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## FOR THE RECORD – MARCH ISSUE

The section in new issues (March 1997 *TEE TIME*) labeled "For the Record" was provided by the editor, not Mr. Garcia. It is an attempt on my part to provide the best information available concerning new golf items on the market today. It is in no way meant to persuade collectors as to what they should or should not collect—that is a personal decision each member collector or dealer

has to make on his or her own. However, as an organization, I feel we owe it to the membership to let them know what is being published about some of these items.

A recent article in *The Philatelic Explorer* told of a ban on non-UPU issues at the Hong Kong '97 exhibition last February. According to the article the ban was aimed at some of the new Russian Federation republics such as Abkhazia, Batum, Dagestan, Komi, Touva, etc. It went on to say that some of these items may eventually achieve catalogue listings, however for the time being they remain in cinderella status. Of course, this antagonized the cinderella dealers.

On a recent trip to New York City, I visited the United Nations building. While there, I obtained a listing of the current countries which are a part of the UN. While the number of UN countries increased by 15 as a result of the breakup of the USSR, not one of these "stamp-issuing republics" was among the 15 new countries. That does make one wonder about the postal validity of these issues and that was the reason for using the term, "For the Record", in the March issue.

As time passes, we will keep you informed of further developments in this regard. Regardless, you have a right to collect whatever you like.

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## ILLNESS OF FORMER EDITOR

Stuart R. Mackenzie, whom most of you remember as the editor of *TEE TIME* for the first nine years, suffered a heart attack in February. I recently received a letter from him. He said he has not been feeling too well and is awaiting word as to what the doctors plan to do. In the meantime, we wish him well and hope he will have a speedy recovery. Keep up your spirits, Stuart, so you can get back on the golf course before summer is over.



## CANCELLATION CORNER

We were very pleased to have the participation of several members for this column. The following two US cancellations were provided by Bill (William K.) Graham. Stuart R. Mackenzie provided the British Open cancellation and Markku Helismaa the Finnish cancellation.

### Van Courtland Park Golf Course US first Public Golf Course by Bill Graham

The cancellation to the right, figure 1, was made available on December 8, 1996 to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the first public golf course in the United States. The Van Courtland golf course was originally designed by T. McLure Peters and is located in the Bronx, New York.



figure 1

A young golfer, Thomas M. Bedelow, from Aberdeen Scotland, moved to the United States in 1885 and was hired by the Platt family, who's patriarch was a co-founder of Standard Oil. In addition to Bedelows duties as a golf instructor he designed a short golf course on the Platt estate on Long Island which was to become the first of four hundred layouts in his career. His nine hole addition to the Van Courtland golf course whilst manager of this facility was later redesigned by William F. Mitchell in 1947. Bedelows reputation after his death was based on the method by which he was supposed to have designed his course by "laying out 18 stakes on a Sunday afternoon". He never did in fact work or play golf on a Sunday and was a religious gentleman never known to drink liquor, swear or tell off-color jokes. His only weakness was his love of smoking huge cigars--but, never on a Sunday.

### Memorial Golf Tournament May 22 - June 2, 1996

This cancellation was reported in the September 1996 edition of *TEE TIME*, page 7, however no illustration was available and we assumed it was the same design that had been used for several years. Now we have the correct information.

The Memorial Golf Tournament, a PGA tour event held annually in Dublin, Ohio made a cancellation available as it has for many years. The design of the cancellation, however, was changed. The new one is shown, figure 2.



figure 2



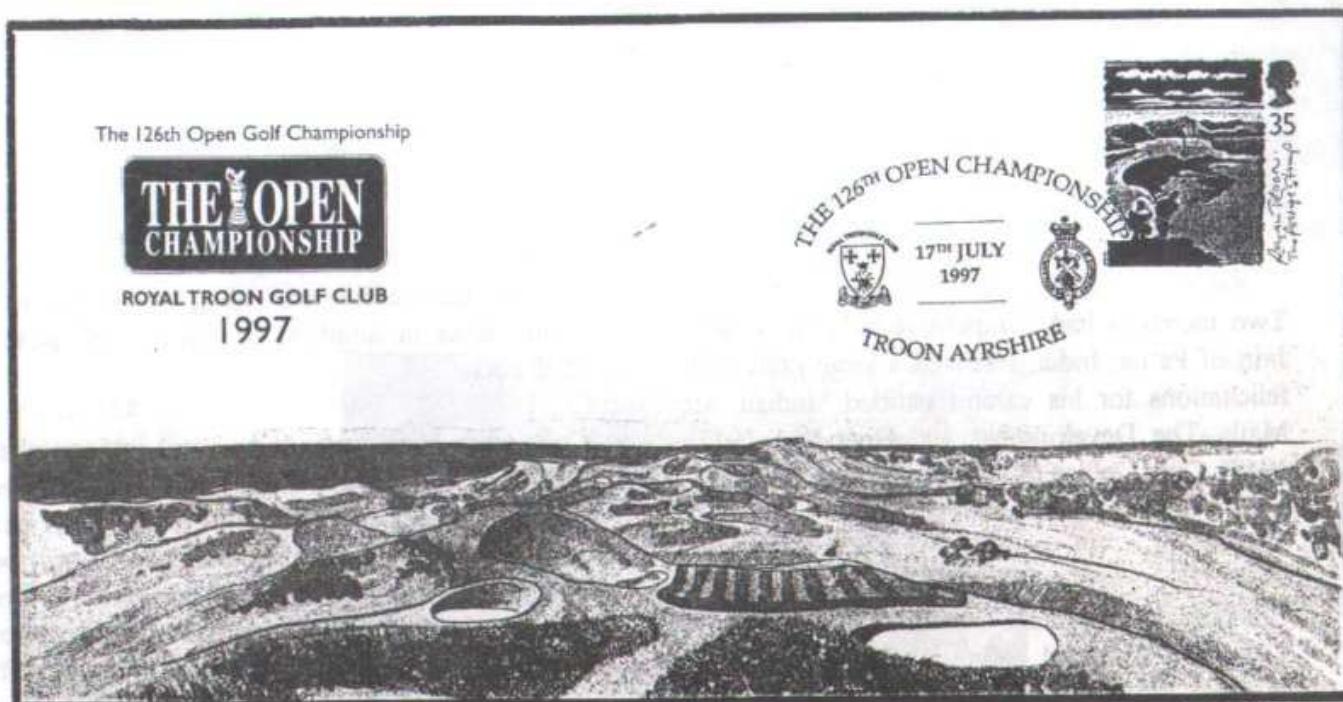
## BRITISH OPEN

by Stuart R. Mackenzie

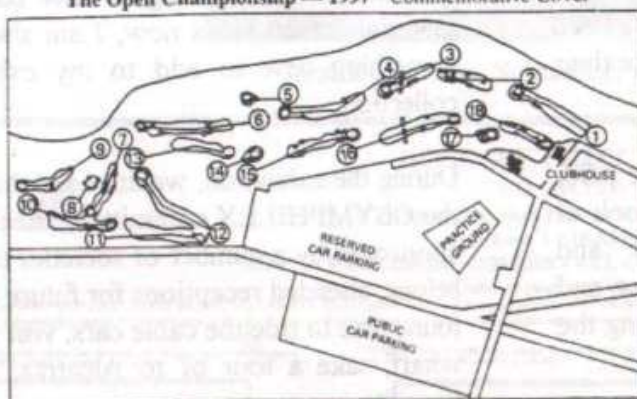
The 126th Open Golf Championship will be held at the Royal Troon Golf Club on the Ayrshire coast. Founded in 1878, Troon has been the venue for the Open six times. Once again a special commemorative cover and handcancel have been commissioned for the Open. It depicts a panoramic scene of the Eighth Hole, known as the Postage Stamp. This is the shortest hole of all the

Open Championship courses, and the most infamous. It has ruined many a good score, one competitor taking 13 strokes to complete the hole, while in the 1973 Open Gene Sarazen, age 71, made a hole-in-one. (He won the Open in 1932.)

Covers, figure 3 below, will be available at the Open during Championship week. The Mobile Post Office will also be in attendance to sell stamps and post the special cover.



The Open Championship — 1997 Commemorative Cover



**THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY.** Instituted by Prestwick Golf Club in 1860 and played over Prestwick until 1870. In 1872 a new trophy in the shape of the present cup was subscribed for by the Prestwick Club, the Royal and Ancient Golf Club and the Honourable Company, and the Championship was played in successive years over the links of these clubs until 1893. In 1893 the links of Royal Liverpool and Royal St. George's were added to the rota. In 1909 Deal was the venue; in 1923 Troon; in 1926 Royal Lytham and St. Anne; in 1931 Carnoustie; in 1951 Portrush, and in 1954 the Championship was held at Royal Birkdale, each for the first time. The Ailsa Course at Turnberry was host of the Championship in 1977 for the first time. Since 1919 the Championship has been organised by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

### TROON AYRSHIRE

*TROON, one of the premier holiday resorts on the west coast and a mecca for golfers with its five 18-hole golf courses situated in the town, including three Municipal and two Private, one being the Portland and the other the Open Championship Course, Royal Troon.*

*As a holiday resort, Troon has two miles of sands and is an ideal touring centre for the Burns country and the many attractions of the surrounding district.*

figure 3





## PACIFIC '97 REPORT

Cora B. Collins

IPGS was well represented at PACIFIC '97, held at the Moscone Center, San Francisco, California, May 29-June 8, 1997.

Two members of IPGS served on the international jury including Honorary President, D. N. Jatia of Calcutta, India and Mary Ann Owens of Brooklyn, New York. Another member held a dealer booth, Ross Candlish of Worcester, England.

Two members had competitive exhibits: Pradip Jain of Patna, India, received a large gold with felicitations for his exhibit entitled "Indian Air Mails--The Development and Operation 1911-1942"; Cora Collins of Norfolk, Virginia received a large vermeil for her exhibit entitled "The Sport of Golf".

Others in attendance included J. Michael Berry of Tadworth, England; Yutaka Matsubayashi of Warabi, Japan; Markku Helismaa of Helsinki, Finland; John Ryan of Walnut Creek, California; Gary Schwieger of Eugene, Oregon; and Millard Mack of Cincinnati, Ohio. Others may have been in attendance but unfortunately did not make their presence known.

International exhibitions of this magnitude offer many opportunities for the collector to look at competitive exhibits, attend meetings and seminars, visit dealer booths, postal agencies, and a variety of other activities which occur during the event.

My husband and I worked with the PACIFIC '97 committee as assistants to the volunteer coordinator. This placed us at the information booth in the north lobby some portion of most

days. In that location we had the opportunity to see many fellow philatelists as they registered. We were also in a location where individuals wishing to speak with us could easily find us.

For the golf philatelist, the Isle of Mann, the Swedish and the Jamaican postal administrations had their golf issue available. The Canadian postal agency was selling coasters and a paper weight made with the 5 Canadian golf stamps. More and more postal agencies are selling various items of memorabilia in addition to stamps and postal stationery.

One Scandinavian dealer had several golf cancellations available. There are a few which we have not illustrated in *TEE TIME*. Perhaps I can find one of our Scandinavian members who will be willing to do some research on these for a future article. I also found a German and a French dealer who had material which I could use in my exhibit. What a great place to shop!! It seems like to be almost impossible not to find something for most collections. Even though I have collected golf material for 20 years now, I am always finding something new to add to my exhibit or my collection.

During the exhibition, we attended the reunion of the OLYMPHILEX committee, attended dinners sponsored by a number of societies to which we belong, attended receptions for future exhibitions, found time to ride the cable cars, visit fisherman's wharf, take a tour of to Alcatraz, and visited Sausalito.

The weather was warm for San Francisco but the humidity was low. The combination proved most pleasant and made for a great vacation.





Markku Helismaa



Cora Collins and Millard Mack



John Ryan, Gary Schwieger and Cora Collins



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## 20th European Ladies Team Championship by Markku Helismaa

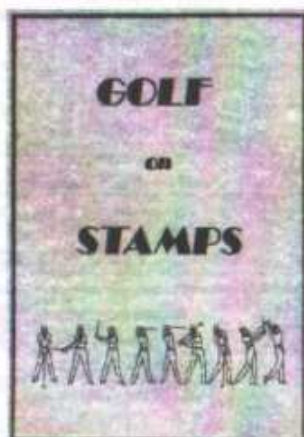


figure 4

The cancellation to the right, figure 4, will be used on the picture post card below, figure 5, during the Ladies 20th European Team Championship. This competition is being played at the Nordcenter Golf and Country Club, Aminnefors, Finland, July 9-13, 1997.



figure 5



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"Golf on Man" consists of four stamps:

21p stamp--14th Hole at Ramsey, figure 6. The Ramsey venue has celebrated 100 plus years of existence and is officially the oldest course on the Island being opened on September 23, 1891.



figure 6

25p stamp--15th Tee King Edward Bay, figure 7. Stamp design shows the drive you require to negotiate the par 4, 15th Hole, aims to the right, as the natural contours to the left will show no mercy to anything in that direction. This venue also has a 100 year history.



figure 7

43p stamp--17th Hole Rowany, figure 8. A straightforward par 4, Rowany is an ideal holiday course offering the player pleasant playing conditions and the best views on the south of the Island. This venue has also celebrated 100 years of existence.



figure 8

50p stamp--8th Hole Castletown, figure 9. The 8th or Road Hole at Castletown is an intimidating test of nerve from start to finish. Castletown Golf Links has celebrated its Centenary of existence and is now run as a course and hotel complex.



figure 9

L1.30 mini sheet--Ryder Cup, figure 10. Valderrama in Spain was the first venue outside the British Isles to host the Ryder Cup. The 1997 teams under the captaincy of Seve Ballesteros for Great Britain and Europe, along with Tom Kite for America, will create a bit more history to what is now one of the great sporting events of the world.

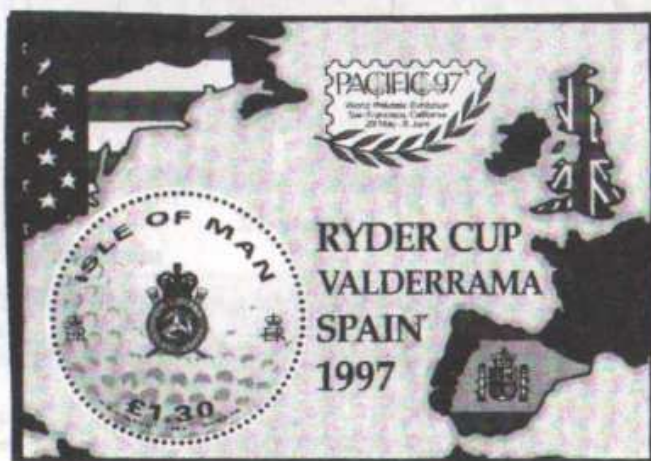


figure 10

A golf booklet entitled "Golf on Man" consists of three each the 21p and 25p stamps, two each the 43p and 50p, and the L1.30 mini sheet, figure 11. In addition first day covers, figure 12, and presentation packs, figure 13, are available for the stamps and the mini sheets.

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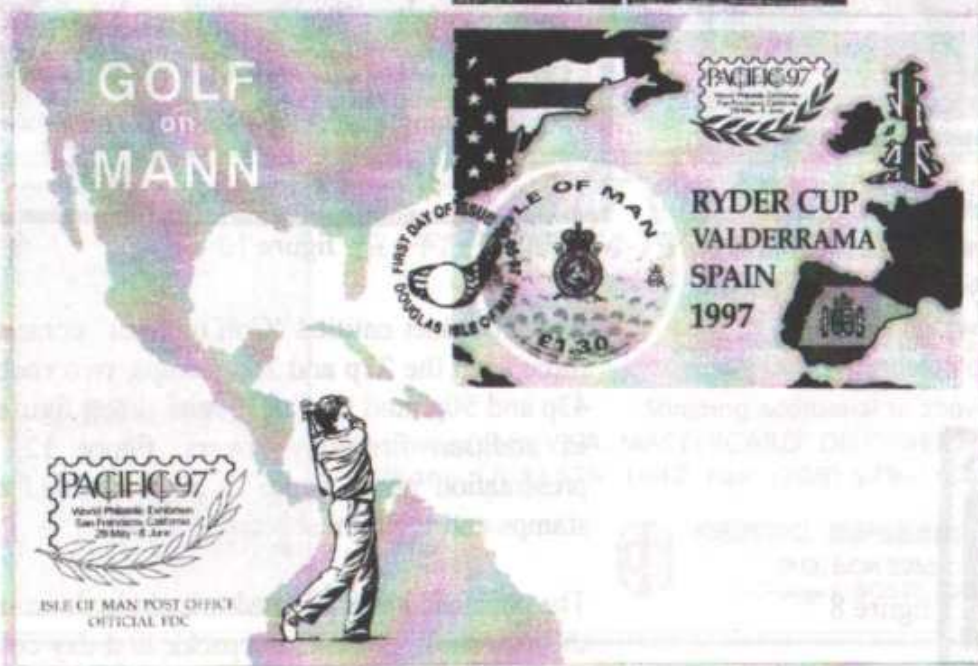
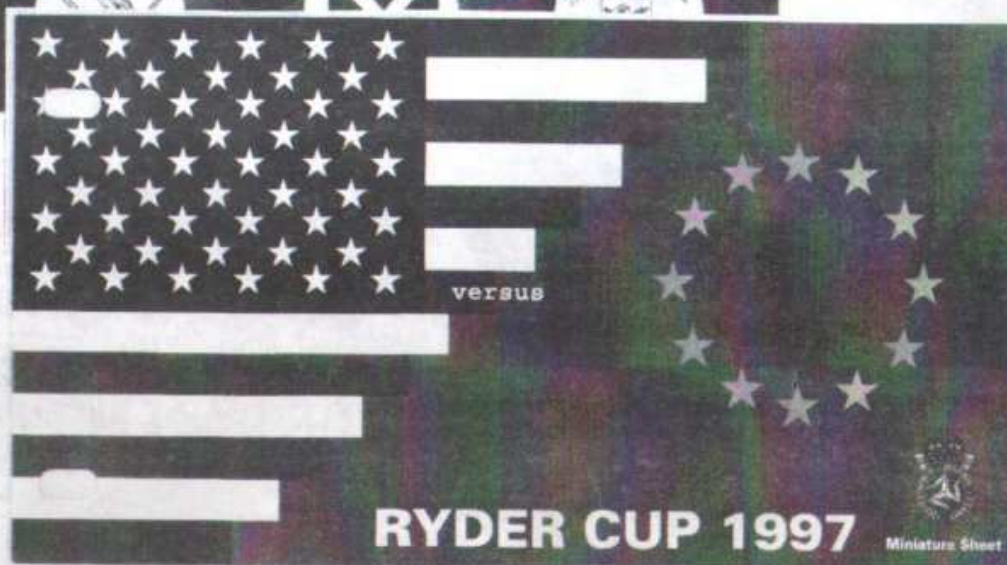






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