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New Issue Update



ABKHAZIA	00.00.96	SHEET	REAR OF BIKE WITH FLAT - 4 DIFF. SE-TEN	S	21B COVER
ABKHAZIA	00.00.98	200	'ELVIS' ISSUE - ELVIS ASTRIDE BICYCLE - FRONT OF BICYCLE SHOWN.	9+8	32-10
ABKHAZIA	00.00.98	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 9 DIFF. INCLUDES THE ABOVE	9+8	32-10
ANGUILLA	11.02.93	45c	DELIVERING THE MAIL ISSUE - ,MAILBOAT "BETSY R" AT THE FOREST.	5	32-10
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	26.06.00	\$2	SYDNEY OLYMPIC GAMES - CYCLING -MARCUS LATIMER HURLEY, 1904 St LOUIS OLYMPICS	4+MS	
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	26.06.00	MS	AS ABOVE - MS OF 4 X \$2.00 STAMPS AND A LABEL - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	4-MS	
AUSTRALIA	00.01.00	POSTAL CARD	STATUE OF COLONEL LIGHT - ALSO PICTURED IS A COPY OF THE 2d CENTENARY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA STAMP ISSUED 03.08.36 - CARD CARRIES PREPAID INDICIA	1	31-7
AUSTRALIA	31.10.00	45C	AUSTRALIAN PARALYMPIC TEAM PERSONALISED STAMPS - SHEETS OF 10 STAMPS ISSUED TO EACH OF THE 438 TEAM MEMBERS - THERE WERE 28 CYCLING TEAM MEMBERS IE 22 RIDERS & 6 SUPPORT STAFF - (COACH ETC)	28 (438)	35-16
AUSTRALIA	31.10.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEETS OF 10 0F THE ABOVE STAMPS	28 (438)	35-16
AUSTRALIA	01.11.00	BOOKLET	CHRISTMAS 2000 ISSUE - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - PICTURE OF YEAR 2000 STAMP COLLECTION BOOK IS OPEN AT PAGE SHOWING OLYMPIC SHEETLET ISSUE 17.08.00 (SEE BS 32 PAGE 19)	BOOKLET	35-14
BARBUDA	?	\$2.00	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - MARCUS LATIMER HURLEY - CYCLING - ST LOUIS (1904) - STAMPS OF ANTIGUA & BARBUDA ISSUED 26.06.00 O/PRINTED BARBUDA MAIL	4+MS	34-11
BARBUDA	?	MS	AS ABOVE - MS OF 4 x \$2.00 STAMPS AND LABEL - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	4+MS	34-11
BELGIUM	20.11.00	17fr - 0.42e	STAMP DAY - BICYCLE BEHIND POSTMAN	1	35-10
BERNERA ISLANDS	00.00.84	8P	LOS ANGELES OLYMPICS GOLD LEAF CYCLIST	?	
BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA - REPUBLIKA SRPSKA	06.09.00	MS	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - STAMPS AND MS WITH LABEL OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - PICTOGRAM ON MS SELVEDGE	4+MS	35-18 34-28
BULGARIA	00.00.89	PREPAID ENVELOPE	STYLISED CYCLISTS ON COVER COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS - CANCEL IS OF 1989 TOUR OF BULGARIA	1	30-10

BURIATIA	00.00.97	1200	TIME TRIAL CYCLIST	1	23A-21
CAMBODIA	00.00.97	2000r	CYCLISTS ON ROAD BEHIND FRONT OF AUTO WITH NATIONAL MUSEUM IN BACKGROUND	3	30-13
CANADA	00.00.92	BOOKLET	PART OF OLYMPIC STAMP PICTURED	В	
CAPE VERDE ISLANDS	?	MS	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - CYCLING PICTOGRAM ON SELVEDGE - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST	3+MS	34–11
CENTRAL AFRICA	00.00.89	29F MS	WORLD CUP FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS ITALY (1990) - STAMP OF NO INTEREST - CYCLIST ON SELVEDGE	4	33-12
CENTRAL AFRICA	00.00.96	300f	SCOUTING - CYCLIST	s	22B-19
CENTRAL AFRICA	00.00.96	SHEET	SCOUTING - CYCLIST SHEET OF 6 + 2L	S	22B-19
CENTRAL AFRICA	28.08.98	350F	CYCLING CHAMPIONS - JEANIE LONGO	<u>16+4</u> S	25-9 <u>26-19</u>
CENTRAL AFRICA	28.08.98	350F	AS ABOVE - JAN ULRICH	<u>16+4</u> S	25-9 <u>26-19</u>
CENTRAL AFRICA	28.08.98	350F	AS ABOVE - ALEX ZULLE	<u>16+4</u> S	25-9 26-19
CENTRAL AFRICA	28.08.98	350F	AS ABOVE - RICHARD VIRENQUE	<u>16+4</u> S	25-9 <u>26-19</u>
CENTRAL AFRICA	<u>28.08</u> .98	SHEET DIME	SHEET OF 4 DIFF CONTAINS ALL ABOVE - CHRIS BOARDMAN SHOWN IN CENTRE OF SHEET	<u>16+4</u> S	25-9 <u>26-19</u>
CENTRAL AFRICA	23.03.99	350F	SEAP GAMES - CYCLING CHAMPIONS - OSCAR_CAMENZIND	<u>32</u> +S	27-7 28-2
CENTRAL AFRICA	23.03.99	350F	AS ABOVE - LANCE ARMSTRONG	<u>32</u> +S	27-7 28-2
CENTRAL AFRICA	23.03.99	350F	AS ABOVE - ABRAHAM OLANO	<u>32</u> +S	27-7 28-2
CENTRAL AFRICA	23.03.99	350F	AS ABOVE - MARCO PANTANI	<u>32</u> +S	27-7 28-23
CENTRAL AFRICA	23.03.99	SHEET	SHEET OF 4 DIFF CONTAINS ALL ABOVE	<u>32</u> +S	27-7 28-23
CHAD	00.00.96	300f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	2S + S	21B-8
CHAD	00.00.96	SHEET	ATLANTA OLYMPICS 4 DIFF. CONTAINS ABOVE	2\$+\$	21B-8
CHAD	00.00.97	2000f	PRINCESS DIANA/SONS ON BIKES ON SELVEDGE	3S+2S	24A-22
CHAD	00.00.98		BALLOONS - ANTIQUE BICYCLES ON SELVEDGE	1	
CHAD	?	300f	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	8+2S	34-21
CHAD	?	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 4 DIFF INCLUDES THE ABOVE	8+2S	34-21
CHILE	20.09.00	\$ 290	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - CYCLIST - SE-TENANT PAIR	2	34-12
CHINA	00.00.98	POSTAL CARD	COMMEMORATING 40th ANNIV OF THE GUANGX I ZHUANG AUTONOMOUS REGION - CYCLING IN THE GUILINA	1	29-19
CUBA	20.08.00	75c	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - CYCLING	4	
CZECH REPUBLIC	00.00.99	POSTAL CARD	SINDELFINGEN '99 - TRICYCLE DELIVERY VEHICLE - REAR OF CARD BLANK	1-	30-11
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	00.01.96	400f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	1+S	22B-9

					
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	00.01.96	400f	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST - SHEET X 16 - 4 WITH CYCLIST	S	22B-9
FRANCE	00.00.97	PREPAID ENVELOPE	"97 TOUR DE FRANCE - ROUTE OF TOUR LE BLANC TO LA CHATRE	ENV	33 13
FRANCE	00.00.98	PREPAID ENVELOPE	"98 PARIS- ROUBAIX	ENV	
FRANCE	00.00.98	PREPAID ENVELOPE	FRANCE "98 FOOTBALL - RACING CYCLISTS	ENV	
FRANCE	00.07.98	PREPAID ENVELOPE	COMMEMORATING '98 TOUR DE FRANCE - INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL STAGE AT CORRÈZE ON JULY 18th	ENV	28-18
FRANCE	00.07.98	PREPAID ENVELOPE	SMALLER VERSION OF ABOVE ENVELOPE	ENV	
FRANCE	00.00.00	PREPAID ENVELOPE	2000 TOUR DE FRANCE - COMMEMORATING START AT FUTURO SCOPE	ENV	
FRANCE	00.00.00	PREPAID ENVELOPE	TOUR DE FRANCE 2000 - NANTES - SAINT NAZAIRE	1	
FRANCE	19.03.01	MS	THE TWENTIETH CENTURY #3 - COMMUNICATIONS - MINIATURE SHEET BEARS "THE CENTURY OF STAMPS " LOGO . LOGO CONSISTS OF 5 FICTITIOUS STAMPS ONE OF WHICH IS REAR OF CYCLIST - STAMPS ON MS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - COVER OF PRESENTATION PACK ALSO BEARS 'LOGO'.	5+MS	35-10
FRANCE IN I	00.00.00	POSTCARD	POSTCARD WITH ATTACHED LABEL ADVERTISING THE FIRST THREE SHEETS OF THE "THE CENTURY OF STAMPS ISSUE. SEE ABOVE AND BS34-18 AND 19	1	35-11
GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.10	HISTORY OF BIKE - HOBBY- HORSE	S	24A-6
GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.20	AS ABOVE - MACMILLAN	s	24A-6
GAGAUZIA	00.00.97	0.25	AS ABOVE - BONE-SHAKER	S	24A-6
GERMANY	00.00.00	POSTAL CARD	PHOTO OF JENS FIEDLER - OLYMPIC SPRINT CHAMPION - PRINTED STAMP NOT OF CYCLING INTEREST - REAR OF CARD BLANK	1	30-12
GREAT BRITAIN	04.07.00	MAXI-CARD	MILLENNIUM 2000 STONE & SOIL ISSUE - SERIES NO. 27 - KINGDOM OF FIFE CYCLE-WAYS - CYCLIST & SHADOW	4	
GUINEA	?	750fg	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - CYCLING - ROAD	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUINEA	?	750fg	AS ABOVE - CYCLING - SPRINT	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUINEA	?	750fg	AS ABOVE - CYCLING - TEAMS PURSUIT	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUINEA	?	750fg	AS ABOVE - CYCLING - KILO TT	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUINEA	?	750fg	AS ABOVE - CYCLING - ROAD TT	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUINEA	?	SHEET	AS ABOVE - CYCLING - SHEET OF 5 DIFF. PLUS LABEL - INCLUDES THE 5 ABOVE STAMPS - CYCLISTS ALSO ON SELVEDGE	25+5L+5S	34-12
GUYANA	00.01.94	\$600	125th ANNIV OF BASEBALL	2	
GUYANA	00.00.97	\$5	MICKEY THE PAPERBOY ON BIKE	3S+3S	23A-29

GUYANA	00.00.97	SHEET	DISNEY CHARACTERS AT WORK SHEET OF 7 + L-CONTAINS ABOVE STAMP	3S+3S	23A-29
HUTT RIVER PROVINCE	00.00.92	\$20	CYCLETHON FOR KIDNEY RESEARCH - CYCLISTS	1	24A-7
INDONESIA	01.04.01	500	"PON XV" NATIONAL SPORTS WEEK - CYCLING - <u>MOUNTAIN</u> BIKING	3	32-10
ITALY	00.00.98	POSTAL CARD	SET OF 3 CARDS - PREPAID FOR WORLDWIDE DELIVERY SHOWING VARIOUS SPORTS WITH MEDALS - CYCLIST ON CARD WITH GOLD MEDAL	3	28-10
ITALY	00.00.99	POSTCARD	CYCLIST PASSING ANCIENT BUILDINGS - CANCELLED VERONA 7.5.99 - 92 nd VERONAFIL VERSO I MONDIALI DI CICLISMO SU STRADA 1999	1	30-13
ITALY	00.00.99	POSTCARD	82 nd GIRO D'ITALIA - ONE CANCELLED AT AGRIGENTO, THE START ON 15.5.99; ONE CANCELLED AT MILAN 6.6.99 THE FINISH	1	30-14
IVORY COAST	<u>25.06</u> .99	280F	125 th ANNIV. UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION. STYLISED POSTAL CYCLIST (SEE ALSO NAURU)	2	30-14
JAPAN	21.07.00	80y	LETTER WRITING DAY - BICYCLE	10+MS	35-22
JAPAN	21.07.00	MS	MS CONTAINS 10 DIFF, 80y STAMPS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE	10+MS	35-22
JUGOSLAVIA	?	BOOKLET	BOOKLET AND STAMPS DEDICATED TO THE FORTH COMING THIRD MILLENNIUM - HOBBY HORSE AND ORDINARY ON MARGIN OF STAMP PANE - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST	BOOKLET	· <u>35-20</u>
KAZAKSTAN	?	50.00	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - TRIATHLON CYCLIST	4	34-27
KOREA (NORTH)	07.07.00	SHEETLET	WORLD STAMP EXPO 2000 - SPORTS - SHEETLET OF 6 - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - CYCLING PICTOGRAM ON SELVEDGE	3+S+B	35-17
KOREA (NORTH)	07.07.00	BOOKLET	AS ABOVE CYCLING PICTOGRAM ON REAR COVER OF BOOKLET	3+S+B	35-17
KOREA (SOUTH)	?	170	MILLENNIUM SERIES - STYLISED BICYCLE	6+S	35-24
KOREA (SOUTH)	?	SHEET	AS ABOVE - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	6+S	35-24
KOSOVA	00.00.00	NV	SCENES FROM THE LIFE OF JOHN PAUL II - 3 SHEETLETS, EACH WITH 3 STAMPS OR LABELS DESIGNATED 'A' 'B' 'C' - ALL DIFF 1 LABEL/STAMP WITH TWO BICYCLES	38	32-24
KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	20c	FAMOUS CITIES OF THE WORLD - "AMSTERDAM" - BICYCLES ON FENCE BY CANAL	6	
KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	20c	AS ABOVE - BICYCLES ON CANAL BRIDGE	6	
KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 6 DIFF INCLUDES BOTH ABOVE	S	

KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	20c	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - FRENCH GOLD AND SILVER MEDALISTS - FÉLICIA BALLANGER	9+5	35-13
KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	20c	AS ABOVE -FLORIAN ROUSSEAU AND ARNAUD TOURNANT - LAURENT GANÉ'S ARM IN BACKGROUND HOLDING FLAG	9+S IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII	35-13
KYRGYZSTAN	00.00.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 9 DIFF CONTAINS BOTH THE ABOVE STAMPS AND RIDER'S SHOWN ON STAMPS WITH OTHERS ON SELVEDGE	9+8	35-13
LIBYA	<u>15.11</u> .98	100	SCOUTING AND HANDICAP CYCLING	1+S	33-22
LIBYA	<u>15.11</u> .98	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 16 DIFF INCLUDES ABOVE	1+8	33-22
MACAU	?	POST CARD	"TRISHAW DRIVERS" - SET OF 6 DIFF. DESIGNS SIMILAR TO STAMPS ISSUED 01.09.00 - EACH NUMBERED BPL 008 SHOWS DRIVER POINTING	6	
MACAU	?	POST CARD	AS ABOVE - BPL 009 - DRIVER TALKING TO PASSENGERS	6	
MACAU		POST CARD	AS ABOVE - BPL 010 - DRIVER WAITING FOR PASSENGERS	6	
MACAU	?	POST CARD	AS ABOVE - BPL 011- DRIVER SLEEPING IN CAB	6	TOT HOUSE
MACAU	?	POST CARD	AS ABOVE - BPL 012 - DRIVER WAITING FOR PASSENGERS	6	
MACAU	?	POST CARD	AS ABOVE - BPL 013 - DRIVER CARRYING OUT REPAIRS	6	
MALAGASY REPUBLIC	00.00.99	7500 Fmg	SCOUTING ISSUE - CYCLING	4+5	29-9
MALAGASY REPUBLIC	00.00.99	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 4 DIFF INC. ABOVE	4+S	29-9
MALAGASY REPUBLIC	?	4000 fmg	MEANS OF TRANSPORT - ALBERT EINSTEIN - EINSTEIN RIDING A BICYCLE	4+S	35-23
MALAGASY REPUBLIC	?	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 4 - INCLUDES THE ABOVE	4+S	35-23
MALI	00.05.97	180f	RACING CYCLISTS - 3 DIFF. SE- TEN - RUDOLPH LEWIS 1912	24	23A-1 1
MALI	00.05.97	180f	AS ABOVE - JACQUES ANQUETIL	24	23A-11
MALI	00.05.97	180f	AS ABOVE - MIGUEL INDURAIN	24	23A-11
MEXICO	00.00.00	SHEET	PHOTOGRAPHY - SHEET OF 5 STAMPS- STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - PHOTO OF REAR OF BICYCLE ON SELVEDGE	5+S BMB 2943 BAR	35-15
MORDOVA	00.00.97	SHEET	HISTORY OF BICYCLES AND MOTORCYCLES	S	
MORDOVIA	00.00.96	50	PANDA BEAR ON BIKE - BLUE O/P HONG KONG '97	6	
MORDOVIA	00.00.96	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 2 X 3 DIFF. SE-TEN	6	
MOZAMBIQUE	?	6500 MT	SPORTS 2000 - CYCLISTS	6+S	35-20
MOZAMBIQUE	?	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 6 DIFF INCLUDES THE ABOVE	6+S	35-20
NAURU	?	90c	SYDNEY OLYMPICS - STYLISED CYCLIST	2	34-12

NAURU	?	\$1.10	AS ABOVE	2	34-12
NETHERLANDS	00.03.96	SHEET	WESTERWOLDE & WESTERWOL ISSUES AS DETAILED IN BS20A	38	20A-6
NETHERLANDS	00.11.96	NO VALUE	TRICYCLE - 16 DIFFERENT COLOUR COMBINATIONS ISSUED ON DULL & SHINY PAPER	168	
NEW CALEDONIA	15.09.00	80f	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - NORTHSTEIN OF USA	4	
NEW CALEDONIA	15.09.00	80f	AS ABOVE - ROUSSEAU OF FRANCE	4	
NEW CALEDONIA	15.09.00	80f	AS ABOVE - FIEDLER OF GERMANY	4	
NEW CALEDONIA	15.09.00	80f	AS ABOVE - GANÉ OF FRANCE	4	
NEW ZEALAND	04.08.00	\$2.20	SYDNEY 200 OLYMPICS - TRIATHLON - OVERHEAD SHOT OF CYCLIST HOLDING TRI BARS (SEE ALSO CYCLING STAMP IN BS 33 PAGE 12)	6	35-10
NEW ZEALAND	01.08.01	40c	HEALTH STAMPS - CYCLING - ALL STAMPS CARRY A 5c SURCHARGE - TWO CHILDREN CYCLISTS	3	35-10
NEW ZEALAND	01.08.01	40c	AS ABOVE - FOUR CYCLISTS	3	35-10
NEW ZEALAND	01.08.01	80c	AS ABOVE - BMX CYCLIST	3	35-10
NICARAGUA	00.00.99	C\$3.50	475 th ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING OF THE CITIES OF GRENADA AND LEON - CYCLIST IN TOWN CENTRE	12	33-25
NICARAGUA	00.00.99	SHEET	AS ABOVE - ONE OF TWO SHEETS OF 6 STAMPS (ONE FOR EACH CITY) - CONTAINS ABOVE STAMP	S	33-25
NIGER	00.00.00	S/SHEET 2000f	HISTORY OF THE CINEMA - MARILYN MONROE ON BICYCLE	S	32-23
NIGER	<u>28.08</u> .97	300f	TOUR DE FRANCE - 1997 WINNERS - 4 DIFF. SE-TEN	24	24A-10
NIGER	<u>28.08</u> .97	300f	HOBBY HORSE AND ORDINARY - 4 DIFF. SE-TEN	<u>24</u>	24A-10
NIGER	00.00.00	50F	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - WOMEN CYCLISTS	16+S	33-18
NIGER	00.00.00	50F	AS ABOVE - PURSUIT CYCLIST	16+S	33-18
NIGER	00.00.00	50F	AS ABOVE - ROAD CYCLIST	16+S	33-18
NIGER	00.00.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 16 - INC. 3 ABOVE	s	33-18
NORWAY	20.04.98	BOOKLET	CONTAINS 10X3.70 STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - POSTMAN ON BICYCLE ON COVER ONLY	BOOKLET	30-13
PERU	00.00.00	\$3.20	CENTENARY OF UCI	?	33-13
POLAND	00.09.94	POSTAL CARD	75TH ANNIV POLISH OLYMPIC COMMITTEE - CYCLISTS ON FRONT - 2500zt STAMP IMPRINT: 1924 OLYMPIC MEDAL	1 BMB 29848 BAR	24B-10
ROMANIA	00.00.98	POSTAL CARD	400L PRINTED STAMP AND PICTURE ON FRONT CARD IS OF HOTEL CAPSA IN BUCHAREST - CYCLIST ON ROAD - REAR OF CARD BLANK	1	30-15

ST. THOMAS AND PRINCE ISLANDS	?	MS	MINIATURE SHEET OF ONE STAMP - ONE LARGE LABEL AND 6 SMALLER LABELS THESE SMALL LABELS SHOW 18 SMALL SPORTS PICTURES - ONE OF WHICH IS CYCLING	1	34-27
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	00.00.97	10c	GOOFY AS BICYCLE MESSENGER	5S+S	22B-16
SAINT VINCENT & GRENADINES	00.00.97	SHEET	DISNEY CHARACTERS AT WORK - 8 DIFF.	5S+S	22B-16
SIERRA LEONE	?	Le 800	CIRCUS - TIGHTROPE RIDER ON UNICYCLE	4	35-10
SWITZERLAND	00.00.99	POSTAL CARD	SWISS "POST" TEAM AND ROUTE - '99 TOUR DE SUISSE 15-24.6.99	1	28-14
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.99	7.00	ELVIS PRESLEY ON BICYCLE	9	29-8
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.99	SHEET	9 DIFF. (INC. ABOVE)	9	29-8
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	2.00	"BICYCLE RACERS"	6	33-25
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	SHEET	SHEET OF 6 DIFF SPORTS - INCLUDES ABOVE	S	33-25
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	8.00	SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPICS - FRENCH GOLD AND SILVER MEDALISTS - FÉLICIA BALLANGER AND DANIEL MORELON	5+2S	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 9 DIFF INCLUDES THE ABOVE AND PICTURE OF LAURENT GANÉ ON SELVEDGE	5+2\$	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	1.00	AS ABOVE - MARION CLIGNET	5+2S	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	3.00	AS ABOVE - LAURENT GANÉ	5+2S	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	7.00	AS ABOVE - FLORIAN ROUSSEAU	5+28	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	9.00	AS ABOVE - MIGUEL MARTINEZ	5+2S	35-12
TAJIKISTAN	00.00.00	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 9 DIFF. INCLUDES THE ABOVE 4 STAMPS	5+2S	35-12
TANZANIA	00.00.98	370s	TOURIST ATTRACTIONS OF EAST AFRICA - ZANZIBAR & STONETOWN - MAN ON BICYCLE	4	24A-6
TANZANIA	00.00.99	150s	TOURISM - ZANZIBAR - STONE TOWN - BICYCLE	1	28-15
TANZANIA	00.00.99	BOOKLET	AS ABOVE -CONTAINS STAMP - BOOKLET OF 24 STAMPS - 4 PANES OF 6 ALL DIFF.	В	28-15
TANZANIA	00.00.99	PANE	AS ABOVE - CONTAINS STAMP	Р	28-15
TANZANIA	00.00.00	600s	ENVIRONMENTAL CARE - CYCLIST ON ROAD	4	35-10
TURKMENISTAN	00.00.98	100M	LEADING PERSONALITIES OFF THE 20TH CENTURY - ELVIS PRESLEY - PART OF BIKE	1+S	24B-9
TURKMENISTAN	00.00.98	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET 9 DIFF. INCLUDES ABOVE	1+8	24B-COVER
ZAIRE	00.00.96	20000nz	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	3S	22B-15
ZAIRE	00.00.96	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 4 DIFF. SE-TEN	38	22B-15
ZAIRE	00.00.96	35000nz	ATLANTA OLYMPICS - CYCLIST	3S	22B-15
ZAIRE	00.00.96	SHEET	AS ABOVE - 4 .DIFF. SE-TEN	38	22B-15

- 1. Undated issues will remain on the list until such time as a date of issue is established.
- 2. Corrections or additional information to previously listed items are underlined, as is the country.
- 3. Additions to the list are indicated by a heavy solid left hand border to the country's name box.
- 4. The last column shows where the stamp is illustrated, with BS number, followed by page number.
- POSTAL CARDS are those cards that include the stamp or prepaid indicia printed on it. POST CARDS need the addition of a stamp for mailing. Only those Post Cards issued by a country's post office are included in this list.





BELGIUM - 20.11.00







TANZANIA - 00.00.00

SIERRA LEONE - ?



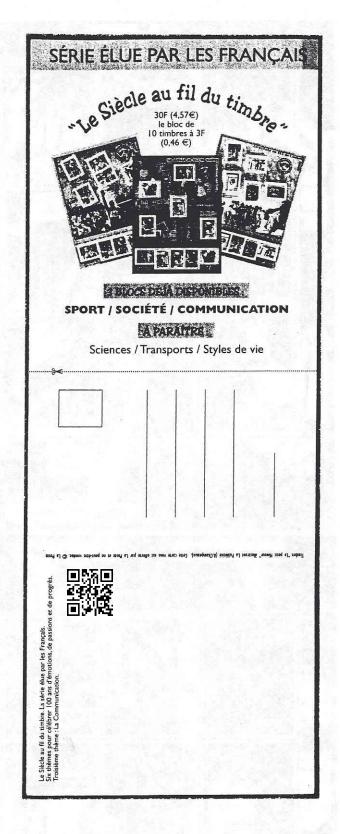






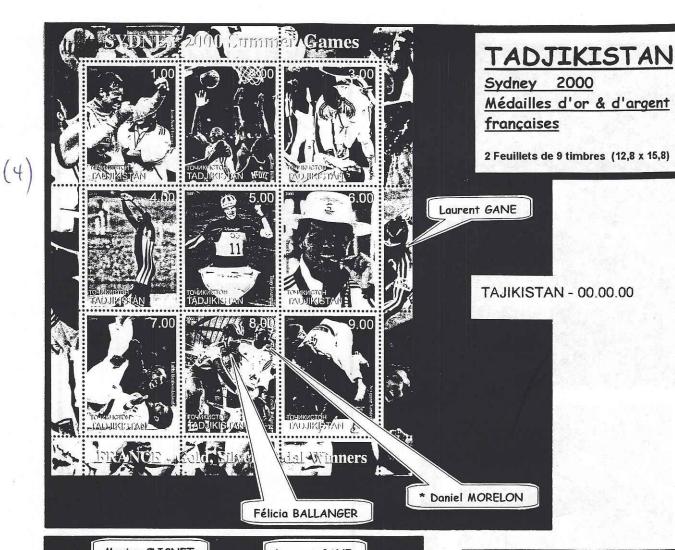
NEW ZEALAND - 01.08.01





FRANCE - POSTCARD - 00.00.00

Front and rear of postcard with attached label. Label advertises the first three sheets of the "Le Siècle au fil du timbre" (*The Century of Stamps*) issue. Sheets shown on label bear the "Century of Stamps "logo, which consists of five fictitious stamps, one of which is the rear of a cyclist. Shown reduced, actual size 266x100mm (postcard 150x100mm) - See opposite and pages 18 and 19 of BS34.





* Daniel MORELON

Entraîneur.

Né le 28 juillet 1944 à Bourg-en-Bresse (Ain) France.

Représenté ou cité sur les timbres de: Arabie du Sud Est.

- Ajman. 1969 -1972
- Fujeira. 1972
- Manama, 1969
- Sharjah. 1969 -1972

Corée du Nord. 1976

Gabon. 1972

Haïti. 1972

Haute Volta. 1973

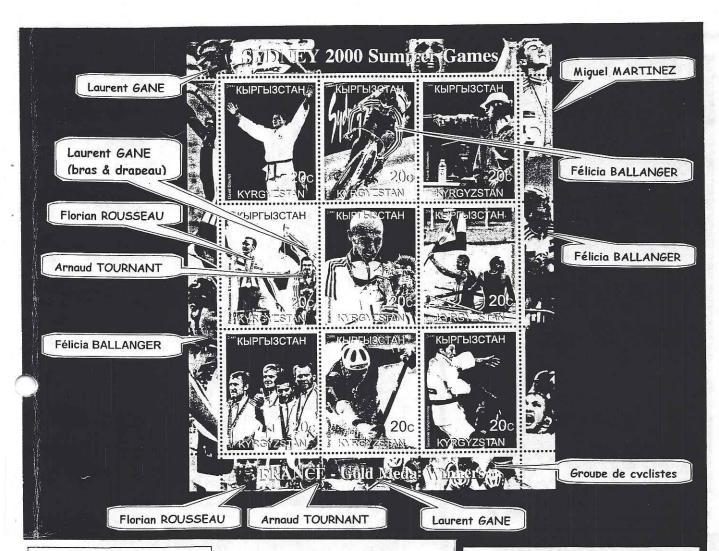
Tchad. 1969 -1972

Togo. 1973

Ses principales victoires:

- 11 fois consécutives champion de France de vitesse (1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975)
- 7 fois champion du monde de vitesse (1966, 1967, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1973, 1975)
- 4 Grand Prix de Paris (1965, 1967, 1968, 1970)
- 2 fois champion olympique de vitesse (1968, 1972)
- Champion du monde de tandem avec P. Trentin (1966)
- Champion olympique de tandem avec P. Trentin (1968)
- Recordman du monde des 200 m départ lancé sur piste couverte (10"72 en 1966)
 Recordman du monde des 500 m (28"75 en
- 1976)
 ✓ Professionnel : champion de France de
- vitesse (1980) Entraîneur depuis 1979

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ERROR - Michael Lesueur noticed that the stamp designer incorrectly identified the rider Amaud Tournant as Laurent Gané!! KYRGYZSTAN - 00.00.00

KIRGHIZISTAN

Sydney 2000 Médailles d'or françaises

1 Feuillet de 9 timbres (12,8 x 15,8)

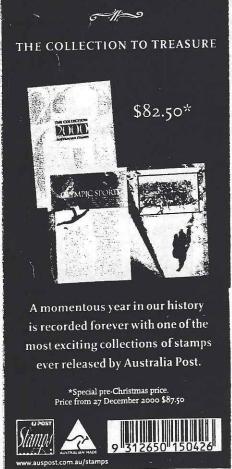
Jeannie LONGO

A ces trois feuillets de timbres du Kirghizistan & du Tadjikistan qui honorent les médaillés d'or & d'argent français, il manque, pour compléter les récompenses cyclistes françaises aux JO de Sydney la médaille de bronze de Jeannie LONGO pour sa troisième place au contre la montre.



The stamp issue from Kyrgyzstan above, and the one on the previous page from Tajikistan, both show French medalists from the Sydney Olympics. Both issues however only show Gold and Silver medal winners which leaves out one of Frances most famous women cyclists Jeannie Longo who won the Bronze Medal in the Time Trial.







NIGER - 00.00.00

A further sheet of this issue (first shown in BS33 on page18) has been found printed on green paper. As shown reduced above, the top sheet is printed on beige paper and the bottom newly found sheet is printed on green.

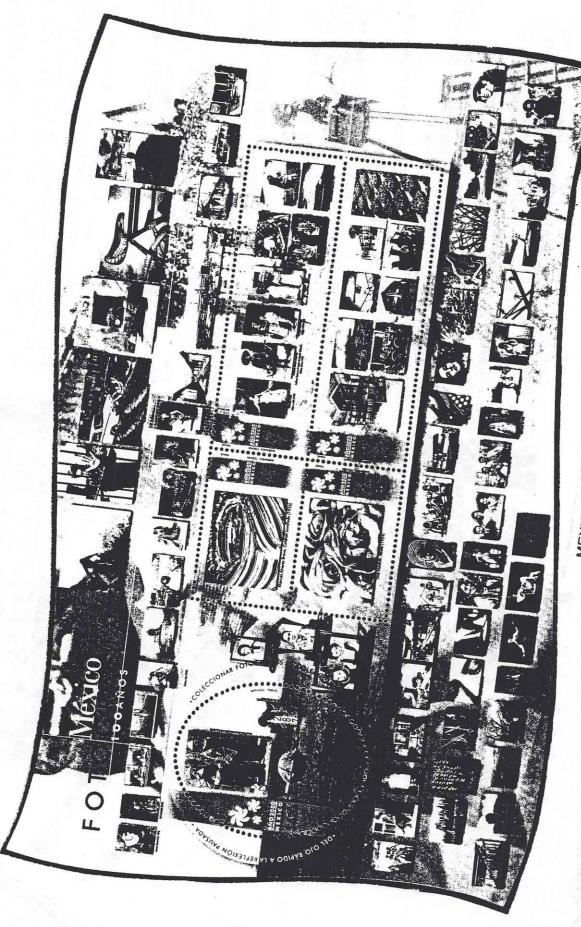








GERMAN CANCELS - From one of their many private bicycle carrier companies.



Australian Paralympic Team 2000

Team Member Stamps

AUSTRALIA -31.10.00



Australian Paralympic Team 2000

Team Member Stamps





To celebrate the Australian Paralympic Games 2000, Australia Post gave each of the 438 members of the Australian Paralympic team 20 sheetlets of ten x 45c Paralympic Logo stamps (from the Paralympic Torch issue) with a special decorative border. Each team member's sheetlets were personalised with the team member's photo.

The stamps of particular interest to bicycle stamp collectors, are those issued to the cycling team members - there were 28 in all, 22 of which were riders and 6 were support staff.

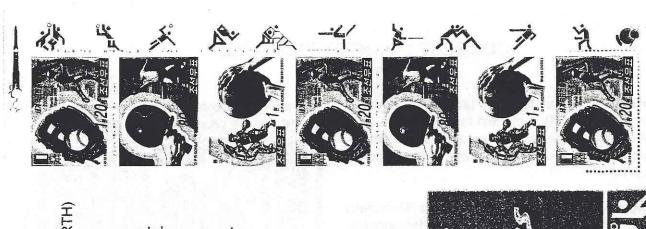
Each sheet has the team member's name mid-point on the extreme righthand edge; the team members names were:

Riders: Greg Ball, Paul Clohessy, Christine Fisher, Matthew Gray, Steven Gray, Darren Harry, Eddie Hollands, Peter Homann, Paul Lake Lynette Lepore, Mark Le Flohic, Kerry Modra, Kieran Modra, Tania Modra, David Murray Lyn Nixon, Paul O'Neill, Sarnya Parker, Daniel Polson, Chris Scott, Noel Sens, Russell Wolfe.

Support personnel: Elsa Lepore (Manager), Kevin McIntosh (Head Coach), Darryl Benson & Radek Valenta (Asst Coaches), Rebecca Tweedy (Physiotherapist), John Beer (Mechanic).

The cycling team were very successful, with all but 5 riders winning medals. The sheet chosen for an illustration is that for Paul Lake, who won a Gold medal in the Team Sprint (the Paralympic version of the Olympic Sprint), the Silver medal in the LC2 Mixed Individual Pursuit and the Bronze medal in the LC2 Time Trial.

At the Paralympian of the Year dinner, Siobhan Paton received the Paralympian of the Year Award and seven subsidiary category winners were also announced. The cycling team coach, Kevin McIntosh, was awarded the Best Coach Award and the Best Team Award went to the tandem team of Tania Modra and Sarnya Parker (see BS34 p. 16 & 17).



KOREA (NORTH) 07.07.00

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세계우표전람회

SHEETLET

BOOKLET PANE

BOOKLET















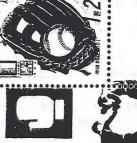
















CORRECT COUNTRY IDENTIFIED

Remember this miniature sheet, previously shown on page 28 of BS34, with a request for information as to the correct title of the issuing country? New member, Thomas Matthies, e-mailed me an excellent explanation:

"On page 28, you show the sheet from "Republika Srpska". It is the serbian part of Bosnia Herzegovina. Bosnia Herzegovina has 3 stamp issuing entities:

- Bosnia Herzegovina itself
 (on stamps: Bosna I Herzegovina)
- Republika Srpska = Serbian Republic (on stamps: cyryllic letters)
- Hrvatska Republika Herceg-Bosna = Croatian Republic of Herzeg-Bosna (on stamps: Bosnia I Herzegovina + HPT)

For more information e.g.

http://www.fotw.stm.it/flags/ba_serbs.html http://www.fotw.stm.it/flags/ba.html http://www.fotw.stm.it/flags/ba hrhb.html

I hope this informations are useful for you."



I opened the above web sites and found a wealth of information, including colour and design of the various countries' flags, how the various regions came into being etc - it's well worth a look..

The map sent by André Dhondt on the opposite page will help you place the various regions in relation to each other.

Thomas also sent a copy of pages from "Michel Rundschau" a monthly periodical from Michel on new issues. One of these clearly shows the above sheet and the four stamps that make up the issue, it shows date of issue, etc. The stamps, all of which include the outline map of Australia as a background, are of no cycling interest, there is only the cycling pictogram on the sheet's selvedge.

The other pages of "Michel Rundschau" that Thomas sent were for issues from Central Africa and Niger. These enabled me to finally add their issue dates to the "New Issue Update" and correct some of the details shown.

Central Africa

Sheet shown in BS25 (page 9) and BS26 (page 19) - date of issue August 28th 1998. There are 16 stamps in the set and, as they are arranged by sport and value in groups of 4, I suspect there are a total of 4 sheets, ie: the one we have seen (4 cyclists, each stamp 350Fr); 4 women tennis players, 375Fr; 4 men tennis players, 450Fr and 4 golf players, 500Fr.

Central Africa

Sheet shown in BS27 (page 7) and BS28 (page22) - date of issue March 23rd 1999. There are 32 stamps in the set. The ones we have identified as Lance Armstrong, etc. are listed as "Radsportler von vorn - Radsportler Seitlich - Radsportler nach rechts - and Radsportler nach links" which, in English, mean: sport-cyclist from the front - sport-cyclist from the side - sport-cyclist driving to the right - and sport-cyclist driving to the left. Thomas surmises that the absence of names is because no-one at "Michel" knew the cyclists' names!



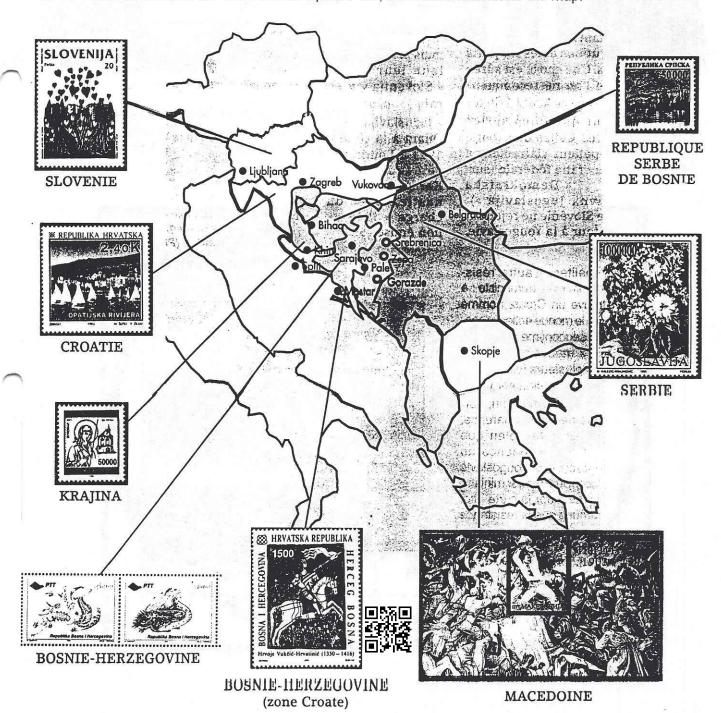
The issue is all about transport, including trains, planes, space exploration, etc. The stamps are again arranged in value and content, eg: cycling are all 300Fr. There are 4 each for values 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 600, 800 and 1000Fr, which again makes me wonder if there are 8 sheets in the issue.

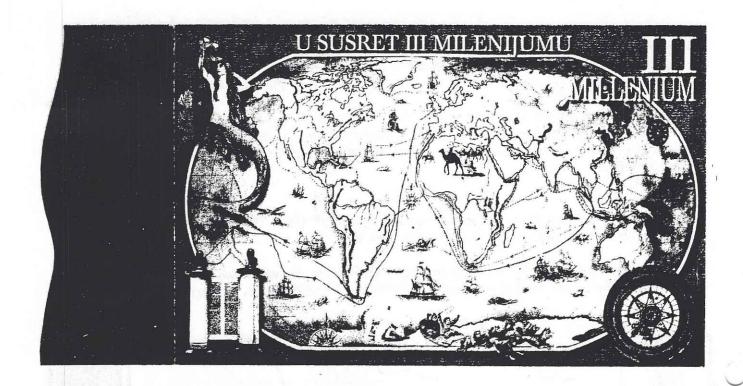
The one disturbing thing is that there is no mention on the "Michel" page of the "SEAP GAMES" - are we correct in saying that these 4 stamps were issued for the Games? André Dhondt provided the names of the riders - perhaps he may be able to throw some light on its possible connection to the "SEAP GAMES"?

Niger

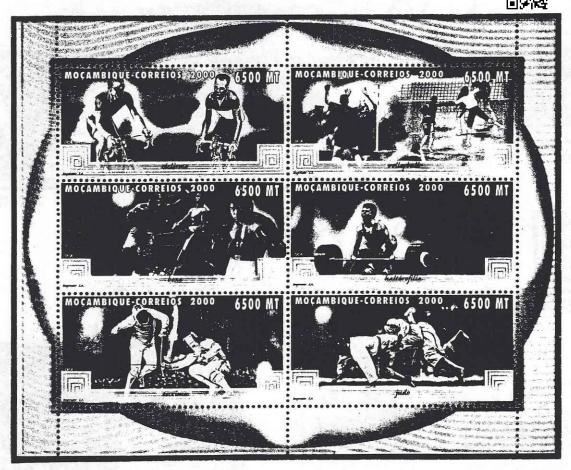
Stamps shown in BS24A (page 10) date of issue August 28th 1997. There are 24 stamps in the set, which is a mixture of bikes, motor bikes, planes, cars, etc.

I thank Thomas for his efforts in providing this excellent information, which will enable me to eventually delete some issues from the "New Issues Update" list, and André Dhondt for the map.

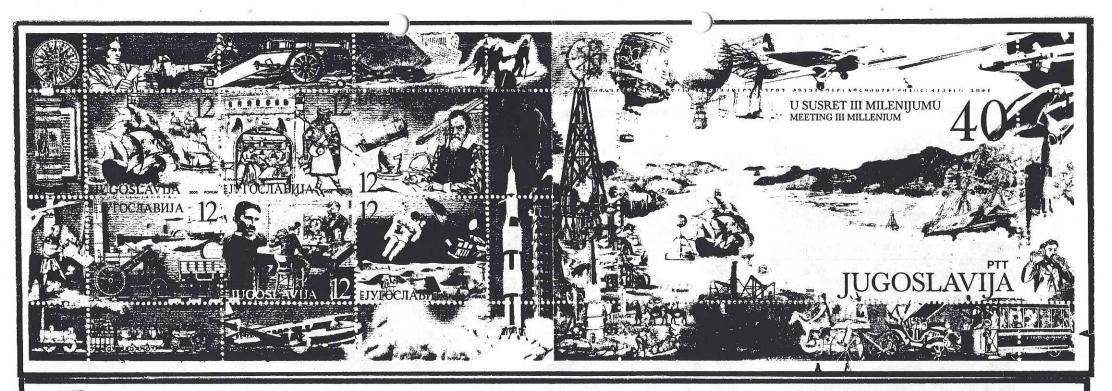




JUGOSLAVIA - BOOKLET - booklet containing 6 stamps and souvenir sheet, dedicated to the forthcoming third millennium. Stamps of no cycling interest, Hobby Horse and Ordinary on bottom margin of pane. Cover of booklet shown above, stamp pane and information sheet from booklet on facing page.



MOZAMBIQUE - ?



U SUSRET III MILENIJUMU

Kao i većina poštanskih uprava širom sveta, Zajednica jugoslovenskih PTT je u svoj program izdavanja prigodnih poštanskih maraka za 2000. godinu uvrstila emislju posvećenu predstojećem III milenijumu. Ova emisija obuhvata karnet od šest prigodnih poštanskih maraka i blok, na kojima su prikazani značajni pronalasci, dostignuća i događaji, koji su obeležili II milenijum i bitno uticali na dalli razvoj čovečanstva.

otkriće novih teritorija, izgradnja brodova. Marka br. 1:

proizvodnja i prodaja papira od kože. Marka br. 2:

Marka br. 3: prve precizne karte, optički instrumenti.

prva parna lokomotiva i parobrod. Marka br. 4:

naš veliki naučnik i pronalazač Nikola Tesla, telegraf i telefon. Marka br. 5:

futurističko naselje, satelit i astronaut.

Blok: leva polovina bloka prikazuje rana otkrića II milenijuma i topla mora, a desna, kasnija otkrića južnog i severnog pola (hladna mora).

Likovna obrada: Radomir Bojanić, akademski slikar iz Beograda.

MEETING THE III MILLENIUM

As well as majority of Postal Administrations all over the world, the Community of yugoslav PTT has included in its program for 2000 the issue dedicated to the forthcoming III millenium. This issue contains a booklet of six special postage stamps and a souvenir sheet. The motives on the stamps and on the souvenir sheet represent the important discoveries, achievements and events which have marked the II millenium and had the great influence on the further development of the humanity.

Stamp nº 1:

discovery of new territories and shipbuilding, production and sale of the paper made of leather. Stamp nº 2:

first precise maps and optical instruments. Stamp nº 3: first steam locomotive and steamship.

our great scientist and inventor Nikola Tesla, telegraph and telephone.

settlement of the future, satellite and astronaut.

Souvenir sheet: left side of the souvenir sheet represents the early discoveries of the II millenium and hot seas, while the right side represents the discoveries of North and South Pole (cold seas).

Design: Radomir Bojanić, painter from Belgrade.

ENTGEGEN DEM III MILLENNIUM

Wie bei den meisten Postverwaltungen weltweit, so wurde auch von der Gemeinschaft der jugoslawischen Post -und Fernmeldeanstalten in dem Ausgabeprogramm der Sondermarken für das Jahr 2000 eine Ausgabe dem kommenden III Millenniumin gewidmet. Diese Ausgabe besteht aus einem Markenheftchen mit sechs Sondermarken und einem Block, auf denen die bedeutenden Erfindungen, Erzielungen und Begebenheiten dargestelt wurden, von welchen das zweite Millennium geprägt wurdw und welche auf die Entwicklung von dem Menschentum wesentlicher Einfluss ausgeübt haben.

Marke Nr. 1: die Entdeckung von neuen Gebieten, der Schiffbau.

Marke Nr. 2: die Fertigung und der Verkauf von den Schriftstücken aus dem Leder.

Marke Nr. 3: die ersten präzisen Landkarten, optische Geräte.

Marke Nr. 4: die erste Dampflokomotive und das Dampfschiff.

Marke Nr. 5: unser grosser Wissenschaftler und Erfinder Nikola Tesla, Telegraf und Telephon.

Marke Nr. 6: eine Zukunftssiedlung, Sattelit und Raumfahrer.

Block: auf der linken Seite werden frühe Entdeckungen in dem II Millennium und warme Meere dargestellt, und auf der rechten Seite die späteren Entdeckungen von dem Süd und Nordpol (kalte Meere).

Die künstlerische Gestaltung: Radomir Bojanić, akademischer Maler aus Belgrad.

A LA RENCONTRE DU III MILLENAIRE

Ainsi que la plupart des Administrations Postales du monde entier, la Communauté des PTT yougoslaves a inclu dans son programme pour l'année 2000, une émission dediée à l'approchement du Illème millénaire. Cette émission contient un carnet de six timbres poste spéciaux et un feuillet-souvenir. Les motifs de ces timbres représent les découvertes, les atteignements et les événements importants qui ont eu une grande importance sur le dévélopement de l'humanité.

Timbre nº 1: la découverte des nouveaux territoires et la construction des bateaux.

la production et la vente du papier en cuir. Timbre nº 2:

les premières cartes géographiques précises et les instruments optiques. Timbre nº 3:

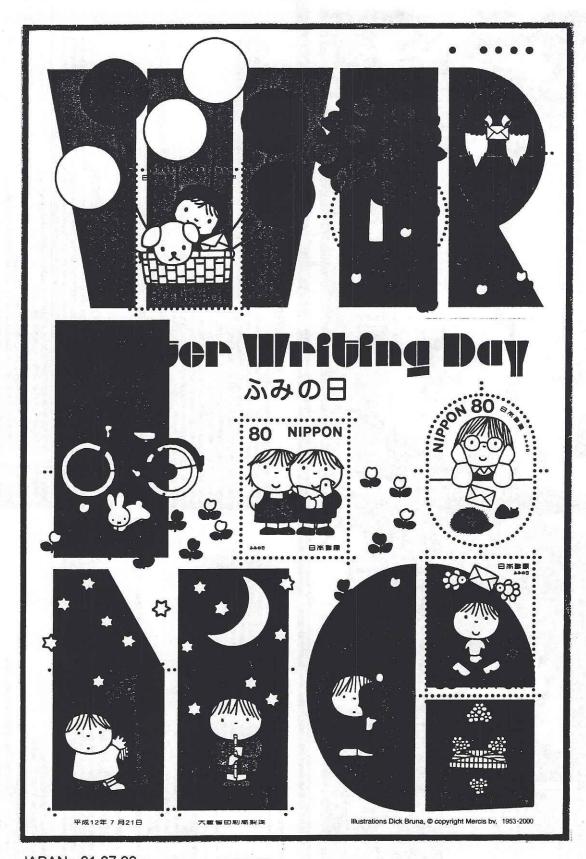
la première locomotive et le premier bateau à vapeur.

notre grand savant et inveteur Nikola Tesla, le télégrapfe et le téléphone.

l'habitat de l'avenir, le satellite et l'astronaute.

Feuillet souvenir: la partie gauche du feuillet souvenir représent les premières découvertes du Ilème millénaire et les mers chaudes, tandis que la partie droite représent les découvertes du pole nord et du pole sud (les mers froides).

Realisation artistique: Radomir Bojanić, peintre academique de Belgrade.







MALAGASY REPUBLIC - ?





AUSTRIAN and GERMAN - CANCELS







Pictures of Cyclists on Postage Stamps.

By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

(Editor "Stamp Collectors' Annual," etc.)

On the latest 10 cents special delivery stamp issued by the United States Post Office is depicted a motorcyclist messenger delivering an urgent letter at a "Colonial" residence. Thus, after 20 years, the bicycle is finally ousted from its place upon the stamps provided for this branch of the American postal service. By a strange coincidence the first example of the new stamp was delivered to the Third Asst. Postmaster-General for his approval by a motorcyclist despatch rider from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Considering the extensive use that is made of the cycle in the carriage of mails, it is surprising how few are the number of cyclist stamps. Until eight vears ago the special delivery stamp of Cuba, modelled on those of the U.S.A., hore a representation of a cyclist messenger, and of this there exists an extremely rare "error" with the centre design printed upside down, which is valued by collectors at £25. This type has, however, since been superseded by the more modern representation of an aeroplane.

Perhaps the most famous cyclist stamp is that issued during the siege of Mafeking for the express purpose of franking letters conveyed by members of a cyclist cadet corps between different points within the lines of defences. It portrays Sengt-Maj. Goodyear, of the Cyclist Corps, reproduced by a photographic process upon blue-tinted paper, from a design by Dr. W. A. Hayes. The face value is "One Penny," above which appear the words "Local Post," whilst across the top of the design is the inscription, "V.R.—Siege of Mafeking." Specimens of these historic souvenirs are worth to-day 10s. 6d. apiece.

At the time of the great strike of the

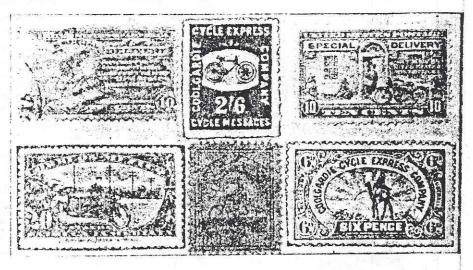
At the time of the great strike of the American Railway Union in 1894 communication between the Californian towns of Fresno and San Francisco was completely cut off. By the enterprise of

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Mr. Arthur C. Banter, of the Victor Cyclery, Fresno, however, a private postal service by bicycle riders was speedily organized and commenced operations on July 6th. 1894, the journey of 210 miles being covered in 18 hours. Special stamps were provided in the de-

vice, and copies of the private stamp are seldom met with nowadays.

The rush to the goldfields of Western Australia led to the organization of the Coolgardio Cycle Express Co., presided over by Mr. James A. Healey. By this enterprise mails were conveyed to and from the "diggings" and the nearest Government Post Office at the township of Southern Cross. Two stamps were issued in 1894 in a conventional design with a picture of a bicycle in the centre, values 1s. and 2s. 6d. So popular did



From lest to right: (1) U.S.A. special delivery stamp, now superseded by (3); (2) Coolgardie cycle express stamp, used in Western Australia's gold-lields, and replaced by the camel stamp (6) which retained the cycle name; (4) Mexican motorcyclist delivery stamp; (5) Famous stamp used in siege of Maleking.

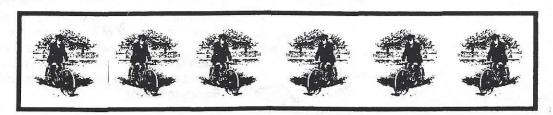
nomination of 25 cents, which was the uniform charge for messages. The design, printed in green, showed a cyclist riding at full speed through a mountainous country, surrounded by an oval frame, inscribed "Freeno and San Francisco Bicycle Mail Route, 1894." In the upper corners of the stemp appeared the words "A.R.U. Strike," and at the bottom "25 cts." After 12 days, during which time 380 letters were carried, the cycle post was suspended, owing to the restoration of the Government mail ser-

the service prove that after a time the mails became too heavy for conveyance by cycle, and fast camels were substituted, but, although new stamps were provided depicting a camel rider crossing the West Australian desert, the wording "Coolgardie Cycle Express Company" remain unchanged. Eventually the Australian postal authorities, exercising their monopoly, stepped in and took over the mail routes organized by the Express Co., which finally ceased operations at the end of 1826.

The above article, from the November 23rd 1922 issue of the English "Cycling" magazine, was found recently by Ron Sant.

The author covered most of the cycling stamps issued at that time but did not mention the German "Bochum" issues of 1887-89, the West Australia "Lake Lefroy" issues of 1897, the Cuba 1899 and 1910 issues, the Spanish 1907 Postal Express issues and the Liechtenstein 1918 issues.

He then illustrated the article with 6 stamps (these, unfortunately, as you can see, did not copy well), of which 2 show motor-cycles, ie: the Mexican Express Service Messenger issue of 1919 and the USA 1922 "Special Delivery" 10c stamps - the other stamps are, of course, well-known to the collectors of cycling stamps.



BERNERA & STAFFA ISLANDS

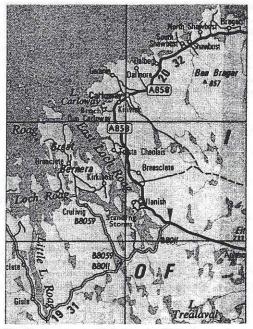
In BS33 on page 13, under an illustration of a stamp from Eynhallow, I asked if anyone had any information on this stamp. André Dhondt replied and his reply was on page 28 of BS34.

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In December 1996, Douglas Marchant sent me details of a stamp issued in 1984 from "Bernera Islands", since that day I have been trying to discover where the Island was and any other information about the stamp. Realising that André could possibly help, due to his knowledge of stamps and Cinderellas from many Islands, I wrote and asked him if he knew of Bernera Island and, based on his reply, here are some facts:

"Great Bernera is one of the Hebrides Islands and is situated in Loch Roag on the north-west coast of the Isle of Lewis. The inhabitants have very strong Christian beliefs so all shops and service stations are closed and there is no public transport on Sundays.

There are nice white sandy beaches, wild flowers and little lochs. There are several pre-historic places of Gaelic culture, the stones of Callanish and traditional Blackhouse in Arnoltown to visit. The largest town is Stornoway, which has the 'Nan Eilean' Museum and the 'An Lanntair Gallery' (Lanntair is Gaelic for lantern)."



Staffa is a small island off the western coast of the Island of Mull. André sent the larger map on which Great Bernera & Staffa are shown; the map above shows Great Bernera at a scale of 3.2km to 1cm (5miles to 1inch).

Sydney 2000 Olympic Games

Track Cycling

Women's Individual Pursuit
18th September 2000







Silver: CLIGNET Marion [FRA] Bronze: McGREGOR Yvonne [GBR]

dney 2000 Olympic Games

Road Cycling

Men's Road Race 27th September 2000





GELD!
MEDALLIST
ULLRICH Jan [GER]

Silver: VINOKOUROV Alexandre [KAZ] Bronze: KLOEDEN Andreas [GER]

AUSTRALIA - First Day Covers - shown above are 2 of 24 FDC's received. The winners photo is in colour. The batch of FDC's received were for *Olympic Men and Women's*: Pursuit, Time Trial, Sprint, Points Race, Road Race and Road TT. *Mens* - Olympic Sprint, Kieran, Madison and Teams Pursuit and *Women's* Mountain Bike and Triathlon. *Paralympic* Women's Tandem team. 3 Olympic Torch Relay (showing cyclists) and 2 Tour de France.

Storing Your Stamp Collection

By Gábor L. Konrád

When I first started collecting bicycle stamps — and I'm still pretty green to the subject — I managed to muddle my way through the strange vocabulary of philatelics. Learning the meaning of cachet, proof, selvedge, etc., proved to be easy with the help of books and the *Bicycle Stamps* newsletter. My aptitude for acquiring stamps has increased as well, as my network of bicycle stamp collectors has grown. But one problem still plagued me, how do I store my collection?

After accumulating hundreds of stamps and related postal material and haphazardly storing them in old stock books, I needed a method of keeping them which would not only protect them from the damaging effects of sunlight, dust and handling, but keep them in some sort of order, make it relatively easy to make additions to, and to have it all look good. Since no albums or supplements are made specifically for bicycle-related stamps, I began to scour through a myriad of philatelic books for any information — of which I found very little.

Should I arrange my collection by theme, date of issue, issuing country? Should I use stock books, Vario© pages — those horrid little hinges!? I decided to query a handful of Bicycle Stamps Club members at random to help me make sense of it all. I wanted straightforward answers to simple questions, and that's exactly what I received.

First off, how does one organize a collection? Chronologically, by country, by theme (i.e. sport, Olympics, touring)? Jari Majander, of Espoo, Finland, organizes his collection thematically: "The name of my thematic collection is 'The Wheels of Chance — An Introduction to Cycling.' It contains all kinds of philatelic material relevant to the theme and is arranged to tell the story that 'the bicycle evolved compatible with the human body. During its 180 years of existence, the bicycle has become the most praised vehicle around. Today, cycling as a form of transport, recreation and racing is rich and varied, and it is also easy to learn! There are many benefits and a huge potential in further increasing the usage of bicycle in society.' The collection currently has 96 pages, arranged in four chapters with several subchapters, which allow the story to be developed logically. Formally, this collection is prepared according to the FIP (Federation Internationale de Philatelie) regulatory framework for evaluating competitive exhibits. So far I have participated twice at national exhibitions and once at the Nordic level, and I'm looking forward to participating at the FIP international level."

Santin Gallardo Bertoni, of Tequisquiapan, México, subscribes to a similar method: "I organize my collection by topics, divided into the history and evolution of bicycles, uses of the bicycle, and bicycles in sport. In each category I make sub-divisions: In 'uses' there is transportation, recreation, health and mail; in 'sports' there is touring, road racing, mountain bikes, extreme cycling, etc."

The collection of Martino Saguato, of Diano Marina, Italy, is geared towards philatelic shows as well, and is divided between the story of the bicycle, bicycle racing (track, road, etc.), and other uses for the bicycle, including utilitarian needs, touring, postal deliveries, and the simple enjoyment of the wheel.

Not being interested in shows for the bulk of my collection, and aching for some simplicity, I've sided with Montreal, Quebec's Bernard Plourde who organizes his collection by country and chronologically.

When it comes to the actual physical method in which to store a collection, I once again side with Bernard Plourde in our choice of the German-made Vario© pages. Vario© pages are an attractive choice due to their durability, clean look and wide variety of pocket sizes.

Santin Bertoni uses the classic wax-paper stock books, particularly the Stanley Gibbons and Scott brands.

Because of their strict use in philatelic expositions, my other two respondents use standard blank pages. Martino Saguato prefers Marini brand pages, while Jari Majander uses Lindner blank pages with protective pockets for stamps and self-adhesive corner mounts for envelopes. Jari stores the pages in paper envelopes, and uses crystal clear PVC exhibition protectors for display — a method I plan to use for my future cyclo-cross display. Jari stores the remaining material in standard stock books and FDC albums.

The methods of identifying and labeling stamps and related items are as varied as the stamps themselves. Bernard labels his collection with the country, Scott catalog number, date of issue, and his purchase price. I take an even more simplistic route and list only the country or origin. Santin likes to include information about the stamp's topic and, if they are an interesting piece of postal history, information on rates, usage, postmarks, period of use, etc.

"When accumulating material for my exhibit," says Jari, "I arrange it into groups, which eventually become sections in my exhibit. I use a home computer and a general purpose drawing tool (Visio Professional) to prepare the layout for my exhibition pages. I try to identify as many details as possible in the designs of the stamps, and use that information when planning the story and selecting the most suitable items. There are both thematic and philatelic information on the pages, however, I keep the writing to an absolute minimum in order to let the stamps and related material tell the story."

The question of whether or not to collect entire stamp sets, including the non-cycling issues, has both up and down sides. One positive aspect of collecting entire sets, other than for just plain completeness, is that it can greatly increase the value of a collection, especially if it is based on mint issues. It can also make the collection much more salable if the owner decides to get out of the hobby. The disadvantage, of course, is dealing with all those stamps you may not want to look at. Take, for example, the 1969 Olympic issue form Chad, containing 24 stamps — only four of which are bicycle related. Complete sets will greatly increase the storage space needed — and Vario© pages aren't cheap — and when sets are kept together, all those superfluous stamps can be quite distracting from your issues of actual interest.

Bernard and I collect complete sets when possible, while the other three respondents limit themselves to the bicycle-related issues.

But what about the storage of oversized postal items, like souvenir sheets and First Day Covers? Jari's method of using blank pages with protective sleeves and corner mounts is extremely flexible, and allows him to "display all kinds of philatelic material of thematic interest, such as postmarks and slogans, meter marks, postal stationery, stamp booklets, maximum cards, artist's drawings, essays and proofs, together with the stamps."

Santin keeps "the small souvenir sheets in the same books as the stamps. When the souvenir sheet is larger, I use some bigger sheets, like the Vario© sheets for full panes, and keep them all together. For regular FDC's and covers, I use the albums that the Canadian Post Corporation sells to its customers."

Martino uses postal card books for larger pieces, while Bernard and I opt for the different sizes of Vario© pages. The bulk of my collection in kept in five-row Vario© pages, arranged alphabetically and chronologically by country. When I come to the end of Zimbabwe, I start over again with Afars & Issas on three-row pages, followed by half- and full-pages. This may seem like a hassle, but it makes for easy additions to my growing collection, and eliminates a lot of empty space. This method completely protects the pieces, while making them easy to find, and is visually appealing — to me at least!

I learned a lot after listening to all these varied opinions, but there are two points that I would like to stress. The first is to decide what sort of collection you have, topical or thematic — a big difference that collectors like Jari are eager to point out. Most non-competitive collections are arranged topically. That is to say that they are collections that represent all stamps that are bicycle-related, regardless if their theme is about, say, postal deliveries on bikes or track racing. On the other hand, most competitive collections are thematic and try to tell a story. For example, the invention and evolution of the bicycle is