

The Federation and associated groups have issued perforated stamps to add to the commemorative aspect of their philatelic covers produced to mark various historical and philatelic events attached to their culture. To set the records straight on the actual reasons for the issuance of these perfins below are set the patterns and the relevant details. Members of the Perfin Club and Perfin Society can acquire these perfins at face value. ( $\frac{1}{2}p$  or  $1p$  machines), directly from the Federation Secretary at:

W.Z.J. Nowicki, 40 Ansell Road, London SW17 7LS.

To date 12 perfins have been issued, the dates and explanations of the patterns are as follows:

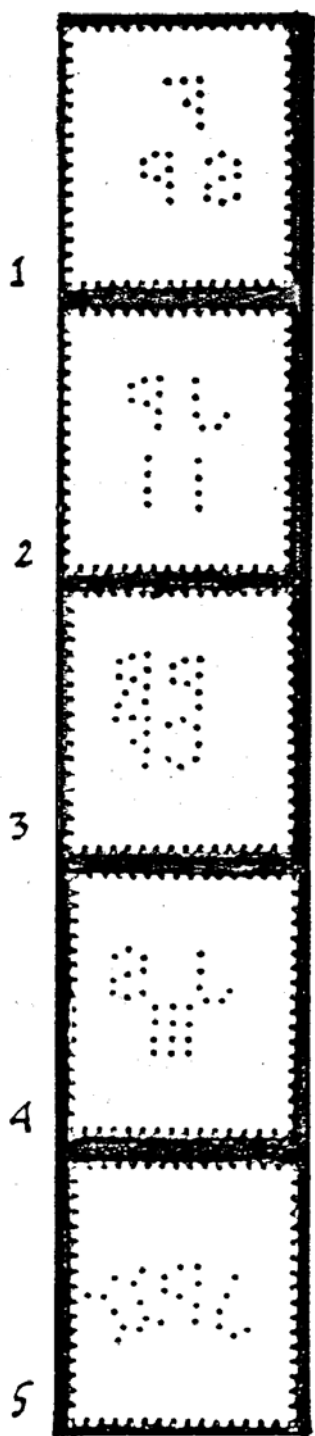


Fig.1. - Issued 4th July 1980 S/F/P  $4\frac{1}{2}$  9/7/8 to commemorate the founding of the Polish Philatelic Society, the words in Polish being Stowarzyszenie Filatelistow Polskich. A series of covers for various events carried these perfins, also used by members on envelopes for ordinary postal purposes.

Fig.2. - Issued 28th May 1982 JP/II  $4\frac{1}{2}$  6,8/4,4 to commemorate the United Kingdom visit of Pope John Paul II, various commemorative envelopes marking the events of the tour bore these perfins.

Fig.3. - Issued 13th August 1983 PR/CF  $4\frac{1}{2}$  8,10/7,7 to commemorate the Polish Regimental Colours Foundation at the 'Annual Reunion Day' event. These perfins were used on commemorative postcards marking the occasion

Fig.4. - Issued 12th September 1983 JS/III  $4\frac{1}{2}$  6,9/4,4,4 to commemorate the part played by King Joannes III Sobieski in the Battle of Vienna in 1683. These perfins were used on philatelic covers produced to mark the exhibition on this event in London

Fig.5. - Issued 15th October 1983 JP/II  $5\frac{1}{2}$  6,8,12 to commemorate the 5th anniversary of Pope John Paul II as Pontiff and utilised on commemorative philatelic material produced for the London exhibition to mark this event.

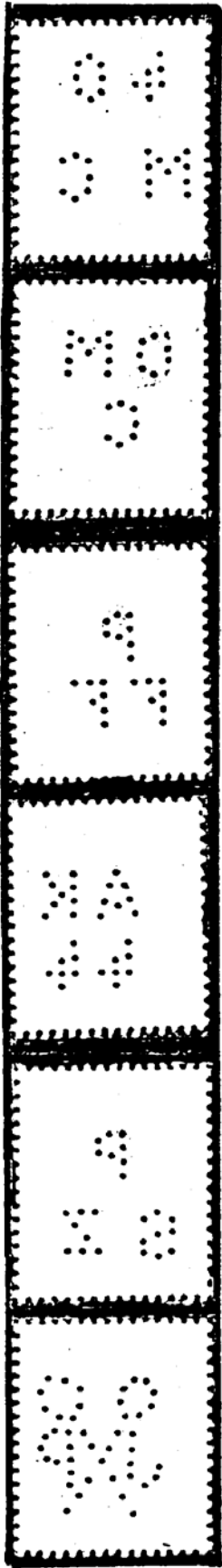


Fig.6. - Issued 18th May 1984 40/MC 4½ 7,8/11,7  
to commemorate the participation of the Polish Army in the Battle for Monte Cassino 40 years on, a particularly hard battle which saw the monastery destroyed, people of many Allied nations killed and the bombing of which was so heavy that it set off the nearby volcano Vesuvius. Used on postcards to mark this event.

Fig.7. - Issued 9th June 1984 DM/C 4½ 9,11/7  
to commemorate the 30th year of the Divine Mercy College in Henley and issued on postcards to mark the event.

Fig. 8. - Issued 7th July 1984 P/FF 4½ 8/7,7  
to commemorate the 5th anniversary of the philatelic group, Polska Federacja Filatelistyczna, and utilised on postcards produced to mark the event.

Fig.9. - Issued 1st August 1984 AK/40 4½ 8,9/7,7  
to commemorate the Warsaw Uprising of the second, World War at the London exhibition to mark the event, the items being utilised on commemorative postcards and the actual words being Armia Krajowa 40th Anniversary.

Fig. 10 - Issued 15th August 1984 P/SZ 4½ 8/9,8  
to commemorate the Polish Armed Forces, Polskie Siły Zbrojne, on postcards produced to mark the Annual Reunion Day for the Polish Regimental Colours Foundation.

Fit. 11 - Issued 11th May 1985 JYP 5½,14,5½ 10,27,7  
to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Death of Marshall of Poland Jozef Pilsudcki and issued on philatelic material produced to mark the event, the central design representing the crossed batons of a military serving Marshall

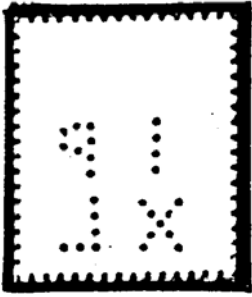


Fig.12 - Issued 15th August 1985 IP/XL 4½ 4,8/9,6  
to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the Polish  
Institute, Instytut Polski XL, the XL representing in  
Roman numerals 40, and used on commemorative  
philatelic material produced to mark this occasion

Some of the philatelic covers and postcards may still be available from the address given above, why not ask when you write for the perfins? This is a brief outline of the perfins so far issued and the reasons for their issuance and is produced in this form to facilitate easy filing in members perfin information folders.