

Bicycle Stamps

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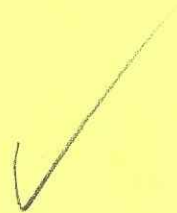
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New Issue Update

ABKHAZIA	00.00.96	SHEET	REAR OF BIKE WITH FLAT - 4 DIFF SE-TEN	S	21B COVER
BERNERA ISLANDS	00.00.84	8P	LOS ANGELES OLYMPICS GOLD LEAF CYCLIST	?	
BURIATIA	00.00.97	1200	TIME TRIAL CYCLIST	1	23A-21
BURKINO FASO	00.00.95	650f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CTCLIST IN MARGIN	4+4S+S+S	19B-CS
CAMBODIA	00.00.95	1000r	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	5+S	18A-4
CANADA	00.00.92	BOOKLET	PART OF OLYMPIC STAMP PICTURED	B	
CENTRAL AFRICA*	19.07.96	350f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLING & BOXING	4+4S	20B-6
CENTRAL AFRICA*	19.07.96	SHEET	CONTAINS THE ABOVE	4+4S	21A-9
CENTRAL AFRICA*	19.07.96	600f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - WEIGHT LIFTING & CYCLING	4+4S	20B-6
CENTRAL AFRICA*	19.07.96	SHEET	CONTAINS THE ABOVE	4+4S	21A-9
CENTRAL AFRICA *	00.00.96	200f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	S+2S	21B-8
CENTRAL AFRICA *	00.00.96	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS 9 DIFF CONTAINS ABOVE	S+2S	21B-8
CENTRAL AFRICA	00.00.96	300f	SCOUTING - CYCLIST	S	22B-19
CENTRAL AFRICA	00.00.96	SHEET	SCOUTING - CYCLIST SHEET OF 6 + 2L	S	22B-19
* DATES TO BE CLARIFIED					
CHAD	00.00.96	300f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	2S + S	21B-8
CHAD	00.00.96	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS 4 DIFF CONTAINS ABOVE	2S+S	21B-8
CHAD	00.00.97	2000f	PRINCESS DIANA/SONS ON BIKES ON SELVEDGE	3S+2S	24A-22
+DENMARK	28.05.98	8.75k	OPENING OF NEW POST & TELE MUSEUM - HANDLEBAR OF BIKE & POSTMAN	4+2B	24A-6
+DENMARK	28.05.98	PANE	CYCLISTS ON SELVEDGE	4+2B	
+ECUADOR	29.12.97	200s	LETTER DAY - COURIER ON BICYCLE	2	
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	00.00.96	400f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	1+S	22B-9
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	00.00.96	400f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST - SHEET X 16 - 4 WITH CYCLIST	S	22B-9
+GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.10	HISTORY OF BIKE - HOBBY- HORSE	S	24A-6
+GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.20	AS ABOVE - MACMILLAN	S	24A-6
+GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.25	AS ABOVE - BONE-SHAKER	S	24A-6
GUYANA	00.01.94	\$600	125th ANNIV OF BASEBALL	2	
GUYANA	00.00.97	\$5	MICKEY THE PAPERBOY ON BIKE	3S+3S	23A-29

✓	GUYANA	00.00.97	SHEET	DISNEY CHARACTERS AT WORK SHEET OF 7 + L-CONTAINS ABOVE STAMP	3S+3S	23A-29
✓	+HONDURAS	00.00.97	2.15	6th CENTRAL AFRICAN GAMES - RIDING A BICYCLE	3S	
✓	+HONDURAS	00.00.97	2.15	AS ABOVE - CYCLING BY THE SHORE	3S	
✓	+HONDURAS	00.00.97	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 10 X 2.15 STAMPS	3S	
✓	+HUNGARY	19.09.97	27+5f	STAMP DAY - POSTMAN AND POSTAL TRICYCLE	2+S	
✓	+JAPAN	16.03.98	80y	MY FAVOURITE SONGS - ISSUE NO. 4	2	24A-6
✓	LIBYA	00.00.97	100d	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - ROAD CYCLIST	2S+S	23A-11
✓	LIBYA	00.00.97	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - SHEET OF 6 DIFF - CONTAINS ABOVE STAMP	2S+S	23A-11
✓	+LIECHTENSTEIN	02.06.98	SHEET	HUMOUR - CLOWNS - 4 DIFF - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - SHEET OF 20 STAMPS - CLOWN ON UNI-CYCLE ON SELVEDGE IN 4 PLACES	S	24A-6
✓	MALI	00.00.97	180f	RACING CYCLISTS - 3DIFF SE- TEN - RUDOLPH LEWIS 1912	24	23A-11
✓	MALI	00.00.97	180f	AS ABOVE - JACQUES ANQUETIL	24	23A-11
✓	MALI	00.00.97	180f	AS ABOVE - MIGUEL INDURAIN	24	23A-11
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	30m	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	9+9S	21A-CS
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	30m SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST - ABOVE STAMP WITH CYCLING PICTOGRAM IN SELVEDGE	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	60m SHEET	AS ABOVE - PISTOL SHOOTING	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	80m SHEET	AS ABOVE - WEIGHT LIFTING	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	100m SHEET	AS ABOVE - BOXING	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	350m SHEET	AS ABOVE - EQUESTRIAN	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	400m SHEET	AS ABOVE - WRESTLING	9+9S	21B-6
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	500m SHEET	AS ABOVE - BASKETBALL	2S	21A-11
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	600m SHEET	AS ABOVE - JUDO	2S	21A-11
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	500m SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS -OLYMPIHEX - BASKETBALL - BICYCLE PICTOGRAM ON SELVEDGE	2S	
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	600m SHEET	AS ABOVE - JUDO	2S	
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	30m	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST - CENTENARY IOG O/P	9+9S	
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	30m SHEET	AS ABOVE WITH CYCLING PICTOGRAM ON SELVEDGE	9+9S	23A-13
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	60m SHEET	AS ABOVE - PISTOL SHOOTING	9+9S	
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	80m SHEET	AS ABOVE - WEIGHTLIFTING	9+9S	
	MONGOLIA	00.00.96	100m SHEET	AS ABOVE - BOXING	9+9S	

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MONGOLIA	00.00.96	600m SHEET	AS ABOVE - JUDO	2S	
MONGOLIA	00.00.96	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - 2 SETS DIFFERENT LAYOUT		
MONGOLIA	00.00.96	30m	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST - 50m & 60m SE-TEN		23A-12
MORDOVA	00.00.97	SHEET	HISTORY OF BICYCLES AND MOTORCYCLES	S	
MORDOVIA	00.00.96	50	AS ABOVE BLUE O/P HONG KONG '97	6	
MORDOVIA	00.00.96	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 2 X 3 DIFF SE-TEN	6	
NETHERLANDS	00.03.96	SHEET	WESTERWOLDE & WESTERWOL ISSUES AS DETAILED IN BS20A	3S	20A-6
NETHERLANDS	00.11.96	NO VALUE	TRICYCLE - 16 DIFFERENT COLOUR COMBINATIONS ISSUED ON DULL & SHINY PAPER	16S	
NETHERLANDS	00.00.96	80c	ELFSTEDENTOUCHT <u>BATAVUS</u> JERSEY	1	22B-18
<u>NIGER</u>	00.00.97	300f	TOUR DE FRANCE - 1997 WINNERS - 4 DIFF SE-TEN	4	<u>24A-10</u>
<u>NIGER</u>	00.00.97	300f	HOBBY HORSE AND ORDINARY - 4 DIFF SE-TEN	4	<u>24A-10</u>
OMAN	00.00.96	100	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST 4 DIFF SE-TEN	4	21B-CS
RWANDA <i>Rwanda</i>	00.00.92	M/SHEET	BARCELONA OLYMPICS CYCLIST PICTOGRAM ON SELVEDGE	?	20B-6
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	00.00.97	10c	GOOFY AS BICYCLE MESSENGER	5S+S	22B-16
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	00.00.97	SHEET	DISNEY CHARACTERS AT WORK 8 DIFF	5S+S	22B-16
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	03.06.97	\$2	POSTAL DELIVERY - POSTMAN ON BONE-SHAKER	S	23B-8
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	03.06.97	SHEET	PACIFIC '97 - 3 DIFF POSTAL DELIVERY	S	23B-8
SINGAPORE	00.00.95	M/SHEET	SINGAPORE '95 - 2 SE-TEN M/S - RICKSHAW ON SELVEDGE	M/S	19B-CS
+SWEDEN	19.03.98	N/V	100th ANNIVERSARY - TRADE UNION - TINY BICYCLE	1	24A-6
+TANZANIA	?	370s	TOURIST ATTRACTIONS OF EAST AFRICA - ZANZIBAR & STONETOWN - MAN ON BICYCLE	4	24A-6
VIETNAM	00.00.64	SHEET	DIEN BIEN PHU - SHEET OF 4 DIFF - BIKE ON SELVEDGE	?	23B-7
ZAIRE	00.00.96	20000nz	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	3S	22B-15

ZAIRE	00.00.96	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - 4DIFF SE-TEN	3S	22B-15
ZAIRE	00.00.96	35000nz	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	3S	22B-15
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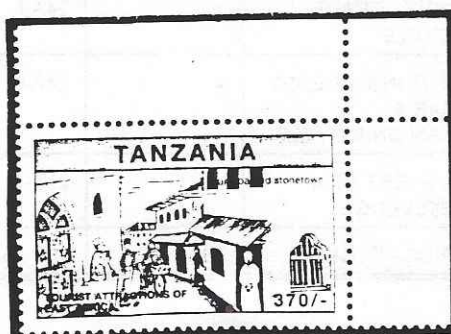
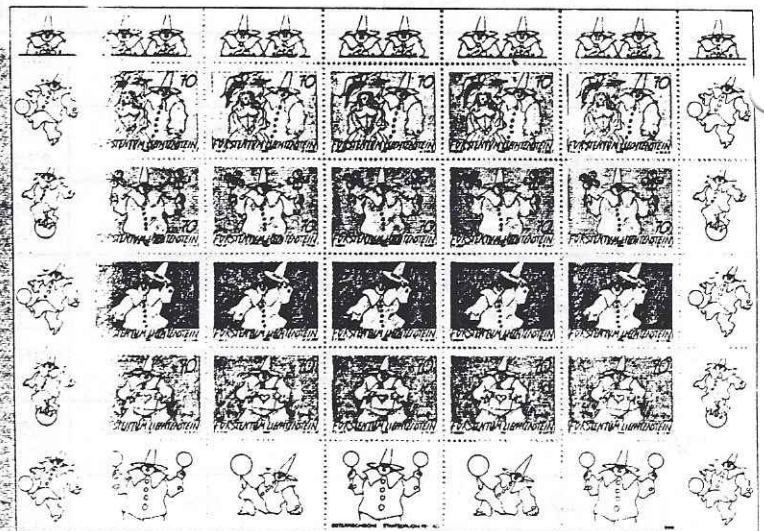
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4. The last column shows where the stamp is illustrated, with BS number, followed by page number or 'CS' (colour supplement).



Gagauzia - June 1997

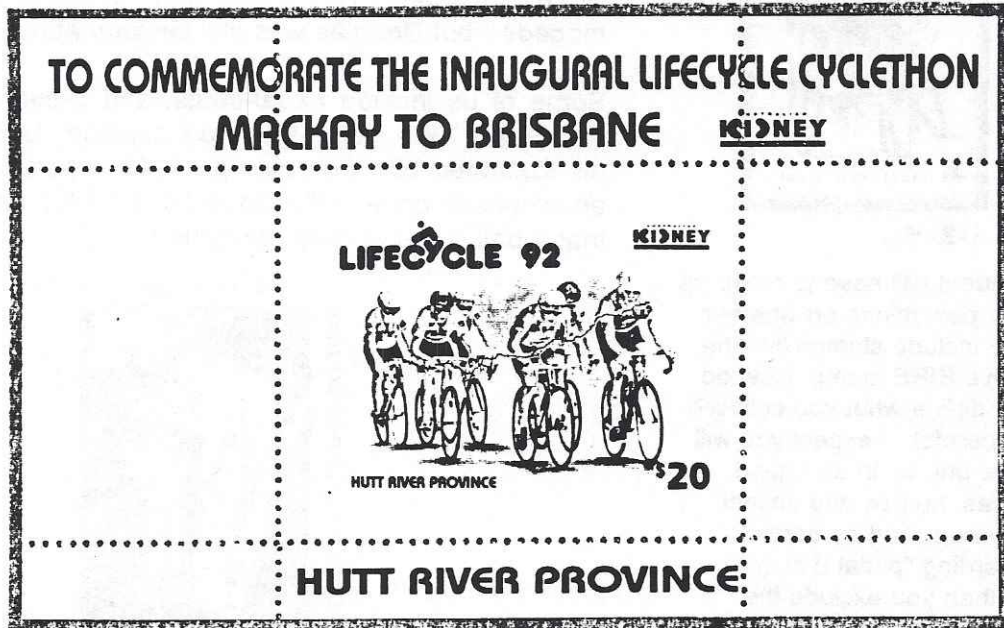


Japan - March 16 1998



HUTT RIVER PROVINCE

The following stamp was issued in 1992 as a Fund Raising Stamp for the inaugural Mackay to Brisbane Lifecycle Cyclethon. The stamp shows competitors in the race.



For those members who are asking themselves at this point, "where is Hutt River Province?", here is some background information.

In 1969 Leonard George Casley, a wheat farmer of Northampton, Western Australia, had a blazing row with the Wheat Board over his wheat quota. As a result, on April 21, 1970, he proclaimed his 18,500 acre property the Hutt River Province, declaring secession from Australia and from that date operating as an Independent Republic. The widespread publicity which followed brought droves of tourists to the property and, on November 15, 1973, he opened his own Post Office and issued postage stamps for use on mail from the Hutt River Province to Northampton, about 30 miles distance. This brought him into direct confrontation with the Australian Post Office, which went to extraordinary lengths to try and suppress his stamps and postal service, all to no avail.

Prince Leonard (as he then became) always claimed that the stamps are proper postage stamps for use worldwide, but this claim cannot be sustained. In the eyes of collectors they are simply interesting Local Post stamps (ie: Cinderellas).

The Hutt River Province still operates as a tourist attraction (though on a limited scale) and these days is producing only an occasional stamp issue.

Australia has had at least two other "independent" states or provinces: The Province of Bumbunga (January 1979) and The Independent State of Rainbow Creek (April 1979). Neither of these places have issued (to-date) any stamps with cycling themes.

DEFINITION OF A 'BICYCLE STAMP'

Under the illustration of a 1996 Irish Paralympic Games stamp (BS20B Page 12) I posed the question: "How do you define what you collect?"



1.2.96

Readers will have to make up their own minds on whether they include stamps like the above EIRE stamp. How do you define what you collect? Be careful; I expect you will have uni, bi, tri and quad cycles, human and animal powered. And be careful regarding "pedal driven", for then you exclude the early Velocipedes etc. I will be interested in your definitions

Only Douglas Marchant replied and he suggested Animal-powered form of transport - a simple definition that would include uni, bi, tri, quad cycles, human-powered (for after all we are animals). This would then embrace velocipedes and mopeds - but Douglas was still hesitant about wheelchairs!

Some of us include pedal-boats, and Steve Malone includes the Eagle 1987 Pedal-Powered airplane (Uganda 14.8.87) in his illustrated bikes on stamps 1996 supplement. What about an elephant on a ball (Mongolia 4.5.74)? Douglas suggests that a ball is the ultimate unicycle!!



However, Douglas's definition fails when we consider the following examples:

Papua New Guinea (24.7.96)
Stationary radio generator...



Russia (15.9.80)
Astronaut on training ergo...



... for they are not forms of transport.

What about stamps that only have the word "cycling" or "velodrome" printed or overprinted on them?

ie: Guyana 1988, overprinted gold or silver, "Women's Cycling Knol Holland"...



Then we have actual pictures of velodromes and, possibly the most unlikely stamps would be those that only portray an author of a book with a cycling theme, eg: Astrid Lindgren (BS20A Page 9) and William Saroyan (BS19A Page 23); and what about the US 1986 issues "Great Americans"? - the 3cent stamp showed Paul Dudley White MD and the 17cent showed Belva Ann Lockwood. If you hadn't been lucky enough to read the League of American Wheelmen magazine, or BS2 Page 8 (see next page), how would you ever connect these stamps to our theme??

And, how would anyone, who is not a serious collector, ever equate the French and Swiss Joint issues (25.11.88) with cycles?

The stamp depicts the modern art sculpture "Meta" by Jean Tinguely (BS22A Page 12)...



I would still like to hear some of your definitions. Back in 1987, when I joined the Club, Douglas asked me to state what stamps I collected; my reply was that stamps must be for the conveyance of mail by any means, including cycles (eg: West Australian Locals). The stamp should depict: a unicycle, bicycle or tricycle that is powered by movement of the legs. I include in this the bicycle's predecessor, the velocipede; the cycle may be unattended; it may be a symbolised cycle, ie: sign; or a portrait of a person who is known to be connected with cycling, ie: famous racing cyclist, cycle designer, etc.

So, what's your definition...?

STOP PRESS - TWO MORE
1986 Bicycle Stamps
League of American
Wheelmen magazine.



Postage Stamp Activism

Has the U.S. Post Office come out with a series on "velorutionaries," honoring champions of human-powered transit on commemorative stamps? A visit to the Post Office's philatelic window—and a closer look at the "great American series"—confirms the hunch.

League members had to be pleased, of course, when the three cent Paul Dudley White, M.D., stamp was issued on September 15. President Eisenhower's personal physician was a highly visible advocate of the bicycle—for health and daily recreation—and in fact was about the only "spokesman" around in the 1950s.

But how many noticed on June 18 when the Post Office issued the 17 cent Belva Ann Lockwood stamp? So who's Belva? Mrs. Lockwood was the "lady candidate for President" in 1884, pedaling—not running—for the National Equal Rights Party. Campaigning on an English tricycle whenever possible, she once told the press "I'm glad you showed me on a tricycle. There is a principle behind that picture. A tricycle means independence for women, and it also means health." A native of Royalton, N.Y., and a brilliant lawyer, Mrs. Lockwood and her party polled 4,149 votes in seven states. For the record, it was Grover Cleveland who won the election (over James Blaine), but that didn't stop the tricyclist. She campaigned again in 1888, and continued her career as a lawyer, suffragette and peace advocate until her death in 1917—three years before the 19th Amendment gave women the right to vote.

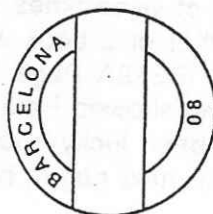
—John Dowlin

FEBRUARY 1987

Submitted by Keith Kingbay who was, incidentally, the first recipient of the Dr. Paul Dudley White Award for contributions to cycling—the most prestigious award for cycling in the USA.



Niger - 1997

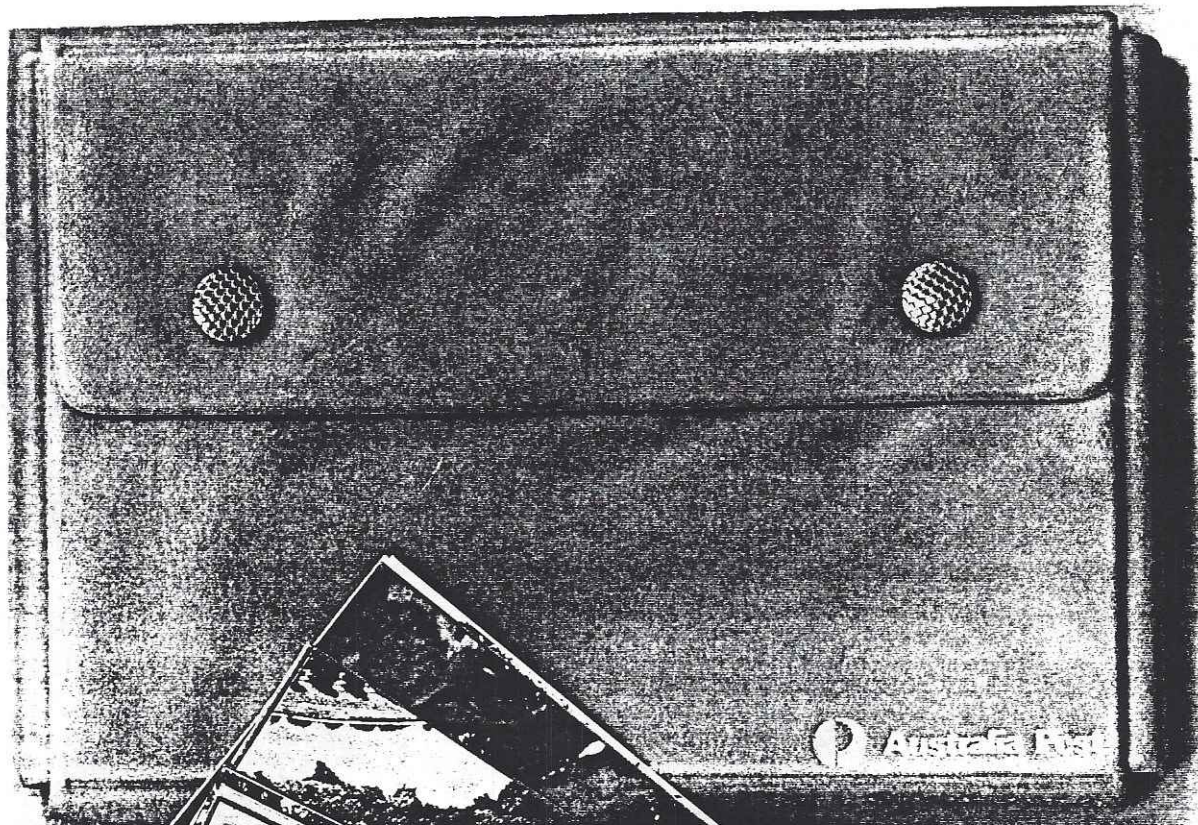


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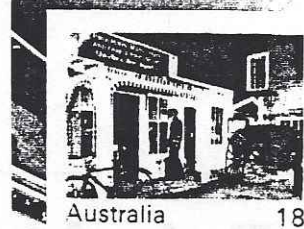
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PORT DE TARRAGONA
SORTIDA 17-6-1997



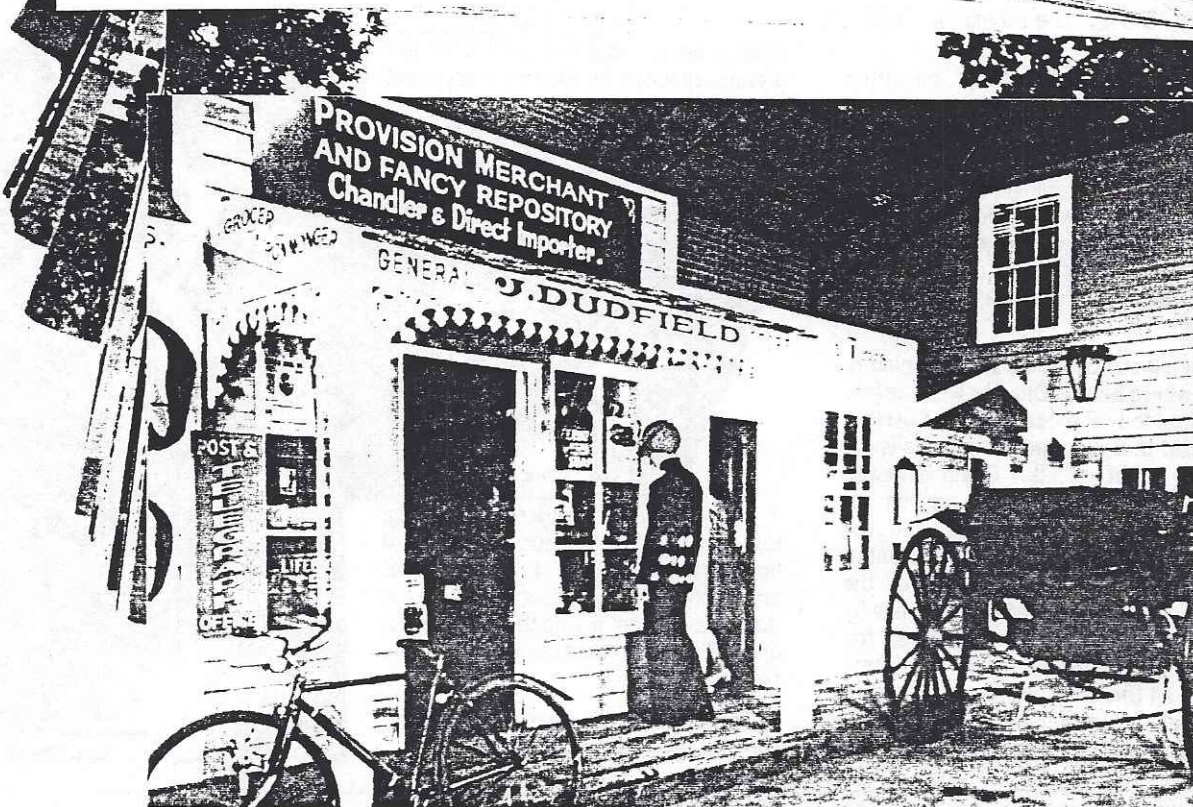


AUSTRALIAN POSTAL CARDS

Remember the card found by Martin Scheer (BS22A page 5)? Whilst trying to obtain some, I found a dealer who had one in a set of 36. He would only sell the complete set. They come in a nice red velvet purse. To my surprise, on examining the cards, I found the one illustrated below. It's "The Pioneer Village Museum, Burnie, Tasmania". The stamp, *printed* on each card, is a miniature of the picture on the card. They are individually numbered. The pedal-boat card is No. A1.1.76 and the museum card is No. T1.3.76. Sets may still be available...



Australia 18



ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

Douglas Marchant wrote, some months ago, and said he assumed that I had noticed the design error on the Bermudan stamp issued on 21.5.96 (BS20B Page 9)*. He noted that tri-bars for time trials are not allowed on bicycles taking part in massed-start road races. I consider this to be similar to the Nicaraguan issue of 18.3.85 (BS4 Page 28)**, where the stamp designer had taken a photograph of some racing cyclists and painted different colours on the shirts. The Bermudan stamp, in my opinion, is of 3 riders finishing a road teams time trial, eg: funny bikes, tri-bars, overshoes, etc. (For the benefit of those members who do not have BS4, the article is reprinted below.)

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Nicaragua. 18th March

Fabulous four depicted on stamp

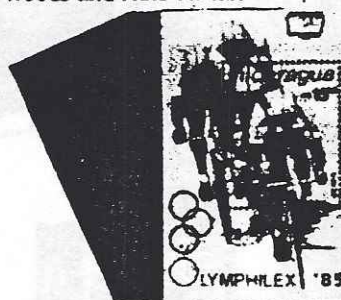
by Tony Teideman BSC

'Australian Bicycle' Oct. '86

The illustrated stamp miniature sheet from Nicaragua came into my possession in March and when I examined it, the first thing that struck me was whoever designed this stamp didn't know the rules. For the riders were all on funny bikes but as they were wearing different colored shirts then they must be in a scratch type event!!!

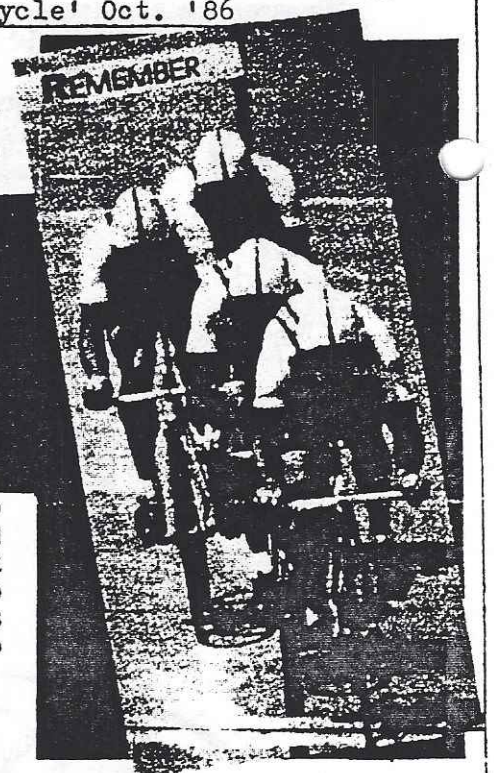
Then it struck me I'd seen the picture somewhere before. Only the week before I'd attended a meeting where Arthur Tunstall, that dynamo official who is the Secretary of N.S.W. Commonwealth Games Association, had launched his 'Shares for Edinburgh' idea, and the photo was in the booklet handed out at this meeting. An examination of the photo of our team and the stamp side by side confirmed my observations, the stamp is designed around the same photo, all the artist has done is painted different colours on the shirts and helmets. Everything else is the same; posi-

tions of pedals, shadows of bikes on the ground, shadows on the riders' legs and arms; there's no doubt the stamp depicts our victorious L.A. Olympic Team of Michael Grenda, Kevin Nichols, Dean Woods and Mike Turtur.



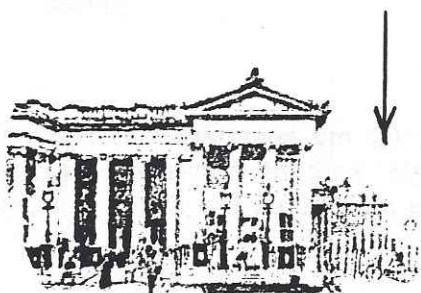
I had originally considered I'd head up this article 'Fabulous Four Immortalised on Stamp' but then I realised that amongst the many millions who will no doubt have this stamp in their collections only a few will ever realise who the stamp portrays.

Perhaps the only ones will be me, and you, the reader of this article.



A printing error occurred on page 13 of BS20B - where the arrows should have depicted where to look on the Air Mail letter form for the bicycle; the vertical arrow did not get printed and the horizontal arrow was in the wrong place - here is a better enlarged photocopy, with arrows...

Edinburgh Festival



The 50th Edinburgh International Festival is held in 1996 - one of the world's greatest celebrations of the arts

galleries and to the streets...



French booklets dated 26.07.97, as listed in BS23A page 5 - Douglas, who sent me the information, considers that my listing would be confusing to some members, so here is a corrected listing, based on his suggestion:

TOUR DE FRANCE BOOKLETS

Date:	Size:	No. Cyclists on Cover:	Colour of Cover:
26.07.97	3X9.5cm	3	white
"	"	"	pink
"	"	"	green
"	"	"	blue
"	"	"	yellow
"	5.5X9.5cm	3	white
"	"	"	pink
"	"	"	green
"	"	"	blue
"	"	"	yellow

cont/d....

Date:	Size:	No. Cyclists on Cover:	Colour of Cover:
27.07.97	3X9.5cm	9	white
"	"	"	pink
"	"	"	green
"	"	"	blue
"	"	"	yellow
"	5.5X9.5cm	13	white
"	"	"	pink
"	"	"	green
"	"	"	blue
"	"	"	yellow

I do hope this clarifies the information.

Douglas has also taken me to task for my comment on page 13 of BS23A regarding the Mongolian issues where I said: "Douglas sent this mini-sheet and the sheet opposite but did not indicate if the wording is an overprint or whether the stamp has been reissued with additional printing".

Douglas said: "As we don't know the original issue date of any of the Mongolian items, how could I possibly know if 'the stamp has been reissued?' A 'reissue' must be of a later date than the original issue. In any case, what on earth is the distinction between 'an overprint' and a stamp with 'additional printing'? To add any additional printing is to overprint..."

What I had meant was: were the stamps re-printed in their entirety, i.e. the new information was engraved on the printing plates before the stamps were printed? Or, were the stamps overprinted by passing the original printed stamps through a printing press again to add the additional wording?



Law to wear hat in summer

Cartoon from Sydney SUN-HERALD Newspaper - April 19th 1998



Remember the cover of BS21B? The picture on this card, found by Douglas, is identical.

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BICYCLE STAMPS

Bikes and Cycling on the World's Postage Stamps

In BS23A on pages 16-20 we printed reviews of the above book by Dan Gindling. Dan has written to comment on the points raised in the reviews and I am pleased to reprint his letter below...

Dear Mr. Teideman

I want to thank you for devoting so much space in the November, 1997 issue of Bicycle Stamps to the review of my book, Bicycle Stamps: Bikes and Cycling on the World's Postage Stamps.

First, I would like to state that anyone thinking a book such as Bicycle Stamps (full-color, coated paper, hard cover) would be produced as a serious, philatelic tome aimed at only the bicycle stamp collector is naive. Such a book would have a print run of maybe a couple hundred copies and carry a cover price of over \$250. Who would buy such a book? Nobody. Instead, Bicycle Stamps was written to appeal to the general bicyclist market and act as an introduction to bicycle stamps. It was never intended to be an all-inclusive book for the serious bicycle stamp collector.

Next, I would like to address Mr. Marchant's review. As to his encouragement for readers to hurry and buy the book before the publisher is forced by the UPU to pull it from circulation. To date, the publisher has heard nothing from the UPU. And as to Mr. Marchant's inference that the book was printed in China because the country is "not known for its adherence to international laws on copyright" is ridiculous! Lower print costs are driving more and more publishers to China, not some alleged legal loophole.

Continuing, Mr. Marchant's claim that not all bicycle stamps are listed because of a missing Rwanda 1992 Olympics souvenir sheet, I plead ignorance. In attempting to include all of the stamps I have must have missed that one. As to the fact that the stamps were listed in separate chapters forcing readers to "flick back and forth from one list to another trying to locate particular stamps if the reader is trying to use the book as a check list of stamps." Again, the book is an introduction to bicycle stamp collecting and as such had to be interesting reading first, stamp check list second. It would have been nice to have included in the back of the book a country-by-country stamp list, but that would have meant sacrificing copy. Unfortunately, information about Steve Malone's excellent Illustrated Bikes on Stamps checklist was removed by the publisher.

Further through Mr. Marchant's review to the Republic of Bosnia Herzegovnia stamp. I mistakenly used the name from my new issues service and listed the stamp as such. Also, the stamp was not included in the "Bicycle History" chapter because it was not issued to commemorate the history of the bicycle. (Note: the Paul Flora stamp mentioned and shown in the "Bicycle History" chapter actually should have been listed in the "Special Subjects" chapter.) When putting together the book I had to determine the meaning of each stamp issue, not merely what was pictured on the stamp. For instance, many stamps



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showing bicycle racing were not included in the "Bicycle Racing" chapter because they were not issued to commemorate a particular race or racer.

Next, Mr. Marchant moves on to locals, and what he deems as an inadequate mention. An entire book could be written on bicycle locals, and since it is such a specialty philatelic grouping I kept my locals chapter to just a dusting of what was out there. Again, this book was written for the bicyclist not the serious philatelist.

With booklets, I chose to highlight only those booklets that contained "cyclist stamps and cover illustrations as part of the same booklet" (excluding private issues). As to the missing Great Britain "costume" issue, for the life of me I couldn't find the cycling interest on the booklet.

'Moving on to what Mr. Marchant describes as the "most interesting chapter of the book" on stamp artists. Maybe he can explain to me why it is so important to highlight artists who are also bicyclists. Does it make them better artists? I don't think so. Here's how I selected the four artists for the chapter: Paul Flora - artist of my favorite bicycle stamps. When his sister called from the San Francisco area and told me Paul would be in town (from Austria) and willing to do a phone interview I jumped at the opportunity. LeRoy Neiman - arguably one of the most well-known artists of his generation, and a thoroughly enjoyable person to talk to. Sue Passmore - I wanted someone from the southern hemisphere and she was the most available (and she rides a bike!). Gyula Vasarhelyi - only the world's most prolific stamp designer. As to Mr. Marchant feeling he cannot accept with confidence "the information on the four artists as true," you caught me. I made it all up.

Next, we come to Mr. Marchant's comments on the book's glossary. Everything in the glossary was gleaned from other philatelic books. Obviously, I should have researched the glossary items further. (By the way, a "cachet" in the U.S. is indeed "a design on an envelope," and since the book was published in the United States I chose to use U.S. terminology.")

Concerning the book's Bibliography, I included only Bicycle Stamps Spring, 1993 through Summer 1996, because I used those issues to double check issued bicycle stamps. His Autumn, 1989 reference was duly noted in the Bibliography, as was another one of his articles used as background for the book.

Finally, Mr. Marchant closes his review of my book with a quote from Michelangelo. I offer one as well, from Sir Francis Bacon: "... Sir Henry Wotton used to say that critics are like brushers of noblemen's clothes."

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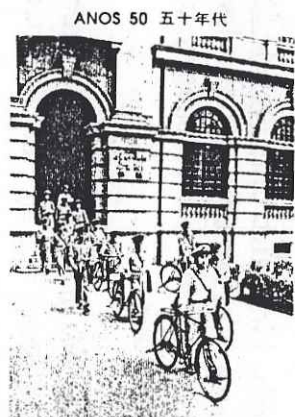


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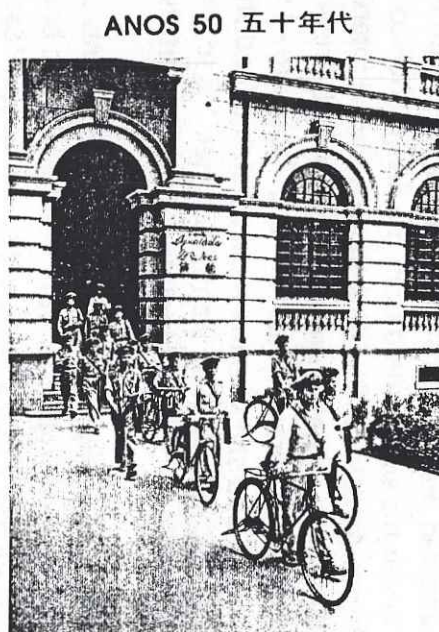
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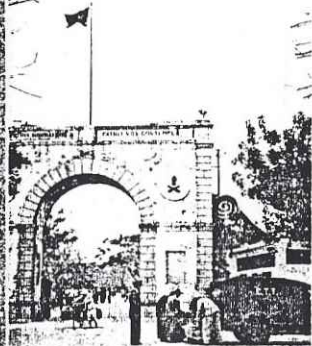


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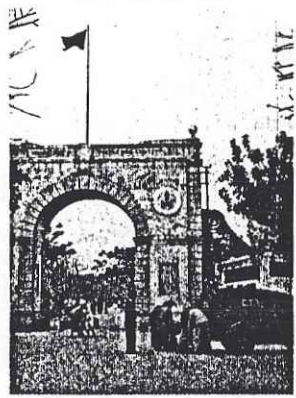
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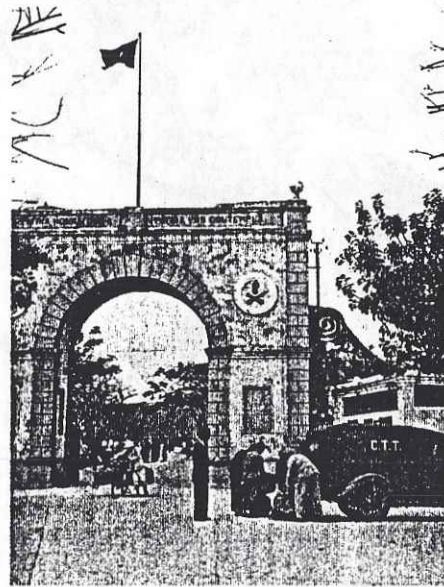
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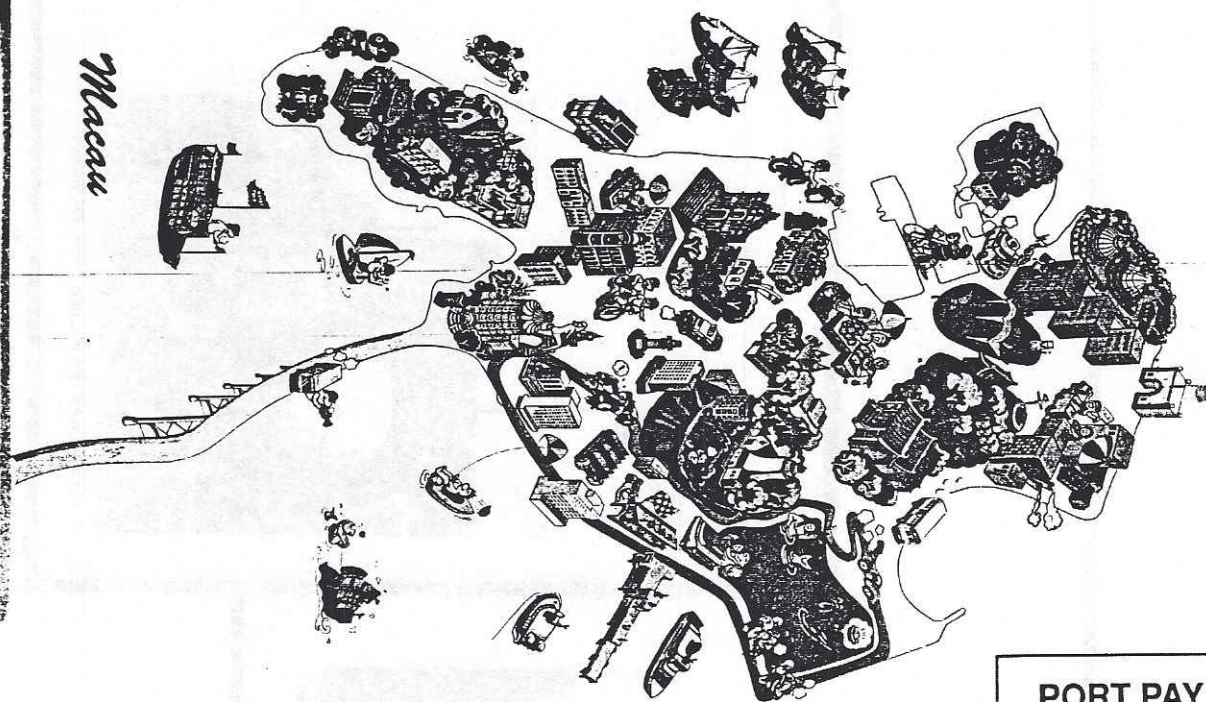


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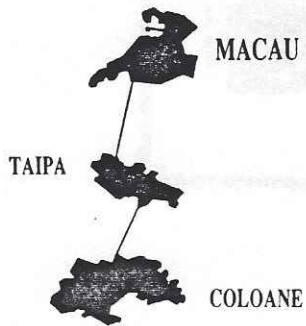
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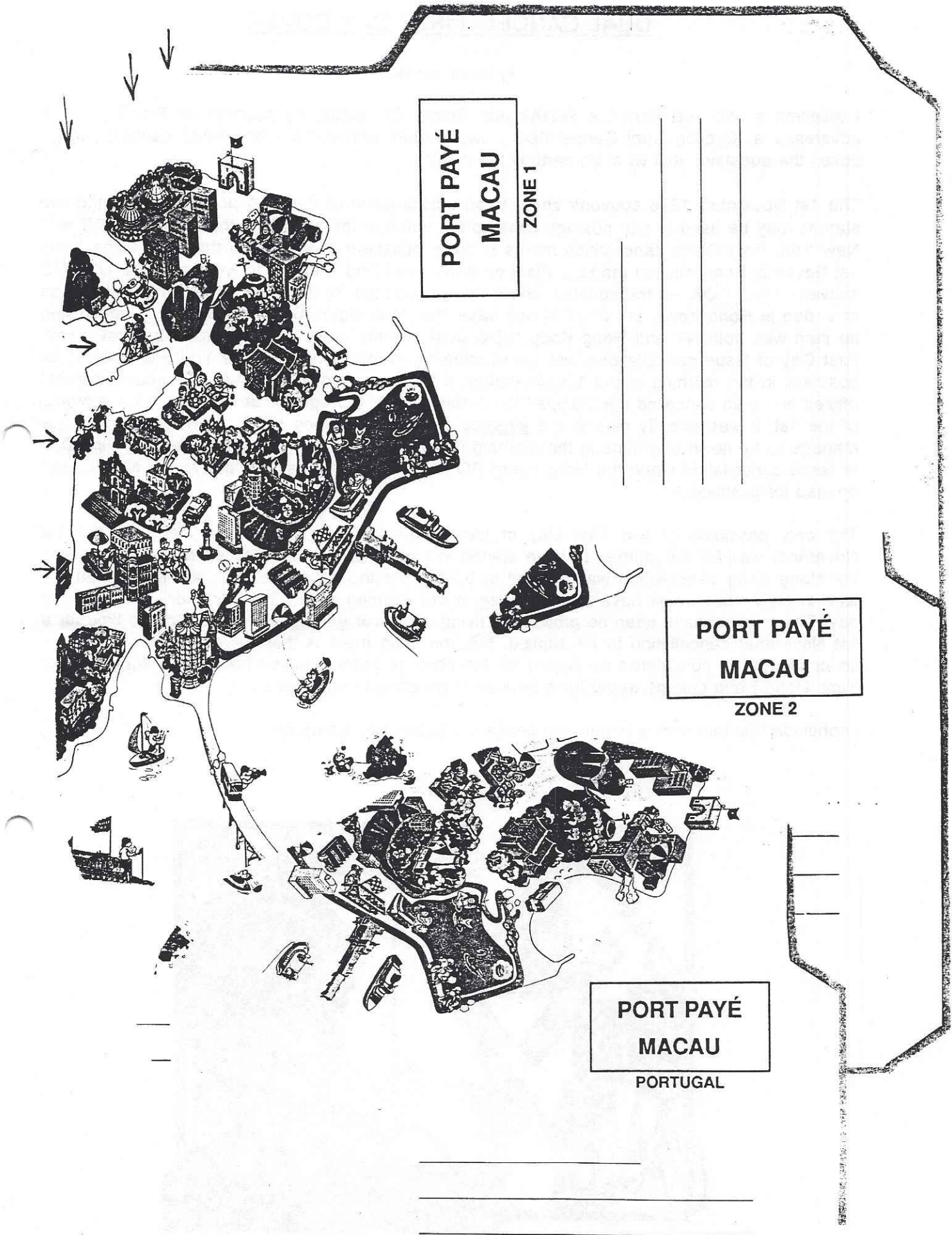
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DUAL CANCEL- FIRST DAY COVER

by Douglas Marchant

I received a price list from the Washington Stamp Exchange, by courtesy of Rick Hyman. It advertised a "Cycling Dual Cancel FDC - two singles with NY & Hong Kong cancels", which poses the question: Just what on earth is the item?

The 1st November 1996 souvenir sheet is an official issue of the USA post office and the two stamps may be used to pay postage costs to the value of the stamps in that sheet. A FDC with New York Post Office cancellation marks is quite legitimate. However, to then add Hong Kong 1st November cancellation marks... What on earth has Hong Kong to do with an official USA PO souvenir sheet? OK, so the souvenir sheet was overprinted for the "Tour of China" which began or ended in Hong Kong, but why? In any case, the Washington Stamp Exchange is advertising an item with both NY and Hong Kong "FDC dual cancels" and, as "FDC" means a cover with First Day of Issue cancellations, are we to understand that, after the New York PO opened for business in the morning of the 1st November, it then received a cover with the souvenir sheet affixed and then cancelled the stamps? But, when the NY PO opened at say nine in the morning of the 1st, it was already nine in the evening of the 1st in Hong Kong, so how did the cover manage to be flown after nine in the morning half-way round the world for the second First Day of Issue cancellation when the Hong Kong PO had closed for business before the NY PO had opened for business?

The only possibility of two First Day of Issue cancellations having been made on the 1st November was for the journey to have started in Hong Kong on the 1st November. Supposing the Hong Kong cancellation was applied at 9.30am on the 1st November, at that moment the time in New York would have been 9.30pm in the evening of the 31st October - the previous day. There would have been no problem in flying the cover eastwards to New York in time for a 1st November cancellation to be applied, but, the snag there is that the stamps affixed to the cover cannot be considered as paying for the postage costs involved from Hong Kong to New York. Hong Kong stamps would have needed to be affixed to the cover.

I conclude that this item is bogus and brings our hobby into disrepute.








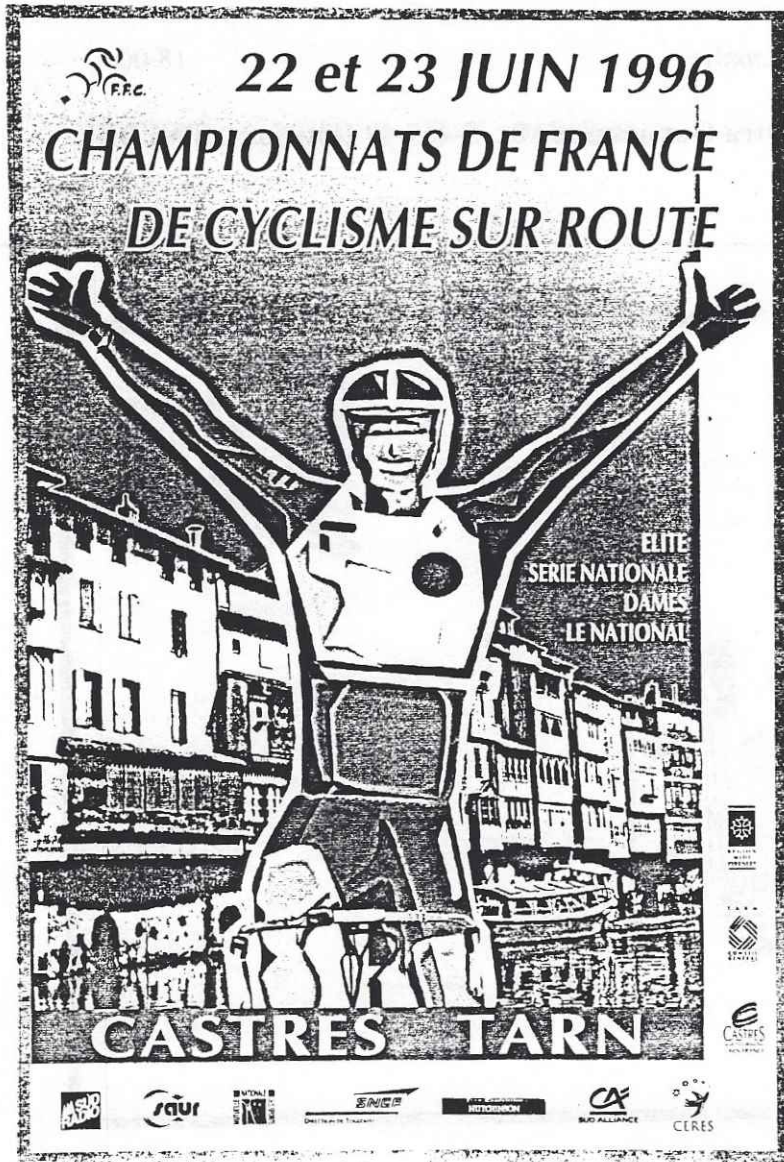
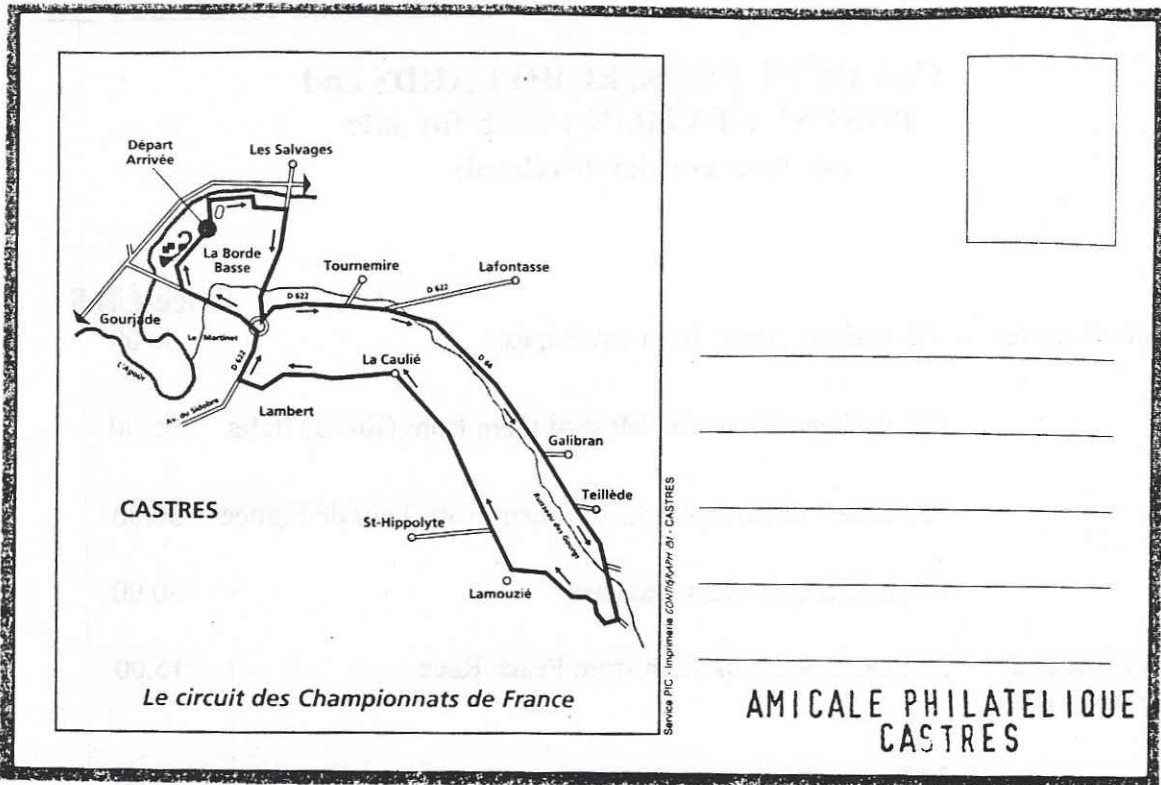
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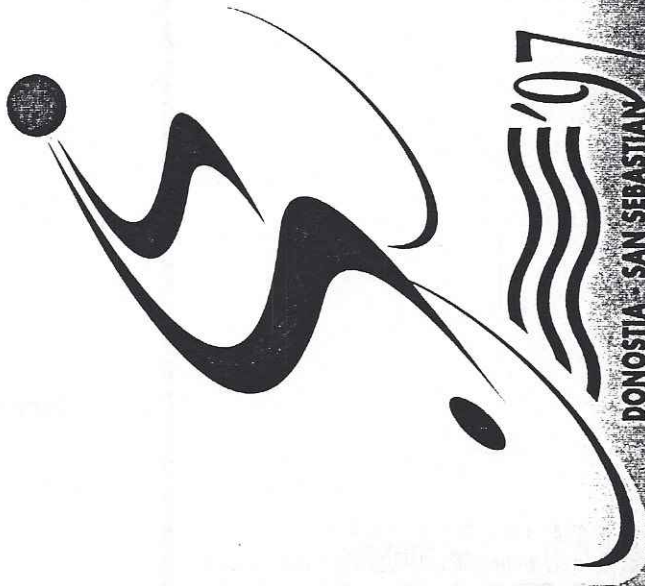
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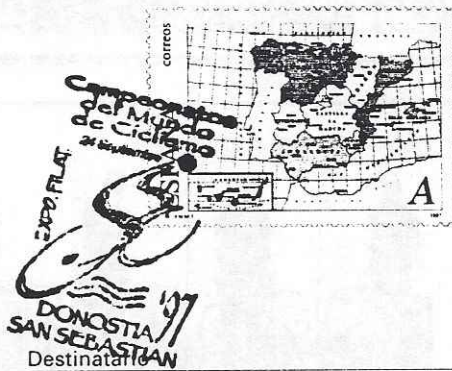
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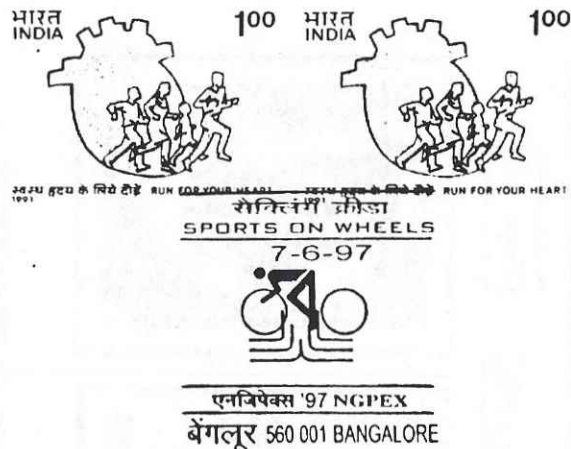
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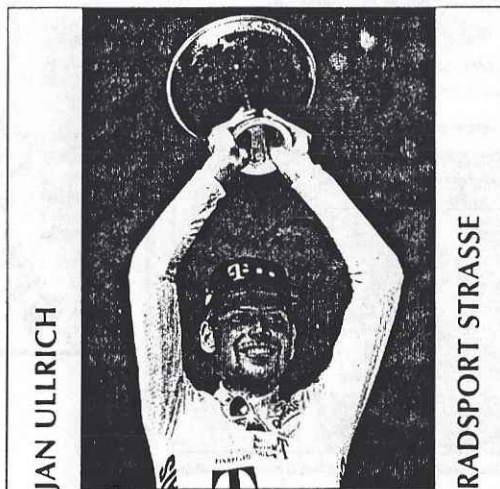


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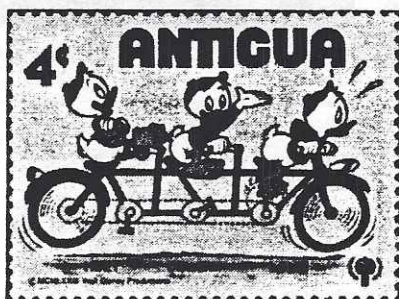
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CYCLING ON STAMPS

by Terry Crawford

In the January/February issue, the editor invited articles on the collecting interests of other stamp clubs. This description of the BICYCLE STAMPS CLUB.

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I started collecting cycling stamps some 26 years ago when I became disillusioned with modern GB and Commonwealth stamps. I was – and am – a keen cyclist, and a perusal of stamp catalogues revealed a small number of stamps with cycling themes, not least the celebrated Mafeking Issue showing Cadet Sergeant Major Goodyear on his machine.

For many years I collected in isolation, confident I was keeping up with an increasing trickle of new issues and that my collection was 85 per cent complete. True, I included a few questionable items, including “wallpaper” from Arabian states not noted for cycling, such as Dhofar, which I understand from the exploits of the SAS consists mostly of sand dunes.

Then I discovered and joined the Bicycle Stamps Club, obtained back numbers of its magazine, and found out that there were many local and other Cinderella issues of which I had been unaware. These included the first cycling stamps, issued by the German state of Bochum in 1887. My wants list significantly increased in size!

Among the additions were several

items I am unlikely ever to obtain, as their prices run into hundreds, even thousands, of pounds. These include labels issued in Australia in 1897 by the Lake Lefroy Goldfield cycle-messenger service (only a thousand are said to have been printed), the USA Special Delivery cycle-messenger issue of 1902 overprinted for use in the Philippines, and a Norwegian “Expresburea” 1890-91 label showing a mail tricycle which cost an auction bidder US\$1460 in 1994.

Happily – if you can find them – there are many other elusive items that can be purchased more cheaply. These include labels featuring cyclist-soldiers produced in World War One by the fraudster Gaston Delandre, ostensibly to raise money for French regiments. Completely legitimate are stamps issued for use by members of Switzerland’s cycling battalions during both world wars.

The Bicycle Stamps Club draws its members from all over the world, and several have distinguished themselves by winning medals at major exhibitions. Over the years many unusual and enigmatic items have been discussed in the Club magazine, with explanations being forthcoming in most cases.

The authenticity, or otherwise, of the Timaru Cycle Post of New Zealand and its labels was the subject a very fierce debate. Nevertheless, despite being the subject of two queries 11 years apart, no member has submitted information on a Dutch Haaxrnan messenger service label, a copy of which I happily bought last year at a stamp fair for £1.80!

Club members include experts on the development of the bicycle who are quick to notice mistakes in dates and descriptions on stamps showing historical machines. More obvious are design errors showing cycles with the gears and chain wheels on the wrong side.

Quite apart from “obvious” items commemorating the great cycle races, there are many fringe areas of the theme to be explored. Some people take a magnifying glass to any stamp showing a street scene in the hope that a speck will turn out to be a cyclist. Then there are stamps featuring circus unicyclists, astronauts on exercise-bikes, and pedal-floats, not to mention Walt Disney characters on a variety of machines.

Some collectable stamps show no cycle at all, for example, the 1995 French stamp marking the 1942 internment of Parisian Jews at the Vel d’Hiv cycle stadium. Several other cycling stamps commemorate war victims, including German ex-world champion Albert Richter, who died in prison in 1940 after being arrested by the Gestapo when trying to flee to Switzerland.

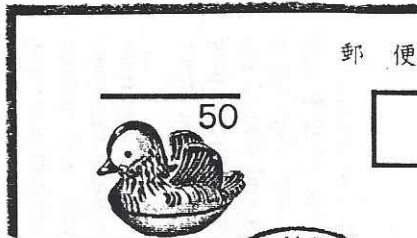
The war/cycling theme also appears in recent Liberation of Europe commemoratives (with cyclists among “welcoming crowds”) and in D-Day issues showing commandos wading ashore with bicycles.

Bicycle Stamps Club member Graham Wade designed the 1992 Papua New Guinea 60t stamp showing a Japanese infantryman and one of the panniered cycles used so effectively by Japanese troops to move along jungle trails.

RIFLET members who concentrate on aviation may be aware of the Togo stamp showing Orville and Wilbur Wright’s cycle workshop and may have spotted cycles among the crowds in stamps featuring early flying (e.g. Czechoslovakia 1959 1k 80, 50th anniversary of Jan Kaspar’s flight and Lesotho 1983 60s, 200th anniversary of manned flight).

Cycle sport has increased in popularity in recent years, and this has led to what was once a trickle of new issues turning into something of a torrent, especially in Olympic year. I admit to obtaining more pleasure from, say, the sub-theme of military-cycling stamps or Cinderella items than page after page of Olympic 1992 or 1996 issues. Perhaps the wheel (bicycle, of course!) has turned full circle and I am now in the same position with my cycling theme as I was 26 years ago with my GB and Commonwealth collection – feeling the need to diversify or specialise. ■

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Cycling Pictogram (just released).

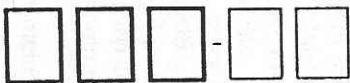


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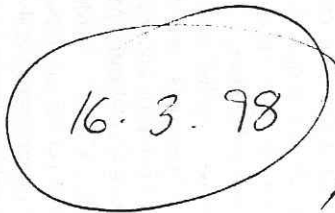
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