JOURNAL OF SPORTS PHILATELY

VOLUME 42 WINTER 2003 NUMBER 2

THE 8TH CRICKET WORLD CUP

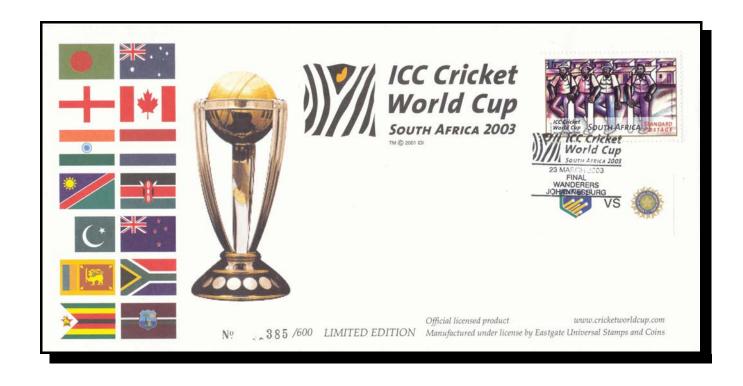


TABLE OF CONTENTS



SPORTS
PHILATELISTS
INTERNATIONAL

President's Message	Mark Maestrone	1
Corrections & Addenda	Mark Maestrone	2
SPI Celebrates at SESCAL 2003	Mark Maestrone	3
Cricket & Philately: The 8th Cricket World Cup	Peter Street	6
World Road Cycling Championships	Paul Tissington	16
Belgian Letter-Cards, A Fascinating	· ·	
Olympic Byway	Laurentz Jonker	18
50 th Anniversary of the First Winner of the		
Women's Grand Slam of Tennis	Pascal Bedenes	19
Correspondence With a 1924		
Olympic Connection	Laurentz Jonker	22
Book Review	Mark Maestrone	24
Reviews of Periodicals	Mark Maestrone	25
Sports Arena	Mark Maestrone	26
Postal Stationery Corner	Glenn Estus	28
News of Our Members	Margaret Jones	31
SPI Annual Financial Report	Andrew Urushima	32
New Stamp Issues	John La Porta	33
Commemorative Stamp Cancels	Mark Maestrone	35

SESCAL 2003

3

6

16

CRICKET

CYCLING

OLYMPICS 22

1924 SUMMER

SPORTS PHILATELISTS INTERNATIONAL

President: Vice-President: Secretary-Treasurer: Directors: Mark C. Maestrone, 2824 Curie Place, San Diego, CA 92122
Charles V. Covell, Jr., 2333 Brighton Drive, Louisville, KY 40205
Andrew Urushima, 1510 Los Altos Dr., Burlingame, CA 94010
Norman F. Jacobs, Jr., 2712 N. Decatur Rd., Decatur, GA 30033
John La Porta, P.O. Box 2286, La Grange, IL 60525
Dale Lilijedahl, P.O. Box 543125, Dallas, TX 75354
Bernard McGovern, 2107 Marianna Street, Tampa, FL 33612
Jeffrey R. Tishman, 37 Griswold Place, Glen Rock, NJ 07452
Robert J. Wilcock, 24 Hamilton Cres., Brentwood, Essex, CM14 5ES, England
Dale Lilijedahl, P.O. Box 543125, Dallas, TX 75354
Margaret A. Jones, 5310 Lindenwood Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109
Bernard McGovern, 2107 Marianna Street, Tampa, FL 33612

John La Porta, P.O. Box 2286, La Grange, IL 60525

Auction Manager: Membership: Public Affairs: Sales Department:

Sports Philatelists International is an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to the study and collecting of postage stamps and related collateral material dealing with sports (including Olympics) and recreation and to the promotion of international understanding and goodwill through mutual interest in philately and sports. Its activities are planned and carried on entirely by the unpaid, volunteer services of its members.

Annual dues: \$20.00 U.S./Canada (first class mail), \$30.00 overseas (airmail).

JOURNAL OF SPORTS PHILATELY

Publisher: Editor: Columnists: John La Porta, P.O. Box 2286, La Grange, IL 60525
Mark C. Maestrone, 2824 Curie Place, San Diego, CA 92122
Glenn A. Estus, P.O. Box 451, Westport, NY 12993
Margaret A. Jones, 5310 Lindenwood Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109
John La Porta, P.O. Box 2286, La Grange, IL 6052
Norman F. Jacobs, Jr., 2712 N. Decatur Rd., Decatur, GA 30033
Margaret A. Jones, 5310 Lindenwood Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109

Ad Manager: Circulation:

The Journal of Sports Philately is published quarterly in March, June, September, and December. Advertising Rates: Cover \$35.00; Full Page \$32.00; Half Page \$17.00; Quarter Page \$10.00. Advance payment required. Camera ready copy must be supplied by the advertiser. Publishing deadlines: January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 for the following issue. Single copy price (postpaid): \$3.50 (US/Canada), \$5.50 (overseas).

The opinions expressed in this publication are those of the individual authors and they do not necessarily represent those of the editor, the officers of SPI or the position of SPI itself. All catalogue numbers quoted in this publication are from Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue unless specifically stated otherwise. SPI and JSP do not guarantee advertisements, but accept copy in good faith, reserving the right to reject objectionable material.

Vol. 42, No. 2 Winter 2003

American Philatelic Society (APS) Affiliate #39

ISSN 0447-953X

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Mark Maestrone

Olymphilex 2004

On a happy – and surprising – note, I have some good news about next year's Olymphilex exhibition which was scheduled to be held in Athens during the Olympic Games.

Manfred Bergman from the IOC's Olympic Collectors Commission notified me that he met with the International Philatelic Federation (FIP), Greek Post Office, and Greek Philatelic Federation in Lisbon on September 24 at the FIP's annual Congress. The following decisions were taken:

- 1. Olymphilex 2004 will take place in Athens during the Olympics. The dates of the exhibition are from Saturday, August 14 (or Monday, August 16) through Thursday, August 26. The Olympic Games open Friday, August 13 and continue through Sunday, August 29.
- 2. Notice to all federations will be given around October 15, 2003. [As of November 24, the American Philatelic Society had received no formal word regarding Olymphilex 2004.]
- 3. All parties appear to have ironed out their differences although some problems with the Greek Philatelic Federation still need to be resolved.

I will of course be keeping the membership informed of any new information.

SPI Annual Financial Report

Our treasurer, Andrew Urushima, presents the annual financial statement for SPI on page 32 of this issue. I'm happy to report that the society is now operating in the black, showing a modest profit of about \$1,000.

Given that each issue of the journal costs about \$1,200 in printing and postage charges, it is clear that reducing the number of issues per year from six to four was a prudent move on the society's part. This way, we have a modest amount available in operating capital for new projects, including our biannual membership handbook.

Next issue, Auction Manager Dale Lilljedahl's annual report on the SPI Auction will be presented.

The holiday season is once again upon us, so from all the officers and board members of SPI, we wish you all a ...

Merry Christmas Happy Hanukkah Happy Kwanzaa

AND A HEALTHY PROSPEROUS

NEW YEAR!

The NEW and improved SPI web site is located at: http://www.sportstamps.org

Mark Maestrone: markspi@prodigy.net Charles Covell: covell@louisville.edu Andrew Urushima: aurushima@yahoo.com Norman Jacobs: nfjjr@comcast.net John La Porta: album@sbcglobal.net Dale Lilljedahl: dalij@sbcglobal.net
Bernard McGovern: bmcgol0483@aol.com
Jeffrey Tishman: jtishman@aol.com
Robert Wilcock: bob@towlard.freeserve.co.uk
Margaret Jones: docj3@sportstamps.org

CORRECTIONS & ADDENDA

by Mark Maestrone

ADDENDUM TO "1948 DISPLACED PERSONS OLYM-PIAD" BY K.W. SOKOLYK, SPRING 2003, PP. 20-23

A number of names in various languages were used to promote this event and subsequently record it. These included (in translation): "Sport Games of Political Immigrants"; "Olympiad"; "Olympic Games" and "Sportsfestival". "Olympiad" was the most frequently used term. Given the number of different peoples organizing and participating in the events held at various locations in Germany under U.S. military authority, language was an issue.

While performing additional research, I discovered an interesting letter that directly addresses this subject. I have reproduced the contents below:

P.C.I.R.O. AREA VI – GAUTING APO 407 US ARMY

June 1st 1948.

SUBJECT: Membership of the Honour's Olympic Committee.

TO: M. Welyhorskyj, The responsible secretary, Preparatory Committee for the Olympic Games at Mittenwald.

- 1. This acknowledges receipt of your letter of 24th May past informing me of my appointment as member of the Olympic Committee.
- 2. I am pleased and honored by the designation and offer my cooperation as far as possible for the success of the Games. Please let me know how I can be of help.

[signed] MATILDE PEREZ DE SILVA Chief Care & Maintenance Dept.

It is certainly clear from this letter from the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization (PCIRO) that they regarded these sporting events as "Olympic Games" and the organizers as the "Olympic Committee".

Interestingly, subsequent to the article being published, it was pointed out that on the souvenir sheet alone, at least two linguistic errors exist: "internationale" is misspelled in the English text, and the use of "netzball" for volleyball in the German language is rather unique ("volleyball" is the modern German term for the sport).

K.W. Sokolyk

CORRECTION TO "COMMEMORATIVE STAMP CANCELS" BY MARK MAESTRONE, FALL 2003, PP. 35-36

Postmark #03422-104 from New York, NY on April 22, 2003, was never issued, used or available to the general public from information I was able to obtain form the USPS.

As manager of the Rapid Notification Service that provides service subscribers with information on sports-themed postmarks I noticed a listing of this postmark in both *Linn's Stamp News* and in the weekly USPS bulletin, *Postmark Advisory*, which noted with the listing that the postmark was never available through USPS sources, but was prepared and used privately. Not being one to accept that sort of information I called the Postal Service Customer Service telephone number to inquire about this postmark and received a call from a representative who said the postmark was never used and not available to the general public.

I have also heard through the grapevine that it was produced for postal managers and other executives in the Postal Service, although I have no proof of that.

I have also discovered there was a special postmark for the Opening Day of the New York Yankees 2003 season. It is available on commemorative covers being sold in post offices in the area. I have never seen this postmark announced in the philatelic press and am trying to confirm its existence and use through the post office noted in the cancel.

William Fraleigh, Manager SPI Rapid Notification Service

SPI Celebrates at SESCAL 2003

by Mark Maestrone

ith a "Lights. Camera. Action!", Sports Philatelists International held it's 6th Convention from October 3-5 in Los Angeles. Our hosts, SESCAL 2003, were instrumental in making our get-together a great success and I would like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to all the members of the organizing committee for their warmth and hospitality!

In addition to an extensive showing in the exhibiting arena (11 Olympic or sports exhibits comprising 51 frames, plus 2 literature exhibits), we ran a seminar on "Adding Spice To Your Olympic and Sports Collection." We even had an outing to the famed "Magic Castle" in Hollywood one evening.

Considering the many activities we had planned, it was regrettable that not more members were able to attend the show. By my count, we had just 9 members sign our guest book (and four of those were from out of the Southern California area). You local folks don't know what you missed!

Unofficially, our long weekend began Thursday, October 2, as Pat Loehr (Wisconsin), Dale Lilljedahl (Texas), and I (driving up from San Diego) arrived early to mount exhibits. That chore done, we joined Conrad Klinkner, who had come over from nearby Redondo Beach with his exhibit, for a cocktail or two down in the bar. Not long thereafter, Andrew Urushima arrived from the Bay Area and joined us after seeing his exhibit safely into its frame.

By about 7, we were feeling hungry and decided to go to Santa Monica's famed Promenade for a bite to eat. Conrad and Andrew begged off, having previous commitments, but just as Pat, Dale and I were passing the reception desk, who should be checking in but Norm Jacobs from Atlanta. In no time, Norm had freshened up and off we went in search of wine, women, and song ... well at least wine!

The Santa Monica Promenade is actually a 3block long pedestrian mall a stone's throw from the Pacific Ocean. On weekend evenings, it comes alive with street performers, window shoppers, and diners filling the many sidewalk cafés and restaurants. We selected a nice Italian restaurant with high ceilings and a wonderful brick facade with arched windows. The food, like the company, was excellent.

SESCAL 2003 SPI PALMARES

Norman Jacobs, "Tennis - From Courtyard to Backyard, For Fun and For Fame"; also the SPI Best of Show Award and ATA Second Medal.

VERMEIL

James Bowman, "1936 Olympische Spiele"; also German Philatelic Society Bronze Medal.

Gary & Holly Gibson, "The Dimension of Gymnastics."

Conrad Klinkner, "Games of the Tenth Olympiad, Los Angeles - 1932"; also AAPE Award of Honor.

Dale Lilljedahl, "French Olympic Philately of 1924."

Patricia Loehr, "The World of Golf"; also ATA Third Medal.

Mark Maestrone, Journal of Sports Philately, Volume 41 (2002-2003). (Literature)

Glenn Estus, "Olympic Machine Cancellations 1912-2004."

Patricia Loehr, "The Wonderful World of Golf Meter Stamps." (One-Frame)

Mark Maestrone, "Men's Gymnastics: Dressed To Win." (One-Frame)

Andrew Urushima, "Spoiled by War: The Games of the XIIth Olympiad." (One-Frame)

SILVER-BRONZE

Patricia Loehr, "Handbook of Golf Slogan Meter Stamps." (Literature)

BRONZE

Ursac Mircea, "Greece and Olympic Games."

By 10, the out-of-staters were feeling the effects of their time zone changes and we decided to call it a night.

With no specific events planned for Friday, everyone occupied themselves with bourse shopping and exhibit gazing. Jim Bowman brought over a couple of boxes of Sherwin Podolsky's Olympic and sports literature and paper ephemera to sell which he had attractively priced. Most of us spent some considerable time browsing through the collection. The only limiting factor seemed to be how much space those who traveled by air had in their luggage! In the end, though, everyone came away with at least a few items for their own libraries.

arriving before we

knew it. With me driving, Conrad navigating, and Andrew, Dale and Norm wrestling with seatbelts in the back, we set forth on our "boys night out" to the Magic Castle (Pat decided not to accompany us).

A bit of history: the Magic Castle, lodged in an old Victorian home in Hollywood, is the headquarters of the Academy of Magical Arts founded in 1963. To enter, one must be either a member (there are both Magician Members and Associate Members) or a guest of a member. When a contact of Norm's offered to "host" us, we certainly jumped at the chance!

After a sumptuous meal in the Victorian elegance of the second floor dining room, we managed front row seats for the evening's first performance in the Palace of Mystery - the main showroom featuring master illusionist, Jeff McBride. In Jeff's 45minute performance, a scaled-down version of his



Norm Jacobs receiving the SPI Best of Show award from Jury Chairman, Richard Drews.



The day seem- Andrew Urushima, Dale Lilljedahl and Norm Jacobs waiting for ance, however, ed to fly by, 5:30 Saturday's SPI seminar to begin.

regular Las Vegas nightclub act, he amazed us with transparent wands of small lights that he made appear and disappear (frequently by "eating" them), copper bowls that magically filled with water, and Chinese linking rings. The pièce de résistwas McBride's manual dexterity

with playing cards. At the finale's climax, this prestidigitator was pulling card after card (literally decks of them) out of thin air and then flicking them into the audience. I couldn't begin to imagine where all these cards were coming from - certainly not from up his sleeves since he had none! We couldn't have asked for a more entertaining and enjoyable evening.

Saturday kept us hopping at the show. We started off our SPI seminar with an instructive presentation by Pat Loehr on collecting advertising meters as well as covers with prepaid indicia. While the concentration was on golf material, her specialty, the information could be applied to virtually any theme.

I followed Pat with a slide presentation on some of the more unusual philatelic elements in my men's gymnastics collection including stamp-related production material and errors, postal stationery, and cancels and postmarks. Of particular interest to those in attendance were the new Hybrid Postal



Conrad Klinkner with his 1932 Olympic exhibit after winning a vermeil and special prize.

Cards. These are printed-to-private order postal stationery created by the USPS according to graphics and text supplied by the customer. I've shown these twice in my exhibit and have so far had no complaints from the jury on their validity.

Sadly, only six members attended the seminar missing out on all that valuable information.

There was no



Post-Banquet (left to right): Marian & Jim Bowman, Norm Jacobs, Dale Lilljedahl, Pat Loehr and Mark Maestrone.

lack of interest in the afternoon Philatelic Jury Critique with plenty of spirited exchanges between exhibitors and the five judges: Richard Drews (chairman), Maj. Ted Bahry, Anthony Brooks, Alfred Kugel, and Dr. Anthony Wawrukiewicz. During the course of the afternoon, those SPI members who were exhibitors availed themselves of the opportunity for one-on-one critiques at their frames. The SPI exhibitors' palmares is provided in the nearby box.

The evening's activity, the SESCAL Awards Banquet, was another opportunity for SPI members to gather together. In addition to Dale, Norm, Pat and myself, we were joined at the SPI table by Jim and Marian Bowman. The delicious Salmon Wellington, a signature dish of the hotel's restaurant I'm told, was a welcome respite from the typical "rubber chicken" banquet fare. While eating the wickedly decadent chocolate cake, we were entertained by SESCAL President, Wally Craig, playing Master of Ceremonies for the awarding of medals and special prizes, ably assisted by Marian and Jim Bowman.

The evening's big SPI prize, our Best of Show award, went for a second time to Norm Jacobs for his gold medal "Tennis - From Courtyard to Backyard, For Fun and For Fame" thematic exhibit. In my infinite wisdom, I had purchased an exact duplicate of the Lalique-style crystal vase that we awarded at ROMPEX 2001, not thinking for a minute that the same exhibitor would win twice in a row. Not to worry, Norm assured me that he (and his delightful wife Kathy) loved the first vase and would find a

suitable location in their weekend home for the twin! Norm was not the only one to receive an additional prize: Pat Loehr, Jim Bowman, and Conrad Klinkner were all honored with special recognition for their respective exhibits.

Buoyed by the evening's festivities, Norm, Pat, Dale and I adjourned to the penthouse bar with its nearly 360° panoramic view of

Los Angeles for a nightcap and spirited discussion about "Ahh-nold" Schwarzenegger's chances of being elected Governor of California the following Tuesday (sadly, he was). Eventually, our busy day caught up with us as, one-by-one, our group bid adieu for the night.

Sunday dawned bright and beautiful in LA as we began our final day at SESCAL. Norm had an early morning flight back to Atlanta, leaving the dismounting of his exhibit in my more or less capable hands, so our SPI contingent was reduced by one for part two of our seminar on adding spice to sport and Olympic collections and exhibits.

Jim Bowman, accompanied by his wife Marian (also an International gold-medal-winning thematic exhibitor), held a hands-on round table discussion of postal stationery. Using photocopies of his wonderful 1936 Olympic exhibit and extra pieces from his collection, Jim instructed us in the basics of using postal stationery as thematic elements. Being able to pass around the color photocopies and original cards for us to look at "up close and personal" was certainly beneficial. Overall, I think our seminar was a great success and I'd like to thank both Jim and Pat for so generously contributing of both their time and knowledge.

Thus ended our 6th SPI Convention. My thanks to all those who helped organize this event as well as to all the members who attended or exhibited. Mark your calendars for our 7th Convention at TEXPEX in Dallas, Texas, April 2005!



Figure 1. 8th Cricket World Cup zebra mascot, Dazzler, represented the fusion of black and white peoples in host country South Africa.

Cricket & Philately: The 8th Cricket World Cup

by Peter N. Street

n February and March 2003, the ten Test Match playing nations, plus Kenya and the three winners of the 2001 ICC Trophy met in Southern Africa to contest the 8th Cricket World Cup (CWC).

This was the first time that the continent of Africa had hosted this event. Most of the matches were played in South Africa with several being played in Zimbabwe and Kenya.

Dr. Ali Bacher, a former South African national captain was made the Executive Director of the CWC 2003. In an interview with the BBC prior to the start of the competition, Dr. Bacher stated "the CWC 2003 is about empowering black people (the vast majority of the people in the three host countries are black). We want to make sure that black people are significantly better off by having this event."

As a reflection of this, Dazzler, a zebra, was selected as the tournament's mascot because its "color-black and white-represented the fusion of black and white people and the cultural diversity of South Africa." In 2002, South Africa Post issued a series of six standard rate stamps. These stamps show Dazzler batting, bowling and wicketkeeping (Figure 1).

It should be recalled that in the 1970s, South Africa was banned from international sports due to its policy of apartheid. In 1992 South Africa was returned to full membership in the International Cricket Council (ICC). It was allowed to enter the 1992 competition (the 5th CWC) which was held in Australia and New Zealand (*JSP*, September/October 1993).

The announced South African team for the CWC 2003 included several black players. Such is the advancement of the black player that the South African cricket authorities have voted to dispense with racial quotas at several levels.

On February 28, 2001, South Africa Post issued a souvenir sheet celebrating the upcoming Cricket World Cup. All-rounder Jonty Rhodes' portrait appears on the stamp accompanied by one of his spectacular fielding dives for which he is so famous. Each of the Rhodes stamps has a different tab attached showing a potential member of the South African team for the 8th CWC (Figure 2).

THE ICC TROPHY

The ICC Trophy was a 50 over, single innings competition. It determined which three teams would play in the 8th CWC.

The matches were played in Toronto, Ontario, Canada in June and July 2001.

The ICC Trophy is a competition for "minor League" or non-Test playing cricketing nations. Originally twenty-four countries were scheduled to play. However, Italy could not make it due to a registration dispute and West Africa was late applying for its visas.

The headquarters for the contest was the Toronto Cricket, Skating and Curling Club (*JSP*, Winter 2002). With the help of groundsmen from the United Kingdom new grass pitches were laid specially for the tournament. Only two pitches, at Eglinton Flats, were matting. The format for the matches was somewhat complex. The 22 teams were divided into two divisions with the stronger teams in Division 1:



Figure 2. Souvenir sheet showing South Africa's potential team for the 8th Cricket World Cup. Judging from the multi-ethnicity of the faces, apartheid in South African sports had truly disappeared.

Division 1, Group A: Canada, Fiji, Holland, Scotland, Singapore, and United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Division 1, Group B: Bermuda, Denmark, Hong Kong, Ireland, Papua New Guinea, and USA

Division 2, Group A: Germany, Gibraltar, Italy*, Namibia, Nepal and West Africa* (*did not play in the competition)

Division 2, Group B: Argentina, East and Central Africa, France, Israel, Malaysia, and Uganda

Eight teams from group play advanced to the Super League. Six were the top three from Division 1 group play: (*Group A*) Holland, Scotland, and Canada; (*Group B*) Denmark, USA, and Ireland.

The remaining two teams, Namibia and the UAE, were the winners of the interdivision matches between the fourth place Division 1 teams and the first place Division 2 teams.

The eight Super League teams played each other once. The first four teams in order of finishing were Holland, Namibia, Scotland and Canada (the USA team finish seventh and was eliminated).

In the final, Holland claimed victory against Namibia. Namibia batted first and reached a respectable 195 runs for 9 wickets in their 50 overs. Holland, benefitting from Namibia's sudden collapse in fielding standards which had been outstanding throughout the tournament, were able to score three runs from the last ball of the match to achieve victory and win by two wickets.

Scotland suffered a devastating loss in their third place play-off game against Canada. Still suffering from the aftermath of a nine-run defeat by Namibia four days earlier, they could only amass 176 runs for 9 wickets in their innings. Canada was able to make 177 runs in 39.5 overs. This ensured a five wicket win and a place in the 8th CWC along with Holland and Namibia.

8TH CRICKET WORLD CUP: FORMAT

Each match used the One Day International (ODI) standard of 50 overs with a ten over limit for any one bowler. Fielding restrictions meant only two players allowed outside the circle for the first fifteen overs. White balls and distinctive colored clothing were also used.

The 14 teams were divided into two pools (A and B). Each team played the other six teams in its pool once. Team scoring was 4 points for a win and 2 for a tie or a no result. At this stage there were no reserve days in case of inclement weather.

The top three teams in each pool advanced to the next stage, the Super Six. If teams finished level on points the following tie breakers applied: most wins, head-to-head result, net run-rate, number of wickets per balls bowled and, lastly, drawing lots.

Super Six qualifiers carried forward points gained in the Pool stage, four for a win against a fellow qualifier and one for a win against a non-qualifier. The top four teams in the Super Six phase advanced to the semi-finals. The first semi-final was between the first and fourth teams, the second between the second and third teams. Reserve days were set aside for this stage of the competition. Matches would be replayed rather than continued.

Pool A consisted of Australia, England, Holland, India, Namibia, Pakistan and Zimbabwe. Of the 21 matches, 15 were played in South Africa. Games involving Zimbabwe (6) were played in that country.

Pool B was composed of Bangladesh, Canada, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa, Sri Lanka and the West Indies. Nineteen games were played in South Africa and the two games involving Kenya were played in that nation's capital, Nairobi. All Super Six games, semi-finals and the final were played in South Africa.

On February 23, 2003, just prior to the start of the 8th CWC, South Africa Post issued a souvenir sheet with six non-denominated (standard rate) postage stamps (Figure 3). Each stamp was designed by a local artist under the general theme, "It's time to welcome ... (country name)" and represented a different country participating in the tournament.

The stamps represent: traditional thatched huts with windmills (Holland); Basotho men on horse-back wearing traditional Mondianyeho hats escorting a Canadian Mountie; row of men holding cricket bats the way a Masai warrior holds a spear (Kenya); people standing on the roof of a bus (India); African woman holding a baby like a kangaroo in a pouch (Australia); and a double-decker bus, South African people and building (England).

PRE-TOURNAMENT

A number of items dominated the pre-tournament discussions. Some of the more important were the Zimbabwe problem, the Shane Warne banishment, sponsorships and the corrupting influence of gambling.



Figure 3. "Country Welcoming" stamps melding African and Western themes.

The problem as to whether the English team should play in Zimbabwe dominated the British headlines almost as soon as the match venues were announced. Claire Short, the British government's International Development Secretary demanded the game be abandoned because of the Zimbabwean government's policy of political repression.

Early in January 2003 the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), the governing body for English and Wales Cricket (Glamorgan, one of the major County Cricket teams is in Wales) met with the British Government to discuss the situation. The Government's official position was that they prefer the game not be played but that the final decision would be up to the ECB.

When the English players arrived in Cape Town, South Africa on February 7, 2003 just prior to the start of the tournament they were each handed a letter from the "Sons and Daughters of Zimbabwe." This letter contained threats against the players and their families in England. With these considerations and the threats of protests at the game, the ECB decided that England should not play its match against Zimbabwe in Harare. Thus the English team was deprived of a possible four points and arguably a place in the Super Six stage.

The banning of Shane Warne, the Australian spin bowler, was greeted with blaring headlines by Australia's *Sydney Sun-Herald*: "He's Out!" This was reminiscent of a bygone era when the "he" would have been Australia's batting legend, Don Bradman (*JSP*, March/April 1994, September/October 2001 and Winter 2003).

In this case "Out" meant that Warne, Australia's and arguably the world's greatest spin bowler, would not be playing in the World Cup. Shane Warne was given a one-year suspension for taking two banned diuretics (frequently used by athletes to disguise the presence of performance-enhancing drugs). Warne claimed his mother had given him the medicine to reduce the fluid in his body.

Finances associated with sponsorships certainly played a part in the 8th CWC especially for India and Sri Lanka.

In India, where the top players are treated like gods, sponsorships mean huge money for India's stars. The problems arise when a player supports a company which is not an official sponsor of the World Cup. Two examples are opening batsman Virender Sehwag endorsing Coca-Cola, official sponsor Pepsi's main rival, and Sachin Tendulkar, India's foremost batsman who had a deal with TVS

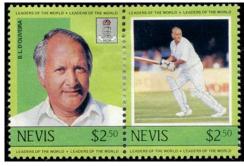


Figure 4. South African-born England player, Basil D'Oliveira.

who makes scooters in competition with official sponsor Hero Honda.

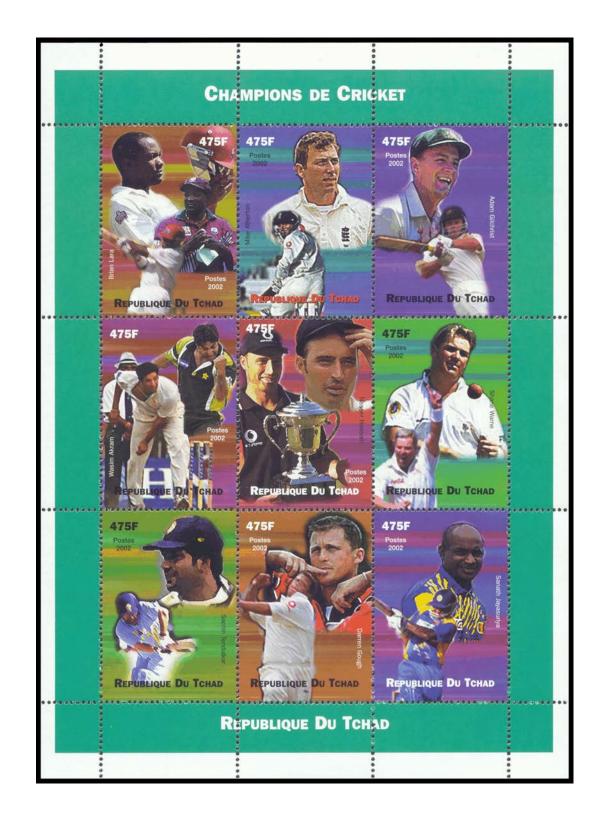
All the other teams in the tournament signed the Participant Nations Agreement precluding players from endorsing conflicting products during the tournament or for 30 days either side. Fortunately the Indian cricketing authorities reached a compromise. The Indian players were only banned from endorsing rival companies during the actual tournament, enabling India to field its best possible team.

One of the major problems with cricket, especially in the Indian sub-continent, is gambling. To reduce the influence of gambling on the results of the matches played in the 8th CWC the ICC Anti-Corruption chief Lord Paul Condon drew up a list of 100 "undesirables" – bookmakers and gamblers – who were denied entry to South Africa to prevent them from influencing events at the CWC 2003.

Currently the game is considered clean for the first time in twenty years although the problem may only be in remission. It has been stated that if you were going to design a game that could be fixed, that game would be cricket.

On a more positive note, prior to the start of the competition, 41 sportsmen were named Cricket World Cup Ambassadors to help promote the 8th CWC. The cricketing sportsmen selected were Basil D'Oliveira and Graeme Pollock.

The inclusion of D'Oliveira had a touch of irony because his selection to tour South Africa with the English team in 1968 caused an international furor. As a Cape Colored, he was deemed unacceptable to the South African authorities and the tour was cancelled. This incident gave the impetus to ban South Africa from international sporting competition. Ultimately the ban helped to erode apartheid. It was lifted in 1992 just in time for the South African team to participate in the 5th CWC (*JSP*, September/October 1993). Basil D'Oliveira was part of Nevis's 1984 "Leaders of the World" series (Figure 4).





Figures 5-7. England's wicketkeeper, Alec Stewart (left); West Indies captain, Carl Hooper (right); various players in the 8th Cricket World Cup (above).



Over the past several years some countries have issued stamps which portray cricketers who played in the 8th CWC.

In 1994-95, several Caribbean countries issued stamps commemorating one hundred years of tours by English cricket teams. Grenada showed Alec Stewart, the wicketkeeper and sometime captain of the English team (Figure 5) and Guyana featured Carl Hooper, the West Indian captain for this tournament (Figure 6).

In 2002 Chad, a former French colony in Central Africa, issued a souvenir sheet entitled "Champions de Cricket" featuring nine different cricketers (Figure 7). The players are (left to right, top to bottom): Brian Lara (West Indies), Michael Atherton (England), Adam Gilchrist (Australia), Wasim Akram (Pakistan), Nasser Hussain (England), Shane Warne (Australia), Sachin Tendulkar (India), Darren Gough (England), Sanath Jayasuriya (Sri Lanka).

Only Atherton, now retired from first class cricket, Gough and Warne (banned) did not play in the 8th CWC.

POOL A MATCHES

This group included the current champions (Australia), two previous winners (India and Pakistan) and a three-time finalist (England).

One of the pivotal matches in this group was between England and Pakistan. Pakistan could only muster 134 runs in 31 overs in response to England's 246 for 8. Anderson got four wickets. During this match Pakistan's fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar cracked the 100 m.p.h. barrier. However his match average was one wicket for 63 runs in 9 overs proving that more than pure speed is needed from a fast bowler.

England's chances to finish among the top three in this group were given a huge setback when India beat them by 82 runs. This result meant that a win by England in their match against Australia was vital if they were to advance to the Super Six stage. The result was in doubt right up to the end. Australia needed 14 runs from their last two overs. Michael Bevan and Andy Bichel managed the win with two balls to spare.

The rain washout of the match between Zimbabwe and Pakistan meant Zimbabwe moved into third place in the Pool A standings. England and Pakistan were out of the competition. It would appear that England's decision not to play in Zimbabwe had a significant effect on their advancement. A win would have given them third place in the Pool A standings.

Australia, India and Zimbabwe advanced to the Super Six stage. The final Pool A standings were:

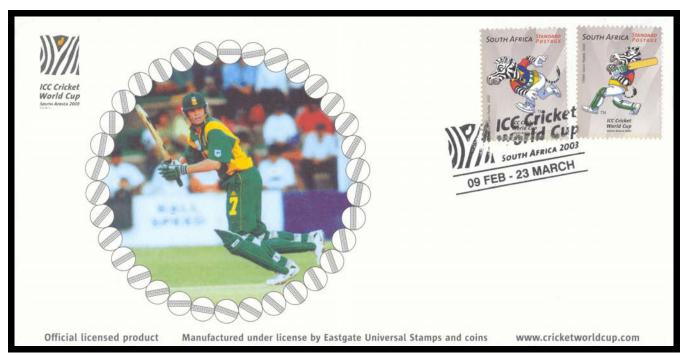


Figure 8. Privately-produced commemorative cover with a cachet showing South Africa's captain, Shaun Pollock. A single cancel showing a range of dates was used by South Africa Post during the preliminary rounds of competition. A second cover is shown in Figure 9.

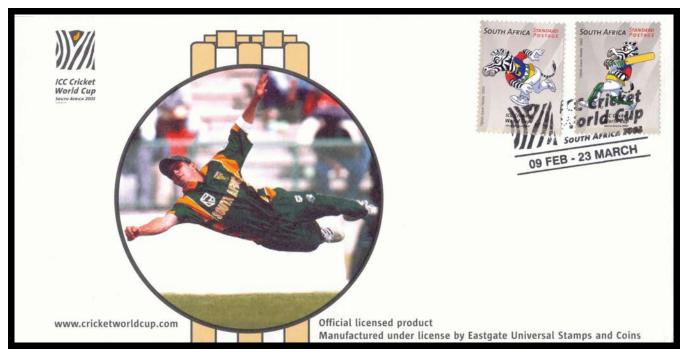


Figure 9. A second cacheted cover for the preliminary matches featured South African, Jonty Rhodes.

Pool A Final Standings							
	Р	W	L	NR	Т	Pts	SS Pts
Australia	6	6	-	-	-	24	12
India	6	5	1	-	-	20	8
Zimbabwe	6	3	2	1	-	14	3.5
England	6	3	3	1	1	12	-
Pakistan	6	2	3	1	-	10	-
Holland	6	1	5	-	-	4	-
Namibia	6	-	6	-	-	0	-

POOL B MATCHES

This group included two former winners (West Indies and Sri Lanka) and the home field favorite, South Africa.

As befits a co-host, South Africa's contest with the West Indies was the first match played. West Indies won the toss and elected to bat. They started slowly but accelerated in the second half of the innings. With Brian Lara at his brilliant best (116 runs) they amassed a final total of 278 runs. South Africa were penalized one over due to slow play. They started well but their middle order batting

collapsed. Lance Klusener attempted to steady the innings but it was in vain. South Africa were all out for 275 - three runs short. Surely they would have scored them in the disallowed 50th over!

Canada, who turned up for the competition by playing in the West Indies' Red Stripe Cup, caused the first upset by beating Test nation Bangladesh by 60 runs. It was their first ever ODI success as they were winless in the 1979 CWC.

Rain and a 15-minute power outage helped New Zealand in its important match against South Africa. A brilliant innings of 134 by skipper Stephen Fleming enabled New Zealand to win by nine wickets. South Africa's chances of moving to the next stage now seemed in some doubt.

Kenya, recently granted ODI status, surprised the cricketing world with a decisive win over Sri Lanka. Kenyan spin bowler 21-year-old Collins Obuya took a remarkable 5 for 24 and Sri Lanka were all out for 157 runs giving Kenya a 53-run victory. Contrary to everyone's expectations, Kenya qualified for the Super Six stage by beating Bangladesh by 32 runs.

Rain was a factor in South Africa's match with Sri Lanka. The match ended in a tie when South Africa's captain Shaun Pollock miscalculated the runs needed to win. A match may be interrupted by outside factors (i.e. bad light, rain, etc.). If the side batting second has faced less than half the overs (in the CWC that is 25) the match is abandoned and

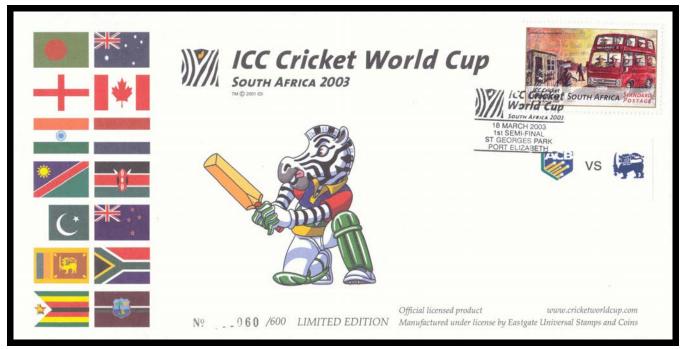


Figure 10. First semi-final match, 18 March 2003: Australia vs. Sri Lanka.

each side is awarded 2 points. If the second side batting has its innings interrupted but is able to resume later, then the number of runs needed to win within the time and number of overs allotted is calculated using a formula (Duckworth/Lewis). In the case of this match, Pollock miscalculated and thought his team needed 229 runs to win. They actually needed 230 and hence the match was a tie. Each team was awarded 2 points. Sri Lanka advanced to the Super Six stage and South Africa was out of the competition.

New Zealand earned a Super Six berth by decisively beating Canada by 5 wickets.

Sri Lanka, Kenya and New Zealand advanced to the Super Six stage.

Pool B Final Standings							
	Р	W	L	NR	Т	Pts	SS Pts
Sri Lanka	6	4	1	-	1	18	7.5
Kenya	6	4	2	-	-	16	10
New Zealand	6	4	2	-	-	16	4
West Indies	6	3	2	1	-	14	-
South Africa	6	3	2	-	1	14	ı
Canada	6	1	5	-	-	4	-
Bangladesh	6	-	5	1	-	2	-

South Africa Post did not issue any official match covers. However five souvenir covers were produced under private license. Two were generic for the preliminary matches with different cachets. One shows South African captain, Shaun Pollock batting (Figure 8) and the other is of all-rounder Jonty Rhodes fielding (Figure 9).

SUPER SIX STAGE

With their twelve points brought forward by beating fellow Pool A teams, Australia needed one win to gain a place in the semi-finals. This they achieved in their first match which was against Sri Lanka. They won by 96 runs with some superb batting by Adam Gilchrist (99) and captain Ricky Ponting (114).

India appeared to be in some trouble at one point when they were 109 for 4 against Kenya's 225 for 6. However Sourav Ganguly (107 not out) and Yuvraj Singh (58 not out) rallied the batting and reached 226 in the 47th over.

New Zealand kept its hopes for a semi-final berth alive by beating Zimbabwe by 6 wickets. Batting honors went to Nathan Astle (102 not over).

The match between India and Sri Lanka wasn't really a contest. India amassed 292 for 6 in their 50 overs with Sachin Tendulkar making 97. Sri Lanka were dismissed in 23 overs for a meager 109 runs. This total included no less than five ducks (0 runs).

New Zealand needed a win against India to gain a semi-final berth. India, who seemed to improve as the competition progressed, were able to dismiss New Zealand for 146 runs.

Sri Lanka moved into the semi-final round by soundly beating Zimbabwe. Opening batsman, Marvan Atapattu batted right through the innings for an unbeaten 103. His innings enabled Sri Lanka, batting first, to reach 256 for 6 in their allotted 50 overs. At one stage, in the 29th over, Zimbabwe were 146 for 3 and looked to be in charge. However with the dismissal of Andy Flower (38) the lower batting order collapsed and Zimbabwe were all out of 182 runs. This gave Sri Lanka a 74 run win.

SEM-FINALS AND FINALS

The first semi-final was between Australia and Sri Lanka. Australia batted first, their top order batsmen faltered, and when Michael Bevan was out first ball Australia looked to be in trouble. With Australia at 144 for 5 in their 37th over could Sri Lanka bring about an upset? They reckoned without Manof-the-Match Andrew Symonds. He scored 91 not out and, ably backed-up by Andy Bichel (19 not out), took the score to a respectable 212 for 7.

Sri Lanka started well but Australian fast bowler Brett Lee (3 for 35) was not to be denied. With some help from his fast bowling teammate Glenn McGrath (2 for 30) Sri Lanka were 43 for 4 after 11.2 overs. Rain caused the match to be abandoned during Sri

Lanka's 39th over with their score at only 123 fo 7. This gave Australia a comfortable 48 run win and a place in the final.

That Kenya, a non-Test playing country, was a semi-finalist was a tribute to their excellent play throughout the tournament. India batted first and never seemed in trouble. With captain Sourav Ganguly (110 not out) and Sachin Tendulkar (93) batting impressively, India reached 270 for 4 in their 50 overs. Kenya never looked to be winning. They lost wickets steadily and apart from captain Steve Tikolo (56) no one made 30 runs; only four batsmen were in double figures. Kenya were all out for 179 in the 46.2 overs. India won comfortably by 91 runs.

Each semi-final had its own distinctive cover with a small label affixed directly under the stamp showing the badges of the participating nations. The first semi-final cachet (Australia vs. Sri Lanka) shows Dazzler batting and the flags of the 14 participating countries (Figure 10). The second semi-final cachet (India vs. Kenya) shows Dazzler bowling and badges of the participating countries (Figure 11).

The final between Australia and India was something of an anti-climax. It should be remembered that India had been humiliated by Australia in their Pool A match when they were beaten by 9 wickets.

The only way for India to win was to bat first and make a large enough score to put Australia under pressure. Sourav Ganguly won the toss and, convinced that the pitch would favor his bowlers, put Australia in to bat.

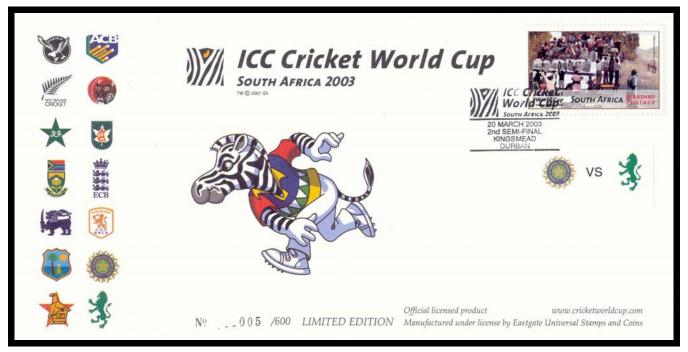


Figure 11. Second semi-final match, 20 March 2003: India vs. Kenya.

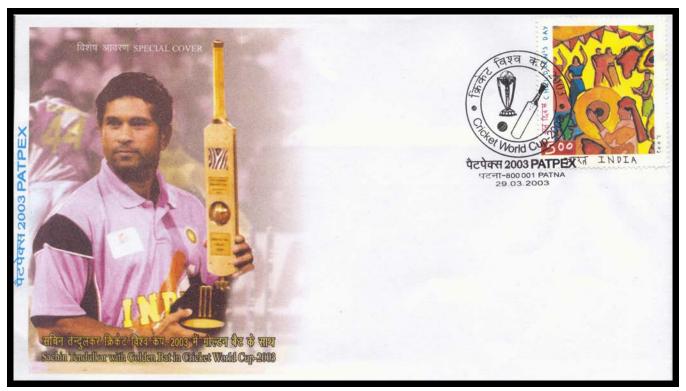


Figure 12. Indian player, Sachin Tendulkar, was named Man-of-the-Tournament winning the Golden Bat.

Australia grasped the chance eagerly and did not lose a wicket until 107 runs were on the scoreboard. With captain Ricky Ponting (140 not out) ably backed up by Damien Martyn (88 not out) they did not need any heroics from their middle and lower order batsmen. Eventually Australia reached the forbidding total of 359 for the loss of only two wickets.

India started badly when their best batsman, Sachin Tendulkar, was caught and bowled by Glenn McGrath on the fifth ball of the innings. McGrath finished with a match analysis of 3 for 52 off 8.2 overs. Apart from Virender Sehwag (82) and Rahul Dravid (47) the Indian batsmen put up only token resistance. Rain halted play for 25 minutes after 17 overs with India at 103 for 3. Rain could not save India and they were all out for 234 runs giving Australia a comfortable 125 run win. Thus Australia repeated as CWC champions. Their 359 was the highest total in a CWC final. It was their highest ODI total ever and their 17th consecutive ODI win.

The match cover for the final (Australia vs. India) was similar to that for the first semi-final except Dazzler batting was replaced by the actual Cup (see illustration on the cover of this issue).

India's "Little Master," Sachin Tendulkar, was voted Man-of-the-Tournament. He was presented with a golden bat by another cricket legend, the West Indies' great all-rounder, Sir Gary Sobers.

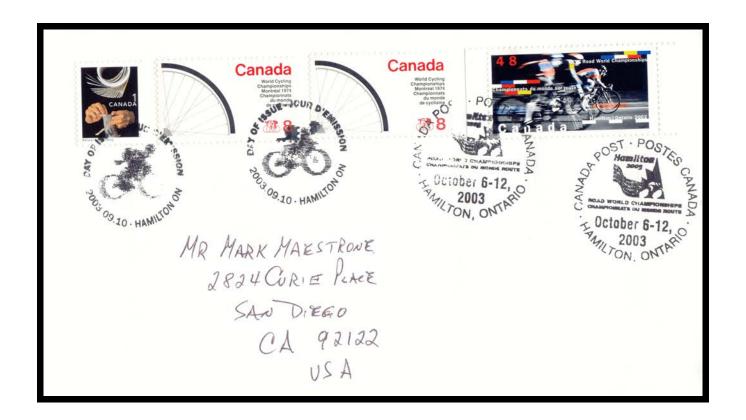
India issued a special cover to commemorate this event with the cachet showing Tendulkar holding the golden bat (Figure 12).

THE FUTURE

The next Cricket World Cup, the 9th, will be played in the Caribbean in 2007. Four of the matches are scheduled to be played in Florida and thus the organizers have granted the United States team automatic entry to the competition.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

ICC Cricket World Cup 2003 Official Souvenir. Linn's Stamp News. Union Jack, February, March, and April 2003. Wisden Cricket Monthly, April, May, June 2003.



One Special Event Cancel at World Road Cycling Championships

by Paul Tissington

ne stamp, one first day cancel, one event cancel, one special postcard and one week of excellent competition – that's a philatelic view of the World Road Cycling Championships held October 6-12, 2003 in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

The 48¢ commemorative stamp issued September 10 was shown in the Fall issue of *JSP* (Vol. 42, No. 1). The special Canada Post handcancel (above) was available at the post office boutique located in the Canada (tent) Pavilion behind City Hall in the heart of downtown Hamilton, a 60-second walk from the Start/Finish line on Main Street.

In fact, that's what made these championships unique. All of the time trial and road races were held within the city limits, although because of the recent amalgamation of several area municipalities, parts of the course were located in semi-rural areas. At most other world championships, courses have been located away from the population centers. Because

of the many road closures in the built-up areas of the city, Hamilton schools were closed for the week. Many downtown businesses also closed for most of the week – but the bars reported record sales!

Igor Astarloa, 27, of Spain was the upset winner of the men's elite race on the final day of competition, with an estimated crowd of 100,000 cheering the 180 competitors. Another Spaniard, Alejandro Valverde Belmonte was second and Peter Van Petegem of Belgium was third. It took the winner six hours and 30 minutes to complete the 21-lap, 260.4 kilometer course, which everyone said was difficult because of the hill climbs. It was the hill climbing that apparently convinced 2002 champion Mario Cipollini of Italy not to defend his title, because the course did not suit his abilities. His victory came on a mainly flat course at Zolder, Belgium.

Susanne Ljungskog of Sweden repeated as champion with a thrilling sprint to the finish in the women's elite race. She edged Mirjam Melchers of the Netherlands by half a wheel at the finish line. Nicole Cooke of Great Britain was third.

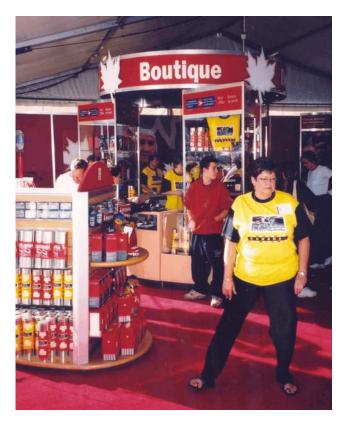
More than 1,200 athletes from 57 countries participated in the championships, which were blessed with near-perfect sunny and warm weather all week.

SOUVENIRS APLENTY

Philatelists had no trouble obtaining a wide variety of souvenirs at the Canada Post boutique (right) where the friendly clerks all wore yellow tshirts imprinted with the cycling stamp. Similar shirts, of course, were offered for sale. A first-day handcancel was also available and both cancels saw plenty of action.

A special Canada Post postal stationery card (below) showing the stamp design on the front and with the stamp imprinted on the back, sold for C\$1.49, and could be sent anywhere in the world. The regular mail rate to the United States is C\$.65 and elsewhere in the world C\$1.25. (Not included in these figures are taxes: 15% on the postcard and 7% on all stamps.) Posters and playing cards showing the cycling stamp were also for sale.

A few enterprising collectors made up envelopes with the 2003 stamp and with the 8¢ cycling stamp,



Scott #642, issued in 1974 to commemorate the

World Cycling Championships held in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. The championships have only been held outside Europe on five occasions including twice in North America, both times in Canada.



Postal stationery card issued for the Cycling Championships. Both the FD and special event cancels were available during the competition.



Belgian Letter-Cards, A Fascinating Olympic Byway

by Laurentz Jonker

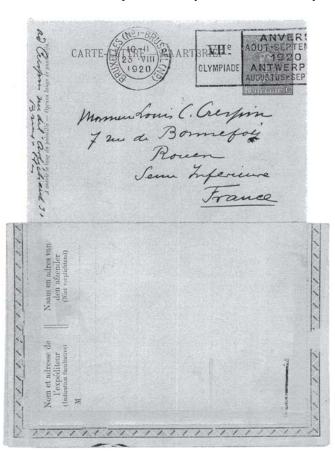
inding unusual usages of Olympic material is a challenge, especially when the Games in question are over three-quarters of a century old! While I have been collecting 1920 Antwerp Olympic Games philately for many years, the scarcest usage of the Olympic Games machine cancels has been on letter-cards.

The reason for their rarity is manifold. First, the contents are typically private, unlike the casual chat found on a postcard. Second, letter cards are perforated on three sides and thus by their very nature are partially destroyed in order to open them. And lastly, letter-cards were just not used very much - certainly not like picture postcards or other sorts of postal stationery.

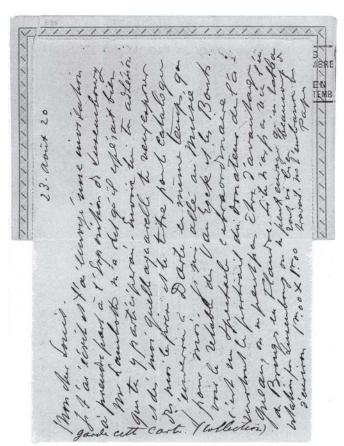
To give you an idea of how difficult these are to find: I have only 3 letter-cards which accounts for about 3% of all the pieces in my1920 collection. By comparison, roughly 72% of my 1920 Olympic machine cancels are on regular postcards.

Letter-cards are small – only about 4¾" x 3¼". The cards are printed in colored ink with stamps matching the decorative border. The perforations run along the inside edge of the border. When opened, the letter area is actually smaller than the entire piece. Frequently what happens is part of the machine cancel is lost along the outside edge of the stationery.

The example shown below is a lavender blue 25c King Albert with Helmet indicium for foreign use, in this case to France. It's postmarked with a "Bruxelles (Nd) - Brussel (Nd)" 23.VIII.1920 machine cancel. The recipient of this card took great care in opening it. Note how the right end of the boxed machine slogan appears outside the perforated margin. The other two letter-cards in my collection are 15c King Albert varieties for inland use. Both were used from Brussels.



Both outside halves of opened letter-card.



Inscription on inside of opened letter-card.

1953-2003: 50th Anniversary of the First Winner of the Women's Grand Slam of Tennis



by Pascal Bedenes

aureen Connolly was born September 17, 1934 in San Diego, California, the daughter of an American Army lieutenant and a pianist mother. Like many children of divorced parents, she led a rather sad and troubled childhood. Her mother had great plans for her to become a professional singer, but a botched tonsillectomy deprived her of that career.

At the age of ten, while wandering by a tennis club, she caught the attention of the club's tennis pro, Wilbur Folson. At first, she busied herself collecting balls for the other players.

Little by little, the pro noticed that Maureen had a natural talent for the game. He contacted her mother and recommended she buy Maureen a racket. Although she was naturally left-handed, he made her play righthanded tennis.

As a 16-year-old, the Californian burst onto the international tennis stage at the U.S. Open at Forest Hills. A new tennis star was born!

She won Wimbledon in 1952, her first time in the event, triumphing over fellow American, Louise Brough, who won three years in a row from 1948 through 1950. Connolly went on to successfully defend her title at Forest Hills that same year.

At the 1952 Wimbledon Championships (below) Connelly beat Louise Brough (center).





Brough won Wimbledon three times beginning in 1948 (below).





Maureen Connolly's (center) Grand Slam included the 1953 Wimbledon tournament (above).





1954 Wimbledon was Connolly's last Grand Slam event before a riding accident ended her career.

1953 was a year of successes beginning with a long journey to Australia for her first Australian Open which she won. Another first, in the spring she went to France to play for the Roland Garros title. Maureen triumphed on the Parisian clay courts, crushing the returning champion, American Doris Hart. She again asserted herself at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, defeating Doris Hart on both occasions. Just 19 years old, Maureen Connelly became the first female tennis player to win the Grand Slam.

Maureen Connelly was to meet a tragic destiny. After repeating as Australian Open winner the end of 1953, then preserving her titles at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 1954, Connelly suffered a bad broken leg and open fracture in a horseback riding accident in California. Despite her courage and many long years of rehabilitation, she was forever lost to tennis. In 1969, Maureen Connelly died prematurely of cancer at the age of 35.

MAUREEN CONNELLY'S WINNING RECORD

U.S. Open 1951, 1952, 1953

Wimbledon (British Open) 1951, 1952, 1953

Roland Garros (French Open) 1953 and 1954

> **Australian Open** 1953

From 1951-1954, Connolly was unchallenged as the #1 ranked female tennis player in the world!

SPI Rapid Notification Service

Do you collect new U.S. sport and Olympic commemorative postmarks? If so, then you need to take advantage of SPI's Rapid Notification Service. For more information send a self-addressed stamped envelope to William E. Fraleigh, 5 Rose Hill Farm, Red Hook, NY 12571-9418, U.S.A.

We Buy and Sell Topicals!

Tens of Thousands of *Illustrated* Topical Items can be found on our website:

http://www.westminsterstamp.com

For a printed list of your topical interest, please contact us.

We are members of ASDA, APS, ATA.

Westminster Stamp Gallery, Ltd.

P.O. Box 456 Foxboro, MA 02035 1-508-384-6157 FAX 1-508-384-3130

E-mail: stamps@westmin.win.net

Correspondence With a 1924 Olympic Connection

by Laurentz Jonker

n the near future I shall discuss in more detail the postal rates at the time of the Paris Olympics of 1924. Until then, however, I shall present a couple of unusual items from those Games.

The first is a registered cover from an interesting location. Shown in Figure 1, the cover is franked with a horizontal strip of four 50c Sower stamps and one 5c stamp of the same series. Additionally, there are three Olympic stamps: a single 25c value (exhibiting a strong upward shift of the image), plus a vertical pair of the 10c Olympic issue. The total postage is FF 2.50. All stamps are postmarked with a honeycomb handcancel from Lembach Bas Rhin, on 30.5.1924.

Lembach is a small industrial village north of Strasbourg in Alsace-Lorraine known for its glassworks, iron ore and clay pits. Following the Franco-Prussian War in 1870, the area became a part of the

German Empire. The region changed hands again in 1918 at the end of the First World War when the Treaty of Versailles ceded the area to France.

Now here's where it gets interesting! This cover bears a registration label that is a transparent white with black text and numbers - precisely the type of label used in Germany. Technically the town's postal authorities should have switched to a French registration label (white with red printing), but being a small village there were probably very few registered letters mailed from its post office. Combined with a post-war paper shortage, the frugal postmaster must have decided to use his existing supply of German Empire labels.

The sender of the cover was a clergyman, A. Huck. An arrival cancel from "Zürich, Briefträger, 31.V.24" is backstamped on the cover along with sealing wax bearing the sender's initials "A.H."

Finally, let us talk about the unusual postal rate.

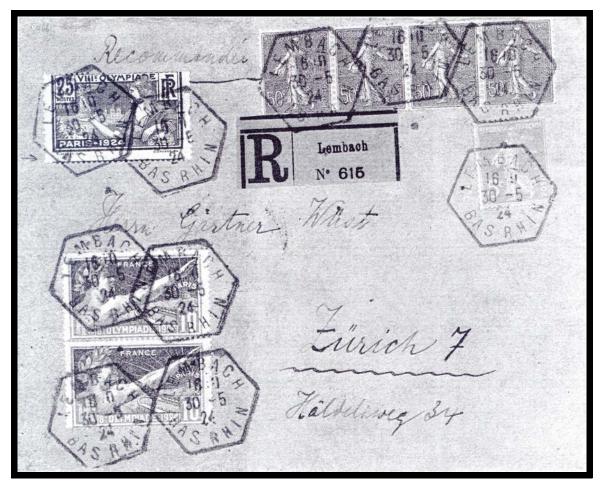


Figure 1. An interesting registered cover partially franked with 1924 Olympic stamps.



Figure 2. Postcard from Dutch fencer Hanneke Stokhuyzen de Jong.

We know the registered cover was bound for Zürich. The cost of a foreign letter was 75c, with another 75c for the registration fee, making a total of FF 1.50. So what was the additional FF 1.00 for? The Zürich "briefträger" (postman) handcancel on the reverse

dated "31.V.24" strongly suggests that the letter included a FF 1.00 fee for Avis de Reception (Notification of Receipt). Registration was not a prerequisite for A.R. service, but was nevertheless paid for in this case.

The second item falls into the category of "athlete mail". Figure 2 reproduces a post card mailed from the "Paris XVI - Place Chopin" post office on 1.VII.1924. The card is franked with three 1924 Olympic stamps: one each of the 10c, 25c, and 50c values. Although the postcard was bound for a foreign destination, Leiden, Holland, it was overpaid by 40c. The card is signed "H. St. d J." which is short for Hanneke Stokhuyzen de Jong, a Dutch female foil fencer.

A loose translation of her message: "We very much enjoyed a brief practice this afternoon. We have our matches against Sweden late on Wednesday [2 July]. Splendid scenes of noisy spectators from Hungary, Italy and elsewhere. Later you will hear the results. Good-bye."

The 28-year-old de Jong was eliminated in the first round of the foil event at the Vélodrome d'Hiver June 27 - July 4 (Figure 3). Johanna Petronella Lamber-

tina Stokhuyzen de Jong was born October 17, 1895 in Leiden and died in Oegstgeest, October 28, 1976.

References: correspondence/discussion with Ruud Verberue and Pim Huurman.



Figure 3. Cover to Ghent, Belgium correctly franked with 75c in Olympic stamps mailed from Paris on date of the fencing finals, July 4, 1924.

BOOK REVIEW

by Mark Maestrone

Handbook of Golf Slogan Meter Stamps by Patricia Ann Loehr. © 2003, The International Philatelic Golf Society, Norfolk, Virginia. 67 pages, plus cover. Printed on loose-leaf, three-hole punched 8½" x 11" pages (3-ring binder included). Price: \$15.00, plus postage (\$2.00 US, \$5.00 international). Orders may be sent to: IPGS, P.O. Box 2183, Norfolk, VA 23501-2183, U.S.A.

I would never have guessed that there could be so many meters for a single sport, however I believe the **Handbook of Golf Slogan Meter Stamps** press release which claims a listing of "more than 1000 golf-related meter stamps from 15 countries"!

In order to be considered for inclusion, the meter must have a slogan, either pictorial or text, obviously related to golf. The checklist, as this handbook is called, is organized very logically first by country, then chronologically. Each meter's machine number is given, followed by the illustration number (if an illustration is provided - most are), the year of the meter's earliest use and color ink of the meter, and finally, details of the slogan (description of the design and text). The author has not attempted to set values or determine rarity or scarcity, which in no way detracts from its utility.

One aspect of the catalog's organization that was most helpful was that illustrations and listings were always on facing pages (see an example below). Never does one need to leaf back and forth trying to match illustrations and descriptions.

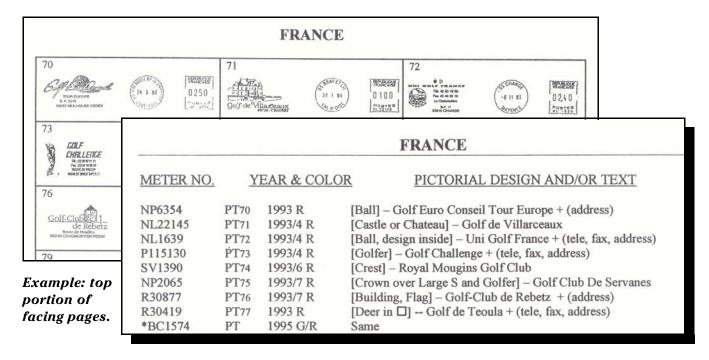
France, Germany, Great Britain, and the United States are sources for the vast majority of golfrelated meters and thus each of these countries is listed separately. Remaining meters are listed alphabetically in the "Rest of the World" section. The author promises periodic supplements.

Following the listings, Loehr presents a brief statistical analysis called, appropriately, "The 19th Hole."

Lastly, meters that are not overtly golf-related are presented. As the author points out, the "not-soobvious connections to golf make them more fascinating."

The quality of the printing is excellent with illustrations generally sufficiently clear to match them with real copies.

While I don't claim to be an expert in golf philately, it is evident that this handbook is a very useful reference, and one which I would highly recommend all golf philatelists add to their libraries!



REVIEWS OF PERIODICALS

by Mark Maestrone

Esprit: Sports et Olympisme October 2003 (#29)

Diversity of content best characterizes this issue of our French sister society's publication. Rene Christin begins with a discussion of the World Championships of Greco-Roman Wrestling. Along with an overview of the sport, he provides a philatelic review of French competitions and past world championships. Rene also writes on the gymnastics competition at the 1900 Olympics, reproducing a couple of different handstamped cachets relating to the competition. The two big French sports events this year - the Tour de France and World Athletic Championships - are ably covered by Rene Geslin and Rene Christin, respectively.

Contact: Jean-Pierre Picquot, 172 Bd. Berthier, 75017 Paris, France. *[In French]*

IMOS JournalMay 2003 (#118), August 2003 (#119)

May's issue is a special commemorative booklet for IMOS's annual congress held this year in Nürnberg. Included are articles on the 18th century "Drehbergfeste", forerunner of the modern Olympics, which were conducted in Dessau (Karl Rathjen); varieties of the 1896 Greek Olympic issues (Michael Tsironis); and the 10th Deutsche Turnfest in Nürnberg in 1903 (Rathjen).

The August issue catches up with the many IMOS checklists & serialized articles. The society's 7th auction (closing date December 7) containing nearly 1,000 lots is included.

Contact: Dieter Germann, PB 1128, D-63524 Grosskrotzenburg, Germany. *[In German]*

OSPC Bulletin #1, 2003

As always this publication provides a rich variety of sport and Olympic philatelic information for the German-language reader. Included in this issue are articles on the $10^{\rm th}$ anniversary of the establishment

of the German Olympic Institute in 1993; World Nordic Skiing Championships; coverage of the many bids to become Germany's 2012 Olympic candidate city; and the latest information on the Greek philatelic program for the 2004 Games.

Contact: Thomas Lippert, PB 102067, D-18003 Rostock, Germany. *[In German]*

Phila-SportApril 2003 (#46), July 2003 (#47)

The April issue opens with a report on the 2003 Winter Universiade (Calenda), followed by articles on Olympic pins and badges (Tecardi), and Korea's philatelic program for World Cup 2002 (Brivio).

In July, the journal provided a wide array of short articles on such sports as autoracing, Olympic victory medals 1896-1972, and the NHL All-Stars.

Contact: UICOS, CP 14327 Roma Trullo - via Lenin, 00149 Rome, Italy. *[In Italian]*

Torch Bearer August 2003 (Vol. 20, #3)

Part 3 of Bob Wilcock and Tom D'Arcy's article on the Melbourne 1956 Olympic Slogan cancels is featured in this issue of *Torch Bearer*. This installment focuses on the cancels from Adelaide, providing detailed illustrations identifying the various types of cancels. A handy chart outlines the types and known periods of use.

An interesting display of "100 Years of Czech Olympic Committee" cancels and postal stationery is followed by John Miller's presentation of Tokyo 1964 matchbox labels from Poland. Responses to Vic Manikian's earlier article on the 1940 Tokyo Olympics features a panoply of ship covers and cards to flesh out the previous listings.

Also included in this issue is an article on Olympic cycling events and the Tour de France race (Manikian), and a report on the 115th IOC Session in Prague. Lastly, an update on philatelic emissions related to Beijing 2008 is given.

Contact: Miss Paula Burger, 19 Hanbury Path, Sheerwater, Woking, Surrey GU21 5RB, U.K.

THE SPORTS ARENA

by Mark Maestrone



Previously unrecorded meter from Salzburg's Town Hall promoting the city's bid (ultimately unsuccessful) for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. The meter was used in both red and blue.

Shortly after the IOC's selection of Vancouver, Canada as host of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, SPI member Ortwin Schießl sent me a cover franked with a handsome meter (above) promoting Salzburg's bid for those Games. I was certainly surprised to learn of the meter's existence as I had not seen it reported in any of the European philatelic journals!

Herr Schießl writes that the meter was used from Salzburg's Town Hall. The web address shown at the left of the meter is the home page for Salzburg's administrative offices.

Originally the meter was in red, however the Austrian postal administration asked that all meter imprints be changed to blue beginning January 1, 2003. There was a transitional period through the end of June 2003. Schießl does not report an earli-

est or last known date for this meter, but certainly the meter remained in use at least through "Decision Day" on July 2 (this meter is dated July 1).

Kwok-Yiu Kwan from Hong Kong submitted a recently unearthed Chinese sheetlet with a Beijing 2008 connection (below). According to Kwok-Yiu's information, the sheetlet was likely issued the end of 2001 by the National Philatelic Corporation (NPC) as indicated by the year inscribed at the bottom of the sheetlet (②). Initially, it was a gift to those who had purchased a 2001 year pack. Then, without warning, it appeared in the philatelic marketplace.

The title of the sheetlet (**①**) is "Cheer For China". Four tabs (**③** - **⑥**) mark noteworthy events in China during 2001.



26 Winter 2003 Journal of Sports Philately

The four 80p stamps (2) were issued for the 2001 World University Games which took place in Beijing (**JSP**, May/June 2002).

The two tabs with Olympic/sport connections are: (3) tab depicting the Tower of Heaven with text in two rows reading "To Commemorate Beijing's Selection as the Host City of the 2008 Olympic Games"; and (**6**) tab showing two stylized soccer players with two lines of text at top reading "The National Football Team of the People's Republic of China Qualified for the 2002 World Cup Finals." The two large Chinese characters on this tab read "The Dream Came True."

The other two tabs commemorate: $(\mathbf{9})$ the 2001 APEC (Asian Pacific Economic Co-operation) Meeting held in Tianjin, China; and (6) the admission of China into the WTO (World Trade Organization). Both events were landmarks in China's advance toward full acceptance in world trade and economic circles.

The line of text at bottom right (3) marks the release of P-stamp services by China Post (or perhaps NPC).

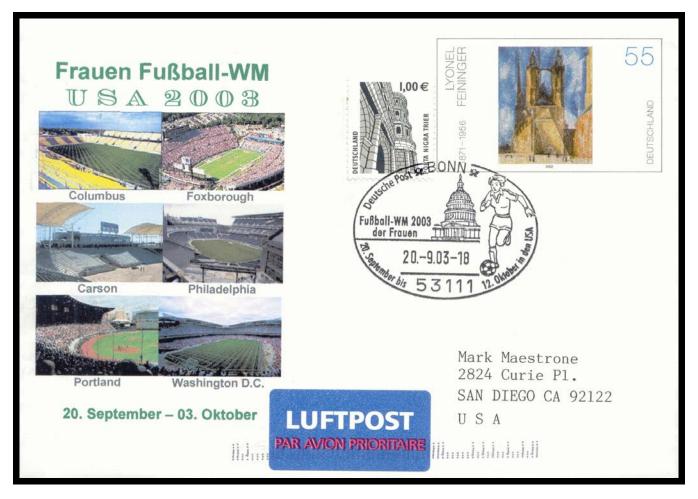
It seems as though the German postal administration, Deutsche Post, beat us to the punch commemorating a U.S. sporting event.

On September 20, 2003, a handsome oval postmark from Bonn was made available honoring the Women's World Cup Soccer Championships (below). The championships, which had originally been awarded to China, were transferred at the last minute to the U.S. out of concern for the health and well-being of both athletes and visitors following the outbreak of the SARS epidemic in Asia.

The handsome postal stationery cover submitted by Manfred Winternheimer included a cachet with illustrations of the six venues where the matches would be contested: Columbus, Ohio; Foxborough, Massachusetts; Carson, California; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Portland, Oregon; and Washington, D.C.

The finals were held October 12 at Carson between Germany and Sweden. Germany won 2-1. The third place match was held the day before with the USA team beating the Canadian women 3-1.

To date, I have not seen any U.S. special cancels for the events.



POSTAL STATIONERY CORNER

by Glenn Estus

Other than the Olympic Games, the Pan American Games are the largest multi-sport event held in the world. The Pan American Games have been staged every four years since their debut in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1951. In 2003, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic hosted the games; in 2007, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil will be the venue for competition.

In July 1999, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada hosted the 13th Pan American Games. Over 5000 athletes from 42 countries representing North, Central, and South America participated from July 23 to August 8. They competed in 42 sports ranging from soccer to equestrian show jumping. It was Winnipeg's second time hosting the events. In 1967, Canada's Centennial Year, Winnipeg held its first Pan American Games.



Enlargement of the indicium on the swimming postal card issued for the 1999 Pan American Games in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.



Front (picture) side of the Track & Field postal card reproducing the denominated version of the stamp and a scene of spectators cheering the competitors.

The back (address) side of the same card was imprinted with a non-denominated version of the Track & Field stamp along with text indicating validity for delivery worldwide.

postage paid
port payé

For mailing in Canada and delivery worldwide.
Dépôt au Canada. Livraison à l'échelle internationale.

XIII Pan American Games — Winnipeg, Canada XIII Jeux panaméricains — Winnipeg, Canada

28 Winter 2003 Journal of Sports Philately



Swimming postal card issued for the XIIIth Pan American Games (1999) in Winnipeg.

For mailing in Canada and delivery worldwide. Dépôt au Canada. Livraison à l'échelle internationale.

postage paid

port payé

Canada issued four 46¢ postage stamps on July 14, 1999. The postage stamp designs were also used on four "postage paid/port payé" postal cards. Each of the cards showed the designs twice: once on the address side (back) in the stamp area (non-denominated) and again on the picture side with a reproduction

of the denominated stamp against a larger sports or scenic view. The back of the card also carried the wording, "For mailing in Canada and delivery worldwide/Dépôt au Canada. Livraison à l'échelle internationale." At first the postal cards were only available in the Winnipeg area, but later Canada Post also advertised them in its Collections magazine for collectors.

Topically, the designs fit into at least eleven different sports collecting areas:

DESIGN A

Main design: female swimmer

Secondary designs: windsurfing, kayaking

DESIGN B

Main design: track and field

Secondary designs: female runner, female high

iumper

DESIGN C

Main design: cycling

Secondary designs: weightlifting, gymnastics

DESIGN D

Main design: soccer

Secondary designs: female tennis player

FRANCE and COLONIES PROOFS & ESSAYS							
Andorra Li France Li Fr. Polynesia Fr. S. Antarctica Li Monaco N. Caledonia St. Perre Li Wallis et Futuria Denin Cameroun C. Africa Rep. Chad Li Congo, P.R. Diptouti Gebon	I Mali Niger Atars et tesas Agerta Cambodia Comoro Is. Dehomey Fr. Eq. Afr. Fr. W. Afr. Fr. Guiana Fr. India Fr. Morocco Fr. Oceania Fr. Sudan	C) Guedeloupe L) tvory Coast Leos Lebanon Madagascar Martinique Mauriténia Sear Somail Coast Togo Tunisia Upper Volta Viet Nam					
	Topicals in Award Winning Varieties.						
Please check th	e appropriate va	rieties of interest:					
Artist Drawings Trial Colors Printer's Color Die Proofs Plate Proofs	Die Proofs w/o seal 1956(9)-1964 1964 to date Stage Proofs	Sepia Inspection Sheets Imperts Deluxe Sheets Collective Sheets					
Convenient pay	ment plans — i						
A E. J.	McConnel	l, Inc.					

MONTHL

- Individualized Service! Requests Welcome.
- Worldwide
 Varieties
- Errors
- Specimens
- Topicals
- Collections
- Covers

S. SEREBRAKIAN, INC.



P.O. Box 448, Monroe, NY 10950 © 914-783-9791 • FAX 914-782-0347

email: mcconn1@warwick.net



PIC GAMES ALBUMI PAGES

1 st - 15 th Games (Title & 37 pages)	\$17.50 (3.50)
1st - 15th Games (Title & 37 pages) 16th Games - 1956 (Title & 39 pages)	::. 18.40 (3.50)
17 th Games - 1960 (Title & 61 pages)	27.60 (3.50)
18 th Games - 1964 (Title & 198 pages)	85.20 (7.50)
19 th Games - 1968 (Title & 319 pages)	. 137.00 (10.00)
20 th Games - 1972 (Title & 329 pages)	. 142.20 (10.00)
21 st Games - 1976 (Title & 182 pages)	78.50 (6.50)
22 nd Games -1980 (Title & 201 pages)	86.50 (7.50)
23 rd Games - 1984 (Title & 386 pages)	. 164.15 (10.00)
23 rd Games - 1984 (Imperfs 143 pages)	65.00 (5.00)

Binders, Dust Cases, Blank Pages also Available

Shipping in (). Visa, MasterCard accepted



CUSTOM IMPRESSIONS

P.O. Box 2286

La Grange, IL 60525-8386

Phone: (708) 579-1447 Fax: (708) 579-1473 Web Site: www.albumpublisher.com E-Mail: album@albumpublisher.com

News of Our Members

by Margaret Jones

New Members

- 2228 Kelvin J. Nash, 2/433 Marrickville Road, Dulwich Hill NSW 2203, Australia. Kelvin works in the clerical field. *Horse Racing, Cricket, Football (American, Australian Rules, Gaelic, Rugby), Melbourne & Sydney Olympics*. nannymaroon@hotmail.com
- 2229 Alexander A. Levakov, Leningradskoe Shosse, 98/6 #79, 125195 Moscow, Russia. Alexander volunteers to write, help with publicity, translate French & Italian into English. *Olympics*.
- 2230 Marc I. Spitzer, 1155 Little Neck Avenue, North Bellmore, NY 11710-1849 USA. Marc is a teacher and volunteers to write articles and help with publicity. *General Sports, Olympics*.
- 2231 Renata H. Thompson, 241 Beachers Brook Lane, Cary, NC 27511-5506 USA. Mrs. Thompson, a retired professor, volunteers to translate German into English. *General Sports, Olympics*. bandart@intrex.net
- 1075H Dalene Thomas, 8612 West Warren Lane, Lakewood CO 80227-2352 USA. Mrs. Thomas is the new ATA journal reviewer. dalene1@wideopenwest.com

ADDRESS CHANGES

- Paul E. Hellwege, 717 W 3rd Street, Boone, IA 50036-3930 USA.
- Brian V. Kelly, 199 Oak Village Pkwy, Mooresville, NC 28117-8200 USA.
- Larry T. Langen, 14783 Old Lake Road, Paynesville, MN 56362-4630 USA. langen5@msn.com
- Gregg F. Shively, 814 N. Creek Blvd. Leander, TX 78641-7829 USA.

Total Membership, September 30, 2003 = 287

NEW/UPDATED E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Mehmet Agaogullari: edip@olin.com.tr Jordi Arumi: iserrall@pie.xtec.es Keith Bantz: keithphilately@cs.com William Barlow, Jr.: wpbjr@mindspring.com Brian Bjorgo: bbjorgo@earthlink.net James Bowman: namwob@aol.com Leonard Braun: lenb1@comcast.net David Buxton: david buxton@bnc.ox.ac.uk John Crowther: j-jscrowther@supanet.com Frances Dudenhoeffer: f.dudenhoeffer@att.net Claude Giralte: cgiralte@wi.rr.com Hugh Gottfried: hgottfried@adelphia.net Marvin Graunke: graunke@theramp.net Ronald Greene: ragslou@aol.com Bernard Guex: guex.bernard@bluewin.ch Gudni Gunnarsson: gfg@eyjar.is George Killian: gkillian@njcaa.org Zoltán Klein: stamps@vnet.hu William Kullman: or826@aol.com Dale Lilljedahl: dalij@sbcglobal.net Carlo Morselli: samorsy@libero.it Ingrid O'Neil: ingrid@ioneil.com Clemens Reiss: creiss@adelphia.net Lawrence Ripak, Jr.: lripak@ripak.com Ortwin Schiessl: ortwin.schiessl@aon.at Elten Schiller: eltens@hotmail.com Alexander Schoemann: plano2shoes@aol.com Daniel Siegel: dsiegel597@aol.com Kon Sokolyk: kwsokolyk@yahoo.com William Stahl: silly billy@msn.com Peter Thomsen: pmt@post11.tele.dk Joseph Trgovac: intcpa@psualum.com Jerome Wachholz: jwachholz@access4less.net Robert Wilcock: bob@towlard.freeserve.co.uk

Exhibit Awards

ARPEX (Ottawa, Canada). Benoit Carrier received a silver medal for "Table Tennis."

STAMPSHOW (Columbus, Ohio.) Cora B. Collins won gold, best thematic and ATA Husak awards for "The Sport of Golf"; Kurt H. Glatzfelder was awarded youth vermeil for "Chess: Game of Champions."

Annual Financial Statement

by Andrew Urushima

		August 31, 2003	August 31, 2002
<u>Income</u>			
Dues		5,338.00	3,723.50
Interest		136.48	364.94
Publications/Advertising		514.90	840.45
	Total	5,989.38	4,928.89
<u>Expenses</u>			
Printing		2,180.22	3,005.95
Postage		2,869.43	4,322.34
Salt Lake Covers		0.00	1,143.75
Other (supplies, etc)		340.44	413.46
	Total	5,390.09	8,885.50
A the second state.			
Auction activity Receipts		2,440.67	E 000 66
Disbursements		(2,002.53)	5,909.66 (5,841.41)
Disbuisements	Total	438.14	68.25
	Total	430.14	00.23
Net loss		1,037.43	(3,888.36)
Beginning Fund Balance		14,646.19	18,534.55
Ending Fund Balance		15,683.62	14,646.19
Cash and Investments:			
Bank of America Checking		3,318.10	1,193.63
PayPal Account		630.52	
Dean Witter Money Market		12,089.01	13,452.56
		16,037.63	14,646.19
Payable to Consignors			
and Auction Manager		(354.01)	0.00
Net Fund Balance		15,683.62	14,646.19
not I alia Balance		.0,000.02	. 1,0 10.10

For Sale: Sport/Olympic Literature

and paper collectibles from Sherwin Podolsky's extensive sport and Olympic library. For price list, please send #10 size SASE to Jim Bowman, 3459 Township Ave., Simi Valley, CA 93063, U.S.A. or email: namwob@aol.com

Sports/Olympic Checklists Updated

Ice hockey, rowing, sailing, sepak-takraw, volleyball, windsurfing. Please submit new checklist information to Margaret Jones, 5310 Lindenwood Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109-1758 U.S.A. or email: docj3@sportstamps.org

NEW STAMP ISSUES

by John La Porta

Algeria: February 23, 2003. 10th Arab Games. 5d stamp with symbolic design.

Andorra (French): August 8, 2003. World Track and Field Championships. 0.58e stamp, pole vaulter.

Antigua & Barbuda: June 9, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Three panes of four \$2 stamps. Pane 1 shows champions of 1903-06; Pane 2 shows champions of 1907-10; Pane 3 shows champions of 1911-14. Three s/s each with a \$6 stamps.

Argentina: July 12, 2003. Traditional Children's Games. Four se-tenant 50c stamps.

August 9, 2003. Velocipedes-Bicycles and Tricycles. 25c+25c 1895 velocipedes 1902 champions of the Cycling Club; two 50c+50c stamps (one sport) Coventry Eagle 1949 touring bicycle; 75c+75c 1960's racing bicycle, 1902 Palermo Velodrome.

Bangladesh: January 10, 2003. Third South Asian Football Federation Championship. 10t soccer players, flags of participating nations.

Belarus: July 22, 2003. Sailing. Souvenir sheet with two 1,000r stamps, Class 470 yacht; Laser class.

Brazil: September 18, 2003. 100th Anniversary of Porto Alegrense Football Association. 60c stamp depicting emblem, stars and "100" with ribbon.

Canada: July 11, 2003. 2010 Winter Olympics. 48¢ stamp with red printing in 2 lines "Vancouver 2010". Booklets of 30, can be separated into booklets of 10.

September 10, 2003. Road World Championships. 48¢ Cyclists racing.

China: August 5, 2003. Smooth Sailing. 80f sailboat, printed in sheets of 12 with personalized labels.

Colombia: July 25, 2003. Tejo National Sport. 2,400p Indian throwing disc; se-tenant pair of 2,400p stamps continuous design of Tejo game.

Dominica: June 21, 2003. Japan/Korea World Cup Soccer. Two panes of five se-tenant \$1.45 stamps. Five s/s each with two se-tenant \$3 stamps.

June 21, 2003. 100th Anniversary of Tour de France. Pane of four se-tenant \$2 stamps. Champions of 1919-22. S/s with \$5 stamp. Francois Faber.

Egypt: August 2003. African National Basketball Championship for Men. Two stamps, 30p and 125p, hand about to put ball into net.

Fiji: June 28, 2003. South Pacific Games 2003 Souvenir sheet with \$5 stamp depicting netball, border shows flags of participating nations.

Gambia: July 1, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Three panes of four se-tenant 15d stamps. Pane 1: champions of 1923-26; pane 2 champions of 1927-30; pane 3 shows champions of 1931-34.

July 1, 2003. 100th Anniversary Teddy Bears/World Cup Soccer 2006. Two panes of four se-tenant 14d stamps. Pane 1: four German teddy bears playing soccer; pane 2: teddy bears with soccer balls, flags. Two s/s with 45d stamp: teddy bear and soccer ball.

July 28, 2003. Ferrari. A total of 14 stamps depicting Ferrari racing cars.

Ghana: July 2, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Pane of four se-tenant 7,000c stamps depicting champions of 1935-38.

Grenada: June 17, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Three panes of four \$2 stamps. Pane 1 depicts champions of 1940-48; pane 2 shows champions of 1949-52; pane 3 shows champions of 1956-59. Three souvenir sheets each with a \$6 stamp.

Grenada Carriacou & Petite Martinique: June 17, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Three panes of sour se-tenant \$2 stamps. Pane 1 shows champions of 1950-53; pane 2 shows champions of 1954-57; pane 3 shows champions of 1960-63. Three s/s: \$6 stamp.

Guyana: August 25, 2003. 100th Anniversary of Tour de France. Pane of four se-tenant \$150 stamps: champions of 1964-67. S/s with \$400 stamp, Jan Jansen.

July 1, 2003. 40th Death Anniversary of John F. Kennedy. One stamp in a pane of four \$2 stamps playing tennis with Jacqueline Kennedy.

Hungary: March 14, 2003. 100th Anniversary Nemzeti Sport Newspaper. Cover of first issue, stamp se-tenant with label depicts Alfred Hajos Olympic Gold Medallist.

July 18, 2003. Sports Anniversaries. One s/s of two 250f stamps, 50th anniversary Opening of People's Stadium; 50th anniversary 1953 soccer match with England.

Indonesia: August 17, 2003. Independence Day Traditional Games. Two 1,000rp: palm-tree climbing, pillow blow; two 1,500rp stamps, wooden sandal-tandem race; gunny sack race. S/s: two stamps of each design.

Italy: August 30, 2003. Juvenile Soccer Champions. 0.41e stamp, player, ball in net.

Japan: August 29, 2003. Prefecture (Shizuoka) one 80y stamp depicting soccer players.

Latvia: October 30, 2003. Motosport. 70s motosport.

Lithuania: August 8, 2003. 13th European Hot Air Balloon Championship. 1.30l, hot air balloons.

Macedonia: July 30, 2003. World Youth Handball Championship. 36d stamp, youth, handball.

Maldives: July 3, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Three panes of four se-tenant 10rf. Pane 1: champions of 1903-06; pane 2: champions of 1907-10; pane 3 shows champions of 1974-77. Three s/s: 25rf stamps, French journalist, newspaper; start of race from Le Reveil; Bernard Hinault 1979 champion.

Mauritius: August 20, 2003. Anniversaries and Events. 2r stamp Sixth Indian Ocean Games, from a set of three. August 12, 2003.

Micronesia: July 1, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Four se-tenant 60¢: champions of 1990-93, Greg Lemond 1990; Miguel Indurain 1991; Indurain 1992; Indurain 1993. \$2 s/s: Marco Pantani 1998.

Moldova: July 25, 2003. European Olympic Festival for Youth. 40p, runner; 3 lei, cyclists; 5 lei, gymnast.

Monaco: September 29, 2003. Conquest of Everest. 1e stamp, Edmund Hillary, Mount Everest.

Nepal: May 29, 2003. 50th Anniversary Climbing of Mount Everest. 25r stamp depicting the mountain.

New Zealand: August 6, 2003. Children's Health/ Playgrounds. 40¢+5¢, girl on jungle gym; 40¢+5¢, boys on swing; 90¢+5¢girl playing hopscotch, girl with ball; souvenir sheet contains the three stamps.

Nev is: May 13, 2003. 100th Anniversary of Tour de France. Pane of four \$2 stamps showing champions of 1911-1914. Souvenir sheet with \$5 stamp.

Norway: September 19, 2003. Europa/Poster Art. 9kr poster showing Norway as the cradle of skiing.

Palau: August 23, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Pane of 4 se-tenant 60¢: champions of 1920-30, Henri Pelissier 1923; Ottavio Bottecchia 1924; Bottecchia 1925; Lucien Buysse 1926. S/s with \$2 stamp, Philippe Thys 1920.

Papua New Guinea: August 23, 2003. 100th Anniversary Tour de France. Pane of four se-tenant 65k: champions of 1923-26. 2k s/s stamp, Philippe Thys 1920.

Portugal: June 24, 2003. 100th Anniversary Automobile Club of Portugal. One stamp from a set of three, 2e depicts old race car.

San Marino: September 15, 2003. Amarcord/Children's Games. 0.36e racing in homemade go-carts; 0.41e blind man's bluff; 0.62e hoops; 0.77e marbles; 1.24e handkerchief game; 1.55e tug-of-war.

September 15, 2003. Rugby World Cup. 0.41e; 0.62e; 0.773; 1.55e various rugby scenes.

Slovakia: July 3, 2003. World Swimming Championships. 11sk swimmer.

Spain: June 4, 2003. Centre D'Esports Sabadell Soccer Club. 0.76e stamp, emblem.

September 9, 2003. World Sailing Championships. One 0.76e stamp: sails and sculpture of women.

St. Vincent: July 1, 2003. 100th Anniversary of Tour de France. Three panes of four se-tenant \$2. Pane 1: champions of 1930-50; pane 2: champions of 1931-34; pane 3: champions of 1935-38. Three s/s of \$5 stamps.

Uruguay: June 18, 2003. 75th Anniversary of Uruguayan Soccer Team wins Olympic Gold at 1928 Games. One 14p stamp depicts team and flag.

Vietnam: July 1, 2003. 22nd Southeast Asia Games. 800d soccer; 2,000d hurdles; 3,000d traditional boat race; 7,000d wrestling.

Western Samoa: July 16, 2003. Sporting Legends of Samoa. 25s boxer David Tua; 70s discus thrower Beatrice Faumuina; 90s rugby player Michael Jones; 95s netball player Rita Fatialofa; 4t football player Jesse Seyolu.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMP CANCELS

by Mark Maestrone

9

THE NUMBERING SYSTEM

Catalogue numbers are shown at left, such as 88101-911. In this example: 88=Year [1988]; 1=Month [January]; 01=First day of use; 911=First 3 ZIP code digits. The months of October, November and December are 2-digit months, and are expressed as X, Y, and Z. The place of use is listed next, followed by the dates of use. All cancels are in black unless otherwise indicated.

SPORTS CROSS INDEX JUNE-NOVEMBER 2003

Auto Racing: 03803-462, 03813-501, 03928-462, 03X18-273.

Baseball: 03809-135, 03816-198, 03824-177, 03X18-024, 03Y08-159.

Canoeing: 03802-444.

Cycling: 03628-200, 03727-200, 03823-040, 03927-430, 03X20-902, 03X21-900.

Football: 03809-566, 03820-543, 03906-594, 03907-543, 03918-908, 03919-485, 03921-265, 03X11-535.

Gymnastics: 03816-928, 03818-928. Horse Racing: 03802-128, 03813-128, 03816-128, 03820-958, 03920-134.

Motocross: 03821-958.

Motorboat Racing: 03809-786.



03628-200 Washington, DC 28



03727-200 Washington, DC 27



03802-128 Saratoga Springs, NY 2



03802-444 Leavittsburg, OH 2, 13



03803-462 Indianapolis, IN

3

9



03809-135 Utica, NY



03809-566 International Falls, MN 9



03809-786 Marble Falls, TX



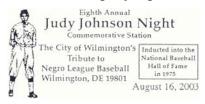
03813-128 Saratoga Springs, NY 13



03813-501 Knoxville, IA 13-16



03816-128 Saratoga Springs, NY 16



03816-198 Wilmington, DE

16



0 3 8 1 6 -928 Anaheim, CA 16, 17, 19, 21, 23



03818-928 Anaheim, CA 18, 20, 22, 24



03820-543 Green Bay, WI 20



03820-958 Sacramento, CA 20



03821-958 Sacramento, CA 21



03823-040 Saco, ME 23



03824-177 Williamsport, PA 24



03906-594 Great Falls, MT 6



03907-543 Green Bay, WI 7



03918-908 Long Beach, CA 18-21



03919-485 Flint, MI 19



03920-134 Vernon, NY 20



03921-265 Fairmont, WV 21



03927-430 Galena, OH



03928-462 Indianapolis, IN 28



03X11-535 Monroe, WI

Oct. 18.

Ethoton, MA



11

03X18-024 Lexington, MA 18-19



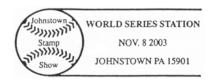
03X18-273 Randleman, NC 18



03X20-902 Beverly Hills, CA 20



03X21-900 Los Angeles, CA 21



03Y08-159 Johnstown, PA

2

36 Winter 2003 Journal of Sports Philately

27

Sports-by-Country Topicals

Country Checklists available include:

Aland Islands
Andorra (French)
Andorra (Spanish)
Australia
Austria
Azores
Basutoland
Bechuanaland
Bophuthatswana
Cape of Good Hope
Ciskei
Colombia
Danish West Indies

Danish West Indies Denmark Faroe Islands Finland France
Germany (Old, West,
Reunified, Berlin)
Germany (East)
Great Britain
Greece
Greenland
Iceland
Israel
Japan
Madeira
Namibia

New Zealand Nigeria Norway Philippines Poland Portugal Rhodesia Russia South Africa

South West Africa Spain Swaziland Sweden Thailand Transkei Transvaal U.S.A Venda

Checklist formats are available in IBM-formatted disks, e-mail and paper copy using Excel, Word, or Access. Information choices are 1. Sport activities w/date, catalog number and event noted; 2. Olympic competitions; 3. Non-Olympic competitions; 4. Persons noted where available; 5. Gender/age where discernable; or 6 One sport only for a given country.

Write: M. Jones, 5310 Lindenwood Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63109-1758, USA.

Or e-mail: docj3@sportstamps.org

State which country and if computer or paper report is desired. E-mail address would be appreciated in case any clarification is needed as well as mailing address and ATA or SPI membership number.

SPORTS-BY-COUNTRY								
Checklist Request Form								
NAMEMEMBERSHIP#							HIP #	
ADDRESS: StreetApt								
City				State_	Zip Code_	Cou	ntry	
E-MAIL	ADDR	ESS: _						
State COUNTE	RY des	ired: (0	Choose	from thos	se listed above)			
If COMPUTER disk or file is preferred, circle one: ACCESS EXCEL* WORD*								
If PAPER format (*or Excel or Word) is wanted, circle the REPORT Number as listed above:								
1	2	3	4	5	6(Sport:)	

✓ Auctions ✓ Appraisal Service ✓ Want List Service ✓ Always Buying, Selling and Trading

Torches, Winner's Medals,
Participation Medals,
Commemorative Medals,
Badges, Pins,
Bid Pins, Diplomas, Posters,
Official Reports, Programs,
Tickets, Books, Bid Books,
Postcards, Souvenirs etc.

We travel worldwide for significant transactions.
Confidentiality Assured
24 Auctions since 1990

FOR OUR NEXT
ILLUSTRATED CATALOG
& PRICES REALIZED
SEND
\$15.00 (domestic)
\$20.00 (overseas)

Next three catalogs are available for \$30.00 (Domestic) and \$40.00 (Overseas)

OLYMPIC GAMES MEMORABILIA 1896 - 2004



INGRID O'NEIL

Sports & Olympic Memorabilia P.O. Box 872048 Vancouver, WA 98687 USA

Email memorabilia@ioneil.com

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.IONEIL.COM