

# The Bulletin

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## British Stamp with a local connection was issued May 15, 2025

The Lorenz cipher was the German code used for top-level communication. Mr. Tutte was offered scholarships at a high school in Cambridge and later at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he obtained a first class honours degree in chemistry and, after the war, a doctorate in mathematics. At Bletchley Park, Mr. Tutte was presented with the task of deciphering the teleprinter code - a task which took him about six months. It would take about six weeks for a message to be decrypted. Engineers at Bletchley then constructed a device which mimicked the German en-ryption machine to speed up the process. The Colossus, one of the first pre-computers, cut the time to six hours.



He is featured on a set of 10 stamps honouring men and women who have made remarkable contributions during the war, Royal Mail will also apply a special VE80 postmark in the week of the anniversary in May. The set also includes Mahinder Singh Pujji, a Royal Air Force and Indian Air Force pilot awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross; Mary Morris, whose diaries described how she nursed troops returning from Dunkirk - and Dame Vera Lynn.



In 1962, Tutte joined the Faculty of the University of Waterloo. This was just five years after its creation. Tutte made a major contribution to establishing the identity and reputation of the University. His presence was a magnet for combinatorial lists from all over the world. It was not only recognized stars of the field that came to Waterloo, but those of future prominence.

Tutte was an important ingredient in the recipe that produced the Faculty of Mathematics in 1967, becoming one of the first members of the Department of Combinatorics and Optimization. He retired in 1985, but continued to be a significant member of the Faculty as Professor Emeritus. Until his retirement, he was Editor in Chief of the Journal of Combinatorial Theory.



Mr. Tutte died in Canada in 2002, just a few years after details of the secret operations at Bletchley Park had started to be released. He is buried in the West Montrose United Church cemetery in West Montrose, Ontario beside his wife Dorothea,

### Upcoming Meetings

Saugeen Stamp Club  
Tues June 3

Kincardine Stamp Club  
Wed June 4

Owen Sound Stamp Club  
Zoom Auction Wed Jun 4  
Zoom Mtg Thurs June 19  
Sat June 21

Guelph Stamp Club  
Wed June 4  
Wed June 18

KW Philatelic Society  
Thurs June 12

Oxford Zoom Auction  
Fri June 6  
Fri June 20

LASO Zoom Meeting  
Tues June 17

Check with the club  
before going to its  
meeting.

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### EXHIBITS

**THESE WILL CONTINUE  
AND BE VOTED ON**

**IT WILL BE A PAGE OF  
THE EXHIBITOR'S  
CHOICE OF TOPIC**

**THIS IS A GOOD WAY TO  
HONE YOUR SKILL**

## ***Message from the President – Walt Berry***

The 25th annual show / bourse is in the books. Thank you for the participation of each and every member for stepping up to the plate. From the many comments, the show was a large success and the lunch provided by the Church ladies was on par with the offerings last year. The chairs at the dealer's table were quite busy, thus making the dealers happy. Member Rose (co-chair) and John put in the time to ensure everything worked the way it should have during the day. As a bonus, Rose developed a working manual for future shows so that the club has a point of reference. A copy of the manual will be available in the club cabinet should a member wish to reference it. The Clifford Community Hall has been booked for the show next year - May 2 2026 - and the fee has been paid.

During the show, ballots were handed to visitors to select the winner of the "People's Choice" award - the chosen exhibit was frame number 12 and the member who placed the exhibit was Starla Mitchener- Dassy. ***Congratulations Starla!!*** The Club Plaque will be updated shortly.

The Owen Sound Stamp Club will be celebrating their 40th anniversary on May 31, 2025 at the Harry Lumley Bayshore (1900 3rd Ave East) - please make an effort to support their History & Postal Expo and schedule a day trip to the area. It promises to be an excellent day within a short drive.

In the April 2025 bulletin, the editor issued a request for members to generate short general interest stories for our monthly bulletin - new collecting interests / up dates on your collections / stories about your collection / how you display or mount items. Every little story may help another collector with their questions — there is an immense amount of philatelic knowledge within the club which should be shared with new members with limited knowledge. Also, the editor has made it known that she wishes to retire at the end of 2025 and is willing to advise the volunteer willing to share the experience of compiling the bulletin.

The club has a new logo but it was not available for the show.

Happy Stamping!

### *Appeal for articles for the Bulletin*

*The editor would like to appeal to the members of the Saugeen Stamp Club to submit articles to the Bulletin. It is imperative for the Bulletin to continue that there are articles of interest to others in the Club. They can be submitted to the editor in JPEG or PDF form at the email provided on page 4 of this Bulletin.*

*The editor would also like to RETIRE at the end of 2025 so if anyone is interested in a new hobby please contact her at the email on page 4 of this Bulletin.*

# The Stamps on my Desk

## by Ralph Wyndham

These stamps, like many others, likely arrived on my desk via our club's monthly door prize draw but I cannot say that for sure. They were left, forgotten, in an envelope off to the side of the desk until I decided, one day, to check inside.

They represent a short period of time in the long, complicated history of Europe. The duchy of Schleswig part of the old Prussian province of Schleswig-Holstein, was located on the neck of the Jutland Peninsula between Denmark and Germany. Over the centuries, differing rules of inheritance among the houses of the nobility, shifting demographics among the common people and various political interests led to the question of whether the duchy of Schleswig was part of Denmark or if, along with neighbouring Holstein, it should be part of the German Federation.

In 1920, under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, after WWI, the citizens of the area were given the chance to choose their fate via a plebiscite. For voting, Schleswig was divided into two zones. Zone 1, bordering on Denmark and Zone 2 bordering on Holstein. Zone 1, with a Danish ethnic majority, voted on February 10, 1920 to become part of Denmark while Zone 2, with its ethnic German majority, voted to remain part of Germany on March 14.

For the period of the plebiscite, the body handling the vote, the Commission Interalliée Slesvig, decided to issue stamps for the region and did so January 25, 1920, with a set of 14 denominations in German currency. The lower 10 values, with some shown here, depict the Schelswig coat of arms and 'Slesvig' in Danish.



At the same time, the same set was overprinted with 'C-I-S' for official use of the Commission. These first stamps were valid in Zone 1 until May 20, 1920, and in Zone 2 until June 23 of that year. On May 20, a new set of stamps was issued only for Zone 1 using the same designs but denominated in Danish currency and overprinted '1.Zone'. These remained valid until July 17, 1920.

Danish stamps became valid in Zone 1 as of July 9, 1920.

## Saugeen Stamp Club

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- If you are listing higher valued stamps, consider submitting a colour photo-copy of the page – this will be shown in the circuit book with the stamps kept in a separate binder held by the circuit manager
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- Remember there are different page formats for different sized stamps
- Do not submit pages with more than 25% empty squares
- Punch your page for the 3-ring binders BEFORE you mount stamps – we have had stamps with punched holes!
- If using hinges, use the full hinge. Check that the stamp is not stuck down, but also that it is securely attached to the page via the hinge.
- Don't mount large multiples of the same stamp

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