



Postmark Atlanta
Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club



Affiliate club #0357-031583
June 2022 Newsletter

BREAKING NEWS - NEW MEETING SCHEDULES FOR ATLANTA STAMP COLLECTOR'S CLUB

Well, not really Breaking if you have gotten the email from our President, Scott Holmberg, but a BIG change. We will now be meeting on Second and Fourth Monday every month.

Second Monday meeting will be in person at our new location: 1068 North Highland Avenue NE at The Church of Our Saviour. 1st Floor Meeting Room. Corner of North Highland and Los Angeles.

There is parking on the street as well as a pay parking lot. The church is a few blocks north of Manuel's through the Virginia-Highlands area. A map is enclosed.

The ZOOM meeting will now be 4th Monday. We will continue this as a "virtual" Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club meeting hosted by member Lloyd Nutter. Lloyd sends out a Zoom invitation a couple days before the meeting. If you do not get an invitation for the meetings, please contact Lloyd to make sure he adds you to his list. Emailing him: trains56@charter.net. Also, if you need to test how Zoom works, Lloyd will be glad to give you a test.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 3 – 5, 2022 NAPEX, National Philatelic Exhibitions of Washington DC, McLean Hilton at Tyson's Corner, 7920 Jones Branch Dr. McLean, Virginia, <http://www.napex.org>

June 4, 2022 Stamp Trading at home of Don Laberteaux, 5008 Brandlwood Ct., Lilburn, GA from 9 – 11 a.m. Coffee, talking and stamps. Call Don at 770-381-7114 for details.

June 4 – 5, 2022 HUNTSPEX 2022. New location Jaycee Community Building, 2180 Airport Road SW, Huntsville, AL 35801 <http://www.sefsc.org/huntsplex.html>

June 13, 2022 7:00 pm Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club meeting and auction. 1068 North Highland Avenue NE at The Church of Our Saviour. 1st Floor Meeting Room. Corner of North Highland and Los Angeles.

June 27, 2022 Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club ZOOM meeting at 7:00.

July 11, 2022 7:00 pm Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club meeting and auction. 1068 North Highland Avenue NE at The Church of Our Saviour. 1st Floor Meeting Room. Corner of North Highland and Los Angeles.


July 25, 2022 Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club ZOOM meeting at 7:00

July 30 – 31, 2022 CHARPEX 2022. Worrell Building, Central Piedmont Community College, 1201 Elizabeth Ave. Charlotte, NC 28235. <http://www.sefsc.org/charpex.html>

August 25 – 28, 2022 Great American Stamp Show. SAFE Credit Union Convention Center, 1400 J St. Sacramento, California <http://www.stamps.org/GASS>

Be sure to confirm the COVID protocols for upcoming shows.

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	<p><u>ANNOUNCING</u> that the 2022 ATA virtual one-page exhibition is now open for viewing:</p> <p>The ATA is hosting the 2022 “My One-Page Exhibit!”, and all the details can be found at the link below:</p> <p>https://www.ataexhibits.com/</p> <p>Entries were received from around the world, including from India, Italy and Peru. Club member Colin Clark has a one-page exhibit entitled Surfing the Victorian Web under the Postal History section. The exhibit displays will close for viewing on October 31st 2022, at the end of National Stamp Collecting Month.</p> <p><u>NOTE:</u> This is not a judged exhibition, or one where viewers can vote on a most favorite. It's simply an opportunity to get some philatelic gems and research out into the public view.</p> <p><u>ENJOY!!!</u></p>
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POLICE HORSES AND THE ROYAL MAIL

By Colin Clark

A horse, a horse, my kingdom for a horse – Richard III (William Shakespeare)

In 2014, Royal Mail (GB) issued a set of stamps celebrating working horses. The stamps featured images of various working horses.




The second highest value stamp of this set (the example shown in **Figure 1.**), showed an image of **Police Horses.**

Horses were first used by police forces in the late 18th century in order to deal with highwaymen. The 21st century police horse is essential to managing crowd dynamics.

The postmark was applied by the use of a **self-inking counter date stamp.** These date stamps were consistently 23 mm in diameter with a fancy “petal-style” edge.¹

Statistics: The set included six (**6**) stamps, of which this **1.28 GBP** value was the second highest value, which was primarily used for international mail. **Size:** 41mm by 30mm. **Perforations:** 14.5 x 14. The stamp is printed by lithography.

	<p>NOTE: The modern London Metropolitan Police (the Met) Mounted Branch has eight (8) stables in London, and it was established as the modern branch in 1918. The police horses used are typically half thoroughbred and half draft breed. The Met maintains and houses a minimum of one hundred (100) horses.</p>	THE MET
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Reference

1. *Collect British Postmarks: The Handbook to British Postmarks and their Values*, 9th Edition (December 2013, p.181, 187), Stanley Gibbons.

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All prior newsletters of the club are available on our club web-site. To access the Atlanta Stamp Collectors Club's website page (per the below image):

1. Enter sefsc.org in your browser.
2. From the main top-of-page menu, hover over Stamp Clubs.
3. Hover over Georgia.
4. Click Atlanta Stamp Collectors Club.



Member Fred Danes

Those of you on the Zoom meeting on May 23 noticed we were joined by member Fred Danes zooming in from Fiji. Fred has provided his address there for the summer if you want to write to him and get some Fiji mail in return. Fred Danes, P O Box 2840, Nadi, FIJI. Current International 1 oz letter rate is \$1.30 but that may rise to \$1.40 on July 10. Fred says he will return on August 3.

If you are interested in writing for our newsletter or presenting to our club at one of our monthly meetings, please contact me at the email below or Scott Holmberg at sdholmberg1@gmail.com with your ideas.

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