

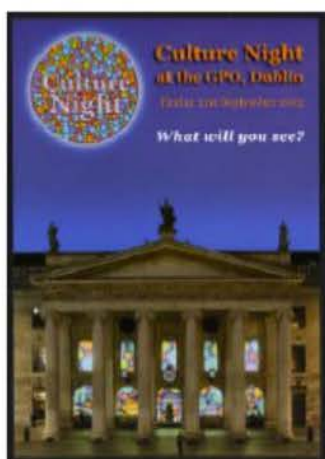
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It seems a pattern is developing that I write my quarterly letter in conjunction with major storms. Here in the Midwest we have had severe rain and major flooding. Luckily we did not suffer serious damage and I have learned long ago not to store philatelic material in the basement. Hopefully the Autumn letter can be written in calm weather.

In this issue you will find information regarding the upcoming Annual Meeting to be held at Balpex in Baltimore. The Balpex show traditionally has a good showing on dealers with Irish material where you can find material to fill the holes in your collection. The show website has details if you would like to exhibit. Our social dinner is planned for Friday night and we look forward to renewing old acquaintances.

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President's Message continued

The dates have been established for the 2013 Stamp show in Dublin, details at www.stampa.ie. The Stamp show is a must once in a lifetime show for Irish collectors. All the dealers have Irish material with the most nuanced items available. What a great way to tie in a vacation to the Emerald Isle with a visit to the premier Irish philatelic show. If you go you will not be disappointed.

Bill O'Connor, our auction manager has asked for a rest. Bill, who has served the EPA in many roles over the years was kind enough to step in to the Auction Manager role on the death of Joe Foley. This temporary job has lasted to 7 years and we need a new Auction manager. If you have an interest please let me know. Bill is happy to answer any questions regarding the responsibilities.

At the Annual meeting we will select the sites of our future meetings. Traditionally we have moved the meeting around to get the most exposure to our members. Please send me your suggestions if there is a particular show or city we should go to. Generally we need 2 local members to help with the logistics involved. We need volunteers to help!

It was a pleasure to host a joint meeting of the Southern and Northern Chapters of the Eire Philatelic Association on Saturday, April 27, WESTPEX, San Francisco, CA. We were well received by the WESTPEX organizing committees that provided time and space for our meeting on very short notice. Darryl Templer, Wallace Craig, Robert Pope, Paul Hopkins, Christopher Juten, and Bill O'Connor were in attendance.

The program focused on Irish perfins, those stamps with the little holes in them, with the hope of preventing employees from running off with the mint stamps. The collection of perfins from Gavin Lohman was featured, also a presentation of the booklet panes that have those great labels, Get a Telephone, Buy Savings Certificates, and Learn Irish, was given by Darryl. Additionally, Chris had a number of Scott 11 and 11a, 4p slate green overprints. We tried to determine which were what. It was nice to have so many examples, but a more definitive approach to determine the color variety of the overprint would be welcomed.

We hope to be able to repeat the meeting for next year.

Submitted by Bill O'Connor

The Association asks members to give serious consideration to volunteering for positions. A small group of dedicated individuals perform most of the work, and we could sure use some help. Please look at the listing on the previous page to see what are the various positions. Nearly any of us could use your assistance. As our President mentions, we need an Auction—Trading Post Manager. The Editor could use a pair of eyes to review articles and other material. We could also use some Youth Coordinators who visit schools, girl and boy scouting and related groups.

Volunteering is fun and rewarding, sure you expend a little work, but all for the great cause of promoting of not only Irish philately but philately in general. So, please contact any of the officers listed herein, or the Editor at eparevealer@gmail.com. You will be

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Resignations	0
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Adjustment	0
Membership as of May 1, 2013	361
Life members of unknown status	12
Complimentary mailings	22
Total Mailings	395

LETS ALL EXHIBIT IRELAND at BALPEX THIS YEAR

The Key to any exhibit of Philatelic Material is to tell a story with your Stamps and Covers. What more interesting an Area of story telling than Ireland. The Exhibits do not all have to be Gold Medal caliber to be interesting or creative, in fact the secondary awards from Philatelic Societies are often much more appealing and attractive. Your Society have three such awards, The Joe Foley EPA medal for the best Irish Exhibit at and APS show. The Exhibit can only win this medal once without substantial upgrade.

The second award is only given at the EPA Annual General Meeting. The Mercer Bowers Waterford Crystal Brandy Glasses are given to the best multi frame exhibit and best single frame exhibit that have NOT received any higher show award than a Silver Medal. These award exist to encourage members to Exhibit ---- You Do not need to have a gold medal exhibit to win the Waterford Brandy Glasses-----Just a good story.

The Third award was first given out at STAMPA 2012 in Ireland. The Celtic Cross will be given at all future EPA Annual General Meetings for every Member who shows a NEW exhibit.

Do you want even more incentive to show us your Irish Material ? I will pay the 2014 dues for every EPA Member who is a first time exhibitor at BALPEX (Baltimore) this August 30 to Sept 1. You do not even have to be present to win , although the fun and frivolity at the EPA Annual General Meetings alone is worth the Trip. I will mount your exhibit and return it to you after the show.

Ideas for exhibits are almost as numerous as the number of Pints of Guinness consumed at our Annual Meetings. Pick a decade like the 1930s or 1960s and tell us with stamps and covers why the years are important to Ireland; Show us a story about Irish Race horses, put together a one frame exhibit about an important Irish person or event---your imagination is unlimited and a terrible thing to waste.

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Looking forward to seeing you there!

For those rainy days coming up and wondering what to do, why not get a **DVD of past issues** of both the *The Revealer* and *Die Harfe*, the journal of the Irish Study Group in Germany, the FAI. I feel these are the best deals that "Special Offers" sells. *Die Harfe* is bi-lingual and started in 1996.

A new addition from the FAI is *The Military Postal History of Ireland* by Heinz-Jurgen Kumpf, 364 pages, 8.5 by 11 and in color, (as is all literature from the FAI, published in the last few years). This volume covers the military postal history of the mail & postmarks of the barracks, camps and units. Also British Forces Mail and the American presence in Northern Ireland since World War I. Also, mail of the Irish Defense forces serving in the United Nations peace keeping operations & observers and other overseas service.

Don't forget the literature that is sold out from the FAI but we still have a few copies. At the present time the FAI states they are not thinking of additional editions

Title's increased about 0.50- \$1.00 because of postage rates. Prices have not gone up in the last eight years. Postage rates are included in the price of a literature sent within the USA. Outside the USA additional cost is required because of the high cost of air mail postage.

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Coil Roll Stamps used in Ireland

This is the first in a series of articles exploring the use of stamp rolls or coils used in Ireland for postage and receipts. This article will give an overview of the use of coil stamps in Ireland from Edward VII through to the issue of the Harrison 5 line coils in June 1922.

The First reported use of coil stamps in the British Isles appears to be at the Cannon Street Station in London in 1884 (1). However, it was not until the summer of 1906 that the next series of coil stamps were tried by the British post office in vending machines installed at the House of Commons and Threadneedle Street Post Office. These Vending Machines were supplied by Mrs. Kermode of the British Stamp and Ticket Automatic Delivery Company Ltd. and the stamps used in these machines were privately made up by joining (pasting together) sheets of stamps and slitting them into individual rolls. The coils were dispensed sideways from the machines and cut (separated) with a knife, hence the stamps show trimmed perforations on both sides. In 1907 the "Kermode" coil dispensing machines were modified for vertical delivery of stamps with the customer pulling the stamps for separation and hence, typically, there were no trimmed perforations making the identification of the stamps as coils somewhat more difficult. Stanley Gibbons reports that the Edward VII 1d stamps were the most commonly used coils, however all values up to the 1 shilling stamps were used in the Kermode machines (2).

Several other vendors provided the Post Office with prototype coil dispensing machines between 1907 and 1911, but more important was the fact that several business were using coil dispensing (Affixing) machines from 1907 onward. It would be most interesting to see any Edwardian Covers or used stamps from coil machines either postmarked from Ireland or on mail sent to Ireland from other parts of Great Britain. Furthermore, it would be interesting to see reports of specific Irish businesses that had coil dispensing machines during the Edwardian years.

The first coils commissioned by the British Post Office were manufactured by Harrison and Sons Ltd and were the George V Downey Head Die 1/2d and 1d stamps. These coils were made from sheets with paste up joins every 10th stamp for vertical delivery coils and every 12th stamp for horizontal delivery coils. Stanley Gibbons states that these coils were first issued in August 1912 and were initially distributed to the main Post Offices (3). It would be interesting to see if anyone has documentation showing that Irish Post Offices were included in the initial distribution of these coil stamps. Similarly, I would be very interested to see any Covers or used coil stamps with Irish postmarks from the Autumn of 1912.

During subsequent years many large business acquired stamp dispensing machines in Ireland. These machines not only fixed the stamps to the envelopes but also counted the number of stamps dispensed from the roll, allowing companies better control of their postage inventory.

Figure 1 shows a cover from Dublin to Lisburn postmarked December 1917. The coil stamp has part of the paste up used to join the sheet stamps together when making up the coil rolls

Beginning with the Easter Rebellion of 1916, the Irish War of Independence lasted over 5 years reaching a conclusion with the signing of the Anglo-Irish Treaty on December 6th 1921. During this period the Irish Republican Army Raided Post Offices and Postmen, opening both military and commercial mail looking for money and strategic information. The use of coils on envelopes was generally a good sign that the contents were commercial and possibly containing money.



Figure 2 shows a cover from Wexford to Dalkey with a horizontal 1 1/2d paste up coil postmarked May 1921. The Envelope was opened and censored by the IRA.



The Anglo-Irish Treaty established a Provisional Government of Ireland (Rialtas Sealadach Na HEireann) for the southern 26 counties under the control of the Southern Parliament and not Dail Eireann. The Northern 6 counties were to remain part of Great Britain. This part of the Treaty negotiated by Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins was one of the main factors leading to the Irish Civil War (April to August 1922). The Treaty Further Stipulated that The Irish Free State (Saorstad Eireann) would come into existence one year later on December 6 1922.

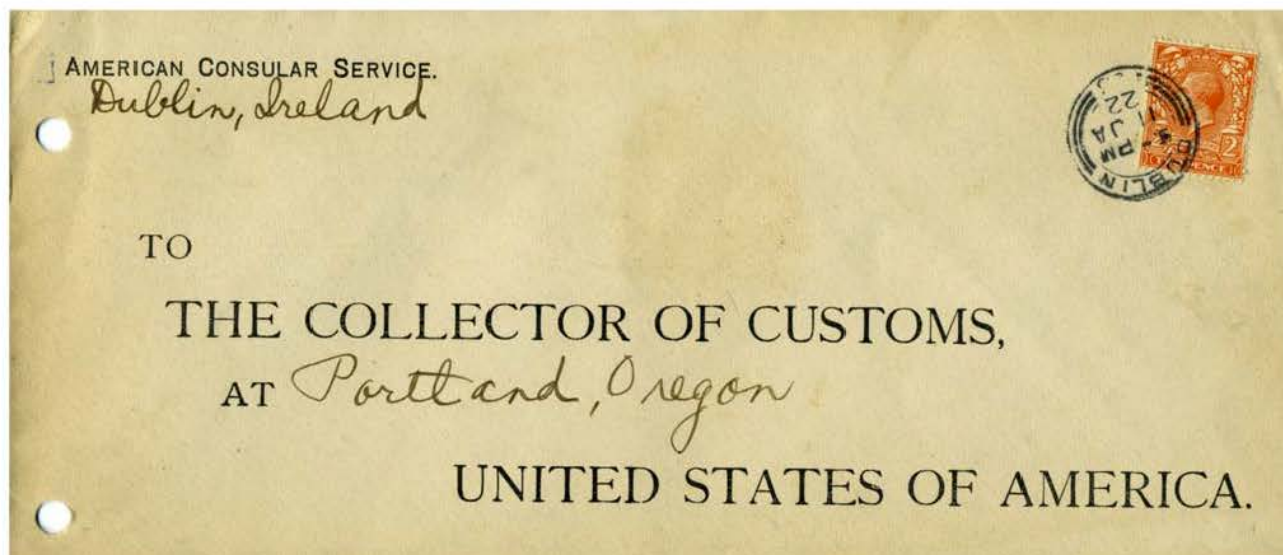
The Treaty was ratified by the British Parliament on December 16, 1921 and The Southern Parliament on January 14 1922 and the formal handing over of Government Duties occurred on January 16, 1922 to Michael Collins, Chairman of the Southern Government. J.J. Walsh was appointed Post Master for Southern Ireland and it was decided that British stamps would be over printed for use in Ireland with the first stamps being issued on February 17, 1922. Until this date Stamps of Great Britain were to be used exclusively in Southern Ireland. However, complete control of the Southern Irish post office was to occur on April 1, 1922 at which time British stamps would no Longer be Valid in Southern Ireland (4). Typically the period from December 6 , 1922 to February 16th, 1922 is known as the Treaty Period and February 17th to March 31st , 1922 as the Transition period for all matters relating to the Southern Postal Administration (5).

Figure 3 shows a cover from Cork to Limerick with a 2d coil stamp postmarked December 21, 1922. Dulin Mentions this date as the beginning of the Treaty Period in his Book on Ireland's Transition. However, I cannot find any other documentation to confirm his statement



Coils continued.

Figure 4 Shows a cover from the American Consular Service , Dublin to Customs Office in Portland Oregon. The 2d coil is postmarked 11 January, 1922 and shows the importance of coil stamps to various Embassies in Dublin.



During this time coil stamps continued to be important to both business and government agencies, however no immediate plans were being made to replace the British coils stamps with Irish coils. In fact the Provisional Government Post office Circular (Iris an Puist) of March 30 1922 instructed that " Adhesive Stamps Made up in rolls and in books should be withdrawn from sale after the 31st of March" (6).

Figure 5 (bottom of next page) shows two commercial covers with coil stamps. The cover from February 13th is from Boileau and Boyd Ltd. Dublin and the March 9th cover is from PIM Brothers Ltd. Dublin.

Dollard Printing House Ltd and Alexander Thom and Company Ltd, both Dublin printing companies were chosen in January and February 1922 to overprint the British sheet stamps in advance of the February 17th issue of The Provisional Government stamps. However, it was not until after the April 1st Post Office transfer that provisions were made to produce overprinted coil stamps. No Irish company had the equipment to produce coil stamps and therefore the work was contracted to Harrison and Sons Ltd in London. Harrison was printing all the British low value stamps as well as manufacturing all the British coil stamps. It has been speculated that the delay in signing the contract with Harrison was motivated more by Harrison's need for assurances of being paid by the new Irish Government. Additional weeks passed while Harrison prepared the overprint Cliché or waited for the print Cliché to be sent over from the Alexander Thom and Company Ltd (this is the more generally accepted reason).

The dates on the Tab ends of the Harrison Irish coils show that final stages of coil manufacture did not begin until June 6th with June 19th, 1922 as the first day of issue for the 1/2 d , 1 d and 2d stamps and June 21st for the 1 1/2 d coils. Businesses and Government agencies had been waiting for over two and a half months for replacement stocks of coil stamps.

Figure 6 shows the Tab ends attached to the end of the roll of stamps. The date on the tab indicates the date of coil manufacture and with the corresponding employee number who made up the roll.

Figure 7 shows a 2d coil postmarked June 19th, 1922 which is the generally accepted first day of issue of the Harrison five line coils.



Future articles will explore various aspects of coil stamps used in Ireland during the next 60 years of Irish History.

End Notes.

(1) H Couche - Baker, "Coil Stamps of Great Britain," *The Strand Stamp Journal*, August September 1959, page 343.

(2) Stanley Gibbons, Great Britain, Volume 2 (seventh addition) page 20.

(3) Tony Wiseman, Great Britain, "The Introduction of Coil Stamps," *The Stamp Lover*, Vol. 62 pages 117 to 120.

(4) The Decision to transfer complete control of the Irish Post office on April 1 was made by the British Post Office to coincide with the beginning of the new Fiscal Year.

(5) Dr C. I. Dulin, *Ireland's Transition*, Mac Donnell Whyte Ltd 1922, Chapter 2.

(6) Iris an Puist, Rialtas Sealadach Na HEireann (Irish Post Office, Provisional Government of Ireland) Special Issue Directory, 30 March 1922, page 12.



THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS – 2012

Part 2

by Brian Warren

POSTAL STATIONERY AND RELATED ITEMS

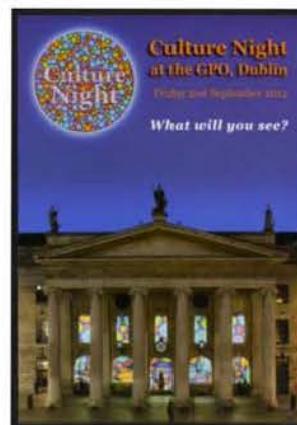
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Mar	Registered envelope – new plastic version	€6.00	see note below	?
May	"A" envelope	€1.00	see note below	?
21 Sept	Culture Night at the GPO - Postcard	no charge	see note below	An Post Print & Design

Registered Envelope: A new plastic version of the registered envelope was first noted in March 2012. The stamp element matches the previous paper version – see illustration. The envelope measures 232mm x 172mm (excluding flap).

'A' Envelope: An envelope with a new type of postage paid imprint appeared in June (see illustration). Members will note that there is no reference to the country of issue on the envelope which suggests that is intended for use only within Ireland. Despite the printed reference to "Postage Paid Worldwide", I have been informed that it is only valid for inland postings and post office clerks refuse to uprate the envelope for posting overseas. This means that at a price of €1 the envelope element was costing an exorbitant 45c (now 40c).

Culture Night: As part of Culture Night which took place on Friday 21 September, An Post hosted an event in the GPO. This included free access to the Postal Museum and commenced at 5.15pm. A special undenominated card was given out free to all who visited the GPO on the night. This was the

seventh Culture Night which is now an nationwide event. It was the fifth year that An Post opened the GPO for Culture Night and produced a postcard for the event.



Life series and obtained either a counter SID cancellation or the bureau CDC coupled with the Museum cachet.

The large format card (148mm x 210mm) shows an illustration of the GPO on the obverse side which is the same as the 2010 and 2011 designs. Most cards were handed out with an 82c booklet stamp already affixed to the card. There was no special cancellation. A number of collectors added a GPO counter self-adhesive stamp from the Animals and Marine

EXHIBITION AND SOCIETY SOUVENIRS AND POSTMARKS

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Stampa - Titanic card with added stamp and Titanic bell cancellation



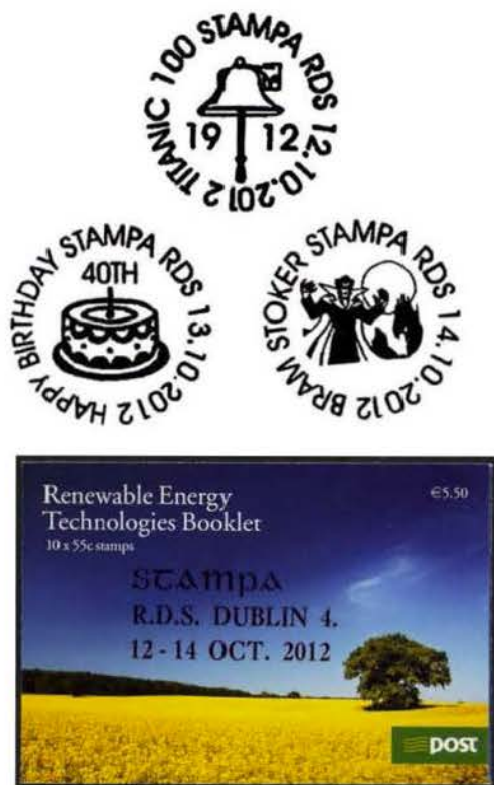
Cork Philatelic Exhibition Bram Stoker/Dracula sheet with overprint in red

15 Apr	Spring Stamp & Coin Show					
	- Dance booklet with overprint in black	€8.00	400 overprinted *	CCP3	14½ x 14	Mahons
	- Special cover with postmark	€4.00	# 160 covers with Titanic stamp			DSS
23 May	Dublin Stamp Society – Irish Aer Corps Museum	€4.00	# 75 covers – see note below			DSS
8 June	Arcadia Festival postcard	no charge	see note below			
9 Oct	Stampa 2012 (Members' Souvenirs)					
	- Science Milestones miniature sheet (2012)		1,200 overprinted *	CCP3	13 x 13¼	Mahons
	- Bram Stoker/Dracula miniature sheet (2012)		1,200 overprinted *	CCP3	15 x 14	Mahons
	- Renewable Energy booklet (2011)	€20.00	1,200 overprinted *	CCP3	13¼ x 13	Mahons
	- Titanic Poster postcard		1,000 overprinted on reverse * – see note below			
	- 1972 Miniature sheet postcard		1,500 special printing – see note below			An Post
	- Key ring (6d Map stamp of 1972)	€5.00	1,000 produced - also sold for €5 to non-members			
9 Oct	Stampa 2012 (public and other souvenirs)					
	- Volvo Ocean Race miniature sheet (2012)	€5.00	2,000 overprinted *	CCP3	14 x 14¼	Mahons
17 Nov	Cork Philatelic Exhibition					
	- Booklet	€5.00	# 300 printed (contains full Titanic set)			
	- Unserved illustrated cover	€1.00	# 139 printed (120 sold)			
	- Bram Stoker/Dracula miniature sheet with black o/p	€8.00	1,000 overprinted *	CCP3	14 x 14¼	Mahons
	- Bram Stoker/Dracula miniature sheet with red o/p	€50.00	1,000 overprinted *	CCP3	14 x 14¼	Mahons

* : The production and overprinting of the miniature sheets, booklets and card marked with an asterisk above were arranged by the organisers of the show. Overprinting of the miniature sheets and booklets was with the permission of An Post.

: The Spring & Coin Show and Tall Ships covers were prepared by the Dublin Stamp Society. The Cork booklet and cover were produced by the Cork Philatelic Society.

None of the items listed above were sold by An Post.



Stampa 2012: This year marked Stampa's 40th birthday – the first exhibition dates back to 1972. The various souvenirs as listed were posted to members in advance with certain members only receiving them on 9 October. The postcard produced by An Post reproduced the 1972 2d Map miniature sheet and was only available from Stampa. The three line overprint in black reads "STAMPA / R.D.S. Dublin 4. / 12 - 14 Oct. 2012". The Titanic postcard was obtained from the Titanic Exhibition Centre in Belfast and, as well as the three-line overprint referred to above, has the added four-line inscription in black "Please use the space above / to affix a Titanic Stamp and / obtain an Exhibition / Cancellation". The three special cancels and the related stamp issues were as follows:-

- 12 October: Titanic bell (Titanic stamp of 2012).
- 13 October: Birthday cake with candle to mark the 40 years of Stampa (Greetings stamps of 2012 or 2011).
- 14 October: Dracula (Bram Stoker/Dracula stamp of 2012).

The three postmarks listed above were designed by John Mullen. There was no official cover.

The Awards Dinner was held in Wynn's Hotel, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1 on 13 October. The Titanic postcard was additionally overprinted and used as a ticket for the dinner (100 produced). Some diners added a stamp and had the card cancelled at the show.

The reverse of the postcard reproducing the 1972 map stamp miniature sheet was overprinted with an amusingly worded menu and cancelled with the 13 October cancellation. 80 produced (57 attended the dinner). An invitation, in the format of a double size folded card incorporating the same map design, was also produced (25 copies) for this year's dinner at which Héloïse Mitchell signed the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists.



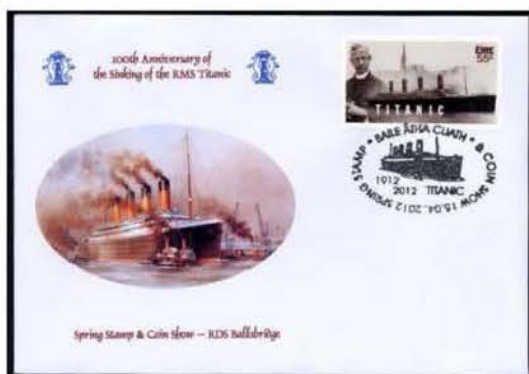
Cork Philatelic Exhibition: The Cork Philatelic Society held its annual show in the Imperial Hotel, Cork in association with Raven Stamps. This year's souvenir was a larger than normal numbered booklet containing a complete set of the Titanic stamps mounted in hawid type strips as issued earlier in 2012. The Titanic docked at nearby Cobh (then Queenstown) during its famous voyage. The Society also produced an illustrated cover, and a special postmark was available from An Post. Unserved covers were sold by the Society at the show for €1.

Raven Stamps arranged for the overprinting of the Bram Stoker/Dracula miniature sheets. The two-line overprint reads "Cork Stamp & Coin Fair / November 17th 2012". All souvenirs were individually numbered. The postmark reads "Corcaigh Stamp & Coin Exhibition".

EXHIBITION SOUVENIRS AND POSTMARKS



Spring Stamp & Coin Show (formerly known as Stampania): This annual show was held at the RDS in Dublin on Sunday 15 April. The cover of the Dance booklet was overprinted by the organisers for the show and numbered. Total printing of 400. The overprint reads "SPRING STAMP/& COIN FAIR/R.D.S. 15-4-2012".



An Post was in attendance and provided a special postmark which incorporated an illustration of the Titanic. The day of the show coincided with the centenary of the sinking of the ship of 15 April 1912. The Dublin Stamp Society provided two illustrated covers, both of which were available serviced with a Titanic stamp

and the special postmark. Total printing of 160 covers, 80 of each design.

Arcadia Festival Bray: In connection with the Arcadia Festival, which was held in Bray, Co. Wicklow throughout the summer months, an exhibition, *"From Bray with Love"*, took place in the Mermaid Arts Centre from 8 June to 13 September. The exhibition documented Bray's success as a tourist resort and included a large display of local postcards and railway posters. An Post also provided a small display of stamps and postal items connected with Bray.

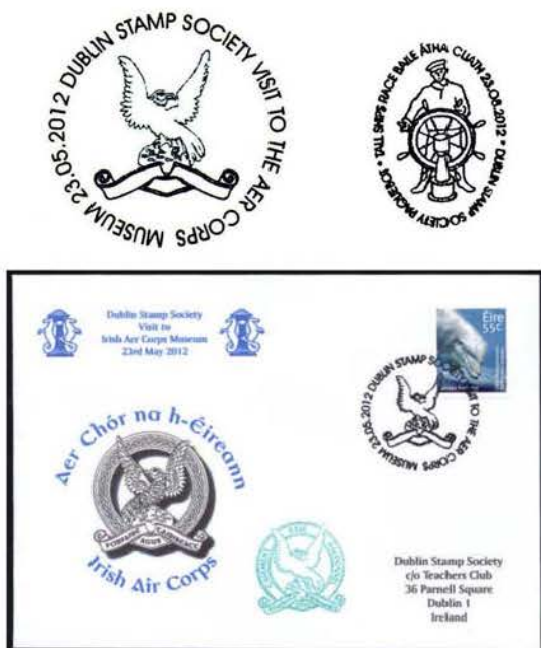


They also produced an undenominated postcard for the event, which reproduced an earlier card showing Bray Post Office in 1904. The post office still occupies the same building today. This postcard was available free of charge at the exhibition and could be posted in a Penfold postbox situated in the foyer for the duration of the exhibition. The attractive Penfold postbox was formerly located in the nearby Main Street in Bray until damaged by a lorry some years ago. Stamps were on sale at the information desk.



Cards posted in the box received an "Arcadia Festival" cachet in red applied by staff at the Arts Centre (two types of cachet noted – small and large). The cards were transferred to the main postbox in the main street and received a normal operational postmark as no special postmark was provided.

OTHER SPECIAL POSTMARKS



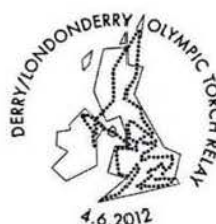
Irish Aer Corps Museum: As part of the Dublin Stamp Society's programme for the year, members visited the Irish Aer Corps Museum at Casement Aerodrome, Baldonnell on 23 May 2012. At the last minute An Post produced and sponsored a special handstamp for the Society and the Society itself prepared a special cover as illustrated. Total printing of 75 covers.

Tall Ships: The Tall Ships came to Dublin once again from 23 to 26 August. The last visit to Dublin was in 1998. Waterford was a Tall Ships port in both 2005 and 2011, Belfast was a host port in 2009 and Cork in 1991. There were previous stamp issues in both 1998 and 2005.

Dublin was the final host port this year so there were plenty of cachets to collect. The Dublin Stamp Society secured a special paquebôt postmark from An Post – see illustration. There was a total of 15 ships' cachets available – all from the larger ships. Unfortunately, the general public were not allowed access to the smaller vessels tied up on the specially built pontoon platform. This limited the number of cachets available.



The Polish brig *Fryderyk Chopin* was the overall winner of the 2012 Race. It was the only ship to have a postcard of the ship on sale. The Mexican barque *Cuauhtemoc* won the Coruna to Dublin leg of the race.



Olympic Torch Relay: The Olympic Torch was carried across the border from Northern Ireland and transported to Howth (headquarters of the Olympic Council of Ireland) and then to Dublin's Croke Park on 6 June. Forty-one torch bearers took part in a six-hour dash that included a cross border ceremony, a civic event in Howth, a run on the Skyline of the stadium at Croke Park and a relay around the capital. Ireland's most famous Olympian, 77-year-old Ronnie Delany, was one of the runners. Although An Post did not provide any special postmark to mark the event, a number of collectors prepared commemorative covers, which were cancelled on the day with a Dublin CDS cancel. Covers exist autographed by Ronnie Delany.

Royal Mail provided a large number of postmarks marking the route of the torch around the UK, including five cancellations for Northern Ireland. As can be seen from the illustration for Derry/Londonderry (a first?), each of the Northern Ireland postmarks included an outline of the route clearly indicating that the torch was travelling south of the border to Dublin.

SLOGANS USED ON INTEGRATED MAIL PROCESSORS (IMP - AEG German machines in use at DMC) and INTEGRATED LETTER PROCESSING SYSTEM MACHINES (ILPS - NEC Japanese machines in use at all four mail centres)

The two AEG machines in PMC were withdrawn in 2011. The five AEG machines in DMC had been decommissioned by the end of 2012.

(Illustrations of all Ink Jet Postmarks have been reduced)

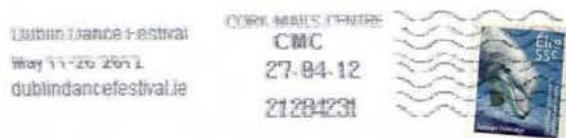
This was a year for very few slogans with only three new slogans during 2012 compared to seven in 2011 and fourteen in 2010. These, and other repeated slogans, were in use at Athlone Mails Centre (AMC), Cork Mails Centre (CMC), Dublin Mails Centre (DMC) and Portlaoise Mails Centre (PMC). The earliest 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. The town element of the cancellation on all AMC slogans seen during the year was in English only.



IMP 126 used at DMC machine on 10 February 2013

IMP 126 – Valentine's Day Card / From Online / to Your Loved One's Hand / @www.anpost.ie

This was in use at DMC on 10 and 13 February on two NEC machines and the last remaining AEG machine still in use at DMC, at AMC on 14 February only; at CMC on 10, 13 and 14 February and at PMC on 10, 14, 15 and 16 February.



IMP 127 used at CMC on 27 April 2012

IMP 127 – Dublin Dance Festival(I)/ May 11-26 2012 / dublindancefestival.ie.

This was in use at DMC (old AEG and new NEC machines), PMC, AMC and CMC from late April to early May.



IMP 127 used at PMC on 26 April 2012
Note: No "I" in "Festival" (NEC machine)

Note the missing "I" in "Festival" on the newer NEC machines with ILPS cancellation in DMC (as illustrated above) and PMC. Also known used with IOCTHA at AMC on 9 May 2012.



IMP 128 used at DMC on 16 August 2012

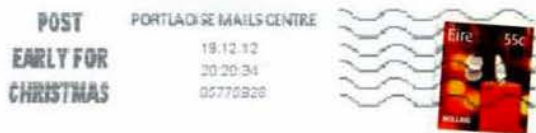


IMP 128 (part impression)
used at DMC on 8 November 2012

IMP 128 - Call AXA for a / car quote today / 1890 24 7 365.

This slogan was used at DMC, on a machine with tag number 3985, during the period 16 to 24 August 2012. The example illustrated, dated 16 August, is the only full impression noted. Also noted on DMC machine with tag number 3990 on both 8 and 13 November 2012. Most examples are part impressions only. Noted in DMC only.

Re-use of Other Slogans



IMP 93 used at PMC on 19 December 2012

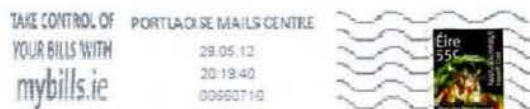


IMP 93 used at CMC on 28 November 2012

IMP 93 – POST / EARLY FOR / CHRISTMAS

This slogan was re-used at all locations in December 2012 and was still in use post 25 December at all four Mail Centres.

By early January 2013, IMP 124 (mybills.ie) was once again in use at all locations and remains in use as of February 2013..



IMP 124 used at PMC on 29 May 2012



IMP 124 used at AMC on 27 November 2012

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

This slogan continued to be used at all locations throughout 2012 except when replaced by IMP 126, IMP 127, IMP 128 and, during the Christmas period, by IMP 93.

Other



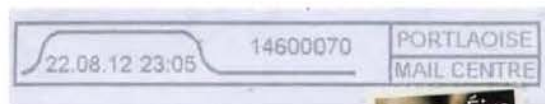
This unusual version of the NEC machine cancellation incorporating a series of horizontal

lines in place of a slogan was noted during November 2012.



An undated ÍOCTHA cancel (see illustration above) was also noted used at DMC on 8 November 2012 (tag code 3985).

FLATS SORTING MACHINES (FSM)



New FSM cancellation used at PMC on 22 August 2012 on small DL size envelope

The new type of postmark shown above, first seen with a date of 22 August 2012 was applied by a "CFSM" (compact flats sorting machine), built by Selex Elsag in Genoa, Italy. The first use of five CFSMs was at PMC.

The format illustrated above was only noted on a DL size envelope and may have been an example of live testing. Apart from a further example dated 20 September 2012, this layout has not been seen on any subsequent date. FSM cancellations are normally reserved for use on larger than C5 size envelopes.



FSM postmark used at PMC on 30 August 2012

The "regular" format as shown above was in use by the end of August 2012.



FSM postmark used at PMC on 29 November 2012 incorporating "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID"

The postmark also exists with the words "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID" added at bottom left. Note the incorrect spelling of "IOCHTA" (should be "IOCTHA") in all the paid cancels listed here. The sequence number within the postmark is preceded with a machine and time reference (by half-hour i.e. 45 = 22.30 +). The PMC machine reference is "1".



FSM postmark used at AMC on 22 October 2012



FSM postmark used at AMC on 4 January 2013 incorporating "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID" (also in use during 2012)

A machine was also installed at AMC by October 2012. It exists with and without "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID". The machine reference is "2".



FSM postmark "DUBLIN 1" used at DMC on 19 November 2012 incorporating "IOCHTA"

DMC obtained two machines (postmarks initially inscribed DUBLIN 1 and DUBLIN 2), with the first

machine noted in November and the second by mid-December. All examples seen to date include "IOCHTA" in the postmark.



FSM postmark "DUBLIN 2" used at DMC on 14 December 2012 incorporating "IOCHTA"

The machine references are "4" and "5" respectively. Presumably "3" has been allocated to the next machine to be installed – perhaps at CMC.



FSM postmark "DUBLIN MAILS CENTRE" used at DMC on 23 January 2013 incorporating "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID" (not seen in use in 2012)

In January 2013, the wordings "DUBLIN 1 MAIL CENTRE" and "DUBLIN 2 MAIL CENTRE" were replaced by "DUBLIN MAILS CENTRE". Note insertion of "S" after "MAIL". On the examples I have seen to date, "MAILS" is slightly out of line and all include the words "IOCHTA / POSTAGE PAID". Earliest example seen was dated 2 January 2013.

The two new Selex Elsig CFSMs replace the two AEG/Siemens FSMs used at DMC since 1998.

BAUMANN MACHINES

The Baumann machines appear to have been rarely used during the year.

POSTAL SERVICE CENTRE MACHINES

New Printings and Locations

There have been no new printings of the Waterways issue since my 2011 listing, and therefore the listing which follows is confined to the Animal and Marine Life series. By the end of 2012, the second series of designs from the Animals and Marine Life series introduced in 2011 had appeared in all 34 machines.



Waterways set from GPO Dublin machine dated 26 September 2012 (E270) including new preset values of 65c and 90c

For a brief period during October 2012, the Waterways set reappeared in the GPO machine before reverting to the third series of Animal and Marine Life designs. Arising from the postal rates changes on 1 May for weight steps above 50g, the four preset values were altered in all machines on that date to 55c, 65c, 82c and 90c (previously 55c, 82c, 95c and €1.50). 65c and 90c are the 51g to 100g letter rates for National and International destinations.

The machine located at the Applegreen Petrol Station on the M1 North, Lusk, Co. Dublin (9819001) was removed during October 2012 but as yet I'm unaware of its new location. The Tallaght machine was removed in January 2013 and has yet to be re-located as of February 2013.

The third series of Animals and Marine Life designs was first noted in the Merrion Shopping Centre machine in September 2012, and at the time of writing (February 2013), the new designs

have been noted in 25 machines – see full listing on the following pages.



Set of eight designs (series 3) from Dun Laoghaire (9810001) dated 1 January 2013 (F001)

The PSC set of eight designs is printed in the same order as the counter issue as illustrated above.

Desktop machines



Set of eight designs (series 2) from desktop machine dated 4 September 2012 (E248)

The rolls included in the desktop version of the PSC machine were changed over to the second series of Animals and Marine Life designs during 2012, i.e. the same designs issued as counter values and in PSC machines during 2011/12. As can be seen from the illustration the denomination continues to be included in a rectangular black box.

POSTAL SERVICE CENTRE MACHINES – LISTING AS OF FEBRUARY 2013

Animals and Marine Life				
Location	Series 2 (2011)	Series 3 (2012)	Ref. on stamp	Earliest Date Known Series 1 (1) Series 2 (2)
GPO Dublin	x	x	9801001	21 December 2011 (2) 31 October 2012 (3)
Dublin Airport - Terminal 1	x	x	9802001	By December 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
Blanchardstown Shopping Centre	x	x	9803001	By December 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
The Square Shopping Centre, Tallaght, Dublin 24	x	x	9804001	By November 2011 (2) By September 2012 (3) Removed w/c 7 Jan. 2013 – note 1
Merrion Shopping Centre, Dublin 4	x	x	9805001	By October 2011 (2) By September 2012 (3)
Greystones Shopping Centre	x	x	9806001	By November 2011 (2) By January 2013 (3)
Ballincollig, Co. Cork (Supervalu)	x	x	9807001	By April 2012 (2) By February 2013 (3)
University College Cork (Students Union Building, College Road entrance)	x	x	9808001	By December 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3) Note 2
Applegreen Petrol Station, Naas Road, Dublin 22	x	x	9809001	By November 2011 (2) By October 2012 (3)
Dun Laoghaire Shopping Centre (Marine Road), Co. Dublin (Basement floor)	x	x	9810001	By December 2011 (2) By October 2012 (3)
Waterford Institute of Technology, Waterford	x	-	9811001	By August 2012 (2)
Scotch Hall Shopping Centre, Drogheda, Co. Louth (1st Floor, Customer Service Desk)	x	x	9812001	By December 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
The Marshes Shopping Centre, Dundalk, Co Louth (beside Penneys)	x	-	9813001	By December 2011 (2)
Temple Bar, Dublin 2 (Centra store)	x	x	9814001	By December 2011 (2) By October 2012
Charlestown Shopping Centre, St Margaret's Road, Dublin 11 (Dunnes Entrance)	x	x	9815001	By October 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
St James's Hospital, Dublin 8 (Inside main entrance)	x	x	9816001	By December 2011 (2) By October 2012 (3)
Ebay European HQ, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	x	-	9817001	By December 2012 (2) Note 3
Sligo (Tesco – O'Connell St)	x	-	9818001	By July 2012 (2)
Applegreen Petrol Station, M1 North, Lusk, Co. Dublin	x	-	9819001	By November 2011 (2) Removed October 2012 – note 4

Animals and Marine Life (continued)				
Location	Series 2 (2011)	Series 3 (2012)	Ref. on stamp	Earliest Date Known Series 1 (1) Series 2 (2)
Pavilion Shopping Centre, Swords, Co. Dublin (near Service Desk)	x	x	9820001	By December 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
St Stephen's Green Shopping Centre, Dublin 2	x	x	9821001	By November 2011 (2) By October 2012 (3)
Trinity College, Arts Block, Dublin 2	x	x	9822001	By November 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
Liffey Valley Shopping Centre, Dublin 22	x	x	9823001	By November 2011 (2) By October 2012 (3)
Mahon Point Shopping Centre, Cork	x	x	9824001	By April 2012 (2) By February 2013 (3)
Dublin Airport - Terminal 2	x	x	9825001	By October 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3)
City Quay Shopping Centre, Waterford	x	-	9826001	By December 2011 (2)
McDonagh Junction Shopping Centre, Kilkenny	x	x	9827001	By April 2012 (2) By January 2013 (3)
Arthur's Quay Shopping Centre, Limerick	x	-	9828001	By July 2012 (2)
Fairgreen Shopping Centre, Carlow (no postbox)	x	x	9829001	By November 2011 (2) By December 2012 (3)
Midleton Shopping Centre, Co. Cork (Supervalu)	x	x	9830001	By January 2012 (2) By February 2013 (3)
Eastpoint Business Park, Dublin 3 (Munchies Café)	x	-	9831001	By December 2011 (2)
Bridgewater Shopping Centre, Arklow, Co. Wicklow	x	x	9832001	By November 2011 (2) By January 2013 (3)
Manor West Retail Park, Tralee, Co. Kerry	x	-	9833001	By March 2012 (2)
Swords PO, Pavilion Shopping Centre, Co. Dublin	x	x	9834001	By November 2011 (2) By November 2012 (3) Note 5

Note 1 The machine was removed week commencing 7 January 2013. New location not yet known.

Note 2 The machine at UCC only issued stamps as singles, not strips since at least April 2010. However, when obtaining the Animals and Marine Life (Series 3) stamps in November 2012, the machine had reverted to strips.

Note 3 The machine located at the Ebay HQ is for staff use only and is not accessible to the general public.

Note 4 The machine was removed during October 2012. New location not yet confirmed.

Note 5 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).

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS



July - An Post Advertising Card: During the month of July, An Post distributed a promotional card nationwide advertising the sale of "Commission Free" sterling and Dollar foreign currency at larger post offices. The cards, which gave the address of the nearest local office(s) offering this service, included a preprinted illustration of a 55c Hermit Crab booklet stamp (copying the US printing with irregular corner perforations and 2010 date imprint).



12 October - The Fitzpatrick-Thomas Letter of 1840: The earliest certain and unambiguous usage of the Penny Black in Ireland is on a letter posted in Dublin on 8 May 1840. This letter and the fascinating story behind it is the subject of a new booklet by Stephen Ferguson of An Post which was launched at Stampa 2012. The booklet, through the generous assistance of the owner of the letter, Dieter Michelson of Köhler-Auctions, contains an excellent facsimile of the original and is on sale at €8.50.



December - Santa Christmas Envelope: The basic envelope design remained the same as in 2011 and 2010 but the printed postmark and insert were altered.

December - An Post Christmas Card: The 2012 card had no philatelic connection.



11 May - Vatican City - The Eucharistic Congress: The Vatican City Post Office produced a pair of stamps to mark the holding of the Congress in Dublin. The 75c stamp features a Celtic cross at the Rock of Cashel and the €1 features the Ardagh Chalice.

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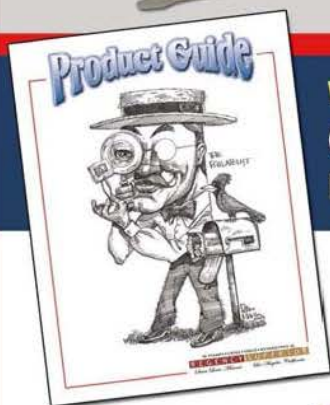
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