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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last President's Message since the mantle will soon be passed to a most worthy successor. I have held the office for the past five years and thanks to the officers and Board members it has been a most rewarding experience. I have had assistance and advice from many people who I will not try to list for fear of missing someone.

I have tried to confine past columns to news and information about the EPA. In this issue I would like to share some personal information about my background and collecting interests. First of all is the question of how someone with a Portuguese name became a collector of many things Irish. The answer is simple. The Portuguese

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President's Message cont.

gardener married the Irish maid at a small estate in Tiverton, Rhode Island and I am a product of that union. My mother was born in the small town of Allihies in Southwest Cork and emigrated to the United States in her early twenties along with a brother and a sister. The women went into "service" and the brother continued to New York and became a longshoreman.

I began collecting stamps in the 1950's at an early age and like many other collectors I drifted away from the hobby through high school, college and beyond. When my two sons were ten and twelve years old I attempted to get them interested in collecting. When I showed them my old U.S. collection that had long been in storage, it overwhelmed them. One began collecting coins and the other baseball cards. I, however, became hooked again and have been actively collecting for the past thirty six years.

Soon after I returned to collecting I bought an Irish remnant collection by mail auction and the Irish addiction began. I now collect pretty much all of Irish philately including postal history, stationery, perfins, early first day covers, flight covers, revenues, and cinderellas. The postal history interest includes mileage marks, numeral cancels, and Great Britain used in Ireland.

One of my favorite collections is Irish perfins. Some years ago I purchased at auction the collection of the late Norah Wright, perhaps the best known collector of Irish perfins. Most of Norah's perfins were off cover examples. I have been trying to add on cover examples to what is a six volume collection. Perfin collectors know how much of a challenge this is.

I have been to Ireland twice and have found the ancestral home and met relatives. My wife and I will be visiting Dublin in October to attend STAMPA. I hope to see many EPA members there.

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Deceased

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Garvin Lohman

Garvin (Gar) Lohman joined the Eire Philatelic Association in 1969, and served as President from 1977 to 1979. He received the John J. Clark award in 2004, and at the time of his death was EPA Chapter Coordinator for Northern California. He joined the British North America Philatelic Society in 1976 and was twice a member of the Board of Directors. He passed away at the age of 77 on March 22, 2012. He was born to Frederick and Hilda (Townsend) Lohman on August 27, 1934 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Surviving are his wife of over 40 years, Janice Lohman, daughter Penny Tonner, grandson Michael Tonner, sister Beryl Rowe and brother Barry Lohman.

He designed a home at age 16 and seeing the structure built without any alterations to his original draft. In his 20s he moved to Vancouver, Canada to attend the University of British Columbia for architecture. In 1962 he moved to San Francisco as an electrical designer/draftsman.

One story tells that his love of collecting started at an early age while on his paper route when he serendipitously found a postage stamp lying in a snow bank. Garvin's mode of transportation in the winter, while delivering the papers, was by sleigh or toboggan in 30-50 degree below zero weather. He subsequently asked all his customers to save their cancelled envelopes. One day, his mom came home and found Garvin had soaked the stamps off of the envelopes in the bathtub, leaving a thick glue residue. She was not pleased and put a stop to that! Undeterred, Garvin joined a local Junior Stamp Club and soon entered his first one page exhibit. Future exhibits won him many awards and trophies.

Garvin was an accomplished philatelist, collecting a wide range of material from all over the world. He exhibited nationally and internationally with awards up to the Gold level. He encouraged others to exhibit and mentored them. His Canadian interests included 5c Beavers, Large and Small Queens, perfins and cancellations. He had a good exhibit of the Fenian forerunners of 1865-67 including original artwork. He talked on this exhibit at the EPA AGM at Pacific '97. In addition to collecting Ireland, Garvin also collected El Salvador and Guatemala. He also served as an accredited APS Judge. He was a past president of many philatelic societies including the International Society of Guatemala, the Collectors Club of San Francisco, and the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies. He was on the Board of Directors of WESTPEX for many years, winning an award of merit from the show for a cachet design in 1984. During the course of his philatelic career he amassed a large and significant reference library. To say that his collecting interests were eclectic is an understatement. At regional meetings he would sometimes bring out some of his more unusual interests, such as state revenues and even banana labels.

Health issues prompted Garvin to join Alcoholics Anonymous and put his disease in remission. He helped others in need by delivering motivational speeches to the inmates of the Marin County Jail in-house program, "Positive Changes". When the doctors told Garvin he had only a few hours to live, his comment was, "I have had a wonderful journey through life. Every day has been an adventure and I have had a lot of fun."

Some information adapted from the BNAPS web site.

EPA Member Gus Winters is interested in trading Irish stamps, contact him directly at gus1931@gmail.com

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Getting to Know You

By John B. Sharkey

As the new Secretary of EPA, I have been asked to share some of my background and collecting interests with our members. My story is one that you have heard many times; collected stamps as a child, put them on hold for college and a family and then got back to them in later years. What got me first interested in Irish stamps was a trip that I took with my father in 1957 to County Donegal. He was paying a visit to his mother whom he had not seen in 40 years. I went to the local post office and bought some of the second definitive series in singles and blocks of four, but only up to the five pence, which is what I could afford. That was the start of my Ireland collection and I still treasure those inexpensive stamps.

I joined the EPA in 1980 and in 1988 I saw a flyer asking collectors who were interested in Irish philately to come to a meeting at the home of Lindley Higgins. I went to the meeting and saw some incredible collections of Irish material; I was hooked as a collector. Although I did not know any of the people, I recall that Jack Keogh, Malcolm O'Reilly and Michael Connolly were there. My guess is that Henry Bright and Joe Foley were also there but I do not recall. The group concluded that the meeting was a huge success and that a permanent group should form and meet on occasion to discuss Irish philately. This was the first meeting of what would become the John Barry Chapter of the EPA. In 1988, the first issue of *The Emerald Postmark* was issued, a newsletter, which continues to this day. I became President of the Chapter in 2003 and continue in that capacity. The guiding force, however, behind the Chapter and the Newsletter has been our friend Dave Brennan, who has served in every capacity in the Chapter. Age and time has taken its toll on the Chapter, but my memories of many friends and pleasant meetings survive.

My collecting interests have been eclectic; I have collected Irish stamps and first day covers up to the year 2000. I have never specialized but one of my favorite set has always been the C1-7 airmails. I am now collecting these stamps on cover and studying the rates for which these stamps were used. Fellow collector Karl Winkelmann has helped to educate me in this area in which he also specializes.

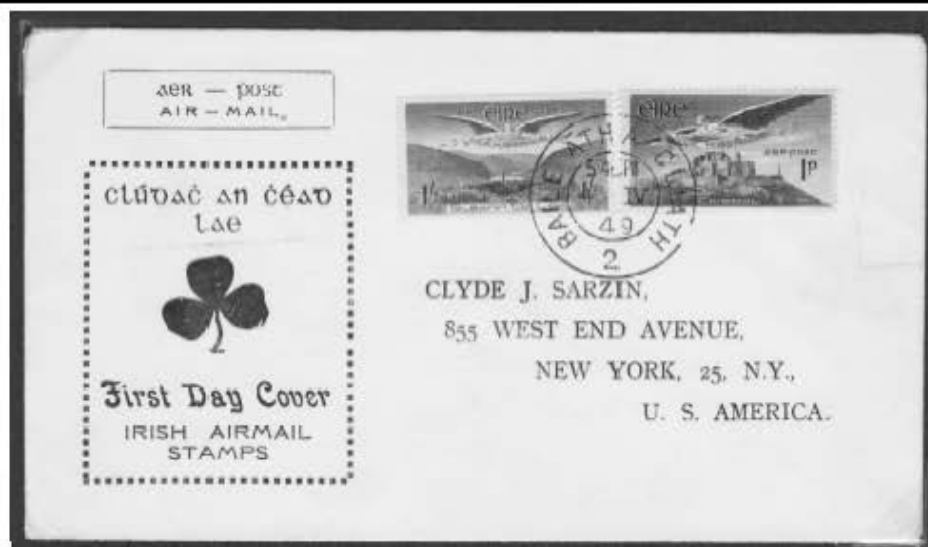
As for my profession, I am an Emeritus Professor of Chemistry at Pace University in New York. I retired in 2011 after 42 years of teaching analytical chemistry and environmental chemistry. I am active with the American Chemical Society and the Chemical Heritage Foundation and serve as the Archivist for the Division of the History of Chemistry of the ACS. I was honored in 2011 by being elected a Fellow of the ACS. As you might expect, I also collect chemistry and chemists on stamps and have been an officer of the Chemistry and Physics Study Unit of the ATA and APS Chapter for many years.

My wife Dolores and I have been married for 47 years and have three children and four grandchildren. I look forward to serving as your Secretary and meeting you at Stamp 2012. A few special items from my collection are shown below.

Postmarks from the 1920-1930s from the collection of Malcolm O'Reilly.



A FDC of one of my favorite sets, the Irish airmails.



THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS – 2011

Part 2

by Brian Warren

EXHIBITION AND SOCIETY SOUVENIRS AND POSTMARKS

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Irish International Coin Fair: This coin fair was held in the RDS Ballsbridge on 19 & 20 February 2011. Although no souvenir or postmark was available, a special cover was produced by the organisers and cancelled with a single-ring rubber Baile Átha Cliath CDS of 19 February.



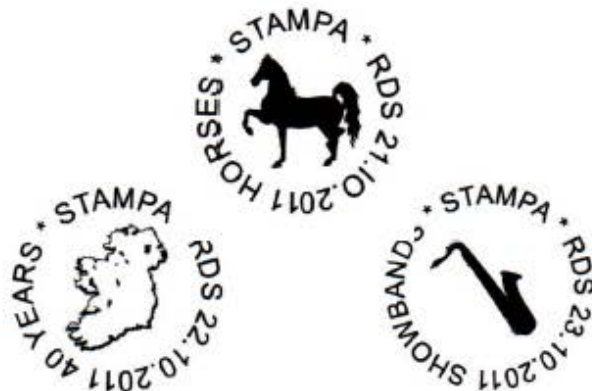
Irish Philatelic Circle Congress: The Irish Philatelic Circle held their annual congress in the Lansdowne Hotel, Pembroke Road, Dublin 4 on Saturday 16 April 2011. A special postmark was available and the Circle produced an illustrated and numbered cover for members.

Spring Stamp & Coin Show (formerly known as Stampania): This annual show was held at the RDS in Dublin on Sunday 17 April. The Automobile Association Ireland sheetlet issued last year was overprinted by the organisers for the show and all the sheetlets were numbered. Total printing of 400. The overprint in the bottom margin reads "Spring Stamp & Coin Show R.D.S. April 17th 2011".

An Post was in attendance and provided a special postmark incorporating an illustration of the St Patrick's Tower, which is situated in the Guinness Brewery complex in James's Street, Dublin. St Patrick's Tower is the largest surviving windmill tower outside the Netherlands. It was originally used to power a former distillery, founded in 1757 by Thomas Roe. The 120-foot structure is blue capped with copper sheeting and has a weather vane which is said to be in the likeness of St Patrick. The site and the windmill have been owned by the Guinness Brewery since 1949. It has never been used for brewing although it was used for a period as a storage facility. A special illustrated cover provided by the Dublin Stamp Society also shows the structure and was available serviced with the special postmark.



Stampa 2011: This year marked the 40th Stampa, first held in 1972. The various souvenirs as listed were posted to members in advance, with certain members receiving them on 17 October. The three-line overprint in black reads "STAMPA / RDS Dublin / 21-23 October 2011". The small format postcard (105mm x 148mm) reproduces an earlier card featuring the Grosvenor Hotel, Westland Row, Dublin 2. The long since demolished hotel was the location of meetings of the Irish Philatelic Society. The first meeting of interested collectors and dealers to consider the organising of the first Stampa was held in this hotel.



Three special cancels and the related stamp issues were available as follows:-

- 21 October: The Irish Horse (55c Horse stamp issue of 2011)
- 22 October: Map to mark the 40th Stampa - the map of Ireland was used for the original Stampa medal (no specific stamp)
- 23 October: Musical (Legendary Showband stamp of 2010)

Three original postmarks were designed by John Mullen. There was no official cover. As well as the various souvenirs distributed to members, an advertising card was also available from City Card advertising racks in certain bars, cafés and restaurants in the Dublin city area. The small format postcard (104mm x 147mm) features the illustration of the five souvenirs shown on the front page of the exhibition catalogue

The Awards Dinner was held in the Lansdowne Hotel, Pembroke Road, Dublin 4 on 22 October. The advertising postcard referred to above was additionally overprinted with the menu and cancelled with the 22 October cancellation. 100 produced. A ticket/invitation double size folded card, incorporating the Grosvenor Hotel design, was also produced for this year's dinner, at which Des Quail signed the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists.



A new Stampa medal was produced this year to replace the previous medal showing the map of Ireland. The new design, which shows the shields of the four provinces in an enamelled centre, is also featured on the new Stampa members'

badge (see illustration), which all members received at no extra charge. The awards certificate was also revised and incorporates the new badge.



Cork Stamp and Coin Exhibition/Fair: The Cork Philatelic Society held its annual show in the Imperial Hotel, Cork, in association with raven stamps. This year's souvenir was a booklet

containing a marginal pair of the 55c Irish Amateur Boxing Association stamps, which were issued earlier in 2011.

They also produced an illustrated cover, and a special postmark designed by John Mullen was available from An Post. Unserved covers were sold by the Society at the show for €1 (101 covers printed). Raven Stamps arranged for the overprinting of the two National Parks miniature sheets. The two-line overprint reads "Cork Stamp

& Coin Fair / November 19th 2011". All souvenirs were individually numbered.

OTHER SPECIAL POSTMARK



Dublin-Stuttgart - Dublin First Flight: Aer Lingus inaugurated a new Dublin-Stuttgart-Dublin service on Sunday 27 March 2011. A special pictorial postmark was available from An Post to mark this special flight.

The inaugural flight was operated by the newest addition to the fleet, an Airbus A320- EI-DVM, MSN 4634 series, named "St Coleman". The plane was retro painted in the former 1960s 'Irish International' livery, to mark the airline's 75th anniversary celebrations.

The outgoing flight to Stuttgart was the first commercial flight for this Aer Lingus retro jet. A video of the first take-off from Dublin can be found on YouTube.* Various covers were carried by a group of German collectors who travelled on the first incoming flight. All covers bear a Stuttgart CDS of 27 March, various cachets and the special An Post cancellation. Outgoing covers with the special postmark were also cancelled with an arrival Stuttgart CDS of 28 March. This was the only other non exhibition/society postmark during 2011.

* See:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=okIIAgjyoNC&feature=fwvrel>

SLOGANS USED ON INTEGRATED MAIL PROCESSORS (AEG German machines in use at both DMC and PMC for part of 2011) and INTEGRATED LETTER PROCESSING SYSTEM MACHINES (NEC Japanese machines in use at all four mail centres)

(Illustrations of all Ink Jet Postmarks have been reduced)

Seven new slogans appeared in 2011 compared to fourteen slogans in 2010. These and other repeated slogans were in use at Athlone Mails Centre (AMC), Cork Mails Centre (CMC), Dublin Mails Centre (DMC) and Portlaoise Mails Centre (PMC). The earliest known dates for a new or repeated slogan are recorded, although slogans were not necessarily introduced at all Mail Centres and in all machines on the same date. All slogans were used at all Mail Centres. AMC used either the bilingual or the English only version (or both) of the town element of the cancellation during 2011.

A new extension to PMC has more than doubled the size of the letter-processing area, from 2,000 sq. metres to 4,200 sq. metres. It now houses four new letter processing machines and, by 2012, will contain the first flats-sorting machine outside of Dublin. The new letter machines are NEC-built Integrated Letter Processing Systems (ILPS). These next generation machines are similar to those already in use at Athlone and Cork Mails Centre. As illustrated on the following pages, the new ILPS postmark differs in style and format from previous cancellations. The cancellation is much clearer but the slogan element takes up a smaller space and has a "squashed" look. The first machine was brought into use on 18 April 2011.

Each machine has a unique OCR tagcode and, like the machines at AMC and CMC, the postmark does not incorporate a machine identification number (see IMP 118 illustrations used at PMC shown below). The cancellation now includes the actual time of processing to the second. Initially, there were seven wavy lines within the postmark, later reduced to six. The older AEG machines at PMC were withdrawn from ongoing use although PMC1 was used during December 2011.

Similar NEC ILPS machines were introduced at DMC, with the first machine coming into use on 21 September 2011. The new DMC cancellation now incorporates the actual time which had been removed from the AEG machines finally in 2001. Two of the older AEG machines without time reference were still in subsequent use at DMC but appear to have been withdrawn by March 2012.



IMP 119 used at DMC3 on 18 May 2011

IMP 119 – Will glory be yours? / anpostdmawards.com

An Post sponsors the Direct Marketing Awards ceremony which recognises the best of home-grown talent for in the field of direct marketing. The awards ceremony was held in the Mansion House, Dublin 2 on Thursday 5 May 2011.

This slogan was first recorded on 18 April 2011. The last recorded date of use was 26 May 2011.

It was recorded in use at DMC1 and 2, from 19 April to 20 May 2011, at PMC 1 and 2, and briefly at PMC (new) on 20 April 2011. It has been recorded used at CMC from 26 April to 26 May 2011.

It was used at AMC, with reversed colour, on 18 April 2011 and normally with colour unreversed from 3 May until 23 May 2011 (both bi-lingual and English versions).



IMP 120 used at PMC (new) on 31 May 2011
Note the absence of "Portlaoise Mails Centre" above the date
(also known with PMC reference included)

IMP 120 - Do more / anpost.ie/domore

"Do More" is an advertising campaign by An Post to promote its services, such as those for businesses, online shopping and parcel delivery, postfone, One4all gift cards and foreign exchange services.

IMP 120 was first recorded at DMC1, 2 and 3 in late May, and briefly at AMC on 23, 24 and 27 May 2011 (bilingual) and 25, 26 and 27 May 2011

(English). Though it was replaced at the end of May by IMP 121, CMC continued to use the slogan (along with IMP 121) as late as 30 September 2011.

It was used at PMC2 and PMC (new) but no examples from PMC1 have been recorded.



IMP 121 used at DMC3 on 30 May 2011

IMP 121 - GET YOUR / BUSINESS ONLINE / gettingbusinessonline.ie



Google, Blacknight, An Post and the National Network of County and City Enterprise Boards joined forces to create Getting Irish Business Online. With the aim of helping Irish businesses to benefit from the opportunities of the Internet, they offered Irish businesses a free website and a free .com, .ie or .eu domain for one year.



IMP 121 used at PMC (new) on 4 August 2011



IMP 121 used at AMC (bilingual) on 16 June 2011

This slogan was used at AMC, PMC2, PMC (new), CMC and DMC1, 2 and 3. The earliest date reported is 30 May 2011 and the latest is 14 September 2011. It was used at AMC (bilingual) from 30 May to 14 September 2011 and at AMC (English) on 26 and 30 May 2011 and 3 and 30 June 2011.



IMP 122 used at DMC2 on 12 September 2011



IMP 122 used at PMC on 12 September 2011

IMP 122 - DUBLIN / CONTEMPORARY / 2011 / dublincontemporary.com

The Dublin Contemporary international art exhibition took place over a period of 8 weeks from 6 September 2011 to 31 October 2011. This citywide effort put Dublin on the map as an international art destination and it is expected that it will take place every five years.



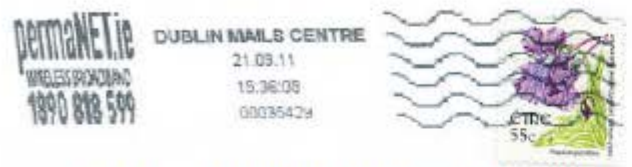
The theme of Dublin Contemporary 2011 was Terrible Beauty – Art, Crisis, Change and The Office of Non-Compliance. The inspiration stems from the poem "Easter 1916" by WB Yeats. Dublin Contemporary 2011 was intended to highlight art's potential for commenting on current events in Irish life. Work by more than 114 artists from 5 continents was displayed at different venues around the city.

This slogan's usage is recorded at DMC1 and 2, from 5 to 15 September 2011, at CMC on 15 September 2011, at PMC (new) from 5 to 15 September 2011 and, AMC (English only) from 6 to 16 September 2011.

The examples seen used at DMC and CMC incorporated the shadowed circle and vertical bar seen in the slogan design. However, the vertical bar does not appear in the PMC (new) version of the slogan.



IMP 123 in reverse used at AMC on 30 September 2011



IMP 123 used at DMC (new) on 21 September 2011
(first day of recorded use of NEC machine at DMC)

IMP 123 - permaNET.ie / WIRELESS BROADBAND / 1890 818 599

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This slogan's usage is recorded at DMC1, 2 and 3, from 19 to 30 September 2011, at DMC (new) from 21 September 2011 and at PMC (new) from 15 September to 3 October 2011. No examples of this particular "normal" version of the slogan have been reported from either Cork or Athlone. This was the first slogan to be used in the new NEC machines at DMC.

However, the same slogan, but with the colour reversed, was in use at CMC from at least 22 September 2011, and at AMC (English only) from 19 September to 11 October 2011 and again on 14 and 16 December 2011.



IMP 124 used at PMC (new) on 10 November 2011

IMP 124 - TAKE CONTROL OF / YOUR BILLS WITH / mybills.ie

mybills.ie is a free service from An Post, which provides a 'one-stop-shop' for paying bills online

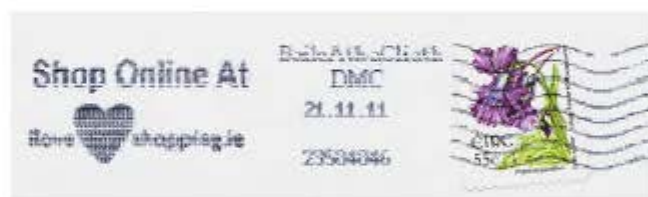
from a comprehensive list of over 100 bills (e.g. utility companies). Customers can also set up payments to pay an amount automatically off their bills each month.



IMP 124 used at DMC2 on 7 October 2011

This slogan has been recorded at DMC2, from 6 October to 11 November 2011 and Dublin (new) from 6 October to 16 November 2011. It was in use at PMC (new) from 6 October to 14 November 2011 and at AMC (English only) from 11 October to 17 November 2011. CMC used the slogan from 7 October to 15 November 2011.

This slogan was re-introduced at all locations in late December 2011 and continues to be used into 2012. It was also used on the AEG machine at PMC1 in December 2011.



IMP 125 used at DMC2 on 21 November 2011



IMP 125 used at PMC (new) on 5 December 2011

IMP 125 - Shop Online At / ilove♥shopping.ie

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This slogan was used at DMC2, Dublin (new), PMC (new), AMC (English only) and CMC during the period 16 November to 6 December 2011.

Re-use of Other Slogans



IMP 118 used at PMC2 on 2 March 2011



IMP 118 used at PMC (new) on 18 April 2011

IMP 118 - €60 FREE CREDIT / WHEN YOU SWITCH / to postfone / See postfone.ie

This was in use from November 2010 to April 2011, when it was replaced by IMP 119. It was also briefly used at PMC (new) on 18 April 2011. This appears to have been the first use of the new NEC machine at PMC on live mail.



IMP 93 used at DMC (new) on 7 December 2011

IMP 93 - POST / EARLY FOR / CHRISTMAS

This slogan was re-used at all locations in December 2011, including in both the AEG and NEC machines at DMC. The English version of the town name was used at AMC only.

By 19 December 2011, IMP 124, mybills.ie, had replaced IMP 93 at CMC and, by 20 December 2011, at both AMC (English only) and PMC (new).

FLATS SORTING MACHINE (FSM)

I have not noted any change in the FSM cancellations in use at DMC during 2011.

BAUMANN MACHINES

The Baumann machines appear to have been rarely used during the year. Examples noted at all four mail centres including PMC on 16 June, 16, 19 and 20 December 2011, and at DMC on 9 and 19 December 2011.

POSTAL SERVICE CENTRE MACHINES

New Printings and Locations

Since my 2010 listing of PSC printings, I have noted yellow phosphor printings of the Waterways issue from the machines at Eyre Square Shopping Centre, Galway - 9825001 (first noted in March 2011), Arthur's Quay Shopping Centre, Limerick - 9828001 (first noted in August 2011), Mahon Shopping Centre, Cork - 9824001 (first noted in August 2011) and City Quay Shopping Centre, Waterford - 9826001 (first noted in June 2011). This completes the yellow phosphor printings, i.e. all 34 machines have now issued the Waterways set with yellow phosphor bars.

At the time of my visits, the Mahon and City Quay machines only printed individual stamps (no strips). The machine in UCC also continues to issue all stamps as singles. The former Galway machine (9825001) was subsequently moved to the new Terminal 2 in Dublin Airport (late July 2011). The Jervis Shopping Centre machine (9822001) reappeared during the year and is now located in the Arts Block in Trinity College, Dublin 2 (from late June 2011).

Animals and Marine Life Designs



Set of eight designs from Arklow machine 9832001

The second series of eight Animal and Marine Life designs, issued as counter stamps in July 2011, are now in use in most PSC machines, replacing the original Waterways designs. The changeover to the new designs commenced in October 2011. To date, I can confirm that 26 of the 34 machines are known with the new rolls as

listed on the tables on the pages below. However, a number of machines have reverted to using the Waterways set, at least for a period, after changing over to the new designs.



The stamps from the PSC machines can be differentiated from the counter issue by (a) the absence of any vertically preprinted number at bottom right; (b) the different additional printed references, primarily the date coding of "D" (now E) rather than "11" (now 12); (c) the layout and positioning of the denomination - it is slightly larger on the PSC stamps and is thus positioned slightly closer to Éire; and (d) there is a gap between the € sign and the first denomination digit.

To date, there has been no philatelic distribution of the PSC set. Each stamp measures 56mm x 25mm and has three vertical yellow phosphor bars. Surplus paper removed. I understand that the current PSC rolls have a total of 1,000 stamps in the roll.

Desktop machines

The rolls included in the desktop version of the PSC machine used by many commercial firms were changed over to the new Animals and Marine Life designs during 2011. This had occurred by April 2011, i.e. before the release of the second series of designs in July.

As a result, the new rolls contain the same eight designs as used in the first series issued in 2010. There was also a change in how the value was printed.



As can be seen from the illustration of a strip with a date of 7 September 2011 (D250), the denomination is now included in a rectangular black box.

Listing of PSC stamps

A complete listing of all current and past machine locations and the various printings are set out on the following three pages. As stated above a number of locations, which had transferred to using the new definitive designs, did revert for a period to using the Waterways designs.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

December – Santa Christmas Envelope: The envelope design, insert and postmark were the same as last year.

December – An Post Christmas Card and Calendar: The 2011 card had no philatelic connection. The inside of the card reproduces three pages from the 2012 calendar (March, July and November). The calendar was based on the theme "Do More" (see IMP 120 postmark). It shows twelve different photographs/images promoting various An Post services and products. The month of April reproduces the postal museum postcard referred to in the previous part of this article.

POSTAL SERVICE CENTRE MACHINES – LISTING AS OF FEBRUARY 2012

	Waterways				Animals & Marine Life		
Location	Phosphor Type				Ref. on stamp	Earliest Date Known (Y = 3 bars yellow) (W = 3 bars white) (A = Animals/Marine)	
	Yellow Frame	3 Bars Yellow	3 Bars White	3 Bars Yellow			
Bureau	X	X	-	-	02501000001	21 July 2008 (A203)	(note 1)
Dublin Airport - Terminal 1	-	X	-	-	4567123	6 Oct. 2008 (A280)	
GPO Dublin	X	-	-	-	9801001	21 July 2008 (A203)	
GPO Dublin 1 - Reinstated	-	X	X	X	9801001	27 Aug. 2009 (Y) (B239) By 25 Sept. 2009 (W) 21 December 2011 (A)	
Dublin Airport - Terminal 1	-	X	X	X	9802001	By 30 Oct. 2008 (Y) (note 2). July 2009 (W) By December 2011 (A)	
	-	X	X	X	9803001	4 Nov. 2008 (Y) (A309) July 2009 (W) By December 2011 (A)	
The Square Shopping Centre, Tallaght, Dublin 24	-	X	X	X	9804001	17 October 2008 (Y) (A291). July 2009 (W) By November 2011 (A)	
Merrion Shopping Centre, Dublin 4	-	X	X	X	9805001	22 Oct. 2008 (Y) (A296) By 28 Oct. 2009 (W) By October 2011 (A)	
Greystones Shopping Centre	-	X	X	X	9806001	By Dec. 2008 (Y) (note 3) July 2009 (W) By November 2011 (A)	
Dunnes Stores, Patrick Street, Cork	-	X	X	-	9807001	3 Sept. 2009 (Y) (B246) By August 2010 (Y) Transferred from Patrick St, Cork during Nov./Dec. 2010 (note 4)	
Ballincollig, Co. Cork (Supervalu)	-	X	-	-			
University College Cork (Students Union Building, College Road entrance)	-	X	X	X	9808001	2 June 2009 (W) (B153) By April 2010 (Y). (note 5) By December 2011 (A)	
Cornelscourt Shopping Centre, Dublin 18 (Dunnes)	-	X	X	-	9809001	29 July 2009 (W) (B210). Dec. 2009 (Y) Transferred from Cornelscourt w/c 5 July 2010 (Y) By November 2011 (A)	
Applegreen Petrol Station, Naas Road, Dublin 22	-	X	-	X			
Dun Laoghaire Shopping Centre (Marine Road), Co. Dublin (Basement floor)	-	X	X	X	9810001	29 July 2009 (W) (B210). By Jan. 2010 (Y) By December 2011 (A)	
Waterford Institute of Technology, Waterford	-	X	X	-	9811001	30 July 2009 (W) (B211). By Sept. 2010 (Y)	
Scotch Hall Shopping Centre, Drogheda, Co. Louth (1st Floor, Customer Service Desk)	-	X	X	X	9812001	4 August 2009 (W) (B216). May/June 2010 (Y) By December 2011 (A)	

	Waterways			Animals & Marine Life		
Location	Phosphor Type				Ref. on stamp	Earliest Date Known (Y = 3 bars yellow) (W = 3 bars white) (A = Animals/Marine)
	Yellow Frame	3 Bars Yellow	3 Bars White	3 Bars Yellow		
The Marshes Shopping Centre, Dundalk, Co Louth (beside Penneys)	-	X	X	X	9813001	4 August 2009 (W) (B216). May/June 2010 (Y) By December 2011 (A)
Temple Bar, Dublin 2 (Centra store)	-	X	X	X	9814001	14 Sept. 2009 (W) (B257). By Dec. 2009 (Y) By December 2011 (A)
Charlestown Shopping Centre, St Margaret's Road, Dublin 11 (Dunnes entrance)	-	X	X	X	9815001	11 August 2009 (W) (B223).By Dec.2009 (Y) By October 2011 (A)
Sligo (Tesco – O'Connell St.)	-	X	X	-	9818001	19 Aug. 2009 (W) By Feb. 2010 (Y)
Ebay European HQ, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	-	X	X	-	9817001	6 Aug. 2009 (W) By March 2010 (Y) (note 6)
St James's Hospital, Dublin 8 (Inside main entrance)	-	X	X	X	9816001	13 Aug. 2009 (W) (B225). By Dec. 2009 (Y) By December 2011 (A)
Ennis Shopping Centre (Tesco) (Removed – October 2010)	-	X	-	-	9819001	19 August 2009 (Y) (B231). (note 7)
Applegreen Petrol Station, M1 North, Lusk, Co. Dublin	-	X	-	X		Transferred from Ennis (note 7) (Y) By November 2011 (A)
Pavilion Shopping Centre, Swords, Co. Dublin (near Service Desk)	-	X	-	X	9820001	9 Sept. 2009 (Y) (B252). By December 2011 (A)
St Stephen's Green Shopping Centre, Dublin 2	-	X	X	X	9821001	26 Oct. 2009 (W) (B299). By Feb. 2010 (Y) By November 2011 (A)
Jervis Shopping Centre, Dublin 1 (Removed by November 2010)	-	X	-	-	9822001	10 Dec. 2009 (Y) (B344)
Trinity College, Arts Block, Dublin 2	-	X	-	X		Previously in Jervis Shopping Centre. Installed in late June 2011 (Y) By November 2011 (A)
Liffey Valley Shopping Centre, Dublin 22	-	X	-	X	9823001	17 Dec. 2009 (Y) (B351) By November 2011 (A)
Mahon Point Shopping Centre, Cork	-	X	X	-	9824001	By April 2010 (W) By August 2011 (Y)
Eyre Square Shopping Centre, Galway (no postbox) (Removed by July 2011)	-	X	X	-	9825001	c. Feb./March 2010 (W) By March 2011 (Y)
Dublin Airport - Terminal 2		X	-	X		Previously in Eyre Square Shopping Centre, Galway Transferred by July 2011 By October 2011 (A)

	Waterways				Animals & Marine Life	
Location	Phosphor Type				Ref. on stamp	Earliest Date Known (Y = 3 bars yellow) (W = 3 bars white) (A = Animals/Marine)
	Yellow Frame	3 Bars Yellow	3 Bars White	3 Bars Yellow		
City Quay Shopping Centre, Waterford	-	x	x	x	9826001	By 31 March 2010 (W) By June 2011 (Y) By December 2011 (A)
McDonagh Junction Shopping Centre, Kilkenny	-	x	x	-	9827001	21 January 2010 (W) (C021). By Sept. 2010 (Y)
Arthur's Quay Shopping Centre, Limerick	-	x	x	-	9828001	c. Feb./March 2010 (W) By August 2011 (Y)
Fairgreen Shopping Centre, Carlow (no postbox)	-	x	-	x	9829001	Between April and June 2010 (Y) By November 2011 (A)
Midleton Shopping Centre, Co. Cork (Supervalu)	-	x	-	x	9830001	By 1 April 2010 (Y) By January 2012 (A)
Eastpoint Business Park, Dublin 3 (Munchies Café)	-	x	x	x	9831001	17 May 2010 (W) (C137) By October 2010 (Y) By December 2011 (A)
Bridgewater Shopping Centre, Arklow, Co. Wicklow	-	x	x	x	9832001	June 2010 (W) By 6 March 2011 (Y) By November 2011 (A)
Manor West Retail Park, Tralee, Co. Kerry	-	x	x	-	9833001	May-June 2010 (W) By August 2010 (Y)
Swords PO, Pavilion Shopping Centre, Co. Dublin	-	x	-	x	9834001	8 November 2010 (Y) (note 8) By November 2011 (A)

- note 1 The 3 bars yellow phosphor type was first seen on covers sold at Stampa 2008 (10 October 2008). Mint copies were subsequently available during November 2008 from the bureau counter in the GPO and continue to be current counter stock.
- note 2 The change in number at Dublin Airport happened post 20.10.2008 and by 30.10.2008.
- note 3 The date designated by An Post for the installation of the machine was 17 November 2008. However, as reported in my 2008 article, I visited the Greystones Shopping Centre at 1 pm on the day and the machine was not on site. I was informed by the local Tesco supermarket manager that a further electrical circuit had yet to be installed before the machine could be put in place.
- note 4 The machine was located within Dunnes Stores and was put in place on 3 September 2009 (B246), approximately a week before the revamped Dunnes Stores was open to the general public on 10 September 2009 (B253). The machine was no longer listed on the An Post website as of November 2010, and it was transferred to Ballincollig (Supervalu) during the period November/December 2010.
- note 5 The machine at UCC was printing stamps with yellow phosphor in April 2010 but only as single labels, not in strips. The machine has continued to dispense all stamps as singles since that date.
- note 6 The machine located at the Ebay HQ is for staff use only and is not accessible to the general public.
- note 7 The machine in Ennis was withdrawn sometime between 1 and 12 October 2010. It reappeared at the new M1 N petrol station in November 2010 but was not operational. I first used the machine on 6 March 2011.
- note 8 The main post office in Swords moved to this location on Monday 8 November 2010. The machine is located inside the post office and is in addition to the PSC machine near the customer service desk beyond Eason's (9820001)

The 1922 Provisional Overprints on Irish Revenues

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As a long-time collector of the 1922 provisional Irish overprints on British stamps, I have ventured into the parallel activities on revenue stamps. These have turned out to be in one way more complex but in another more straightforward. The postage stamps were overprinted by quite a variety of printers (Thorn, Dollard, Harrison etc), but I have seen nothing in the catalogues consulted to suggest that more than one printer was involved in the overprints on revenues. So that is the simpler part... The more complex part is that whereas the postage stamps only had two basic types of overprint, the Saorstát and Rialtas overprints, the revenues had two versions of each, one with the date "1922" and one without the date. Some of the revenues had a modified spacing of the lines to fit their particular designs, but as far as I can see each set was consistent in the spacing, so that removes one potential problem. So, all I needed to do was try and collect one or more of each of the 4 overprints on each of the revenue sets. Just to make collecting more interesting there are 21 sets of "British" revenues subjected to the overprinting, some of which were inscribed "Ireland" for the particular fiscal regime of Ireland whilst part of the UK, and some were the standard British revenues as used elsewhere in the UK, ie without the word "Ireland". The majority of these were on the unappropriated George V designs.

GB revenues inscribed "Ireland": County Courts, Dog Licence, Judicature, Land Commission, Land Registry, Petty Sessions, Records, Registration of Deeds. GB revenues not inscribed "Ireland": Bankruptcy, Civil Service, Companies Registration, Contract Note, Estate Duty, Excise, Foreign Bill, Income Tax, Official Arbitration (Land), Public Records, Health & Pensions, National Insurance, Unemployment Insurance.

So far so good, but which overprints have been recorded on which revenue? I started by looking at my Barefoot catalogue which gave me a good start until I acquired one which was not listed. So I did a cross-check with my Booth catalogue, and then my problems festtered, since Booth and Barefoot disagree in quite a number of details, not only which overprints were applied to each set but even as to which sets exist overprinted at all. Paul Bento kindly pointed me towards a third source, James Brady's listings. This was helpful in that it resolved the initial hurdle that I had found, relating to the "Saorstát" overprints on the two colours of the Petty Courts 6d, with and without "1922", since Brady lists all 4 combinations shown here, unlike Booth or Barefoot.



In all the revenue sets Brady and Booth are specific about whether the versions with or without "1922" are recorded, but unfortunately disagree; Barefoot is usually silent on this point. At this point, at Paul Bento's suggestion, I drew up this article so that I can throw myself on the mercy of readers who can point me to, or give me, an authoritative list of which revenue stamps were overprinted in each of the 4 formats (Rialtas, Saorstát, each with/without "1922"), ie the above left four images and the above two right "Rialtas" types.

Fortunately the "Rialtas + 1922" type only seems to have been used on the Excise set shown above, so that makes the Rialtas series simpler in respect of the overprints (but details on recorded denominations vary quite a lot between the listings). However the "Saorstát" listings are far from consistent between the catalogues, both in overprint type and in denominations. In some cases the catalogues even disagree on whether a particular overprinted value was on the King George V revenue or remaining stock of King Edward VII revenue stamps (eg Booth lists the 2d Land Commission as being on King Edward VII, Barefoot and Brady say it is the King George V; Brady lists the 2/6d Petty Sessions on King Edward VII but Barefoot and Booth say it is King George V).

I leave aside at this point the 1922 "Northern Ireland" overprints on Dog Licence, Excise, Foreign Bill, and "Southern Ireland" overprints on Dog Licence, Excise, for use after partition.

This is a fascinating area, but one which seems to lack an authoritative comprehensive listing. Can any reader help me out please? Unfortunately I have not been able to consult the 1990 edition of Booth, so it may be that it answers all my questions; or maybe it raises more.

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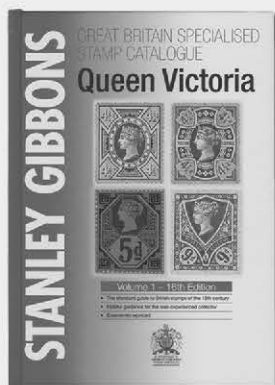
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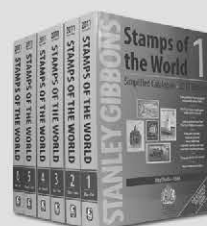
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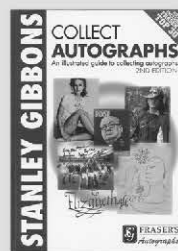
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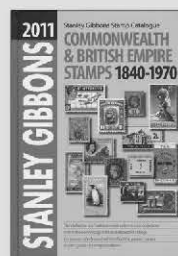
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