

Poway Stamp Club



April 20, 2019

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Poway Stamp Club

The Club goals are "to promote a closer social relationship among stamp collectors of Poway, San Diego and vicinity, and to assist in spreading the knowledge of stamps and the pleasures derived from stamp collecting to those interested in philately."

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Next Meeting:

The next Poway Stamp Club meeting will be held on **Wednesday April 24, 2019.** The program will be:

A presentation on EFOs By David Klauber

Meeting time: The meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 PM. Meeting Place: <u>12675 Danielson Court</u>, <u>Suite #413</u> (in the back of the building), Poway, California 92064.

Please remember to bring your badge. The office phone number in case you need it is 1-858-748-5633.

On our next scheduled Wednesday May 8th meeting date we will hold Please plan to attend and enjoy:



Circuit Books and Member Trading Extravaganza!



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Stamp on Page 1

The Stamp Image on page one is a Red Chinese Revenue Stamp. This stamp is widely thought to be one of the rarest of the Chinese stamps. The stamps were issued under the Qing dynasty when it switched to the dollar. The stamp was made to commemorate the event. Its great value is based on a printing mistake, the dollar printed was too small and was later replaced with a larger imprint. This stamp has sold at auction for more than 900k.

Club Meeting Presentations (2019)

The following is next year's proposed meeting schedule; all events are proposed and subject to change as necessary to accommodate other events such as Auctions etc.

2019 (Proposed) PSC Meeting Schedule

April	Apr 24, 2019	David Klauber - EFOs
May	May 8, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	May 22, 2019	Bill O'Connor - TBD
June	Jun 12, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Jun 26, 2019	Club Auction - Pryhoda
July	Jul 10, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Jul 24, 2019	Art Berg - TBD
August	Aug 14, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Aug 28, 2019	Bill Kolb - APS Movie
September	Sep 11, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Sep 25, 2019	Morgan Christian
October	Oct 9, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Oct 23, 2019	Trice Klauber China Rev.
November	Nov 13, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting



POWAY STAMP CLUB APS #1137-112097

Club meetings are held every second and fourth
Wednesday of each month except November &
December at:

Philatelic Library
12675 Danielson Ct #413,
Poway, CA 92064

More info at: www.powaystampclub.com

Participation

All Stamp Club and Library members are strongly encouraged to provide input for the bi-monthly Club newsletter. Your knowledge and expertise should really be shared. Please submit items to the Club Secretary at:

PSCphilately@gmail.com

Club Website

Try our new website at:

PowayStampClub.com

You will find our activities and affiliations, interesting links, contact information including the current and previous versions of this Newsletter! Give it a try! You can use the Web Presence to introduce others to our Club.

Club Notes:

- 1. **SWAPEX** Is held on the first Saturday of each month in the Philatelic Library. The next will be held on Saturday **May 4th, 2019**. 9 AM to 1 PM. SWAPEX is a friendly and informal stamp exchange.
- 2. SANDIPEX Sunday May 26, 2018

San Diego Philatelic Expo SANDIPEX Stamp Show Free Admission! – Free Parking! Doors Open from 10am – 4pm

The show is held at the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge #2543, 13219 Poway Road Poway, CA 92064. The following is a list of the current 2019 **SANDIPEX** scheduled monthly show dates.

May 26 Jun 9 Jul 14 Aug 11 Sep 8 Oct 6 Nov 10 Dec 8

- 3. **The next Library Live Stamp Auction** Will be held on Saturday June 15th.
- 4. **The Live Poway Stamp Club Auction** Will be held on Wednesday June 26th as originally scheduled.
- 5. **Club Membership Dues Are Due!** Remember that annual dues are payable in January. Keep in good standing with the PSC and help to support **your** club. If you are not certain of your membership status, contact Trice at PSCphilately@gmail.com.
- 6. **Support your Club** With over <u>50 active members</u>, the Poway Club is San Diego County's most active Stamp Club. Feel free to forward this Newsletter to anyone you think may find it interesting. You may also support the club by joining the APS. The club will receive a finder's fee for each member who joins the society. Let the stamp community know that we are an alive, vibrant and thriving club!
- 7. **Show & Tell** Do you have an interesting philatelic item to share at our next meeting? Bring it in and share it with us as we would love to see it!
- 8. Our last **Poway Circuit Book Meeting** was a resounding success. Our members for the first time have exceeded the minimum sales requirement that allows us to forego the APS fee of 5%.
- 9. Next **PSC Board Meeting** will be held prior to the April 24th Club meeting

San Diego Philatelic Library

The San Diego County
Philatelic Library is a not-forprofit philatelic library in
Poway, San Diego County,
California. Operated by
friendly volunteers, your
stamp library consists of
approximately 16,000
volumes of books,
monographs, catalogs, and
periodicals.

Library Loose Stamps

The Philatelic library provides a large bucket of assorted stamps for visitor inspection. Please remember to always leave a suitable contribution for any stamp items removed from the bucket.

Library Hours:

The <u>Library hours</u> vary based upon who can take a shift, the hours usually are:

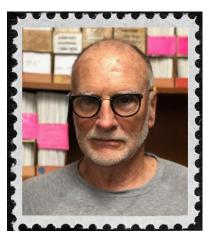
10 to 2:00	Monday
12 to 5:30	Tuesday
12 to 3:00	Wednesday
10 to 2:00	Thursday
?	Friday
1 to 5:00	Saturday

Plus additional hours by appointment only.

Before you visit please call to verify staffing is available.
1-858-748-5633.

Member Spotlight!

By: Jon Schrag



The Poway Stamp Club Newsletter highlights one of its members each issue. Today's spotlight is on **Jim Grundy**.

POWAY STAMP CLUB's new member #469 is **JIM GRUNDY**. He is a highly-seasoned collector with wonderful diverse expertise. Jim actively embraces Poway Stamp Club auctions, local stamp shows and eBay for:

- * USA Old Revenues
- * Match & Medicine Stamps
- * Stampless Covers
- * Pilot-Signed Flight Covers
- * USA Grilled Stamps
- * Space Covers
- * Unusual Foreign Covers
- * Odd USA/Foreign Stamps

He fondly recalls discovering a scarce old-classic USA GRILLED stamp in a low-cost remainder mix. Esoteric knowledge of grills paid off (catalog value \$4,600)! He enthusiastically says, "Knowledge builds up slowly and steadily over the years and makes the HUNT for unusual items positively and addictively PURE FUN!"

For example Jim recently discovered an overlooked U.S.S. Los Angeles 1925 military zeppelin cover (the airship was reparation to the USA from Germany after WWI). "Stamp collectors embrace history and bring it to life"

JIM GRUNDY is an extraordinarily interesting new member. Shake his hand and share your stamp knowledge with him at our next meeting. Thanks again to Manny for his many contributions to our newsletter. His articles continue to help us provide a quality product to our club members.

Members Corner

By Manny Marti

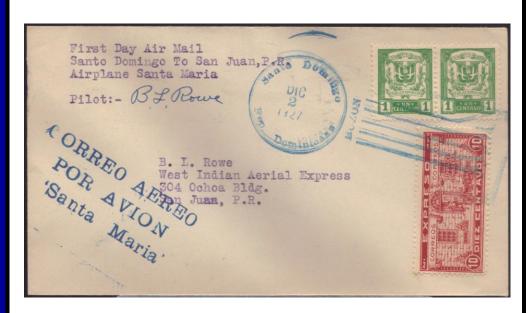


Through my voyages on the Internet searching for philatelic items I sometimes come across some interesting and unusual items. This is one of those items.

WEST INDIAN AERIAL EXPRESS

On one of my voyages, in search of my favorite philatelic items, Puerto Rico, I came across a cover from San Juan. It had rubber stamped across it (BLUE) the wording "CORREO AEREO, POR AVION SANTA MARIA". It also had a pilot's name, B.L. Rowe. It was addressed to himself at the West Indian Aerial Express, 304 Ochoa Bldg, San Juan, Puerto Rico. What was all that about? That was enough to set me off on my quest.

I decided to put a 'watch it' on EBAY, as there were still five days till the end of the auction.



My Google search on "West Indian Aerial Express" took me to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum (as well as other sites) where it showed the following "Rowe, Basil Lee (Captain); West Indian Aerial Express (Santo Domingo); Fairchild FC-2W "La Nina", Floatplane and a picture of Basil Lee Row.



Preparing La Nłna for a flight to Santo Domingo (1927) for passenger operation across the West Indies

Now I have a name to go with the airline. The West Indian Aerial Express was founded by Basil L. Rowe in 1927 to provide service (both passenger and cargo) within Cuba, Puerto Rico, Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Before the founding of the WIAE, there was no scheduled service between Cuba the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. In 1925 an inland service of "per 20 grams" (effective May 2, 1925).

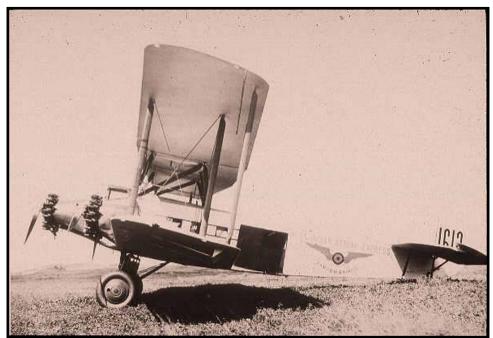
On July 14th 1927 the trial flight by WIAE pilot Max Marin was made between Barahona, Dom. Rep, to Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. Postage of 2 centavos per ounce was charged. There was no extra fee for airmail. The airplane used for the flight was a WACO-9. A left over from Rowe's barnstorming days. The return flight occurred on July 18th, 1927 piloted by Bill Wade

After these trial flights, Rowe purchased two additional planes. A Fairchild FC-2 equipped with pontoons (La Nina) and a Keystone biplane (Santa Maria)

With the purchase of the additional planes, service commenced between these major island (and their major cities).



West Indian Air Express (yellow) and CNCA (lavender) (Cuban company established by Curtiss) later to give Pan Am (PAA) full rights of passage to the West Indies After around nine months of operations the WIAE was sold due to a hurricane destroying or damaging the WIAE fleet. Juan Tripps of Pan American Airways (PAA) purchased the WIAE from Basil Rowe (who became their lead pilot) after PAA was awarded the U.S. Mail contract for Foreign Air Mail (FAM6).



Keystone Pathfinder 1928

This Keystone Pathfinder could carry as many as 20 passengers and was put into service by the Dominican-based airline, West Indian Aerial Express. Named the Santa Maria, it was passed to Pan American Airways as part of its purchase of WIAE, in December 1928.

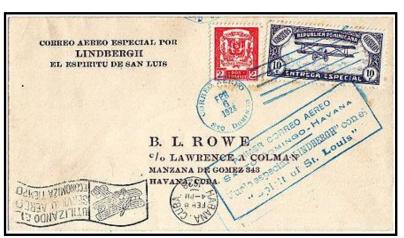


Port au Prince, Haiti to San Juan, Puerto Rico SIGNED by Pilot B.L. ROWE



PUERTO RICO 1929 First Flight Cover San Juan to Havana, Cuba SIGNED by Pilot B.L. ROWE Now flying for Pan American Airway (PAA cover) FAM6

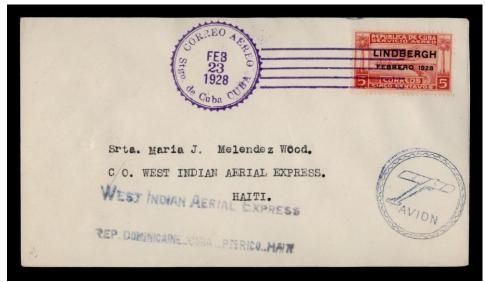
1928 LINDBERGH FIRST FLIGHT WEST INDIAN AERIAL EXPRESS TO HAITI



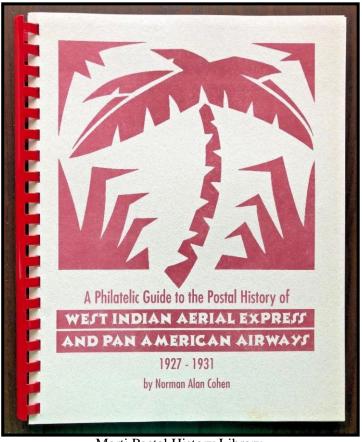
Cover from Santo Domingo to Havana, Cuba with similar cancel described below

There was a scheduled service in early February that had to be postponed to the 21st of February due to Charles Lindbergh's "Good Will" tour. On the 6th of February Lindbergh left Santo Domingo flying the "Spirit of San Louis" and arrived in Port-Au-Prince. He was escorted by Basil, who was flying the "Santa Maria to Port-Au-Prince with WIAE mail from Santo Domingo. A special "BOX" hand stamp was applied reading, "Correo Aero Especial Por Lindbergh ", "ESPIRITU DE SAN LUIS". In his book, "A Philatelic Guide to the Postal History of WEST INDIAN ARIAL EXPRESS and PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS" BY Norman Alan Cohen a black and white copy of such a cover is shown (as well as most covers to various destinations and all recorded items from the collection of George W. Bowman.

Lindbergh used his fame to promote air mail service. For example, at the request of the owner of West Indian Aerial Express (and later Pan Am's chief pilot), in February 1928 he carried some 3,000 pieces of special souvenir mail between Santo Domingo, RD , Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, and Havana, Cuba.



Cover from Santiago de Cuba to Haiti canceled Feb 23, 1928



Marti Postal History Library

Other than Carabean Destinations



SOLD for \$200.00 Feb 03, 2019 San Juan, P.R. to New York



Haiti West Indian Aerial Express Registered Airmail Flight to Paris, France, asking

\$300.00

(Sold for unknown) on Jan 24, 2019

In conclusion the West Indian Aerial Express (WIAE) was short lived, just under one year, Some of the material is quite scarce with just anywhere from 12 covers know. A search on the Internet at the time of this article just came up with between 4 to 5 covers, ranging from a few dollars to asking price of \$\$\$.

This writer acknowledges the references: National Air and Space Museum - Smithsonian Institution, A Philatelic Guide to the Postal History of WEST INDIAN ARIAL EXPRESS and PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS by Norman Alan Cohen -1997, Personal Collection, and GOOGLE Search Engine, and others.

Editors Corner

By D. Klauber

A Stamp Collector's Perspective

Consider the Real target: Having Fun!

Remember that philately is a pastime or hobby, that it is occasionally profitable, but most importantly it's supposed to be fun. For over 50 years, I have had a ton of fun with stamp collecting, and **you should too!**

However you collect, whether it's just filling up the spaces in an album in a haphazard manner, or looking for old covers from the towns in your area, or building an important collection of top quality rare classic U.S. stamps, or researching EFO's, if you are not having fun, then you are doing something wrong.

So what about you? Is there an album or box full of stamps or covers hidden in the back of your closets that bring feelings of guilt when you fail to avert your eyes? Did you start a collection of perfins, or pre-cancels or whatever, later to learn that it wasn't your "cup of tea" and that collecting the items was bringing you zero joy? You may have even made a huge man-hour investment in these collections. Having done this before myself, I don't say this lightly. Perhaps it is time to clear out the old stamps and move onto greener pastures.

Some advice from the Editor: Step back for a few moments to figure out how and when the fun was lost. Was it the hunting, the research, the completed collections? For most collectors there is a simple joy felt when collecting. The process of searching, locating and buying common stamps, new stamps, old stamps, rare stamps, or any other types of stamps needed to complete a specific type of stamp collection gives one a sense of pride, success and/or accomplishment. For some it is the hunt itself (similar to treasure hunting), and for many just successfully acquiring a needed stamp is enough of a reason to collect. Whatever <u>it was</u> that made it fun for you, go back and make some adjustments, perhaps just one or two at first to bring it back, and then get back at it.

You may just need to discover a new or different level of interest. Some people bring back the fun by starting a "Humorous" collection. A group of stamps that make them laugh or smile. The following Linn's article discusses this type of collection:

https://www.linns.com/news/postal-updates-page/stamp-collecting-basics/2004/july/have-some-fun-with-a-funny-stamp-collection.html

Another important part of the fun for many stamp collectors is camaraderie. Throughout the 50 years I have collected, some of the best moments for me, have been collecting with my family and friends, especially with my Father, Grandfather and Wife, also and most recently with the Poway Stamp Club. Sometimes helping others with their collections can be as fun as collecting your own.

Take interest in the collections of others, you may see something in the way that they collect, that interests you. Most recently I was introduced to collecting engraved portrait tickets from the 1893 Columbian Exhibition (Thank you Daniel for showing me those 3 clipped tickets). I have even spent a few moments recently "Yipes Striping". So spread the joy with others and consider helping (where possible) others with their collections.

Good luck, and remember—enjoy yourself, because the main reason for collecting stamps is what?

Having Fun!



Member Classifieds

If you would like to have a Free advertisement in the PSC Newsletter, please email: **PSCphilately@gmail.com**

For Sale: \$525. Cat of worldwide souvenir sheets, some high Cat machins. \$100. Call Duane at 858-735-3800

For Sale: Stamps at Bargain Prices, Come and see my Stock. By appointment so please call to set up a time. Home Phone: 858-271-0262 Mobile Phone: 858-449-3047 **Al Kish**

Wanted: Puerto Rico Town cancels. Bring to meeting. Will trade or buy. See member M. Marti PSC # 410.

<u>Wanted:</u> Imperial China, PRC, Manchukuo, Mongolia, U.S. Double Transfers/Re-entries, U.S. 19th Century Proofs and Essays. U.S. 19th Century. See D & T Klauber at Wednesday PSC meeting or contact us at <u>Indysmama@gmail.com</u>.

Supplies:



Thanks to Chris Diaz at Stamp Paraphernalia for updating their PSC site information on the net.

Check out their online store for all your Philatelic supply needs.

<u>Visit</u>: http://stampnewsnow.com/. Stamp News Online (SNO) Magazine is an online only monthly magazine for collectors of U.S. and Worldwide stamps and covers. Full of compelling articles with U.S. and Worldwide editorial content.





Stamp News:



There are new USPS Stamps to be issued in 2019*

New Lineup of 2019 Forever stamps from the United States Postal Service

The new lineup has people, events and cultural events related to the history of the U.S. The following descriptions from the U.S.P.S. can be found at: https://about.usps.com/newsroom/national-releases/2018/pr18_095.htm



Post Office Mural Forever stamps

April 10 | Piggott, AR | 5 designs in a pane of 10

Post Office Murals is a pane of 10 stamps that features five different murals designed to add a touch of beauty to Post Office walls and help boost the morale of Americans during the era of the Great Depression. On the stamp art, the town or city and state in which the work of art is located is printed underneath each mural. The murals included are: "Kiowas Moving Camp" (1936) Anadarko, Oklahoma; "Mountains and Yucca" (1937) Deming, New Mexico; "Antelope" (1939) Florence, Colorado; "Sugarloaf Mountain" (1940) Rockville, Maryland; and "Air Mail" (1941) Piggott, Arkansas. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamps.



"Little Mo" Forever stamps

April 23 | Dallas, TX| PSA pane of 20

This issue honors tennis champion Maureen Connolly Brinker. The stamp art features an oil-on-linen painting of the tennis star by Gregory Manchess. Based on a black-and-white photograph taken in 1952, the portrait is described as "a colorful interpretation" of Connolly hitting a low volley. Nicknamed "Little Mo," the 5-foot-4-inch dynamo used powerful groundstrokes to become, in 1953, the first woman to win all four major tennis tournaments in a calendar year. Her tennis career was ended in 1954, at the age of 19, when her right leg was injured in a horseback riding accident.

New Stamp - Stamp images provided by the United States Postal Service.

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