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THE OLDEST IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE ~~~~~

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While the Olympics was full on its way in ancient Greece to becoming the spectacle it is in modern times, the Americas were just in the infant stages of developing their own sports noteriety.

Many modern sports enthusiasts today are attempting to justify the origins of the modern versions of basketball or even soccer with a game which apparently originated in Central America. My interest in archeology, particularly in this area of the world, has taken me to most of the Maya ruins in Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras, and my obvious association with sports has subtly led me to the ballcourts in each ruin. Of course, only the larger and more important ceremonial centers of the Maya world had ballcourts, and many of these are not even excavated much less restored.

While there certainly is little question the ballgame did in fact exist as evidenced by the numerous sculptures and pottery art found in Middle America, there seems to be some misunderstanding of its exact function and the rules of the game in various locales. It is safe to say the majority of the ballcourts looked like the one pictured here in the Honduras (fig. 1) souvenir sheet. This particular site is at Copán just across the Guatemalan border, and the sloping walls were used to play the ball off the sides.

The aim of the Maya game appeared to be attempting to hit one or more markers located in the center of the court. In the souvenir sheet you are able to see the first two of three markers, the originals of which are pictured below (figs. 2, 3 & 4) and are to be found in the museum in the village of Copán. In other Classic Maya sites such as Tikal and particularly Yaxchilan, markers also apparently were used.

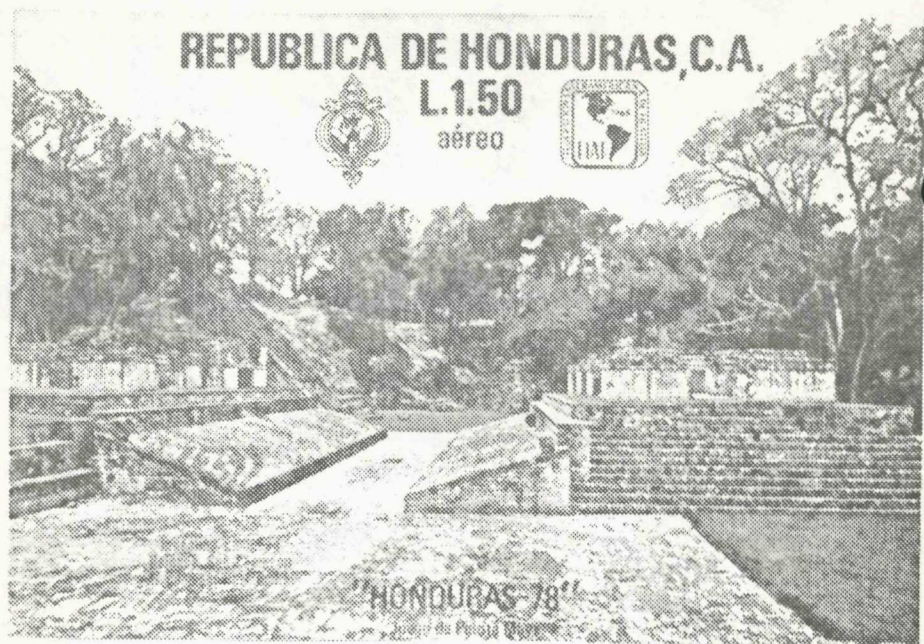


Fig. 1

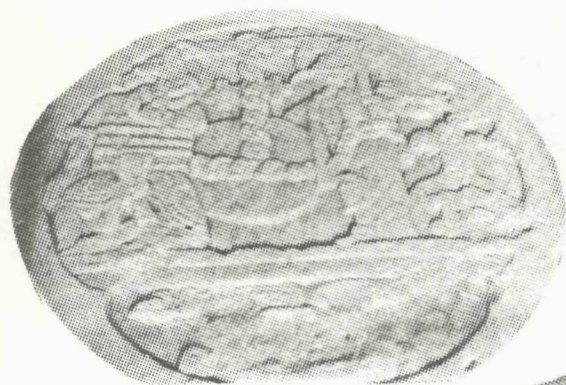


Fig. 2



Fig. 3



Fig. 4

Markers for Copán ballcourt. Removed from ballcourt and are found in the museum in the village of Copán. These show artistic representations of ballgame action.

Often the grand old ballcourt at Chichén Itzá which so many tourists identify as the epitome of the game itself is said to represent the Maya game. Here is where some disagreement among archeologists themselves comes into play. Chichén Itzá is not itself a Maya site but a city which was abandoned by the Maya and built over by the Toltecs, a bloodthirsty and warlike people from north of Mexico City who migrated south and then east and were known in Yucatan as the Itzas. The use of the hoop in ballcourts such as Chichén Itzá and the continuing restoration of the court at Uxmal pictured below (fig. 5) indicates to what extent the game had evolved in some 600 years. In cities located in the Petén jungle of Guatemala where ballcourts were prominent features of every show no such evolution as the Classic Maya collapse was a finality in this region.



Fig. 5

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Partially restored ballcourt at Uxmal. Note the architectural evolution between Copán and Chichén Itzá. The slopes have appeared but the walls are much higher than most Classic Maya courts. The Toltecs took over Uxmal as well after the Classic Maya abandonment.

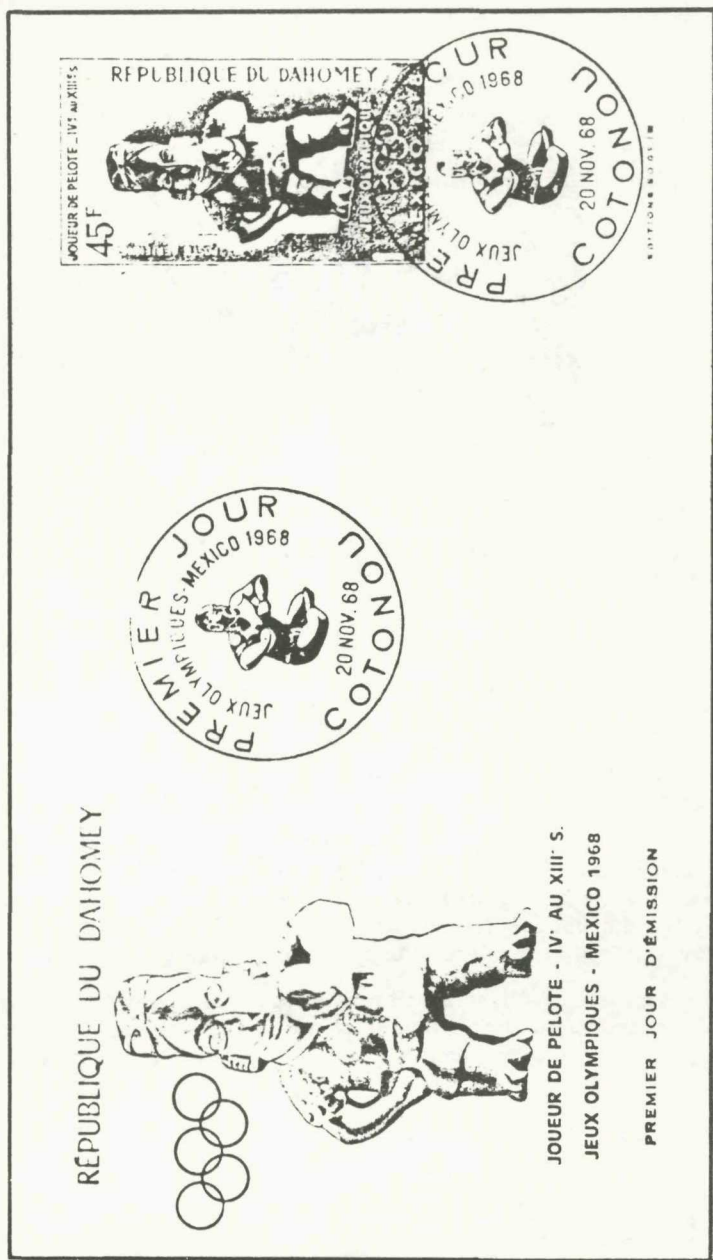


Fig. 6



Elaborately dressed Maya ball game players of 1200 A.D. trying to score a point by knocking the rubber ball through one of the stone "hoops."

The ballplayer himself as depicted on the 1968 Dahomey Olympic issue (fig. 6) gives us an idea of the garb the player had to wear. The ball itself was rubber and of varying sizes according to archeological evidence. The player was well-padded around the hips and knees for use of hands was forbidden. Whether it was placing it through the hoop as the Toltecs were required to do to win, or to hit one or more markers in the center of the Maya courts, the game necessitated some skill and strength.

The function of the game itself was obviously liturgical among the Mayas, and it was an important part of religious festivities. There is no real evidence the Mayas sacrificed the winner or loser of the game, but there is little doubt the Toltecs at Chichén and other post-Classic sites did away with either the winner or loser, most likely the latter.

Little emphasis has been given this most important of all historical sports even by Central American philately. This was perhaps the most widely played game in the world in one form or another before the 1500's.

NEXT DAVID FELDMAN OLYMPIC AUCTION

November, 1980 is scheduled for the specialized Olympic auction by David Feldman, Case Postale 81, 1213 Onex, Geneva, Switzerland. The auction in May, 1980 is supposed to be a general one.

New Issue Column

by: Joe Schirmer; Assoc. Editor

The Bulgarian Postal authorities wish to clarify the following dates of issue:

7/31/79 Moscow Summer Olympics
10/2/79 "Locomotive" sports club
10/20/79 Lake Placid Winter Olympics

EDITORS NOTES: For political or diplomatic reasons, the stamps & souvenir sheets of Cuba; North Korea; Viet Nam are prohibited in the US as apt of a general embargo against the importation of goods from certain countries.

SCOTT CATALOGUE NUMBERS

(Note: a few members wrote and asked that this feature be continued)

Canada downhill skiing #848
Jamaica golf #466
Singapore soccer #332
Tokelau rugby & cricket #69-72
Albania Liberation Spartakaid #1911-1915
Benin Pre-Olympics 437-438
Djibouti Pre-Olympics #498-500
Egypt Military Shooting #1119
Greece golfing #1325
Mauritania Pre-Olympics 427-431
Syria 8 Med. Games #862-864
Romania Summer Olympics #2862-2868
Togo Winter Olympics #1035-1037 ; C392-C395

I can furnish a listing of the various plate numbers for United States (only) Olympic and sports issues. 50¢ in mint postage will bring you the list.

ANDORRA (FRENCH) 9 Feb. 1980 Lake Placid Olympics 1.80 Fr
cross country skier; Design: J. Jubert; sheet
of 25

BRITISH VIRGINI ISLANDS 23 Feb. 1980 Rotary Club Athletic Meet
4 stamps & s/s showing athletic events
sheets of 50; lithographed by Jon.
Enschede en Zonen; Design: Waddington
Studios

CHINA (PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC) 13 Feb. 1980 Lake Placid Olympics;
all 4 stamps are 8 fen each and show
speed skating, skiing, figure skating &
Olympic symbols; sheets of 50 in
photogravure

- CHRISTMAS ISLANDS 12 Feb. 1980 20 years of Golf; 20¢ shows 9th. green & 55¢ shows club house; lithographed by Format International Security Printers; sheets of 50; Design: R.G. Barrett
- CUBA 20 Feb. 1980 Moscow Olympics; 1¢ weight lifting; 2¢ shot putt; 5¢ javelin throw; 6¢ wrestling; 8¢ judo; 10¢ track; 13¢ boxing; 30¢ volleyball; 50¢ s/s showing MISHA & Olympic rings; offset; Design: J.A. Medina; 849,000 printed & 277,000 printed for s/s
- CZECHOSLOVAKIA 29 Jan. 1980 Moscow Olympics; 40h basketball; 1K swimming; 2K obstacle course; 3.60K fencing; Design: I. Strnad; printer: PO Dept Prague; sheets of 25; rotary press; Engravers: M. Ondreck; J. Mracek; B. Housa; M. Ondreck
- 29 Jan. 1980 International Peace Marathon
50H runners; Design: I. Rumansky; Engr. J. Mracek; rotary press; sheets 50
- 29 Jan. 1980 Lake Placid Olympics; 1K skiing; 2K speed skating; 3K bobsledding; Design: I. Strnad; Engr: J. Hercik; M. Ondreck, sheets 50; photo
- DJIBOUTI On 31 Dec. 1979 the World Cup Soccer stamps issued 8/11/77 were withdrawn from postal sales.
- Previously reported Pre-Olympic soccer stamp is now issued imperforated.
- shot
- DOMINICA Jan. 1980 Moscow Olympics; 30¢ putt ; 40¢ basketball; 60¢ swimmer; \$2 parallel bars gymnast; \$3 s/s marathon race; Design: Waddington Studios; Printer: House of Questa lithographed; sheets 50
- GERMANY (EAST) 15 Jan. 1980 Lake Placid Olympics; 10 pfg. bobsled start; 20 pfg. skating pose; 25 pfg. + 10 pfg. ski jump sculpture; 35 pfg. speed skating start; DM 1 s/s skiing girls; Design: M. Gottschall; rotogravure; Designs: by GDR graphic artists
- GRENADE Feb. 1980 Moscow Olympics 25¢ boxer; 40¢ cyclist; 90¢ horse jumping; \$2 track & \$4 s/s sailing; sheets 40; litho; by House of Questa; Design: Int. House of Questa.
- INDONESIA 12 March 1980 Spice Sailing Races from Amsterdam to Jakarta; 60; 125; 150 Rp shows sailing vessels; sheets 100 rotary press; Design S. Subiyanto; 2 s/s sheets of 350 & 550 Rp; Printing: 1.5 million with 60,000 of each s/s
- JUGOSLOVIA 13 Feb. 1980 Lake Placid Olympics; 4.90 Din. speed skater; 10 Din. cross country skiing; offset in sheets of 9; Design: M. Rakic
(Note: in the future the spelling will be "Yugoslavia" as printed in catalogues, philatelic periodicals.)

LIBYA previously reported Junior Cycling event is now issued imperf;
imperf. silver miniature sheets with silver border and 2 deluxe
imperf. s/s

Moscow Olympics G \$25 s/s showing rowing race & symbols;
Design: U. Donhan; 1000 o/p Muestra; 550 sent to JPU;
12400 printed

RUSSIA North Pole Ski Expedition 25 Dec. 1979 50Kp s/s skiers
design: Y. Levinovski; offset printing by Gornak of Moscow;
2 million copies

RUANDAISE REPUBLIC 10 March 1980 Moscow Olympics; 20¢ gymnast; 30¢ basketball; 50¢ cycling; 3 Fr. boxing; 20Fr archery; 26 Fr weight lifting; 50 Fr. javelin throw; 100Fr fencing; design: C. Bonnevale; Printer: S.A. Cartor; offset:

POMEX '80 OLYMPIC CANCEL ~~~~~

Two cacheted covers are available with the theme of the exhibit "Saluting Olympics and Olympic Athletes." These are franked with the Summer and Winter Olympic stamps as follows: a set of four covers with a single Summer Olympics stamp on each with the special exhibit cancellation —\$2, one cover with a block of four summer Olympic stamps —\$1.50, set of four covers each with one of the Winter Olympic stamps and the exhibit cancel —\$2, one cover with a block of four Winter Olympic stamps —1.50, number ten S.A.E. required with all orders. These may be ordered from: Ray Patton, Apt. 202, 1055 West Main St., Stroudsburg, PA 18360.

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1980 LAKE PLACID WINTER OLYMPICS CANCELLATIONS

The Pictorial Eleven Journal, THE OBLITERATOR, reviews the 46 special cancellations marking the 1980 Lake Placid Winter Olympics. All the cancellations are illustrated. Also included are the names of all the athletes winning, Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals and a scoreboard of final medal standings by country. A sample copy of the journal is available at \$1.00 from the editor: Wesley Smith, Box 4040, Downey, CA 90241.

LETS POOL OUR OLYMPIC AND SPORTS KNOWLEDGE

Edited by Edward B. Epstein

Sports and Olympic philatelists have, collectively, a great deal of knowledge, which when pooled, can be of mutual benefit. Questions concerning sports and Olympic philately will be assigned a number and published in JSP. Responses to questions will be printed in subsequent issues. Address all questions to your editor: Edward B. Epstein, Paterson Board of Education, 33 Church Street, Paterson, N.J. 07505 U.S.A.

A-58 Joseph Schirmer who is doing a detailed study of Bonacossa medal, provides addition information about the award as reproted in the Nov-Dec 1979 issue of JSP. In addition to the jurists mentioned before, the following also served as judges: Condarelli, Cronsjo, Linardos, Olsen, Samaranch, Sekimoto, Heyden, and Versan.

There was also a famous and rare Bonacossa meter mark issued in 1952 when the first medal was awarded.

The following is an additional listing of stamps which won awards:

1954-2nd place: Gymnast (Scott 940-Bulgaria)
3rd place: Gymnasts (Scott 348 354,355-San Marino)
1956-1st place: Sailing (Scott 358,385- San Marino)
2nd place: Olympic trophy (Scott 298-Netherlands)
3rd place: Mountain Climbing (Scott 631-Japan)
1957-1st place: Gymnast (Scott 311-Liechtenstein)
2nd place: Gymnastics (Scott 308-11-Liechtenstein)
3rd place: 12th Athletic Games (Scott 639-40 Japan)

In 1958 no winner was announced but Israeli's Maccabiah issue (Scott 137) was a contender.

Although Fioretti tried to revive the Bonacossa awards in 1962 his efforts never materialized.

A - 67 A sword superimposed over a wreath and swastika, the Storm Troopers (S.A.) Sports Badge, on the August 8, 1942 German issue (Scott 582) commemorates "Wehrkampftage" of the S.A.- the period between August 12 and September 15, 1942 when sporting events of a largely military nature were held in various German towns for the Storm Troopers who emphasized physical culture, development, and athletic competition.

During these competitions the S.A. Sports medal, illustrated on the stamp, was earned by those individuals who gave proof of proficiency in various exercises. The highly coveted badge could only be retained after repeated annual proof of passing a high level of competency in long jumping, sprinting, swimming, small arms fire, and hand granade throwing.

One of the hallmarks of the National Socialist movement was the promotion of a healthy body through physical education. Nazi Germany instituted a strong physical education program. In addition to a formal school athletic training program many Nazi organizations, such as the Hitler Youth (H.J.) and their female counterpart The League of German Girls (b.d.M.), promoted physical development. Every German male, over eighteen years of age, was expected to earn the S.A. Sports Medal. Females who married S.S. men were required to hold the Reich Sports Medal.

As early as 1938 the post publicized National Sport Meetings of the S.A.. A postal card, imprinted with the head of a Storm Trooper, publicized the July 15 -17, 1938 National Sports Meeting of the S.A.. A Stendal postmark, dated Aug. 20, 1942, duplicating the S.A. Sports Medal was a handstamp used in one of the towns holding the "Wehrkampagne" event.

- A - 70 The likeness of Spiridon Loues, Olympic winner of the 1896 marathon has graced atleast three stamp issues. To commemorate the 1960 Rome Olympic games Haiti issued an August 18, 1960 set. Two of the values (Scott 462, C165), and their souvenir sheet (Scott C165A) pictures, in an oval insert, Loues leading the Athens April 15, 1896 victor's parade by the French magazine illustrator Andre Castaigne.

Greece honored its 1896 athletic hero as one of two multi-colored stamps (Scott 1027) issued April 10, 1971 commemorating the 75th anniversary of the revival of the Olympic games. P.Gravalos and P.Velissanides adapted a 1896 photograph of Spiridon Loues's arrival in the Athens stadium at the conclusion of the race.

Thanks to Laurentz Jonker of the Netherlands another Loues issue has come to light. This one is a blue, red, and black colored local stamp of the Dutch Private Post Service (Apeldoorn, Stadspost). It pictures a full length portrait of the marathoner in his native costume. In the background, at right, is the Olympic flame burning in a tripod. To the left of the figure the following text is imprinted: "Spyridon Louis (Gre)", while below right the following legend reads; "Goud Marathon 2.58.00.0". The text on the red border states, "Stadspost Apeldoorn/ 15c/ I. Olympiade/Athens 1896" with the five Olympic rings. It should be noted that Louis's time, as noted in the Official Report of the Olympic games of Athens 1896 is 2 hours, 58 minutes and 50 sec.; not 2.58.00.0 as imprinted on the Dutch Local.

SPORTS **CACHET DESIGNS**

by DORIS GOLD

Sports have a wide appeal to almost everyone. One of America's favorite past times, much more space is devoted to sports in newspapers, magazines, radio and TV than to any other specific item. The word "sports" can be interpreted to mean almost any activity which exercises the body — through each person may give a different connotation to the word, as one man's "sport" could be another man's "work."

In my role as a cachetmaker, the research for my covers takes me through diverse avenues — from Revolutionary War scenes and Space Missions to Quilting and Sports. Starting in 1975, my early covers were all one-of-a-kind handpainted cachets which I did for Special Events or for FDC. These covers attracted much attention for their colors and originality, and I received notes from postmasters, etc., who handled them for cancelling. Not wanting to sell my own collection, I finally found myself producing limited issue cachets printed in multicolor from my own original drawings. Herewith is the story of sports, as told by my cachets, ranging from my early hand painted covers to my present day printed multicolor designs.

Previous to my first cachet design in the latter part of 1974, I had no philatelic background, therefore I was free to "do as I pleased". My interest in sports oriented cachet designs can be seen in my early Special Event covers. Reading the news of an event which would be to my liking, I would prepare a cachet and send it to the appropriate city postmaster requesting a cancel on the date of event. The cover would be franked by appropriate related stamps (if available).



Fig. 1

The 101st running of the Kentucky Derby on May 3, 1975, was my first such venture. The 10¢ Horse racing stamp (Scott 1528) gave me the inspiration for my cachet and was used for franking. Fig. 1.

When I heard of the annual Des Plaines River Canoe Marathon held locally, I could not resist. My design showed a map of the route, a pair of contestants in the race paddling through the river, foliage in the background. The beautiful colors used made this a most attractive design. Stamps used were Thomas Eakins (1335) and Marquette (1356), and it bears a May 18, 1975 Libertyville, IL (starting point of the marathon) four-killer bar cancel. This is a unique cover which I cherish and each year I look forward to the marathon with special interest. Fig. 2.



Fig. 2

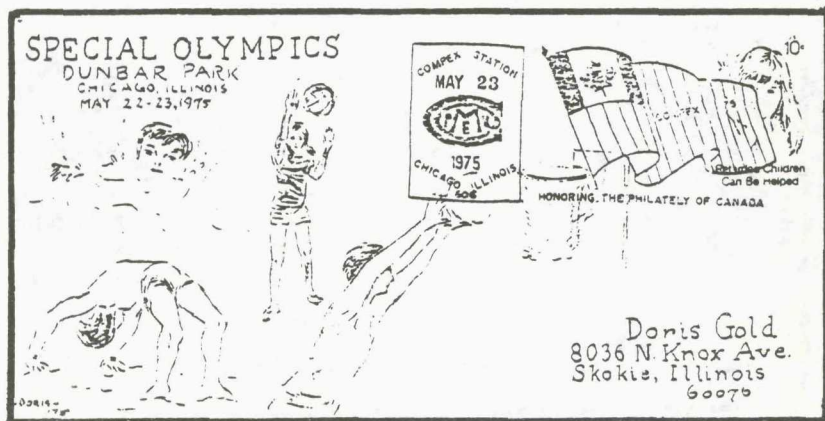


Fig. 3

In early may, 1975, before there was any talk of a commemorative issue, I heard of the Special Olympics program for retarded children. Here was something I felt should be recognized – so I did a composite design of four youngsters in various sports activity. I used the Retarded Children Can Be Helped (1549) stamp and got a COMPEX May 23, 1975 pictorial cancel. Now, more than four years later, I look back at my PRE Special Olympics cover (Fig. 3) and place it next to my printed multicolor FDC for the Special Olympics issue (1788). "The Thrill of Competing" (each contestant gets an award) shows the recipient of the medal, participants

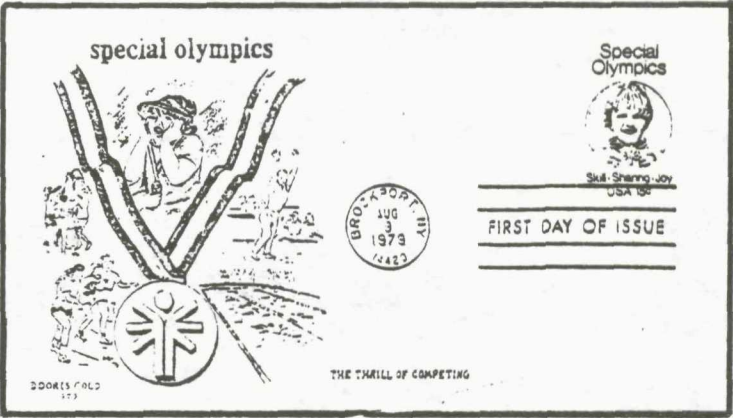


Fig. 4

in different sports, and an enlarged view of the medal Fig. 4.



Fig. 5



Fig. 6

Various other events were cacheted in similar manner, including two which are taken from my "Travel Around the World Without Leaving the United States" (depicting the customs, costumes and events of different ethnic backgrounds). These are Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (Fig. 5) and Days in Spain Fiesta (Fig. 6).

Experimenting with my new techniques in drawing 'small' and still getting the desired details was really a challenge to me, as my previous artistic endeavors had been painting murals in homes and businesses, with up to 20 feet of wallspace, and here I was drawing on 4 x 8" envelopes! Sports took a side seat for a while as I became involved with my series of cachets for the American Revolution Bicentennial, but when the 1976 Olympic block of fours stamps were announced, I was at it again.

In my search for ideas for my cachet designs, I read about this young Romanian gymnast, Nadia Comeneci, whose grace and form captured my eye. I did several different poses of this "unknown" (at that time) athlete. Figs. 6A, 7, 8, 9.

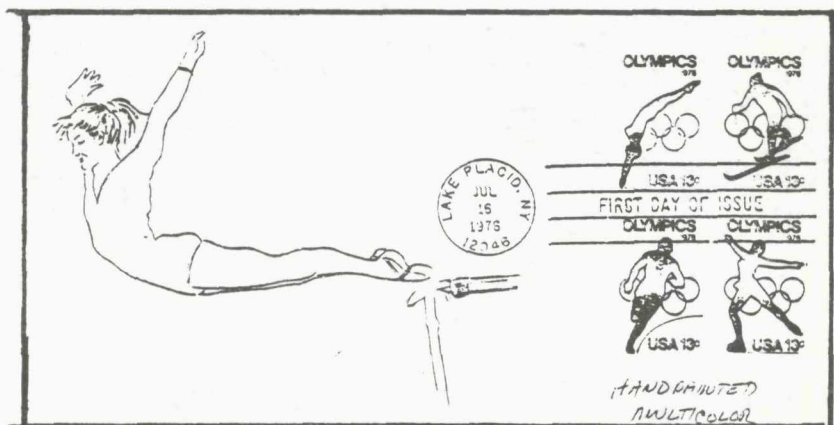


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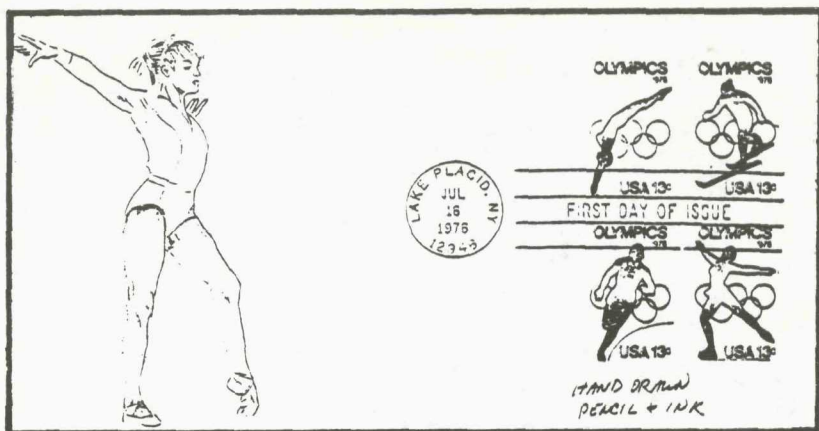


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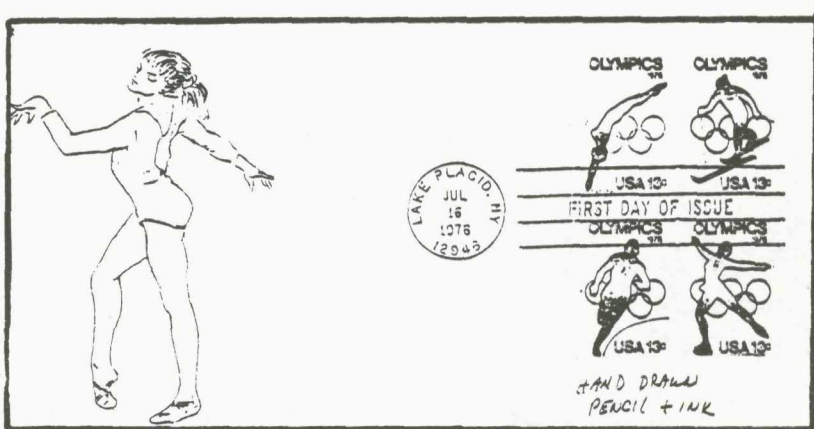


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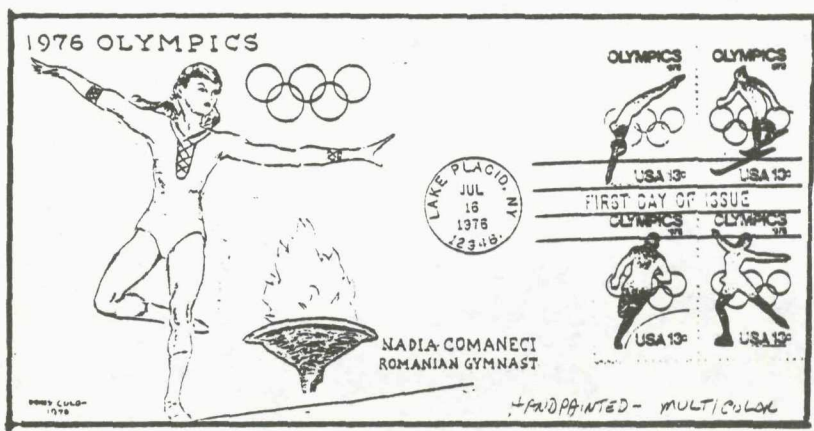


Fig. 9

I also did several other cachet designs showing speed skaters, gymnasts and a composite drawing of them all. Figs. 10, 11, & 12.

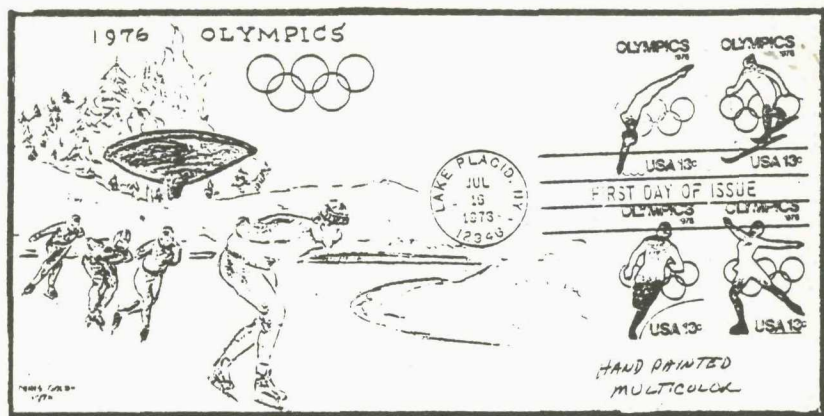


Fig. 10

At that time all covers had to be sent in previous to issue date for FDC cancellations (the two week grace period had not yet been instituted). So all my Olympic covers were sent to await USPS FDOI cancels. Can you imagine my surprise, when Nadia performed her series of '10' scores at the Olympic Games, while my covers were in for servicing. Call it premonition, or what you like - it was most exciting to watch such superb motion and grace - and at the same time I felt a personal attachment for selecting her as my model on some of my covers.

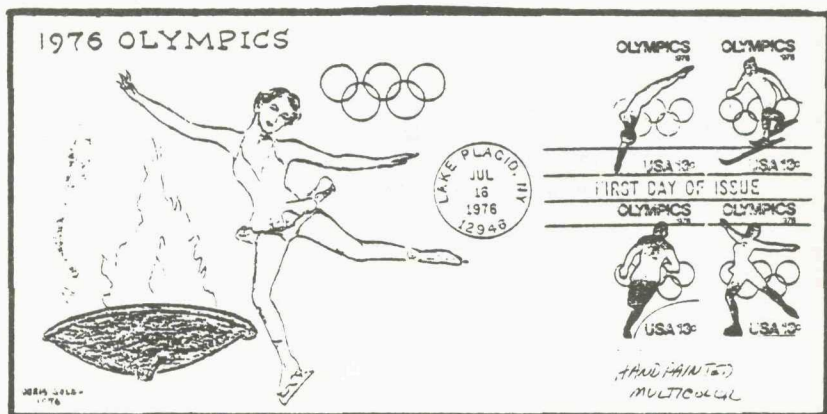


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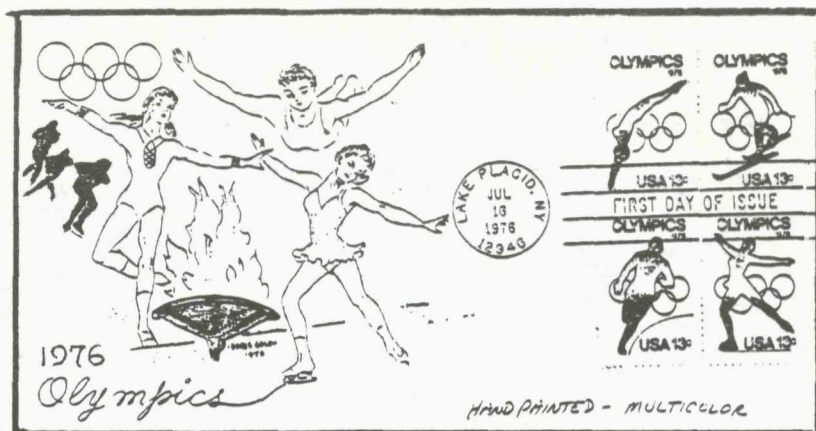
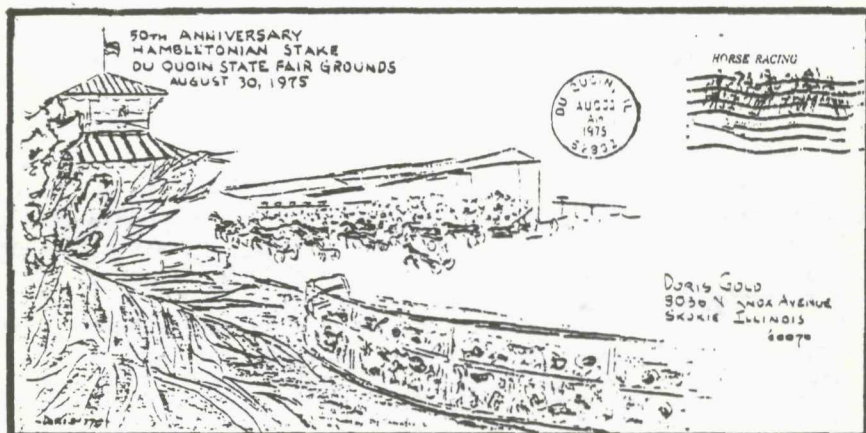


Fig. 12



My colorful handprinted covers attracted much attention wherever they were seen, and many times I was approached to sell my covers. But being that they were mostly one-of-a-kind, I would not part with them. This was my collection. To accommodate philatelic collectors who wanted DORIS GOLD CACHETS represented in their collections, I started producing limited printings in multicolor, cachet designs for most U.S. commemorative issues and some special events. All of the cachets are original drawings, hand lettered and well researched, with even the color separations for printing done by the artist. Those available First Day Covers which fall into the category of Sports include the 1979-89: Special Olympics; 10¢ Decathlon Postal Card; Summer Games Block/4; Winter Games Block/4.

No collection on Sports would be complete without a Doris Gold Cachet. Above listed covers are available from the artist. Include a large self-addressed stamped envelope or address label plus return postage on all orders. SASE for list of other available covers. Doris Gold, 8036 N. Knox Avenue, Skokie, IL 60076.

IMOS

by

Sherwin Podolsky

IMOS or the Internationale Motivgruppen Olympiaden und Sport is the German-language European counterpart of SPI. Its organization is entirely separate of course but we share a common area of interest. IMOS has been reported before in the pages of JSP. However, new SPI members may be interested in learning about IMOS. Others may be interested in knowing what is happening across the water.

There is little question that interest in topicals, especially Olympics and sport, is far greater in Europe and in Germany in particular than it is in USA. The February 1980 bulletin has over 50 pages. Included are 12 pages of new sport cancellations documented by SPI member Manfred Winterheller. Manfred Bergman writes an article "QUO VADIS, OLYMPIC COLLECTOR" and outlines specialty areas for the serious student. There are several pages on sport postal stationery, two pages on an ice hockey catalog by J. Prokopiou and three pages on a handball catalog by G. Bethke.

IMOS has started to offer FDC's and covers related to Olympics all with German stamps and cancellations. The prices are modest.

There are announcements of stamp shows of topical interest. The big one is MOTIVA '80, May 1-4 at Stuttgart. Ten special items are planned, two of which relate to Olympics.

There are six pages of small advertisements which are placed free to members. I count 14 members using this service, one taking a whole page. This is an excellent opportunity to make contacts.

Membership costs 15DM or about \$9.00 per year. The treasurer is Herbert Huber, Justus-von-Liebig-Strasse 17, 6707 Schifferstadt,

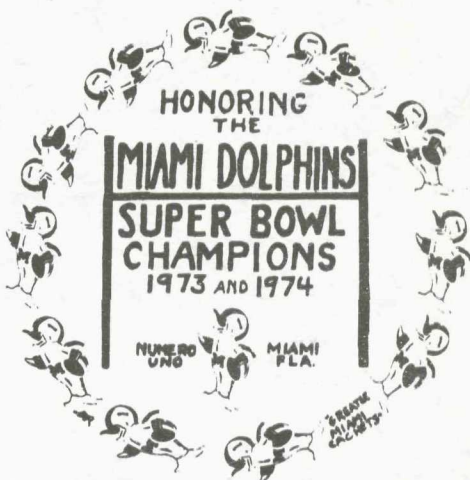
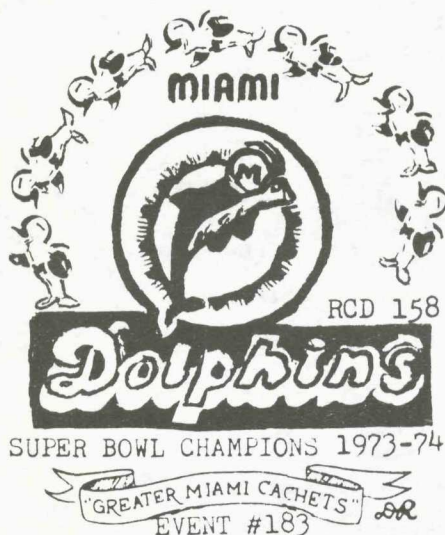
West Germany.

Although everything is in German, many members understand simple written English. New members should request the membership list so that they may waste no time in making useful contacts. IMOS members are also in Austria, Switzerland, Holland and other countries. English language IMOS members might consider placing a free small advertisement entirely in English to attract contacts. Imagination and persistence will pay off.

"GREATER MIAMI CACHETS"

The Miami Dolphin football team has been honored with two pictorial cachets designed by Rosenthal and sponsored by 'Greater Miami Cachets' formerly known as the Miami Philatelic Society. The cachets are available in assorted colors.

Unaddressed covers with P.O. color cancel are available for 25¢ each plus a number 10 stamped addressed envelope. Orders should be sent to (and checks payable to): David Rosenthal, Football Cachet, 4380 S.W. 2nd Terrace, Miami, FL 33134. Those wanting their cover autographed by the artist should send 25¢ or a packet of saleable stamps, on or off paper for the cachet fund.



A cachet news column by David Rosenthal will appear in the 'Stamper' starting with the April issue, the column is for cachets sponsored by stamp or cover clubs and other non profit organizations. Advance cachet notices should be sent to: David Rosenthal, 4380 S.W. 2nd Terrace, Miami, FL 33134.

ITEMS PRODUCED COMMEMORATING OLYMPIC BOYCOTT

Two cacheted envelopes supporting the boycott of the 1980 Summer Olympics have been produced by Eugene A. Bella, 927 East Fox Street, South Bend, IN 46613, and are being made available to interested collectors.

"One cachet," Bella says, "is 'the envelope-that-should-have-been'. By adding the 1980 Summer Games emblem above the "cachet" on the US 15¢ embossed envelope, and overprinting the entire cachet with an internationally-recognized emblem (the red circle with diagonal line), there can be no doubt as to the meaning of the cachet."

The second cacheted envelope is the Moscow Games emblem enlarged with the red symbol overprinted. This is a plain 6¼ size envelope.

"No envelopes are postmarked", according to Bella. Each collector can decide how to use them, where to have them postmarked, etc.

The third item in Bella's offer is a mint US 15¢ embossed Summer Olympics envelope. With these in storage at post offices around the country, here's a chance for a few people to obtain one for their collection.

One of each item described above is available in sets only from Bella at the address above for \$3 a set, plus a self-addressed, stamped return envelope. Covers are only available in 6¼ size.



GERMANY AT LAKE PLACID 1980 OLYMPICS

Hermann E. Sieger, D-7073 Lorch, Wurttemberg, West Germany is offering cacheted covers bearing the US 1980 Olympic issues for the benefit of German Sport. Write for informative brochures.

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UNFOLDED THOUGHTS

by JOE SCHIRMER

A recent auction by a well known German area dealer located in Penn. has Scott B49e (Michel MHB17) the 1972 Munich Games, booklet pane of 4 stamps; of which but 35,436 were printed and cataloging approximately \$15.00 going for a startling bid of \$650.00. While this UNFOLDED Combination Sheet is a great item to help add class to anyone's Olympic collection, it sure does prove that inflation has also hit the philatelic field.

When the Postal Service withdrew from sale, the Summer Olympic stamps and stationery in supplot of the President's boycott, it did not take the promoter dealers very long to capitolyze accordingly...\$25 for a complete set of stamps and stationery; or \$59 for a full sheet of the 31¢ airmails or perhaps \$5.00 for the 22¢ aerogramme. I have seen the ads of at least 5 well known dealers who have this Summer Olympic material just priced out of the average collector's range. What is a new collector to do; and for that matter, the topical collector?? If nothing else was learned from this philatelic boycott, it should have taught all of you that he who hesitates is long gone--in other words; when new issues come out--GET THEM--enough said??

Lake Placid not only put on a lousy Winter Olympic Games show but the stamp show they sponsored left much to be desired. Now that they are over one million in debt, they want Congress to bail them out, in fact, people like myself who have been contributors in the past, are now being solicited to donate further money to help erase the debt--this is what I call not only real irony but a helluva lot of nerve. Even the special cancellations were nothing to write home about!

At a recently held international stamp exhibition in London, there were literally hundreds of winners in various fields of philately. But in reading the very long list of winners' names, I was completely surprised not to be able to recognize ONE prominent Olympic or Sports collector from either the U.S. or Europe.

In the Thematic Class, I did note that my good friend, Franceska Rapkin of England, who is also an SPI member, did win a medal. I also noted that another member, Barbara de Violini, also won a medal in the Thematic Class. Unfortunately it did not specify what their respective enteries consisted of.

I can but hope this does not signify the start of a trend, where sports and Olympic collectors are starting to get reluctant to exhibit.

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

NEW MEMBERS

- 1140R - Edwina Siedelman, 19225 S.W. Willow Creek Ct., Beaverton, OR 97006 Collects Olympics & ice hockey by Peg Jones.
- 1141R - John J. Peralta, 711 S. Washington St., East Rochester, NY 14445 Collects wrestling, judo, boxing, water polo, weightlifting by Peg Jones
- 1142R - John G. Capers III, 407 Midland Ave., Wayne, PA 19087 Collects golf by Ed Epstein.
- 1143R - Ofelio Battad, 106 Westwood Dr., San Francisco, CA 94112 Collects Olympics, basketball & regional games by Peg Jones.
- 1144R - Ronald E. Alexander, 9508 W. 87th St., Overlook Park, KS 66212 Collects hockey and baseball by John La Porta.
- 1145R - Marcus K. Williams, 104 Ferry Rd., Oxford OX3 OEX ENGLAND Collects cricket and rugby by Peg Jones.
- 1146R - W.P. O'Neill Jr. 7000 Glenbrook Rd., Bethesda, MD 20014. Collects tennis and cricket by Clem Reiss.
- 1147S - Robert B. Ridder, 625 2nd Ave. So. Rm. 417, Minneapolis, MN 55402. Collects general sports by Bob Bruce.
- 1148R - Johan J. Holst, Midtsvoqueien 22, Skedsmokorest 2020 NORWAY Collects Olympics by Peg Jones.
- 849R - Jaroslav Justyn, Sov. Armady 63 39901 Milevsko, CZ ECHO-SLOVAKIA. Collects Olympics & ice hockey by Joe Lacko. Was past exchange member, now paid.

REINSTATED MEMBERS

- 927R - Donald G. Beuthel, Denver, CO
- 990R - Sports Information Resource Centre - Canada (had been exchange member, now paid).
- 1012R - Mrs. Franceska Rapkin - Great Britain

Olech Wyslotsky, a long time member was married to Karen Ann Kroll On Sunday, June 29, 1980, best of luck and happiness to both.... Joe Schirmer announces the outright sale of his Olympic memorabilia collection to a fellow SPI member who has collected memorabilia for over 25 years....and from member Mrs. J. Kelsey, comes the following letter: Having just received the Journal No. 3. Vol. 18, I was interested to see an article and illustration on the special cover for the World Rowing Championships on Lake Karapiro Oct 30/Nov 5, 1978 and I thought readers may be interested in some background information about this cover.

It was produced by the Wellesley Philatelic Society, Auckland, for which Society I am Secretary. As you can imagine, many hours of planning went into it before the design for the local and 'miniature sheet' was fin-

ally chosen from an actual photograph of the NZ team. Nevertheless, the committee enjoyed the fun, but hard working, evening necessary to put in the enclosures, affix the stamp and the label and cancel with our own 'datestamp'. The cover was produced at no profit to the society and all proceeds, after expenses, were donated equally (\$3,300 each) to the NZ Rowing Federation and Zeapex '80 (NZ Int. Ex.) to be held in Auckland, 23-31 August 1980.

The NZ Fed. planned, organized and hosted the event and the husband of our Presidnet at that time, Mr. John Williamson, was the main designer of the course and for their excellent work the Federation were awarded the Olympic Cup. Our society was allowed a special 'Philatelic Booth' at the Championship site and during the week of the events various members of the committe were at Karapiro to sell the covers.

President's Message

The matter of primary concern for all members just now is the special insert which includes the biennial ballot, the yearly statement of dues, and a chance to update one's record of collecting interests. All are obvious in their need; your utmost cooperation is requested. Fill in both sides of the insert and return it to Clem with your check TODAY.

The nominations represent a good slate of officers and directors; they deserve your support from the very beginning with a vote of confidence. My thanks go to the nominating committee of Len Eichorn, Clem Reiss, and Bill Smithett.

There is no telling how much effort by Clem and postal costs from our treasury could be saved if everyone would respond immediately on his dues payment. Clem does plan to enforce more rigidly the dropping of names from the membership list for non-payment of dues.

A new, biennial membership directory is due soon. We would like it to reflect the updated collecting interests of the entire membership. Of course this will require new and up-to-date information from each of you. This is hardly an unreasonable request; I doubt that such information has been updated since each of you first joined SPI. For charter members that was eighteen years ago!

So please cooperate and do the whole job at once, NOW. Help us to save our money and to provide better service.



OLYMPIA - GREECE - 19.6.80

Special postmark in use one day only to commemorate the lighting of the Olympic Torch which is to be carried by runners to Moscow, USSR. Submitted by member P.J. Drossos.

MEMBERS BOURSE

Bourse rates are 2¢ per word with name and address free. Send ad and remittance to the editor. For payment under \$1.00, please send mint commems. Address and closing dates are on the fourth page of each issue.

New member wishes to buy sports material or exchange off your want list of New Zealand of approximately same value. William Beech, 4 Ayr Place, Palmerston North, New Zealand.

WANTED - ANY philatelic items concerning "GOLF" or "PING PONG"
Keith W. Nemmers, 8625 E. McDonald Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85253.

WANTED: Mint tennis stamps - singles and sheets. Ellis Williamson,
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LAKE PLACID Olympic Torch Run cancellations from 10 different cities on two color cacheted (JLP Cachets) covers. Only 50 sets make, \$12.00 per set plus SAE. John La Porta, 3604 S. Home Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402.

LAKE PLACID Olympic venue cancellations, set of 9 different on two color cacheted (JLP Cachets) covers. Only 100 sets made, \$10.00 set plus SAE. John La Porta, 3604 S. Home Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402.

New member wants pro-football covers, memorabilia, etc. (particularly super bowl). Autographed covers from all pro - sports also collected. Will purchase or trade similar material. Donald Crisman, 19 Fairway Dr., Kennebunk, Maine 04043.

For Sale: Montreal Olympics First Day covers, issued by Philatelic Bureau, Canada. Series ... A.....E (5 covers in each series). All with different cancels. All have 20¢ stamp (682). Also 2 first day cover cancellation of closing day ceremony. Two complete sets. \$30.00 each. Steve Radin, 2060 Willistead CR, Windsor, Ontario, CANADA N8Y 1K5.

CLARIFICATION

In the May-June 1980 issue, page 130, it was reported that it was possible to secure the installments only of the Planty Photo Encyclopedia of Cacheted Covers pertaining to the US 1932 Olympic Games.

A letter from the publisher, FDC Publishing Co. of Stewartsville, NJ states that this is not available. In order to obtain the pages for the 1932 Olympic Games, you will have to purchase the entire Volume 4 at the cost of \$8.95 plus book rate postage. The publisher also states that separate parts or installments of each volume will not be available in the future.

This information is given in order that members do not err in attempting to secure only the part of the book they want. Joe Schirmer.

SOCCKER CACHET ON 15¢ OLYMPIC ENVELOPE

Member John Jones, Eaglebrook School, Deerfield, Mass. 01342 can provide the number 10 size (only) 15¢ Summer Olympic envelope with a Eaglebrook School Soccer emblem imprinted in red. These were issued for the school's mailing but John will be able to provide a limited amount for \$1.00 each. He will have these hand or machine cancelled at the Deerfield post office if desired, or he can send it mint.

ISCS COVERS THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE'S NEWEST TEAM

This year marks the inaugural season for the NFL Rams, who will be playing in Anaheim. The International Stamp Collectors Society will be issuing the event with a set of two commemorative covers.

Designed by Los Angeles artist Allan Dordick, they are cacheted with action scenes on the football field and carry an exclusive USPS pictorial postmark which is also in the football motif.

Ram covers are available by mail at \$5.95 per set of two. And a bonus is available with each order. It is a complimentary copy of the 1980 edition of 'Football Digest', the annual guide to NFL and college scheduled, statistics and rosters, to be published in late August. Orders may be sent to: International Stamp Collectors Society, PO Box 854, Van Nuys, CA 91408.

OLYMPIC TORCH LIGHTING ----

A special postmark was used at Olympia, Greece on Jan. 30, 1980 for the lighting of the Olympic Torch. An additional postmark was used at Athens, Greece on Jan. 30, 1980 as this was the departure point for the Olympic Torch which was flown to the U.S. for the Games at Lake Placid. Submitted by member P.J. Drossos.



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The three 1932 Olympic stamps are depicted on the cards sent to the editor for review. I have noted several SPI members are already using these cards and some were used at Lake Placid for special cancels.

The firm will send prices and a brochure picturing all the cards in the line for 25¢ in stamp or coin and SASE. Write to Postage Stamp Products, 306 Stuart St., Boston, Mass. 02116.

SUMMER OLYMPICS LOCAL POST STAMPS

The Millvale Boy's Club Stamp Club is offering a set of four local post 'stamps' marking the 1980 Summer Olympic Games for 25¢ per set. Send orders with a no. 10 SAE to: E.A. Vasbinder, 1918 Grant Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

BABE RUTH WORLD SERIES COVERS

The Reuben E. Fenton Philatelic Society will issue in conjunction with the Babe Ruth World Series for 13-year olds of the U.S. and Canada, which will be held in Jamestown, NY Aug. 5-16. Covers bearing a special baseball cancel will be available from Allen R. Frank, 115 N. Phette Place, Falconer, NY 14733, for \$1 each. No. 10 SAE required with all orders.

LOG BOOK POST WILL HONOR DOOLITTLE.

The Log Book Post, 2195 Madison Ave., Memphis, Tenn. 38104, will issue on Sept. 5th a cacheted cover honoring America's famous pioneer aviator, Jimmy Doolittle, on the date he won the 1932 Thompson Air Race.

Flying the distinctive single engine, low wing monoplane, the Gee Bee R-1 aircraft, he set a world's record flying at 252.69 miles per hour.

The cachet design features the R-1 aircraft blazing its way past a pylon and the emblem of the Experimental Aircraft Association.

The cover is limited in edition to 50 covers. The cost is \$2.50 per cover and address return labels are required with each order.



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For revision of the SPI membership directory, list your collecting interests within sports philately (e.g., Olympics, sailing, tennis, etc.):

- (1) _____
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SALES DEPARTMENT - NOTES -

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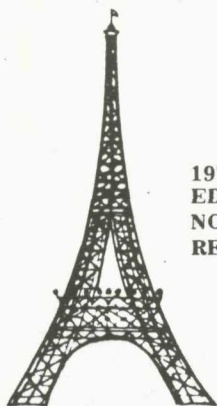
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a. Imperforate
222. 3fo multicolored (distance running and Millenium Monument)
a. Imperforate

Sc 1787-94; Min 2583-90; Gi 2212-19; Min 2262-69; Yt 1852-59

Note: 440,000 perforate and 5,000 imperforate sets issued.

1966, August 30 (Min), September 4 (Sc, Gi, and Mi). 8th European Athletic Championships, Budapest, Aug. 30-Sept. 4, 1966. Unwmkd; P 12 x 11½; souvenir sheet (105 x 75 mm.) containing one of Mi 2270, light gray margin with brown and red inscription; designed by F. Gall and Laslo Kekesi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

223. 10fo cobalt/brown/orange-red (women's hurdling and Ferihegy Airport) (215,000)
a. Imperforate (8,000)

Sc C261; Min 2591; Gi MS2220; Mi 2270/B1 54; Yt B1 60

1966, September 16. Stamp Day, 1966. Unwmkd; P 11 x 12 (Yt), 12 x 11½ (Sc, Min, Gi, and Mi; designed by Josef Vertel; photogravure, se-tenant with Sc B260, B261, and B262 in sheets of twenty (4 x 5), by State Printing Office, Budapest.

224. 2fc + 50f multicolored (woman archer)
a. Imperforate
b. Horizontal strip of Sc B259-62

Sc B259; Min 2592; Gi 2221; Mi 2271; Yt 1861

Note: 310,000 perforate and 9,000 imperforate sets issued.

1966, September 16. Stamp Day, 1966. Unwmkd; P 11; souvenir sheet (98 x 84 mm.--Gi, Mi, and Yt, 98 x 84.5 mm.--Sc, 99 x 84 mm.--Min) containing one of No. 226 and one each of Sc B260, B261, and B262, margin inscribed "MABROSZ" and circle in very small pale green letters; designed by Josef Vertel; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

225. 2fo + 50f multicolored (same as No. 266) (238,000)
a. Imperforate (9,000)

Sc B262b; Min 2596; MS2225; Mi 2275/B1 55; Yt B61

1966, October 17. Cities served by Hungarian airlines. Unwmkd; P 12 x 11½ (Sc and Gi), 12½ x 11 (Min), 12½ x 11½ (Mi and Yt); designed by P. Varga; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Hungary (Continued)

226. 5fo violet (Colosseum, Rome)
a. Imperforate (5,000)

Sc C272; Min 2608; Gi 2236; Mi 2290; Yt A289

1967, May 6. "AEROFILA '67", Budapest, Sept. 3-10, 1967. Unwkd; P 10½ (Sc, Min, Gi and Yt), 11 (11); designed and engraved by Josef Vertel, recess and lithography, se-tenant with Sc CB24, CB25, and CB26, by State Printing Office, Budapest.

227. 2fo +1fo dark brown/yellow (parachute of Fausztusz Verancsics)
a. Imperforate
b. Strip of four of Sc CB23-6

Sc CB23; Min 2636; Gi 2263; Mi 2317; Yt A292

Note: 394,000 perforate and 10,000 imperforate sets issued.

1967, May 6. "AEROFILA '67", Budapest, Sept. 3-10, 1967. Unwkd; P 10½ (Sc, Min, Gi and Yt), 11 (Mi); souvenir sheet (116 x 90 mm.--Min, Gi, and Mi, 116 x 91 mm.--Sc and Yt) containing one of No. 229 and one each of Sc CB24, CB25, and CB26, tan margin and brown inscription; designed and engraved by Josef Vertel; recess and lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

228. 2fo + 1fo dark brown/yellow (parachute of Fausztusz Verancsics)
a. Imperforate (10,000)

Sc CB26b; Min 2640; Gi MS2267; Mi 2317/B1 57; Yt B1 63

1967, September 3. 7th FISA Congress, Budapest, Sept. 3-10, 1967, and 40th Stamp Day. Unwkd; P 10½ (Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 11 (Mi); designed and engraved by Josef Vertel; recess and lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

229. 2fo +1fo dark blue/pale orange (parachutist)
a. Imperforate
b. Horizontal strip of Sc CB27-30

Sc CB27; Min 2670; Gi 2268; Mi 2351; Yt A296

Note: 540,000 perforate and 8,000 imperforate sets issued.

1967, September 3. 7th FISA Congress, Budapest, Sept. 3-10, 1967, and 40th Stamp Day. Unwkd; P 10½ Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 11 (Mi); souvenir sheet (115 x 90 mm.--Sc and Mi, 116 x 90 mm.--Min and Gi, 116 x 91 mm.--Yt) containing one of No. 229 and one each of Sc CB28, CB29, and CB30, light blue margin and black inscription; designed and engraved by Josef Vertel; recess and lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

230. 2fo + 1fo dark blue/pale orange (parachutist) (350,000)
a. Imperforate (10,000)

Sc CB30b; Min 2674; Gi MS2272; Mi 2352/B1 59; Yt B1 65

1967, December 30. 10th Winter Olympic Games, Grenoble, Feb. 6-18, 1968. Unwkd; P 11 (Min and Gi), 12½ (Sc and Mi); souvenir sheet (115 x 98 mm.--Min, 116 x 98 mm.--Sc, 116 x 99 mm.--Gi, 116 x 100 mm.--Yt) containing one of Mi 2378, gray margin with Olympic, French, and Hungarian flags and gold inscription; designed by Adam Czeglényi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Hungary (Continued)

Olympic rings, plus

231. 10fo multicolored (ice hockey) (350,000)
a. Imperforate (9,000)

Sc 1871; Min 2706; Gi MS2334; Mi 2378/B1 62; Yt B1 68

1968, January 29. 11th Winter Olympic Games, Grenoble, Feb. 6-18, 1968. Unwkd; P 11 (Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mi); designed by Adam Cziglenyi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Olympic rings, plus

232. 30f red-orange/dark blue-green/black (biathlon)
a. Imperforate
233. 60f multicolored (figure-skating pair)
a. Imperforate
234. 1fo multicolored (bobsledding)
a. Imperforate
235. 1.40fo multicolored (slalom)
a. Imperforate
236. 1.70fo multicolored (women's figure skating)
a. Imperforate
237. 2fo blue-gray/carmine-lilac/black (speed skating)
a. Imperforate
238. 3fo yellow-olive/violet/black (ski jump)
a. Imperforate
239. 4fo + 1fo multicolored (indoor stadium and emblem of 10th Winter Olympic Games)
a. Imperforate

Sc 1872-78, B264; Min 2698-2705; Gi 2326-33; Mi 2379-86; Yt 1938-45

Note: 800,000 perforate and 9,000 imperforate sets issued.

1968, June 24. Lake Balaton. Unwkd; P 12; designed by Sandor Legrady; lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

240. 1fo multicolored (sailing)
a. Imperforate (4,200)

Sc 1910; Min 2739; Gi 2367; Mi 2419; Yt 1989

Note: Issued in booklets of twenty-four, four sheets of six (Yt).

1968, July 25. Horse breeding on the Hungarian steppe. Unwkd; P 11; designed by Adam Cziglenyi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

241. 60f multicolored (horse race on the steppe)
a. Imperforate

Sc 1915; Min 2743; Gi 2373; Mi 2425; Yt 1977

Note: 670,000 perforate and 5,500 imperforate sets issued.

1968, August 21. 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City, Oct. 12-27, 1968. Unwkd; P 12; designed by Josef Vertel; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Aztec calendar stone and Olympic rings, plus

242. 20f multicolored (women's swimming)
a. Imperforate

Hungary (Continued)

- 243. 60f multicolored (soccer)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 244. 80f multicolored (wrestling)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 245. 1fo multicolored (canoeing)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 246. 1.40f multicolored (gymnast on rings)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 247. 3fo multicolored (fencing)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 248. 4fo multicolored (javelin)
 - a. Imperforate
 - 249. 2fo + 1fo multicolored (riding)
 - a. Imperforate
- Sc C277-83, CB31; Min 2752-59; Gi 2383-90; Mi 2434-41; Yt A301-08

Note: 700,000 perforate and 5,500 imperforate sets issued.

1968, August 21. 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City, Oct. 12-27, 1968. Unwkd; P 12½; souvenir sheet (80 x 101 mm.--Sc and Min, 80 x 102 mm.--Yt, 81 x 109 mm.--Gi, 82 x 103 mm.--Mi) containing one of Mi 2442, gold marginal inscription, Olympic rings in multicolor; designed by Josef Vertel; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

- 250. 10fo multicolored (Aztec calendar stone and women runners) (350,000)
 - a. Imperforate (6,000)

Sc 1924; Min 2760; Gi MS2382; Mi 2442/B1 65; Yt B1 71

1969, March 7. Hungarian victories in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City, Oct. 12-27, 1968. Unwkd; P 12; designed by Josef Vertel; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Olympic rings and medals, plus

- 251. 40f multicolored (women's javelin--Angela Nemeth)
 - a. Imperforate
- 252. 60f multicolored (Canadian single canoeing--Tabor Tatol)
 - a. Imperforate
- 253. 1fo multicolored (soccer--team)
 - a. Imperforate
- 254. 1.20fo multicolored (hammer throw--Gynla Zawotsky)
 - a. Imperforate
- 255. 2fo multicolored (fencing--Gyazo Kulezar)
 - a. Imperforate
- 256. 3fo multicolored (Greco-Roman wrestling--Janas Varga and Istvan Kozona)
 - a. Imperforate
- 257. 4fo multicolored (single kayak--Mihaly Hesz)
 - a. Imperforate
- 258. 5fo multicolored (riding--military pentathlon team)
 - a. Imperforate

Sc 1950-57; Min 2792-99; Gi 2422-29; Mi 2477-84; Yt 2020-27

Note: 600,000 perforate and 7,500 imperforate sets issued.

1969, March 7. Hungarian victories in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City, Oct. 12-27, 1968. Unwkd; P 11½; souvenir sheet (110 x 83 mm.--Mi, 110 x 84 mm.--Sc, Min, and Yt, 111 x 84 mm.--Gi) containing one of Mi 2485, gray border inscribed "Mexico 68" and "Munschen 72", black control number; designed by Josef Vertel, lithography (Gi),

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photogravure (Sc, Min, and Mi) by State Printing Office, Budapest.

259. 10fo multicolored (Apollo, Olympic rings, and hand with torch) (320,000)
a. Imperforate (9,500)

Sc 1958; Min 280; Gi MS2430; Mi 2485/B1 69; Yt B1 75

- 1969, May 28. Art treasures in Budapest Museum of Fine Arts. Unwkd; P 12½; designed by Ferenc Bokros; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Gold frame, plus

260. 5fo multicolored (Guastv Courbet's "The Wrestlers") (635,000)
a. Imperforate (4,500)

Sc 1981; Min 2827; Gi 2455; Mi 2512; Yt 2050

- 1969, September 21. Hungarian pentathlon championships. Unwkd; P 12 x 11½ (Min and Yt), 12½ x 11 (Sc); designed by Adam Cziglenyi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Pentathlon events, plus

261. 40f multicolored (steeplechase)
a. Imperforate
262. 60f multicolored (fencing)
a. Imperforate
263. 1fo multicolored (pistol shooting)
a. Imperforate
264. 2fo multicolored (swimming on starting blocks)
a. Imperforate
265. 3fo multicolored (relay race)
a. Imperforate
266. 5fo multicolored (pentathlon)
a. Imperforate

Sc 1998-2003; Min 2849-54; Gi 2477-82; Mi 2537-42; Yt 2073-78

Note: 635,000 perforate and 7,500 imperforate sets issued.

- 1970, August 19. 17th European Women's Rowing Championship, Tata. Unwkd; P 12 (Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 12½ (Mi); designed by Laslo Kekesi; lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

267. 1fo multicolored (four-woman crew with coxswain) (5,375,000)
a. Imperforate (9,000)

Sc 2034; Min 2909; Gi 2537; Mi 2601; Yt 2108

- 1970, September 26. 75th anniversary of Hungarian Olympic Committee. Unwkd; P 11 (Sc, Gi, and Mi); 11½ x 12 (Min), 12½ (Yt); designed by Josef Vertel; lithography (Min), photogravure (Sc, Gi, and Mi) by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Olympic rings, plus

268. 40f multicolored (boxing)
a. Imperforate
269. 60f multicolored (kayak)
a. Imperforate
270. 1fo multicolored (fencing)
a. Imperforate
271. 1.50fo multicolored (water polo)
a. Imperforate
272. 2fo multicolored (gymnastics)
a. Imperforate

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- 273. 2.50fo multicolored (hammer throw)
 - a. Imperforate
- 274. 3fo multicolored (wrestling)
 - a. Imperforate
- 275. 5fo multicolored (swimming)
 - a. Imperforate

Sc 2036-43; Min 2918-25; Gi 2545-52; Mi 2616-23; Yt 2120-27

Note: 700,000 perforate and 12,000 imperforate sets issued.

1971, November 22. Equestrian sports. Unwkd; P 12 (Sc, Min, Gi, and Mi), 12½ (Yt); designed by Adam Czeglényi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

- 276. 40f multicolored (horse race)
 - a. Imperforate
- 277. 60f multicolored (trotting race)
 - a. Imperforate
- 278. 80f multicolored (three-day event)
 - a. Imperforate
- 279. 1fo multicolored (hurdle jumper)
 - a. Imperforate
- 280. 1.20fo multicolored (start of race)
 - a. Imperforate
- 281. 2fo multicolored (polo)
 - a. Imperforate
- 282. 3fo multicolored (steeplechase)
 - a. Imperforate
- 283. 5fo multicolored (dressage)
 - a. Imperforate

Sc 2097-104; Min 2993-3000; Gi 2020-27; Mi 2703-10; Yt 2192-99

Note: 650,000 perforate sets issued.

1971, December 30. 11th Winter Olympic Games, Sapporo, Feb. 3-13, 1972. Unwkd; P 12; designed by Gyorgy Foldiak; lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Emblem of 11th Winter Olympic Games, plus,

- 284. 40f multicolored (ice hockey)
 - a. Imperforate
- 285. 60f multicolored (downhill skiing)
 - a. Imperforate
- 286. 80f multicolored (woman figure skater)
 - a. Imperforate
- 287. 1fo multicolored (ski jump)
 - a. Imperforate
- 288. 1.20fo multicolored (cross-country skier)
 - a. Imperforate
- 289. 2fo multicolored (figure skater)
 - a. Imperforate
- 290. 3fo multicolored (bobsled)
 - a. Imperforate
- 291. 4fo multicolored (biathlon)
 - a. Imperforate

Sc 2114-21; Min 3009-16; Gi 2637-44; Mi 2720-27; Yt 2200-07

Note: 650,000 perforate and 10,000 imperforate sets issued.

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1971, December 30. 11th Winter Olympic Games, Sapporo, Feb. 3-13, 1972. Unwinkd; P 11½; souvenir sheet (132 x 80 mm.--Min, 132 x 88 mm.--Min, 132.5 x 87.5 mm.--Sc, 133 x 89 mm.--Gi, 138 x 88 mm.--Yt) containing one of Mi 2728, marginal inscription and figure-skating pair; designed by Gyorgy Foldiak; lithography by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Emblem of 11th Winter Olympic Games, plus

292. 10fo multicolored (statue of Buddha) (370,000)
a. Imperforate (11,000)

Sc 2122; Min 3017; Gi MS2645; Mi 2728/B1 86; Yt B1 91

1972, April 29 (Min and Mi), May 27 (Gi). European Soccer Championship for Henri Delaunay Cup. Unwinkd; P 12½; designed by Adam Czizlenyi; photogravure se-tenant in sheets of eight, by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Flags of competing countries, plus flag of

293. 40f multicolored (Hungary; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
294. 60f multicolored (Romania; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
295. 80f multicolored (German Democratic Republic; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
296. 1fo multicolored (England; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
297. 1.20fo multicolored (Jugoslavia; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
298. 2fo multicolored (Russia; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
299. 4fo multicolored (Italy; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
300. 5fo multicolored (Belgium; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate

Sc C316-23; Min 3039-46; Gi 2668-75; Mi 2751-58; Yt A345-52

Note: 575,000 perforate and 8,000 imperforate sets issued.

1972, April 29 (Min and Mi), May 27 (Gi). European Soccer Championship for Henri Delaunay Cup. Unwinkd; P 12½; souvenir sheet (147 x 197 mm.) containing one each of Nos. 293-300; designed by Adam Czizlenyi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Flags of competing countries, plus of

301. 40f multicolored (Hungary; soccer scene) (575,000)
a. Imperforate (8,000)
60f multicolored (Romania; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
80f multicolored (German Democratic Republic; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
1fo multicolored (England; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
1.20f multicolored (Jugoslavia; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
2fo multicolored (Russia; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
4fo multicolored (Italy; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate
5fo multicolored (Belgium; soccer scene)
a. Imperforate

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Sc C323a; Min 3046t; Gi --- ; Mi --- ; Yt ---

1972, June 10. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, Aug. 26-Sept. 13, 1972. Unwinkd; P 12½ (Sc and Mi), 12 x 12½ (Min); souvenir sheet (117 x 67 mm.--Min, 117 x 68 mm.--Sc and Gi, 118 x 68 mm.--Mi and Yt) containing one each of Mi 2769, blue and multicolored margin; designed by Adam Czizglenyi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Emblems of 11th Winter Olympic Games and 20th Olympic Games, plus

302. 10fo multicolored (discus thrower and ski jumper) (295,000)
a. Imperforate (9,500)

Sc C324; Min 3054; Gi MS2683; Mi 2769/B1 89; Yt B1 96*

1972, July 15. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, Aug. 26-Sept. 13, 1972. Unwinkd; P 11; designed by Laslo Kekesi; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Olympic rings, plus

303. 40f multicolored (soccer)
a. Imperforate
304. 60f multicolored (water polo)
a. Imperforate
305. 80f multicolored (javelin)
a. Imperforate
306. 1fo multicolored (kayak)
a. Imperforate
307. 1.20fo multicolored (boxing)
a. Imperforate
308. 2fo multicolored (gymnastics)
a. Imperforate
309. 3fo + 1fo multicolored (wrestling)
a. Imperforate
310. 5fo multicolored (fencing)
a. Imperforate

Sc 2149-55, B299, 2155; Min 3058-65; Gi 2687-94; Mi 2773-80; Yt 2236-43

Note: 608,000 perforate and 9,000 imperforate sets issued.

1972, July 15. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, Aug. 26-Sept. 13, 1972. Unwinkd; P 11 (Min), 12½ (Sc, Gi, Mi, and Yt); souvenir sheet (115 x 90 mm.) containing one of Mi 2781, place green, gold, and lilac-rose border; designed by Laslo Kekesi, photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

Olympic rings, plus

311. 10fo multicolored (equestrian) (353,000)
a. Imperforate (12,000)

Sc C325; Min 3066; Gi MS2695; Mi 2781/B1 91; Yt B1 97

1972, November (Yt), December (Min); 1973, January (Gi and Mi). Definitive issue. Unwinkd; P 14; designed by Sandor Legrady; photogravure by State Printing Office, Budapest.

312. 2fo blue-green (mobile radio transmitter and stadium)
a. Imperforate

Sc 2201; Min 3111; Gi 2767; Mi 2834; Yt 1568a

Notes: (a) Coil stamps. (b) Every fifth stamp has a serial number printed on the gum side (Yt).