

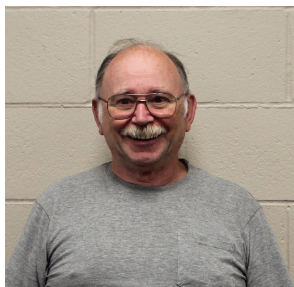
# Owen Sound Stamp Club

Chapter 191  
Royal Philatelic Society of Canada

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 19th, 2018 @ 7 PM  
St Mary's High School, Hillyer Hall, 555 15<sup>th</sup> Street East, Owen Sound

## Volume 5 Edition 12

### From the President



Hello everyone, at last, our final meeting of the year, the December meeting. Also known as the fun Meeting, where we can enjoy ourselves eating some of the best home made baking, and tasting some of Phil's fine Apple Cider. But best

of all we get to use our Funny Munny.

We will have a great time spending our Funny Munny on items that you bring to donate so the other club members can bid on them.

This past years was a fun and fairly busy year. A few of you where busy going to different shows, trying to better your collections. We had a few new Members join us, an increase of Lady Members, a lot of compliments on our Web Site, and our Circuit Books.

On the sad side we also lost a couple of senior Stamp Collectors, may they keep on collecting in the Great Stamp Collecting Place Above.

Lastly I would like to wish each and everyone a happy, healthy, joyous and safe, Christmas season. And may Santa bring that one special stamp You wish for.

John C. Lemon  
President  
OSSC

### From the Editor Phil Visser

The year has wrapped up, with only the meeting to look forward to . The usual Christmas Cheer and fun is the order of the day and so please plan on coming out on the 19th.

Inside this newsletter is the final listing for auctions of Larry Crane's collection. Following that is a report about November's meeting, with a short edition of the Show and Tell section as well as a report the Club Circuit Books.

For those who were unable to attend the meeting last month, long time club member Al Roos passed away and so Marion Ace has shared an article she had written years ago in her day of being the newsletter editor.

The scan below is of a recent Canada Post release of the Birds of Canada. This sheetlet has a special overprint which highlights the meeting of the International Ornithological Congress held in Vancouver from August 19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. So now the made scramble to find this for your collection.

I visited the Philatelic Centre in St Jacob's earlier this fall and the women was very interested in selling me all kinds of philatelic items, apparently successful! The red circle shows the added imprint which then makes it a different collectable.



Enjoy the remainder fo the newsletter.

**Larry Crane Collection**  
**Hanover, Auction January 8<sup>th</sup>**

Lot 1	Stack of Firby Auction catalogues, Opusculum (stamp stories) Precancel and Revenue Catalogues (First editions)
Lot 2	APS Book "Fundamentals of Philately" by L.N Williams and ATA Handbook 133, Topcial Stamp Collecting
Lot 3	8 page stockbook filled with New Zealand stamps
Lot 4	2 binders of T country stamps. Includes Tanzania, Turks and Caicos, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad & Tobago and more.
Lot 5	2 binders with stamps the Turkey, and the other with stamps from Switzerland. Includes letters plus stamps
Lot 6	3 binders with stamps the Orange River Colony, Wallis and Futuna and R countries including Russia, Rwanda, Reunion, Rhodesia and more
Lot 7	1 binder of stamps from the Vatican City.
Lot 8	2 binders with stamps from S countries, including the Saint Caribbean islands, Samoa, Singapore etc
Lot 9	2 binders with stamps from the Y and Z countries, Yeman, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Lot 10	2 binders with stamps from Norway and Romania
Lot 11	A small binder filled with Canadian precancels and many RPO's
Lot 12	3 Lighthouse stockbooks, 8 pages each, filled with stamps from Germany, a mixture of periods but most seem modern
Lot 13	2-8 page stockbooks filled with stamps from Great Britain. Many machins in one of the stockbooks
Lot 14	2 binders with stamps from E and F countries including Egypt, Ecuador, Estonia and Falkland Islands, Faroe Islands and Finland
Lot 15	3 binders with stamps from C and D countries including Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Denmark and Dominican Republic
Lot 16	2 binders with stamps from China, including Taiwan, and Cuba
Lot 17	A Lighthouse 16 page stockbook (white pages) with stamps from Australia. Many many stamps mostly 50's to modern
Lot 18	A 2 inch binder with stamps from Columbia. Sorted onto pages, but also a few stock pages in the front of the binder
Lot 19	A 3 inch binder labelled Canada, from 1991 to present plus back of book. Singles, mini sheets, envelopes and show covers.
Lot 20	A 3 inch binder with stamps from Canada from King George 6 to 1990. Singles, covers blocks pairs etc.
Lot 21	A 3 inch binder filled with postcards showing sailboats, canoe ships bridges maps etc. Most showing scenes from Canada and the US.
Lot 22	A Lindner stockbook (damaged) filled with modern United States. 16 white pages.
Lot 23	2 binders, 3 inches each, of stamps from the United States. Stamps from 1960 to around 2000. Singles, interesting cancels, covers, blocks etc
Lot 24	3 binders of more United States stamps from early to 2010 including back of book cut squares etc.
Lot 25	A binder with stamps from U countries, including Uruguay, Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, Uganda and the Ukraine
Lot 26	A 2 inch binder with stamps from N countries. Namibia, New Zealand, Norfolk Island, Nepal, Netherlands Indies, Newfoundland (pages from an album) Nigeria etc
Lot 27	A 2 inch binder filled with stamps from Sweden from early to modern. By no means a full collection.
Lot 28	A 3 inch binder with stamps from P countries, including Pakistan, Poland, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines and Portugal stamps
Lot 29	A 3 inch binder filled with stamps from Poland. Many years and many stamps. Another communist country making money off the stamp collectors.
Lot 30	2 binders, but one is mostly New Zealand and contains almost all of the stamps in the two binders.

**Larry Crane's Collection Auction**  
**Owen Sound, Wednesday January 16<sup>th</sup>**

Lot 1	4 books about stamp collecting. "Collecting Postage Stamps by L.N. Williams"; "The Musson Stamps Dictionary"; "Illustrated history of Stamp Design"; and a booklet "Processing Mixtures."
Lot 2	Binders of topicals and United States stamps. Topicals include "Bridges," "US Flags and States," "United States to 1940," "United States 1941 to 2000" and "United States 2001 to Present"
Lot 3	4 Binders with topicals; "Graphic Arts," "Postal History," "Geography," and "Birds." Not many each binder but a nice start for someone to work on.
Lot 4	3 Binders and a stockbook. 1 binder and a stockbook of Australian stamps, with 2 other binders labelled British commonwealth and "Miscellaneous."
Lot 5	2 binders filled with stamps from "B" countries and another binder of Brazil.
Lot 6	A binder of Belgian stamps from early to modern, including back of book material. Nice start to expand on.
Lot 7	2 binders with stamps from Italy and "J" countries. Includes Jamaica, Jersey, Jordon plus more
Lot 8	2 binders with stamps from Japan and Mexico.
Lot 9	3 binders with stamps from K and L countries, plus a binder of Malaya/Malaysia. K countries include Kenya, Korea and Kuwait and L countries include Labuan, Luxemburg, Latvia, and Liechtenstein. Plus more countries
Lot 10	Owen Sound Stamp Club golf shirt (XL) and an Owen Sound Stamp Club carrying bag
Lot 11	2 binders, one with I countries and a small binder with mint Italy. I countries include Iceland, Ifni, India including some Azadhind WW2 independence movement, Indonesia, Iran and Isle of Man
Lot 12	2 binders, one of Ireland and the other of Israel.
Lot 13	A 3 inch binder filled with Hungary, many many stamps.
Lot 14	2 1.5 inch binders of stamps from Hong Kong (1 binder) and H countries including Hong Kong, Hungary, Haiti and Honduras
Lot 15	2 1.5 inch binders with stamps from Guernsey and Greece
Lot 16	3 binders from Germany. A 3 inch binder with German States, West Germany, semi postal etc, a binder of GDR and a binder of Berlin (each 1 inch thick)
Lot 17	A 2 inch binder of Great Britain stamps. Elizabethan era to about 2005, with a section on Machins at the back of the binder
Lot 18	A 2 inch binder with stamps from G countries. Countries include Gambia, Gibraltar, Gilbert and Ellice, Ghana, Gold Coast, Guatemala and more.
Lot 19	A 3 inch binder labeled France, with pages from a Minkus album to about 1975 (not many stamps) but then vario and craft sheets with older and post WW2 stamps. Many stamps.

This auction concludes the Larry Crane auctions. Thank you for your active and spirited bidding in the previous auctions and hopefully that will continue with these two as well.

**November Meeting Highlights**

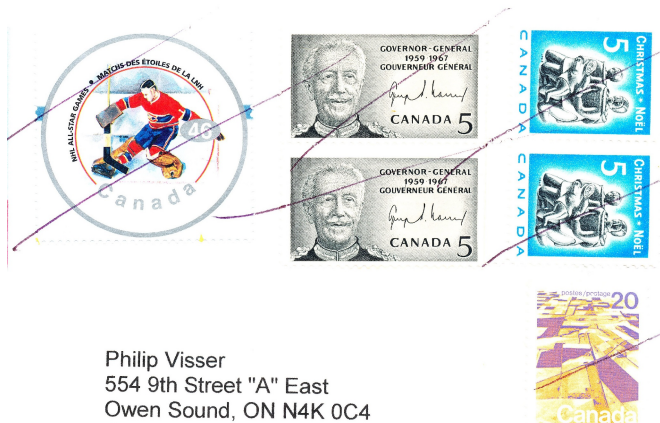
There were 19 members present, one guest and a visitor from the Saugeen Stamp Club. The weather conditions on that day made the buses to be cancelled and so the school should have been closed. Thankfully our President called the school and found out that the janitors would be working that evening and so the meeting was held as planned. However, this close call reminds all members to check the club website at 6 o'clock to see if the

meeting has been cancelled because of school closure and or weather conditions.

A short period of times was put in for the Show and Tell and a report by the Club Circuit Book managers. After those reports the auction of Larry Crane's collection began. It was a rousing success again! Thank you for the bids and interest.

## Show and Tell

Not to much was brought to the club members attention, but I brought a few items. The first was a letter that escaped Canada Post's cancellation machines and so the local artist postal clerk dutifully penned through the stamps. Have a look. There is one thing to be said about this method of cancellation, it is not a child's scribbling as was the previous practice



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Next came a letter mailed to me from Estonia. In the upper corner is the mailing charges and a cancellation from Tallinn, but no stamp! This must have really proved a challenge to the artistic postal clerk in town.



Randy Rogers shared a new issue to the Wildlife definitive series. The stamp is a \$4 face value, but it comes in a min-sheet format, so a pricey buy! This stamp is added into the series of high value definitives that Canada Post has been issuing over the last several years.



## Club Circuit Book Report

Chris T. And Randy R. Gave a report on the latest state of the club Circuit books. They noted that several more members are adding pages into the binders. It is good to see the greater participation by club members. They also attend the GRVPA Club Circuit book fair held in Cambridge earlier in the month. It was a good day for sales, but more importantly, they received positive feedback from the guests who liked the neatness of the Club pages and that the binders were colour coordinated. A big thanks goes out to both of these members who have put a lot of time and effort into organizing this way of sharing our excess stamps with others looking to add into their collection.

## Allan Edwin Roos

The meeting started with a moment of silence in member of Al Roos, who had passed away on November 17<sup>th</sup>, a few days before the meeting was held. The previous newsletter editor, Marion Ace, did a story of Al in the newsletter several (maybe many) years ago. The article follows.

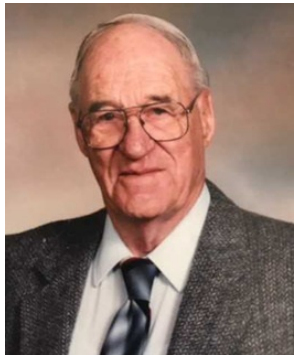
## Who's Who...

by Marion Ace

Let me introduce you to Al Roos. He's the guy who is always ever so quietly bidding against me in the auctions. I've had a couple of chats with Al Roos



lately. Al helped out at the information session at the mall in mid October. He told me that he would like to see more kids involved in stamp collecting. It was easy to see his pleasure when some enthusiastic children were picking through the giant stamp box. When traffic slowed down a little, we had a chance to reminisce for a while.



Al was born in Timmins and farmed for a number of years in Mossley, east of London, Ontario. Then for a complete change of pace, he taught in Madoc for a year and then came to Owen Sound where he taught at the West Hill High School for seventeen years.

Al worked with mentally challenged kids and kids who needed help with the basics in life. He started out teaching woodworking and went on to teach everything from art to English. He had a good chuckle telling me how he worked with the girls teaching them how to wait on tables. I imagine that Al's years teaching held many triumphs and some disappointments, but I'll bet he was never bored!

Al Roos collects mainly Canadian stamps and has a world wide collection as well. He got his first stamp album when he was seven. Apparently his Scandinavian collection is pretty good. Al's Mother came from Denmark and his Dad came from Sweden, so Al had a great source of stamps from his family's correspondence. His Mom was also very supportive by purchasing mint Canadian stamps for him.

Retired for twenty years now, besides stamp collecting Al likes to paint with watercolours. He went to courses for years and when they were discontinued, him and some of his classmates carried on and formed their own 'Group of Seven'. They paint on Mondays at the Westside United Church. In the past Al has shown his watercolours at the Sauble and Warton Arts & Craft Shows. This past summer his landscape and flower paintings were displayed at the Lion's Head Art

Show. We'll have to find out where his next show is; I for one would love to see his work!

Thanks for sharing this Marion!

Al was a quiet guy and yes he made many bids against many club members during the auctions. Recently he attended the club meeting in August. It was a unique evening because Al was the oldest (96 years old) and our Junior member, Joseph was also present. That picture made an earlier newsletter.

### Upcoming Shows

**JAN 12, 2019**

#### **Brantford Stamp Club Annual Show & Bourse**

Branlyn Community Centre, 238 Brantwood Park Rd., Brantford, ON, N3P 1N9

The Brantford Stamp Club's annual show features a bourse with more than 15 dealers, exhibits (with special categories for junior and novice exhibitors), silent auctions, club sales circuit books. Free parking and admission, door prizes, and lunch counter. The venue is wheelchair accessible.

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**FEB 2, 2019**

#### **Bramalea Stamp Show & Bourse**

Judith Nyman Secondary School, 1305 Williams Parkway, Brampton, Ontario, L6S3J8

Club show, 10 dealers, exhibits, table auctions, club sales books, kids table, refreshments, free admission.

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**FEB 24, 2019**

#### **Toronto Postcard Club 38th Annual Sale**

Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, 6 Garamond Crt., Toronto, ON, M3C 1Z5

This is Canada's largest vintage postcard show with 40 tables and thousands of postcards for sale from many countries and covering many topics. The show will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$5, and parking is free. TTC accessible.

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There are many philatelic website's to visit, but don't forget to look at your own club web site at [www.owensoundstampclub.org](http://www.owensoundstampclub.org). On the website you will find a "Links" button which can lead you to other areas. If there is something you think would improve the site, contact Randy and share your idea with him.

### **Soapbox**

This year ends without a rant or rave about something philatelic. Instead I would like to share some recent tidbits of information gleaned from the Canadian Stamp News. Of interest is a request from the organizing committee of Canpex, the show in London held in October, about having clubs enter a 16 page frame of one page exhibits. I am not sure if our executive received anything about this idea, but it is shared here to determine interest in such an adventure. The club did this several years ago for the Edmonton club. We didn't receive much feedback except that the portion of the show had several different exhibits. Perhaps it needed some clearer guidelines.

Another interesting article was the report that Canada Post is reducing the number of stamps it will release next year. It makes me wonder how many tonnes of stamps are sitting in the warehouse in Antigonish which apparently are not being sold.

At this year end, I take a moment to reflect on the many positive things that have come my way during the year and look forward to the upcoming year. I extend to all you readers a blessing by wishing you a Merry Christmas. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Alas, I am also double booked, so I can only stay for a short period of time.

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