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Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club



Affiliate club #0357-031583

March 2023 Newsletter

In 2023 we will be meeting on Second and Fourth Monday every month.

Please send in your dues for 2023 – still \$12.00. Check with Barbara Asher if you are not sure if you have done this.

Thank you to Colin Clark for his presentation on Post Office architects at the January ZOOM meeting. We count on members to share their special areas of knowledge with the club. Lloyd Nutter is always willing to help with the technology side of these presentations.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4 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.

March 4-5 KnoxPex "Cycling" 2023. Knoxville Philatelic Society, Rothchild Catering & Conference Center, 8807 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, <https://www.knoxstamps.com>

March 13 Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club meeting and auction. Meet at 7:00 pm at 1068 North Highland Avenue NE at The Church of Our Saviour. 1st Floor Meeting Room. Corner of North Highland and Los Angeles. The door to our meeting room is on Los Angeles side.

March 10 – 11 Spring North Georgia Bourse, Best Western Hotel, 907 Holcomb Bridge Rd, Roswell, GA 30076 Sponsored by North Atlanta Stamp Club. More details wbarr@stampsforfun.com

March 18 – 19 Nashville Stamp & Postcard Show 2023, Nashville Philatelic Society, Gallatin Civic Center 210 Albert Gallatin Ave, Gallatin, TN <http://www.nashvillephilatelic.org/>

March 27 Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club ZOOM meeting. Presentation by Vincent Rehder "German Zeppelin Stamps: how to tell the 'reprints' from the genuine stamps"

March 31 – April 1 GULFPEX Gulf Coast Stamp Club, St Martin Community Center, 15008 LeMoyne Blvd. St. Martin/Biloxi, Mississippi <https://www.gulfcoaststampclub.org/>

April 10 Atlanta Stamp Collector’s Club meeting and auction

April 21 – 22 GwinnPex 2023 Spring Stamp Show. Mountain Park United Methodist Church Family Life Center, 1405 Rockbridge Rd., Stone Mountain, GA 30087. More details ajrj1957@yahoo.com

April 21 Joint meeting Atlanta Clubs at Mountain Park United Methodist Church at 5:30 (after GwinnPex show) Auction and supper

No April 24 ZOOM meeting due to joint meeting on 21st.

May 4 – 6 Virtual Stampex 2023 . Details on how to register and attend this FREE 72 hour event are in the article below.

August 10 – 13 GREAT AMERICAN STAMP SHOW, Cleveland, Ohio

Be sure to confirm the COVID protocols for upcoming shows.

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Second Monday meeting is 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. Fire Station across Highland Ave.

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. Best entrance is on Los Angeles. The MARTA Bus 816 comes up North Highland and passes the church.

The ZOOM meeting on 4th Monday will be 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.

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New Stamp Club in Georgia

Newly organized North Atlanta Stamp Club meetings on 2nd Thursday at Roswell Presbyterian Church from 7 – 9 pm. For details contact Dave Flannery 470-328-3909 or deflann@gmail.com

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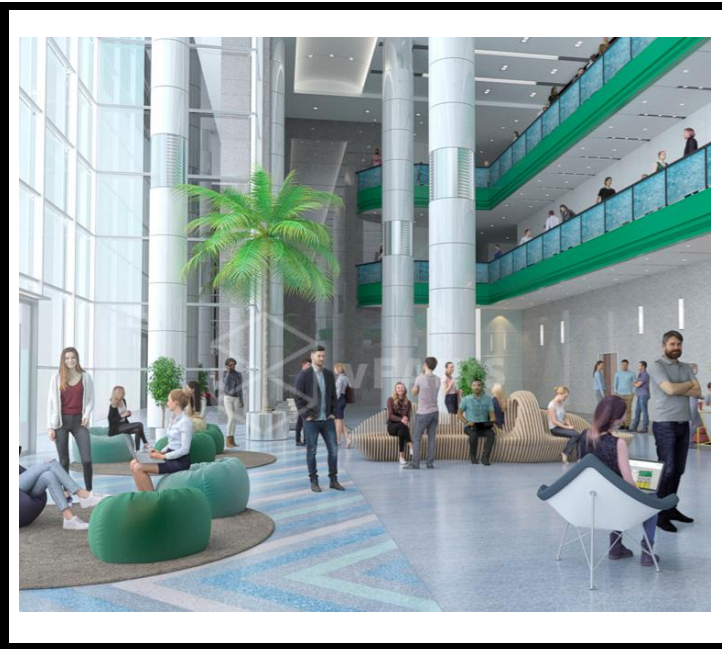
All prior newsletters of the club are available on our club web-site. <http://www.sefsc.org/atlanta-stamp-collectors-club.html> Check out the additional content – prior presentations and news.

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VIRTUAL STAMPEX 2023

Calling all local stamp collectors with an appetite for travel adventure. Why not attend a “round-the-clock” International London UK stamp show from the comfort of your own home.

Announcing **VIRTUAL STAMPEX 2023**. The virtual Stampex show will return this year, from **04MAY2023** to **06MAY2023** (Thursday – Friday – Saturday), for a **continuous seventy-two (72)** hours of active on-line philately (covering all the world’s time zones). Coffee may be useful.



This event has been timed to coincide with the forthcoming coronation of King Charles III, and also the anniversary of the May 6th 1840 first official usage of the **Penny Black**, the world’s first postage stamp. The 2020 and 2021 iterations of the VIRTUAL Stampex shows attracted over 8,000 unique visitors from over one hundred (**100**) countries.

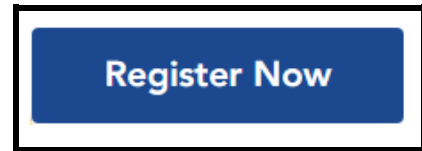
VIRTUAL STAMPEX 2023 will host over fifty (**50**) dealer booths, an exhibition, and a series of talks and presentations. This show will be accessible from desktop PCs, laptops, smartphones and tablets.

This year’s show will also feature a new virtual tool that allows attendees to meet and live video chat with other collectors and dealers. In addition, the show will offer live philatelic round tables, giving visitors a chance to connect in **real-time** with fellow collectors from around the world on popular topics. Fellow collectors can socialize using chat rooms, live chat and video calling. A personal virtual briefcase will enable visitors to email **FREE** catalogues, magazines, information packets and price lists back to themselves.

FREE Registration for this event is now **OPEN**, and updates will be posted on social media (**Philatelic Traders' Society**) and in the show's newsletter. The main registration website link is shown below:

<https://stampex.vfairs.com/>

The image of the **blue Register Now** button (shown opposite) is found on the registration website (link shown above). ➡



You can click this button on the main website to navigate to the actual **Attendee Registration Form** web page. You only have to enter your **name**, **e-mail address** and **country** of residence to register yourself. Your **email address** will be your personal log-in ID for the virtual stamp show.





Ask anyone who has attended this VIRTUAL show in previous years: **This is a must-attend event**. You'll make like-minded new connections, and make new friends from across Europe, Asia and beyond! The socialization aspect is amazing at this global phenomenon! See you there!

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GB MACHIN REPLACEMENT

Written by Colin Clark

With the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 2022, and the subsequent ascension to the throne of King Charles III, it has finally been announced that the new British definitive stamp, featuring the new King, will be issued on **04APR2023**. The new definitive also continues the use of barcode technology. The issuance of this new stamp marks a **historic milestone**, because it brings to an end the active production of Queen Elizabeth II **MACHIN** definitive stamps.

	<p>MACHINs are named after Arnold Machin (1911 – 1999), the sculptor who designed the portrait of the Queen used on the British definitive stamps during her reign. A photo of Arnold Machin, and also two (2) examples of the Machin definitive are shown below.</p> <div data-bbox="397 1617 592 1879"></div> <div data-bbox="706 1606 933 1879"></div> <div data-bbox="1006 1606 1209 1879"></div>	MACHIN
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The images below show the new **King Charles III** definitive.



The portrait of King Charles III, created by Martin Jennings originally for the obverse of the new UK coinage, shows the monarch facing to the left. Unlike the use of a youthful Queen Victoria's image on her stamps throughout her long reign, the new King's image shows his current more mature image, and also he is not wearing a crown.

Comparison has been drawn to the **King Edward VIII** definitive stamps of **1936**. A representative image is shown opposite. One significant design element difference is a crown icon in the top right corner of the **1936** stamp. ➡

Ultimately, the design of the new Charles III definitive is considered to be a muted reflection on the current British public perceptions of the monarchy.



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Don't get enough Stamp discussions – Here are more opportunities:

The **West Toronto Stamp Club** hosts ZOOM bimonthly meetings, a Discussion Group on the 1st Tuesday and a Learning Workshop on the 3rd Tuesday. If you are interested email Garfield Portch and he will email you the link and information on the theme of each meeting. Garfield.portch@gmail.com

H.R. Harmer and NobleSpirit host "Conversations with Philatelists" Weekly podcasts: <https://www.philatelypodcast.com/>

The **American Topical Association** upcoming learning opportunities:

Thematic Exhibiting: Connecting Through Creativity will be offered Saturdays, March 4 and 11. This course will demonstrate how exhibitors can use innovative approaches to illustrate their story. The concept of Development, the addition of new story lines and elaboration of existing ones, will also be discussed. For details and registration, [click here](#).

The **American Philatelic Society** hosts StampChats which are available to view on YouTube. You do not need to be a member to access these videos. <https://stamps.org/news/sc/stampchats/p/1>

Exploring Stamps is a YouTube channel with lots of videos. They are from 15 minutes to almost 1 hour and touch on lots of topics – some are about stamp shows the narrator has attended. <https://www.youtube.com/c/ExploringStamps/videos>

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THE ATLANTA STAMP COLLECTORS CLUB LIBRARY

The library catalog for the club is finally posted on the website. If you find a book you want to check out notify club secretary LeA Coe at leacoe3002@gmail.com and it will be available at the next in person club meeting. Books may be checked out by any club member and there is no due date.

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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