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New Member

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Front Postcard

The "Bonzo" Series postcard is another in the series. This one was supplied by Mats Wernheden of Sweden. This card is signed by G. L. Studdy with the numeral 26 underneath. We are assuming this was the year he drew this particular design.

"Every Dog Has His Day!". It has a red background and is quite colorful. Bag of clubs on his back and monocle, he appears ready to travel. The luggage tag reads "Bonzo the". Can't quite decipher the other two words.

Mats sent colored copies of four he has—one of which has a Hungarian caption. If you have any to add, please send along a color copy and let us know if it has gone through the mail and date of usage. Or, if anyone can provide information about this series of cards, we would be most happy to hear from you. Let's see if we can document the series!

EMAIL ADDRESS LIST

Michael Sander of Indianapolis, Indiana has volunteered to maintain a roster of email addresses for the IPGS. This roster will be circulated only to the members which submit their email addresses to Mike. It will not be given out to auction houses, dealers, etc.

Each member of IPGS will need to send their email address to Mike if they wish to be included. Periodically the list will be circulated to those on the list and then only additions and corrections will be sent as information becomes available.

If you wish to participate in this, please send your email address to: mikebeckysander@earthlink.net

Mike sent out a message to those currently on the list and many individuals commented on ideas they would like to see circulated among the membership, i.e., new stamp issues, where to buy the new issues, etc. If you are interested in receiving this kind of information, please let Mike know so you can be added to the list.

This is a repeat from the last issue, however, if you want to participate and have not sent your email address to Mike, you need to do so.

IPGS AUCTION

As per a letter recently sent to all members of IPGS, our auction manager, Eiron Morgan, passed away in July. Eiron had served as auction manager since September 1992 and did an excellent job. I never received a single complaint.

If the members want an auction, someone will have to volunteer to be Auction Manager. Some have suggested that it be sent out by

email. We could also have online bidding with a followup in writing. We might want to consider keeping the auction to two pages in each issue of *TEE TIME*. However we decide to do it, the auction has to be available to all members.

Personally, I would like to see two pages in each issue of *TEE TIME* which is sent out to all members. Then bidding can be both by email and by mail. If the individual who accepts the Manager position is interested, a PayPal account can be established to facilitate payment. This makes the exchange of currency much easier for all concerned. There is probably a way to make payments out of the account as well. That would really facilitate the payments for owners as well as bidders.

The auction often grossed \$1500-\$1900. It provided members an opportunity to sell off their excess material as well as an opportunity to buy missing items for their collections. It is my hope that it will continue as I believe it benefits everyone who participates. The advantage of being Auction Manager is that you get to see the material firsthand and you receive the bids. Hopefully that individual will be able to increase their collection over time.

The listing of auction lots can be emailed directly to me a week before the journal goes to press. I can then bring it into the text and send it on to the printer.

Anyone willing to be Auction Manager should contact me. We will need to come up with a plan to incorporate both email and printed copy. Hopefully someone who has benefitted from the auction over the years will be willing to do the necessary work to make it happen again.

ADDENDUM TO: An 1836 Entire

by Hamish Anderson

The original article was written by Eiron Morgan and appeared in the June 2007 issue of TEE TIME, page 5. Hamish Anderson sent this letter which he had composed to Eiron about the information contained in the article.

First of all I should explain that quite apart from golf I collect the postal history of St. Andrews (my home town) and district. As you will appreciate in accumulating material one picks up oddments. Thus it is over the years I have accumulated a sprinkling of covers and entires sent to the Berry family of Tayfield. As was common practice (or arrogance) at the time to use a minimal address we find Tayfield is simply described as being in 'Fife', 'by Dundee', or nothing in the case of a local letter. Not until 1839 do I find the town address of Newport used. Tayfield was in Newport, a small town on the River Tay, opposite Dundee and 9 miles north of St. Andrews.

The William referred to in the article was indeed a lawyer and more: he was a Writer to the Signet based in Edinburgh. My guess is that following the fashion of the glitterati of Edinburgh at this time he joined the St. Andrews Society almost as a social member as his home was conveniently near. I have one cover addressed to him in Edinburgh (from Cupar) August 10, 1818 referring to a proposed Parliamentary Bill relating to improvements in the Dundee ferries.

He was a keen member of the Masonic Order

and some correspondence to him in 1823 from the Fife Militia Lodge refers to him as the Provincial Secretary. By 1839 (at the age of 65) he is conducting correspondence with a Dundee merchant about Port Wine—much more important!!

Tayport lies about 3 miles east of Newport (and Tayfield) and is the home of Scotsraig Golf Club. This was founded in 1817 by a group of St. Andrews Society members dissatisfied with the lack of competitive golf available at St. Andrews. The list of early members shows no Berry which is unexpected as his home was only a stone's throw from the course.

On a more personal note there is a well laid out public park in Newport called 'Berry's Den' gifted by the family. I spent many a pleasant hour there almost 60 years ago with my wife-to-be, who at that time stayed in Newport.

Our thanks to Hamish for sharing this additional information with us about the Berry family and Tayfield. This is the part of postal history which becomes so fascinating—learning more about the people and the area in which they lived.

Doing postal history on one's home town, especially when one grew up in area such as St. Andrews, has to be full of interesting stories over the years.

The time and energy expended in learning more about the contents of the 1836 entire and the information provided above has to be the result of many hours of research. Hopefully other members will be able to share similar pieces of postal history.

Eiron Morgan

In way of tribute to Eiron, I would like to dedicate this issue of the journal to him. Many of you never had the chance to meet him, however I know if you had you would have liked him immensely. Eiron was not only active in IPGS, he was also active in the British Golf Collectors Society.

As a golfer, Eiron played both traditional golf and he played with a group that dressed in the traditional garb of the early 1900s i.e., knickers, etc. Furthermore, they played with hickory clubs. How many of you have played golf with a similar group?

Eiron was an avid correspondent with a number of individuals from our society. I have had letters from several individuals that just could not believe the news of his death. Some had heard from him as late as May which must have been shortly before he went into the hospital. I don't really know the details surrounding his illness but I understand that he had been hospitalized in mid-May. From what a couple have written, he had problems with the pancreas and gall bladder. They indicated he was far to ill to withstand the needed operation. I am told he passed away on July 14.

As you know from your June issue, Eiron had gotten the mail auction together and to the printer for the June issue fully expecting to be able to handle the bids, etc at the end of August. Unfortunately that did not work out. Out of curiosity, I went through our old journals to determine when Eiron started as auction manager. His first mail auction was published in the June 1992 issue of *TEE TIME*. He served in that capacity as a volunteer for a full 15 years. The auction generally had about 250 lots twice annually. I know over the years I both bought and sold through the society auction.

We have found someone to pick up the material from Wales and after he has time to get it sorted, it will be mailed back to the owners. At this time I will not give out the name of the individual working the material as he has not had a chance to work through the material. If you had material in the auction, please be patient and we will settle your account as quickly as possible.

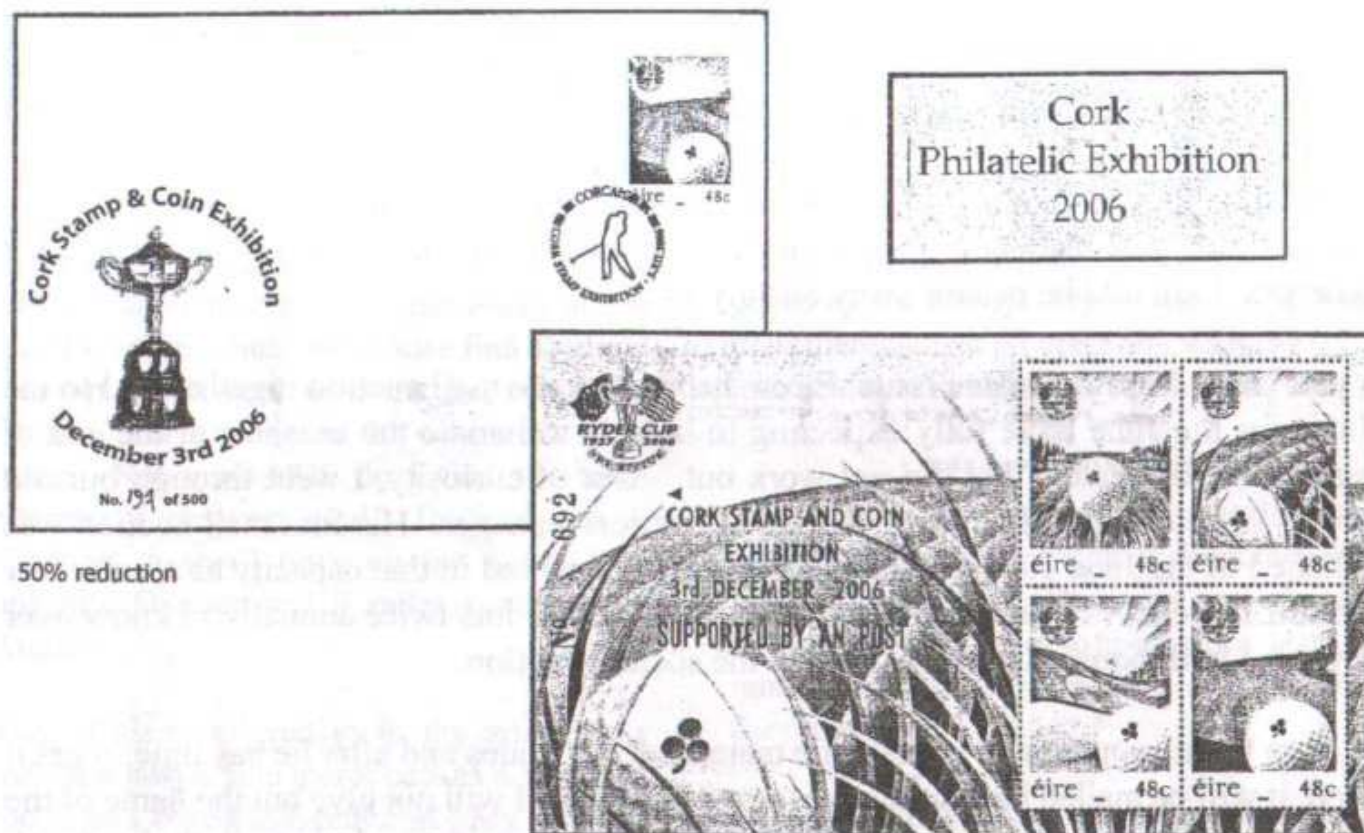
If any of you have special memories of Eiron, please pass them along and we can publish them in a future issue. I know I had a photograph of him in his knickers but can't find it when I need it. If anyone else has a photograph which we could reproduce, please pass it along as well. Eiron will be truly missed. He was a golfer, a philatelist and gentlemen and he served IPGS for 15 years.

2006 Cork Stamp and Coin Exhibition

by Stuart R. Mackenzie

For the second time the Cork Stamp and Coin Exhibition has used a golf issue for their one day exhibition. The previous golf issue was used in 1991 when the issue for the Walker cup and Centenary of the Irish Golf Union were used. (The December 1993 issue of *TEE TIME*, page 315, shows a picture of the cover and booklet).

This year the recent Ryder Cup souvenir sheet was used with an overprint supported by AN Post. 1000 of the sheets were overprinted (500 used on cover), a special cover (500) and a booklet (250). The booklet was sold out within the hour owing to an error in production.



Editorial Comment

These issues both the 1991 and 2006 are certainly collectible. The booklets are made up locally. Apparently this souvenir sheet was either overprinted by AN Post or they allowed the organization to overprint it. These are always interesting because different postal administrations have different rules regarding overprints. In Australia, we found the exhibitions overprinted souvenir sheets which they in turn sold for a hefty profit. I don't believe a private organization would be allowed to overprint a US postal issue. A second overprint is shown on the next page. It almost looks like a different souvenir sheet. Maybe it is because the first one is a 50% reduction.

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Editor's Comment

Unlike the first overprint, there is no indication whether or not these are supported by AN Post. It appears that three of the items are overprinted directly on souvenir sheets. There may be many more while this issue lasts!

BRITISH OPEN COVERS

by Stuart R. MacKenzie

Apparently the Royal and Ancient decided not to pursue special cancels for the British Open this year and at the very last minute cancelled the printing of the usual covers. They have allowed Stuart to take over production of covers and use of the official logo. The cancellation was sponsored and designed by Stuart. Eleven members of IPGS and the British Golf Collectors Society and the Alba group contributed the required £230.

Special cancels have been guaranteed for the next three Open Championships to be held at Birkdale, Turnberry and the Royal and Ancient at St. Andrews.

Due to the last minute decisions regarding the British Open Covers, this year's design was actually printed on card stock rather than an envelope. This one has a cancel from the last day of the competition. Stuart did not say if there were cancellations for more than one day. If interested in the 2007 British Open card, please contact Stuart MacKenzie at: 'Caberfeidh', Riverside, Poolewe, Ross-shire IV22 2LA SCOTLAND. He will be glad to advise you of both availability of dates and price of the card.



GOLF SWINGS – NOW AND THEN!

By Charles A. Fricke

The recent news release about two special 0.75 Euro “lenticular” postage stamps for the 2006 Ryder Cup Matches issued by Ireland with designs that enable the viewer to a virtual golfing image of a drive off a a tee and escape from a sand trap sound fantastic.

These spectacular stamps will no doubt land in the topical collection of all those who consider golfing to be their collectible.

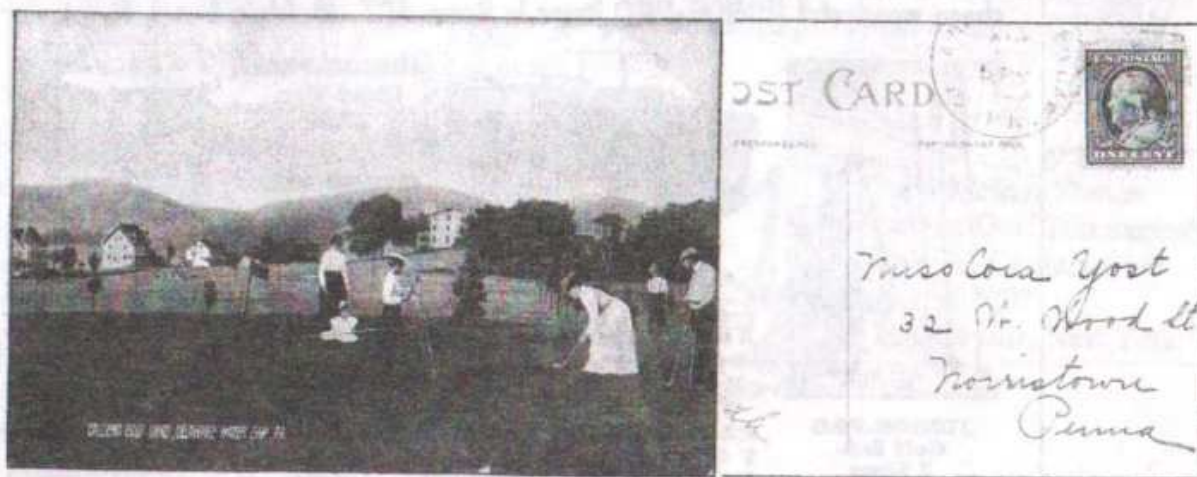
But suppose by looking back in time and envision what a golf swing would like like in the early 1900s.

For example, a picture postcard that shows a young lady about to take a gentle swing at a golf ball.

The scene entitled CALDENO GOLF LINKS, DELAWARE WATER GAP, PA conveying what appears to be a family outing at the golf links on a summer day. The young lady's apparel differs considerably from that worn by the lady golfers of today. Notice the title used the term “Golf Links” and not “Golf Course”.

The postcard was mailed with a 1¢ stamp (Scott 331) and is postmarked Delaware Water Gap, PA, Aug. 23, 1909 and addressed to Miss Cora Yost, 32 Wood St., Norristown, Penna.

All things considered wouldn't the picture postcard from 1909 of the young lady golfer in a stance to hit the golf ball be a fantastic and correlated philatelic item to the special Ryder Cup stamps issued by Ireland. It would seem so!



U. S. ADVERTISING POSTAL CARDS

by Mats Wernheden

Many examples of the postal cards featuring advertising from various manufacturers, stores, etc. can be found in dealers' boxes at stamp shows. This particular card features toys by Junior-Pro Products Co. of St. Louis. It shows the Junior-Pro Golf Sets which come in three sizes and it has a Junior-Pro Indoor Golf Game.

The card is advertising a Toy Fair which will take place in New York City, May 10-22, 1947.

I found the cancellation to be of interest since it was advertising the Centenary of US Stamps, 1847 to 1947. The slogan advertises the International Philatelic Exhibition to be held in New York City May 17-25. The card was cancelled in St. Louis, has a slogan for the New York Philatelic Exhibition and was sent to Stockholm, Sweden underpaid by 2¢ according to the rate charts for international postal cards. Mats found it at a show in Sweden.



MANY THANKS

We want to thank all of you who have participated in this issue. Mats Wernheden supplied the front postcard as well as the US postal card. Hamish Anderson furnished us additional information related to Eiron's article in the last issue. Stuart provided the information on the British Open Cover as well as two overprints for the Ireland Ryder Cup issue.

John Travers continues to update our stamp catalog with new Scott numbers as they are published. If anyone can add the Stanley Gibbons numbers, please do so.

Charles Fricke is a long time member of the United Postal Stationery Society and wrote several books/pamphlets for them years ago. I am not certain of his collecting interests now.

It is time to decide whether or not we want the auction to continue. It can take an entirely different form if so desired but someone has to come forward and indicate an interest in managing it.

We can also use someone who will keep us up to date on current golf cancellations. I occasionally get information from different sources, however we need someone who will watch for them and keep us up to date on a continuing basis. I will add the Melissa Station cancel which was provided by both John LaPorta and Bill Graham.

Also, a new editor would be very desirable. I am getting rather tired after 11 years and I think someone else might give a fresh

perspective to the journal.. I took over as editor in September 1996 and eleven years have now passed. I don't want to just drop it until an interested party is found. However, I can really use some help on articles.

IPGS has existed now for 20 years. Our first issue was August 1, 1987 and Stuart MacKenzie was the editor. He and I met in Chicago at the 1986 International Exhibition. After corresponding for a year, we started the society not knowing if it would survive or not.

The number of stamp issues since 1986 has literally multiplied many times over. When I first started collecting, we identified 23 issues in the Scott Catalogues by reading the fine print. Now there are several hundred stamp issues as well as hundreds of postal stationery and other philatelic issues.

CANCEL CORNER

by Bill Graham and John LaPorta

June 9, 2007. Par 4 Melissa Station, Charity Golf Tournament, P O Box 9998, Tannersville, NY 12485-9998. The golf station includes a golf ball, a large golf club, a tiny sun, "Charity Golf Tournament/Colonial Country Club".



Par 4 Melissa Station
Charity Golf Tournament
Colonial Country Club
June 9, 2007
Tannersville, New York 12485

In the June issue of *TEE TIME* the address for George Saqqal was published wrong. The two digits were transposed. This in regard to the article "Preserving Stamps and Covers" on page 4 of the June 2007 issue. If anyone wishes to order the guide Mr. Saqqal's correct address is: 9728 Third Avenue, Ste 556, Brooklyn, NY 11209 USA. Sorry if this has inconvenienced anyone.

ADVERTISING POST CARD FOR NORTH BRITISH RUBBER CO.

By Jim Gray

The address side of the postcard advertises both the Edinburgh Golf Ball and the Vega Golf Ball—both made by the British Rubber Co. The reverse side of the card acknowledges an order. It was posted on Dec. 19, 1902.

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Telegraphic Address: "VEGA."

Telephone No. 209.

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