles of water this decade!!!!!! Still a  
cheapo hobby if you stick to the basics, but maybe you  
should have stopped here, its about to get a lot worse

Millennium here we go! 2000 to 2009 – ouch!!  
\$81.80 + \$102.95 + \$100.90 + \$102.50 + \$102.00  
+ \$114.35 + \$124.20 + \$109.25 + \$129.20 + \$142.60  
grand total \$1110.15. Up \$111 per year; now buy  
a small bottle of water maybe. Hurts mainly  
because you have to buy the same thing twice!





Quick  
post

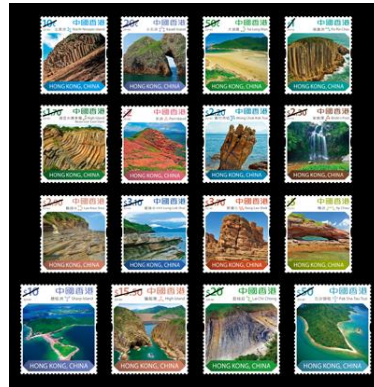


Grrrrrrr... I gave up GB year albums in 2010 as they are way too expensive, and decided to just keep going with EiiR machins until they finish. BUT, the latest issue from Royal Mail is a new set of definitives printed in gravure in six new colours £1.33, £1.52, £2.25, £2.45. £3.15, £3.30. For a total of £14.00, plus the regional issues at 4 x 2v and the 'post and go' issues; goodbye over £30, (\$60) for 38 stamps I can't even use!!! Is it any wonder everyone is giving up new issue collecting.



Philippines 2015

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Hong kong 2014



Gibraltar



New Zealand



Grenada 1975



Iran

**WORLD'S OLDEST LETTER** - The oldest letter in the world from 5000 B.C. refers to a deed of purchase or hire of a field by one Annini from Simta-Ha. It is written in cuneiform characters on fired clay, and found enclosed in a clay envelope.

(Sorry, no stamp or postage cost details available)  
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### 100-year-old 'Dear Santa' Letter

DUBLIN, Ireland -- A letter to Santa, written in 1911, was discovered by John Byrne at his home; penned by a pair of siblings (10-year-old Hannah and 7-year-old Fred), the letter miraculously survived inside a fireplace for 100 years. Victor Bartlem's mother, Hannah Howard, born on Christmas Day 1900 had written the Christmas wish list when she was just 10 years old. It was first discovered in 1992 when the current house owner John Byrne installed central heating. He came upon Hannah's letter in the chimney and decided to keep it as a memento of times past. At that time, the fireplaces were made of brick with a shelf on either side. The letter was found on one of the shelves. On her Christmas list, Hannah wrote: "I want a baby doll and a waterproof hood and a pair of gloves and a toffee apple and a gold penny and a silver sixpence and a long toffee." Victor said his mother had been extremely creative, excelling at various forms of needlework and later at woodwork. She was also an expert baker of cakes and other confectionery, which may go some way to explaining her toffee-themed letter to Mr. Claus.

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*The Guinness world record for the **Most Expensive Letter sold** at auction was set by a letter written by George Washington in 1787 to his nephew Bushrod Washington, urging adoption of the country's new constitution. It was sold for \$3.2 M at Christie's, New York.*

Minutes of the Nelson Philatelic Society which met in the Woodstock Room  
at the Stoke School - 9 June at 7:30pm

**Welcome:** Allan welcomed 14 members to his last ordinary meeting, held prior to the AGM.

**New Members:** Welcome to Nelson Philatelic Society - Sue Smart and Robin Ashley!

**Minutes:** Minutes taken as read, circulated in the newsletter. Paula/Ann

**Matters Arising:** Nil

**Correspondence**

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Out:

**General Business:**

**Circuit book** – Allan asked for more material. The success of the circuit book is dependent of the material put in them.

**Nik** asked if it was possible to invite Barry Pont (RSA) as a speaker on the mail delivery to the forces during WW1. It will be put to the new executive.

It seems that the school is prepared to let us use the data projector. Anyone who wants to use it will need to have a tutorial on its use from the principal

**The letter for next month is D.**

**Items of interest:**

- An envelope covered with two whole sheets of stamps. The stamps have been 'well franked'.
- An article, which was in the Nelson Mail, promoting Snail mail.

**Letter of the Month- V**

Queen Victoria – FFQueens imperf and perf - Weldon Vancouver and Victoria in Canada - Ann Ross  
Victoria – 1841 1d reds - **Robert Perrin was the winner**  
Victory 1920 New Zealand Issue -Stephen Gray

**Program:** The meeting was declared closed at 7.51pm.

Next meeting July 9th on **Sunday afternoon** to try and see if this is more suitable for members who don't like to travel out on cold winter nights!

NZ Post has collected \$3066.64 from you since 10 July 1967, when stamps were issued in decimal currency which works out at \$63.88 per year. I haven't included any extra issues or one off oddball items, this covers everything found in NZ stamp catalogues for this period. BUT - if nobody wants to buy them what are they really worth? Lucky you don't collect Royal Mail issues from Great Britain!!!!

Also REMEMBER WE ARE GOING TO HAVE OUR JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS ON THE SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SO BE SURE TO COME!  
There is also a tentative, but probable, Blenheim Club visit in conjunction with the August meeting, so the Aug meeting would be a 9 to 3pm day event, including lunch.

**NOW!! 2010 to 2014**

Your PO charged like the wounded bull;

2010 required \$172.20,

2011 removed \$174.50,

2012 needed \$228,

2013 took \$229

**2014 somehow stuck you a huge**

**\$260**, so if you bought mint

stamps for your album, **you**

**have now donated**

**\$1063.70** in 5 years OR \$212

for each year congratulations  
you can shout yourself a glass of  
tap water.

2015 is already \$115.20 over 8  
issues - ½ way through the year.

**Excuses, excuses !!!**

Special handstamp markings from the early years

NOT HOME NOT FOUND FREE TO.....

DEFICIENT POSTAGE MISSENT TO .....

DECEASED LOOSE LETTER UNKNOWN

FINE SHIP LETTER DETAINED FOR POSTAGE

INSUFFICIENT POSTAGE PROHIBITED

INSUFFICIENTLY STAMPED UNCLAIMED

NOT TRANSMISSIBLE PROHIBITED ADDRESS

POSTED WITHOUT ADDRESS MORE TO PAY

NOT KNOWN BY LETTER CARRIER LATE FEE

OUT OF BUSINESS DELIVERY DELAYED

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