

Bicycle Stamps



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Philatelic Historical Boobs

Anyone with specialist knowledge of a subject approaches a new work on that subject with mixed feelings. Spreading the gospel is fine; but how many errors will there be, and will they be new ones or old ones revived? This applies to stamps that carry names and dates of cycles and events, and Douglas Marchant has asked me to look critically at some of them. So here are some of the offenders, in alphabetical order.

The 70c Antigua-Barbuda has an 1818 draisine as the first steerable bicycle. Draisienne is a better name, the date was 1817, and there never was a non-steerable bicycle. The 2NU Bhutan has Pierre Lallement's 1866 velocipede as the first pedal-powered bicycle. Pierre Lallement first patented a two-wheeled velocipede, in 1866 in the USA, but it was after - and almost certainly a copy of - the 1861 Michaux machine. The 60h Czechoslovakia has a high bicycle and a tricycle with a date 1886. The date is meaningless, as although that type of bicycle was in use then it was also around before and after; and that model of tricycle did not arrive for another decade. The 60+30 German Federal Republic high bicycle has a similarly meaningless 1886; the 80+40 has a J-Rad dated 1925, but that bicycle was introduced at least four years previously; the 50+20 has a velocipede dated 1868, which is rather like using a picture of a Silver Ghost Rolls-Royce and labelling it 1915; the 120+60 bicycle is dated 1925, but it could equally be 1924, 1926, or almost any other date in the first part of this century; but it is good to find that the 50+20 is spot on with von Drais and his velocipede. The 2F Mali gets draisienne right but misdated it 1809. The Staffa-Scotland collection has some interesting machines but the firm dating of most of them spoils the effect for the specialist and misleads the unaware. The 6p 10-speed (1960) was around in the 1950s, and is still with us; the 8p pneumatic safety (1891) looks like an 1893-4 model, but exact dating is pointless. The 10p "high-riser" of 1870, the 3p Spider of 1872, the 2p light roadster of 1889, the 4p "trainer" of 1972, the £1 Columbia of 1878, the 25p Motobike of 1935, they could all be given different but equally valid dates. The 15p 1890 tandem seems to have been dreamed up by a surrealist artist during a nightmare. It is steered from the rear so that a lady (who would of course be inadequate for such an arduous task) could take the front seat, but the frame design makes it impossible for a skirted rider to mount. The velocipede on the 20p was never around in 1863 - 1870 is nearer the mark (although no-one can say exactly when). At least Staffa got two right: the 5p Rover and the 50p McCammon. The USA 5.9c and 6c stamps show how it should be done: Bicycle of the 1870s and Tricycle of the 1880s.

Derek Roberts BSC



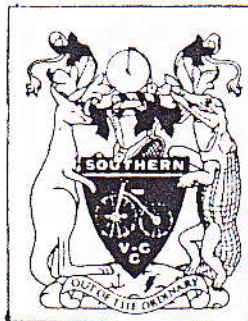
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Our Guest Editorial (see cover) was written by Derek Roberts, a member of our Club who was, from 1955 to 1976, Editor of the Southern Veteran-Cycle Club's magazine 'The Boneshaker'. He had these comments to add



The Veteran-Cycle Club, founded in 1955 as
THE SOUTHERN VETERAN-CYCLE CLUB

And what of our own much-lauded centenary issue? The stamps themselves are beautifully produced, but without the accompanying insert the "Cycling 1878-1978" means little: "Cycling 1879-1979" would be equally informative to the uninitiated. The text of the insert was, alas, written by the late Jock Wadley, whose knowledge of modern cycling was unrivalled but who was very shaky on the early days. But it did explain that the centenary was that of the Cyclists' Touring Club, even if it pretended that the British Cycling Federation was in direct line of descent from the Bicycle Union!

Derek Roberts BSC

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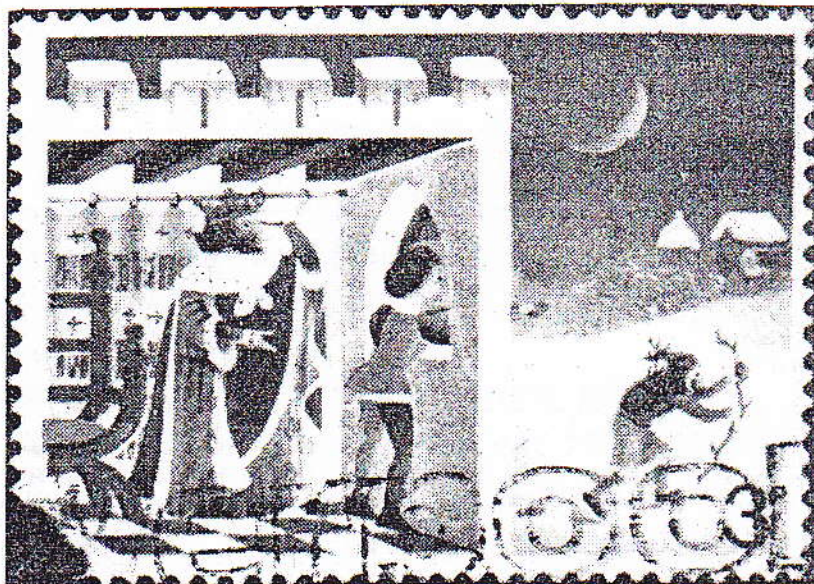
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One of the perks of being Editor is to receive your letters and to read about your discoveries. A good example is the Bulletin reproduced on page 4. New BSC Member Ben Olken, who is mentioned in the Bulletin, has no memory of the 1965 Club. Another member sent me a rather interesting newspaper cutting which I reproduce here to wish all members a Happy Christmas.



Cancel error discovered in England shows a wood collector riding on a bicycle.

EDITORIAL

Owing to the recent GB Postal Strike, I have been sorely deprived of my perk and the strike could not have happened at a more inconvenient time for our twice yearly magazine for it means that the Reports from our Secretary and our Treasurer have not arrived in time. I know many members have made generous donations to our funds and it was hoped that their generosity would be personally acknowledged in this Issue, but, now the strike is over and the last Issue was two months late, printing must go-ahead and tomorrow I shall be passing over the "art-work" to Brian Sole whose thankless task is to arrange that. All of us are deeply in Brian's debt.

As one of the main reasons for appealing for donations was the quite unexpected charge for translating Jean-Pierre Mangin's article into English, I have "donated" my time and effort into translating from German for the Special Supplement on Swiss Military Stamps and who just said: "That's not much of a donation"? One of our members obviously doesn't know what you do and that is, of course, that I am a dunce and what would be easy for others, was an up-hill struggle for me and I'm not a hill climber. I much prefer riding on the flat! I HOPE YOU ARE STILL READING THIS and my feeble attempt at humour hasn't put you off. I know many people who do not read Editorials and they would miss out if they skipped our's. It's the very last page to be written before the magazine is finalised so any late - and snippets of - information are recorded here. The latest on General Guisan (see pages 2 & 28 of the Special Supplement) is that David Sher told Graham Wade that the General was the "founder of the Swiss Cycling Regiments" and the latest on the Timaru controversy (pages 18 to 23 of the last issue of 'BS') is that Geoffrey Thorne has reported that Bruce Henderson's article (pages 20 & 21) was published as a rebuttal in a later issue of the Timaru Philatelic Society's magazine than the one that carried the article 'Bicycle Post' (page 23).

In a recent letter our Secretary Norman Batho wrote: "Articles about bicycles on stamps in the American cycling press resulted in over 100 inquiries and many new members. I'll wager the result would be the same in other countries in which we have members. Who in England will write a brief article with a few photos of cycling stamps and send it to one of the English cycling magazines? Two paragraphs and ten stamp photos will fill a page. Subscription rates and an address where more information may be obtained, should be given. What the Club needs most is active, participating members". Norman has more than a point. Of 14 new members, only one does not live in North America (see page 6). Send me a photocopy of your articles on bicycle stamps published in other magazines and I will reproduce the articles in 'Bicycle Stamps'.

30.09.88.

14 Mitglieder sollen

Douglas Marchant.

mehr offentlich bekannt

machen auch in England

The very first Bicycle Stamps Club.

Did it ever get off the ground?

Re-typed copy of the original blurred Bulletin. Crossings-out have been deleted

Antique Bicycle Club of America
260 W. 260 ST. NEW YORK 71, N. Y.

THE BICYCLE STAMP COLLECTOR - Bulletin # 1 June 1965

ORGANIZATION: As a result of a notice in the June 12th Issue of STAMPS
a dozen people wrote in asking for information.
Plan to organize on a correspondence basis.

DUES, FEES, etc Plan a non commercial and non profit group.
No dues or fees of any kind.
Request all to send in stamped self addressed envelopes
for this bulletin.

OFFICERS: Invited to act as President, Mr. John Auerbach
Secretary of the Bicycle Institute of America.
Invited to act as Vice President, Mr. Ben Olken
President of the National Bicycle Dealers Association.
Acting Secretary Dr Roland C. Geist
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- ACTIVITIES:
1. Publication of a quarterly Bulletin.
 2. A complete collection of bicycle stamps of the world.
 3. Collection of non postal bicycle stamps such as the
SF San Jose Bicycle private carrier service.
 4. Collection of First Day Covers, Tour de France, etc.
 5. Collection of Bicycle Post Cards.
 6. Collection of Bicycle Cancellations.
 7. Campaign by letter writing to our Postmaster General
to issue a bicycle commemorative to honor our 100th
Anniversary of the Pedal Bicycle in America 1865 to 1965
(He has issued two stamps to honor the gymnasts)
Write to your State Senator in Washington D.C.
 8. Display members bicycle stamp collections at national stamp
exhibitions.
 9. To collect related stamps of skating, hiking, mountaineering,
Olympic sets, etc.
 10. To warn members of fake bicycle stamps
 11. To publish, if possible, a booklet of all bicycle stamps
ever issued.
 12. To suggest the purchase of rare issues such as the
Belgian bicycle souvenir sheet selling from \$75 to \$100.
Only about 500 sheets are said to have been printed.
Have any members a lower price on this rare sheet?

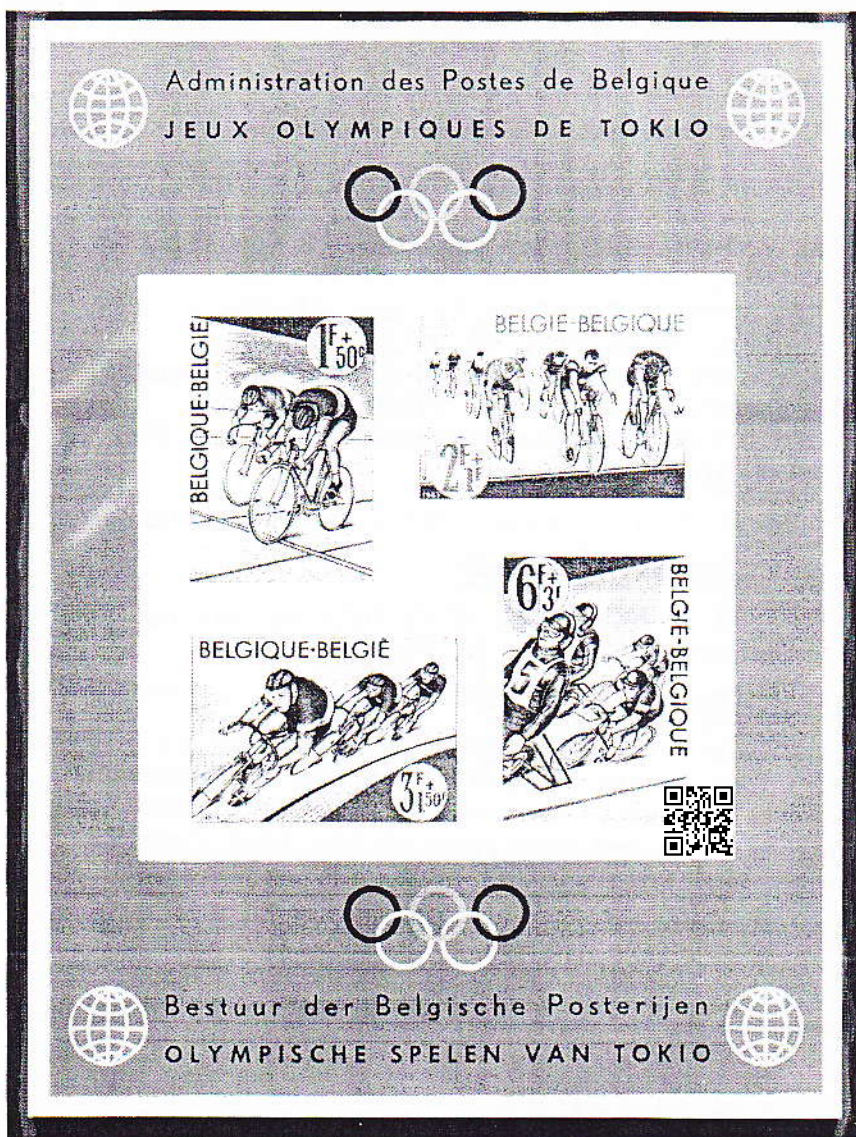
OUR LEADING COLLECTORS:

Secretary John Auerbach has probably one of the best
collections of about 50 rare stamps featuring bicycles.
The Group Secretary has a collection of about 50.
An AYH member has about 60 bicycle stamps.

REGISTRATION: Send in your name to the Secretary, address and your
collection speciality.

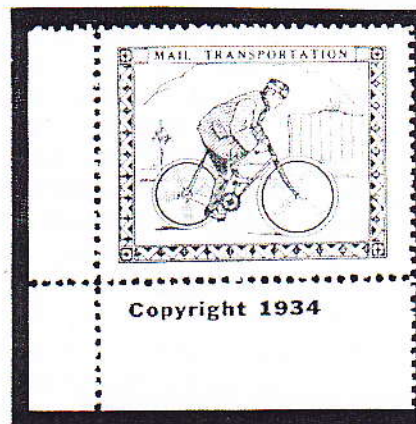
HAPPY COLLECTING

June 20th 1965 RCG



Belgium. 13th July 1963. This, I think, must be the Souvenir Sheet mentioned in Section 12 of the 1965 bicycle stamp club's bulletin. It is not a normal Souvenir Sheet as it is not printed on thin and gummed paper, but on de luxe paper. Rupert Waltl BSC knows of a stamp dealer in Belgium with a small stock of them. He helped acquire mine a couple of years ago. Sorry, but I can't remember the price. Nearer \$100 than \$1,000 though!

DM.



On page 33 of the last issue of BS I asked if anyone knew anything of a "1932" stamp. I should have typed "1934". Apologies for my error, but why didn't anyone point it out to me... John Mansell BSC has the same stamp, but not in the same colours: Picture dull red. Border purple-violet. Mine is Picture sienne & border bright purple-violet. We still don't know who issued them and why... DM.



CACHET CORNER



USA - 29.07.88
Sent in by
David Sher BSC



25.06.88



26.06.88



03.07.88



Japan - 16.05.86
DESIGNED BY
TAKAO ONO BSC.

Etwas neues aus Frankreich
senden beide

One of the privileges of membership is that advertisements may be placed in 'Bicycle Stamps' gratis. Owing to the UK Postal Strike in September, I have received just one advertisement from a member: Peter Rickenback 14, Rosslyn Hill, London NW3 1PF. He has a supply of the 1887 Frankfurt Cycle Congress Locals in perf. and imperf. for sale.

Reklame
Kostlos
für
Mitglieder

Dates for your Diary: Spring Stampex, Royal Horticultural Halls, Greycoat Street, London SW1. 28th February-5th March 1989. Thematica '89, Carisbrooke Hall, Seymour Street, London, W2. 24th June 1989. *

The Postal Savings Bank Stamps of **EGYPT**

(extracts from 'Catalogue of Egyptian Revenue Stamps' by Peter R. Feltus Postilion Publications, USA, 1982. Submitted by David Sher BSC)

The postal savings bank of Egypt was established in 1901 and on the 1st February 1905 the privileges of the bank were extended to the school children through the use of savings stamps. By 1945 the use of stamps for postal savings was largely if not entirely discontinued and it was not until 1970, apparently, that special Postal Savings Stamps were again issued. The booklets into which they were affixed, in the format of personal bank chequebooks, are entirely in Arabic. The Second Issue of stamps is of interest to Bicycle stamp collectors



1973-80: The Second Postal Savings Banks Issue

Photogravure by the Postal Authority Press. Inscribed *taqfir el hand* (postal savings) centrally or below.
Perf. 11. Unwatermarked.

585	5m. green, brown & yellow	.10	----
586	10m. blue, green & orange	.10	----
587	20m. brown, blue & yellow	15.51	----
588 *	50m. brown, olive green & yellow	----	----

Issued in sheets of 100 with date of printing at lower left. The earliest dates recorded are: 5m. 22 VIII 73, 10m. 20 VIII 73 and 50m. 11 XI 80. An archival sheet of the 50m. value has been seen at the Postal Authority Press, but apparently none were sold. *

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The Publications every Self-Respecting Bicycle Stamp Collector will Have

'Tout l'univers des deux par le timbre' (Geslin). 1980. French. A4 sized pages. Hundreds of bicycle stamps reproduced in full colour. OUT OF PRINT

A Japanese book exceedingly similar to the above. Published for the First (and so far only) World Exhibition of Cycle Stamps, Tokyo, 1985. slightly less pages than the French book. Also OUT OF PRINT

'Le Cycle et la Poste' (Mangin & Geslin). 1988. French. Over 300 A4 sized pages with a thousand black and white reproductions of stamps. See page 6 of the last issue of 'Bicycle Stamps' to find out how to order a copy.

'The Bicycle and the Postage Stamp' (Sudbury). 1976. English. A check list with some illustrations. Brief background information on the earlier stamps. OUT OF PRINT

'Stamp Collecting for the Cyclist' (Sudbury). 1981. English. An updated version of the above. £5 to BSC Treasurer may secure one of the last six left.

'Das Fahrrad 982 Motive der Welt' (Pöpperl). 1984 German. A check list of bicycle stamps with some illustrations. Page 6 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps' contains information about ordering a copy.

'Wielrennen/Fietsen op postzegel' (Beijk). 3rd. Edition. 1985. Dutch. Exceeding similar to the Pöpperl book. Also see page 6 of the Second Issue, but note that the Dutch book also covers non racing stamps.

'La bicyclette dans la philatelie' (Hilarides). Latest edition 1988. French (with explanatory notes in Dutch, English and German). A very detailed check listing, but no illustrations. 10 Dutch Guilders to Piet-Hein Hilarides Giro Account 1015031 t.n.v. will secure a copy.

'Bicycle Stamps Club Check List' (Batho). English. Computer-print out check listing so always up-to-date. Has won a Philatelic Silver Award. No illustrations. £4 from our Treasurer or \$4.50 (\$6 air mail) from Norman Batho direct.

'Les Vignettes de Colis-Postaux de Paris pour Paris' (Chapier). French. Pamphlet detailing, inter alia, the Parisian tricycle post locals of 1890. To order - see page 6 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'.

'The Local Posts of Western Australia' (Collas). 1960. English. Two local posts detailed - both bicycle stamp ones - Coolgardie and Lake Lefroy. To order - see page 6 of the Fourth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'.

'Wyścig Pokoju 1948-1972' (Kapkowski & Rzepko). 1972. Polish. Over a hundred pages on Polish stamps, postal stationery and cachets of interest to Bicycle Stamp collectors. OUT OF PRINT

'The Fresno and San Francisco Bicycle Mail of 1894' (Cooper). 1982. English. Well over a hundred pages. The definitive work on the stamps and the post service. Believed to be OUT OF PRINT

'Obliterazioni Meccaniche Mondiali a Soggetto "La Bicicletta"' (Ornaghi). 1984. Italian. Illustrations of meterposts of the world. To order - see page 6 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'.

'Ciclismo' (Tecardi). 1981. Italian. Italian cancellation marks. To order a copy - see page 6 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'.

'Les Cashiers Thematiques: Le Cyclisme' (Bonnin & Geslin). 1987. French. French and Monaco cancellation marks. 60 French Francs from Paul Bonnin (16, Rue des Gardoux, Niort St. Liguaire 79000, France).

'Made in Holland' (Bonnin). 1988. French. Dutch bicycle cancellation marks. 20 French Francs from Paul Bonnin - see immediately above.

'THE SPOKEN WORD' (10 Issues) and 'BICYCLE STAMPS' (5 Issues). English. Probably the most important sources of information for Bicycle Stamp collectors. Back Issues available from our Secretary and Treasurer.

PALAU depicts JAPANESE Postman's Bicycle by the stamp's designer - William R. Hanson of Glen Falls, USA.

A Black bicycle against medium and dark green grass may not be too obvious in a newspaper or catalog illustration and so, on the chance that it may be overlooked, I've written this short article

Early in 1987 the Republic of Palau commissioned me to design a series of stamps honoring their links with Japan. Design of the 44c value is the main Post Office and Headquarters of NANYO (Japanese South Sea Islands Administration) built by the Japanese at Koror, the Capital of Palau. NANYO consisted of all of Micronesia, with the exception of American Guam, seized by the Japanese from Germany in the early days of the First World War.

Under the Japanese, Koror grew to the size of a typical small Japanese city with all the amenities of the Japanese homeland transported to the tropics...theaters, bath houses, newspapers, geisha houses, street corner mail boxes and house-to-house mail delivery. As back home, the Japanese provided the mail carriers with bicycles for use on their rounds within Koror. I have depicted one of those postman's bicycles leaning against a post outside the Post Office. The elegant horse-drawn carriage depicted is one of those used by high-ranking Japanese officers and civilians.

(William Hanson is obviously America's answer to Graham Wade - see cover and pages 10 & 11 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'. DM.)



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Answer to the Puzzle on page 27 of the
Fourth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'. It
would be insulting to explain further
than this. However, to be fair to our
non English
mother tongue
members, the
clue to this
issue's puzzle
is a mis-
quotation from
'Devotions' by
John Donne and
will have to
be looked up.

2	5	2	4	13
6	6	6	6	24
5	2	4	4	15
2	5	5	4	16
15	18	17	18	



CAN YOU FIND THE MISSING NUMBERS FASTER THAN SHERLOCK HOLMES?

CLUE: "No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a part of the main"

				What is the missing number?
				677
				585
				586
What is the missing number?	770	493	586	585

The somewhat similar puzzle placed in the Fourth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps' was easy to solve. This time I have made the puzzle a tiny bit more difficult... Even Sherlock Holmes would probably take at least five minutes to find the answers. Mere mortals will probably take twice as long, but I think the puzzle is sufficiently hard to list, in the Sixth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps', members who give me the correct answers before the 1st March 1989. They will have earned the accolade of 'Bicycle Stamps' Puzzle-Solvers par excellence. DM.

The Bicycle Philatelist's "Code of Ethics"
by Raymond V. See BSC.

(Author's note: Like any other hobbyist, a true bicycle philatelist must lead an exemplary life to be able to achieve the peak of a bicycle stamp collecting career. To achieve it, one has to follow a set of rules or a philatelic code of ethics. This will not only make sure of success in philately, but also make the philatelic world a more enjoyable one to live in. Mr. Bert Silos Centeno's 'A Philatelist's Code of Ethics', an adaptation of the late Philippine President Manuel L Quezon's 'Citizen's Code of Ethics', is the source of inspiration on making this Code of Ethics.)

1. Have faith in bicycle philately which enriches one's pastime and bestows a thousand and one blessings.
2. Patronize the Post Office which is the source of one's bicycle stamps. She is the guardian of philately and the seat of philatelic knowledge.
3. Be ready at all times to lead your whole-hearted support and to sacrifice for the betterment of bicycle philately.
4. Respect organised groups such as the BICYCLE STAMPS CLUB, which aims to promote the hobby of bicycle stamp collecting, and join similar clubs and participate in their philatelic activities.
5. Make sure to add at least a set of bicycle issues each year for a true bicycle philatelist tries to secure a complete collection of bicycle stamps.
6. Strive to complete your sets depicting the heroics of early cyclists in order to venerate their memory and to set an example of their lives which uphold the principles of duty, honour, perseverance and discipline.
7. Be patient and industrious throughout your philatelic career, for without such virtues, your bicycle stamp collecting days will prove unfruitful and unenjoyable.
8. Practice thrift, for only through such virtue will you be able to build a valuable collection. Save money to buy better and more bicycle stamps.
9. Be neat and tidy in taking care of your collection, for such a habit will give aesthetic and economic values and dignity to your work.
10. Be honest and friendly in your dealings with your fellow bicycle philatelists.
11. Cultivate the habit of proper philatelic research by following a uniform outline of philatelic information about each of your bicycle stamps.
12. Learn to enlarge your collection by making friends at home and abroad.
13. Be unselfish; share with your fellow bicycle philatelists any bicycle stamps you have in excess, for the true spirit of philately is to be sparing of any degree of selfishness



Comments on the 'Code of Ethics' welcome. 13 is an unlucky number so how about a 14th Ethic: Share your discoveries and your knowledge with fellow collectors via 'Bicycle Stamps' and never assume that others know what you know. If John Mansell BSC had made that assumption this stamp would not be shown here. Cameroun. 20th February 1981. 1 of 2. A disabled person riding a tricycle. He is operating the pedals with his hands. Catalogue description is "Boy in wheelchair"! DM.

The Mysterious Six

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becomes Half-a-Dozen and Five and Seven and Nothing!

(Article compiled with the help of Norman Bathe BSC, John Mansell BSC and, in particular, David Sher BSC)

If what follows appears to be confusing, it's probably because it is confusing...

Eight mysterious stamps - four in dark red and four in light red - were illustrated on page 34 of the Fourth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'. All eight had a face value of 6 and are in the collection of Norman Bathe BSC. He asked if anyone knew anything about them. One of which we show here. The actual colour is, using the Michel Colour Guide, Dark orange-red. Fig. 1. John Mansell BSC has one in his collection and the colour of his is orange-red.



Fig. 1



Fig. 2

Your Editor discovered an exceedingly similar stamp at Thematica' 88, but too late to add the information in the last issue of the magazine. It was printed in Carmine-Red and had no large 6 at the top right although the small 6 at the bottom centre remained. See Fig. 2.

After I had told Norman Bathe of the discovery, he sent me a copy of the English language Swedish cinderella journal 'Atalaya' and I quote:

"Bicycle Label still a Mystery:

In 'Atalaya' No. 26 we described and illustrated a curious label depicting a bicycle. The figure 6 featured prominently in the upper right corner of the label.

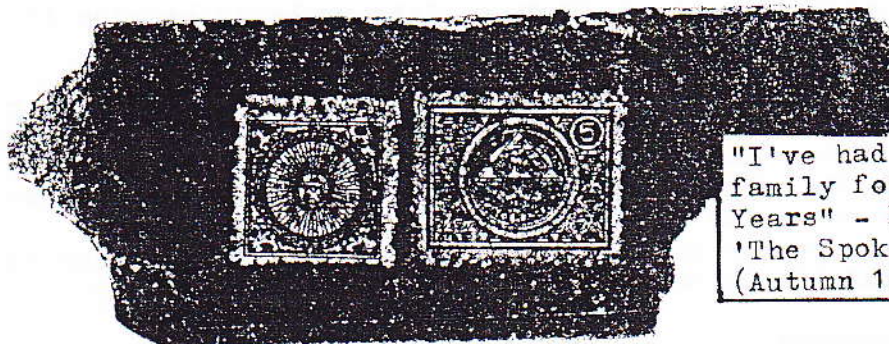
Now our long-time Australian subscriber Matthew Campbell tells about a similar label printed in red on yellowish paper. The size of the label is 24mm x 19mm and it is perforated 10½. The label is gummed. The design is similar to the stamp illustrated in 'Atalaya' No. 26; however, the figure 6 in the upper right corner is missing. A careful study of the rather cluttered design reveals the figure 6 inserted at the bottom of the label. It is also possible that there is some writing in an oriental language on each side of the "6". This tiny "6" is also present in the label shown in issue No. 26 of 'Atalaya'

It is my guess that Matthew's label is an earlier version of the label shown in 'Atalaya' No. 26. The large figure "6" was perhaps added to make it more visible?

In spite of Matthew's interesting addition the labels still remain a mystery. Readers having information about the origin and purpose of these bicycle labels are requested to contact the Editor with this information"

That's not the first time the origin of these labels has been sought. Information was requested by L. N. Williams in the British 'Stamp Magazine' in June 1983 and in March 1984.

David Sher BSC saw some similar stamps in the collection of Frank Havnoonian (Editor of the first nine issues of the predecessor of 'Bicycle Stamps', 'The Spoken' Word') and he made some notes on them. He also has some further information...

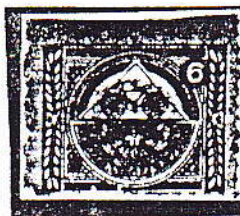


"I've had this item in our family for at least thirty Years" - Frank Havnoonian 'The Spoken' Word. No. 2 (Autumn 1980), page 6.

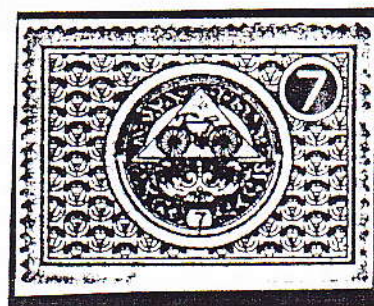
0a and 5a found on a piece of card which looks like part of a box



5b



6a



7a

Notes made by David Sher BSC when he inspected the items in the collection of Frank Havnoonian some years ago:

0. Size of Design: 17.5 x 18mm. Perf. 10.5. No Face value. Bicycle Wheel.
 - a) Orange-Vermillion
 - b) Blue (Reported in a dealer's price list four years ago)
5. Size of Design: 24.5 x 18.5mm. Perf. 10.5
 - a) Vermillion
 - b) Deep Blue
6. Size of Design: 24.19.5mm. Perf. 10.5
 - a) Deep Blue (top edge imperf.)
 - b) Red (bottom edge imperf. Reported to David Sher by Peter Rickenback BSC)
7. Size of Design: 40.5 x 28.5mm. Perf. 10.5
 - a) Vermillion (bottom edge imperf.)
 - b) Blue

On watermarked paper. The design of the watermark is an enlargement of the circular element which is repeated to form the background in the stamp. The circle is approximately 2mm. Adjacent circles are roughly 10mm apart at closest approach.


The use of specially water marked paper does indicate something rather more than just another casual issue

David Sher BSC reports that "a US dealer in cinderella material illustrated some related items in his price list. The original pictures were poor and my copies are worse. A8929 is a tricycle in a circle. A8930 is particularly interesting as it shows the bicycle-in-triangle above scrollerly circular devise of Frank's stamps, repeated twice. A8932 appears to be the same as the no face valued stamp Frank has on a piece of card with a 5 face valued stamp.

THE GREAT BRITAIN-BICYCLE LICENSE/ROYALTY/MARKETING STAMPS-C. 1920's/1930's

A8929	-blue (TRICYCLE) F	.....	3.50
A8930	-red (BICYCLE "6" BICYCLE) F	.....	3.50
A8931	-as above-red ("12" BICYCLE "12") F	.....	2.50
A8932	-blue (BICYCLE WHEEL 4 WHEELS) F	.....	2.50
A8933	-blue "CYCLE TUBE INSPECTED/PASSED" F	.....	2.50

The 1871 Shop. Price List 100. November 1984

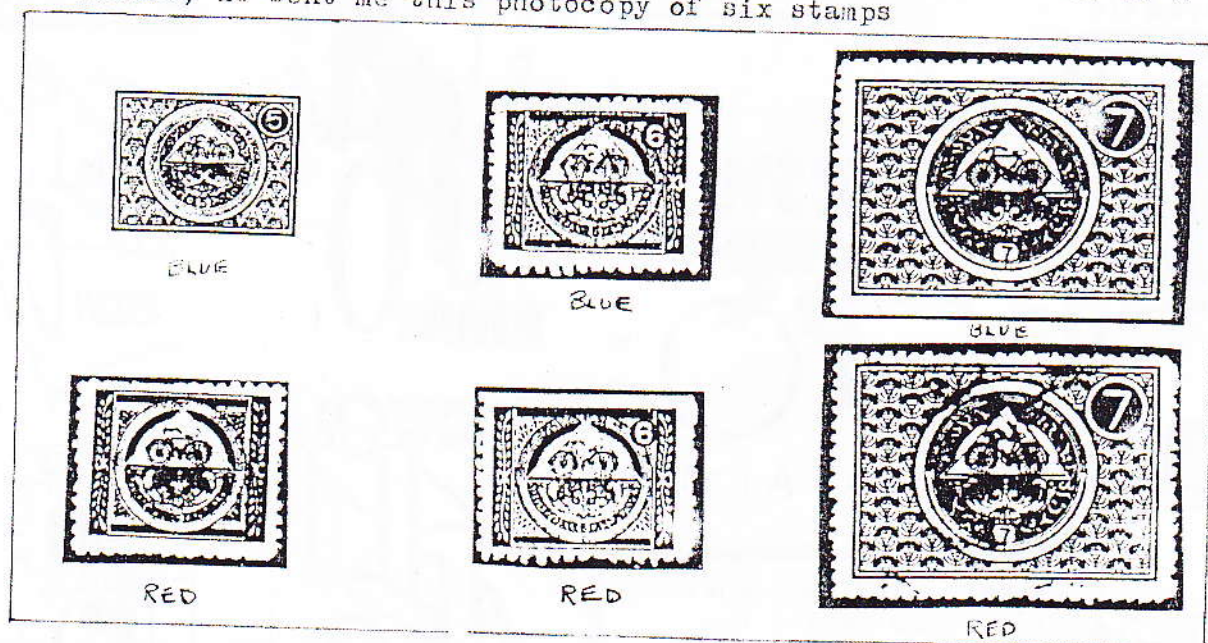


"I wrote to the dealer to ask him about his identification of them as "Great Britain License/Royalty/Marketing stamps of around the 1920's/1930's". His reply:

"By guess and by gosh plus the use of the «Standard stamp dealer's swinging dartboard»"

Unfortunately he had sold them all before he received my order for them"

Norman Batho BSC contacted Frank Havnoonian this summer and as a result, he sent me this photocopy of six stamps



So we now know that the mysterious "6" is not alone. It has companions: A "6" without the large "6"; a "5" and a giant "7"; a non faced valued bicycle wheel; a tricycle in a circle; and bicycle-in-triangle twice, but WE STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHO ISSUED THEM ANY WHY? SO HOW ABOUT SHOWING THIS ARTICLE TO YOUR DEALER FRIENDS. CAN THEY HELP CLEAR UP ONE OF THE GREAT UNSOLVED MYSTERIES OF THE WORLD!!!

DM.

REGISTERED BY AUSTRALIA POST
PUBLICATION NO. NBH 2267

POSTAGE
PAID
AUSTRALIA



The Bicycle Institute of NSW GPO Box 272, Sydney NSW 2001

GRAHAM WADE DESIGNS AUSTRALIA BICYCLE
STAMP (or something that could be
considered a stamp as it pre-pays
postage)

The Bicycle Institute of New South Wales
in Australia wanted to change the design
of the wrapper used to send out copies
of the Institute's magazine 'Push On'.
So who should be asked to submit designs
for a new wrapper, but our President
Graham Wade. Above is the original and
bottom right is the adopted design. All
the others are Graham's design ideas.

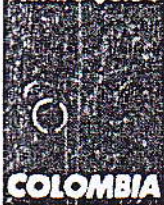
POSTAGE PAID



POSTAGE PAID
AUSTRALIA



AEREO \$6.00



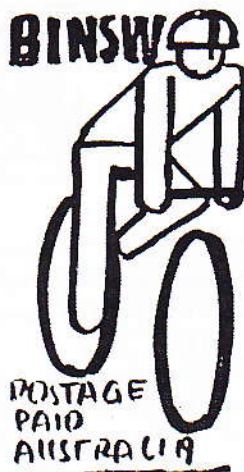
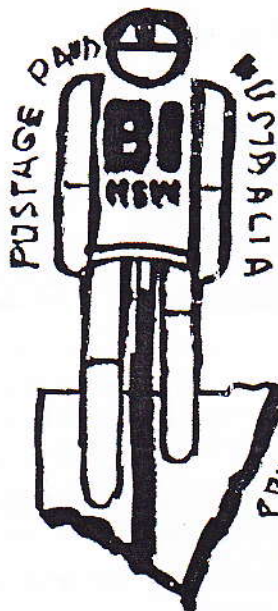
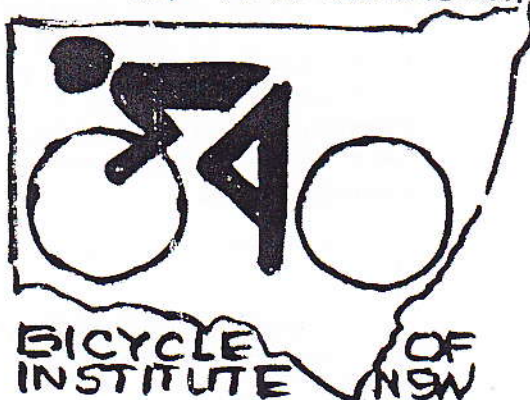
AEREO \$6.00



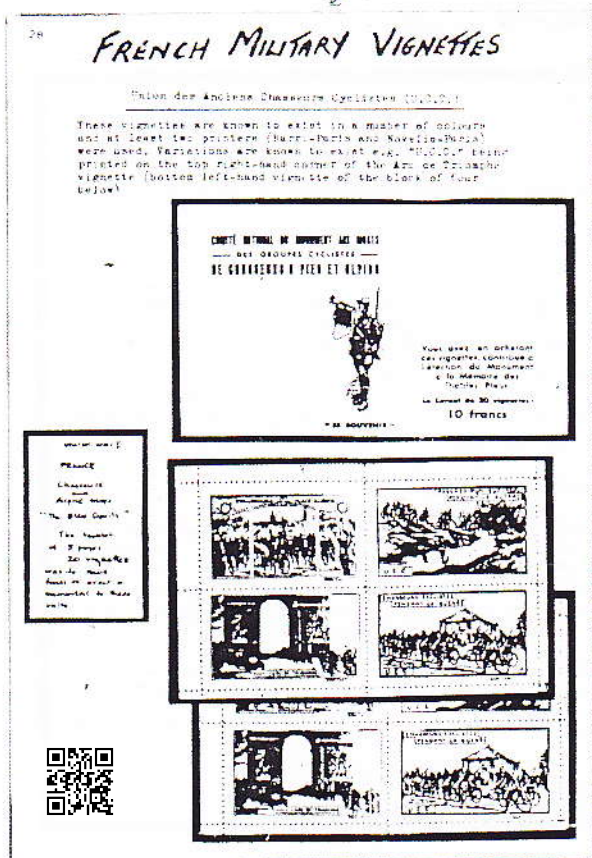
Colombia. 9th September
1977. Stamp issued for
the 13th Central American
and Caribbean Games.
Nothing of bicycling
interest about the stamp,
but just look what was
printed in the gutter...

Rupert Waltl BSC

POSTAGE PAID AUSTRALIA



When was it adopted
Graham? Date of
Issue please. DM.



We now know the colours of the five sheetlets of four vignettes a sheetlet: Grey-green, Grey-brown, Scarlet, Violet and Bright Violet-blue. I have each of the four in each of the five colours except for the Place Kleber one in Violet.

My L'Arc de Triomphe one in Violet is different from my other four L'Arc de Triomphe ones: "U.C.C." at the top; the wording at the bottom; printed by Novelio-Paris instead of Barri-Paris and the picture is not the same.



Bright Violet-blue, Grey-green, Scarlet or Grey-brown.



Violet



Bright Violet-blue, Grey-green, Scarlet or Grey-brown.

My "river fording" and "passing farm buildings" vignettes in Violet were also printed by Novelio instead of Barri. The only significant change is the wording - and the positioning of the wording with the "farm buildings" one. I wonder if there are any changes between the Place Kleber vignette in Violet and the other colours.

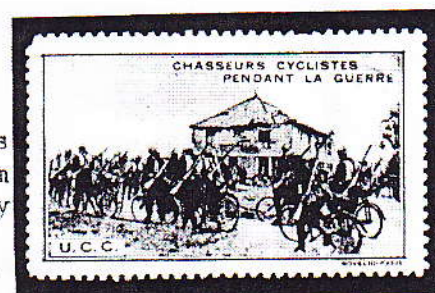


Bright Violet-blue, Grey-green, Scarlet or Grey-brown.



Violet

Is it feasible to think that the U.C.C. arranged for four of the sheetlets to be printed by one firm and the fifth sheetlet by another and then had all five sheetlets placed in the same booklet. In all probability, the U.C.C. commissioned Barri-Paris to produce a booklet and



Violet

commissioned Nevelio-Paris to also produce a booklet and, if that was so, then there are 40 and not just 20 vignettes to collect. DM.



Place Kleber vignette

Czechoslovakia. 10th August 1981. 1 of a set of 5 stamps showing childrens' book illustrations. This stamp shows spectacles being ridden as if a bicycle so doesn't that make it a bike stamp! What do you think? DM.



Submitted by David Sher BSC

The Swiss Soldier Stamps

1915-18, 1939-45

by Edwin L. Chaffant, ARA 1849

(Note: The author is a newly joined member who is the owner of RIVIERA 34 AMPS at address: PO Box 6250, Natick, Barbara, Calif. 94541. For further information, please write directly: G. M. Abrams.)

The Swiss Soldier, or Military Stamp, whichever you prefer, have quite an interesting history which began in 1915 when the first two such stamps were issued. They were meant as a service for the Swiss soldiers taking part in covering the border during World War I originally, but they proved so popular that in March of 1918 a set of three soldier stamps were issued to raise money to build small wooden rooms for the soldiers to spend their free time. These small rooms, called "Soldaten-Lesestuben", were used by the soldiers for games, writing, and just about every kind of relaxation you can imagine, and were very popular. Then a little later on, funds raised by the sale of these stamps were used for aid to needy families of the soldiers. The reason why there were soldiers' families in need is due to Swiss law, which makes military service obligatory for all Swiss men physically and mentally fit. This meant that during both World War I and World War II when the Swiss soldiers had to protect its borders and to be ready for any attack from whichever side it might come, any Swiss man could be called into service at any time. Therefore, a great many men had to leave their families, jobs, and businesses on little notice. Since most men represented the only means of support for their families, and military pay was very small, many were left with practically no income, and much hardship resulted. The sale of the Swiss Soldier stamps filled a genuine need by aiding these families, along with the Red Cross and other agencies of course.

During World War II special organizations took care of the soldiers' families, but there still were lots of cases where very special needs existed, and the help from Soldier Stamp Funds was very welcome, and given. This included providing funds for food and drink when soldiers had some time off duty, very similar to what the USO did for military men of our country during WWII, and is still done of course.

The postal use of these stamps is quite interesting, inasmuch as they were not "postage stamps" in the strict sense of the word, but they did have validity and a definite postal purpose, as it made soldiers' mail instantly recognizable enabling the Swiss Post Office to expedite its handling. Swiss regulations on airmail are not required to pay postage for their mail. All military free mail however had to be posted from a military post office in a camp, barracks, field headquarters, etc., and had to bear the official military unit, issued and approved by the commanding officer of each unit.

All the stamps were issued and sold by the commanding officers of the various military units. No figure of value was given most of these issues, it was up to the commanding officer of each unit to decide the selling price. Since soldier mail was sent free it was up to the sender whether to use the soldier stamps, and in this way help his compatriots. Also, many Swiss citizens bought these stamps to help the soldier fund, and of course stamp collectors bought them for their collections. The Swiss Post Office actually encouraged the use of soldier stamps in mail for several reasons, the main one being letters franked with these stamps which generally were very colorful and large, made it easy to recognize soldier mail and thereby give a little extra special service for military men. It also relieved the post office of the burden of having to cancel such letters by separating the soldiers mail faster, as most of the soldier stamps are larger than the usual Swiss stamps.

Building a collection of these issues, especially WWII, is particularly interesting since so many very attractive designs exist, most of which are multicolored and are the size of U. S. concerns and larger. The designing and printing is excellent, which is almost always the case with all Swiss stamps. Topics abound. Currently these stamps are growing in popularity and prices can go only one way, up, as more and more begin to collect these issues.

Reference material is limited. The reference works, by Locher, can be found but rarely, and the price for his catalog is quite high. The WWI Locher catalog is a true collectors' item. Zundelen also issued a WWII catalog of these stamps, but it also is extremely rare. The pricing in those catalogs is of course far out of date and can be used only as a guide to the degree of rarity.

The American Revenuer

October 1975

See Special Supplement after page 34 of this issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'

1942 Tour of Switzerland Vignette Sheetlet

Organisation S.R.B. (Schweiz Radfahrer Bund = Swiss Bicycle Club)

"Trotz Krieg im Sport vereint" = In Spite of War, in Sport Unite.



Zu Gunsten der Tour de Suisse 1942

Mit dem Kauf dieser Marken haben Sie mitgeholfen, die Idee "Trotz Krieg im Sport vereint", zu verwirklichen

"Mit dem Kauf..." = By buying these vignettes, you have sympathised with the planting of the idea of "In Spite of War, in Sport Unite".



Vignette
Olympics
1924



Vignette
6th International
Car and Bicycle
Exhibition of 1929



The Swiss Post Office's only known 100% bicycle stamp. 22nd August 1983. Here cancelled on a Schweiz Radfahrer Bund postcard originally issued in 1921.

"All Heil" = Hail to All



Vignette - International
Bicycle and Motorbicycle
Exhibition of 1962



and of 1967



and the 1986 Second
National Exhibition

BICYCLE TAX STAMPS IN GENEVA

80 Years ago riding a bicycle was an expensive pleasure. In the Canton of Geneva the permit to ride one cost SFr.5 - from this amount, however, the Geneva Police received a considerable income.

The Police Regulation of 2 February 1900 stated that the Justice ' Police Dept. had to make a register to include under each number the surname, forenames, home address and profession of every owner of a bicycle. The owner was obliged to inform the Dept. of every change of address, loss of the bicycle registration date, as well as every sale or exchange of a bicycle. A permit card, the 'Carte de Legitimation pour Cyclistes' was issued, which included a photograph and the signature of the holder. In 1902 & 1903 payment for the permit was receipted with tax stamps which bore on coloured paper the blank typographed text 'Taxe des Velocipes' (1902 or 1903) 5 Francs'.

The Forbin Catalogue of 1915 already listed two different types of the two existing stamps as the 'F' of 'Francs' was used in two different types. Forbin writes that there are 2 stamps of Type II in each sheet of 10 stamps. The stamps are perf. 11½ on three sides (not perf. 12 as given by Forbin & Schaufelberger). So far only specimens perforated horizontally above and below with the exception of ones from the two margins, vertically perforated on the left but imperf. on the right, have been seen. The vertical perforation on one side only seems to make sense if it is assumed that the stamps were printed in sheets of 20, i.e. in two vertical rows of ten.

A large proportion of these stamps turn up having been severely cut down in size, probably because they were too large for the available space on the permit. All stamps of 1902 bear a violet handstamp 'TAXE SUR LES VELOS'. In 1903 they were cancelled with a double circle canceller inscribed 'TAXE DES VELOCIPEDES GENEVE' and movable date. Stamps of the 1903 issue are occasionally seen cancelled with the signature stamp of the Police Director.

In 1904 the 'Carte de Legitimation' with photo and signature, issued by the Police Dept. as a permit to ride, was withdrawn and replaced by a simple receipt from the Finance Dept. Following an order by the State Council of 22 March 1904 the bicycle owners had, from 1 May, to take their bicycles to the taxation office of their home area where for the annual tax of SFr.5 - they would receive a number-plate which had to be fixed visibly at the rear of the bicycle (parallel to the driver). This number-plate replaced the policy plate; the Taxation Dept.'s receipt, which bore the number of the bicycle, served as a permit to ride and replaced the 'Carte de Legitimation'.

Through this new regulation for bicycle permits the use of special tax stamps became obsolete. The chapter 'Veloziped' stamps of Ct. Geneva is limited to two issues. If the issue figures of 340 (1902) and 1010 (1903) as shown in the Forbin Catalogue are correct, these stamps must have a major rarity value. The detailed analysis is as follows:

1902 5F.	black/rose	Type I	-	272 issued.	1903 5F.	black/yellow	Type I	2400
"	"	"	II	68	"	"	II	602

Geneva is not the only Canton to have issued bicycle tax stamps, Basle City followed in 1944.

Translated & reprinted from the 'Berner Briefmarken Zeitung'.

* Basle or Basel - same city
1947 1956



"Fahrradkontrolle" = Bicycle Control

The article was sent to me by Brian Sole BSC. Does anyone have any illustrations of the Geneva Bicycle Tax Stamps and does anyone have information on the Basel Bicycle Tax Stamps? Please send to me so I can place them in 'BS' DM.

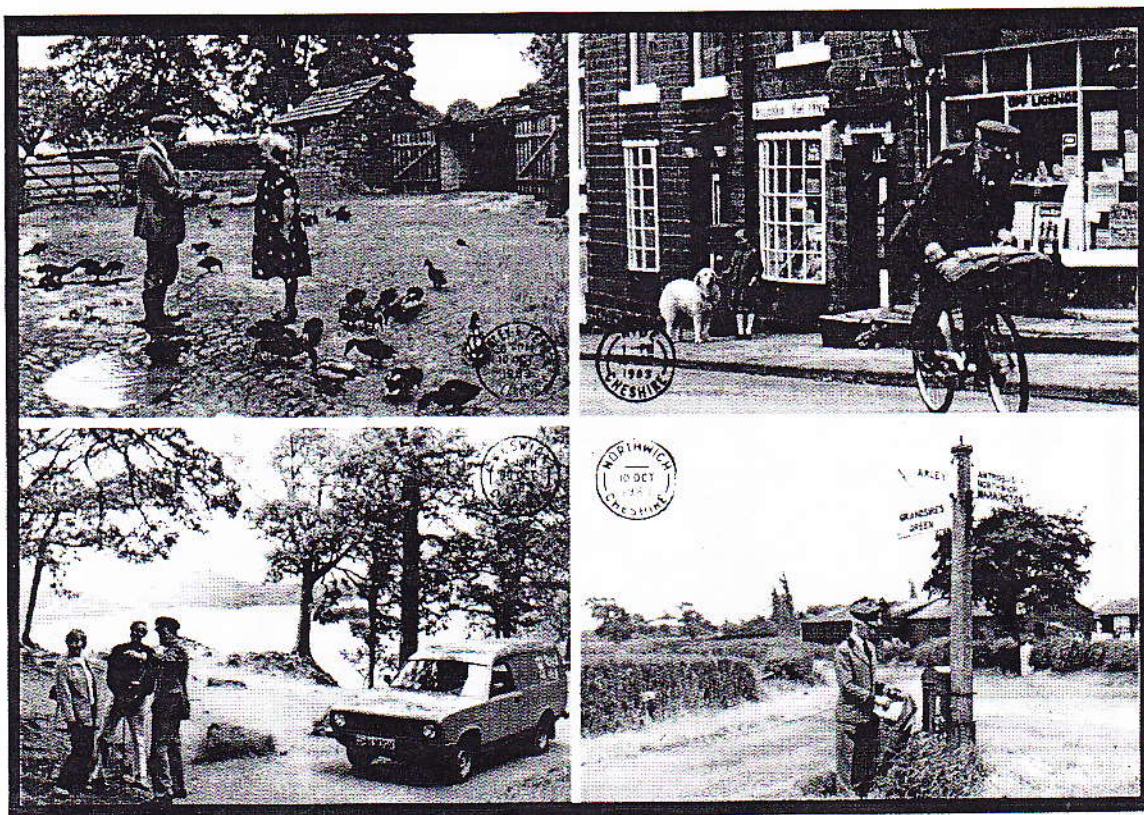
ILLUSTRATED CHECK LISTINGS UPDATINGS 1983

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Great Britain. 3rd August. South West Postal Region Postcard 20

China. 16th September. Stamp Exhibition Sheetlet. See page 52 of the Second Issue of 'BS'. Two versions now known to exist. On one the wording at the top and bottom is in SILVER and on the other the wording is in GOLD.



Great Britain. 10th October. North West Postal Region
Postcard 8 (d). 1 of 4.

1984

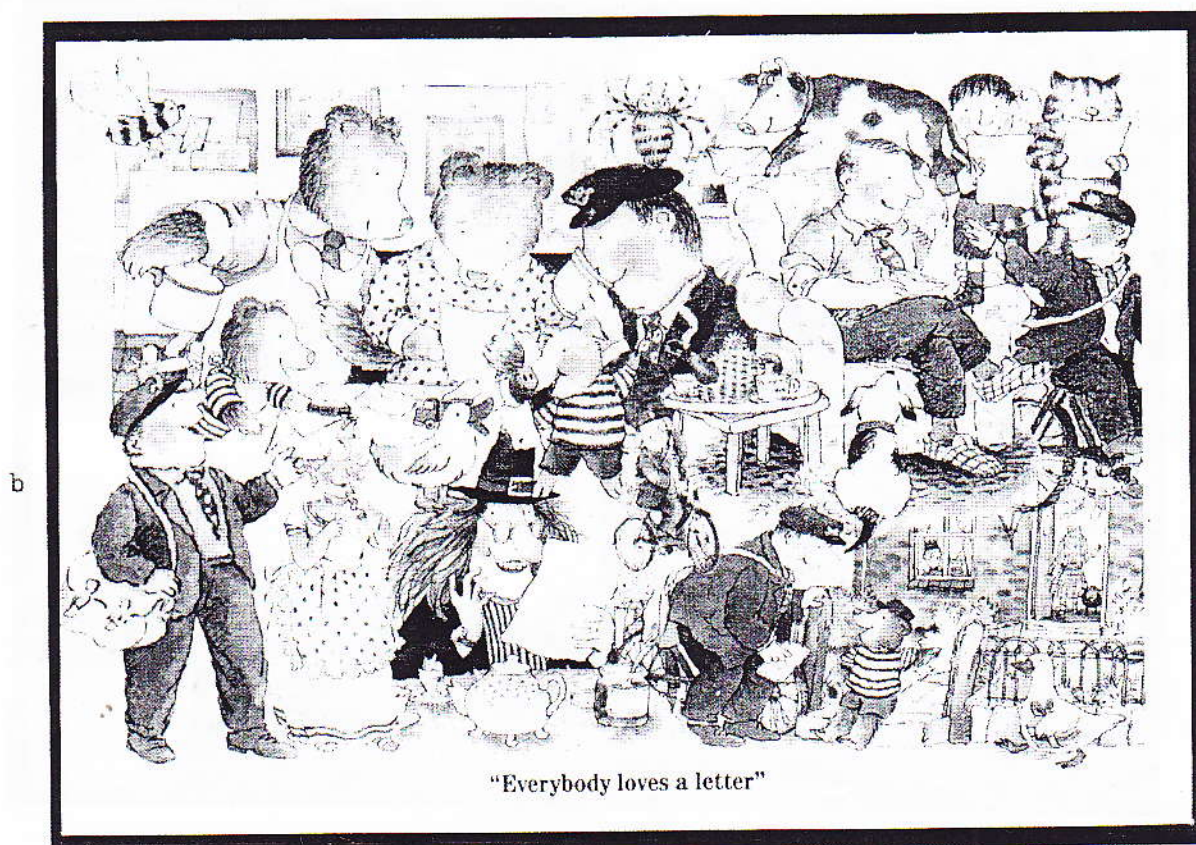
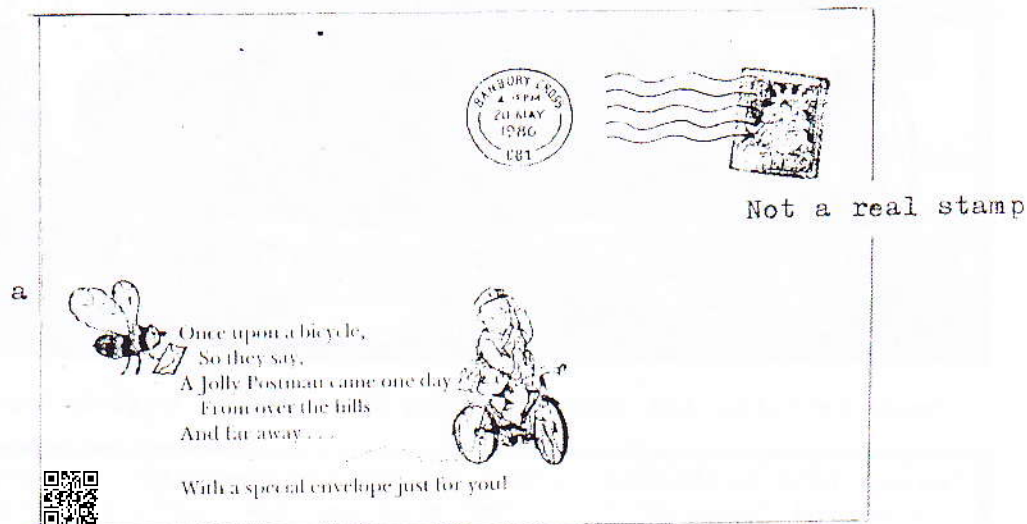
Cameroun. 30th April 1984. The set was issued imperf. as well as perf.
The re-issue (with overprinting) of 25th October 1984 may also have
been issued imperf. as well as perf.

Togo. 28th July 1984. The set was issued imperf. as well as perf.

Information from Bert Schapelhouman BSC

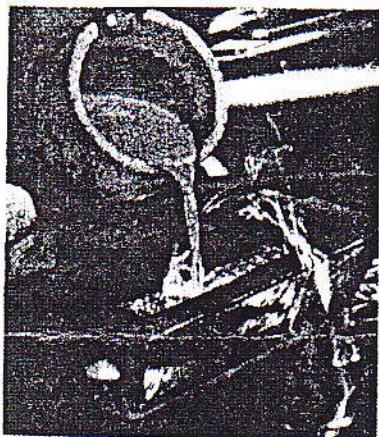
1986

Great Britain. 20th May. 'The Jolly Postman' by Allan and Janet Ahlberg is a children's book published at £6.95 by William Heinemann Ltd. The Post Office issued a Special Offer Pack offering the book at £4.95. The cover (a) of the pack measured 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 9" and was itself enclosed within an even larger envelope. Inside the pack were six identical postcards (b), a poster, etc. Illustrated are the items of interest to Bicycle Stamp collectors.

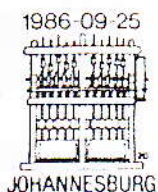


Information from Brian Sole BSC

1886 - 1986



JOHANNESBURG
Die Goudstad
The Golden City



RSA 14c



RSA 20c

RSA 25c




25th September. FDC. Man riding a bicycle just to the right of the centre of the 14c stamp.


It looks as if Norman Batho BSC acquired, not an overprinted, but a Cancelled-To-Order stamp. See Third Issue of 'BS' - page 23.

Our thanks to Bert Schapelhouman BSC for correcting the information


1987




МЕДИЦИНСКОЕ ДОБРОВОЛНОЕ ОБЩЕСТВО
ГОРОДА САНКТ-ПЕТЕРБУРГА



ТРЕЗВОСТЬ НОРМА ЖИЗНИ



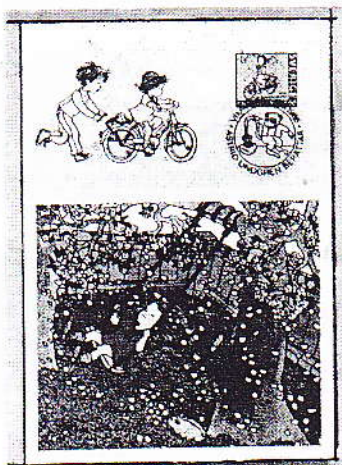
Напишите индекс предприятия связи места назначения



5 коп.

Russia. 21st April 1987. Postal Stationery envelope

Information from Norman Batho BSC



Sweden. 14th May.
1 of 5 official
Maximum Cards.
Illustration shown
is reduced in size



Czechoslovakia.
18th November.
The stamp shows
a Leon Bollee
Tricar of 1897
and not a tricycle
(see page 47 of
the last issue of
'Bicycle Stamps')

"I have no doubt as
I once drove an 1897
Leon Bollee Tricar
from London to
Brighton and many of
its features are
engraved on my
memory" quoted from
a letter from Ronald
Sant BSC.



A good bicycle cachet
though...



Uganda. 5th October. 1 of a set
of 4 and a Souvenir Sheet. The
illustration and the information
were recorded on page 42 of the
last issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'
so why repeat it all again? The
illustration shows - and I have
only just realised this - four
women cyclists.

Christmas 1987

Sweden. The normal perf. set
was issued in stamp booklets
on the 10th October 1987

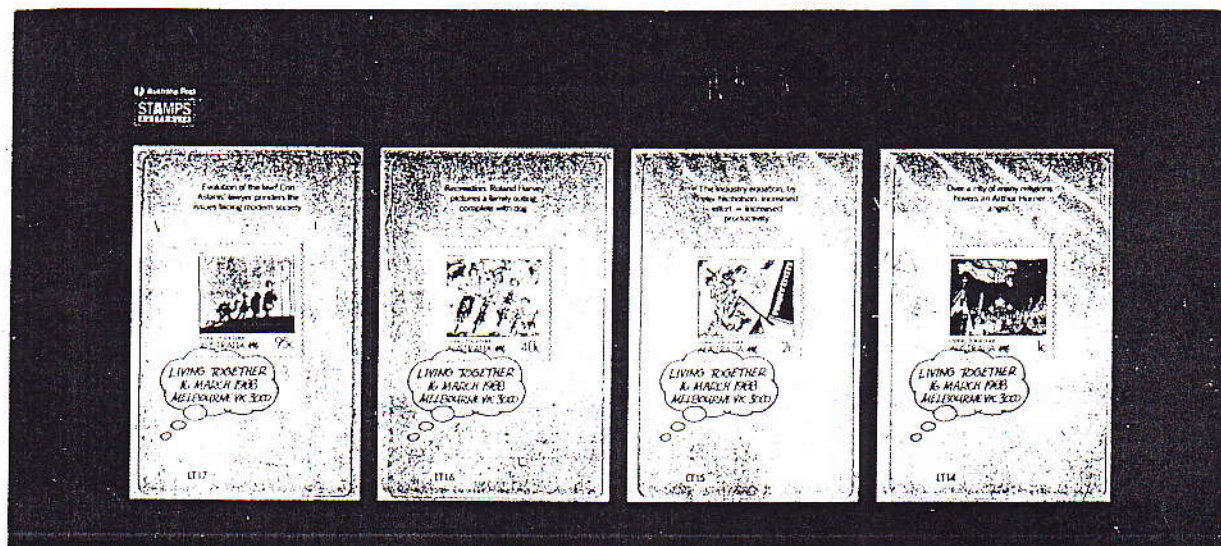


The Swedish philatelic bureau sent these progressive color
proofs of the panes for the 1987 Circus booklet to its sub-
scribers. This sheet of proofs was mounted in a folder.

Information from David Sher BSC

1988

Mozambique. 10th February.
1 of 6 and not 1 of 5 as
stated in the last issue
of 'Bicycle Stamps'.

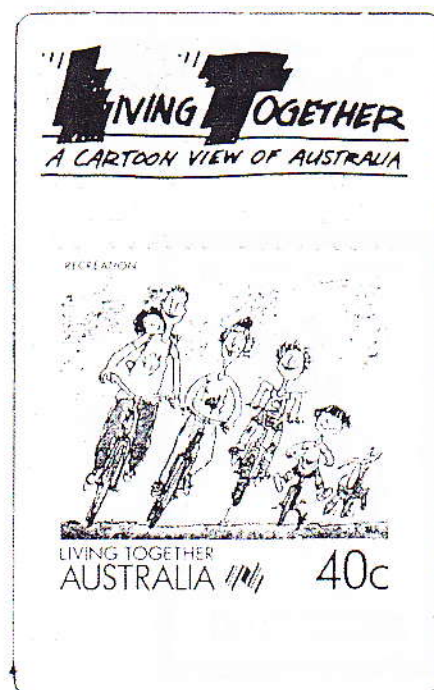


Australia. Collector Card Set No. 5 (of 8 'Living Together' sets). The official Date of Issue is 16th March - to coincide with the issue of the actual stamps - but the Collector Card sets were not ready in time. As each card has a stamp affixed and cancelled on the "First Day of Issue" the true Date of Issue of the Collector Card sets is an Australian State Secret - so wrote Graham Wade BSC. Graham was originally told that the Collector Card sets were going to be sets of postcards. Set No. 5 came in a Presentation Pack format measuring 13" wide...

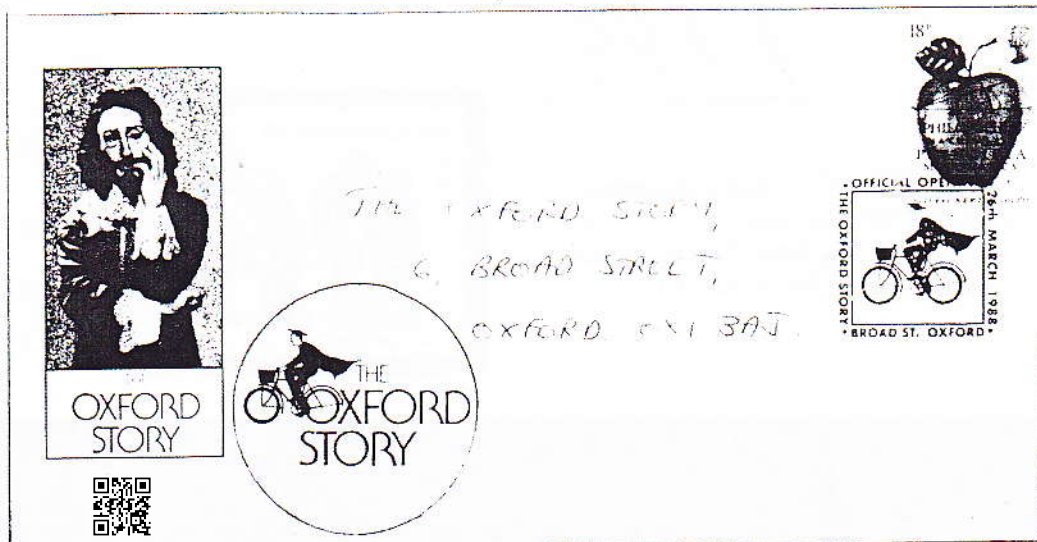


Ireland.
15.03.88
The size
of the
Postal
Card: 186
x 122mm.
See last
Issue of
'BS' -
Page 51.

Actual size



reverse of card



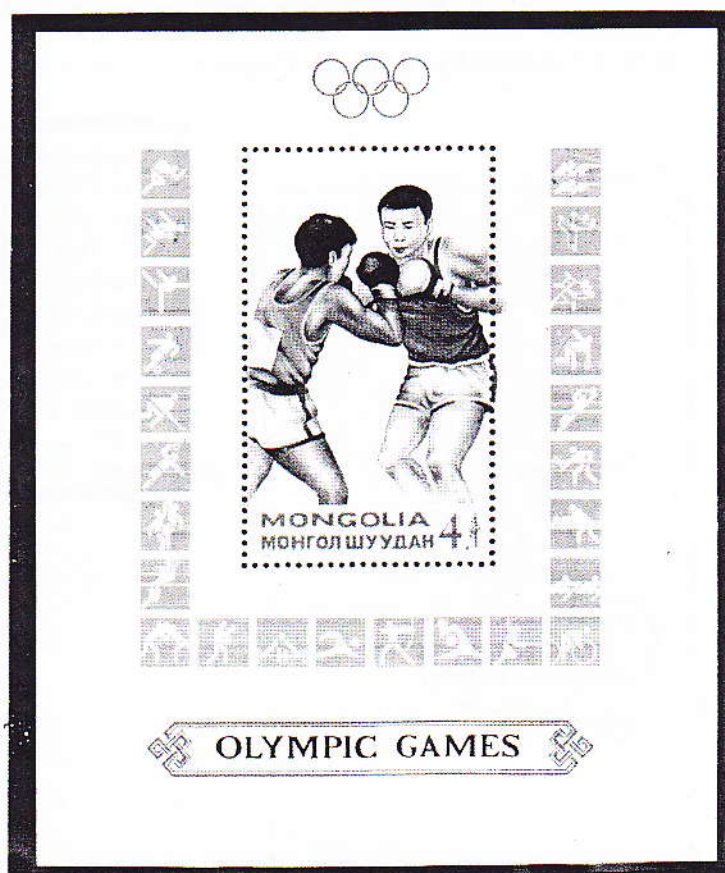
GB. 26th March. 'Oxford Story' bicycle vignette and cachet. The vignette was shown actual sized in the Fourth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps. Information from Fiona Hedges BSC.

ERRORS IN POSTAGE STAMP DESIGN NO. 5

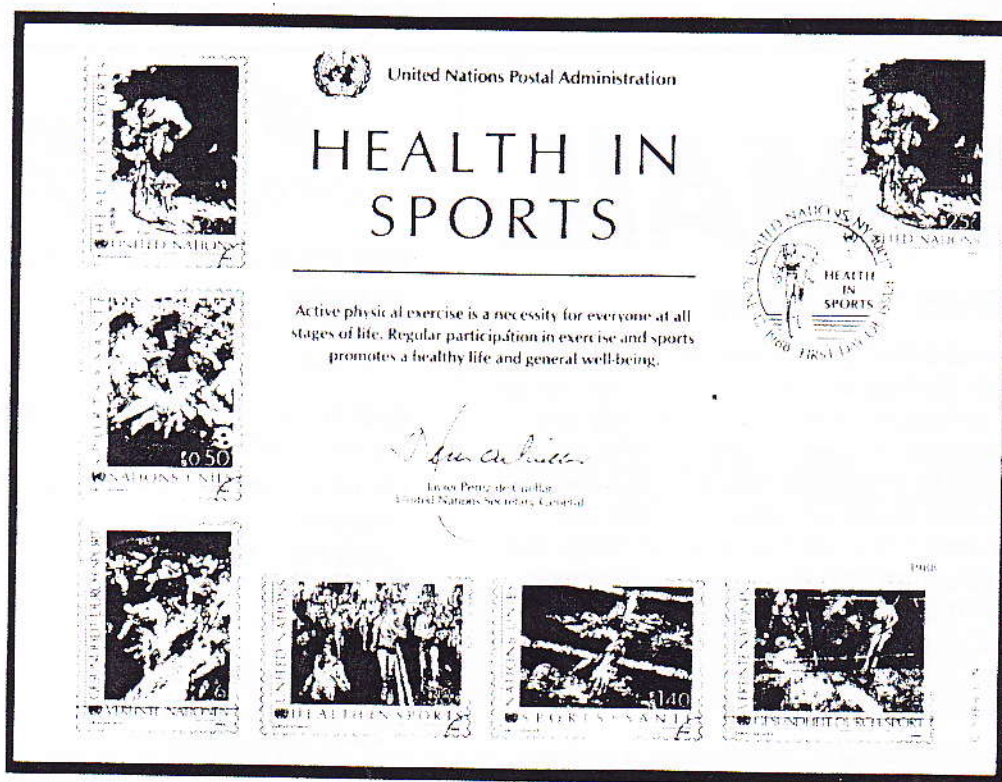


Bhutan. 31st March. 1 of a set of 10 stamps and 4 Souvenir Sheets. Stamp shows "Pierre Lallement's Velocipede 1866. First Pedal Powered Bicycle". Derek Roberts BSC has the following comments: The idea that Lallement invented the pedal-driven crank to the front wheel dies hard. He probably saw a Michaux bicycle in Paris for, when in 1866 he patented a velocipede, it was based on Michaux's first design. The machine on the stamp is a copy of the drawing submitted with the patent application

Mongolia. 1st April.
1 of a set of 7 stamps
and a Souvenir Sheet -
see block at bottom
right on the Sheet.



Tuvalu. 9th May. Souvenir Sheet of a set of 4 stamps. Thanks to John Mansell BSC whose "eagle-eye" spotted the bicycle in the sheet's selvage just to the right of the stamp.



United Nations (USA). 17th June. Special Maximum Card (not shown actual size, but the stamp was shown actual size in the Fourth Issue of 'BS') with just the bicycle stamp affixed and with a special bicycle cachet. Our thanks to Norman Batho BSC for arranging for these to be made up for Members.

The Philippines. 11th July. 1 of a set of 6 issued in perf. and imperf. formats. 4 of the stamps (but not the bicycling one) were also issued in se tenant format with a label and those strips were also issued in perf. and imperf. formats. Raymond See BSC





Macau. 15th July.
1 of a set of 4 &
a Souvenir Sheet.
750,000 bicycle
stamps issued.

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

VOL. 3 AUGUST 1988



BIKE MAIL

100 YEARS * 100 MILES

Catch a little history! There is still a little time to take part in the first Centennial event for the 100th birthday of Orange County. The Orange County Centennial Bike Tour & Festival will be held Sunday, July 31st, beginning at 8:30 AM. Philatelic mail received before July 30th, will be carried along the 100 mile route by Postal Bike Riders for this Centennial event. All 10, 25, 50 & 100 mile routes will leave from Anaheim Stadium, where the Anaheim Post Office will have a postal booth. The booth will be open to the public from 7:00 AM – 1:00 PM. The Irvine Post Office will host a Mobile Post Office at the finish line of the 100 mile route. The Finish Line will be at the Irvine Spectrum, Laguna Canyon Rd. and Alton Parkway, in Irvine. The Irvine Mobile Post Office will be open from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

Special pictorial cancellations will be available at both Start and Finish locations. However, if you want your covers to be actually carried along the 100 route, and receive the unique BIKE MAIL cancellation, you must mail your covers to be received by July 30th. Mail your stamped, addressed covers to:

Postmaster
BIKE MAIL
Anaheim, CA 92805

Please designate on your outside envelope whether you would like "Start," "Finish," or "Start and Finish" cancellations.

Bring your Official Orange County Centennial Bike Tour Program to either post office for a special pictorial cancellation. Unique cachets and Bike Mail Folders will also be available at both postal units. Come join in the fun!



START
ORANGE COUNTY CENTENNIAL
BIKE TOUR & FESTIVAL
STARTING LINE STATION
ANAHEIM, CA 92805
JULY 31, 1988

BIKE TOUR START POSTAL STATION
ANAHEIM STADIUM
SUNDAY – JULY 31st
7:00 AM – 1:00 PM

BIKE TOUR FINISH POSTAL STATION
IRVINE SPECTRUM
LAGUNA CANYON ROAD & ALTON
PARKWAY
10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

USA. 31st July.

US MAIL CARRIED BY
BICYCLES

Both Norman Batho BSC
and David Sher BSC
sent me copies of the
US Post Office, Santa
Ana Division, August
1988 Newsletter.

They both arranged for
recent letters to me
to be conveyed for
part of the journeys
by bicycles. I am
grateful to them both
DM.



Jamaica. July 1988.
1 of a set of 4 and
a Souvenir Sheet.



Barbados. 2nd August.
1 of a set of 4 and
a Souvenir Sheet.



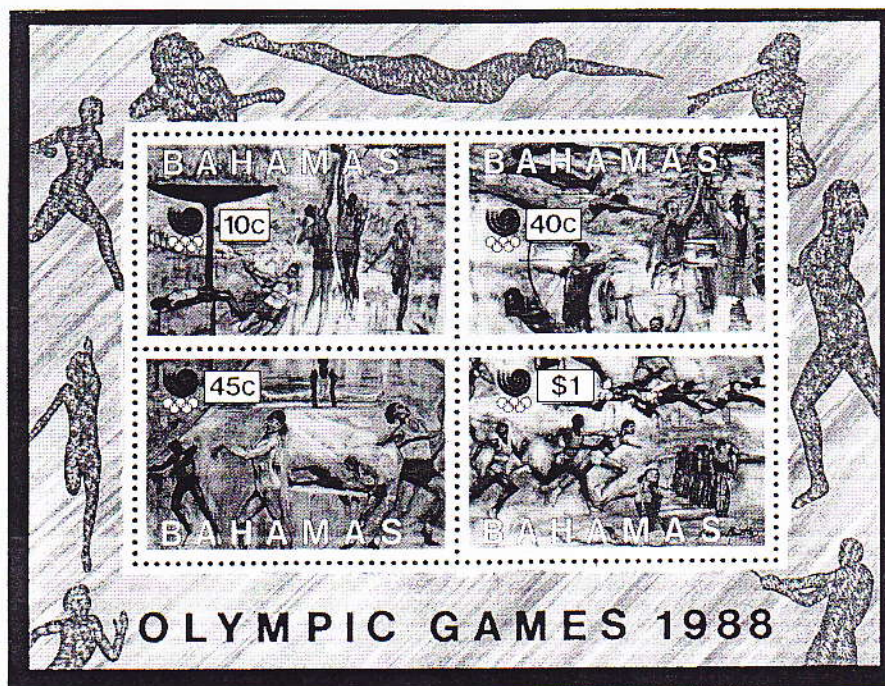


German Democratic Republic.
9th August. 1 of a set of
6 and a Souvenir Sheet.

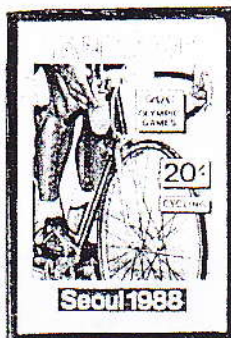
Turks & Caicos.
29th August. 1
of a set of 4 &
a Souv. Sheet.



Bahamas.
30th August.
1 of a set
of 4 and a
Souvenir
Sheet.



Tanzania. July/Aug. 1988.
1 of 4 (and not of 7 as
reported in the Fourth
Issue of 'BS') and a
Souvenir Sheet.



The Netherlands. 1st
to 15th September.
All mail posted from
Leiden was cancelled
"Fietsen met PTT
Post Leiden" =
Cycling with PTT
Post Leiden. Piet
Hein Hilarides BSC.



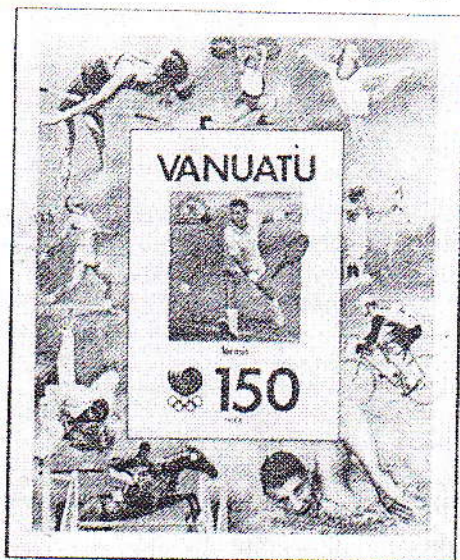
Liechtenstein. 5th September.
1 of a set of 4 designed by
Paul Flora (see pages 36 &
37 of the Premier Issue of 'BS')

Monaco. 8th
September. 1
of a set of 4.

The Philippines
17th September.

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Vanuata. 19th September.
Souvenir Sheet of a set of 4



Cayman Islands. 21st September.
1 of a set of 3. & a Souv. Sheet

U.S.A. 26th October.
23.1c stamp illustrating
a tandem.

VALIDORACHT 05606/6344

Isle of Man. 21st
September. The 4 high
values of the rail &
tram 10th February
1988 definitive set.
(see page 51 of the
Fourth Issue of 'BS')
Nothing of cycling
interest about the
high values. Only of
interest to those who
want complete sets
even though just one
in the set is of
cycling interest...



Comoro Islands.
1 of a set of 6. No
date of issue known



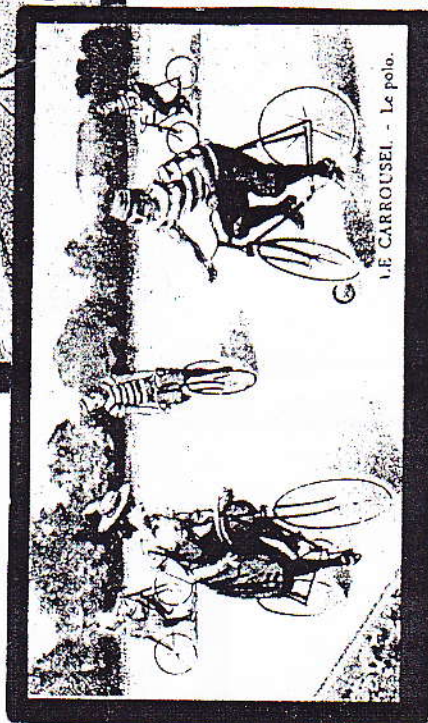
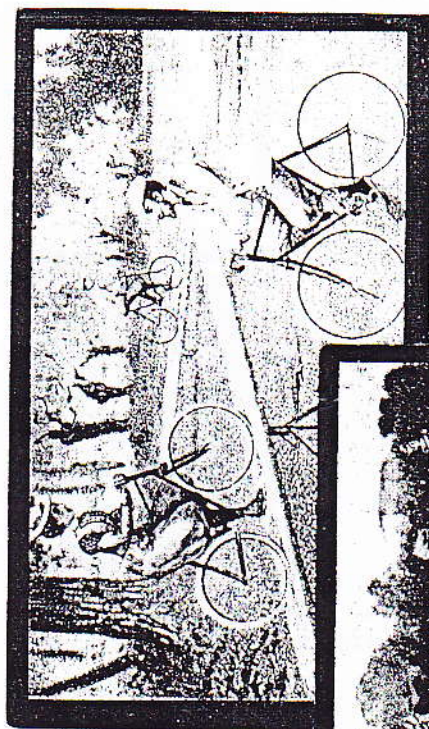
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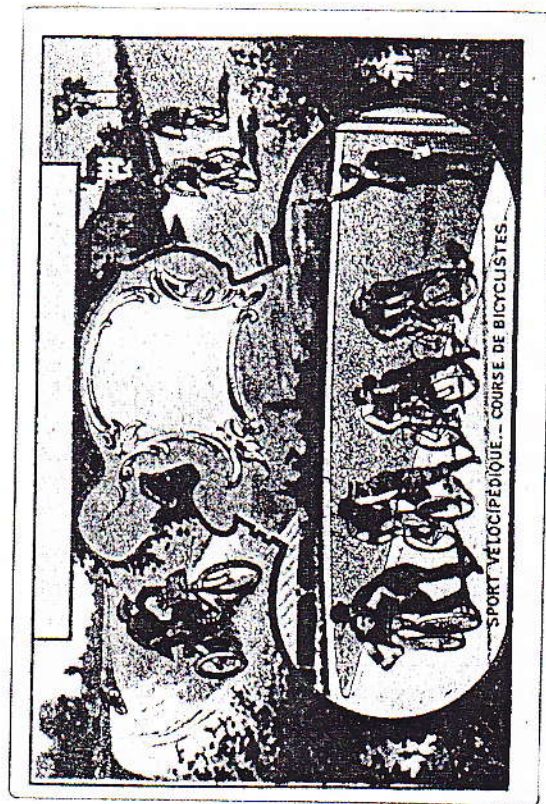
Italy. Programme for
1989 published in
'Stamps' February 1988:
"Sports...Cycling". No
further information
known.

STOP PRESS
VIETNAM HAS JUST
ANNOUNCED THE ISSUE OF
A SET OF SEVEN BICYCLE
STAMPS.

Other Things to Collect
 Cyclets No. 5
 Liebig Cards - see pages
 56 to 64 of the Fourth
 Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'



From the picture sides, these three cards appear to be Liebig ones, but they are not quite the same as the cards shown in the last issue of the magazine. The two on the left are smaller (and have gold borders) and the one on the right has a blank panel at the top and just below that, a blank space. And on the reverse sides...



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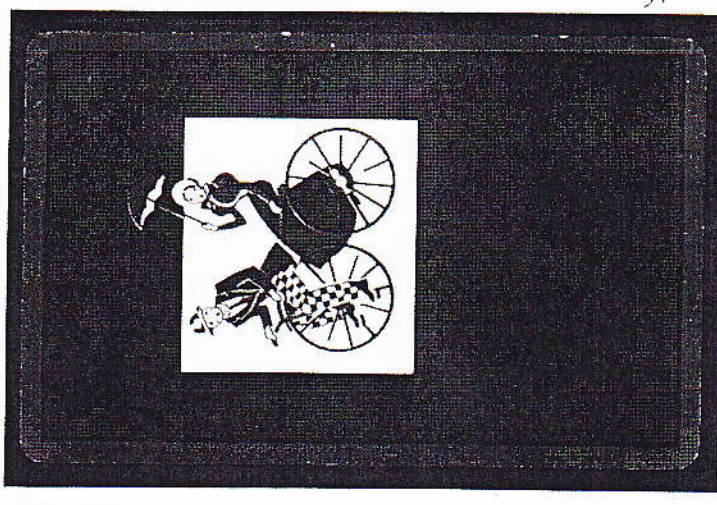
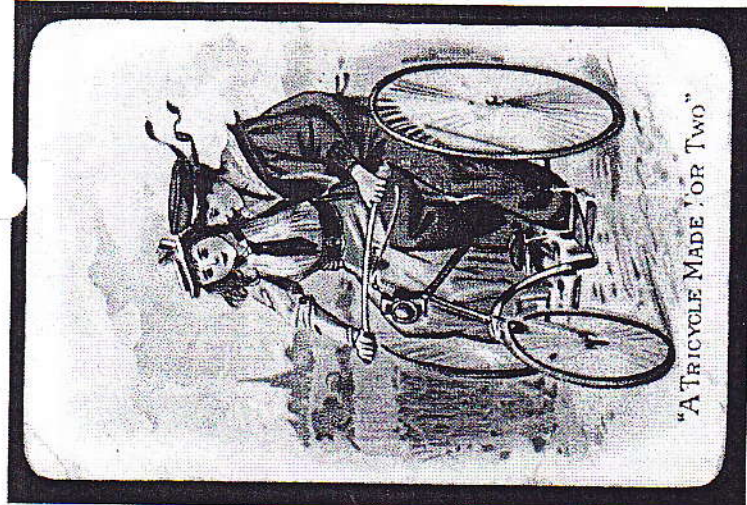
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OTHER THINGS TO COLLECT
CYC LETS No. 6
PLAYING CARD BACKS.

JOKER

and
Jokers
too...



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THE TRUE TEMPER STEEL BICYCLE

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Oil is in!

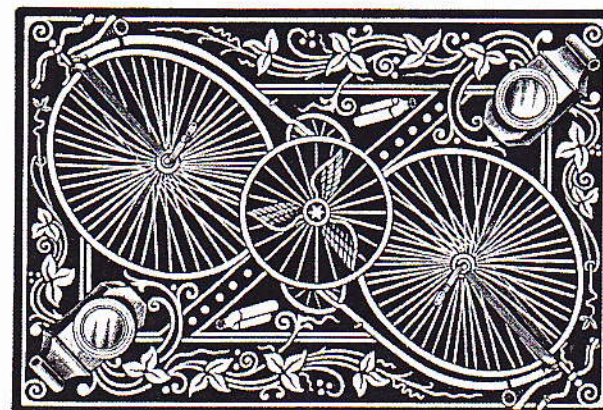
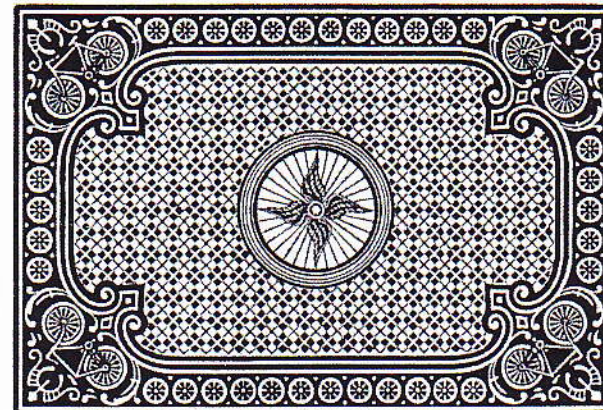
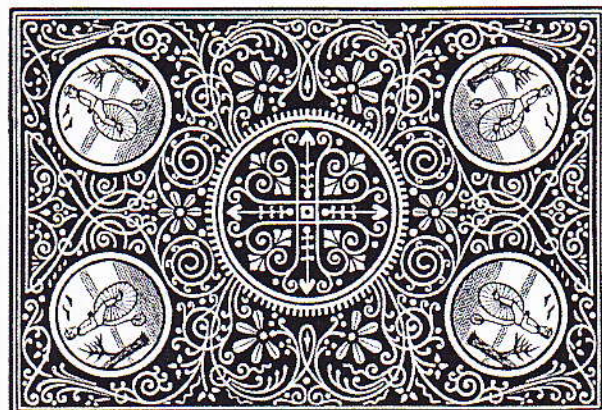
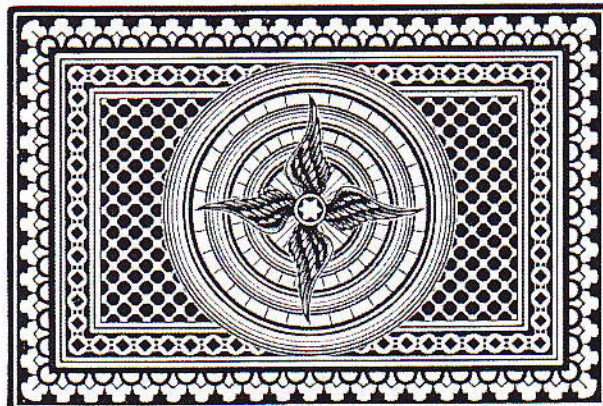
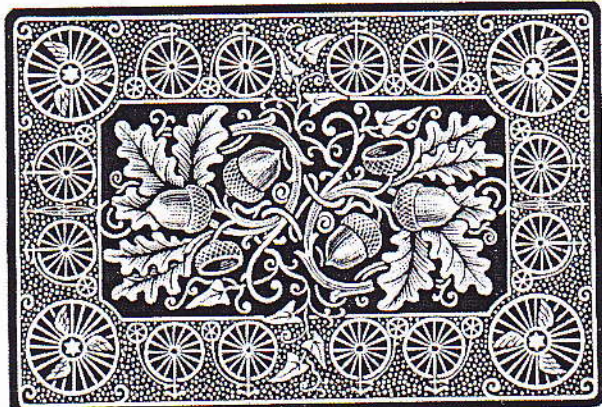
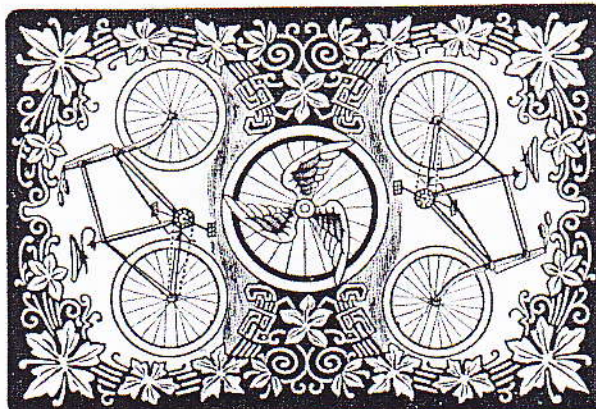
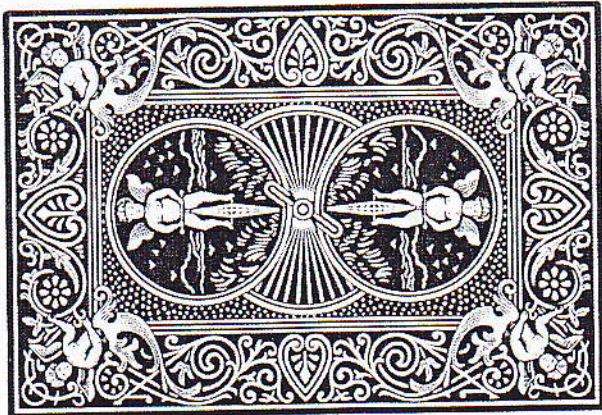
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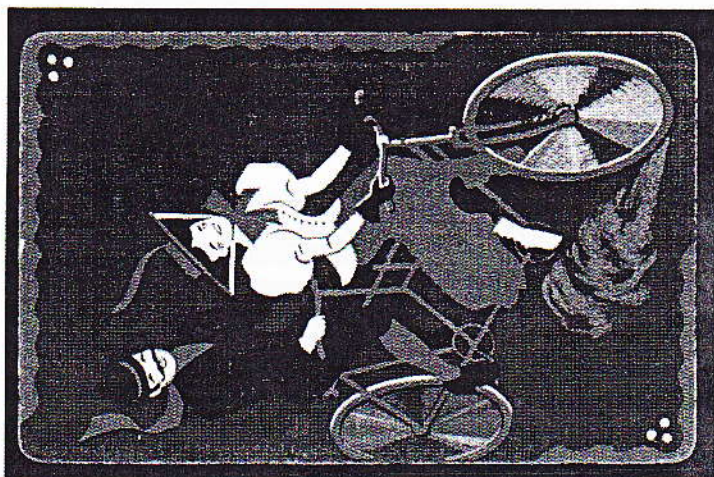
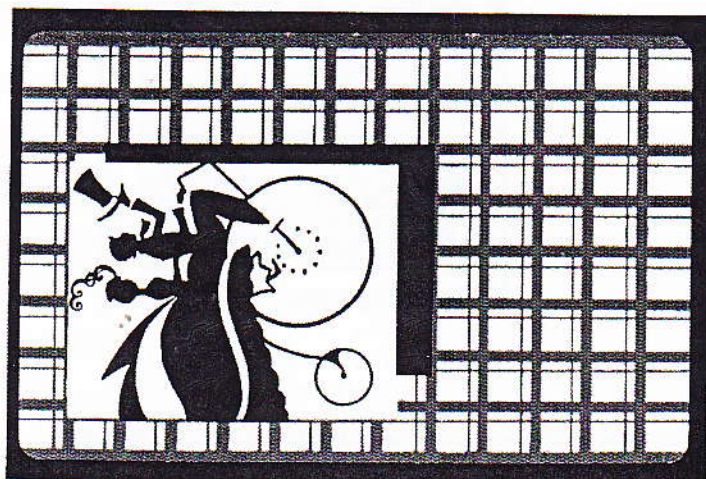
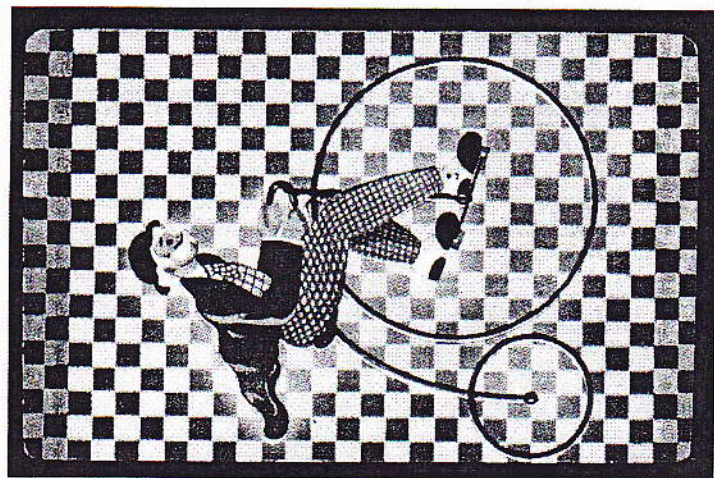
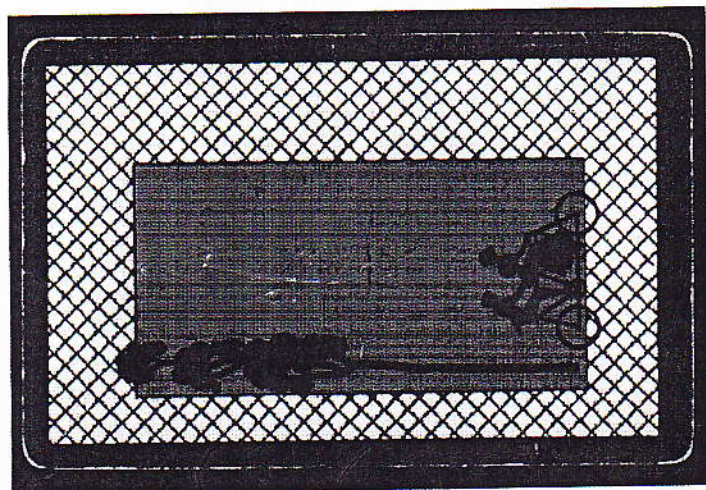
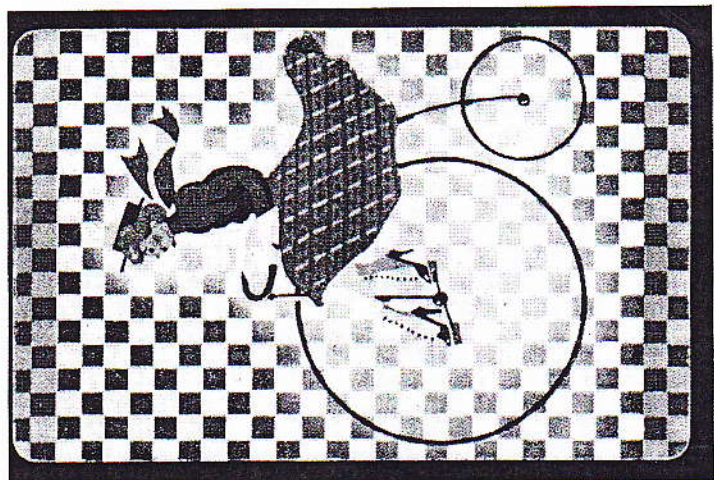
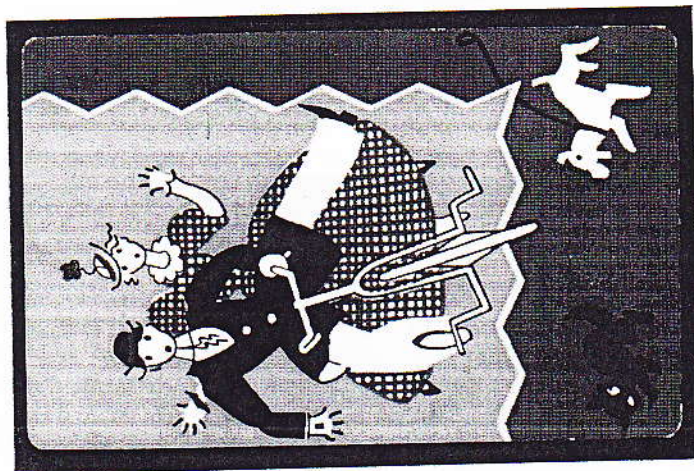
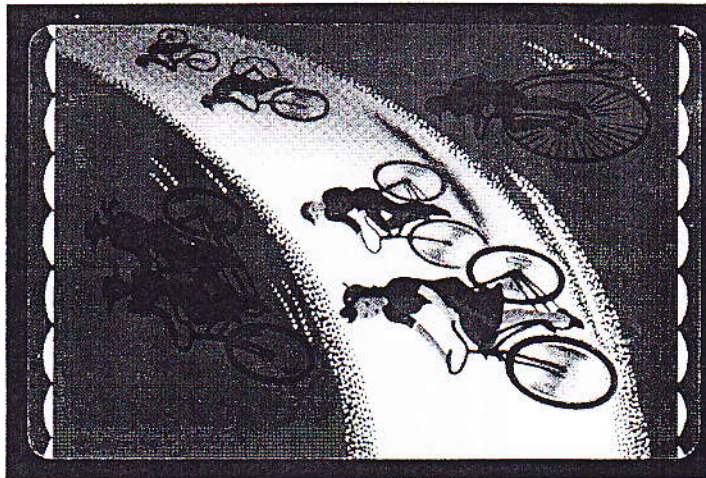
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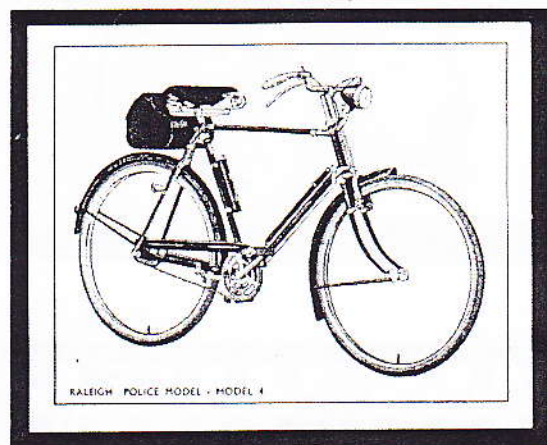
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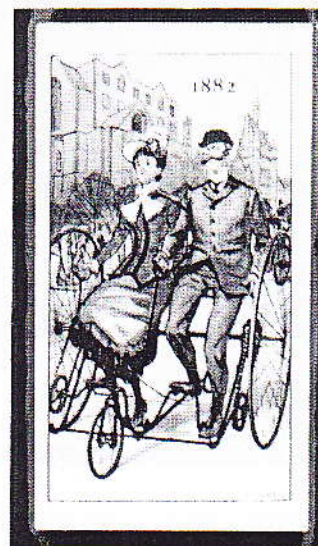




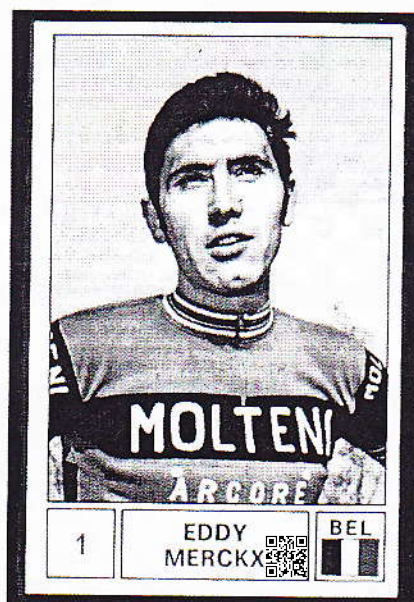
OTHER THINGS TO COLLECT
CYCLES No 7
100% BICYCLE TRADE CARD SETS



1957 48 cards. Raleigh Bicycles



1964. 12 cards
 Kellogg/Hercules
 'The Story of the Bicycle'



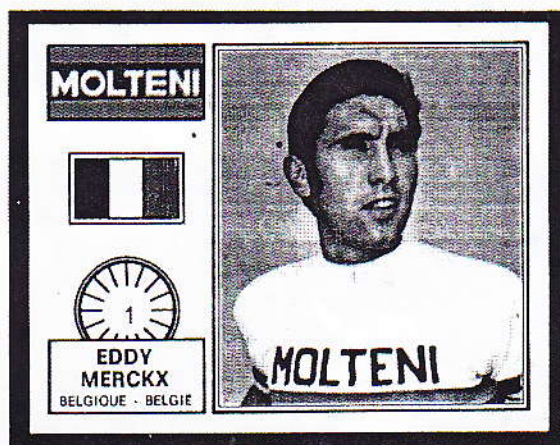
1971. 328 cards
 (of which 55
 split into two
 as shown on the
 right - so a
 grand total of
 383 cards)..
 Panini.

Italian.

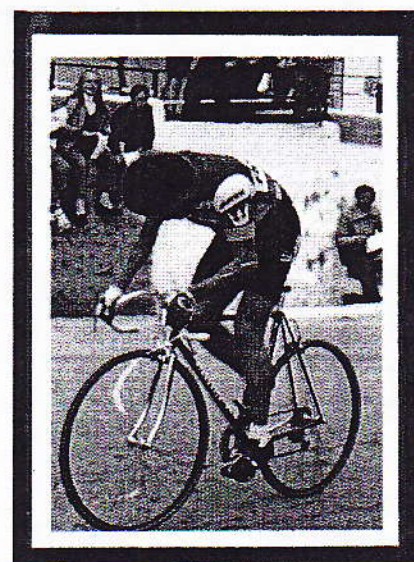
'Sprint 71'



Specially printed albums were issued to
 house the Bergmann set and the Panini sets



1972. 340 Cards
 Panini. Italian
 'Sprint 72'



1983. 287 cards
 Bergmann. Swiss-Italian
 'Edition 2000'

Thanks to all our contributors and apologies to those whose contributions have
 had to be held over to the Sixth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'

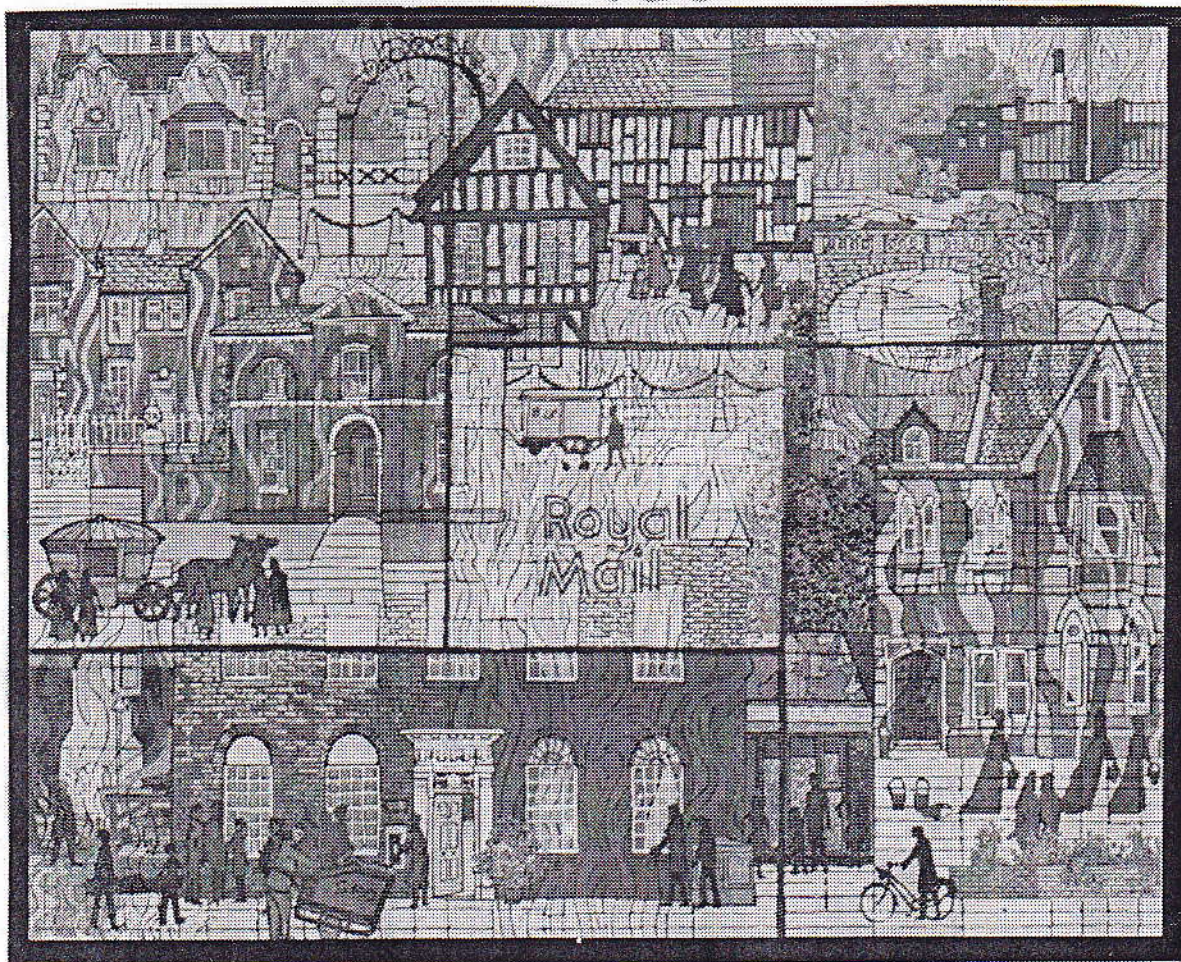
DM.

ILLUSTRATED CHECK LISTING

UPDATINGS

1983

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Great Britain. Midlands Postal Board Picture Card 14.1
1 of 3 issued on 5th July and illustrating the Mural
in the Post Office in Pepper Street, Nantwich, Cheshire

Paraguay. Face Value
2G. L'Arc de Triomphe
in Paris with early
flying machine above.
Two cyclists are on
the right of the stamp.
Nothing else known -
except probably issued
in 1983.

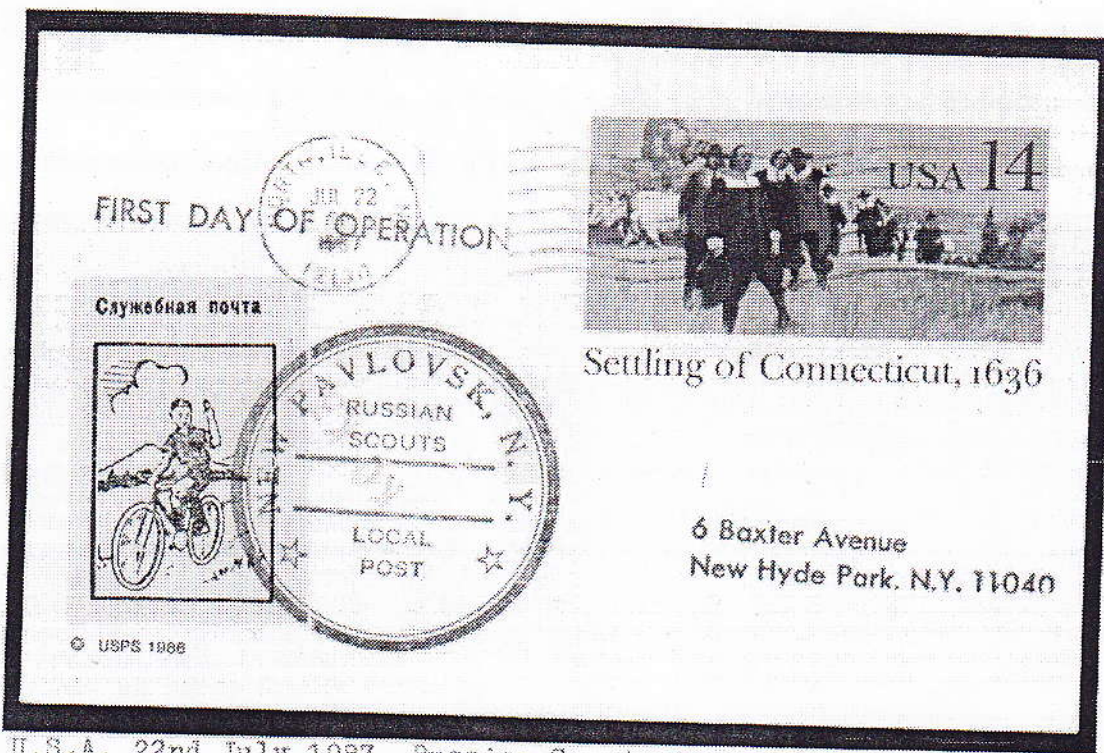


A Jean-Pierre Mangin BSC discovery

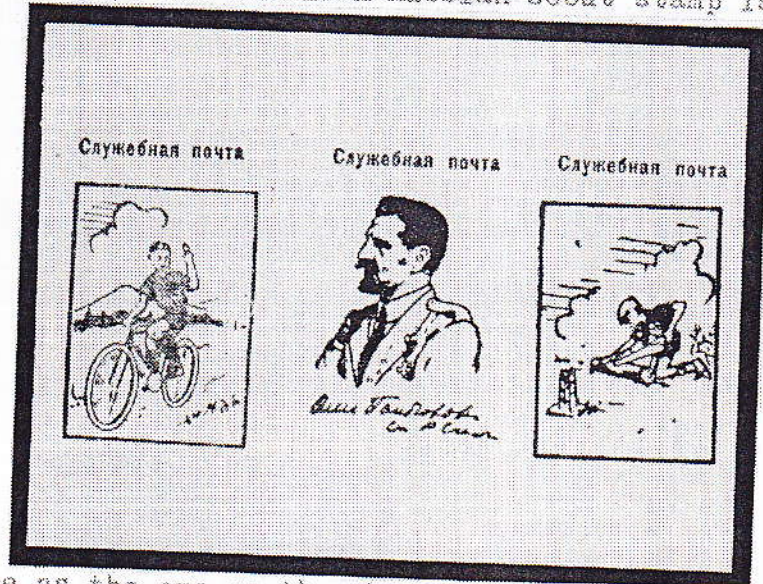


1987

Russian Postal Stationery Envelope of 21st April 1987 and shown on page 21 of the Fifth Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'. That sample - from Norman Batho BSC - was coloured a dullish red (the two hikers) and greyish brown (background). John Mansell BSC has discovered that envelope with distinct colour differences: Bright red (the two hikers) and reddish brown (the background).



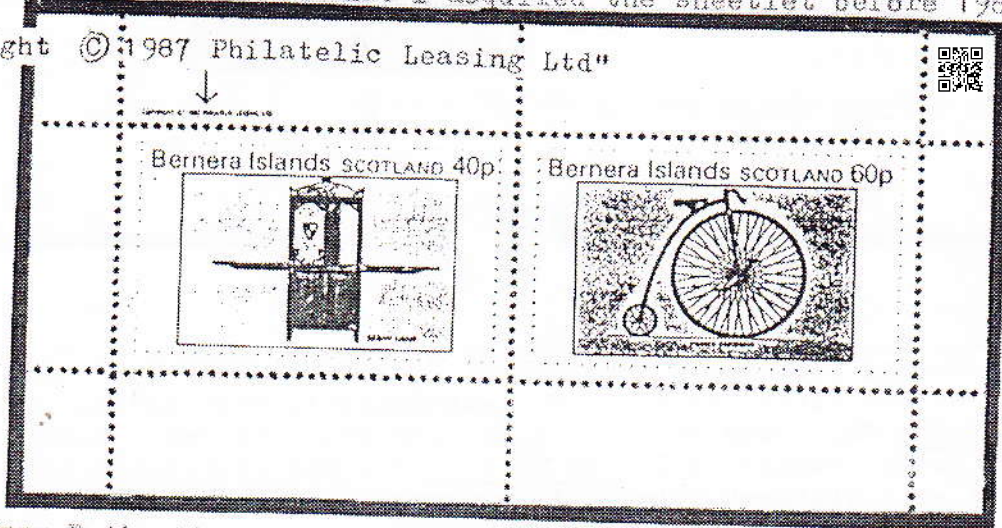
U.S.A. 22nd July 1987. Russian Scouts Local Post FDC acquired by the Editor from Peter Rickenback BSC. Norman Batho BSC is investigating e.g. by writing to Baxter Avenue, but he hasn't received a reply. The American Russian Scout stamp is exactly



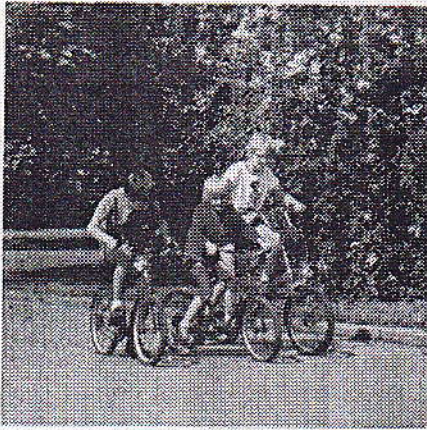
BUT
SEE
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the same as the one on the sheetlet which was also acquired from Peter Rickenback, but before I acquired the FDC AND I am pretty certain that I acquired the sheetlet before 1987!

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Norman Batho BSC discovered this "Local" and I am investigating



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Russian Postal
Stationery
envelope "8 CT
1987". CT is
thought to be
an abbreviation
of the Russian
word for
September. John
Mansell BSC
discovery.

-1988-

Japanese Postal
Card. 2nd May,
1988. Naraba-
Cho Seaside
Cycling
Terminal shown
in the back-
ground. Girl
with bicycle
shown in the
middle fore-
ground of the
Postal Card.
Information
from Takeo Ono
BSC.



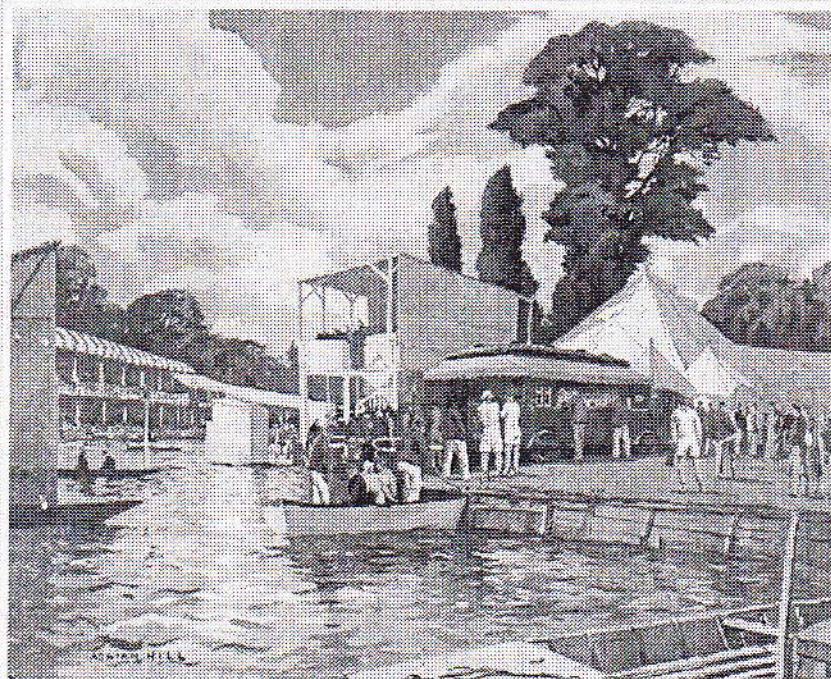
35-11111

潮風深呼吸...シーサイト・サイクリング。



榎葉町サイクリングターミナル

〒979-06 福島県双葉郡楳町大字北田字上ノ原 ☎0240-25-3113(代表)



Great Britain. 6th May. National Postal Museum Postcard 88/6.
Mobile Post Office at Henley Royal Regatta. Circa 1937.

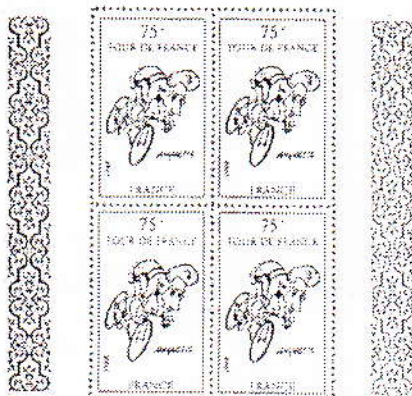
Belgium
20th June
1 of a set
of 5 stamps
Touristic
Issue



Smallest
illustration
of a bicycle
on a 1988
stamp!

Discovered by
Guy Salmon BSC

Hommage à
Jacques Anquetil



The single vignette is
shown actual sized

Note: 75th
Tour de
France is
celebrated
and not 75
years
since the
first Tour
de France.



France. Vignette sheetlet
(not shown actual size
which is 204mm x 146mm):
Tour de France 4th to the
24th July. Pays Homage to
Jacques Anquetil - French
cyclist who won the Tour
de France five times: 1957
1961-1964.

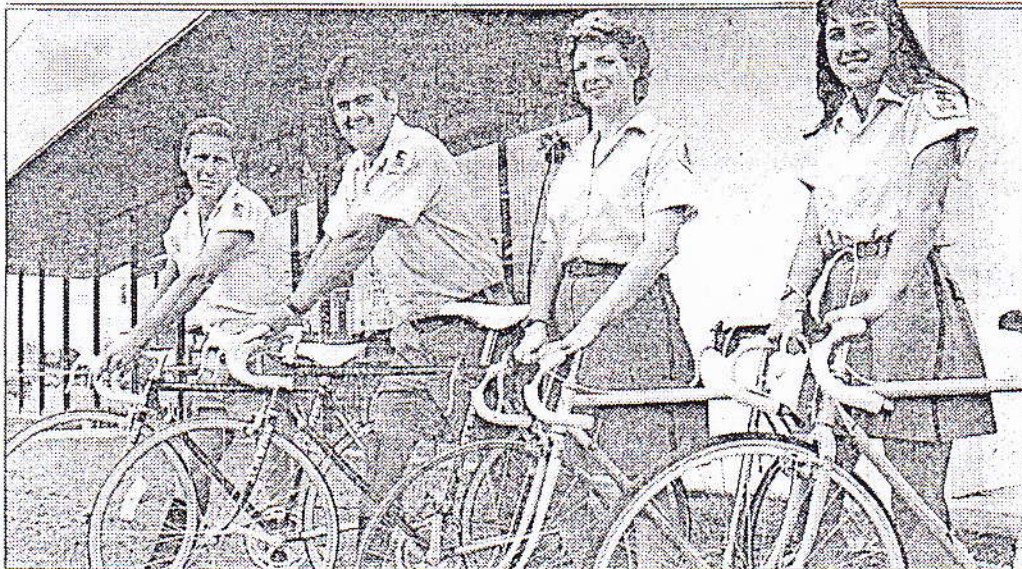


Comoro Islands.
18th July.
1 of a set of 6
stamps.

Kiribati. 30th
July. 1 of a set
of four stamps &
a Souvenir Sheet



CYCLING CELEBRATION



Gearing up to carry 'Bike Mail' are, from left, Bob Boyd, Al Rossano, Diane Warner and Victoria Grego. See story, page 10.

U.S.A. 31st July. Robert McGee
BSC sent me this additional
information and arranged for
me to receive one of the PDC's
carried by bicycle 200 miles.

See page 26 of
the Fifth Issue
of 'Bicycle Stamps'

CYCLING CELEBRATION

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'Bike Mail' cancellations to commemorate festival

Stamp collectors, or those who just want a keepsake to commemorate the Orange County Centennial Bike Tour & Festival, can receive a special cancellation from the Anaheim and Irvine post offices.

This particular cancellation is unusual in that mail will be cancelled twice: at the start and the finish of the race. The first cancellation will be at Anaheim Stadium. The "Bike Mail," as it will be designated, will be carried along the 100-mile route by postal employees riding in the event. Once the mail arrives at the finish line, it will then receive an Irvine cancellation, and be mailed back to the collector.

In order to receive both cancellations, a self-addressed envelope must bear two 25-cent or E-series stamps. Place one stamp in the upper right-hand corner, and the other in the lower right-hand corner.

Philatelists also have the option of receiving the special cancellation at either the start of the race or the finish only. Only one stamp is needed for that.

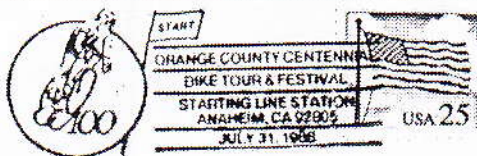
There are three ways to receive the special cancellation:

- Purchase a commemorative cover envelope and stamps at the start of the race in the Anaheim Stadium parking lot. You may also give your own envelope to the postal official at the special cancellation booth. The mail will actually be carried on the route and stamped "Bike Mail."

- Put a 25-cent stamp on a Centennial Bike Tour & Festival program (or any other piece of paper) and give it to the postal official at the special cancellation booth at the start of the race. Such cancellations will not be carried as "Bike Mail," so if you'd like both cancellations, you will have to repeat the process at the finish of the bike tour in Irvine.

- If you are not attending the event, but would like to receive the start and finish cancellations, send a self-addressed envelope bearing two 25-cent or E-series stamps to: Postmaster, Attn: Special Cancellation, 980 E. Pacifico, Anaheim, 92805-0988. All materials to be cancelled must be received before July 31, 1988.

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c/o 9870 Fetunia Avenue
Fountain Valley, CA
92708 USA

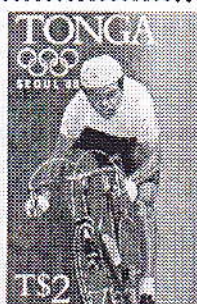
BIKE MAIL





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POSTAGE & AIR MAIL
TONGA
11th AUGUST 1988
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PROGRESSIVE



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Tonga. 11th August. 1 of a set of 4 stamps. Each stamp was issued in sheets of 20 stamps with a central vertical strip of colour progressive proofs: 1 = Yellow, 2 = Blue and 3 = Pink. Given the general financial principle that if something which financially hurts to buy when new, is most likely to show a dramatic increase in value than something that cost just pence...

At least five BSC members have bought the sheetlets



Jamaica. 24th August.
1 of a set of 4 and
a Souvenir Sheet
which included all 4
stamps in the set.



Tanzania. 29th August.
1 of 4 stamps and a
Souvenir Sheet.



Turks & Caicos Islands.
29th August. 1 of 4
stamps and a Souvenir Sheet



Monaco. 8th September.
1 of 4. Issued only in
sheetlet format.



Libya. 17th September.
1 of a set of six
different stamps and
two Souvenir Sheets.

PLUS a Souvenir Sheet
uniting the six stamps

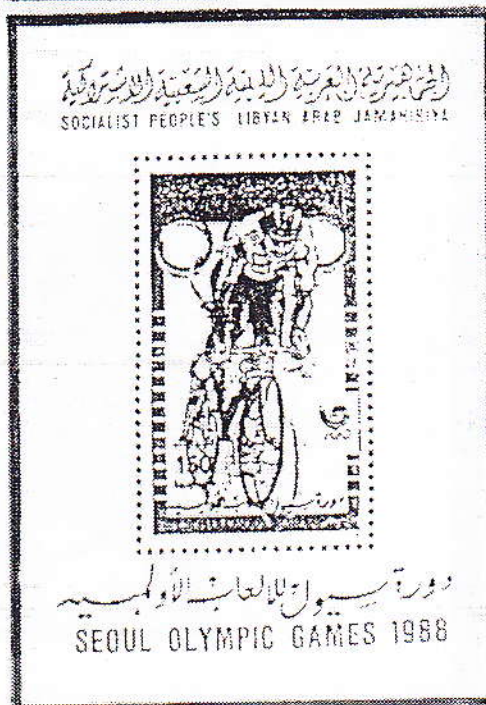
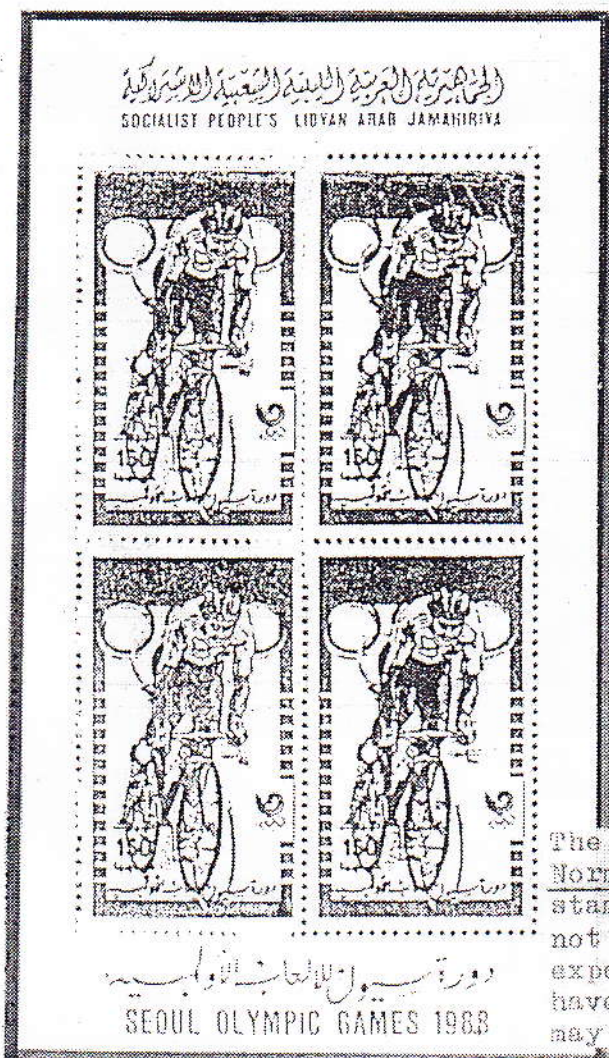
PLUS a set of six
Souvenir Sheets of
Four stamps

PLUS a set of six
Souvenir Sheets of
One stamp

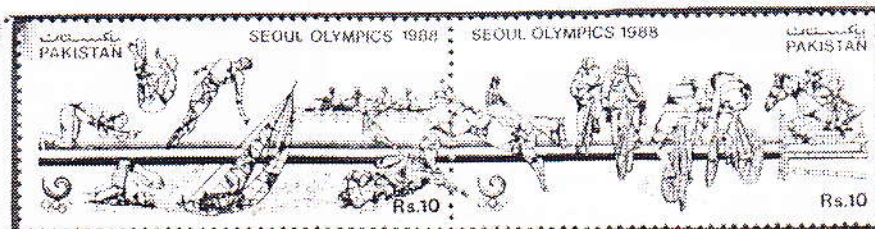
Everything issued both
Perf. & Imperf.



For political or diplomatic reasons, the stamps of Libya are prohibited in the United States as part of a general embargo against the importation of goods from certain countries



The three Sheetlet illustrations were provided by Norman Batho BSC. I am getting the basic set of 6 stamps for New Issue Service members, but I dare not order any sheetlets as they are likely to be expensive. Please contact me if you would wish to have them. By then I should have a price so you may determine if the cost is within your budget.



Pakistan. 17th September. 10 stamps (5 biptyches) in se tenant format surrounded by no less than 36 tabs. The bicycle biptych (four cyclists) and the bicycle tab are shown above actual size. The sheetlet shown below is much reduced in size to fit here. The actual size of the sheetlet is no less than 219mm x 252mm - larger than many album pages!



Notice that at the bottom of the sheetlet the perforations do not extend beyond the tabs. There is a variation where the central and the three at the extreme left and the three at the extreme right extend to the bottom of the selvage. Both varieties may be wanted by some...

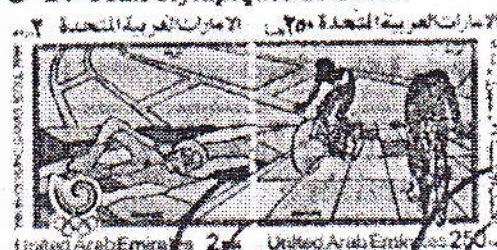


Philippines. 17th September. 1 of a set of 6 and two Souvenir Sheets (bicycle stamp appears on one of them). Everything perf. and imperf. Raymond See BSC

United Arab Emirates. 17th September. 1 of two (a biptych) in se tenant format. Photograph from a stamp magazine. Norman Batho BSC

17 SEPTEMBRE 1988

● 24^e Jeux olympiques de Séoul.



United Arab Emirates 2.50 United Arab Emirates 2.50
- 2 et 2,50 D.
40 x 30 mm. Offset. F/50. Tirage : 500 000.

Syria. 17th September 1 of 2 stamps and a Souvenir Sheet. Bert Schapelhouman BSC made the discovery.



Everything on these two pages was issued on the 17th September. In case anyone thinks an error has been made by the Editor!



China. 9th October.
1 of 2 stamps to
celebrate the First
National Games of
the Peasants.



U. S. A.

26th October

There is a saying in Hollywood: 'Never act with children or animals, the reason being that they will undoubtedly steal the show.' The late W.C. Fields, noted for his acerbic wit, was once asked how he liked Shirley Temple, to which the old cynic replied 'Fried!' Hollywood went through a phase in the 30s when films built around child stars were 'big box office'. The majority of these movies have an extraordinarily cloying effect that has not stood the test of time, sentimental at best and mawkish at worst.

It was left to Italian film-makers to revolutionise this style of film and child actors played a major part in the Neo-realism of the 40s. The prime exponent of this was Vittorio de Sica (1901-74). Something of a child prodigy himself, he ran away from home and worked in a Russian circus troupe before graduating to films in the 20s. His dashing good looks and charm made him the matinee idol of Mussolini's Italy, but after the outbreak of the Second World War he turned from acting to directing. He teamed up with a remarkably gifted script-writer named Cesare Zavattini and between them they were responsible for some of the best films in what came to be known as *Il Cinema Neorealista*.

Their first collaboration was on the film entitled *The Children Are Watching*, made in 1943. Vittorio de Sica had a special ability and pleasure in working with children and non-professional actors in natural settings and locations. Zavattini provided all the settings for de Sica's films from that time

Background to stamp
Reproduced from the
February 1989 issue
of 'Stamp Magazine'
Author unknown.

'Bicycle Thieves'

onwards, focussing attention on difficult social and economic conditions in Italy in the early post-war period. Vittorio de Sica was awarded Special Oscars for two of these movies, entitled 'Shoeshine' and 'Bicycle Thieves'.

The latter is arguably his best, and certainly his most famous, work. It was filmed in the suburbs of Rome over a considerable period of 1948, mostly on Sundays when the cast of non-professionals were free from their normal work. The stars of the film were

Lamberto Maggiorani and Enzo Staioli, neither of whom had ever acted previously (and so far as I can gather, never acted again). Maggiorani played the part of Antonio, a poor man, long unemployed, who manages to get a job as a bull-mucker, provided he has a bicycle to get around the various billboard sites.

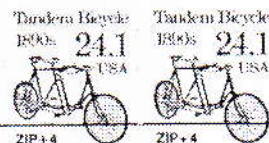
His wife tells the family bedmen to enable Antonio to buy a bike, but he has no sooner started

work than his bike is stolen. The film centres on the struggle of Antonio, assisted by his young son, to recover the stolen bike, in the face of complete indifference on the part of the police. When they eventually catch up with the thief, the latter takes an epileptic fit to win the sympathy of the crowd which gathers round. In the face of the mob's hostility, Antonio says to another indifferent policeman: 'If only you knew what this means to me.' The boy, watching his father's humiliation, provides one of the most pathetic and heart-rending of all endings. This dramatic scene is reproduced on a 650 lire stamp which was issued by Italy on October 13. The boy hugs at his dad's hand and gazes up wistfully at him, his mute expression conveying the utter hopelessness of their plight. This stark scene, in black and white, contrasts with the vignette in colour (from a contemporary cinema poster) showing Antonio and his son pursuing the bicycle thief.

This film cost a mere 19,000 to make but became one of the most successful foreign language films in the post-war period, playing in packed cinemas in Britain and America for several months. It is interesting to note that De Sica turned down a deal by Hollywood mogul David O. Selznick to make this film, with Cary Grant in the leading role. I vividly remember seeing this film at the time it was first shown in Britain. In one scene Antonio buys the boy a pizza and I well remember puzzling for long enough over what a pizza was; but that was long before take-away food in Britain consisted of anything other than fish and chips.

Italy. 1 of 4.
13th October.
Denis Gennari
BSC discovery

Our 1988 Membership Card, designed by BSC President Graham Wade, was posted to members by Norman Batho, our Secretary, on the 26th October with two of the Tandem stamps affixed. The error on the BSC 1987 Membership Card is repeated. What is the error?



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



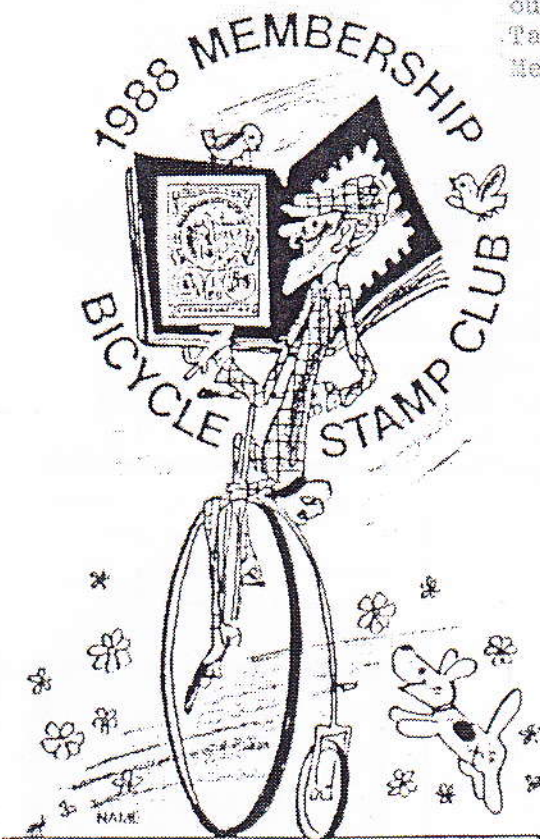
The FDC cancel was just like the cancel shown here BUT shown here is in fact from the inside of the very Special FDC Folder sent to me by Martha Jack BSC - see the page opposite

*It won't be a stylish marriage
I can't afford a carriage,
But, you'll look sweet
Upon the seat
Of a Bicycle Built for two*
from "Daisy Bell"
by Henry Dore

By the time *Daisy Bell*, a London music hall standard, had crossed the Atlantic, the bicycle craze was becoming a veritable national frenzy. Not everyone was taken with the bicycle, to be sure. Some of the more caustic pillars of society pronounced the infernal two wheeler to be "a contrivance of the devil... an instrument created to undermine health and safety." Despite such forebodings, nothing could dampen America's ardor for the wonderful new status symbol. Its impact on society was quite extraordinary: Clothing changed, blue laws vanished, and a serious blow was struck for women's liberation.

Originally designed in part to accommodate women, the tandem bicycle first appeared about 1880, with models like the "Daisy Bell" permitting gentlemen to take ladies for all day excursions, perched one by one in a picture of harmony.

Designed by Christopher Caille of Ridgfield, Connecticut, this revolutionary vehicle becomes the 41st issue in the Postal Service Transportation Series.



Douglas Marchant

Norman Batho

Graham Wade



PRESIDENT

Reduced. Actual
size 210mm x 92mm

COIL PLATE NUMBER

The only Coil Plate Number so far known to be used on the Tandem issue of the US Transportation stamps is 1. See pages 38 & 39 of the Second Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'.



Martha Jack BSC attended the First Day Ceremony for the Tandem stamp and "Enjoyed every minute of it". She very kindly sent me this Programme-cum-FDC. A great pity I can't reproduce it in colour for it is truly a beautifully coloured item. The FDC part of the folder is reproduced on the opposite page. She also sent me a copy of the speech given by the US Postal Service Treasurer, Jim Glasco. Unfortunately it is far too long to reproduce - and a condensed version would lose so much of the flavour. A dilemma! What is the solution?

Stamps for Cyclists

The Postal Service has come through for us again. This time they're winning cyclists' hearts with an 1890s Columbia-style tandem bicycle stamp. The stamp is the 43rd in the transportation series, which a few years ago included the 5.9-cent high wheeler.

The 24.1-cent tandem stamp is perfectly usable on domestic mail; just add a 1-cent stamp or the complementary decimal of your choice. Don't use the stamp on foreign mail; it will be returned. **

Designed for business mail, the 24.1-cent tandem bicycle stamp is available in rolls of 500 or 3000. To use this new first class stamp, businesses need only to fill out a postal form and include at least 250 letters in each mailing. The condition is that the addresses must be clearly typed and must include the nine-digit zip code. The savings of \$2.50 for every 278 letters could mean a lot for struggling businesses, manufacturers of tandems among them.

The 24.1-cent tandem is one of more than 1000 bicycle stamps that have been issued worldwide in the last 100 years. For a complete listing of existing bicycle stamps, send \$6 postpaid to the Bicycle Stamps Club, c/o Norman Batho, Secretary, 358 Iversen Place E, Windsor, NJ 08520. The League's Publications Committee, in cooperation with the Bicycle Stamps Club, is researching the possibility of co-publishing a bicycle stamp album. If you are interested in a bicycle stamp album, send a postcard to John Dowlin, Director, Region 3, 102 North 35th St., Philadelphia, PA 19104.

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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



TANDEM BICYCLE
October 26, 1988 Redmond, Washington

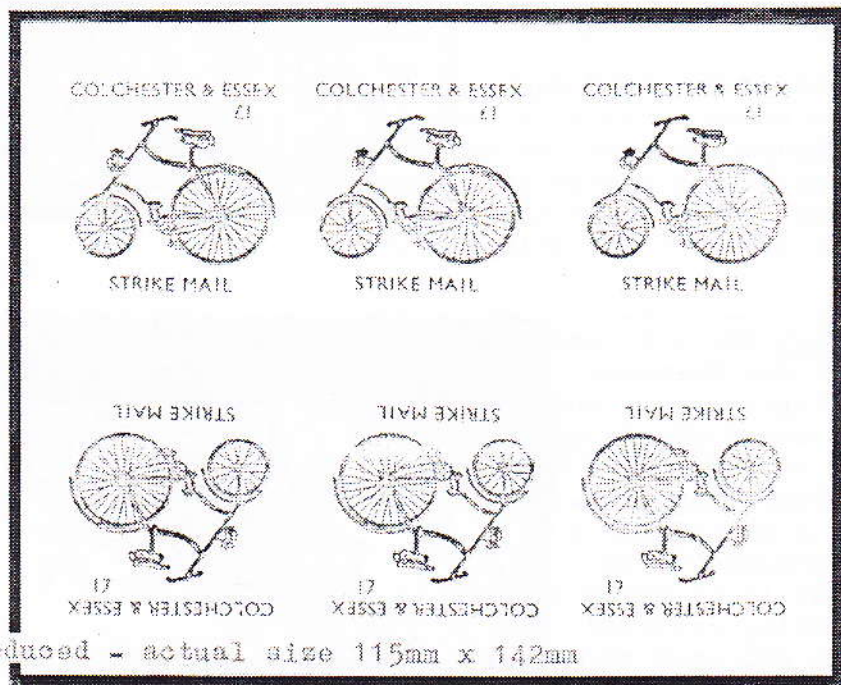
Reduced - actual size 154mm x 230mm

A newscutting from the League of American Wheelmen magazine. Issue unknown. Title of magazine unknown. However, it does explain the rather odd amount of 24.1 cents for the non-American members of BSC. As for the "Bicycle Stamps Album" (see page 51), it's suggested that, unless you are also a member of the League of American Wheelmen, you write to our Secretary Norman Batho and not to John Dowlin.



Printed Green on white paper.

Great Britain.
28th October -
One stamp printed
se tenant in
sheetlets of six.



Reduced - actual size 115mm x 142mm

British postal carriers were on strike nationally from the 31st August to the 19th September. The ending of the strike did not resolve the feelings of the workforce and various areas of Britain continued to suffer. An unofficial strike commenced at Colchester - the County Town of Essex - on the 28th October. Faster than a speeding bullet, our member in Essex - IVAN TRINDER - designed and had printed a "Local" 21 stamp (the minimum that can be charged legally by a private carrier). A total of 510 stamps were printed in sheetlets of six on P.V.A. backed paper. A few proofs exist - printed green on yellow card. 200 Postal Stationery envelopes were also printed. IVAN TRINDER BSC organised a genuine service - even to the extent of personally delivering to at least one address in Ipswich - the County Town of neighbouring Suffolk. Gradually postal services resumed and the need for private services ceased But

Jamaica. The set of stamps (excluding the Souvenir Sheet) issued on the 28th August was overprinted on the 11th November "+45c Hurricane Gilbert Relief Fund"



in BLACK



and in RED

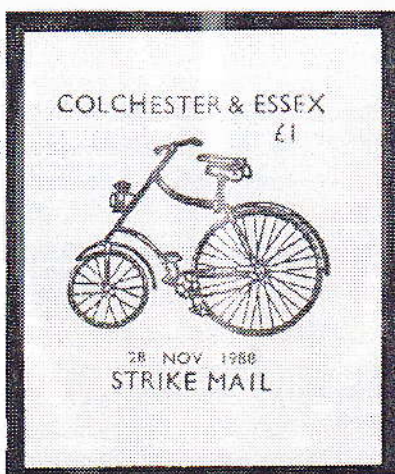
Gambia. 21st November.
1 of a set of four
stamps and a Souvenir
Sheet. Various 'Firsts'



Mexico. 21st November.
1 of a set of 3 stamps
depicting the art of
Antonio Ruiz. Norman
Batho BSC discovery.



Colchester Post Office again came out on strike on the 28th November and our Essex stalwart IVAN TRINDER came to the rescue yet again. The design of the stamp is the same as the previous month's except that the printing is in purple and "28 Nov 1988" has been added.

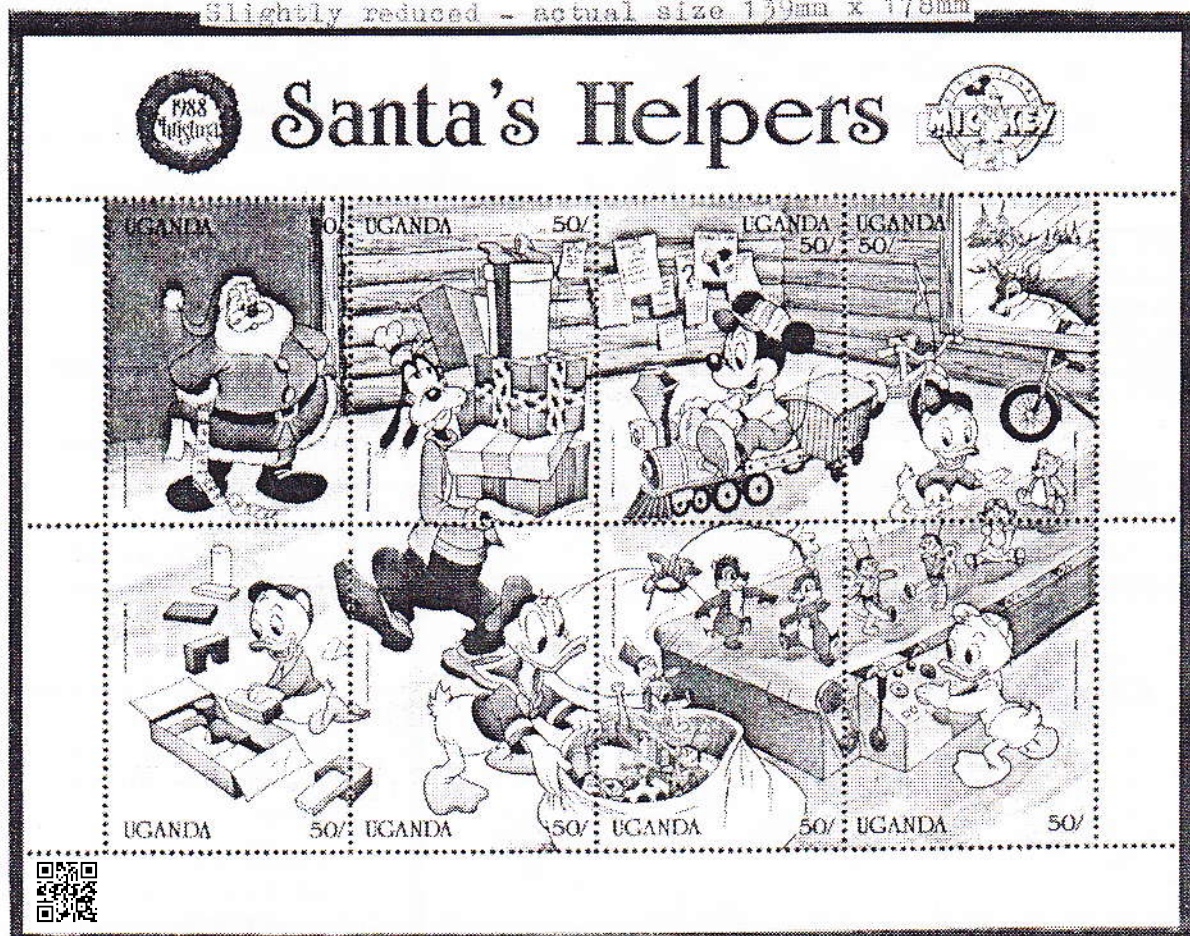


The strike ended on the following day although normal service did not start until some days later. 264 stamps were printed in se tenant sheetlets of six on PVC backed paper. A few proofs exist on thin card. 50 Postal Stationery envelopes were printed. Another genuine service.

Vietnam. Date of Issue unknown. 1 of a set of 7 stamps and a Souvenir Sheet. Subject of Issue Tourism. Discovered by Richard Henry BSC when he was in Vietnam's Capital City Hanoi in December.



Slightly reduced - actual size 139mm x 178mm



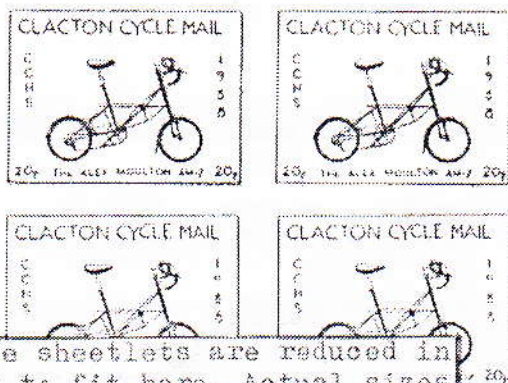
Uganda. 2nd December. 1 stamp (see top right) in a set of 8 issued in sheetlet format. Two Souvenir Sheets were issued with the set.



Blue on White paper. Green on White Paper. Red on Yellow paper.

Great Britain. Clacton-on-Sea, Essex. 4th December. BSC member IVAN TRINDER, although retired from the teaching profession, was the brains behind the 1988 Christmas Card charity postal service by the pupils of the Clacton County High School. Christmas 1988 was the seventh year of the service and details of the previous years' services will be found in previous issues of 'Bicycle Stamps' e.g. pages 44 to 46 of the Fourth Issue. The main change from previous services is that, owing to pressure of school work; particularly the introduction of the new General Certificate of Secondary Education, the pupils had no time to spare to design the stamps and all three were designed by BSC member IVAN TRINDER.

Note. Charitable concerns are allowed to charge less than the £1 figure when handling Christmas Cards - see page 46.



These sheetlets are reduced in size to fit here. Actual sizes are the same as the Colchester 3 x 3 sheet - see previous two pages.

Numbers printed were 10p 4,860, 20p 990 and 50p 360 in sheetlets of 9 stamps (the 10p and the 50p in se tenant format) by letterpress blocks.

Miniature Sheets of four stamps were also issued.

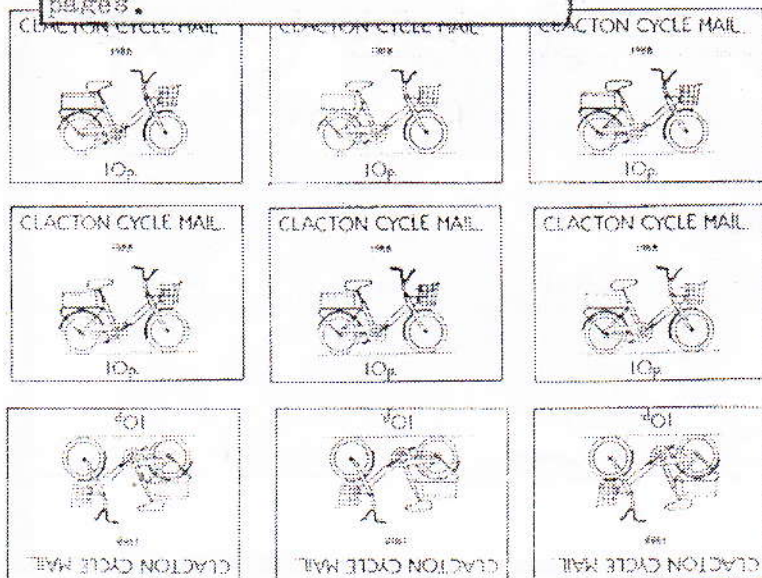
A 10p Postal Stationery envelope was also issued.

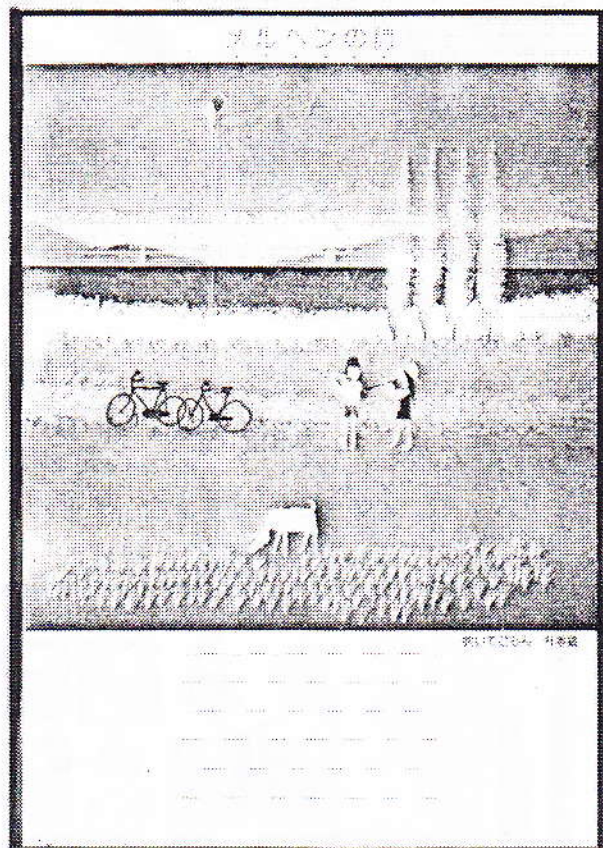
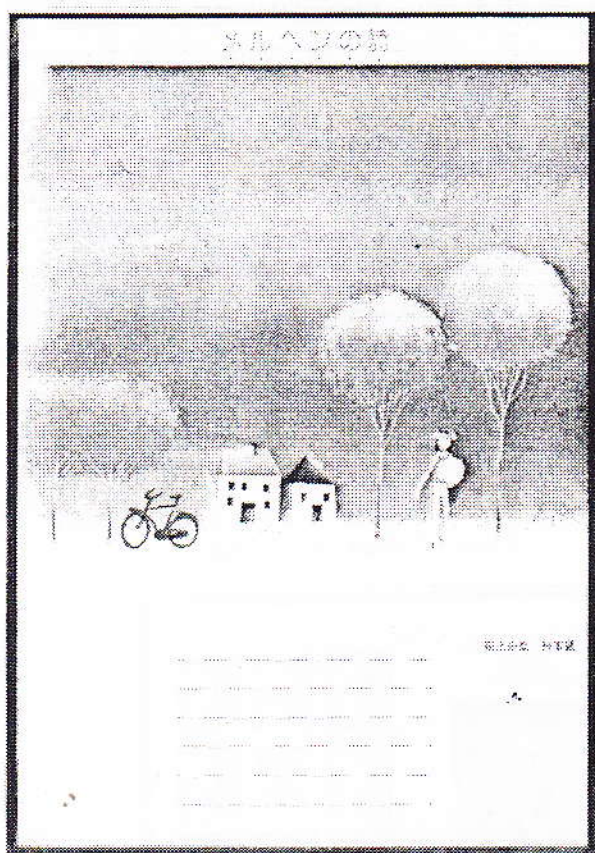
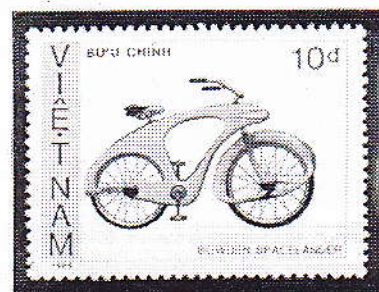
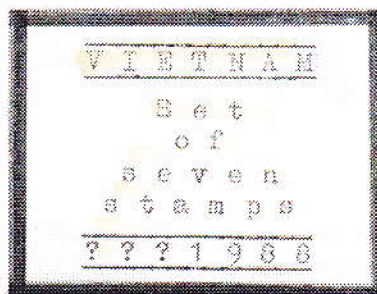
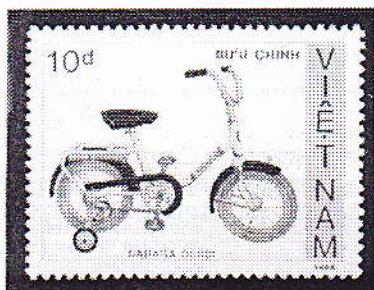
The design on the FDC was of the 50p stamp.

A Black Print of all three stamps was issued.

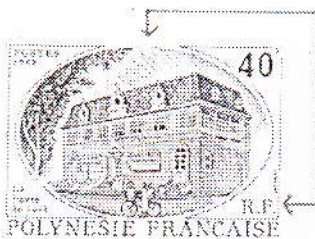
Colour Proofs were issued for all three stamps - all printed on white cards.

Number of Christmas Cards actually carried was 3,490.





Two of a set of five Japanese Postal Cards. Not shown actual sized which is 101mm x 150mm each. ???.??88. Information from Takao Ono BSC



French Polynesia. 1 of 2.
12th January. The Tahiti
Post Office in 1915.
A Norman Batho discovery

— 1989 —



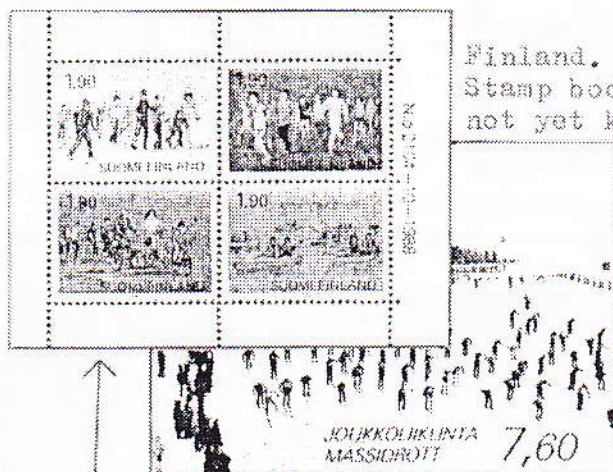
St. Vincent Grenadines.
20th January. 1 of 4.
and a Souvenir Sheet.



Bermuda. 12th February
1 of 4

"Michael, row the boat ashore"

No, not this time – this oarsman's name was Walter. For over 50 years he ferried people, and their chattels, between Hamilton and Lower Ferry. Altogether he propelled himself and his rowboat over 200,000 miles (equivalent to eight times around the world!).



Finland. 10th March
Stamp booklet. Size
not yet known.

A group of cyclists
A Björn Rombach discovery

Spain. 7th March
1 of 4.



BUT SEE PAGE 6

Extract reproduced

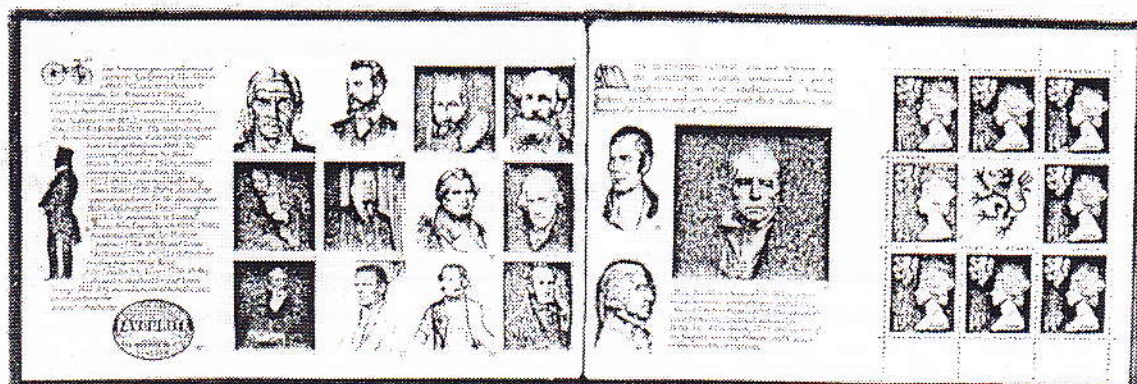


The Scots were great explorers and
inventors. Kirkpatrick MacMillan
(1813-78), invented the bicycle.

exact size



Great Britain. 21st March. Stamp booklet.
Size 100mm x 165mm



Please let me know if you want the GD stamp booklet. DM.



Right: James, Catherine, Jennifer and Owen pose with Traffic Officer Van der Byl who saw to their safety when they crossed busy Broadway while delivering the mail.

TRICYCLE MAIL CELEBRATES SHIFT

As part of the celebrations to mark the opening of her new enlarged shop premises, Val Palenski of Palmerston North Stamp Centre, organised what is thought to be New Zealand's first TRICYCLE MAIL.

A special cover was prepared using the 35c Motor Cycle stamp on the official Post Office envelope and

these were postmarked with the Palmerston North First Day date stamp.

A Cinderella label of New Zealand's rarest stamp, the 1d Claret, was also applied. On 9th March 1986, closing day for the old premises,

500 of these covers each one individually numbered, were earned in satchels by a convoy of six year old children

on tricycle from the old building at 146 Broadway Avenue to the new premises at 121 Broadway Avenue. Here the covers were cancelled with a special TRICYCLE MAIL CACHET.

The convoy was escorted across the main thoroughfare of Palmerston North by a Traffic Officer of the Ministry of Transport who held up all the traffic to allow the mail-carriers through.

This added to the significance of using the Motor Cycle issue for this cover as Traffic Officer Paul Van der Byl was using one of the Transport Department's BMW motor cycles.

The children, resplendent in gold and yellow printed Palmerston North Stamp Centre tee-shirts took their duties very seriously.

Not one went on strike or held a go-slow meeting until all 500 covers were duly delivered and date stamped.

Each of the 500 covers were individually numbered on the reverse side.

1983 UPDATING



Russian Postal Card
- 23rd July.



See the Tenth Issue
of 'The Spoken' Word'
and the Premier Issue
of 'Bicycle Stamps'

Chinese Stamp
Exhibition Souvenir
Sheet (?)
- 16th September.

1985 UPDATING

See the Premier Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps'



Laos - ??..??..85
18.01.79 100K stamp
overprinted "1985"
(the overprinted
"1982" stamp is shown
above). The "need"
for such overprinting
is a mystery...

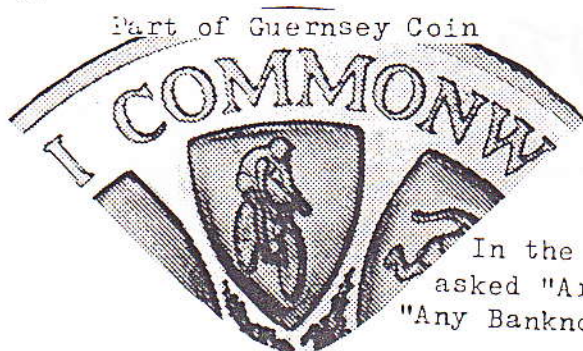


Vietnam -
15th August.
1 of 4

Poland - Postal Card -
December 1985.



Information for the 1983 and 1985 updatings
came from Norman Batho, Piet-Hein Hilarides,
Bert Schapelhouman and Rupert Waltl



OTHER THINGS TO COLLECT CYCLES No.3 MONEY

In the Premier Issue of 'Bicycle Stamps' the Editor asked "Are there any other coins featuring bicycles?" "Any Banknotes?"

COINS

Rupert Waltl has provided all the information below and has suggested that any BSC Member thinking of collecting coins, should seek them out quickly as the market for silver has collapsed so the coins will not be too expensive to buy. He added that some dealers are melting down the coins for the silver content - so buy before your local dealer does that!

1976	Canada	10 Dollars	Olympic Games	B & C
1978	Canada	1 Dollar	Commonwealth Games	C only
1980	Isle of Man	1 Crown	Olympic Games	A & B
1980	Russia	10 Rubles	Olympic Games	B & C
1982	Australia	50 Cents	Commonwealth Games	A ^x & C ^z
1984	Belize	20 Dollars	Olympic Games	C only
1986	Guernsey	2 Pounds	Commonwealth Games	B & C

A = Nickel Silver Uncirculated Mint Coin.

B = Silver Uncirculated Mint Coin.

C = Silver Proof Coin.

x = with 12 edges

z = rounded

The 1976 Canadian coin illustrates three cyclists on high-wheelers ("Penny-Farthings"). The Russian and the Belize coins are also 100% cycling ones and both illustrate a racing cyclist. All the other coins show cycling among many other sports.



Canada 1976

Rupert Waltl discovered the Berlin and the Barbados items opposite too.



Russia 1980

NOTES

German "Notgeld" inflationary notes

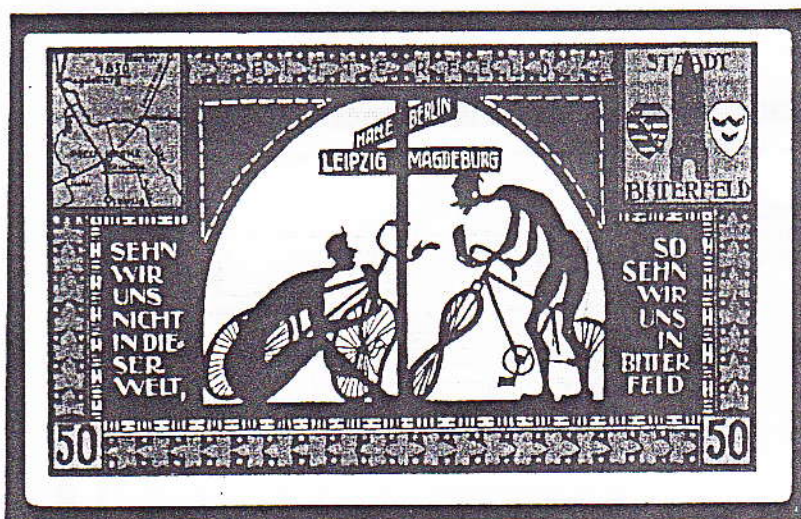


Berlin - obverse
Not actual size

Year 1922



Reverse - actual size



Bitterfeld - obverse
Not actual size.

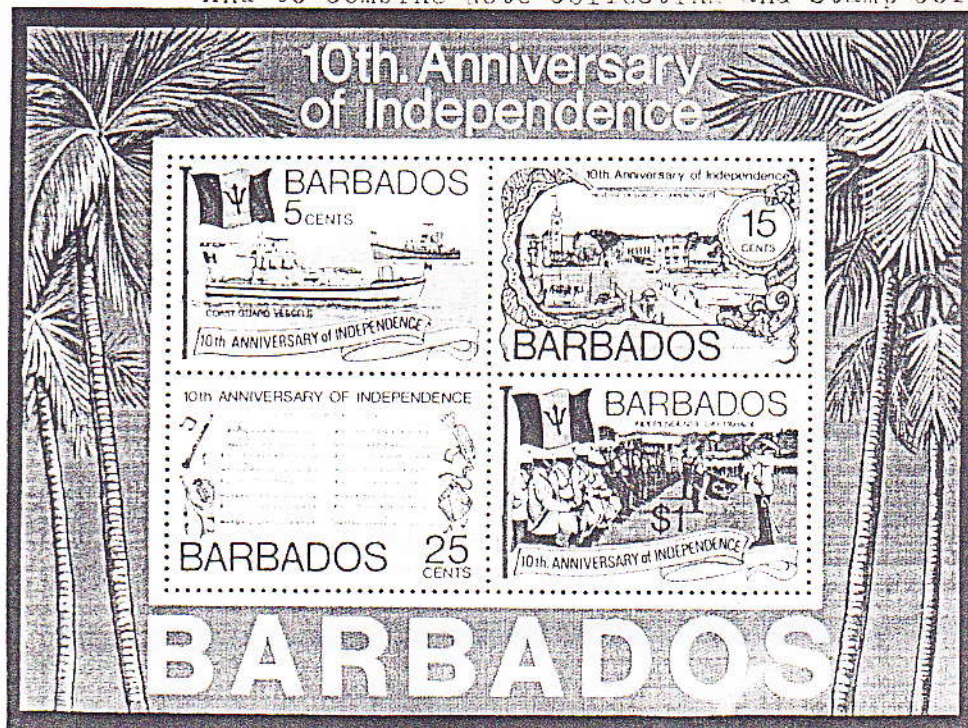
Year 1921

Reverse - actual size

"If we do not see each other in this World,
We shall see each other in Bitterfeld"



Translation by Rupert Waltl. Note discovered by the Editor


And to combine Note Collecting and Stamp Collecting...





Barbados stamp and
Souvenir Sheet.
01.12.76 (local
Date of Issue - the
Crown Agents
released the issue
on 30.11.76).
Stamp shows a
cyclist cycling
towards a car on
the reverse design
of a currency note
Any others known
with bicycles?

Cheques are MONEY too...

	GARY W. NOOGER BARBARA L. NOOGER	19	1101
			<small>68-738 560</small> 1618
Pay to the Order of		\$	
			Dollars
SOVRAN[®]BANK 			
<small>Sovran Bank, N.A., Arlington, Virginia</small>			
Memo			
⑆ 056007387⑆ 9682 6502⑈ 1101			

	KEITH KINGBAY 10-85 450 CHECKER DR. BUFFALO GROVE, ILL. 60089	19	163
			<small>2-7132/2710</small>
PAY TO THE ORDER OF		\$	
			DOLLARS
StPaul Federal Bank <small>For Savings Chicago Illinois 60625</small>			
MEMO			
⑆ 271071321⑆ 15⑈306 086 0⑈ 0163			

	GARY W. NOOGER BARBARA L. NOOGER	19	1081
			<small>F 68-738 560</small> 1618
PAY TO THE ORDER OF		\$	
			DOLLARS
SOVRAN[®]BANK 			
<small>Sovran Bank, N.A. Northern Virginia 22203</small>			
MEMO			
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