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# **New Issue Update**

AFGHANISTAN	?	50 AFS	BEIJING 2008 OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	1+MS	62-9
AFGHANISTAN	?	MS	AS ABOVE - MS OF 2 STAMPS INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	1+MS	62-9
* ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	<u>25.03.08</u>	\$ 1.40	HISTORY OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES - PAUL MASSON FRANCE - GOLD MEDAL WINNER OF 1896 TIME TRIAL - SPRINT AND 10KM TRACK RACE.	1+MS	64-9
* ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	25.03.08	M/S	AS ABOVE - MS OF FOUR STAMPS INCLUDING THE ABOVE	1-MS	64-9
* BELGIUM	11.06.08	NIV	SUMMER STAMPS - CYCLING	2+SHEET+ FDS+FDC	64-13
BELGIUM	11.06.08	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 10 OF THE ABOVE STAMP	2+SHEET+ FDS+FDC	65-22
BELGIUM	11.06.08	FIRST DAY SHEET	AS ABOVE - FIRST DAY SHEET	2+SHEET+ FDS+FDC	65-13
BELGIUM	11.06.08	FDC	AS ABOVE - FIRST DAY COVER	2+SHEET+ FDS+FDC	65-13
BELGIUM	11.06.08	NIV DIME	SUMMER STAMPS - CYCLING - SIMILAR TO THE ABOVE - REDUCED WIDTH - SELF-ADHESIVE	2+BOOKLET	65-22
BELGIUM	11.06.08	BOOKLET	AS ABOVE - BOOKLET OF 10 NIV STAMPS	2+BOOKLET	65-22
BELGIUM	11.06.08	BOOKLET PANE	AS ABOVE - PANE OF ABOVE STAMP	2+BOOKLET	65-22
BELGIUM	14.07.08	NIV	SPORT -BEIJING OLYMPICS -BMX BIKE RIDER	2+SHT/ LET+ FDC+FDS	65-13
BELGIUM	14.07.08	SHEETLET	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET OF 10 OF THE ABOVE STAMPS	2+SHT/LET+ FDC+FDS	65-13
BELGIUM	14.07.08	FIRST DAY SHEET	AS ABOVE - FIRST DAY SHEET	2+SHT/ LET+ FDC+FDS	65-13
BELGIUM	14.07.08	FDC	AS ABOVE - FDC	2+SHT/ LET+ FDC+FDS	65-13
BELGIUM	29.09.08	€ 0.80	BELGIUM PHOTOGRAPHY - BICYCLE RIDER - PHOTOGRAPHER STEPHAN VANFLETEREN	5+M/S+FDC+ FDS	65-12
BELGIUM	29.09.08	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF 5 DIFF. STAMPS	5+M/S+FDC+ FDS	65-12
BELGIUM	29.09.08	FDS	AS ABOVE - FIRST DAY SHEET	5+M/S+FDC+ FDS	65-13
BELGIUM	29.09.08	FDC	AS ABOVE - FDC	5+M/S+FDC+ FDS	65-13
BENIN	7.7.7	1000f	CENTENARY OF WORLD SCOUTING - MOUNTAIN BIKE CYCLIST	1+MS	64-13
BENIN	7.7.7	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET CONTAINING THE ABOVE STAMP - MOUNTAIN BIKE CYCLISTS ON SELVEDGE	1+MS	64-13
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA (CROATIAN POSTS)	20.11.03	FDC	INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY - STAMP DEPICTS DRAWING BY 8 YEAR OLD ANTONIO LOVRIC	1+FDC+ MAXICARD	
CAMBODIA	?.?.2006	500 R	MEDICAL CARE - HELPER WITH TRISHAW	3	62-9

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* CHILE	09.10.07	\$ 3000	260 YEARS OF POST - STATUE OF CYCLIST ON BUILDING	1+MS	64-13
* CHILE	09.10.07	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF ABOVE STAMP	1+MS	64-13
CHINA	?.2000	POSTAL CARD	POST WOMAN RIDING A BICYCLE	1	64-15
CHINA	08.08.08	SOUVENIR SHEET	SOUVENIR SHEET FROM - THE STAMP AND FIRST DAY COVER ALBUM OF "THE OPENING MEMORIAL OF THE GAMES OF THE XXIX OLYMPIAD" - ALBUM IS CONTAINED IN A SLIP COVER WITH CUT OUT NUMERALS "2008" - ONLY THIS SHEET OF CYCLING INTEREST	1	65-15
CHINA	?.2003	POSTAL CARD	POST MAN DELIVERING NEWSPAPERS	1	64-15
CHINA	7.7.7	POSTAL CARD	LARGE BUILDING - CYCLISTS IN FOREGROUND	1	64-30
CHINA	?.?.2007	POSTAL CARD	PREPAID - PRE-STAMPED - LARGE HOUSING BLOCK - CYCLIST ON ROAD	1	65-25
CHINA	?.?.2008	POSTAL CARD	PREPAID "HAPPY NEW YEAR" CARD - STYLISED CYCLIST	1	65-22
CHINA	?.?.2008	NIV	BEIJING PARALYMPIC GAMES STAMP WITH LABEL OF CYCLING MOTIF	12+3MS	65-21
CHINA	?.?.2008	MS BAR	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF 4 BEIJING PARALYMPIC GAMES STAMPS WITH LABELS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE	12+3MS	65-21
CONGO	?	320 FC	WORLD CELEBRITIES-CHAMPION CYCLISTS - LANCE ARMSTRONG	1+MS	62-12
CONGO	?	MS	AS ABOVE	1+MS	62-12
CONGO	?	320 FC	AS ABOVE - IVAN BASSO	1+MS	62-13
CONGO	?	MS	AS ABOVE	1+MS	62-13
CONGO	?	320 FC	AS ABOVE - LEVI LEIPHEIMER	1+MS	62-13
CONGO	?	MS	AS ABOVE	1+MS	62-13
CONGO	?	320 FC	AS ABOVE - JAN ULRICH	1+MS	62-13
CONGO	?	MS	AS ABOVE	1+MS	62-13
CUBA	2.2.07	75c	2007 PAN AMERICAN GAMES - TRACK CYCLISTS	6	64-15
CUBA	?.?.2008	85c	80TH ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY 0F CHE GUEVARA - CYCLIST	4+MS	65-26
CUBA	?.?.2008	MS	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF 4 DIFF. STAMPS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	4+MS	65-26
ECUADOR	? 2006	0.20 USD	MAIL CARRIERS - POSTMEN WITH BICYCLES	3	59-10
ECUADOR	? 2006	0.40 USD	AS ABOVE	3	59-10
ECUADOR	? 2006	0.80 USD	AS ABOVE	3	59-10
EGYPT	7.7.7	150pt	2007 ARAB GAMES (11TH TO 26TH NOV 2007) - GAMES MASCOT BASTET (BLACK CAT) TAKING PART IN VARIOUS SPORTS INCLUDING CYCLING AS STAMP BORDER	1	64-15

EL SALVADOR	03.07.08	\$ 0.20	BEIJING OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLISTS	1+BLOCK OF 4+MS	65-21
EL SALVADOR	03.07.08	BLOCK OF 4	AS ABOVE - BLOCK OF 4 DIFF. STAMPS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE	1+BLOCK OF 4+MS	65-21
EL SALVADOR	03.07.08	MS	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET - STAMP OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - TRACK CYCLIST ON SELVEDGE	1+BLOCK OF 4+MS	65-21
FRANCE	30.06.08	NIV	"TIMBREZ DES IDÉES DURABLES !" - TRANSPORT OF THE FUTURE -BICYCLE	10+ BOOKLET	65-17
FRANCE	30.06.08	BOOKLET	AS ABOVE - BOOKLET OF 10 SELF-ADHESIVE PRIORITY STAMPS - IDEAS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - CONTAINS THE ABOVE STAMP	10+ BOOKLET	65-17
GAMBIA	01.03.03	MS D45	CENTENARY TOUR DE FRANCE - AWAITING DETAILS	12 + 3SHT + MS	
GREECE	09.09.03	MAXI-CARD	OLYMPIC GAMES - ATHENS 2004: MIND & BODY - CYCLING	5 + SHT + MAXI-CARD	
GREECE	?	SHEETLET  SHEETLET  SHEETLET  SHEETLET	2007 BICYCLE TOUR OF ATHENS - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - STYLISED BICYCLE ON SELVEDGE - GREEK PRINTING ON LABELS ATTACHED TO EACH STAMP MAY TRANSLATE TO "BICYCLE TOUR OF ATHENS 2007"	SHEETLET	61-18
* GREECE	14.03.08	€0.67	BEIJING OLYMPICS - ANCIENT GREEKS RIDING VELOCIPEDES	4	64-15
GUINEA	?.?.2008	25000 fg	JEUX DE PEKIN 2008 ( SPORT IN PEKIN) - CYCLISTS	3+2 MS	64-19
GUINEA	?.?.2008	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET CONTAINING THE ABOVE STAMP	3+2 MS	64-19
GUINEA	7.7.2008	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET CONTAINING 3 DIFFERENT STAMPS ONE OF WHICH IS THE ABOVE	3+2 MS	64-19
GUINEA-BISSAU	?.?.2007	M/S	SPORTING STARS OF THE MILLENNIUM - MINIATURE SHEET OF I STAMP - STAMP OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - LANCE ARMSTRONG SHOWN ON SELVEDGE	MS	64-18
GUINEA-BISSAU	?.?.2008	175 FCFA	BEIJING OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	4+MS	64-23
GUINEA-BISSAU	?.?.2008	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF 4 DIFFERENT STAMPS INCLUDES THE ABOVE	4+MS	64-23
ICELAND	19.05.04	BOOKLET PANE	EUROPA 2004: HOLIDAYS - TOURING CYCLISTS - PANE OF TEN STAMPS (NO DETAILS YET)	2+2X BOOKLETS	
INDONESIA	15.04.08	1500 r	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION - BIKE RIDERS ON A TANDEM	2+SHEET+ SE-TENANT PAIRS	65-19
INDONESIA	15.04.08	SHEET	AS ABOVE -PLACEMENT OF STAMPS RESULTS IN VERTICAL & HORIZONTAL SE-TENANT PAIRS	2+SHEET+ SE-TENANT PAIRS	65-19
INDONESIA	15.04.08	2500r	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION - BIKE RIDERS ON A TANDEM	2+M/S	65-19
INDONESIA	15.04.08	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	2+M/S	65-19

INDONESIA	05.06.08	1500r	NATIONAL GAMES - MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDER	4+SHEET	65-19
INDONESIA	05.06.08	SHEET	AS ABOVE - SHEET OF 8 DIFF. STAMPS ARRANGED TO FORM SE-TENANT BLOCKS OF 4 DIFF. STAMPS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	4+SHEET	65-19
IRELAND	28.02.03	BOOKLET PANE	ST PATRICK'S DAY - CLOWN ON A STRANGE CYCLE IN PARADE - PANE OF 10 OF ABOVE STAMP	3 + 3 S X 16 + 4 B/KLETS	
ISLE OF MAN	21.04.08	FDC	ONE BEIJING OLYMPICS - WORLD ONE DREAM - FDC WITH MINIATURE SHEET ATTACHED	4+MS+FDC	65-16
ISLE OF MAN	08.08.08	0/P M/S	ONE BEIJING OLYMPICS - WORLD ONE DREAM - OVER PRINTED MINIATURE SHEET	O/P MS+ PP POSTAL CARD	65-16
ISLE OF MAN	08.08.08	PREPAID POSTAL CARD	AS ABOVE- PREPAID POSTAL CARD	O/P MS+ PP POSTAL CARD	65-16
ISLE OF MAN	09.08.08 • 7.0 • 7.0	SOUVENIR SHEET	ONE BEIJING OLYMPICS - WORLD ONE DREAM - SOUVENIR SHEET ISSUED TO WISH MANX RIDERS ALL THE BEST AT THE OLYMPICS	SOUVENIR SHEET	65-18
ITALY	?	POST CARD	90 <sup>TH</sup> GIRO - d'ITALIA - CARD ISSUED TO COMMEMORATE 90TH TOUR - CARD EXISTS WITH CANCELS FOR EACH STAGE	1	61-8
ITALY	?	POST CARD	COMMEMORATING THE 50 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIV- DEATH OF LUIGI GANNA	1	61-10
ITALY	22.09.08	€ 0,60	UCI ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2008 - STYLISED BICYCLE RIDER	1	65-9
IVORY COAST	?	MS	AS ABOVE - STAMP OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - RACING CYCLIST ON SELVEDGE	?	60-13
KOSOVA	?.?.2007	€1	SPORTS IN KOSOVA - SPORTS MOTIFS INCLUDING CYCLING	3	64-13
LITHUANIA	2.2.2008	2.45 Lt	"WATER AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT" EXPO IN ZARAGOZA, SPAIN - MASCOT ( A DROPLET OF WATER) RIDING A BICYCLE	6+ SHEETLET	64-20
LITHUANIA	?.?.2008	SHEETLET	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET OF 6 DIFFERENT IRREGULAR SHAPED STAMPS - ONE OF WHICH IS THE ABOVE	6+ SHEETLET	64-20
MALTA	?.?.2008	€ 0.37	EUROPA 2008 "LETTERS" - POSTMAN WITH BICYCLE	2+ BOOKLET	64-17
MALTA	?.?.2008	€ 1.19	AS ABOVE	2+ BOOKLET	64-17
MALTA	?.?.2008	BOOKLET	AS ABOVE - BOOKLET COVER OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - CONTAINS SE-TENANT STRIP OF 5 THE € 0.37 STAMPS	2+ BOOKLET	64-20
MEXICO	09.11.07	6p 50	AS ABOVE - MODERN POSTMAN RIDING A BICYCLE	14 + 2X SHEETLET	
MEXICO	09.11.07	6p 50	AS ABOVE - EARLY POSTMAN RIDING A BICYCLE	14 + 2X SHEETLET	

MEXICO	09.11.07	SHEETLET	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET OF 9 DIFFERENT SE-TENANT STAMPS - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMPS OF THE MODERN AND EARLY POSTMEN - (AWAITING AN IMAGE OF THIS SHEETLET) (ALL STAMPS IN THIS ISSUE CARRY AN ADDITIONAL IMAGE VISIBLE ONLY UNDER A UV LAMP)	14 + 2X SHEETLET	
* MOLDOVA	05.03.08	1 L	BEIJING OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLISTS	3	64-17
NETHERLANDS	?.?.2007	SHEETLET	BEAUTIFUL NETHERLANDS - GOUDA - SHEETLET OF 5 STAMPS - STAMPS OF NO CYCLING INTEREST - CYCLISTS IN CAR REAR VISION MIRROR ON SELVEDGE	SHEETLET	64-27
NETHERLANDS	?.?.2007	€ 44	AS ABOVE - UTRECHT - CYCLIST RIDING ON SIDE ON PATH ON SIDE OF CANAL	5+ SHEETLET	64-23
NETHERLANDS	2.2.2007	SHEETLET	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET CONTAINING 5 OF THE ABOVE STAMP	5+ SHEETLET	64-23
NETHERLANDS	02.01.08	75c	THINK GREEN ACT GREEN - CYCLE WITH GLOBES AS WHEELS - USED ON MAIL WITHIN EUROPE	12+ SHEETLET	65-16
NETHERLANDS	02.01.08	SHEETLET	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET OF 5 OF THE ABOVE STAMP	12+ SHEETLET	65-16
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	?.?.2008	2.15c	BEIJING OLYMPICS - TRACK CYCLIST	4+ SHEETLET	64-16
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	?.?.2008	SE-TENANT BLOCK OF 4	AS ABOVE - SE-TENANT BLOCK OF 4 DIFFERENT STAMPS INCLUDES THE ABOVE	4+ SHEETLET	64-16
NEVIS	7.7.2008	\$ 2	BEIJING OLYMPICS - ROAD CYCLIST AND MOTIF	4 + MS	64-27
NEVIS	7.7.2008	M/S	AS ABOVE MINIATURE SHEET OF 4 DIFFERENT STAMPS - INCLUDING THE ABOVE - CYCLING MOTIF ON SELVEDGE	4 + MS	64-27
PALESTINIAN NATIONAL AUTHORITY	?	1000 FILS	ROAD RACING CYCLISTS	1+MS	60-COVER
PALESTINIAN NATIONAL AUTHORITY	?	MS	MINIATURE SHEET CONTAINS ABOVE STAMP AND CYCLISTS ON SELVEDGE	1+MS	60-COVER
PORTUGAL	7.7.2008	€2.00	EUROPEAN TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS	1	65-17
PORTUGAL	?.?.2008	€0,30	BEIJING OLYMPICS - STYLISED CYCLISTS	1	65-17
QATAR	?.?.2006	50 D	AS ABOVE - STAMP WITH LABEL - TRACK CYCLIST	?	62-19
QATAR	7.7.2006	50 D	AS ABOVE - SHEETLET OF 5 DIFF STAMPS WITH LABELS - 5 SPORTS INCLUDING THE ABOVE STAMP	?	62-19
RUSSIA	15.02.06	PRE- STAMPED ENVELOPE	125 TH ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH OF K I TCHUKOVSKI (AUTHOR) ILLUSTRATIONS ARE FROM HIS BOOKS - INCLUDES TWO BEARS RIDING A TANDEM	1	65-23
* RUSSIA	15.04.08	8.00	BEIJING OLYMPICS - VARIOUS SPORTS INCLUDING CYCLING	3 + MS	64-16

* RUSSIA	15.04.08	M/S	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF THREE DIFFERENT STAMPS SE-TENANT - INCLUDES THE ABOVE STAMP	3 + MS	64-16
ST. THOMAS AND PRINCE ISLANDS	?	M/S	TOUR DE FRANCE 2006 - MINIATURE SHEET OF 9 DIFF. Dbs 7000 STAMPS OF RIDERS ( IF ANY MEMBER CAN IDENTIFY THE RIDERS I WILL ADD THE INFORMATION TO THE LIST)	9+MS	65-21
* SAMOA	18.06.08	90c	BEIJING OLYMPICS - CYCLING MOTIF	4+MS <u>+2FDC</u>	64-27
* SAMOA	18.06.08	M/S PAR	AS ABOVE - MINIATURE SHEET OF 4 DIFFERENT STAMPS INCLUDING THE ABOVE	4+MS <u>+2FDC</u>	64-27
SAMOA	18.06.08	FDC	AS ABOVE - FDC WITH 4 DIFF. STAMPS INCLUDING THE ABOVE	4+MS+2FDC	65-24
SAMOA	18.06.08	FDC	AS ABOVE - FDC WITH MINIATURE SHEET ATTACHED	4+MS+2FDC	
SAN MARINO	22.09.08	€ 0.85	WORLD ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS - TIME TRIAL CYCLIST	2	65-16
SAN MARINO	22.09.08	€ 3,25	AS ABOVE - CYCLIST WITH ARMS RAISED IN VICTORY SALUTE	2	65-16
SIERRA LEONE	17.11.03	1500L	OLYMPIC HISTORY GOLD MEDAL WINNERS - MARCUS HURLEY - USA 1904	8	
UNITED STATES	03.04.03	MAXI CARD	OLD GLORY PRESTIGE BOOKLET UNCLE SAM ON HIGH WHEELER	5+B+M/	
URUGUAY	?	\$ 5	BEIJING OLYMPICS - MASCOT RIDING A BICYCLE	1+BLOCK OF 4 DIFF.	65-21
URUGUAY	?	BLOCK OF 4	AS ABOVE - BLOCK OF 4 DIFF	1+BLOCK OF 4 DIFF.	65-21
VENEZUELA	?	1.700 Bs	POSTAL SERVICES - EXERCISE BIKE	10 + SHT	59-11

- Undated issues will remain on this list or the "Issue Information Update" list, until such time as a date of issue is established.
- 2. Issues marked \* have been corrected or have additional information, the additional or corrected information is underlined.
- 3. Issues marked are deemed to be fake, ie not stamps only Cinderellas, therefore they will not have a date of issue.
- 4. Additions to the list are indicated by a heavy solid left-hand border to the country's name box.
- 5. Issues that appear on this list for over a year are moved to the "Issue Information Update" list.
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### ITALY - 22.09.08 - UCI ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - VARESE

Poste Italiane (the Italian Postal Service) initially had no plans to issue a postage stamp for the Road Cycling World Championships. This has now been rectified, partly in response to the two commemorative stamps produced by the Republic of San Marino. The stamp, worth €0.60, was released on 22,09,08 and highlighted the importance of this magnificent event in Varese. But that's not all. On Monday, 22nd September, the opening day of the World Championships, Malpensa Post Office issued a special cancel - the mark made on a postage stamp to show that it has been used. The post office was situated inside Terminal 1, next to the Varese 2008 Info Point. The initiative ran parallel with those implemented and publicised by several towns in the Province of Varese to add even more prestige to the World Championships





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Three million, five hundred thousand copies

It features the logo of the UCI Road World Championships (street cycling), which are being held in Varese from 22-28 September 2008.

The words "CAMPIONATI DEL MONDO DI CICLISMO SU STRADA" (UCI Road World Championships),
"ITALIA", and the denomination "€ 0.60" complete the

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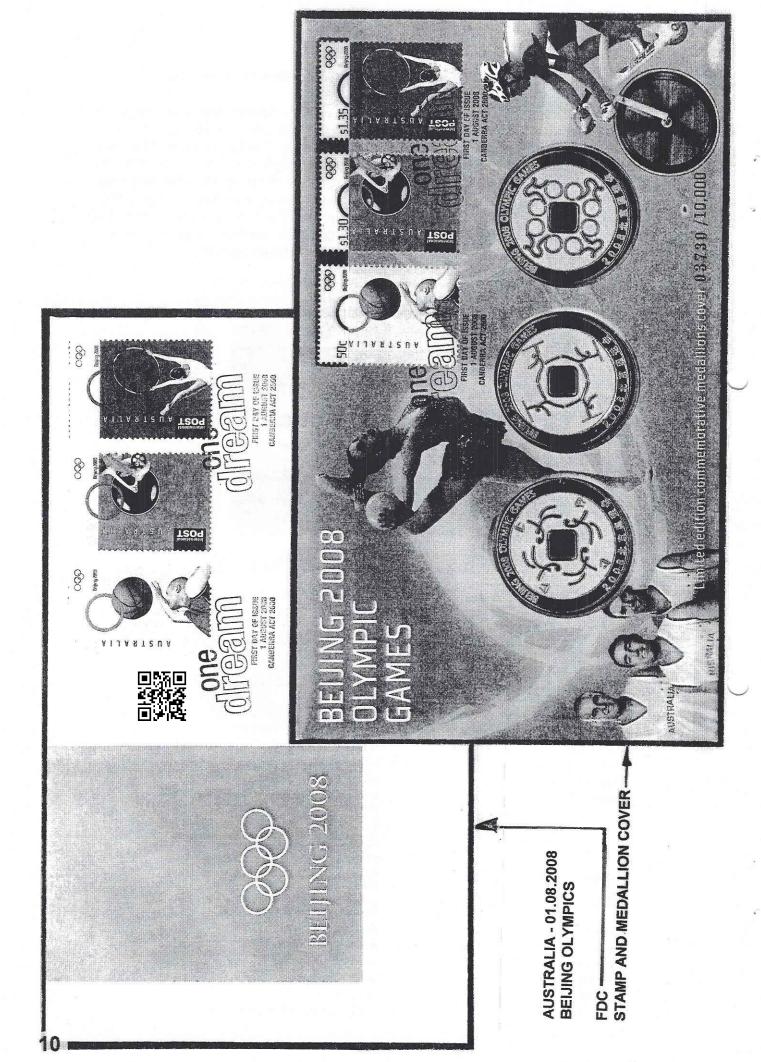
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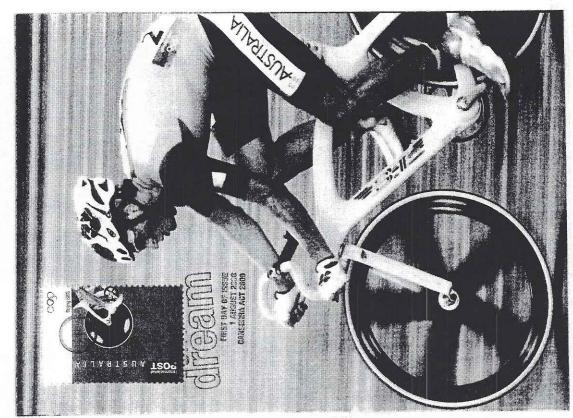
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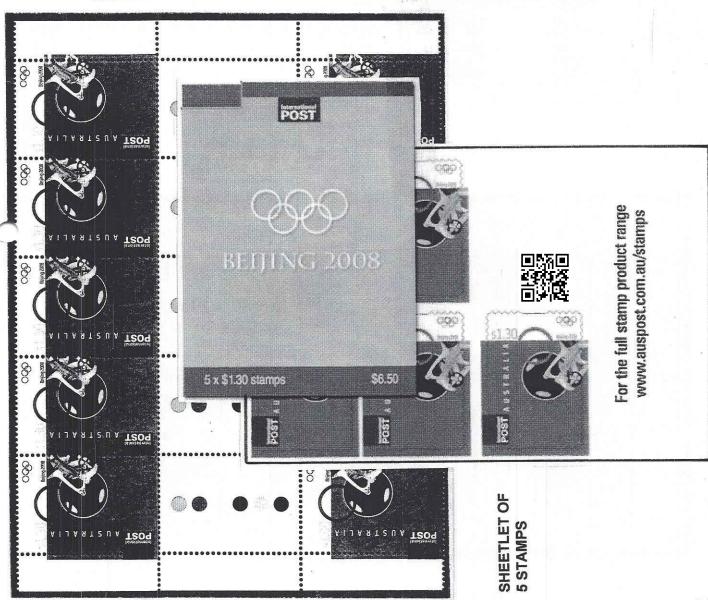
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# 21. Belgian photography

white before switching to colour. His pictures are infused with particular sensitivity and involvement. Dirven has In these postage stamps De Post-La Poste looks through the lens of five Belgian photogra-Tim Dirven studied photography at Saint-Lucas Institute in Brussels. He started out working in black and won a string of prestigious awards.

National Higher Institute for Fine Arts in Antwerp. He with exhibitions at Hessenhuis in Antwerp between 1958 and 1962. At the end of the 1960s he moved his focus to photography. He manipulates light, waiting for just the Paul Ausloos studied painting at the Academy and the was part of G-58, a group of artists that made a splash right moment before opening the shutter.

Léonard Misonne graduated as a mining engineer but found his vocation in photography. Misonne perfected the mediobroom technique and was a big name among pictorialists in the 1940s. The work of this painterphotographer is the living memory of a lost world.

Cinéma et de Photographie" in Brussels and initially worked for Belgian TV. In the early 1970s he Harry Gruyaert received his education at "Ecole du started to travel, shooting the world in exuberant colours, which became his trademark.

at Saint-Lucas Institute in Brussels. He is a Stephan Vanfleteren studied photography photographer at Belgian daily De Morgen and has been published in magazines at home and abroad. Vanfleteren's black and white shots depict both major global conflicts and ife closer to home. Nostalgia is a very strong theme in his numerous photo books.









STEPHAN VANFLETEREN

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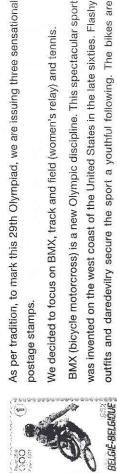
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# 17. Sport: Beijing Olympics

The Olympics go to China for the first time ever between 8 and 24 August 2008.

The Chinese are committed to using the world's greatest sporting event to give the entire globe a positive view on their fast-developing nation.



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We decided to focus on BMX, track and field (women's relay) and tennis.

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outfits and daredevilry secure the sport a youthful following. The bikes are BMX (bicycle motorcross) is a new Olympic discipline. This spectacular sport was invented on the west coast of the United States in the late sixties. Flashy robust, small and very mobile, with small wheels and thick tyres.



medal in this prestigious event. Our medal haul may even rise to three lics World Championships in 2007 we've been dreaming of an Olympic if Kim Gevaert (100 m and 200 m) and Tia Hellebaut (high jump) are on die Ouedraogo and Olivia Borlée raced to bronze at the Osaka Athle-Since our women's 4 x 100 m quartet Kim Gevaert, Hanna Mariën, Elotheir game.





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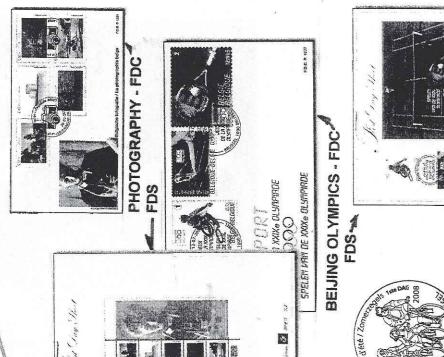
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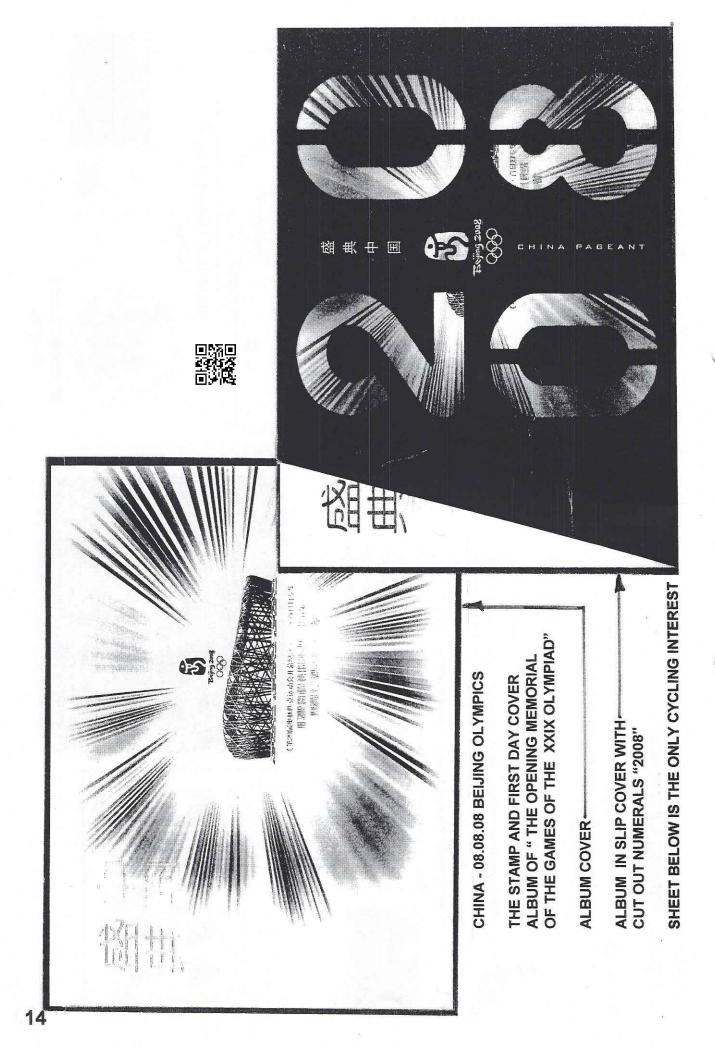
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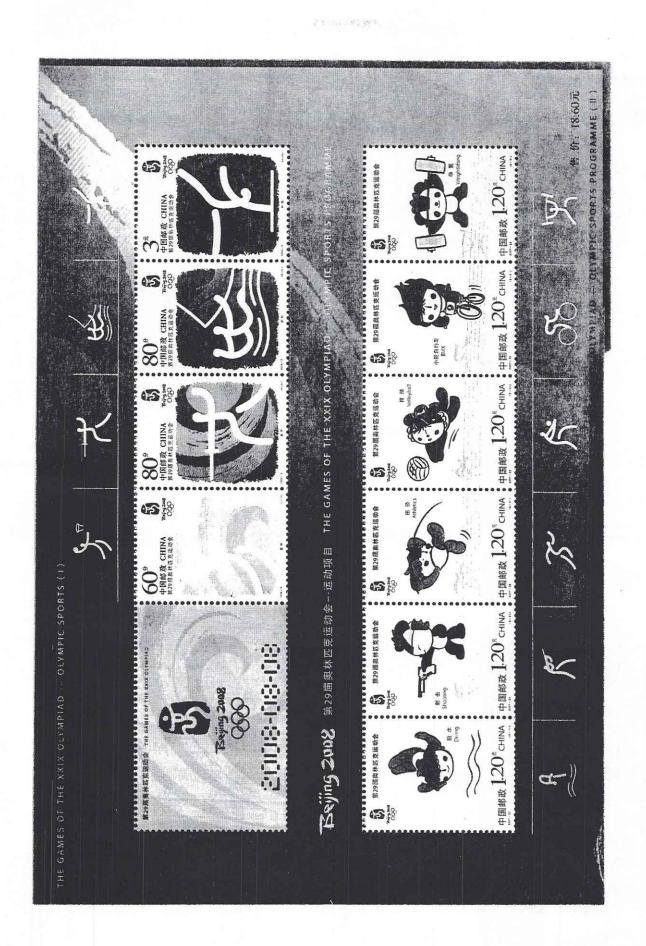
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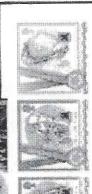




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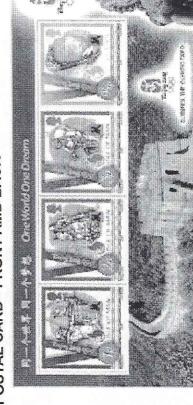




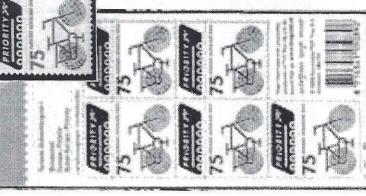


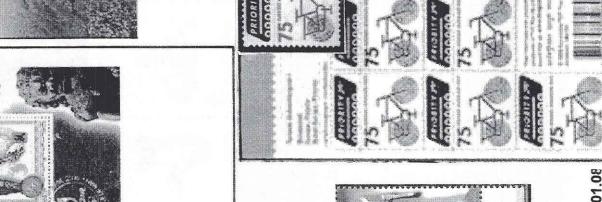






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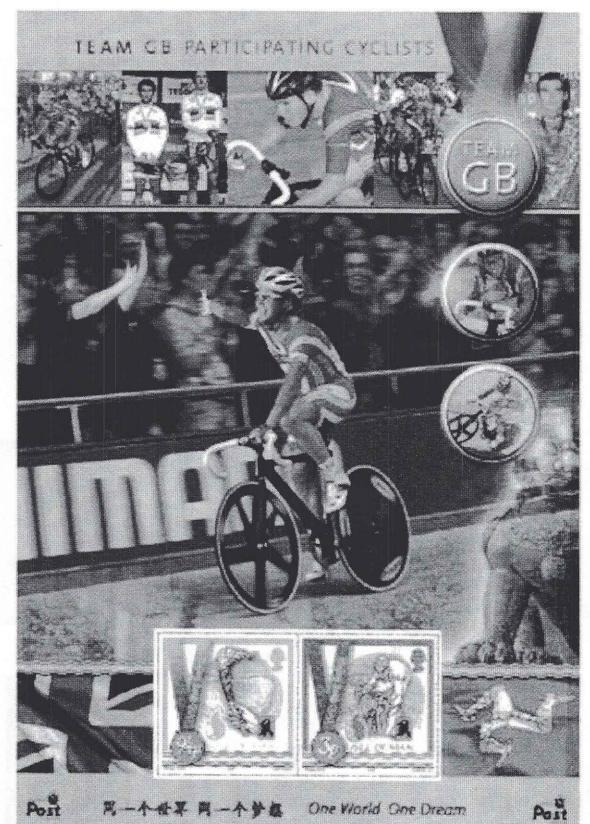
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The Isle of Man Post Office will participate in the Beijing Olympic Exhibition where pride of place will go to 18 our Beijing Olympic Team GB Cyclist sheet.



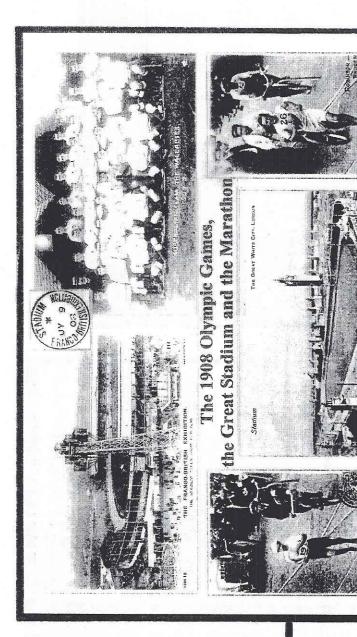
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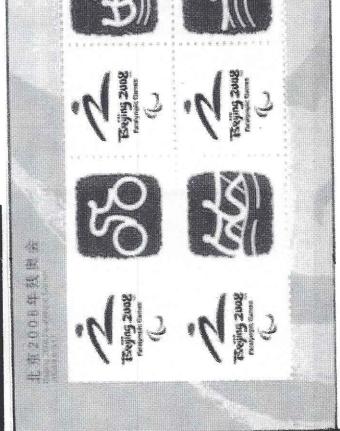


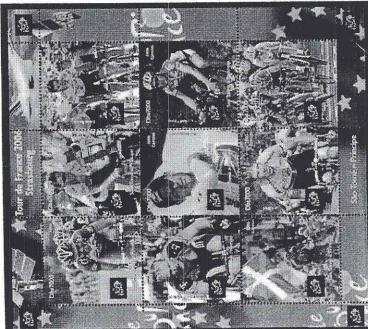
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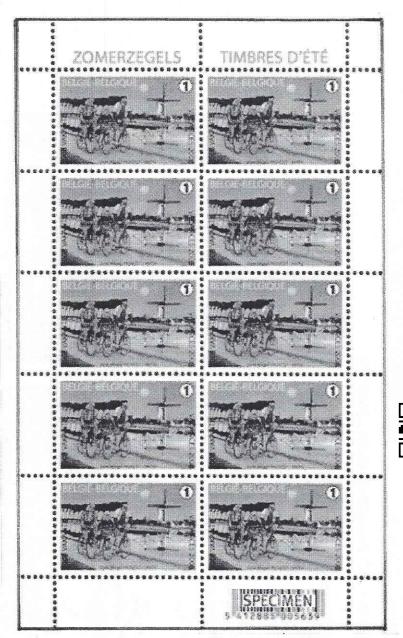
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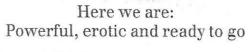


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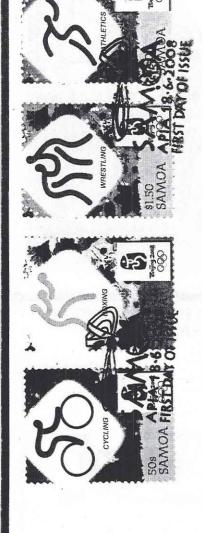






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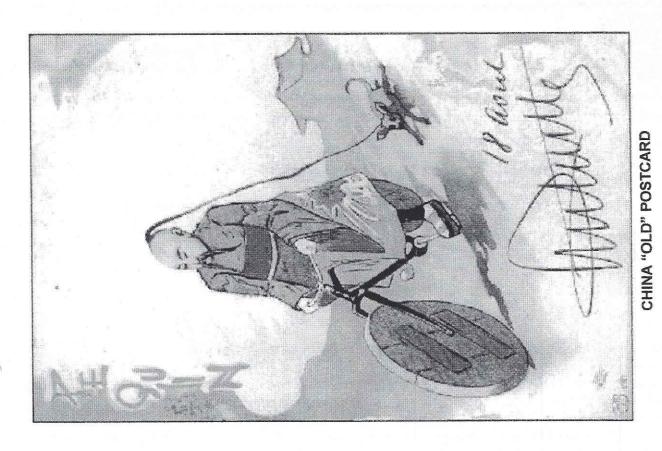


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# From My Musette

Thematica ends after 22 years - news item in the September 2008 issue of G.S.M.

Sadly, we have been informed by Thematic Exhibitions and The Friends of Thematica that at the moment there are no plans to stage further Thematica exhibitions.

Thematica was the brainchild of the late John Fosbery 22 years ago, as a way of providing thematic stamp collectors with their own event, and to encourage collectors to exhibit, albeit with no formal judging rules. Initially held once a year, the popularity of the event meant that in recent years it has been held twice a year, in June and November. The summer event has always witnessed a combination of dealers and exhibits. A pinnacle was reached in November 2007 when the British Thematic Association combined with Thematica to host a European thematic exhibition, "Eurothema".

However, the rising cost of a suitable venue in central London means that it is no longer financially viable to continue the event. The joint organisers wish to thank all those who have supported Thematica over the years.

The Friends of Thematica hope it might be possible to find a way to continue the annual John Fosbery competition, which was always judged by the visitors, and the Barclays Cup/Rushstamps Youth Competition, inaugurated just a few years ago, which has consistently attracted a large number of young exhibitors.

Brian Sole advises that the above news is correct. Unfortunately, the Thematica Exhibitions ended with the June 2008 event. The cost of hiring the premises has spiralled upwards to the point where it would not have been financially viable to have held the 2009 event.

It has been decided to keep Friends of Thematica running for the time being and to run the competitions next year in conjunction with MIDPEX 2009 on 11 July 2009. This is a one day exhibition held every 2 years, with about 50 dealers and up to 50 specialist Society tables (not all thematic, but BTA has usually taken a table). This means the children's competitions can continue - there were nearly 50 entries in 2008 plus the Fosbery 1 frame and BTA 2 frame Cup competitions.

Dear Reader - Hugh Jefferies' editorial in the September 2008 issue of G.S.M.

The first stamps were, of course, produced solely for the purpose of conveniently pre-paying the postage on letters. It was not long before people began to collect them, as just about anything which exists in a variety of forms can be collected. Stamps, small in size and easy to acquire, store and display, quickly established themselves as the world's most popular 'collectable'.

Well before the end of the 19th century, post offices recognised that there was extra profit to be made in producing stamps that were primarily aimed at the collectors' market, although there was no attempt to restrict their postal use. Traditionalists were appalled and societies were set up to defend philately against the scourge of 'unnecessary stamp issues'—but to no avail.

It is interesting to note that there are countries which have been through a period in which they have issued large numbers of stamps, primarily for sale to collectors, but have presumably seen diminishing returns from the practice and have now gone back to issuing one or two sets each year.

Others, including many postal administrations of large industrialised nations, continue to issue more and more each year, introducing new 'collectable' formats as they go-souvenir sheets, 'prestige' booklets, press sheets, etc. As collectors, some of these appeal to us, while others do not, just as some of the articles in this magazine will appeal to you. We don't have to buy (or read) everything.

The worry is that the stamps being issued by the world's post offices seem to have an ever more tenuous connection with the purpose for which they were originally produced.

Samuel Creeps' (The Diarie of Samuel Creeps - an ordinarie collector of stamps - a farcical diary that appears in each issue of G.S.M) survey of stamps coming into his house over a recent period and comparison with a similar survey carried out a few years ago, shows just how tenuous the link between stamps as collectables and stamps as an indication of the prepayment of postage 27 has become.

It is vitally important for the future of the hobby and for the future philatelic revenues of the world's postal administrations that this link is re-established quickly and firmly. If post offices don't work harder to encourage and promote the use of stamps—especially commemorative stamps—on our mail, they will come to regret it sooner or later.

2008 Beijing Olympic Expo Stamp Exhibition - held in Beijing during the Summer Olympic Games 2008. (Results provided by Vojtech Janjovic)

### Results:

THEMATIC CLASS

LI JINGBO (CHINA) - CYCLING SPORTS -JANKOVIC VOJTECH (SLOVAKIA) - MY LIFE AS A BICYCLE -JOHANSSON INGE (NORWAY) - THE STORY OF NON-POLLUTING TWO-WHEELER -

Gold - 92 points Gold - 90 points

PASTOR VICENTE (SPAIN) - CYCLING SPORT HISTORY -WU QIHUA (CHINA) - CYCLING -GESLIN RENE-TONY (FRANCE) - CYCLING AS A SPORT -LIU GUANGMING (CHINA) - COME ON! JOIN BICYCLE TROOP not listed in the Palmares, perhaps not exhibited

Vermeil - 87 points Silver - 78 points Silver - 76 points

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YOUTH CLASS:

K. ACHAR GAUTHAM (INDIA) - CYCLING -

Silver - 72 Points

LITERATURE CLASS:

UICOS (ITALY) - TWO WHEELS IS LIFE -

Vermeil- 81 points

OPEN CLASS:

GESLIN RENE-TONY (FRANCE) - LE TOUR DE FRANCE CYCLISTE -

Vermeil - 85 points

Important note:

Regarding the exhibition itself, it must be said that OLYMPEX 2008 was not regular FIP exhibition, even not held under FIP regulations. There is even no mentioning about FIP in the whole exhibition catalogue. So those results count nothing in the FIP ranking and qualifications matters. It is really a pity, however, disastrous work of Mr. Manfred Bergman, chairman of FIPO (Federation of Olympic Philately), has lead to the isolation of FIPO and its exhibitions from the real philatelic world (regulated by FIP). To prove the fact, please, note there were no regular FIP medals, but only Gold (90 points and above), Vermeil (80 - 89 points), Silver (70 - 79 points) and Bronze (60 - 69 points) medals awarded.

Jari Majander, noted that in the Li exhibit there were 59 extremely rare bicycle-themed stamps issued before the 1900's. And ask's "Do we really know all of them?"

Li has licked them all from the China Daily Updated: 2008-08-29

Although he picked up the first prize at an Olympicthemed stamp exhibition in Sydney in 2004, collector Li Jingbo, from Changzhou of Jiangsu province, remained unsatisfied with his collection "Cycling as a Sport".

Now he's happy: His collection won him both a gold medal at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Expo Stamp Exhibition and an International Olympic Committee award as well.

With nearly 1000 stamps collected from more than 120 countries." Cycling as a Sport" vividly depicts the timeline of bicycle history, including 59 extremely rare bicycle-themed stamps issued before the 1900's.



Collector Li Jingbo (right) holds up his prize at a Beijing stamp show.

The most eye-catching include four German stamps from 1887, a German stamped envelope in 1891, a miniature sheet from Algeria, and a stamped postcard from the 1928 Amsterdam Olympic Games.

The 70-year-old collector is a devotee of sports, especially enthusiastic about cycling.

To perfect his stamp collection, Li has toured 31 provinces and regions since 1980's. He once found an entire cover sealed with nothing but "Tour de France".

"It was quite cheap, less than 100 yuan. But I didn't understand words and didn't realise the real value of the stamp at that time," Li recalls, He did not keep the stamp and years later he finally got to know that the stamp was issued in the 1950's and was worth 450 yuan (\$65.9).

Li's devotion and experience in stamp collecting has won him a great reputation among Chinese collectors but he still has more ambitious plans to expand his collection. "I'm planning to cycle in Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan, where I will look for more rare stamps to enrich my collection," he says.

## ★ Possible Bogus Columbian Stamp

Brian Sole recently showed his "Go by Cycle" exhibit to the Camberley Society. One of its members has now contacted him to ask if he knew any details of this Columbian Stamp which he though might be bogus.

Brian has not seen it before and wonders if any of our members have any further information?



# \* Thematix '09 (from GSM Newsdesk November 2008)

Following the sad news of the demise of Thematica (GSM Newsdesk September 2008) comes the good news that the trade section of the exhibition will continue under a new name -Thematix - and the first of the new shows will be held at The Jesters Suite, Harlequins Rugby Club, Langhorne Drive, Twickenham, Middlesex TW2 7SX.

Dates will be confirmed when the Harlequins fixture list is published but will be either 26 and 27 June or 3 and 4 July 2009.

### ★ WIPA '08 International Stamp Exhibition

Brian Sole's exhibit "Go by Cycle", with a total of 90 marks, won a gold medal.



## Vale Gordon Brennan



In October I received from Joy Greenwood an email regarding the passing of Gordon. I do not have early records of the "Bicycles-on-Stamps" study unit (the original Bicycle Stamps Club) but, from the early copies of "SPOKEN' WORD", I know that he was one of the early members. Joy's email and attachment read as follows:

"Hello Tony,

I've just learnt of the death of Gordon Brennan - he was a member of the Bicycle Stamp Club and lived in Lancaster. I checked with Brian Sole and learnt that he didn't renew his membership after 2003, not suprisingly as he's been very ill for some time.

As you can see from the attached, Gordon played an important part in the Cycling World and I wondered if any other members knew him.

Joy

It is with great sadness that I have to report the death of one of the stalwarts of Lancaster Cycling Club. Gordon Brennan, last Thursday (9th) after a long illness and just a couple of days after his 79th birthday. Newer recruits to cycling locally may only know of Gordon as the President of Lancaster CC but his cycling connections go back far further and he is known nationally to a wider circle of cyclists. Gordon has been President of the LCC since 1970 but he was a member for many years before that. When he eased back from active involvement in the running of the club only a few years back he was accorded the title of Honorary Life President. Gordon was also heavily involved with the British Cycling Federation (now known as British Cycling) and in the 1950's he was the first chairman of the old Lakeland section which was the forerunner of the Lakes and Lancs Division, he always lived and breathed cycling. He was a member of the national Federation's Finance and Management Committee from 1965 until 1982. He was Vice-Chairman from 1970 until 1980 and Chairman in 1981. He was awarded the Federation's highest honour, The Gold Badge, in 1982 for services to cycling. From 1965 until 1982 he was the BCF representative on the International Touring Alliance (AIT) the international body governing cycle touring and ran the BCF Touring Office at Stonewell, Lancaster. Gordon was also involved in the organisation of the Federation's Annual Dinner and Prize Presentation when it was held in Blackpool.

Beside all the official duties he held Gordon still found time for competitive cycling but his fortè was tricycle racing. He was contemporary with David Duffield (latterly of Eurosport TV fame) and for a while they alternately held Road Record Association records. In 1959 Gordon set the Liverpool to Edinburgh Tricycle Record with 10hrs 54min to beat the current record by 38minutes. He was the first and only member of the club to hold a National RRA record. He is still the club tricycle record holder at 10, 50, 100miles and 12hours, the only one missing is the 25mile record which was taken from him in 1967 by Derek Wilman. He covered ten miles in 25:33 in 1995 and his longest record is 220.00miles for 12hours in 1956. Also in 1995, the year after he retired, he rode all 22 of Lancaster CC's evening 10's on Caton Road - a feat that has not been equalled since and possibly not before for a good many years - and he continued to race into the new millennium.

In the 70's he was a leading light in the famous Morecambe Weekends where I first met him. The now gone 'International Cycle Sport' magazine reported at the time: "The Supremo on the Prom' is Gordon Brennan, of that there is no doubt, his word is law. I have thought once or twice while watching him fetch out the tail enders in the Devils that if they could give him horns and a tail he would even look the part as his tall figure dominates the proceedings. He commands the respect of all the riders to the extent that there is little or no wrangling about decisions taken on the line and heaven only knows I've seen some men talk their way into 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> places over the years but never at Morecambe".

Latterly Gordon was remembered for his leading of LCC club-runs and in particular his annual President's Run which he lead until well into the 90's. He also organised the club's annual Tourist trial, alternating with Kent Valley RC's Derek Tunstall, and the famous Freewheel Competitions. Gordon was also the local cycling correspondent for the Lancaster Guardian for many years under the pen-name of 'Miler' until he handed the reins to me in 2003. Gordon's achievement in the world of cycling could go on for many pages and these are but a few. Many people have expressed their admiration of Gordon over the last week and one of the nicest tributes comes from Tony Sweeney, the President of Lune RCC, who said on their website "it never ever bothered Gordon (what club you were in or what form of cycle sport you took part in) if you rode a bike you were a cyclist and that was alright by him ...... I don't think we shall ever see his like again."

Many great people are remembered by quotes and one of Gordon's, which he oft repeated when chairing club meetings, is "it's your club". Lancaster Cycling Club will always be Gordon's club and I am 30 proud to have been his club-mate. Bob Muir"