

CANBERRA



STAMPSHOW 2018

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20<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL NATIONAL PHILATELIC CONVENTION

FRIDAY 16 TO SUNDAY 18 MARCH 2018

HELLENIC CLUB, MATILDA STREET, WODEN

### BULLETIN NO 1

#### CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the first bulletin for Canberra Stampshow 2018, the twentieth Biennial National Philatelic Convention staged by the Philatelic Society of Canberra Inc. A milestone in Australian philately.

There will be two half national exhibitions in Australia in 2018, Canberra in March and Newcastle in May sharing the classes. Our exhibition will have Traditional, Modern, Thematics, Youth, Open, Maximaphily, Frugal Philately, First Day Covers, Cinderellas, and the new Topical Class plus the Gold Challenge.

Don't forget that the show is part of the annual Celebrate Canberra Festival. If you are an early riser the balloon festival (on every morning weather permitting) is great to see and to go for a ride.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the show.

Darryl Fuller

#### GOLD CHALLENGE

Have you ever received a gold medal and wondered whether you would ever win a major award? Well now is your opportunity. If you have received between 85 & 89 points at National or International level you are eligible to enter the "Gold Challenge". This can be in ANY class and is NOT limited to the national classes listed in Division 3. Entries in this challenge will NOT be judged, but all will receive a gold medal for participation. The entry judged the best by the jury will win an Australian 1918 Gold sovereign valued at over \$500. A magnificent prize to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of WWI. Give it a try, I am.

#### COMMEMORATING LUCY OSBURN

The main theme of the exhibition will be a celebration of nursing in Australia, most

specifically Lucy Osburn. She was the first Florence Nightingale trained nurse in Australia, coming out to Sydney in March 1868, so this will be the sesquicentenary. She was brought out by Henry Parkes and ended up nursing the Duke of Edinburgh when he was shot in Sydney. Australia Post will be issuing a PSE commemorating this next year.

Other things to be commemorated revolve around WWI (what else happened 100 years ago) and will include a celebration of Charles Bean, who developed the War Memorial in Canberra and lived here in Tuggeranong Homestead.

#### IMPORTANT – Dates of the Exhibition

The exhibition will be held on the last weekend of the Canberra Festival from Friday through to Sunday, as in previous exhibitions. This is NOT the Canberra Day long weekend.

#### All New Zealand entries must be sent through the Commissioner

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#### Number of Frames Available

It is important to note that to minimize the cost of frame transport, only one container of frames will be used in Canberra. This limits the total number of frames available to about 330 or so, so get in early with entries.

#### NEW EXHIBIT POSTCARD CHALLENGE (STATE LEVEL)

If you have a brand new postcard exhibit of 1-5 frames you can enter it in State Class 2.14. All exhibits in this class will be fully judged and pointed. In addition, the best exhibit will win a special prize. So take the challenge!



## DEALERS

We are expecting to have up to 32 local, national and overseas dealers at the 32 stands at the exhibition. The names of dealers will be placed on the Philatelic Society of Canberra and APF web sites when they are confirmed but virtually all participants from 2016 have accepted plus a new Australian dealer. A number of international dealers use this exhibition to start or finish a tour of Australia so come along to see all your favourites at the one venue. Some of the dealers who have already agreed to come include Shields Stamps and Coins, Richard Juzwin, Hamiltons for Stamps, AAA Stamps, Andrew Kimonides, Ace Stamp Auctions, Phoenix Stamp Auctions, Argyll Etkin, Chris Rainey, Euro Yu Oz, Gerald Bodily, Compustamp, Willard Allman, David Morrison, Burstamp, Moss Green, Cover Connection and Brisbane Stamps. We expect to get a number more.

## ACCOMMODATION

The closest hotel is the Abode Hotel, 10 Bowes Street, Woden across the road from the Hellenic Club. It can be contacted on 1300 122 633 or [www.abodehotels.com.au](http://www.abodehotels.com.au) The Quality Hotel, Phillip, on the corner of Melrose Drive and Launceston Street is a short walk from the Hellenic Club. Contact (02) 6281 7730 or [groups@qualityhotelwoden.com](mailto:groups@qualityhotelwoden.com). An alternative is The Statesman Hotel-Motel on the corner of Strangways and Theodore Streets, Curtin (next to Curtin shops), 1.8 km from the Stampshow venue. Contact (02) 6281 1777 or [www.statesman.com.au](http://www.statesman.com.au).

For other accommodation choices, contact the Canberra Tourist Bureau, or websites such as Wotif.

## VENUE

The Stampshow will be held on the first floor of the Hellenic Club of Canberra, Matilda Street, Woden, which was the venue for the last eight Canberra Stampshows. There is free parking on Saturday and Sunday, air-conditioning and several cafes/restaurants in the building.

## SUPPORTERS' CLUB

By becoming a Supporters' Club member, you will not only help to fund the show but also receive a range of benefits, including:

- free entry to the exhibition
- free exhibition catalogue
- \$5 discount on one Awards Dinner ticket
- direct mailing of Bulletins
- A variety of specially overprinted items (still to be determined)
- Overprinted Lucy Osburn PSE
- exhibition envelope
- access to the Supporters' Lounge (including free tea and coffee)

The number of Supporters' Club memberships is strictly limited to 100 and have sold out at the last four exhibitions. At recent Canberra shows, some dealers were buying particular philatelic souvenirs for the cost of Club membership, so get in early.

***The cost of membership is only \$100.***

## COMMITTEE

The Committee currently comprises:

Chairman	Darryl Fuller
Vice-Chairman	Daniel Tangri
Secretary	Elsbeth
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Treasurer	John Vassallo
Venue Manager	John Davis
Exhibits Co-ordinator	Paul Barsdell
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## WEB SITES

Philatelic Society of Canberra:  
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 APF: [www.apf.org.au](http://www.apf.org.au)

*Check the web sites regularly for frequent updates.*