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CHRISTMAS ISLAND LUNAR NEW YEAR
– YEAR OF THE RAT
ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION



CENTENARY OF
SCOUTING IN AUSTRALIA

COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS
– VISITING BIRDS

IT'S OFFICIAL!

"PEOPLE'S CHOICE"
AUSTRALIA'S
FAVOURITE STAMP
DESIGN ANNOUNCED

Dear Collectors

Welcome to 2008 and another year of interesting Australian stamp issues and products. I hope you enjoy this *Bulletin* which is the first of six planned editions for 2008. We have increased the number of *Bulletin* editions as a direct response to the requests we have received from collectors. This edition features the details of the "Stamp Poll 2007 – People's Choice Award" as voted by you the collector late last year. The Poll received a great response and we really appreciate all the suggestions that were forthcoming for stamp design and themes. Full details of all the results are available on page 20 of this edition.

We begin this year's program with a very different looking Christmas Island Lunar New Year stamp issue; and the first sign in the Chinese calendar – the Rat. Keep an eye out for the stamps, minisheet, postal and numismatic cover and zodiac sheetlet as they all include gold foiling and look fantastic. With this issue we are introducing a "Seal of Authenticity" on our postal and numismatic covers (PNCs) for the first time, to ensure the collector knows they are buying an official Australia Post PNC. This is to be a continuing addition to all official Australia Post PNCs from this point on.

Just in time for Valentine's Day, there is also a new special occasions stamp available in January using the theme "love". The stamp is designed for use with the **Personalised Stamps™** service and for special occasions and invitations. The stamp will have appeal for everyday mail users as well. Don't forget that the Australia Post Australian Legends Award recipients will be announced on 23 January 2008 as part of the official Australia Day celebrations. The Australian Legends stamp issue will be revealed on the day with full details of the stamp issue available via the website.

A February stamp issue draws attention to one of the most precious gifts of all, and one where we can give of ourselves. The Organ and Tissue Donation stamp issue supports the groundbreaking work performed by our medical staff and support organisations in saving many lives as well as promoting Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week. More than 710,000 Australians are currently registered as donors, but thousands more are needed. If you haven't already, please give some thought to registering.

This year we also celebrate the Centenary of Scouting in Australia and, through the stamp issue, look at what it is to be a Scout in today's world. Scouting has certainly evolved from the days when I was one back in the 70s. A special feature of the issue is the inclusion of a Scout badge in the stamp pack and the introduction of a new product – the Prestige First Day Cover. These limited edition covers will be embellished with an item pertaining to the subject of the stamp issue with a maximum of four released each year.

The beautiful Cocos (Keeling) Islands – Visiting Birds closes the month of February as the issue looks at another set of "tourists" that call these islands home for short periods each year. The artwork by Christopher Pope is simply exquisite in its detail. We are all also getting ready for some exciting events coming up on the philatelic horizon this year – World Youth Day in July, including the first visit to Australia by Pope Benedict XVI and the Beijing Olympics to be held in August. Whether you are promoting friendship and hope between continents, or excellence through sport, the world will be watching when representatives of countries from around the world congregate, first in Sydney, and then later in Beijing.

Until next time,



Noel Leahy, Manager, Philatelic Group



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LNY Lucky Desk Calendar



Discover your lucky days forecast for 2008 with this Lunar New Year Desk Calendar. Each month indicates your lucky days in career, love, money and health. Also included are bi-lingual yearly predictions for each Chinese zodiac animal.

Each page is in full colour with hand-drawn illustrations by Australian artist Dani Poon – designer of the 2008 Lunar New Year official stamp issue.

**Comes
complete
with a
handy desk
stand!**

1555300 \$14.95

AUSTRALIAN LEGENDS 2008

The Australia Post Australian Legends Award recipients for 2008 will be announced on 23 January as part of the official Australia Day celebrations.

Products will be available through retail outlets and the Australian Philatelic Bureau on the same day.

A full list of products relating to this stamp issue is included with this edition for your convenience.

CI LUNAR NEW YEAR – YEAR OF THE RAT

8 JANUARY 2008

50c..... pictorial
\$1.45..... calligraphic



1555098 zodiac sheetlet



1555126 stamp pack
Also the perfect greeting card for the
2008 Lunar New Year celebrations!

Lunar New Year is a festival of new beginnings and is celebrated by Chinese people world-wide. According to the Chinese calendar, the year begins somewhere between the end of January and early February, and for festival seasons, such as New Year, the Chinese Lunar Calendar is the determining factor. The Year of the Rat officially begins on 7 February 2008.

The Year of the Rat

The Rat is the first sign in the Chinese zodiac and symbolises good luck and wealth. Tradition has it that the Rat only achieved first position in the 12-year Chinese zodiac cycle by using great cunning to win the zodiac race which was to determine the order of the 12 animals to be included.

Those born in the Year of the Rat are said to be imaginative, generous, quick-tempered and intelligent. They would make ideal writers, critics, detectives, artists, musicians, lawyers, politicians or psychiatrists. Richard Nixon, William Shakespeare, Prince Charles, Louis Armstrong, Andrew Lloyd-Webber, Julia Child and Albert Finney were all born in the Year of the Rat.

Stamp and Minisheet Designs

The paper cut motifs have been used by designer, Dani Poon, to pictorially represent the Rat in the 50c stamp. Paper cuts are one of the most popular forms of Chinese art and are commonly used to decorate windows, lanterns, gates and walls during celebrations.

Australia Post will include a seal of authenticity and official number on all stamp and coin covers from January 2008. This is the first Australian issued stamp and coin cover to use the identifying process!



1555008 postal and numismatic cover featuring Lunar New Year minisheet – 2008 Issue 1



1555001 set first day covers



1551184 prestige booklet



1555142 minisheet

The stamps, minisheet, zodiac sheetlet and postal and numismatic cover feature gold foiling.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date.....	8 January 2008
FDI withdrawal date.....	5 February 2008
Denominations.....	One x 50c, one x \$1.45
Design.....	Dani Poon, Tak Nai, Melbourne
Printer.....	SEP Sprint
Paper (gummed).....	Tullis Russell
Printing process.....	Lithography
Stamp size.....	26mm x 37.5mm
Minisheet size.....	136mm x 70mm
Zodiac sheetlet size.....	170mm x 210mm
Perforations.....	14.6 x 13.86
Sheet layout.....	50 (with design in 50c gutter)
Special feature.....	Gold foiling on stamps, minisheet, zodiac sheetlet, and pnc (includes first Aust. seal of authenticity)
National postmark.....	Christmas Island, WA 6798



1555231 PPE (domestic)
1555232 PPE (international)



1555212 postcard



Love is one of the strongest of all human emotions and each day people from around the world share thoughts or feelings with those commonly referred to as “loved ones”. This new stamp issue is designed to convey the emotion of love on postage for special occasions and can be used for engagements, weddings, anniversaries, Valentine’s Day, Mother’s Day, birthdays and other celebrations. The stamp is also ideal for the everyday letters and cards you send when that special touch of love shows someone you care.

50c The Red Rose

The red rose is a traditional gift on Valentine’s Day, and conveys a message of love to another. The flower has long been a symbol of love for those who share special and loving relationships; this includes siblings, children and their parents, best friends, and especially lovers.



0422130 sheetlet pack



0422185 special occasion booklet



0422260 foiled and perfumed self-adhesive sheetlet of 10 stamps

Silver foiled, high-build varnished and scented self-adhesive sheetlet



0422220 maxicard



0422001 first day cover

When you send your next letter or invitation why not add a loving touch. Choose from a wide selection of stamps suitable for all occasions.



“The Rose” has been designed for use with the **Personalised Stamps™** service and will be available from **January 2008.**

www.personalisedstamps.com.au

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date.....	15 January 2008
FDI withdrawal date:.....	12 February 2008
Denominations	One x 50c
Design	Simone Sakinofsky, Australia Post Design Studio
Printer.....	SEP Sprint
Paper (gummed)	Tullis Russell
Printing process.....	Lithography
Stamp size	26mm x 37.5mm
Perforations	14.6 x 13.86
Sheet layout	Sheet of 10
Special feature	Perfumed, varnished, foiled s/a sheetlet
National postmark.....	Roselands, NSW 2196

5 FEBRUARY 2008



A remarkable gift

By donating their organs, over 200 remarkable people gave the gift of life to hundreds of fellow Australians in the last 12 months. Each gift of organ or tissue donation means a second chance at life for up to 10 different people. More than 30,000 Australians have received transplants in the last 60 years.

Organs that can be donated include the kidneys, heart, lungs, liver and pancreas. Tissue that can be donated includes heart valves, bone tissue, skin tissue, eye tissue and pancreatic tissue.

Organ and tissue donation in Australia

Australia currently has one of the lowest organ donation rates in the developed world and one of the highest transplant success rates in the world. There are currently 1,780 people known to be on organ transplant waiting lists in Australia, with the largest number of people urgently needing kidney transplants. The number of people requiring tissue transplants is even greater.

Organ and tissue donation primarily occurs after death. Most commonly, organ donation is only considered after brain death has been established i.e. when the brain stops functioning with no possibility of recovery. When someone suffers a cardiac death the blood immediately stops flowing, damaging the organs and making them unfit for transplantation.

If the person suffers brain death while on "ventilation", the blood will continue to provide oxygen to the organs and keep them in a state suitable for transplantation. Only around one per cent of people will die in these circumstances.

Australian Organ Donor Awareness Week

Australian Organ Donor Awareness Week occurs in February each year and aims specifically to raise awareness of the need for organ and tissue donation in Australia and to increase the number of registrations on the Australian Organ Donor Register (AODR).

More than 710,000 Australians have registered their legal consent to become organ and tissue donors and anyone may decide to become a donor. It is important, however, to discuss your decision with families, partners or close friends, as this eases the burden on families having to make the decision on behalf of those they love and have lost.

A great number of people have the opportunity to donate tissues for transplantation, such as eye tissue, heart valves, bone tissue and skin tissue. Unlike organs, tissue remains suitable for donation for many hours after the heart stops beating and can be stored prior to transplantation.



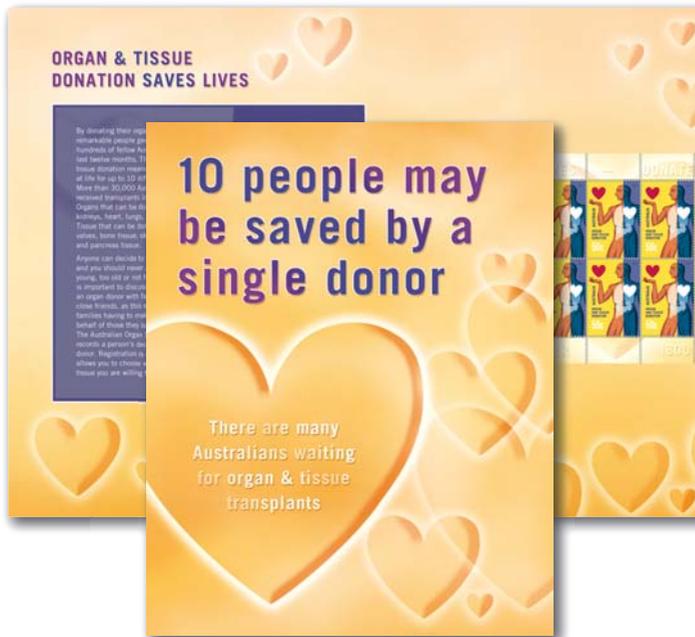
1558001 first day cover



1558201 sheetlet (10 x 50c gummed)



1558220 maxicard



**If you would like to become a donor
you can register on-line at
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a difference**

**A single donor may save
the lives of 10 people**

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1800 777 203 or visit
a Medicare Office to
obtain a brochure**

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registration form from the
website at
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TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date 5 February 2008
 FDI withdrawal date: 4 March 2008
 Denominations One x 50c
 Design Nigel Buchanan
 Printer SEP Sprint
 Paper (gummed) Tullis Russell
 (s/adhesive) B100
 Printing process Lithography
 Stamp size 26mm x 37.5mm
 Sheetlet size 156mm x 101mm
 Perforations 14.6 x 13.86
 Sheet layout Sheetlet of 10
 Special feature Nil

CENTENARY OF SCOUTING IN AUSTRALIA

19 FEBRUARY 2008

50c..... Contemporary scouts
\$1.30..... International scouts
\$1.95..... Lord Robert Baden-Powell



1559002 first day cover (gummed)

The centenary of the Scouting movement was celebrated worldwide in 2007 marking the first experimental camp for 20 boys at Brownsea Island, England in August 1907. The founder of Scouting, Lord Robert Baden-Powell, used the opportunity to test his ideas for an outdoor education program that “developed pluck, intelligence, initiative, and a spirit of adventure”. The success of this initiative led to two publications: *Scouting for Boys* and *Scout* both appearing in instalments in 1908. Scouting quickly spread around the world and the arrival of these pamphlets in Australia led to the rapid development of scouting in this country.

Scouting in Australia

The growth of Scouting in Australia was organic and occurred during the first half of 1908. By the end of that year membership figures in New South Wales were 1,200 boys. In Victoria the First Caulfield Troop was formed in June 1908. The visits made to Australia by Baden-Powell in 1912, 1927, 1931 and 1934 – 35 encouraged the extension of the movement in Australia and enabled him to attend the Jamboree held in Frankston, Victoria, at the end of 1934.

Historically Scouts in Australia operated at a state level, reporting to the headquarters in Britain. The national organisation, Scouts Australia, was formed in August 1967 and incorporated through Royal Charter and Act of Parliament, when it was recognised as a member of the World Organisation.

Scouting Today

Scouting is now an international movement dedicated to building peace and understanding among young people of different cultures and backgrounds. The movement is recognised as the world’s largest youth development organisation and is active in almost every country in the world. Since the Scouting movement was formed more than 250 million people have joined.

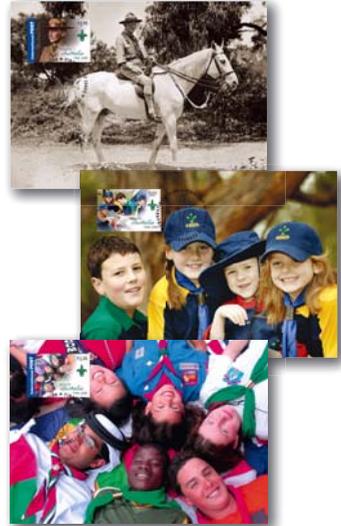
There are currently some 60,000 scouts in Australia, in five different groups: Joey (six to seven year olds); Cubs (eight to 10½); Scouts (11 to 14½); Venturers (15 to 17½); and Rovers (17 to 26).

Originally Scouts was a movement for boys, however, girls were admitted to Venturer Scouts and Rovers in 1973 and to Cub Scouts and Scouts in 1988. Joey began in 1990 and has always admitted both girls and boys.

Scouts on stamps

Only two previously issued Australian stamps featured Scouts – a 2½d Pan-Pacific Scout Jamboree 1948-49 and a 3½d Pan-Pacific Scout Jamboree 1952 – 53. The common design for both stamps was a Rover Scout with the model for the design being Owen Manley (son of the stamp designer and engraver of the stamps, Frank Manley). Both father and son worked at the Note Printing Branch, Melbourne.

>> a full list of products and their mail order codes are included with this publication.



1559220 maxicard set



1559300 prestige first day cover (numbered limited edition with cloth badge and foiled postmark)
Please note: this item is not assessed to standing orders and will need to be ordered as a separate item.



1559126 stamp pack showing included cloth badge detail



CENTENARY OF SCOUTING IN AUSTRALIA

19 FEBRUARY 2008



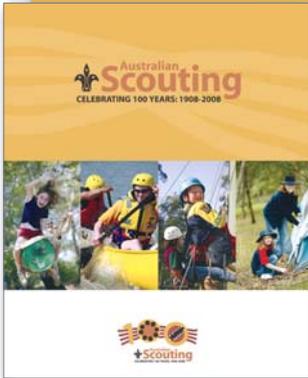
1559008 postal and numismatic cover – 2008 Issue 2

Australia had planned to produce a third Scouts stamp issue in late 1956 to mark the Pan-Pacific Scout Jamboree of 1956 – 57, but the stamp was abandoned due to a change in commemorative stamp issue policy. In 1960 the 50th Anniversary of Guides was recognised with a 5d stamp incorporating a portrait of Baden-Powell. Two PSEs also commemorated Scouts: a 24c 4th Asia-Pacific Scout Jamboree (1979) and 27c 75th Anniversary of Scouting (1982).

In earlier years, the Postmaster-General's Department usually established temporary post offices at Scout and Guide Jamborees. The first major Jamboree in Australia was held at Frankston, Victoria (24 December 1934 to 10 January 1935), at which a TPO operated with a commemorative postmark.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date.....	19 February 2008
FDI withdrawal date:.....	18 March 2008
Denominations	One each 50c, \$1.30, \$1.95
Design	Asprey Creative
Printer.....	SEP Sprint
Paper (gummed)	Tullis Russell
(s/adhesive).....	B100
Printing process.....	Lithography
Stamp size.....	37.5mm x 26mm
Perforations.....	13.86 x 14.6
Sheet layout	50
Special feature.....	Cloth badge on prestige cover
National postmark.....	Frankston, Vic 3199



1559350 sheetlet pack
(10 x 50c with tabs)



1559226
postage paid envelope (domestic)

COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS – VISITING BIRDS

26 FEBRUARY 2008

This stamp issue features four of the vagrant or visiting birds to the Cocos (Keeling) Islands. Of the approximate 60 species of birds recorded, 25 have been seen on North Keeling Island (Pulu Keeling National Park) in recent times. There are very few birds on the Islands' main atoll.

The bird population of Cocos (Keeling) Islands can be classified as endemic; birds that breed on the island; migratory non-breeding visitors; and vagrants; irregular visiting birds that periodically "drop in" on their migratory route.

Black-winged Stilt

A wading bird about 33 to 36 centimetres in length, it seizes its prey on or near the surface of shallow water. Adults have a white neck and head and the wings are entirely black.

Chinese Pond Heron

This heron is found in shallow fresh and saltwater wetlands and ponds. The male, which can reach a height of 47 centimetres, has head plumes which extend well onto the mantle.

White-breasted Waterhen

A timid water bird 24 to 28 centimetres in length, its upper parts are dark slate-brown with a white face and breast. These waterhens frequent fresh water marshes, mangroves, reed beds and grasslands to feed.

Saunders' Tern

The Saunders' tern is a large-ranging coastal bird with similarities to the Little tern but smaller in size. This tern feeds on small fishes and other small marine animals by plunge-diving or picking directly from the water's surface.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	26 February 2008
FDI withdrawal date:.....	25 March 2008
Denominations	Two x 50c, one each \$1.00, \$1.45
Illustration	Christopher Pope
Typography	Jo Muré, Australia Post Design Studio
Printer	SEP Sprint
Paper (gummed)	Tullis Russell
Printing process.....	Lithography
Stamp size	26mm x 37.5 and 37.5mm x 26mm
Perforations	14.6 x 13.86
Sheet layout	50 (two panes of 25)
Special feature	50c se-tenant pairs in checkerboard layout
National postmark.....	Cocos (Keeling) Islands, WA 6799

50c.....	Black-winged Stilt
50c.....	Chinese Pond Heron
\$1.00.....	White-breasted Waterhen
\$1.45.....	Saunders' Tern



1560001 first day cover

The Forgotten Heroes of Philately

Rowland Hill built in a safeguard to prevent the re-use of postage stamps when the world's first stamp, the Penny Black, was introduced in 1840—a simple red ink cancellation. However, it was found that red ink didn't show up very well on the black background and was easily removed. A year later, the Penny Red was introduced and the black ink used to cancel this stamp was found to be more effective, and more difficult to remove.

As a consequence, unless you collect only mint stamps, chances are that the stamps you do collect have been cancelled with a postmark of some type. Postmarkers have often been referred to as 'forgotten heroes' because they provide us with a whole world of collecting to explore.

Postmarkers had been in use in the Netherlands well before the introduction of stamps. They showed the times of arrival and departure of a letter, fixed the payment of postage due and indicated other postal regulations. As time went by, countries introduced numeral postmarks to indicate the origin of a letter, a system adopted world-wide. In Australia, this form of philatelic collecting, as well as the collection of circular date cancels, slogans and other auxiliary postal markings, is alive and well.

The assortment of Australian pictorial and commemorative postmarks that have been in use since 1879 is not well known; a special commemorative postmark was used for the International Exhibition at Garden Palace in Sydney between 17 September 1879 and 20 April 1880. Quaintly, a temporary Post Office was established in the former gardener's cottage, outside the exhibition's main entrance.

Since then, around 7,000 pictorial and/or commemorative postmarks have been used in Australia and their evolution has been fascinating. Incidentally, what sets a postmark apart as 'pictorial' or

'commemorative' (or indeed, 'pictorially commemorative') is quite simply the addition of a graphic design and/or words commemorating an event. Using an example dear to the hearts of most Aussies (sports), compare these:



From the 1938 British Empire Games in Sydney to the 1956 Melbourne Olympics and the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games, it's very clear just how far the graphic design of these postmarks has come.

The rhyme and reason for production of pictorial and commemorative postmarks is clear. While criteria differs from country to country, Australia's main categories are:

- **National First Day of Issue** to mark the introduction of new stamps. These are used on one day only. The postmark design complements the subject matter of the stamp/s; a good recent example being the set of scales used for the 'Market

Feast' five-stamp issue in July 2007. And this is where it becomes interesting for collectors; a machine cancel is used on the stock standard First Day Covers available at all Post outlets. There are, however, hand cancels available from both the National Philatelic Bureau at Ferntree Gully and the Post Office of issue, which for Market Feast was, naturally, Newmarket in Queensland. Keen pictorial postmark collectors quickly noticed a difference in sizing between the National Philatelic Bureau and Newmarket. Whether the machine cancel sizes on both the First Day Cover and the Maximum Card issues are also different will be left to collectors to investigate.

- **Commemorative postmarks** should be fairly self-evident and are used on one day, a span of two to five days or over the course of a year. Most major philatelic exhibitions in Australia have pictorial postmarks to commemorate them. Often, these are linked to the theme of Australia Post's Stamp Collecting Month in October each year which varies from Outer Space to Marine Life. They are also authorised to commemorate important anniversaries of groups (Guide Dogs, RSL), locations (Manly Wharf and Corso) or events (Albany's 'Round the Houses', APEC Forum).

- **Permanent Pictorial Postmarks** for everyday use at a Post Office. All of these depict something unique to the location of use, whether it be a natural feature, an historic event or a particular person. Respective examples are Pildappa Rock for Minnipa 5654, the Coo-ee event at Gilgandra 2827 during WWI and Rochester 3561 which acknowledges Sir Hubert Opperman's contribution to cycling. With the diversity of designs available, collectors are able to collect thematically, geographically or by event and are limited only by their imaginations.

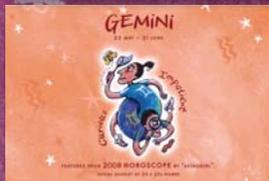
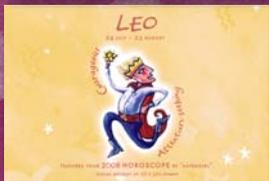
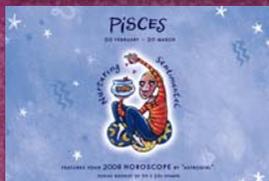
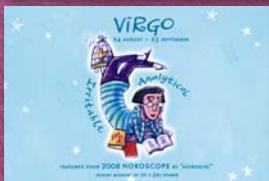
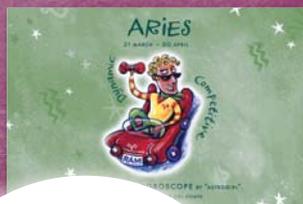
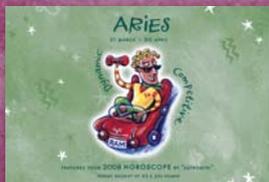
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NEW 2008 ZODIAC BOOKLETS

RELEASED THROUGH TO JANUARY 2008

KNOW ANY GEMINIS OR SAGITTARIANS?

New special occasion booklets give detailed information about the relevant sun sign, and predictions on love, career, money and health for the year ahead. Also included is a sun sign postcard. Zodiac booklets make a great personal gift for friends and family. Each booklet contains 20 x 50c stamps.



\$10.95
Includes information about your sun sign and predictions for 2008 by **ASTROGIRL!**



Collectables



Souvenir sheets come with a matching protective envelope for easy storage as well as an inbuilt display stand!

1113879
Mickey and Friends
limited edition
souvenir sheet
\$AUD15.95 each

© Disney



1113878
Disney Princess
sheetlet pack
\$AUD9.95 each

© Disney

Specialty Products



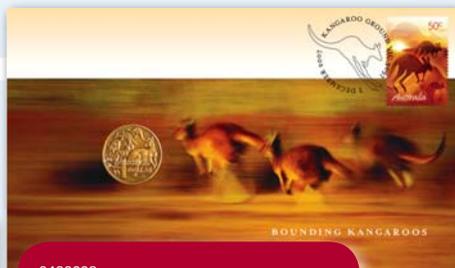
1113911
World Youth Day
souvenir stamp sheet
\$AUD15.95 each



1567226
World Youth Day
postage paid envelope
(for postage within Australia)
\$AUD0.60 each



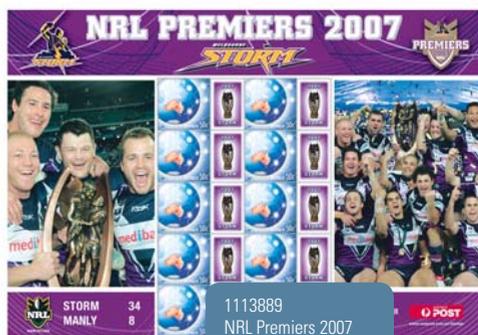
1113915
New Idea
souvenir stamp
sheet
\$AUD15.95



0420008
Bounding Kangaroos postal and numismatic
cover
\$AUD19.95 each
Royal Australian Mint coin!



1113888
AFL Premiers 2007
\$AUD15.95 each



1113889
NRL Premiers 2007
\$AUD15.95 each



LIMITED EDITION OF 10,000!
1113912
AFL Premiers
stamp and medallion cover
\$AUD19.95 each

Collectables



Australian Government
Royal Australian Mint



1571252
2008 Six Coin Proof Set
\$AUD95.00 each



1571254
2008 Six Coin
Uncirculated Set
\$AUD26.50 each



1571255
2008 Two Coin Proof
Year Set
\$AUD45.00 each

1571256
2008 Two Coin
Uncirculated Year Set
\$AUD15.00 each



1113903
Royal Wedding Uncirculated coin
\$AUD4.95 each



1113880
Ocean Series
Shark Uncirculated
\$AUD14.95 each



1113910
2008 Artists Series
\$1 Frosted Kangaroo Uncirculated CuNi
coin **Design by Reg Mombassa**
\$AUD24.95



1113904
Peacekeeping coin
\$AUD12.95 each



1113881
Ocean Series
Sea Horse Uncirculated
\$AUD14.95 each



1571251
2008 Baby Set Proof
\$AUD95.00



1571253
2008 Wedding Set
\$AUD77.00

1571250
2008 Baby Set Uncirculated
\$AUD30.50 each

These year coin sets are ideally suited to commemorate special occasions such as a christening, birthday, anniversary or significant celebrations. All sets include an engravable plaque for you to personalise.



THE PERTH MINT
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1572265
Lunar New Year—Year of the Mouse
1oz Silver Proof coin with "P" mintmark
\$AUD78.00 each



Includes numbered certificate of authenticity

A first for the Perth Mint, this coin features "Sputnik" literally revolving around the Earth.

1113886
50th Anniversary of Sputnik rotating coin.
Limited mintage of 25,000.
\$AUD89.50 each

Exclusive to Post!
1572260
Lunar New Year—Year of the Mouse
½oz Silver coloured coin
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RESULTS

AUSTRALIA POST STAMP DESIGN AWARDS 2007

The People's Choice Award 2007

A great response, and a wide variety of stamps selected as the preferred overall favourite, meant that the hunt was never going to be easy to find the winner of the **1932 (five) shilling Sydney Harbour Bridge**.

Australian stamp enthusiasts selected stamps using a photographic approach in their design, with others preferring illustrative presentations. There may have been stamps selected for their theme or purely by the single subject they commemorated.

Whatever the reason, Australian collectors have spoken and the final result is in. Thankyou to all our readers for your participation in the 2007 Stamp Poll.

Your valuable comments about the stamps that made up our 2007 program will ensure we present an even stronger program for 2008. There were calls for more Australian wildlife and our magnificent flora, as well as subjects collectors suggested they would like to see covered.

The comments indicated an overwhelming appreciation and enjoyment of the stamp issues that made up the 2007 program.

Congratulations also to the winner of the People's Choice Award Stamp Poll prize. A collector for many years, this year's winner was thrilled to have a stamp of this quality as part of their collection.

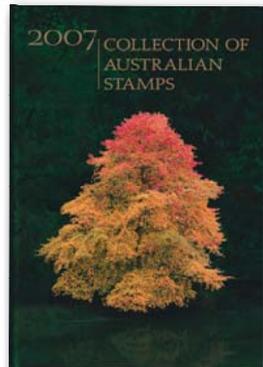


Congratulations to our winner!

Ms K Ward of Western Australia

Designers' Choice Award 2007

The Stamp Advisory Committee will vote in December for the stamp issue which would receive the Designers' Choice Award for 2007. Full details of the award winning stamp issue will be available in the 2008 March *Bulletin*. Collectors will be able to find all the details of the award at www.auspost.com.au/stamps prior to Christmas.



Australia's favourite overall stamp, as voted by Australian collectors, was from the Royal Botanic Gardens stamp issue. The image is also featured on the cover of the **2007 Collection of Australian Stamps!**



Australian collectors voted this stamp from the AAT Royal Penguins stamp issue as their favourite Australian Territories stamp.

The issue of four stamps was released in August 2007.

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BLAST OFF! 50 YEARS IN SPACE

29 September 2007
to 9 February 2008.

Curated by Richard Breckon

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This exciting exhibition continues until early February. The exhibition showcases significant achievements in the space age over the past 50 years, as well as descriptions of the planets; space stamps of Russia and the USA; and Australia's own major stamp issues released to honour the space age.



LEST WE FORGET Anzac Day Remembrances

23 February 2008 to 14 June 2008
curated by Elizabeth Gertsakis

The exhibition will focus on the emotional impact of war as experienced by ordinary Australians through ANZAC commemorations. Special and rare archival photographs of monuments and memorials to ANZAC DAY, including images of Avenues of Honour in small country towns around Australia will be featured. The exhibition will also include commemorative war stamp issues and art from the National Philatelic Collection along with postcards sent by Australian soldiers to their families during World War I.

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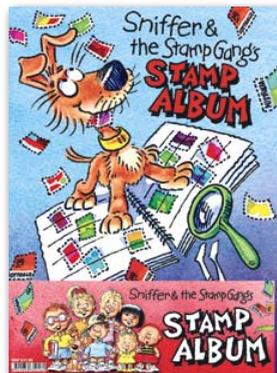
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STAMP SHOWS & EVENTS

2 JANUARY 2008 (WA) NEW CPS MACHINE FOR WA

The Shire of Manjimup will be celebrating its Centenary in 2008 having been established as the Warren Roads Board on 3 July 1908. The shire has a rich and diverse culture gathered over 100 years. To celebrate the milestone a planned calendar of events and projects has been developed for Manjimup, Pemberton, Northcliffe, Walpole and surrounding townships. There will be four permanent pictorial postmarkers available (one for each town within the shire).

Manjimup, WA 6258
Pemberton, WA 6260
Walpole, WA 6398
Northcliffe, WA 6262

Impressions are available from the Postal Manager of each Post Office listed above.

7 JANUARY 2008 (SA) NEW CPS MACHINE FOR SA

After many years of loyal service the current Counter Printed Stamp machine is about to retire and a new printer has been produced. This new machine will produce very similar Counter Printed Stamps with slight changes to the literal font. To mark the occasion, the following products from two special CPS releases will be available from the Postal Manager, Adelaide GPO, Adelaide SA 5000 until 28 February 2008;

CPS Labels with "Final SA 2008" Literal
Mint set – six x 50c \$3.00
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Button set – serviced \$5.90

(two each 50c, \$1.00, \$1.45fv)
Cover – postmarked button set \$6.20

CPS Labels with "First SA 2008" Literal
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Cover – postmarked mint set \$3.30
Button set – serviced \$5.90
(two each 50c, \$1.00, \$1.45fv)
Cover – postmarked button set \$6.20

24 JANUARY 2008 (NSW) SYDNEY YOUTH STAMP GROUP OPEN DAY



**First Floor,
Philas House,
Brisbane Street,
Sydney NSW**

The next open day for school-age children aged seven to 17 years old will be held at Philas House in Sydney.

There will be plenty to do, including games, stamp swapping and talks, as well as lots of prizes. Activities will begin at 10.30 a.m. through to 3 p.m. Children should arrive to be registered by 10 a.m. There are separate programs planned for children under 11 years of age and parents are welcome to stay for all or part of the day. The day is FREE and lunch will be provided for children attending but bookings are essential.

To book, please contact Liz Nakhla on **(02) 9498 5290** or e-mail to sydneyyouthstampgroup@gmail.com
www.stamparena.com

14 TO 16 MARCH 2008 (ACT) CANBERRA STAMP SHOW 2008

Mark this show in your diary. Hours are 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and admission is \$1.00. There will be interstate and local dealers buying and selling stamps, banknotes, coins, postcards, pins and other collectables.

Collectors and exhibitors wanting further information, contact The Secretary, Canberra Stamp Show 2008, GPO Box 1840, Canberra ACT 2601 or e-mail to Stamps08@tpg.com.au or via the website;

www.canberrastamps.org

30 MARCH 2008 (NSW) SCDAA PETERSHAM STAMP & COIN SUPER FAIR

The first show for this year will be held at the Petersham Town Hall, 107 Crystal Street (one block from the railway station). Hours will be 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and admission will be \$1.00. There will also be 27 interstate and local dealers buying and selling stamps, banknotes, coins, postcards, pins and other collectables.

Free valuations will be available and there are five \$50.00 door prizes to be won.

A cafeteria will also operate on the day. For information, please contact John Pearson on **(02) 9979 1561**.

POSTMARKING

IN RETROSPECT

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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE POSTMARKS

LNJ – Year of the Rat

Christmas Island, WA 6798
Bourke Street, Vic 3000
Cabramatta, NSW 2166
Haymarket, NSW 2000

Special Occasions – Love Blooms

Roselands, NSW 2196

Organ & Tissue Donation

Hopetoun, Vic 3396

Centenary of Scouting in Australia

Frankston, Vic 3199

Cocos (Keeling) Islands – Visiting Birds

Cocos (Keeling) Islands, WA 6799

NEW PERMANENT PICTORIAL POSTMARKS

Chewton, Vic 3451
Willaura, Vic 3379
Warrnambool, Vic 3280
Kogarah Bay, NSW 2217
Gungahlin, ACT 2912
Tyalgum, NSW 2484
Hazelbrook, NSW 2779
Tuross Head, NSW 2537
Ebor, NSW 2453
Suffolk Park, NSW 2481
Tamarama, NSW 2026

**Impressions are available from the
Postal Manager of each of the Post
Offices listed above.**

CORRECTION

Circus: Under the Big Top prestige booklet listed Roy Holden as appearing in the image (inside back cover). This detail is incorrect and should read Francis Holden.



PERMANENT PICTORIAL POSTMARK

Warrnambool, Vic 3280

Replacement postmarkers were introduced on 10 July 2007, one featuring “Flagstaff Hill” and the other features the Southern Right Whale. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Warrnambool Post Office, Warrnambool Vic 3280.

Caulfield South, Vic 3162

Replacement postmarker released 17 September 2007 featuring a horse and jockey and the “Home of the Caulfield Cup”. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Caulfield South Post Office, Caulfield South Vic 3450.

Kangaroo Ground, Vic 3097

Replacement postmarker released 24 September 2007 featuring the face of a kangaroo and two kangaroos in flight. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Kangaroo Ground Post Office, Kangaroo Ground, Vic 3097.

TEMPORARY PICTORIAL POSTMARK

Castlemaine, Vic 3450

Released 22 October 2007 for the Centenary of Women’s Work Exhibition 1907–2007—Opening of Exhibition.

Castlemaine, Vic 3450

Released 23 October 2007 to 7 December 2007 for the Centenary of Women’s Work Exhibition 1907–2007.

Impressions for the above postmarkers are available from the Postal Manager, Castlemaine Post Office, Castlemaine Vic 3450.

PERMANENT PICTORIAL POSTMARK

Karoonda, SA 5307

A new pictorial postmarker was introduced on 15 October 2007 featuring a Ram. The postmark celebrates the centenary of the town. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Karoonda Post Office, Karoonda SA 5307.

KOALA COUNT

The Koala Count identifies specific stamp reprints.

The Koala symbol printed in the selvedge adjacent to stamps and down either side of a sheet indicates a reprint, and so on.

A Kangaroo indicates the fifth reprint.

ISLAND JEWELS

0421191 sheetlet of five x \$1.95
McKellar Renown Press\$9.75



Australasian Stamp Catalogue Volume 2 – 30th edition

An illustrated full-colour listing and guide to the stamps and postal stationery of Nauru, Norfolk Island, Papua New Guinea (including NWPI, Papua and New Guinea), Pitcairn Islands.

The catalogue is updated to September 2007.

1113917 \$38.50

Seven Seas

The following will be included in Seven Seas 2008 supplements and optional pages. Seven Seas pages are available only from stamp dealers and from Seven Seas. Products for Seven Seas pages • No CTO • Partial returns for refund not accepted

8 January 2008

Christmas Island: Lunar New Year – Year of the Rat

Supplement – design set (gummed), minisheet, zodiac sheetlet, gutter strip (10 x 50c, with design)

15 January 2008

Special Occasions – Love Blooms

Supplement – single gummed, single s/a (complete sheetlet)
Optional – sheetlet of 10 (gummed), sheetlet of 10 (s/a)

24 January 2008

2008 Australian Legends

Supplement – design set (gummed), s/a strip of four
Optional – s/a strip of four, collector pack, gutter strip (10 x 50c - with design)

5 February 2008

Organ & Tissue Donation

Supplement – single gummed, single s/a (complete booklet)
Optional – sheetlet (10 x 50c - gummed), s/a booklet of 10

19 February 2008

Centenary of Scouting in Australia

Supplement – design set (gummed), design set s/a (two x s/a sheetlets), single s/a from roll
Optional – two x s/a sheetlets, collector pack

26 February 2008

Cocos (Keeling) Islands – Visiting Birds

Supplement – design set (gummed), gutter pair
Optional – nil

Mail order codes

1559235 Australian Supplement	\$35.50
1559236 Australian Optional	\$58.55
1559237 Cocos (Keeling) Islands Supplement	\$4.45
1559238 Christmas Island Supplement	\$12.85

In the case of self-adhesive stamp booklets and sheetlets, Australia Post will supply full booklets or sheetlets only.

NEW ISSUES

Mail order (Retail)	Product Description	Price	*Planned Withdrawal Date
8 January 2008	CI Lunar New Year : Year of the Rat		
1555067 (35388)	Stamps (one x 50c, one x \$1.45)	\$1.95	31 July 2008
1555350	Set of minisheets (mint, postmarked) [MO]	\$3.90	31 July 2008
1555142 (35397)	Minisheet (mint)	\$1.95	31 July 2008
1555143	Minisheet (postmarked) [MO]	\$1.95	31 July 2008
1555258 (35399)	Pack of five minisheets	\$9.75	31 July 2008
1555098 (35400)	Zodiac sheetlet	\$3.95	31 July 2008
1555126 (35405)	Stamp pack (doubles as a greeting card)	\$2.40	31 July 2008
1555001	Set of first day covers & pnc [MO]	\$21.75	29 February 2008
1555002 (35402)	First day cover (stamps)	\$2.25	29 February 2008
1555013 (35403)	First day cover (minisheet)	\$2.25	29 February 2008
1555252 (35404)	First day cover (two x zodiac)	\$2.30	29 February 2008
1555005 (35401)	First day cover (blank – not included in the set)	\$0.30	31 July 2008
1555240	Set of gutters (10 x 50c, 10 x \$1.45) [MO]	\$19.50	31 July 2008
1555241 (35392)	Gutter (10 x 50c – includes design)	\$5.00	31 July 2008
1555242 (35396)	Gutter (10 x \$1.45 – no design)	\$14.50	31 July 2008
1555351	Set of PPEs [MO]	\$2.80	31 July 2008
1555231 (35407)	PPE (domestic)	\$0.60	31 July 2008
1555232 (35408)	PPE (international)	\$2.20	31 July 2008
1555212	Postcard (one)	\$1.20	31 July 2008
1555008 (35409)	Lunar New Year stamp & coin cover <i>(with seal of authenticity)</i>	\$14.95	31 July 2008
1555184 (35411)	Lunar New Year prestige booklet	\$10.95	31 July 2008
1555300 (35410)	Lunar New Year Lucky Desk Calendar	\$14.95	To be advised

NEW ISSUES

Mail order (Retail)	Product Description	Price	*Planned Withdrawal Date
15 January 2008	Special Occasions – Love Blooms		
0422067 (35429)	Stamp	\$0.50	To be advised
0422001 (35442)	First day cover (affixed)	\$0.80	12 February 2008
0422130 (35443)	Sheetlet pack	\$5.45	To be advised
0422220 (35444)	Maxicard	\$1.25	To be advised
0422301 (35445)	Special occasion prestige booklet Rose	\$10.95	To be advised
0422122	Sheetlet (10 x 50c)	\$5.00	To be advised
0422260	Perfumed and foiled self-adhesive sheetlet	\$5.00	To be advised
23 January 2008	2008 Australian Legends		
1557067 (35494)	Stamps (four x 50c)	\$2.00	31 July 2008
1557001 (35497)	First day cover (affixed)	\$2.30	21 February 2008
1557002 (35400)	First day cover (s/adhesive)	\$2.30	21 February 2008
1557126 (35498)	Stamp pack	\$2.45	31 July 2008
1557209 (35492)	Roll (100 x 50c)	\$50.00	31 July 2008
1557220 (35499)	Maxicard set (four)	\$5.00	31 July 2008
1557240	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00	31 July 2008
1557223	Collector pack	\$7.90	31 July 2008

To find out who the Australia Post Australian Legends Award winners are for 2008 visit www.auspost.com.au/stamps on 23 January when details of the recipients will be announced!

5 February 2008	Organ and Tissue Donation		
1558067 (35480)	Stamps (one x 50c)	\$0.50	31 August 2008
1558001 (35486)	First day cover (gummed)	\$0.80	4 March 2008
1558130 (35488)	Sheetlet pack	\$5.45	31 August 2008
1558201 (35482)	Sheetlet (10 x 50c – gummed)	\$5.00	31 August 2008
1558182 (35481)	Booklet (10 x 50c – s/adhesive)	\$5.00	31 August 2008
1558220 (35489)	Maxicard (one)	\$1.25	31 August 2008
19 February 2008	Centenary of Scouting in Australia		
1559067 (35458)	Stamps (one x 50c, one x \$1.30, one x \$1.95)	\$3.75	31 August 2008
1559001	Set of first day covers & pnc [MO]	\$19.80	4 March 2008
1559002 (35472)	First day cover (gummed)	\$4.05	4 March 2008
1559003 (35473)	First day cover (s/adhesive)	\$0.80	4 March 2008
1559300*	Prestige first day cover with badge (numbered limited edition)	\$9.95	To be advised
1559126 (35474)	Stamp pack	\$4.20	31 August 2008

*please note that this item will not be assessed to standing orders, you will need to order this item.

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Mail order (Retail)	Product Description	Price	*Planned Withdrawal Date
19 February 2008	Centenary of Scouting in Australia		
1559350 (35475)	Year of the Australian Scout sheetlet pack (with tabs)	\$9.95	31 August 2008
1559220 (35476)	Maxicard set (three)	\$6.00	31 August 2008
1559226 (35478)	PPE	\$0.60	31 August 2008
1559008 (35479)	Postal numismatic cover (with seal of authenticity)	\$14.95	31 August 2008
1559250 (35453)	Sheetlet (five x \$1.30 s/adhesive)	\$6.50	31 August 2008
1559252(35454)	Sheetlet (five x \$1.95 s/adhesive)	\$9.75	31 August 2008
1559209 (35457)	Roll (200 x 50c)	\$100.00	31 August 2008
1559223 (35477)	Collector pack	\$7.40	31 August 2008
1559240	Set of gutters (10 x 50c, x \$1.30, x \$1.95) [MO]	\$37.50	31 August 2008
1559241	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00	31 August 2008
1559242	Gutter (10 x \$1.30)	\$13.00	31 August 2008
1559243	Gutter (10 x \$1.95)	\$19.50	31 August 2008
26 February 2008	Cocos (Keeling) Islands – Visiting Birds		
1560067 (35512)	Stamps (two x 50c, one x \$1.00, one x \$1.45)	\$3.45	31 August 2008
1560001 (35525)	First day cover (affixed & postmarked)	\$3.75	4 March 2008
1560241 (35516)	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00	31 August 2008
1560242 (35520)	Gutter (10 x \$1.00)	\$10.00	31 August 2008
1560243 (35524)	Gutter (10 x \$1.45)	\$14.50	31 August 2008

NEW PRODUCTS

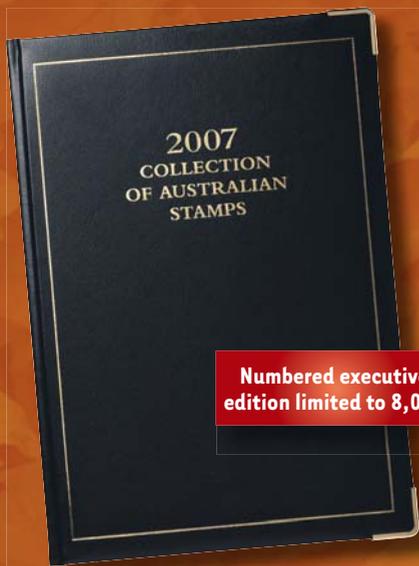
New Products

0420008 (35503)	Bounding Kangaroos postal and numismatic cover	\$19.95	To be advised
1113911 (35505)	World Youth Day souvenir stamp sheet	\$15.95	To be advised
1567226 (35506)	World Youth Day postage paid envelope	\$0.60	To be advised
1113888 (35292)	AFL Premiers souvenir stamp sheet	\$15.95	To be advised
1113889 (35293)	NRL Premiers souvenir stamp sheet	\$15.95	To be advised
1113912	AFL stamp and medallion cover (LIMITED EDITION)	\$19.95	To be advised
1113915	New Idea souvenir stamp sheet	\$15.95	To be advised

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1571251	2008 Baby Set Proof	\$95.00	1572265	LNY: Year of the Mouse Silver coin	\$78.00
1571253	2008 Wedding Set	\$77.00	1572252	Treasures Silver locket coin	\$99.00
1571254	2008 Six Coin Uncirculated Set	\$26.50	1113886	Sputnik Rotating coin	\$89.50
1571252	2008 Six Coin Proof Set	\$95.00			
1113903	Royal Wedding Uncirculated coin	\$4.95			
1113904	Peacekeeping coin	\$12.95			
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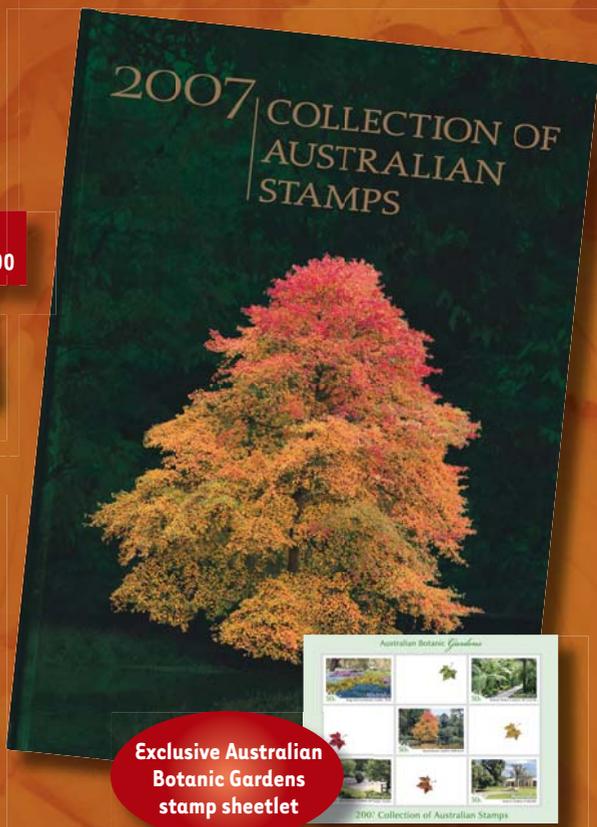
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1571251	2008 Baby Set Proof				\$95.00		
1571253	2008 Wedding Set				\$77.00		
1571254	2008 Six Coin Uncirculated Set				\$26.50		
1571252	2008 Six Coin Proof Set				\$95.00		
1113903	Royal Wedding Uncirculated coin				\$4.95		
1113904	Peacekeeping coin				\$12.95		
1571255	2008 Two Coin Year Set Proof				\$45.00		
1571256	2008 Two Coin Year Set Uncirculated				\$15.00		
1113880	Ocean series – Shark				\$14.95		
1113881	Ocean series – Sea Horse				\$14.95		
1113882	2008 Silver Proof \$1 Kangaroo				\$65.00		
1113902	2008 Silver Kangaroo (gold-plated)				\$95.00		
1113903	Royal Wedding Ann. Uncirculated				\$4.95		
1113904	Australian Peacekeeping Uncirculated				\$12.95		
75th Anniversary of the Sydney Harbour Bridge							
1113863	"S" mintmark coin				\$2.75		
1113864	"B" mintmark coin				\$2.75		
1113905	"M" mintmark coin				\$2.75		
2007 International Polar Year							
1113874	\$1.00 Uncirculated coin				\$12.95		

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Souvenir Sheets		• Album Sheets	• Accessories	• Coins	Price	Quantity	Value
Mail Order Code	Product Description						
PERTH MINT (PM) †							
1572265	LNy: Year of the Mouse Silver coin				\$78.00		
1572260	LNy: Year of the Mouse Colour coin				\$39.95		
1572252	Treasures Silver Locket coin				\$99.00		
1113816	David Edgeworth Base - AAT				\$75.00		
1113817	Dame Edna Everage				\$75.00		
1113886	Sputnik 50th Anniv. Rotating coin				\$89.50		
Discover Australia							
1113802	Common Pink Heath				\$307.00		
	10oz Proof Platinum						
1113883	Golden Wattle				\$307.00		
	10oz Proof Platinum						
1113866	Flora (Tasmanian Bluegum)				\$307.00		
	1/10oz Proof Platinum						
1113803	Great Barrier Reef 1oz Silver Proof				\$75.00		
1113796	Kookaburra 1/10oz Gold Proof				\$179.00		
1113871	Landmarks–Port Arthur Silver Proof				\$78.00		
1113885	Landmarks–Sydney Opera House				\$78.00		
1113868	Fauna (Tas. Devil) 1/10oz Gold Proof				\$179.00		
1113867	Fauna (Tas. Devil) 1/25oz Gold Proof				\$95.00		
1113884	Fauna (Platypus) 1/25oz Gold Proof				\$95.00		

† Price is correct at time of publication but is subject to change due to valuation changes. Contact the Australian Philatelic Bureau for the current price at the time you place your order. All prices shown are GST inclusive and are recommended. All savings shown are off our regular prices, unless otherwise indicated. An asterisk (*) indicates maximum card design(s) available as postcards from participating Post retail outlets.

Also Available

Souvenir Sheets		• Album Sheets		• Accessories		• Collectables	
Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Quantity	Value			
1113813	Winnie the Pooh souvenir sheet	\$15.95					
1113812	Cars the Movie souvenir sheet	\$15.95					
1113837	Looney Tunes souv. sheet (& plush)	\$15.95					
1113878	Disney Princess sheetlet pack	\$9.95					
1113838	Harry Potter (Phoenix) souv. sheet	\$15.95					
1113879	Mickey & friends souvenir sheet	\$15.95					
1113887	On the Road to Glory souv. sheet	\$15.95					
0404185	Sydney Harbour Bridge prestige	\$14.95					
1113839	Sydney Harbour Bridge minisheet	\$3.90					
0404008	Sydney Harbour Bridge PNC	\$14.95					
0412229	Sydney Show overprint (mint)	\$3.90					
0412230	Sydney Show overprint (cto)	\$3.90					
0413229	Bangkok Show overprint (mint)	\$3.90					
0413230	Bangkok Show overprint (cto)	\$3.90					
0418229	Prague Conference overprint (mint)	\$3.90					
0418230	Prague Conference overprint (cto)	\$3.90					
1113890	Snowy Mountains post card	\$1.20					
0297212	Set of Greetings postcards	\$10.80					
0414134	Gallery of Australia PSE	\$0.60					
1544171	2007 Collection of Australian Stamps	\$94.95					
1544214	2007 Collection (Executive edition)	\$129.95					
1544194	2007 Australian Territories Collection	\$24.95					
1113888	2007 AFL Premiers	\$15.95					
1113889	2007 NRL Premiers	\$15.95					
0420008	Bounding Kangaroos PNC	\$19.95					
1113911	World Youth Day souvenir sheet	\$15.95					
1567226	World Youth Day PPE	\$0.60					
1113912	AFL stamp and medallion cover (LE)	\$19.95					
1113915	NEW IDEA souvenir stamp sheet	\$15.95					

Souvenir Sheets		• Album Sheets		• Accessories		• Collectables	
Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Quantity	Value			
0241351	Collecting Australian Stamps - a beginner's guide	\$9.95					
1113715	Stamp Collecting Starter Kit	\$9.95					
1475260	2005 Stamp Printing Technical Details	\$12.95					
0903309	2006 Compact Aust. Stamp Catalogue	\$14.50					
0903308	Aust. Stamp Cat. (Vol. 1, 30th edition)	\$36.50					
1113917	Aust. Stamp Cat. (Vol. 2, 30th edition)	\$38.50					
0903270	First day cover album binder	\$10.00					
0903320	Collector's Choice binder (three-ring)	\$17.95					
0903323	CC Stock sheets (12) Pstamp sheets	\$15.95					
0903329	CC Stock sheets (12) FDC - two strip	\$12.25					
0903324	(12) five strip	\$12.25					
0903325	(12) six strip	\$12.25					
0903326	(12) seven strip	\$12.25					
0903330	(12) mixed strip	\$12.25					
0903328	(12) single strip	\$12.25					
0903321	Collector's Choice Tweezers	\$6.95					
0903322	Collector's Choice Magnifying Glass	\$9.95					

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NEW ISSUES TOTAL	\$AUD
RECENT ISSUES TOTAL	\$AUD
SUB TOTAL	\$AUD
REGISTERED POST	\$AUD
POSTAGE & HANDLING	\$AUD
ORDER TOTAL (include p&h fees)	\$AUD

New Issues

8 January 2008 CI Lunar New Year: The Year of the Rat (Withdrawn 31/7/08 - FDI 5/2/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1550067	Stamps (one x 50c, one x \$1.45)	\$1.95			
1555350	Set of minisheets (mint/p*marked)	\$3.90			
1555142	Minisheet (mint)	\$1.95			
1555143	Minisheet (postmarked)	\$1.95			
1555258	Pack of five minisheets	\$9.75			
1555098	Zodiac sheetlet	\$3.95			
1555126	Stamp pack (greeting card)	\$2.40			
1555001	Set of first day covers & pnc	\$21.75			
1555002	First day cover (stamps)	\$2.25			
1555013	First day cover (minisheet)	\$2.25			
1555252	First day cover (two x zodiac)	\$2.30			
1555005	First day cover (blank) not in set	\$0.30			
1555240	Set of gutters (10 x 50c, 10 x \$1.45)	\$19.50			
1555241	Gutter (10 x 50c – with design)	\$5.00			
1555242	Gutter (10 x \$1.45 – no design)	\$14.50			
1555351	Set of PPEs	\$2.80			
1555231	PPE (domestic)	\$0.60			
1555232	PPE (international)	\$2.20			
1555252	Postcard (one)	\$1.20			
1555008	LNY postal & numismatic cover	\$14.95			
1555184	LNY prestige booklet	\$10.95			
1555300	LNY Lucky Desk Calendar	\$14.95			

15 January 2008 Special Occasions: Love Blooms (FDI 12/2/08)

0422067	Stamp (one x 50c)	\$0.50			
0422001	First day cover (affixed)	\$0.80			
0422130	Sheetlet pack	\$5.45			
0422122	Sheetlet (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
0422260	Foiled and perfumed s/a sheetlet	\$5.00			
0422220	Maxicard set (five)	\$1.25			
0422185	Special Occasions booklet - Rose	\$10.95			

23 January 2008 Australian Legends (Withdrawn 31/7/08 - FDI 21/2/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1557067	Stamps (four x 50c)	\$2.00			
1557001	Set of FDCs (gummed & s/adhesive)	\$4.60			
1557002	First day cover (gummed)	\$2.30			
1557003	First day cover (s/adhesive)	\$2.30			
1557126	Stamp pack	\$2.45			
1557209	Roll (100 x 50c)	\$50.00			
1557220	Maxicard (four)	\$5.00			
1557240	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1557223	Collector pack	\$7.90			

5 February 2008 Organ and Tissue Donation (Withdrawn 31/8/08 - FDI 4/3/08)

1558067	Stamps (one x 50c)	\$0.50			
1558001	First day cover (gummed)	\$0.80			
1558130	Sheetlet pack	\$5.45			
1558201	Sheetlet (10 x 50c) – gummed	\$5.00			
1558182	Booklet (10 x 50c s/adhesive)	\$5.00			
1558220	Maxicard	\$1.25			

19 February 2008 Centenary of Scouting in Australia (Withdrawn 31/8/08 - FDI 4/3/08)

1559067	Stamps (one each 50c, \$1.30, \$1.95)	\$3.75			
1559001	Set of FDCs & PNC	\$19.80			
1559002	First day cover (gummed)	\$4.05			
1559003	First day cover (s/adhesive)	\$0.80			
1559300	Prestige first day cover (with badge)* <i>(NOT INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE SET)</i>	\$9.95			
1559126	Stamp pack	\$4.20			

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19 February 2008 Centenary of Scouting in Australia (Withdrawn 31/8/08 - FDI 4/3/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1559250	Scout sheetlet pack with tabs* <i>*not assessed with standing orders</i>	\$9.95			
1559220	Maxicard set (three)	\$6.00			
1559226	Scouting PPE	\$0.60			
1559008	PNC (with seal of authenticity)	\$14.95			
1559250	Sheetlet (five x \$1.30 s/a)	\$6.50			
1559252	Sheetlet (five x \$1.95 s/a)	\$9.75			
1559209	Roll (200 x 50c)	\$100.00			
1559223	Collector pack	\$7.40			
1559240	Set of gutters (50c, \$1.30, \$1.95)	\$37.50			
1559241	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1559242	Gutter (10 x \$1.30)	\$13.00			
1559243	Gutter (10 x \$1.95)	\$19.50			

26 February 2008 Cocos (Keeling) Islands – Visiting Birds (Withdrawn 31/8/08 - FDI 4/3/08)

1560067	Stamps (50c - two, \$1.00, \$1.45)	\$3.45			
1560001	First day cover (affixed)	\$3.75			
1560240	Set of gutters (50c, \$1.30, \$1.95)	\$29.50			
1560241	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1560242	Gutter (10 x \$1.00)	\$10.00			
1560243	Gutter (10 x \$1.45)	\$14.50			

New children's product

1113918	Stamp Collecting Tool Kit	\$4.95			
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New 2008 Zodiac Booklets (\$10.95 each)

Mail Order Code & product	Qty	Mail Order Code & product	Qty
0426301 Scorpio		0426302 Sagittarius	
0426303 Capricorn		0426304 Aquarius	
0426305 Pisces		0426306 Aries	
0426307 Taurus		0426308 Gemini	
0426309 Cancer		0426310 Leo	
0426311 Virgo		0426312 Libra	

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2 October 2007 Blast off: 50 Years in Space (Withdrawn 30/4/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1542067	Stamps (five x 50c, one x \$1)	\$3.50			
1542142	Minisheet	\$3.50			
1542126	Stamp pack	\$7.45			
1542182	Booklet (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1542251	Chequebook (20 x 10 x 50c)	\$100.00			
1542210	Roll of (200 x 50c)	\$100.00			
1542220	Set of maxicards (six)	\$8.00			
1542184	Prestige booklet	\$10.95			
1542240	Gutter (10 x 50c – with design)	\$5.00			
1542301	Pack of used Space stamps	\$2.20			
1542223	Collector pack (13 stamps)	\$7.40			
1542200	Strip of five x 50c (from a roll)	\$2.50			

18 October 2007 Caravanning Through the Years (Withdrawn 30/4/08)

1553067	Stamps (five x 50c se-tenant)	\$2.50			
1553126	Stamp pack	\$2.95			
1553182	Set of booklets (six)	\$30.00			
1553250	Booklet - 1950s	\$5.00			
1553251	Cheque book - 1950s	\$100.00			
1553252	Booklet - 1960s	\$5.00			
1553253	Cheque book - 1960s	\$100.00			
1553254	Booklet - 1970s	\$5.00			
1553255	Cheque book - 1970s	\$100.00			
1553256	Booklet - 1980s	\$5.00			
1553257	Cheque book - 1980s	\$100.00			
1553258	Booklet Today	\$5.00			
1553259	Chequebook Today	\$100.00			
1553263	Booklet MIXED	\$5.00			
1553261	General chequebook (all designs)	\$100.00			
1553184	Prestige booklet	\$10.95			

18 October 2007 Caravanning Through the Years (Withdrawn 30/4/08)

1553220	Maxicards (five)	\$6.25			
1553240	Gutter (10 x 50c – with design)	\$5.00			
1 November 2007 50 Years of Australian Christmas Stamps (Withdrawn 31/5/08)					
1543067	Stamps (three x 45c; 50c & \$1.10)	\$2.95			
1543126	Stamp pack	\$6.35			
1543250	Sheetlet (five x 50c s/a)	\$2.50			
1543251	Sheetlet (five x \$1.10 s/a)	\$5.50			
1543122	Sheetlet (10 x 45c s/a) Surfing Santa	\$4.50			
1543142	Minisheet (s-adhesive)	\$2.95			
1543260	Booklet (Madonna 20 x 45c)	\$9.00			
1543261	Chequebook (Madonna)	\$180.00			
1543262	Booklet (Nativity 20 x 45c)	\$9.00			
1543263	Chequebook (Nativity)	\$180.00			
1543155	Christmas aerogramme	\$1.05			
1543220	Maxicard set (five)	\$6.70			
1543184	Prestige booklet	\$10.95			
1543241	Gutter (10 x 45c se-tenant layout)	\$4.50			
1543242	Gutter (10 x 45c Surfing Santa)	\$4.50			
1543243	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1543244	Gutter (10 x \$1.10)	\$11.00			

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12 September 2007 Australian Botanic Gardens (Withdrawn 31/3/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1541067	Stamps (five x 50c se-tenant)	\$2.50			
1541126	Stamp pack	\$2.95			
1541220	Maxicards (five)	\$6.25			
1541212	Set of five postcards	\$6.00			
1541184	Prestige booklet	\$10.95			
1541209	Roll of 100 x 50c stamps	\$50.00			
1541200	Strip of five x 50c from a roll	\$2.50			
1541223	Collector pack	\$7.40			
1541240	Gutter (10 x 50c with design)	\$5.00			

1 November 2007 Christmas Island Christmas (Withdrawn 31/5/08)

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
1554067	Stamps (one each 45c, 50c, \$1.10)	\$2.05			
1554005	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30			
1554241	Gutter (10 x 45c)	\$4.50			
1554242	Gutter (10 x 50c)	\$5.00			
1554243	Gutter (10 x \$1.10)	\$11.00			

Collectables or miscellaneous products

Mail Order Code	Product Description	Price	Mint	CTO	Value
	2007 Annual Collections				
1544171	Collection of Australian Stamps	\$94.95			
1544214	Collection – Executive edition	\$129.95			
1544194	Australian Territories Collection	\$24.95			
0303465	Postmark wax seals set	\$49.95			
0303505	Christmas Ornament set (six)	\$29.95			
0303415	Lighthouse Desk Clock	\$19.95			
0303475	Stamp Collecting Tool Kit	\$79.95			
0303490	Christmas Medallion & Stamp set	\$39.95			
0301345	Australian Parrot Fine China plate	\$19.95			
0301360	Transport & Communications mug	\$4.95			
0301380	Kangaroo & Map Coasters	\$9.95			



These Royal Penguins certainly look cute and cuddly...but how much appeal did they have for collectors in the 2007 Australia Post Stamp Design Award "People's Choice" stamp poll?

You will find the results on page 20 in this January edition of the *Bulletin*.