

Newsletter

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Welcome

As fate would have it, the day after I sent out the last newsletter my personalised stamps landed on my doorstep! With other unexpected commitments, the issue dates for the Burke and Wills and Bangkok Stamp Show issues soon rolled around, and so I have included all of these issues in this newsletter. Is it just me, or is the time between issues getting shorter?

August will be a busy time for collectors with three issues, and two exhibition miniature sheets. There will also be another imperforate prestige booklet for Adelaide Stampex. If you are interested in a set of imperforate stamps please let me know.

If you have any questions about modern Australian stamps please e-mail me at stamps@chrisdehaer.com.au

Until next time,
Chris de Haer

For Special Occasions – Personalised Stamps™

19 July 2010

The 60c Gown and Roses, Floral Graphic, Wattle, Tulips, Balloons, Champagne Glasses, Teddy Bear and \$1.20 Wedding Bands stamps from this issue were also available as part of Australia Post's Personalised Stamps™ service.



As with previous personalised stamps, these are 'double-sized' with the right hand half featuring a laser printed image. Again, the phosphor tagging for these stamps differs from the booklet stamps, with each stamp featuring a centre phosphor band. The only way to obtain a self-adhesive version of the Floral Graphic and Champagne Glasses stamps is as personalised stamps. Full technical details are given in the table below.

Collectors are reminded that I offer a Personalised Stamps™ Standing Order service – with a 10% discount for all subscribers. For more information visit: <http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/pstamps/index.shtml>

I am also prepared to split up sets for thematic/topical collectors. My Tulip design features a photograph of tulips

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taken at Canberra's Floriade, while my Floral Graphic features a love quote from William Shakespeare. Please [e-mail me](mailto:stamps@chrisdehaer.com.au) for more details and prices.

Technical Details (continued from Newsletter Vol. 1, No. 4) Personalised Stamps

Printer:	McKellar Renown (stamp design) and Fuji Xerox (personalisation)
Printing Process:	Lithography (stamp design) and Laser Printer (personalisation)
Gum:	Self-adhesive
Paper:	B100 with phosphor band between stamp and photograph
Issued In:	Sheets of 20 (3 × 7)
Stamp Size:	52 mm × 37.5 mm
Perforations:	Die-cut 11½ (interrupted) × imperf × 11½ (interrupted) × 11¼
Selling Price:	\$25.00 (sheets of 20 × 60c) \$37.00 (sheets of 20 × \$1.20)

Much more information on this issue can be found at: <http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/issues/201021b.shtml>

Centenary of Australian Taxation Office

27 July 2010

Possibly this year's smallest issue, this single 60c stamp celebrates the work of the Australian Taxation Office. Starting as the Land Tax Office in 1910, the Office's role in collecting revenue for health and education is reflected in the stamp's design. I even bought a few extra stamps, as I am particularly chuffed to see a fellow mathematics teacher on a stamp!



The only interesting aspect I've noticed is my sheet of 10 stamps appears to be miscut. The left hand selvage is 11 mm wide, while the right is only 9 mm wide.

Technical Details

Stamp design:	Hoyne Design
Printer:	McKellar Renown
Printing Process:	Lithography
Gum:	Ordinary gum
Paper:	Tullis Russell
Issued In:	Sheets of 10 (2 × 5)
Stamp Size:	37.5 mm × 26 mm
Perforations:	Comb perforated 14½ × 13¾
Designs:	60c Workers
Usage:	Small letter rate within Australia

Issue Summary

Item and Description	Cost ✓
For the General Collector	
<i>Gummed sheet stamp</i>	
Single stamp from sheet of 10 (60c)	60c <input type="checkbox"/>
Total	60c
For the Specialised Collector	
<i>Small sheets</i>	
Small sheet of 10 gummed stamps	\$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Postal stationery</i>	
Maximum card	\$1.35 <input type="checkbox"/>
Total	\$7.35

Much more information on this issue can be found at: <http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/issues/201022a.shtml>

Burke & Wills: 150 Years

3 August 2010

During 1860-61 Robert O'Hara and William John Wills led an expedition of 19 men with the intention to cross from Melbourne in the south, to the Gulf of Carpentaria in the north. At the time most of inland Australia was unknown to the non-indigenous population. Sadly only one man, John King, travelled the entire expedition and returned alive to Melbourne.



To mark the 150th anniversary of Burke and Wills' expedition, Australia Post has released four stamps and a prestige booklet. The four stamps feature paintings showing scenes from the expedition. Despite the historical significance of the expedition, there is little to excite collectors with this issue. Apart from the unique layout of the prestige booklet panes, the sheet and booklet stamps appear to be the same, and the self-adhesive stamps are only available from rolls.



Technical Details

Stamp design: John White
 Printer: McKellar Renown
 Printing Process: Lithography
 Stamp Size: 37.5 mm × 26 mm
 Designs: 60c Crossing Australia
 60c Leaving Melbourne
 \$1.20 Return from Gulf
 \$1.20 Towards Mt Hopeless
 Usage: 60c Small letter rate within Australia
 \$1.20 Large letter rate in Australia (up to 125g)

Sheet and Prestige Booklet stamps

Gum: Ordinary gum
 Paper: Tullis Russell
 Issued In: Se-tenant pairs within sheets of 50 (2 panes of 25 (5 x 5) with traffic lights in gutter)
 Perforations: Comb perforated 14½ × 13¾

Coil stamps

Gum: Self-adhesive
 Paper: B90 ('C' shaped phosphor tagging along top, left and bottom)
 Issued In: Coils of 200
 Perforations: Die-cut 11¼ × 11½ (interrupted)

Issue Summary

Item and Description	Cost ✓
For the General Collector	
<i>Gummed sheet stamps</i>	
Horizontal se-tenant pairs (2 × 60c, 2 × \$1.20)	\$3.60 ☐
<i>Self-adhesive stamps</i>	
2 values from coil (2 × 60c)	\$1.20 ☐
Total	\$4.80

For the Specialised Collector

<i>Blocks, pairs and strips</i>	
Blocks of 4 and horiz pairs from prestige booklet panes	\$10.95 ☐
<i>Booklet panes</i>	
Four panes from prestige booklet panes	\$10.95 ☐
<i>Booklets</i>	
Prestige booklet	\$10.95 ☐
<i>Postal stationery</i>	
Maximum cards	\$6.60 ☐
Total	\$39.45

Much more information on this issue can be found at:
<http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/issues/201025.shtml>

Bangkok Stamp Show 2010

4 August 2010



If the previous issue didn't whet your appetite, then this inexpensive sheet certainly will. Apart from a new layout for the Fishes of the Reef issue, all three stamps are new for specialised collectors:

- The original sheet stamps were printed by McKellar Renown, while this miniature sheet is printed by RA Printing.
- There are distinct colour and design differences. The most noticeable is the colour and thickness of 'Australia'. On the regular sheet stamps 'Australia' is quite thick and almost white; on the miniature sheet stamps 'Australia' is much thinner and grey in colour.



Sheet stamp (top) and Miniature sheet (bottom)

- The miniature sheet is also printed on phosphorised paper – the first, and possibly last, time the 5c value has been printed on such paper.

I was surprised to see this sheet on sale at Perth's philatelic counter yesterday. You may also be lucky and find them at a post office near you. If you can't get one, I have some spares

available, and will add them to my [miniature sheet price list](#) in the next few days. I will also add the single stamps.

Information on this issue will soon be added to:
<http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/issues/201021a.shtml>
<http://stamps.chrisdehaer.com.au/issues/201023.shtml>

Technical Details	
Printer:	RA Printing
Printing Process:	Lithography
Gum:	Ordinary gum
Paper:	Tullis Russell
Sheet Size:	140 mm x 85 mm

Issue Summary	
Item and Description	Cost ✓
For the General Collector	
<i>Miniature sheet</i>	
Miniature sheet	\$1.30 <input type="checkbox"/>
Total	\$1.30
For the Specialised Collector	
<i>Blocks, pairs and strips</i>	
Blocks of 4 from miniaature sheet	\$1.30 <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Miniature sheet stamps</i>	
5c and 2 x 60c (new printer and design changes)	\$1.30 <input type="checkbox"/>
Total	\$2.60

Upcoming Issues – August and September

To help collectors future newsletters will include a list of issues for the next six weeks. Links to the relevant pages on my website are also given.

- 17 August – WWF Christmas Island Frigatebird (2 x 60c, 2 x \$1.80) ([visit](#))
- 20 August – Adelaide Stampex (\$2.65 sheet) ([visit](#))
- 31 August – Centenary of Girl Guides (1 each 60c, \$1.50, \$2.10) ([visit](#))
- 8 September – National Service Memorial
- 15 September – Flowers of Cocos (Keeling) Islands ([visit](#))

Future Issues

Australia Post has released the dates of issue for its October releases. When the next *Stamp Bulletin* is released I will add the relevant pages to my website.

- 5 October – Stamp Collecting Month: Wildlife Caring
- 18 October – Canonisation of Mary MacKillop
- 26 October – AAT: Macquarie Island
- 26 October – Australian Kingfishers

Western Australian Events

Rockingham Stamp Fair will be held at the Gary Holland Centre, Kent St, Rockingham on 8 August from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

Fremantle and Districts Philatelic Society has a fascinating display on 'Marcophily' (the study of postal markings) on 11 August. More information on Fremantle's programme is on my [website](#).

I will be displaying part of my British Definitive collection at the Rockingham and Kwinana Districts meeting on 17 August. More information on Rockingham's programme is on my [website](#).

Next Newsletter

The next newsletter will include information on the Christmas Island Frigatebird and Adelaide Stampex Issues. Estimated date of publication: 22 August 2010.

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Updated Stamp Shop

The number of items will be added to my stamp shop on 9 August 2010.

Separate price lists for Postmarks, Postal Stationery and Miscellaneous Items have been added.

I'm sure you will find the prices very competitive.

More items will be added over the coming weeks.

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Personalised Stamp™ Standing Order

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