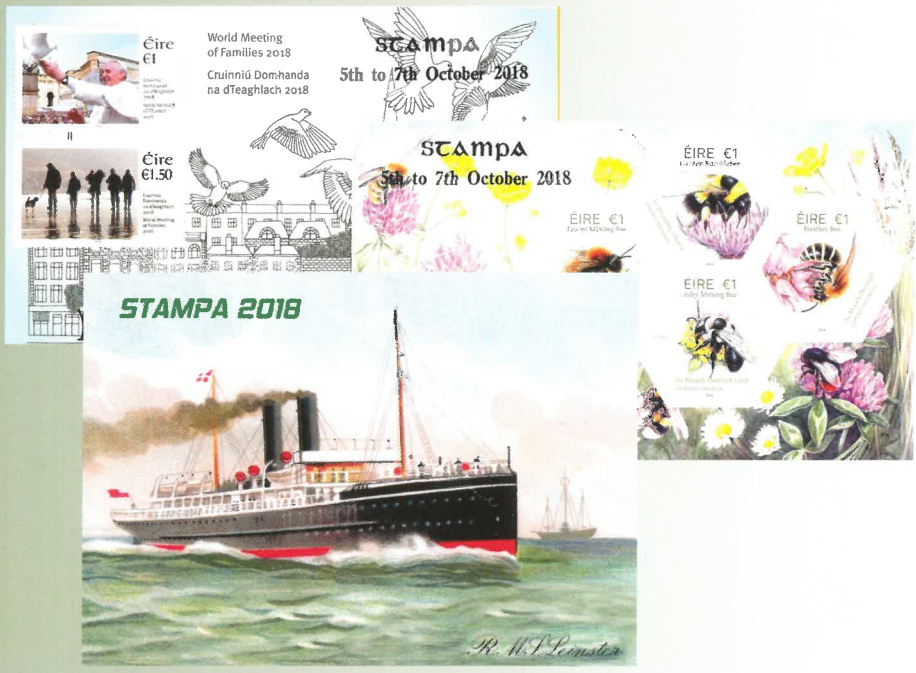
STAMPA 2018

The Irish National Stamp Exhibition

Exhibition Catalogue



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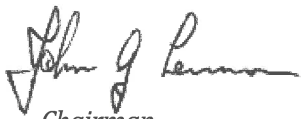
The exhibits on display, if you are already a collector, may give you new ideas for your own collections and, indeed, could incite you to try your hand at exhibiting! The new picture postcard class, which we introduced last year, was widely welcomed and so will now become a feature of Stampa for the foreseeable future.

We will have a number of dealers, some new, bringing stock which you may find difficult to access, other than at this exhibition. They may have just what you need to enhance your collection, start a new one, or complete a future exhibit!

Philately can be tailored to suit your own particular interests and will provide you with hours of enjoyment. Perhaps you might consider having another look at this hobby and if you want to know more about it, do have a chat at the Information / Stampa Sales stand. I hope you enjoy your visit to Stampa.



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IRELAND IN THE STAMP ALBUM by Brian Warren

In 1979 I read a philatelic article entitled *"It's an Irish World"* written by Norah Wright. This captured my imagination and inspired me to form a collection of stamps from countries other than Ireland which feature Irish men and women.

The earliest set of stamps to feature an Irishman was issued by Bulgaria in 1921. **James David Bourchier** (1850-1919) was born in Bruff, Co. Limerick. He gave up a career in teaching and became a correspondent for *The Times* in the Balkans. He was particularly supportive of the Bulgarians in their rising against the Turks in 1903 and was honoured by a set of nine stamps issued in 1921. The 2 lev value shows his resting-place in Rila Monastery. The 10 lev value shows him in Bulgarian costume.

Margaret E. Noble (1867-1911) was born in Dungannon, Co. Tyrone. She met Swami Vivekananda, an Indian Hindu monk, in 1895 in London and moved to Calcutta in 1898. She converted to Hinduism as Sister Nivedita meaning "the offered one" and was a pioneer in girls' education, providing health services to the poor. She was the first Irishwoman to appear on a foreign stamp when India issued a 20p stamp in 1968 to mark her birth centenary (issued a year late).

A number of Irishmen have been honoured for their part in the achievement of the independence of the country of their adoption - particularly in the Americas. **William Brown** (b. Foxford, Co. Mayo in 1777) was the founder of the Argentine Navy and has appeared on numerous Argentinean stamp issues since 1935.

Continuing on the maritime theme, the first Irishman to appear on a US stamp, in 1936, was **Commodore John Barry** (figure *at right on 1c stamp*) who was born in Co. Wexford in 1745. He is considered the Father of the

American Navy. In 1776, in the brig *Lexington*, as illustrated on the stamp, he seized the British ship HMS *Edward*, the first warship to be captured by the American Navy during the War of Independence.

Another navy man who was honoured by Royal Mail is **Andrew Browne Cunningham**, 1st Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope (1883-1963). A Royal Navy Admiral in the Second World War, he was born in Rathmines on the south side of Dublin and features on the 29p value in a Maritime Heritage set issued in 1982.

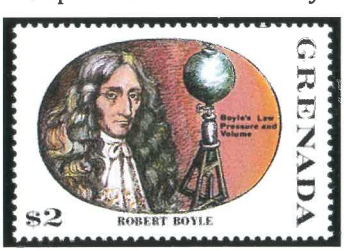
Ambrose O'Higgins (b. Ballynary, Co. Sligo c1720) became Captain General of Chile and Viceroy of Peru. His son Bernardo was known as the "Liberator" of much of South America from Spanish rule. Chile and Honduras have featured both father and son on their stamps, although Bernardo was not born in Ireland.

Daniel Florence O'Leary (b. Cork in 1801) also saw military action in South America and was aide-de-camp to Simon Bolivar. He appears on a stamp issued by Venezuela.

The US Post Office has also honoured Irishmen who were involved in the independence movement. One of them is **Charles Thomson** (b. Maghera, Co. Derry in 1729) who was elected Secretary of the Continental Congress in 1774. He is seen standing beside John Hancock *(seated - not Irish)*, President of the Congress

on the American Declaration of Independence. The painting by John Trumbull that is reproduced on the strip of 4 x 13c stamps was issued in 1976 to mark two hundred years of Independence. There were three Irish born signatories - James Smith, Matthew Thornton and George Taylor, but they are not among the signatories depicted in the painting. Charles Thomson was not a signatory.

The great Irish explorer **Sir Ernest Shackleton** (b. 1874 in Kilkea, Co. Kildare) has featured on a large number of stamps issued by British Territories in the South Atlantic. A selection of these is shown above. He is best remembered for his 1914 attempt to cross the Antarctica, when his ship *Endurance* was crushed in pack ice, and for his eventual rescue of the crew without loss of life. He has appeared on stamps more often than any other Irish person.



Finally, in the world of science, **Robert Boyle** was a natural philosopher, chemist, physicist and inventor and was born in Lismore, Co. Waterford.

This is only a small selection of the stamps featuring Irish people who have gained distinction in a foreign land. In addition, there are many other stamps with an Irish connection.

A special non-competitive display featuring stamps with an Irish connection is included in the exhibition display frames. Enjoy!

Stampa 2018 - *Floorplan*

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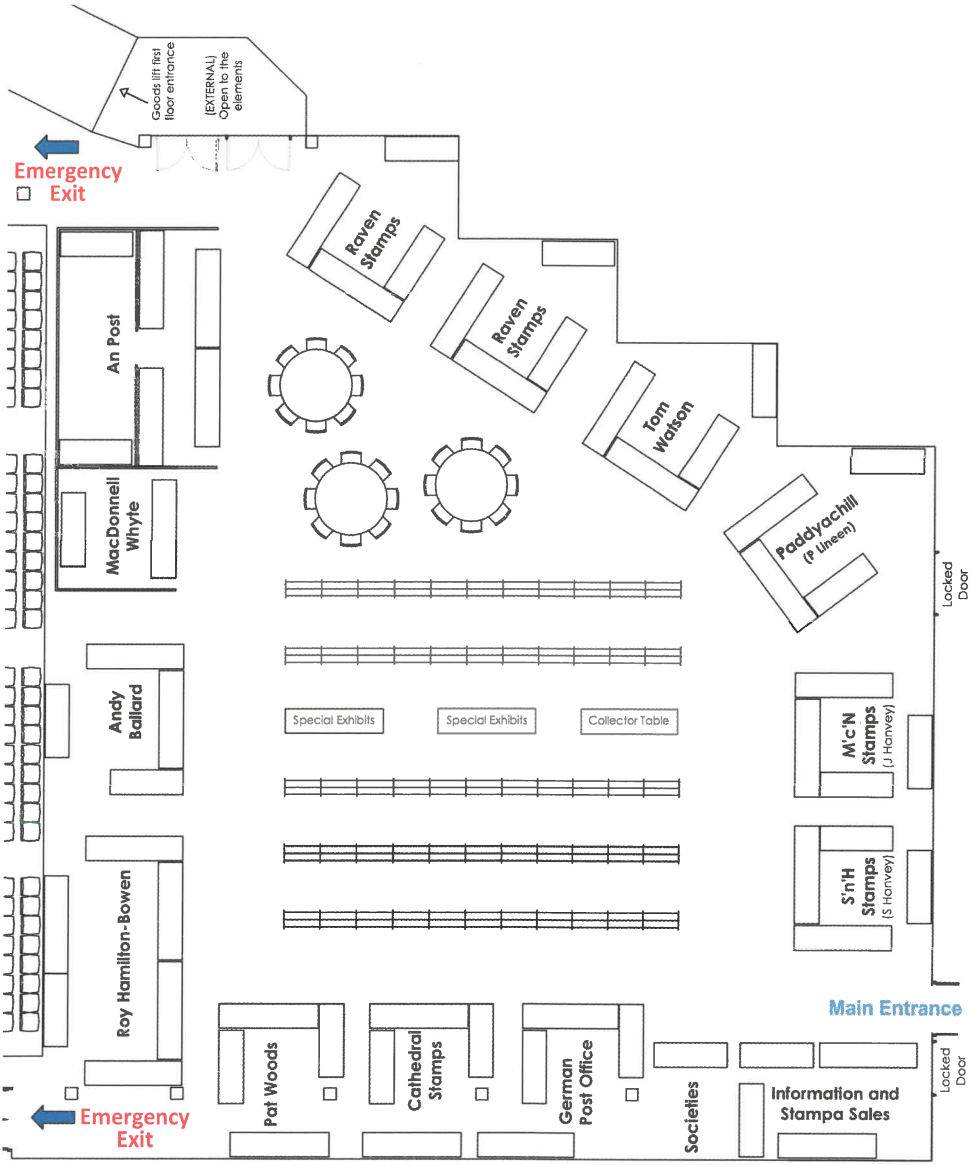

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An Post

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Andy Ballard

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FAI - The German Research and Study Group on Irish Philately

We will answer any questions about our society and our Journal, *Die Harfe,* which is issued three times per year. Existing members may pay their annual subscription and interested collectors may join the society at the stand where FAI publications will also be on sale.

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Paddyachill

My stock consists of Irish FDCs; Irish mint and used stamps with singles and blocks of mint from 1980 to recent; GB FDCs from 1970 to 2010; and various assorted all-world stamps.

Raven Stamps (P. O'Shea)

An extensive stock of Irish stamps, postcards and covers, as well as world stamps and covers. Also a large selection of Irish coins and banknotes and many of the modern European Euro coin sets.

S'n'H Stamps (S. Hanvey)

We have been taking a stand at Stampa for many years. As usual, we will be selling mainly Queen Victoria to present, GB, Commonwealth and Irish stamps, covers and collections.

Tom Watson (NI)

I stock all-world as well as Irish stamps, covers and postal history. I also sell stamps and covers on eBay.

Pat Woods

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Gold	85 +
Large Vermeil	80 - 84
Vermeil	75 - 79
Large Silver	70 - 74
Silver	65 - 69
Silver Bronze	60 - 64
Bronze	55 - 59

The following trophies will be awarded, subject to a sufficient standard being attained:

David Feldman Trophy (*Best multi-frame exhibit*)

Whyte's Trophy (*Traditional Philately, excluding Ireland - multi-frame*)

F.E. Dixon Shield (*Postal History - multi-frame*)

Charles O'Neill Memorial Trophy (*Thematic Philately - multi-frame*)

William Kane Trophy (*Aerophilately - multi-frame*)

Michael Giffney Salver (*Open Philately - multi-frame*)

Irish Security Stamp Printing Limited Trophy (*Irish stamps issued since 1922 - multi-frame*)

J.E. Foley Memorial Award (*E.P.A. Medal - Best Irish exhibit - any class*)

FPSI Trophy (*One-frame competition*)

Gwyn Bennett Trophy (*Novice competition*)

STAMPA 2018 Competition Entries

TRADITIONAL

1. *Northern Ireland Regional Issues* — Brian Warren
   This sets out, in chronological order, the stamps issued in sheet format for Northern Ireland, from their inception in 1958 until replaced by a pictorial series in 2001.

2. *Sarawak - Land of the White Rajahs* — Brian O'Connell
   A three-frame history of the country and its stamps from 1841 to 1946 - including envelopes and varieties.

3. *Fifty Years of Cork Philatelic Society* — Brian Callan
   History of Cork Philatelic Society since its inauguration in 1968, looking at Society covers, cachets and booklets.

4. *Vox Hiberniae Air Mail Stamps* — Brian Harmon
   The Stamps of the Vox Hiberniae series including unique signed photo essays, markings, specimens, varieties and foreign usages.

POSTAL HISTORY

5. *Letter Post between Ireland and Finland* — Tero Kilpijarvi
   Letter post between the two countries for over 100 years; the postal rates and routes including a few postcards to illustrate the conveyance of mail.

6. *Communications between Italy and Great Britain during the Second World War* — Martino Laurenz
   A review of the communications between Italy and GB in the years 1939 to 1946, including civilian, POW, undercover, emergency mail, occupation and military.

7. *The Head Post Office Donegal and its Sub Offices A selection of cancellations since about 1835* — Gunter Vogt
   A selection of cancellations on letters, postcards and other forms from post offices in the administrative district of the head PO Donegal.

THEMATIC

8. *Ireland and the Relationship to Birds* — Bernd Wirthmann
   A four-frame exhibit showing a lot of birds which are seen in Irish nature and are also seen on Irish stamps. These birds are a part of Irish history.

OPEN PHILATELY

9. *Mozart, from Prodigy to Genius* — John Fitzsimons
   An illustration of some of the significant compositions and people in the creative life of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

10. *Marie Curie's Life and Legacy* — Brian Callan
    This commemorates the life of Marie Curie, including the significant people who played a major part in her life and work.

11. *Aspects of Cook's Voyages in the Pacific, 1768-1779* — Alan Farrell
    The three voyages of explorer and Royal Navy officer James Cook, who navigated the uncharted Pacific, surveying land from New Zealand to Hawaii and Alaska.

12. *Dublin City, a History* — Gerry Byrne
This four-frame exhibit of postcards and philatelic material depicts the reconstruction of historic events that have formed and shaped our Capital.

REVENUE

13. *Revenue Stamps of Ireland* — "Johannisberger"
Adhesive revenue stamps of Ireland to 1922.

POSTAL STATIONERY

14. *Irish Postal Stationery 1922-1983* — Brian Callan
Irish postal stationery from the foundation of the Irish Free State until the Post Office was reorganised in 1983 and the iconic harp motif was retired.

ONE FRAME

Traditional

15. *The Collection of Postage Due Fees in Ireland 1914 to 1925* — Robert Benninghoff
The labels and stamps used to collect additional monies owed to the Post Office and to Customs in Ireland from 1914 until replaced by Irish labels in 1925.

16. *The De La Rue Recess Stamps of Ireland Commemorative Issues 1952-1964* — Brian O'Shea
The commemorative stamps printed by De La Rue in Dublin between 1952 and 1964.

17. *1970 Commonwealth Games Stamps Design* — "Peter L. Joseph"
The artwork of the design process from initial concept of the stamps to the Royal Mail presentation pack and first day covers.

18. *Great Britain - Pre-decimal Machins* — Dermot Hughes
A look at the GB low value definitive stamps of the period February 1968 to February 1971.

Postal History

19. *1850 to 1863 Postal Conventions of the Kingdoms of Sardinia and Italy* — David Sweeney
An overview of Postal conventions entered into by the Kingdom of Sardinia and the Kingdom of Italy with Austria, France, the United Kingdom and Switzerland.

20. *Official Mail of the Irish Provisional Government and the Irish Free State 1922-1937* — Raymond J Murphy
The Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921 created a provisional government followed by the Irish Free State. This exhibit shows the official mail used until superseded by The Republic of Ireland.

21. *One Man's Post* — Stan Challis
Mail sent from Ireland to Cecil Darley in New South Wales (1868-1884) showing the routes used and different rates of postage applied.

Aerophilately

22. *First Flight from Frankfurt to Chile* — Norman Finnie
Illustrating the first flight from Frankfurt to Santiago, Chile and its return. It travelled via New York, Jamaica, Ecuador and Peru and was inaugurated on 11th January 1966.

Open Philately

23. *Ireland in the Great War* — Robert Benninghoff
Ireland's role in World War I as part of Great Britain & Ireland.

Thematic

24. Angling - a Timeless Pastime — "Tenchman"
A short history of fishing for fun, which attracts millions of people worldwide.

Revenue

25. *Dog Licence Stamps* — Kevin Drury
Irish Wolfhound issues and overprinted Petty Session stamps from 1866 to 1920.

26. *The Almanack Stamps of Ireland* — Jörg Hofmann
Directory and Almanack stamps from 1774-1834 in different rates/pictures. Plate numbers, Recuttings and Handstamps are shown.

NOVICE

27. *Uganda's Membership of the Universal Postal Union* — Trevor Brock
An exhibit tracing the entry of Uganda into the UPU. Stamps and covers illustrate the postal services in East Africa at the time and some of the confusion involved.

LITERATURE

28. *Commemorative Postage Stamps of Ireland* — Barry Cousins
Compendium detailing commemoratives issued from 1929 to 2001 including specialist appendices.

30. *Irish Official Mail 1922-1983* — Raymond J Murphy
This book addresses official mail of the Irish Post Office. Although there are normally no stamps, and no postage rates, the massive variety of mail reflects how the government operates. This book aids the collector in identifying this area.

Non-competitive Displays

31. *The RMS* Leinster *Tragedy 10th October 1918* — Courtesy of An Post Museum & Archive
The story of the Post Office staff who worked on the *Leinster* mail boat. An article relating to this tragic event is included on pages 14 and 15 in this catalogue.

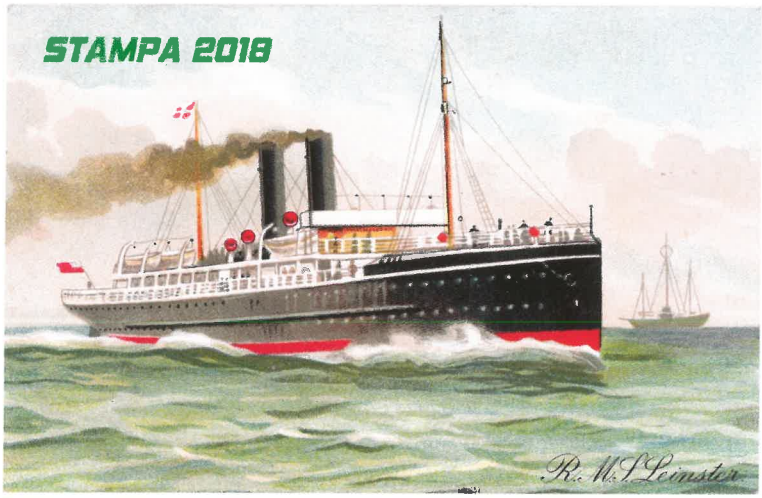
32. *United States Railroad Stocks and Paper Money, 1833-1906* — Alan Farrell
19th century Stock Certificates issued by the railroad companies and companies related to the development of the US railroad network.

33. *Ireland in the Stamp Album* — Brian Warren
A display featuring stamps with an Irish connection. An article relating to this theme is included on pages 4 to 6 in this catalogue and in the current issue of *Ireland's Own*.

34. *Papal Visits to Ireland* — Brian Warren
All the stamps, covers and postmarks related to the Papal visits of 1979 and 2018.

A special exhibit relating to the production of fiscal stamps is shown in the display frames thanks to the Revenue Museum, Dublin Castle. In addition, the two cabinets, in the centre of the room, will include original printing dies and other items used in the production of some of the earlier issues of Irish postage stamps.

The RMS *Leinster* tragedy – 10th October 1918



This month marks the centenary of the sinking of the famous RMS *Leinster* mail boat and various events, including the issue of a new commemorative stamp, will mark the occasion. Drawing on material from my new book, *Sorting letters on the Sea – Holyhead mail boats and the Leinster tragedy*, available at the An Post stand, the An Post Museum & Archive exhibit will provide an insight into the particular story of the Post Office staff who worked on the *Leinster* and display a couple of the scarce covers that were subsequently recovered from the sea.

The Royal Mail Steamer *Leinster*, one of four fast, reliable and stylish mail boats operated by the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company on the Irish Sea route between Kingstown (Dun Laoghaire) and Holyhead in Wales, left harbour as usual early on the morning of 10th October 1918. On board was an official complement of 771 people, crew, civilians, soldiers and postal staff. The twenty-two Post Office staff began their work in the ship's sorting office, situated at the front of the ship two levels below the passenger deck.

Unknown to everyone, Oberleutnant Robert Ramm, commander of the German submarine UB-123, was patrolling close to the Kish lightship. When he saw the *Leinster* come into sight, he fired three torpedoes at the ship. The first missed, the second struck the post office and the third, a little later, hit the ship amidships. Well over 500 people died that morning and within a few days the submarine crew would also be dead, lost when their submarine struck a mine on its way back to port.

The proximity and scale of this disaster, the greatest maritime catastrophe to occur on the Irish Sea, brought the horrors of the First World War home to Irish people with terrible force. The fact that it happened just a month before the armistice made the tragedy all the more poignant; yet the loss of the *Leinster*, for various reasons, was soon forgotten by all who were not immediately affected. It is fitting now, a century after the end of the Great War, that we remember the *Leinster* and the mail boats that plied the Irish Sea with people and post, maintaining vital communication between Ireland and Britain.

Stephen Ferguson
Assistant Secretary, GPO, Dublin.

Cork Philatelic Exhibition 2018

Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork on Saturday 17th November, 10am - 4pm
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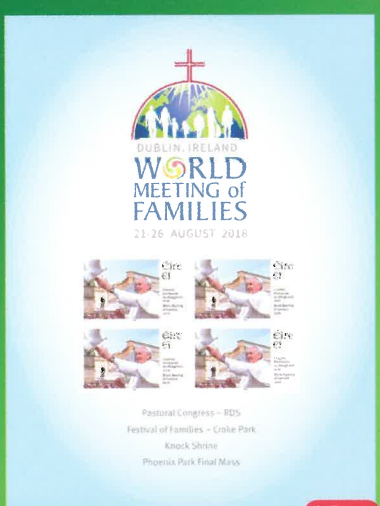

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