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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues were outstanding for 36% of our membership at the time this went to press. If you had not paid at the time the address labels were prepared, a pink dot was placed on your label. This will be the last issue of TEE TIME that you receive unless we hear from you by October 15 when labels are run for the next issue.

Make checks payable to I.P.G.S. amd mail to Cora Collins. I do want to thank those of you who did make your checks payable to the society. This is a time saver for me and keeps the bank happy.

Those who prefer to pay their dues in British sterling should remit the seven pounds to Stuart MacKenzie directly.

PAST ISSUES OF TEE TIME

Past issues of TEE TIME, numbers 1 through 26, are available from Cora Collins or Stuart MacKenzie. The price per issue is \$2.50 U.S. or 1.5 pounds sterling. Postage is included. Quantities are limited.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The membership directory was published as of June 30, 1994 and has been distributed to all members who have paid their dues for the period July 1, 1994 through June 30, 1995. Members receive both the directory and their membership card as a receipt for their dues in the same mailing. Therefore, if you have not received the directory, you may want to submit your dues and the directory will be sent to you by return mail.

BELL'S SCOTTISH OPEN, GLENEAGLES

A special boxed cachet was in use at the Bell's Scottish Open (July 6th -9th) Mail posted at the Post Office received the cachet (in black)



THE GOLF, IL. PRECANCEL

by Dr EIRON MORGAN

GOLF, IL. cancels have already been discussed and illustrated by Stuart MacKenzie in TEE TIME (3, PP. 27-20; 9, P. 98). The purpose of this brief article is to bring to the attention of members some details concerning the GOLF, IL. precancel.

GOLF, IL. has only used two precancel devices. One of these was a locally obtained handstamp which gave the impression shown on the upper stamp in the illustration. The other precancel is Universal Style 701 produced by a 25 subject hand electro device and is represented on the four lower stamps in the illustration.

Precancel collectors acknowledge a precancelled stamp as a cancelled stamp. Such attempts are collected less than the gum with which they were issued. To expect a precancelled stamp to have its original gum is seldom achievable if the stamp has been used for its intended purpose.

Acknowledgement: the help and advice of Arnold H. Selengut (President Precancel Stamp Society, Inc.) has been appreciated and is readily acknowledged.







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JAPANESE SPECIMEN-OVERPRINTED POSTAL ISSUES (Stamps and Cards)

An inquiry was recently made regarding "mihon" or specimen overprints on Japanese Echo cards. The specimen cards and stamps are displayed in Japanese post offices so that an individual might see what is available before going to the window to make a purchase. Schools also receive the specimen stamps and cards as a form of publicity. In addition, specimens are sold to individuals or collectors through an assosciation in Tokyo.

While the exact quantity of specimen overprinted echo cards is not known, it is most likely several thousand based on the fact that 68,000 to 70,000 are overprinted for most stamp issues. In contrast, 18,000 to 20,000 New Year lottery sheets are overprinted with the mihon characters. Consequently, one could not describe the specimen echo cards as rare, but one would expect to pay a few more dollars than one would pay for the regular mint cards.

TEE TIME, No. 6, December 1988, shows what the "mihon" overprints look like and discusses their usage.

RECENT CACHETS

A boxed cachet was used during Open week on covers posted at the Mobile Post Office (struck in black)

Three First Day of Use cachets were used by Bradbury on their covers - blue, red and green.







by DICK SCHULENBURG



By air mail Par avion Championship The 112th Open Championship 17th July 1983 SOUTHPORT, MERSEYSIDE ROYA 924 Park Street Aveadua Pretona 0083 South Africa Ropublic Arnold Palmer Johnny Mille

The 112th Open Championship 1983 was played over the Royal Birkdale Links and an Official cover was produced. I have illustrated this cover showing the previous four Open Champions who have won there -Peter Thomson (first win of his hatrick, and again in 1965), Arnold Palmer, Lee Travino, Johnny Miller and the new Champion Tom Watson, all having signed the cover. I was most pleased to get this cover from a friend in America, who is Arnold Palmer's personal dentist.

To date the Open Championship was been played seven times over Royal Birkdale, the last winner being Ian Baker-Finch in 1991.



HANDSTAMPS FOR THE NEW U.K. GOLF ISSUE

By Stuart R MacKenzie

July was certainly a busy month in the "Golf" calendar - a new issue of five golf stamps on the 5th, with all the spin-offs connected with such an issue. As well as stamps, Royal Mail produced a Presentation Pack, some of the illustrations used were given by Sarah Fabian-Baddiel who is one of our members. Five Maxim cards each depicting a stamp and two Official Royal Mail covers were also available.

Altogether sixteen special handstamps were produced and all of these are illustrated on the opposite page (Nos. 2-16, 18)

Nos. 2 and 3 were sponsored by Royal Mail, Philatelic Bureau, Edinburgh and No. 4 by Royal Mail, London North Special Handstamp Centre.

Nos. 5-8 were sponsored by Adrian Bradbury, Leicester. I was pleased to give him permission to design a handstamp for TEE TIME to be used on one of his special limited edition covers - "The TEE TIME Official" cover. This handstamp was used again on July 26 (No. 21) on the Northern Ireland Prestige Booklet, one of the inter-panes depicting a "Golf Ball".

Nos. 9-14, 18 were sponsored by Benham, Folkstone for use on their Silk series specialized covers, all illustrated in the previous issue of TEE TIME. Please note that the handstamp for "Golf Monthly" was withdrawn at the last moment and replaced by "The Mail on Sunday" handstamp.

No. 15 was sponsored by Covercraft, London for use on their special illustrated cover with permission from Royal Troon Golf Club.

No. 16 was sponsored by the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, Muirfield, who's 250th Anniversary was the reason for the Golf issue.

Note: covers are not for sale to the general public.

As well as the above special handstamps, the week before, the Dunblane Rotary Club sponsored a handstamp for the 10th Anniversary of the Rotary AM-AM and Dunblane New Golf Club.

Three Open Championship handstamps were produced for the Turnberry Open the following week. Nos. 17, 20 were sponsored by Rutherfords of Dundee and used, with permission, by the Royal and Ancient on their cover, (as illustrated in the previous issue). These proved so popular, that they have all sold out!

No. 19 was sponsored by Benham and used with their Open Champions cover on the first day, while a similar handstamp with the Winners name has been withdrawn, Benham's winners cover will now be cancelled with handstamp no. 20.

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THE HANDSTAMPS



LA PHILATÉLIE **AUX CHAMPIONNATS DU MONDE**

Georges Jeanneau.

DE GOLF AMATEURS



forward to hearing further about this event to be held on 29th September through 9th October this year.



MONDIAL 94 GOL

During the cancelling of the philatelic material, the Special Handstamp Centres at Glasgow and London North employed two types of canceller and are easily recognized - "Pad canceller" and "Special Rubber". They were cancelled as follows (with exception of both Open handstamps which are always the rubber type). All cancels were struck by the "Pad canceller", and Nos. 3-5, 7-12, 14, 16 and 18 are found cancelled with the "Special rubber "type.

Special Rubber self-inking rubber handstamps were first used in 1964 and have been the most common canceller used for handstamps. The rubber postmark face is fixed to a spring loaded mechanism in a frame (with handle) and placed over the envelope (having four points of contact). This allows an even contact and clear impression of the cancellation.

Pad canceller was a device in development trials during 1991 - 92 (London). It came into operational use about mid 1992 due to demand for better quality postmark impressions. They are much blacker and clearer than the Special Rubber handstamps and give a complete impression over the edge of the stamp.



FRENCH FLAMME CANCELATIONS 1984

HE STROKESAVER POSTCARDS

by STUART MacKENZIE

Most of the First Day Cover specialist firms have produced commemorative covers using the complete issue of new golf stamps. I thought it would be opportune to produce a set of Deluxe Postcards showing each hole that is depicted on the stamps. I approached an old golfing friend David Duckering, Managing Director of STROKESAVER, the No. 1 Worlds Golf Course Guide Publishers and he gave me permission to reproduce the holes in question. I have also used a selection of the special handstamps that have been produced and these are all illustrated below. A special Limited Edition of 175 sets have been produced and these are available from me at 'Cabarfeidh', Riverside, Poolewe, Rossshire IV22 2LA. Scotland. Price: £15.00 or \$22.00 per set (p&p included).

As Mr Adrian Bradbury sponsored the special TEE TIME handstamp, I have also produced a commemorative postcard for TEE TIME, as illustrated on the front cover. Again available from me at £3.00 or \$5.00 (Limited Edition of 275).



GOLF STAMP CATALOGUE



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> Beyond the Belfast area, in fact, the problems of traffic jams are virtually unknown and, where they do occur, they are more likely to be caused by a farmer moving cattle home for milking than by other vehicle users. a Sport plays a major role in many people's

ate widespread enthusiasm, not least because some of the local riders and drivers rank among the world's



leisure time, with the most popular pastimes including soccer, rugby, hockey, cycling, golf, sailing and athletics. Boxing is another popular attraction, with the province producing many notable champions down the years. Motor cycle road racing and motor rallying also gener-

 Teams from two of Northern Ireland's schools struggle for supremacy in a keenly contested game of rugby.
One facet of the irish fascination with horses – a bookie offening the 'odds' at a point-to-point race meeting in north County Down.
A ferry plies across Strangford Lough, County Down.
A stack of cut peat drying in north Antim.
This horse fair, held in Dromore. County Down, in late September each year, draws buyers from all over trefand.



leading exponents in these sports. So The same is true of Gaelic football, especially since teams from the province have shown in recent decades that they are a match for the traditional strongholds of the sport in the Irish Republic. Counties Antrim and Down have also developed significant provess in hurling, a fast, spectacular

game. S Those who prefer their leisure at a more sedate pace can enjoy activities such as fishing. Eudowed by nature with an abundance of rivers



