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Front Postcard

The postcard this month was provided by member, **Thomas Marlborough**. It is similar to the one which appeared on the front of the September 1999 issue of *Tee Time*, as well as the March 2006 issue.

The design is entitled: "102 for the First Nine".

It is an advertisement for an automobile service shop. There are many similarities with the card which appeared in 1999. Both cards had a one month calendar, both were prepunched for hanging. The artist is the same, Lawson Wood. Both cards are numbered, 26328 ('99) and 35166 ('06). Both cards are copyrighted by Brown & Bigelow, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Note the location of the '99 dealership was South Bend, Indiana and this one is in New Bedford, Massachusetts. The first one was used in 1939 and this one in 1936.

A copy of the message side follows.



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Sometimes it isn't a game—it's a disease. In business or golf, experience and skill are important. Our manufacturers have a background of experience and skill in making dependable parts. And we add our skill in serving the trade the way it wants to be served.

It would appear that Brown & Bigelow sold these designs to companies interested in advertising a variety of products.

Please let us know if anyone else comes up with similar cards.

MANY THANKS

It is always good to hear from members. Roger Weik from Australia wrote about some local private post stamps issued in both New Zealand and Austria. He is doing research to learn more about them. Apparently in New Zealand the local post or private stamps came about after deregulation of the postal service in New Zealand.

If they are valid for postage, is it only within the country or can they be used on overseas mail? This could lead to a real proliferation of golf stamps!!

We look forward to receiving his article. If anyone else is aware of these items, please write.

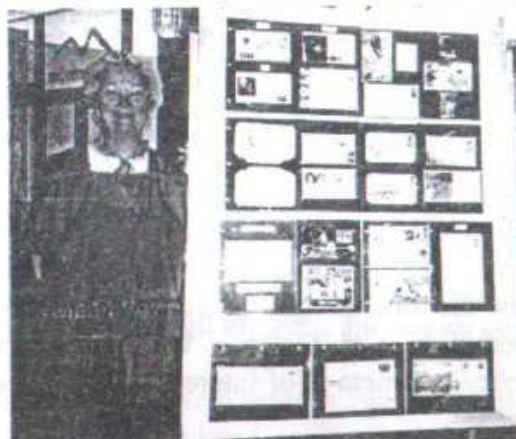
Jean-Pierre Picquot has sent copies of the upcoming French stamp and cancellations to be used both at the site and at a stamp show in Paris. This information is included on pages 6 and 7 of this issue.

Lois Nelson writes that she had been asked to put

in two frames of golf covers at the ARIPEX show last February. She reports that the display was very well received as everyone seemed to enjoy seeing the material.

Lois also wrote that there were two sets of three covers available at the show with the price being \$5.00 per set. See page 5 for more information on how to obtain the ARIPEX covers.

Lois also provided a picture of one of her frames.



Jim Gray has identified three more booklets which have references to golf. John Traver has provided Scott numbers and Vincent Kelly sent an update on the Irish issue for the Ryder Cup. Jim Dewar sent further information on the Luxembourg issues which feature golf pictograms in the selvage.

Thomas Marlborough has provided the front postcard along with other golf postcards which will be used at a later date.

Washington 2006

While we did not formally plan a meeting at Washington 2006, four of us did meet informally during the show. Ron Spiers of Ohio, Pat Loehr of Wisconsin, new member Lewis Kellert of Maryland and myself. We met at the ATA booth and spent some time talking about our collections and what we had or had not found at the show. The Ireland post office had the Ryder Cup issue available, both

the stamps and the booklet. The Canadian post office still had the stamps and first days available of the 2004 issue in the shape of golf balls.

Ron Spiers had brought a copy of the Domfil "Golf Catalogue". It is very nicely done in color. Almost all the golf stamps are ones which we include in our list of stamps. Amos Press, distributor for the catalogue was present at the show, however they only had one display copy with them. They did however provide ordering information.

A description of the catalogue can be found in the September 2005 issue of *Tee Time*, page 3.

Lewis Kellert mentioned that he had found some stock certificates from golf and or country clubs at the show. It was not unusual in the early 20th Century for one to get a share of stock for membership in a golf club. While this is not philatelic, ephemera is of interest to many of our members.

Several years ago, I found a stock certificate from the Madison Country Club in Ohio. The certificate indicated the share was being sold. Interestingly enough, the Madison Country Club does have a website and I was able to look it up and read more about it.

Potential Handbooks

Since we have a stamp catalogue and a meter handbook, we might begin thinking about both a postal stationery handbook and a booklet handbook. If anyone would be interested in pursuing this, please let us know. We would need good quality scans which could be printed direct by a printer. We would also need to locate a printer capable of handling this type of printing. Color would be the ideal if it is affordable.

Pat Loehr has also suggested a cancellation handbook. That would not need to be in color but we could involve members from other countries in collecting the cancellations, dates of use and place or places where used.

I am purposely using the term handbook because a catalogue implies pricing information. We would need to gather prices paid for the items from a range of individuals in order to truly make it a catalogue.

We would also need to come up with prices for both mint and used copies of each item. At least initially, the identification of the material seems to be the more important thing to pursue.

Future Article

One future article I would like to see evolve is one with the early Great Britain, France and Tunisia booklets. With the help of a couple of members who show them on their web sites, we should be able to pull together quite a few of them.

We should include the front cover, the interleave where golf appears, both Scott and Stanley Gibbons numbers where possible. For this article we would need good clear photocopies of the booklet fronts, etc. Anyone interested in participating in this project, please get in contact.

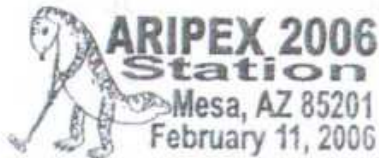
Keep Sending Material for Future Issues of Tee Time

Material sent in by IPGS members is truly appreciated. One suggestion would be that photocopies not be folded into the material to be shown. These creases often leave white lines in the copy. Also, there is no need to trim the copies to the edge of the card or cover.

Again, thanks for your help and contributions.

ARIPEX COVERS

After the article appeared in the March issue of *Tee Time*, more information has become available. The individual who sent me covers had them all cancelled on February 12, 2006. However, there were in fact three different cancellations—one for each day of the show, February 10 through February 12. These appeared in the *Journal of Sports Philately*.



I have also heard from the cachet artist about the availability of the covers and the price. The three covers sell for \$5.00 per set with standard (39 cent) postage. Anyone wanting the Jones and Zaharias stamps affixed would be charged \$7.00 per set. Although a SASE or return postage was not mentioned, I assume it should be added. Anyone wishing to contact the artist, Mark Koss-Fillinger, may do so at mosesnbutterfly@qwest.net.

Mark also said he had signed quite a few at no extra charge so you might want to check into signed copies.

At the recent International Show in Washington, DC, we heard that there were actually two different sets of covers. According to the story, the first covers were somehow misplaced and so a second design was created before the show. Consequently, there are two different sets of three covers for ARIPEX.

CANADIAN CANCELLATIONS

While we featured the stamp issue in the September 2004 issue of *Tee Time*, I had not seen the cancel until I found one at the Canadian post office at Washington 2006. The two cancellations feature a driver and a putter for the First Day of Issue. The cancellations are an extension of the golfers depicted on the stamps.



French Golf Open-100 Years

by Jean Pierre Picquot

To celebrate 100 years of the French Open, the French Postal Administration will issue a stamp on June 24 at a Stamp Show in Paris. A special cancellation will be available at the show site on both June 24 and June 25.

We have been provided with a likeness of both the stamp and the first day cancellation.



First Day



Site Cancellation

At the French Open, which is held June 29, 2006 through July 2, 2006 a special cancellation will be available to indicate the Centenary of the French Open. The Open will be played at Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, near Paris.

This cancellation is shown at the right and will be available on site all four days.



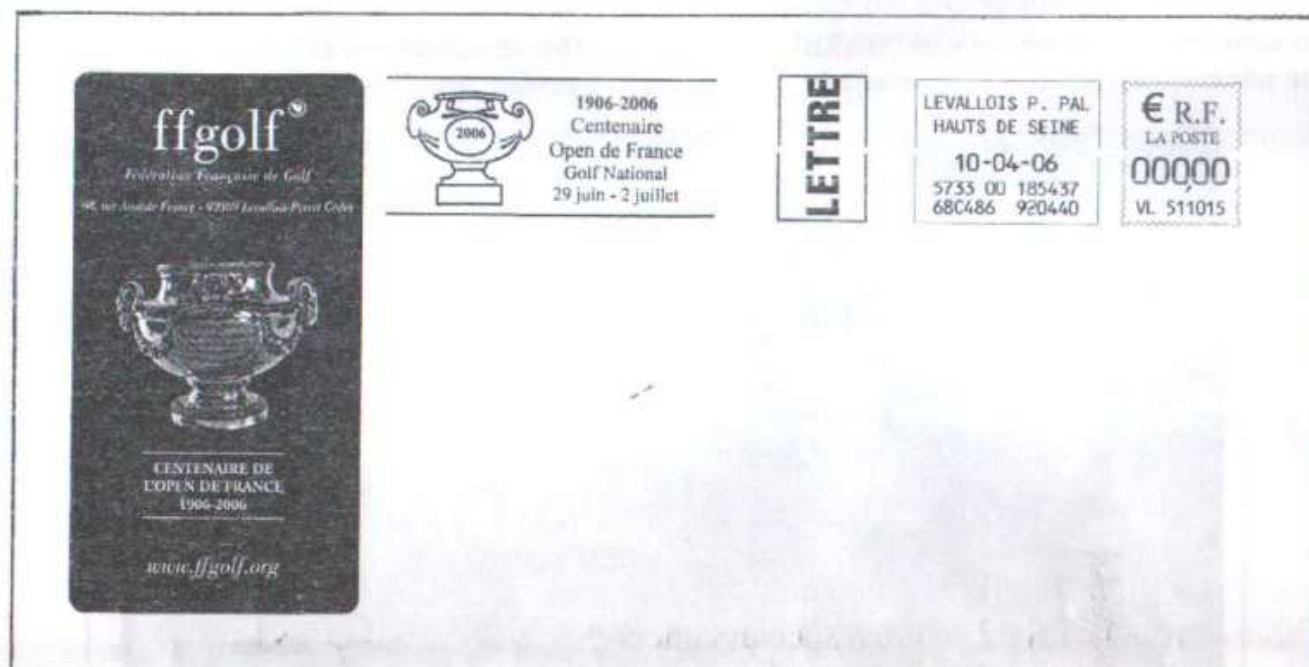
Stamp Design

In addition to the stamp issue and the two cancellations, the French Golf Federation has prepared a special meter which is used to advertise the Open. As all French meters now, this one appears in blue. It was put into use on April 10, 2006 and presumably will be used up until the Open is held at the end of June.

This meter is very similar to the ones produced by the French Golf Federation in both 2004 and 2005. These two meters can be found on page 8 of both the September 2004 and 2005 issues. These are used by the Federation in Levallois P. Pal which stands for Levallois Perret Principal (principal post office of the town).

A special envelope showing the winner's trophy for the French Open was first dayed on April 10 and is shown below. The slogan part of the meter also depicts the trophy as does the cancellation being used at the French Open site.

The envelope was printed in both standard and windowed varieties.



A list of philatelic items related to this French golf issue and Open Championship are on the last page of this issue with an address for ordering. Those living outside the United States would need to contact the address given for postage to other locations.



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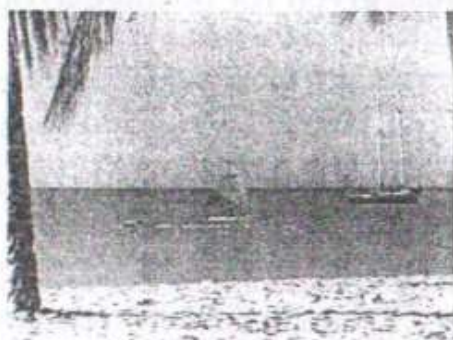
by Jim Gray

On June 16, 1981 Antigua issued a booklet celebrating the Royal Wedding of Prince Charles and Princess Diana. The booklet, Scott #627, contains stamps 623 through 626. One of the interleaves describes Antigua as "A Vacationer's Paradise". Golf is mentioned as one of the activities available on the island.

This same book is overprinted with "BARBUDA" in silver. The same interleave exists in both books. The Scott number for the Barbuda booklet is 501 and contains stamp issues 497-500.



ANTIGUA - A VACATIONER'S PARADISE



Antigua claims 365 beaches. One for every day of the year. A variety of beachfront hotels provides the traveller with an enormous assortment of activities - sailing, swimming, snorkeling, fishing, boating, water skiing, shell collecting, skuba diving, golf, tennis, just to name a few.

St. John's, the capital city, is filled with a variety of



duty free shops, local craft shops and some of the best restaurants in the Caribbean.

The 18th century British naval base, Nelson's Dock Yard, at English Harbour, has been fully restored and is now a historical landmark. The Harbour is one of the most well known landlocked harbours in the world.

NEW FINDS –Jamaica

by Jim Gray

Another booklet issued by Jamaica has been identified. It was also issued for the Royal Wedding on July 29, 1981. The Scott number for this booklet is 503b and it contains stamp issues 500-503. The inside of the back cover has a description of "Jamaica" which says there are a number of courses on the island.





Jamaica

Flying in to Jamaica gives one a glimpse of the amazing variety of scenery produced by 300 days of sunshine in the year, a theatrical groundplan of tropical beauty. The lush forests softening the mountain contours with a moss-green covering, intersected by swiftly-running streams and fringed by beaches of white gold. There are rapids in the Rio Grande and cool, picturesque steps in Dunn's River Falls.

In the litany of forest names one finds Ebony, Mahogany, Jacaranda, Pimento trees, giant ferns, orchids, frangipani and bougainvillea, home for exotic butterflies and humming birds. Offshore is exciting deep sea fishing, closer inshore a wide variety of watersports, sailing, scuba diving and snorkelling – or golf on a number of sporting courses.

Nightlife takes on a pulsating rhythm of its own steel bands, Reggae music, Calypso, Limbo. Something for everyone to take in, relaxed or excited by the Caribbean overtones.

NEW ISSUES

Ireland

John Traver provided the Scott numbers for the 2005 issue on the **Ryder Cup**. The set is made up of two 48c stamps, a 60c and a 65c. These are 1628-1631. The booklet panes have additional numbers, (48c) 1628a, (48c) 1629b, (60c) 1630a and (65c) 1630a.

Vincent Kelly of Ireland said there will be a second set of stamps issued in 2006. As soon as the designs and related information are available, he will provide that information.

Luxembourg

by Jim Dewar

As a followup to the article which appeared in the March 2006 issue of *Tee Time*, Luxembourg postal agency had also issued a set of semi-postal or charity stamps featuring popular sports on December 7, 2004. This set of popular sports also contained the same golf pictogram in the selvedge of each sheet. The set includes Alpine skiing, running, football (soccer) and swimming.

Note that the format of the alpine skiing and swimming is different and one needs a pair of the stamps in order to have the complete golfer in the selvedge.



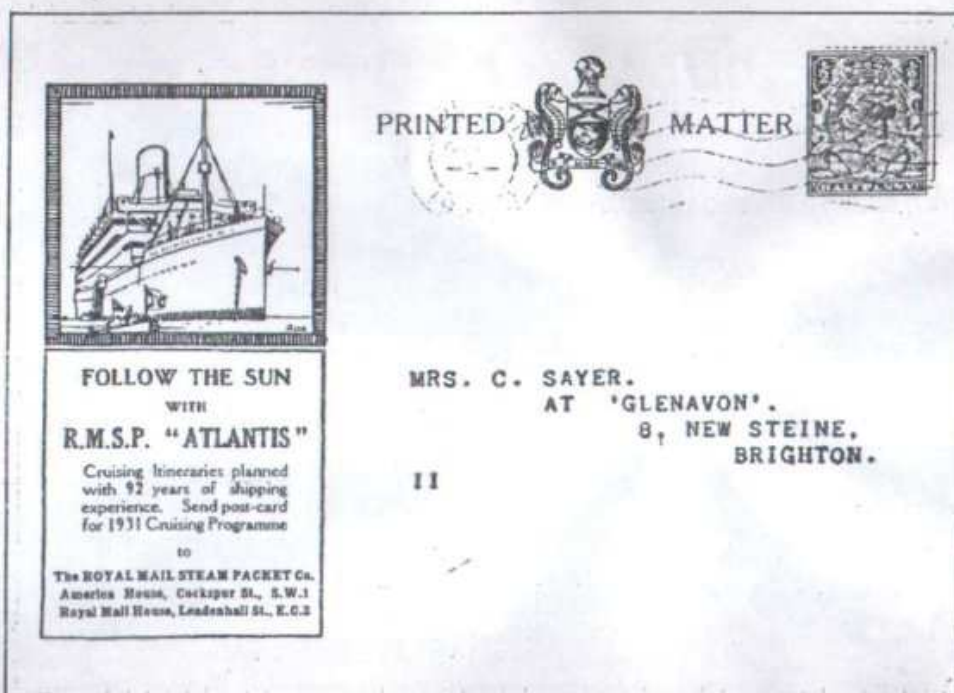
The Scott catalogue numbers for these stamps are: B441-B444. Stanley Gibbons numbers are 1688-1691. These stamp issues can be viewed on the website of the Luxembourg post.

John Traver has supplied the Scott numbers for the 2005 issue which appeared in the March issue of *Tee Time*: B446-B449.

2007 ISSUE-Belgium

The latest bulletin from the Belgium Postal Administration announces a golf issue for 2007. A set of three sports stamps to include cyclo-cross racing (World Championships in Hooglede-Gits), bowling and golf. The values of the stamps will be .46, .60 and .65 Euro. The presale location for this issue will be Greater Antwerp and the date of issue is January 8, 2007. As soon as the designs are available, we will include them in *Tee Time*. The bulletin gives a date of issue and a presale date, and a cancellation for both dates. Can anyone explain the two dates?

THE UNUSUAL
by Jim Gray




This is a copy of a cablegram transmitted from the ship R.M.S.P. "Atlantis" back to its shore office. The shore facility in turn sends the message on to the designated recipient by post card. It is dated August 24, 1931. The message contains the statements that the "golf competition is at night". This is a rather unusual item and would make a nice addition to anyone's collection.


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