



WPS100 Stamp Show 2022

Celebrating 100 years of the Wellington Philatelic Society

15-17 July 2022, Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua, Wellington

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1 Welcome

The Wellington Philatelic Society welcomes you to this the first Bulletin for WPS100 Stamp Show 2022.

The exhibition celebrates the centenary of the society which is proud of its part in the philatelic activity of Wellington, the Wellington region and New Zealand over its one hundred years and plans to contribute for many years to come.

Apart from the normal diversity of interesting exhibits available at New Zealand National Exhibitions WPS100 includes the 2022 Australasian Challenge. The Challenge, held every three years, is between teams from Australia (Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales, Canberra [ACT] and Queensland) and New Zealand (North Island and South Island). The Challenge is hotly contested, and we expect a broad range of quality exhibits.

2 Wellington Philatelic Society Incorporated

The society can trace its roots back to the formation of the Donbank Philatelic Society in 1922 by a group of enthusiastic teenage stamp collectors.

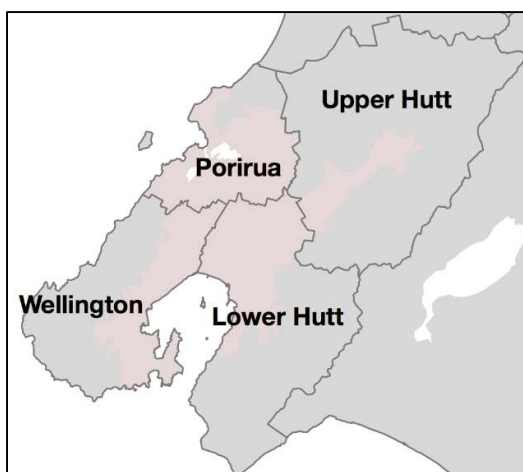
The founders resided at the Donbank YMCA Hostel that provided accommodation for youths and young men who worked in the city or were students at the university.

Postcard, real photograph, undivided back, not mailed, publisher Joseph Zachariah dated 1907-1915 [WPS archives]



In 1940 the Donbank Philatelic Society formally changed its name to the Wellington Philatelic Society. The society is currently preparing a book to record and celebrate its one hundred years. The aim is to have this available for purchase at WPS100.

3 Greater Wellington and Porirua



Wellington City is more densely populated than most other cities in New Zealand. It has very few open areas in which to expand, and this brought about the development of “suburban” cities. The Greater Wellington area stretches across areas administered by the city councils of Wellington, Lower Hutt, Upper Hutt and Porirua. One of the consequences is the Greater Wellington area has the most extensive public transport system in New Zealand.

Lower Hutt and Upper Hutt, collectively referred to as the Hutt Valley, are areas to the northeast of Wellington City. Our colleagues the Hutt Valley Philatelic Society and Upper Hutt Stamp Club

provide philatelic clubs for those residing in this area.

Porirua City lies to the north. The Wellington Philatelic Society has traditionally served this area. Since 2013 the society has operated an outreach programme to Porirua through the Porirua Stamp Group. Therefore, it seems appropriate our celebratory exhibition should be held in Porirua.

4 The venue

Te Rauparaha Arena is a multi-purpose indoor sports and entertainment centre officially opened on 21 November 2008. The venue was named by the Ngāti Toa iwi after one of their most famous leaders, Te Rauparaha best known perhaps, but certainly not his most important legacy, for the haka *Ka Mate* used by the All Blacks before each of their games.

The arena includes a three-court main hall, a single-court warm-up hall, gymnasium, lecture theatre, cafe and administration offices adjacent to an aquatic centre.

WPS100 plans to take full advantage of the facilities and you can look forward to more information between now and the exhibition.

The three court Mana Community Grants Foundation Stadium has a floor space of over 2,400 m² and will house the trade stands and exhibits.



Approaching the entrance to Te Rauparaha Arena passing wooden Māori sculptures.

For more information about the Arena please check <https://terauparaha-arena.co.nz/>

We plan to provide specific information about the venue, how to get there, accommodation and other material in future Bulletins and on our website <https://wps100.nz>

5 Exhibition organising committee

The organising committee is as follows, with other appointments to be made:

Chairman	Patrick Brownsey
Secretary	Bob Gibson
Treasurer	Leigh Gravestock
NZ Philatelic Federation coordinator	Paul McTaggart
Jury Chairman	Stephen Chivers
NZ Post representative	Alan Hollows
NZ Stamp Dealers Association representative	William Carson
Hall Manager	Bob Watson
Shop Manager, Funding Co-ordinator	Sue Vernall

6 Prospectus and entry form

The Prospectus provides key information for exhibitors including closing dates for entries, classes available and the regulations has been released at the same time as this Bulletin. A copy of the prospectus can be found on the WPS100 website at wps100.nz/prospectus

An entry form can be found at wps100.nz/entry-form

7 Australasian Challenge and Australian entries

WPS100 is also hosting the 2022 Australasian Challenge. Each of the named six states and ACT has appointed a Commissioner. They will be seeking entrants for the challenge and other Australian entries.

All exhibitors from Australia must use one of the commissioners named below.

Western Australia	Rod Kantor cararcol@bigpond.net.au
South Australia	Michael Blinman mblinman@optusnet.com.au
Tasmania	Darryl Fuller djbsfuller@iinet.net.au
Victoria	Frank Pauer frankpauer2@bigpond.com
Australian Capital Territory	Marilyn Gendek mahgen@tpg.net.au
New South Wales	John Moore moore.john@optusnet.com.au
Queensland	Russel Boylan rjboylan@bigpond.net.au

8 Keeping in touch

We plan issuing three Bulletins. These will provide more information about the exhibition including updates on planned activities and products that will be available. You can register your interest in receiving this information on our website at wps100.nz/contact-us

If you have any queries about the exhibition, please email secretary@wps100.nz or write to:

Secretary WPS100, PO Box 2146, Wellington 6140, New Zealand

9 Advertising, sponsorship and donations

You can let people know about the services your organization or company provides through a wide range of advertising opportunities which are available. This includes advertisements in the Bulletins, show catalogue and other publications. Advertising will greatly assist the organising committee to cover the costs of publishing various documents but also help with other aspects of running the show.

We are very grateful for the sponsorship we are receiving from NZ Post and the Porirua City Council. There may be a specific activity you or your company or society might wish to sponsor, or it may simply be sponsorship of a single frame or two as a personal way of assisting.

Donations are most welcome and will be acknowledged.

For the full range of options available please visit our website at <https://wps100.nz/shop> or contact our shop manager at shopmanager@wps100.nz or write to:

Shop Manager WPS100, PO Box 2146, Wellington 6140, New Zealand

11 Volunteers

Exhibitions require a lot of voluntary assistance from well beforehand but more particularly at the setting-up stage; during the event; and immediately afterwards. The range of tasks means that there will be one that will fit YOU and the time you may have available. Please consider volunteering – you will have a great time and meet many interesting people. If you would like to register your interest in volunteering can register your interest at <https://wps100.nz/exhibition/people/volunteers/>, email secretary@wps100.nz or write to Secretary WPS100, PO Box 2146, Wellington 6140, New Zealand

10 Product



Society members were actively involved in the NZ Centennial Exhibition held at the Dominion Museum, Wellington 15-23 April 1940.

Image: from Sir Heaton Rhodes Collection held at Christchurch Museum. Accession number 1956.84.6494 [Creative Commons]

The society has held several National Philatelic Exhibitions and supported those held by neighbouring societies.

It is fitting then that the first two series of personalised stamps (CALs) will celebrate past National Exhibitions run by the society. This is intended to demonstrate some of our historic activities while WPS100 is a symbol of the present. The first series includes Welpex '72 and Stampex '95.



Welpex '72 celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the society in 1972. The chairman of the organising committee was Marcel Stanley, former secretary (1936 [aged 18]-1939) and president (1960-69) of the society and a life member from 1975. In 1971 Marcel was invited to sign the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists and was, at the time, reputed to have the best collection of 'New Zealand Chalon Heads' in the world. A Fellow of both RPSNZ and RPSL he was awarded an OBE for services to philately in 1990.

Stampex '95 was a Youth Exhibition including an Adult one-frame competition. The driving force was one of our current life-members, Geoff Tyson, at that time President of the society and a keen advocate for youth - then and remaining so now. It was his first foray into organising a national exhibition. Alongside him were two other novices who are part of our current organising committee Leigh Gravestock and Bob Gibson. It proved to be a tough learning curve but clearly it did not dampen their enthusiasm for exhibitions.



A limited number of first day covers have been prepared as well as some commemorative cards. The full range of product currently available can be seen and ordered securely on-line at <https://wps100.nz/shop> while New Zealand orders may be placed using the Order Form attached.



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FDC with one of each CAL		\$6.00	
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