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Dear Collectors

Welcome to *Stamp Bulletin* number 299. It is hard to believe that by the time you read this 2009 will be almost half over!

If you haven't had the chance to look at our new website I recommend you do. It's a great way to keep up to date on what's happening in the world of Australian stamps in between receiving your *Stamp Bulletin*.

Collectors that live in or around Melbourne should consider setting aside the time to visit the next national stamp exhibition, Melbourne Stampshow 2009, which will be held from 23 to 26 July at the Function Centre, Melbourne Park (National Tennis Centre), Batman Avenue. You can check out this website for further information at **www.melbournestampshow2009.com**. There will be many fascinating exhibits, stamp dealers with interesting material for sale and, of course, Australia Post stamps and products as well as a special exhibit for our 200-year celebration.

On page 4 of this Bulletin you can see the five stamps that were voted as Australia's favourite as part of Australia Post's anniversary celebrations. All five are sought after for any collection, even if a couple are a bit too pricey for some of us!

In "Talking Stamps" this month, Darryl Fuller from the Australian Philatelic Federation kindly shares his thoughts on the hobby of stamp collecting and how to get involved in a stamp club near you. It can be great fun sharing your passion with like-minded people, so what's stopping you – give it a go!

There are some great stamp issues in this Bulletin. Personally, I love the Bush Babies international issue, as I know how infatuated people overseas are with Australia's unique fauna – and these stamps are extra cute. Following feedback in our recent collector survey you will find in this Bulletin that we have incorporated a new section for each stamp issue entitled "Issue Highlights". This should make it easier to identify unique aspects of each stamp issue at a glance.

The footy season around Australia is in full swing, with finals not too far away. If you know a young AFL or NRL fan, you may want to get them a stamp pack of their favourite team. It's a great way of bringing your interest in stamps together with their interest in sport. Who knows, you may start a stamp collector on his or her journey in this hobby of kings!

Our philatelic website is as much for collectors as it is for us, so we've developed a new space called "Collectors' Gallery". This is an exhibition space of sorts, where we showcase some of the creative takes that collectors have on their philatelic passion. We can't display all contributions, but let us know if you have something you'd like us to consider for display.

The next issue of *Stamp Bulletin Australia* will be our 300th! Make sure you don't miss it as we have something special on offer as part of the celebration.

Until next time,

Noel Leahy, Manager, Philatelic Group

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BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS IN SYDNEY



To commemorate our 200th anniversary, a re-enactment of the first mail delivery will take place in Sydney on Friday 26 June at 8am. The James Craig will depart from Wharf 7, Pyrmont at 7am and arrive at Circular Quay at 8am. Australia Post will also host a concert (check www.auspost.com. au/200years for details) and an exhibition on 27 and 28 June 2009 at Darling Harbour (open to the public from 9am to 5pm each day).

Souvenir Products

- Order early to avoid disappointment!

Souvenir products will be available for sale from Saturday 27 June at the Darling Harbour exhibit.

5,000 individually numbered special covers will be carried as part of the re-enactment voyage and will be available for sale by mail order and at Darling Harbour, GPO Sydney and Queen Victoria Building Post Shops (Bicentennial re-enactment voyage cover 1514534 \$9.95).

Another 5,000 commemorative anniversary covers will be available for each day of the Darling Harbour exhibit (10,000 in total). These will be individually numbered 1–5,000 by two sets (Bicentennial commemorative anniversary cover set 1514535 \$6.10) and will feature one of each of Australia's five favourite stamps.

A souvenir stamp sheet featuring Australia Post classic vehicles (trucks, cars, bikes etc) will retail for \$15.95 (1514540).

Products from the 200th anniversary stamps issues will also be available at the exhibit.

Refer to the Postmarking section for temporary postmarks available for this special event.

www.auspost.com.au/200years for further details.



AUSTRALIA 5

55c.....£2 Kangaroo and Map (1913 - 38)55c......5s Opening of Sydney Harbour Bridge (1932) 55c...... 21/2d Peace and Victory (1946)'One Pound Jimmy' (1950) 55c......6d Kookaburra (1914)



1611002 First day cover (gummed)-shown 1611003 First day cover (self-adhesive)





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2009 marks 200 years of postal services in Australia. In this very special year, Australia Post invited the public to vote for its favourite Australian stamp. The public was invited to choose from 150 stamps representing Australian culture and heritage, major events and significant achievements since the first stamps were issued by New South Wales in 1850.

The Results

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The results, in order of popularity, were: £2 Kangaroo and Map (1913–38), followed by the 5s Opening of Sydney Harbour Bridge (1932), the 21/2d Peace and Victory (1946), the 81/2d Gwoya Jungarai, "One Pound Jimmy" (1950), and the 6d Kookaburra (1914).

The £2 Kangaroo and Map stamp was originally issued in 1913 as part of the first uniform issue of stamps by the Commonwealth of Australia. It caused considerable controversy, as it did not include a portrait of the reigning British monarch.

The public's second choice was the Opening of Sydney Harbour Bridge issued in 1932. The "Five Bob Bridge", as the stamp became affectionately known, has long been an elusive item for generations of collectors. The stamp design is unusually free of embellishment to emphasise the bridge's size and this is reinforced by the tiny image of R.M.S. Orford, one of the passenger liners on the Australia-England run, passing underneath the bridge.

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1611300 Prestige cover "A Letter to Mary"

1611250 Special presentation pack

1611251 Special souvenir sheet

The third choice, the 2½d Peace and Victory issued in 1946, features a seven-pointed star and wreath, the star representing the Australian states and territories, and was issued to celebrate the end of World War II. The 8½d Gwoya Jungarai, often known as "One Pound Jimmy", issued in 1950 was the public's next choice. Gwoya Jungarai was a member of the Walbiri tribe of Central Australia. The fifth choice was the 6d Kookaburra issued in 1914. It was part of a new series designed to replace the Kangaroo and Map stamps.

Issue Highlights

The products associated with the issue include a special stamp pack featuring a unique, self-adhesive sheetlet on textured paper and a gummed strip. Also available is a decorative gutter, a PNC with a \$1 Uncirculated "Post Box" coin produced by the Royal Australian Mint, and a prestige booklet. There is also a limited edition (15,000) prestige cover, finished with a rose gold foiled postmark, entitled "A Letter to Mary". This product includes a reproduction of a letter written in 1843 from a husband to his convict wife, Mary. All the stamp issues celebrating 200 years of postal services in Australia include a watermark ink. The watermark ink is applied using the offset process before the 4 colour process image is applied. It differs from conventional inks as it is absorbed almost completely into the stock whereas generally offset inks sit on top of the substrate and predominantly dry by oxidation (evaporation). The watermark pattern is shown in the background of this spread.



1611184 Prestige booklet



1611241 Gutter strip



1611008 Postal numismatic cover



1611220 Maxicards (5)

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	. 26 June 2009
FDI withdrawal date	. 24 July 2009
Denominations	. 5 x 55c
Stamp/product design	. Jo Mure, Australia Post Design Studio
Prestige booklet design	Adam Crapp, Australia Post Design Studio
Printer	. Energi Print/Pemara/McKellar
Paper (gummed/s-a)	. Tullis Russell/B90 s/a
Printing process	. Lithography
Stamp size	. 37.5mm x 26mm
Perforations	. 13.86 x 14.6
Sheet layout	. Modules of 50
Special feature	. Decorative gutter, simulated watermark
National postmark	. Sydney, NSW 2000

AUSTRALIA POST — 200 YEARS

STAMP-COIN SETS

This beautifully packaged set of silver proof pad printed (coloured) stamp-coins is based on two stamp designs commemorating 200 years of Australia Post. Each set showcases the original stamp and replica stamp-coin enclosed in capsules. the stamp-coin set includes a certificate of authenticity and is limited to 8,700. Stamp-coins are manufactured by The Perth Mint.

Box opens to display

Stamp-coin Set 1611253

• RRP \$89.95

• Home Delivery 1/2oz silver proof stamp-coin



years

Celebrating

Stamp-coin Set 1611252

- Early Posting Box 1/2oz silver proof stamp-coin
- RRP \$89.95



Front of box



Two-coin Set 1611403 Isaac Nichols

- Isaac Nichols (first postmaster)
- 1oz silver proof and \$1 Aluminium Bronze coin
- Coins manufactured by The Perth Mint Australia
- Two-coin Set limited edition 1,000
- RRP \$119.95

MELBOURNE STAMPSHOW 2009

23-26 JULY 2009

Visitors to Melbourne Stampshow 2009 will be able to gain free valuations and advice from 40 dealers, view over 750 frames of world class philatelic exhibits from over 130 exhibitors, and a special Australia Post exhibit, enjoy free activities for children and have the chance to win door prizes!



Souvenir minisheet

0482229 Minisheet

Issued to celebrate the Melbourne Stampshow 2009 this miniature sheet features Melbourne's iconic Skipping Girl Vinegar sign. Nicknamed *Little Audrey*, the animated neon sign has been restored thanks to AGL, the principal sponsor of the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) restoration appeal, along with the Heritage Council of Victoria, Melbourne Heritage Restoration Fund and public donors. AGL, Australia's largest integrated renewable energy company, will power *Little Audrey* with AGL Green Energy - that's 100% GreenPower, over the next five years.

APF Souvenirs

A range of exciting souvenirs will be available, including: • Australia Post – 200 Years PNC second issue (overprinted and numbered; 300 only with unique special show coloured postmark) \$45.00 • Not Just Desserts booklet of 10 x 55c stamps

• Not Just Desserts booklet of 10 x 55c stamps (overprinted and numbered; 250 only) \$15.00

• Inventive Australia minisheet

(overprinted and numbered; 300 only) \$10.00

To see the full range of souvenirs, visit the Stampshow 2009 website **www.melbournestampshow2009.com**

Products could sell out prior to the show! To order write to: Melbourne Stampshow 2009 GPO Box 9800 Melbourne VIC 3001

Opening Hours

Thursday 23 July 12noon – 6pm

Friday 24 July 10am – 5pm

Saturday 25 July 10am – 5pm

Sunday 26 July 10am – 4pm

Venue

Melbourne Park Tennis Centre Function Room (adjacent to the Rod Laver Arena – Melbourne Tennis Centre)

Admission \$5 for adults, children free

Exhibition Supporters' Club Package

A value-packed exhibition supporters' club package is being offered for \$100 (estimated value \$150) and is limited to 200. The package provides members with exclusive souvenirs and benefits, including:

- 4-day entry pass
- The Castle Award Winner sheet overprinted
- "A Letter to Mary" prestige cover overprinted and special coloured postmark
- Parks and Gardens prestige booklet with imperforate sheets

To become a member of the 200 Club, download an enrolment form from the stampshow website:

www.melbournestampshow2009.com (Note: this package is available via mail for an additional \$5)

AUSTRALIAN BUSH BABIES - INTERNATIONAL STAMPS

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 \$1.45..... Koala *Phascolarctos cinereus* \$2.10..... Eastern Grey Kangaroo *Macropus giganteus* \$2.90..... Brushtail Possum *Trichosurus vulpecula* \$4.20..... Common Wombat *Vombatus ursinus*



1615250 Self-adhesive sheetlet (5 x \$1.45)



1615252 Self-adhesive sheetlet (5 x \$2.10)



Marsupials are mammals that are distinguished by their particular reproductive cycle. Most female marsupials have pouches in which the young develops after spending only a short time in the mother's uterus. After birth the embryo-like offspring climbs into the mother's pouch using strong front limbs, where it remains, attached to a teat, until mature enough for independence.

This stamp issue features four species of some of the most popular Australian marsupials and their young. The Eastern Grey Kangaroo *(Macropus giganteus)* is a large kangaroo (males can weigh up to 70 kilograms) second in size only to the Red Kangaroo. It frequents a wide variety of habitats, from high mountain forests to semi-arid rangelands in the eastern states. It is the only kangaroo species found in Tasmania. Gestation is only 30–36 days and after birth the tiny joey makes its way into the pouch where it suckles for the next 300 days. The joey is not fully independent until it is 18 months old.

The Brushtail Possum (*Trichosurus vulpecular*) is familiar to many urban dwelling people as it has successfully adapted to life in highly populated areas. Its natural habitat extends over much of Australia, from rainforests to dry eucalypt woodlands, but it has disappeared from much of its former range. After 16–18 days of gestation females bear one, sometimes two, young. The young stay in the pouch for five months and are weaned by seven months.

One of Australia's iconic animals, the Koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is found in the eastern Australian states excluding Tasmania. Koalas spend most of their life in eucalypt trees





1615002 First day cover (gummed)

which also provide the species' entire diet. Females produce one young each year, which is born after a one-month gestation period. After six months the young Koala emerges but is not weaned for another six months. The young Koala is carried on its mother's back until it weighs around two kilograms.

Like the Koala the Common Wombat (*Vombatus ursinus*) has a backward-opening pouch. It is found in south-eastern Australia, including Tasmania. Its habitat is varied, ranging from coastal forest to alpine woodland and grassland. Wombats build burrows, leaving a mound of excavated earth outside the entrance. Gestation lasts a month. At 10 months the baby leaves the pouch but stays with the mother for another eight to 10 months.

Issue Highlights

In addition to the standard product range, this stamp issue includes self-adhesive sheetlets of five. The Koala and Eastern Grey Kangaroo designs will also be used for two new Personalised Stamps™.

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TECHNICAL DETAILS









1615220 Maxicards (4)

55c...... Fitzroy Gardens, Melbourne 55c...... Roma St Parkland, Brisbane 55c..... St David's Park, Hobart 55c..... Commonwealth Park, Canberra 55c..... Hyde Park, Sydney

AUSTRALIAN PARKS AND GARDENS [

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First Day of Issue 14 July 2009 Botany NSW 2019







1616126 Stamp pack



1616182 Booklet of (10 x 55c)



1616002 First day cover (gummed)-shown 1616003 First day cover (self-adhesive)

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Public parks and gardens are for everybody. They engage and inspire people. With their trees and open spaces they are pleasant places where children play, dogs are walked, bicycles are ridden and runners jog. They are also places where people come to relax, providing people of all ages with the opportunity to enjoy nature. In modern Australia, parks are of inestimable value, providing economic, social and cultural benefits for the whole of society.

The stamps feature five city parks: Melbourne's Fitzroy Gardens, Brisbane's Roma Street Parkland, Hobart's St David's Park, Canberra's Commonwealth Park and Sydney's Hyde Park.

Fitzroy Gardens, Melbourne

Melbourne's Fitzroy Gardens was reserved in 1848, although it was not laid out until 1859. Today it ranks as one of the city's premier parks.

Roma St Parkland, Brisbane

Brisbane's Roma Street Parkland is renowned for its subtropical plantings. This park was the result of a major redevelopment of former railway yards completed in 2000.

St David's Park, Hobart

St David's Park in Hobart was opened in 1926, its two hectares occupying the site of Hobart's first burial ground (1804–72).

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Commonwealth Park, Canberra

There are many parks in the national capital, including Commonwealth Park on the foreshore of Canberra's Lake Burley Griffin. Since 1965, the master plan prepared by British landscape architect Sylvia Crowe has guided the park's development.

Hyde Park, Sydney

Sydney's Hyde Park, Australia's first public park, was reserved on 11 February 1810. Its present layout is a result of a design competition held in 1926.

Issue Highlights

This picturesque stamp issue features a limited edition (15,000) prestige first day cover with a foiled postmark accompanied by a 100% recycled paper gift card containing lemon scented bottlebrush (*Callistemon citrius*) seeds.* Plant the seed card and watch it grow! Also available is a prestige booklet with exclusive blocks of four.

* Due to quarantine restrictions sales of this cover are not available outside Australia.



1616300 Prestige first day cover*

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	14 July 2009
FDI withdrawal date	11 August 2009
Denominations	5 x 55c
Photography	Simon Griffiths
Stamp/product design	Simone Sakinofsky,
	Australia Post Design Studio
Printer	Energi Print / McKellar
Paper (gummed/s-a)	Tullis Russell / B90 / B100
Printing process	Lithography
Stamp size	37.5mm x 26mm
Perforations	14.6 x 13.86
Sheet layout	Panes of 25 modules of 50
Special feature	Decorative gutter
National postmark	Botany, NSW 2019



1616184 Prestige booklet



1606220 Maxicards (5) July–August 2009 | no. 299 | stamp bulletin australia | 11



1616240 Gutter strip



1616209 Roll of (100 x 55c)

55c...... Hatchet Wasp 55c..... Praying Mantis 55c..... Ground Beetle 55c..... Jumping Spider 55c..... Ant \$1.10..... Weevil







First Day of Issue 28 July 2009

Sydney NSW 2000

1617142 Minisheet

Micro Monsters is a fascinating issue that reveals a wonderful microscopic world most of us never have a chance to see. Familiar everyday insects, magnified many times, are shown in a new light. The stamps feature an Ant; a Jumping Spider; a Weevil; a Hatchet Wasp; a Ground Beetle and a Dead Leaf Mimic Mantis (or Praying Mantis). The miniature sheet shows a detail of a Common Cabbage White Butterfly's wing. When photographed by a scanning electron microscope (SEM), these tiny insects become fantastically monster-like in appearance, creating a quite different and wonderfully unique experience of these relatively common creatures.

The SEM allows magnification of remarkable strength – well over one million times – and SEM photography became commercially available in the 1960s. In addition to being a crucial research tool in many areas of science, it has changed the way we see the world. By enabling us to view any specimen at such magnification the SEM reveals the beauty and complexity of microstructure in amazing clarity.

The word microscope is derived from the Greek *mikros* (small) and *skopeo* (look at). There has always been an interest in being able to look at smaller and smaller details, for example, biologists examine the structure of cells, bacteria, viruses while geologists study the structure of rocks, minerals and fossils.

The technology that allows us to see these insects in such detail was invented by a German, Dr Ernst Ruska at the University of Berlin, who built the first transmission electron microscope in 1931. For this and subsequent work on the subject, he was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1986.

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1617350 Stamp and medallion cover

1616209 Roll of (100 x 55c)

While SEM images are only ever in black-and-white, these stamps have been colourised with subtlety by designer Wayne Rankin to emphasise specific features. Wayne has designed many stamps for Australia Post including the wonderful Nature of Australia series. All the stamp images are from the collection of the Australian Museum in Sydney and the specialist micrographer is Sue Lindsay.

Issue Highlights

This is a great issue for kids! For the first time the minisheet stamps incorporate thermoprinting technology. Simply apply friction (eg. rub quickly with your thumb) to a special area on each stamp on the minisheet to reveal information on the degree of magnification of each insect. This issue also includes a limited edition (10,000) stamp and medallion cover showcasing the praying mantis.









Thermoprinting technology marks to look out for on the minisheet stamps

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	28 July 2009
FDI withdrawal date	25 August 2009
Denominations	5 x 55c (se-tenant strip of 5) and 1 x \$1.10
Stamp design	Wayne Rankin
Product design	Dong Uong, Australia Post Design Studio
Gutter illustration	Janet Matthews
Printer	Energi Print
Paper	Tullis Russell (gummed) /B90 (s/a)
Printing process	Lithography
Stamp size	37.5mm x 26mm
Minisheet size	160mm x 85mm
Perforations	13.86 x 14.6
Sheet layout	2 x 25 stamps per module, 200 per sheet
Special feature	Printed 6 colour hexachrome with
	Thermochromatic ink (minisheet stamps only)
National postmark	Sydney, NSW 2000



1617003 First day cover (self-adhesive)



1617013 First day cover (minisheet)



1617126 Stamp pack











1617220 Maxicards (6)



55c...... Bridled Nailtail Wallaby 55c...... N.I. Green Parrot 55c..... Subantarctic Fur Seal 55c..... C.I. Blue-tailed Skink 55c..... Green Turtle

SPECIES AT RISK - JOINT TERRITORIES

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[SPECIES AT RISK] Joint territories issue

> First Day of Issue 4 August 2009 Canberra ACT 2600



An Australian first!

This joint issue includes all stamp-issuing Australian external territories as well as Australia and features a minisheet and self-adhesive booklet of 20. Australia issues stamps for four of seven of its external territories: the Australian Antarctic Territory, and the Indian Ocean territories, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Christmas Island. Australia Post took over the responsibilities for postal and philatelic services on Cocos (Keeling) Islands from 1 January 1994, on Christmas Island from 4 March 1993 and in the AAT from 27 March 1957.



1608142 Minisheet



Norfolk Island stamps - only sold in Australia affixed to FDC and in joint stamp pack 14 | stamp bulletin australia | no. 299 | July–August 2009 AAT, Cocos and Christmas Islands stamps ALL valid for postage in Australia.



1618182 Booklet of 20 (Australian)

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1618002 First day cover (Australian)

1618013 First day cover (minisheet)

Norfolk Island, although also an external territory of Australia, has its own postal administration and has issued its own stamps since 1947. Norfolk Island stamps are valid for postage on Norfolk Island only. This stamp issue is a joint issue between the Australian and Norfolk Island postal administrations, and includes stamps from Australia, Norfolk Island, Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and the Australian Antarctic Territory.

The theme is animals under threat of extinction in Australia and its territories: the Bridled Nailtail Wallaby, the Norfolk Island Green Parrot, the Subantarctic Fur-seal, the Christmas Island Blue-tailed Skink and the Green Turtle.

The Bridled Nailtail Wallaby *(Onychogalea fraenata)* is a small wallaby, grey to light tan in colour with a distinct white line forming a "bridle" from the back of the neck to behind the forelimbs. Its other distinctive markings are the white stripes along the sides of the face, and a black stripe down the length of the back.

The Norfolk Island Green Parrot *(Cyanoramphus cookii)* or Norfolk Island Red-crowned Parakeet, is a species of parrot in the Psittacidae family. It is endemic to Norfolk Island. Its natural habitats are subtropical or tropical moist lowland forests and plantations. In 1790, Green Parrots were so common that convicts used sticks to drive them from ripening corn.



1618004 First day cover (Australian + Norfolk Island)



1618128 Joint stamp pack



1618241 Gutter strip



1618127 Stamp pack (Australian) July–August 2009 | no. 299 | stamp bulletin australia | 15



1618220 Maxicard set (5)

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date 4 August 2009

FDI withdrawal date 1 September 2009 Denominations 5 x 55c Stamp illustration Kevin Stead Stamp/product design John White, Australia Post Design Studio Printer McKellar Paper Tullis Russell/B100 s/a Printing process Lithography Stamp size 26mm x 37.5mm Minisheet size 145mm x 85mm Perforations 13.86 x 14.6 Sheet layout 50 Special feature Decorative gutter National postmarks Canberra, ACT 2600 Christmas Island, WA 6798 Cocos (Keeling) Island, WA 6799

Kingston, TAS 7050

Norfolk Island, NSW 2899

SPECIES AT RISK – JOINT TERRITORIES 4 AUGUST 2009

The Subantarctic Fur Seal (*Arctocephalus tropicalis*) is medium-sized compared with other fur seals. Subantarctic Fur-seals are widespread geographically. As their name implies they generally breed in more northerly locations than the Antarctic Fur Seals. In Australia this seal breeds only on Macquarie Island.

The Christmas Island Blue-tailed Skink (*Cryptoblepharus egeriae*) is distinctive for its bright blue tail, which is brightest in juveniles, with the colour diminishing in adults. It is heliothermic, becoming active only when sunlight is available for thermo-regulation. It is found only on Christmas Island, most commonly in the settlement area.

The range of the Green Turtle *(Chelonia mydas)* extends throughout tropical and subtropical seas around the world, with two distinct populations in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Green Turtles are the largest of all the hard-shelled sea turtles. Adult Green Turtles are unique among sea turtles in that they are herbivorous, feeding primarily on seagrasses and algae. This diet is thought to give them greenish coloured fat, from which they take their name. On Cocos (Keeling) Islands Green Turtles nest on North Keeling and South Islands.

Issue Highlights

An Australian first! This joint issue includes all stamp-issuing Australian external territories as well as Australia and features a self-adhesive booklet of 20 and joint territories minisheet.

[SPECIES AT RISK] Joint territories issue

[SPECIES AT RISK] JOINT TERRITORIES ISSUE

First Day of Issue 4 August 2009 Canberra ACT 2600

First Day of Issue 4 August 2009 Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799

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First Day of Issue [SPECIES AT RISK] 4 August 2009 Christmas Island

JOINT TERRITORIES ISSUE First Day of Issue

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⁵⁰ [SPECIES AT RISK] Joint Territories Issue

WA 6798

First Day of Issue 4 August 2009

Norfolk Island

NSW 2899

Postmark variations



OFFICIAL LICENSED PRODUCT

Released to coincide with the start of the 2009 NRL season these Stamp Packs are a must have collectable for footy fans everywhere.

Stamp pack features:

- 20 x 55c stamps (total stamp value \$11.00)
- 20 Player profiles players featured in the tabs
- 2009 fixtures
- Team background



ALL 16 TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE AT

\$15.95 each

55c..... Water Tank, SA 55c..... House, NSW 55c..... Shearing Shed, Old 55c...... Magney House, NSW

CORRUGATED LANDSCAPES 11 AUGUST 2009

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1587002 First day cover (gummed)-shown 1587003 First day cover (self-adhesive)

Flexible, lightweight, cheap and reusable, corrugated iron is a familiar material in the Australian landscape. It features in the sheds, fences and water tanks that populate our country and suburban environments. We have come to identify it as our own, to the extent that it was a star character in the "Tin Symphony" at the closing ceremony of the Sydney Olympic Games.

Corrugated iron - which despite its name is now always made of steel - is metal crimped so as to greatly increase its strength. A product of industrial and imperial Britain, where it was invented and patented in 1829, it was exported to Australia from 1850 on. As a result of the demands of the gold rush, by 1880 Australia had become Britain's biggest customer.

Corrugated iron arrived here as a building material, as roofing for verandahs and in the form of portable shops, sheds and churches. Vast numbers of prefabricated dwellings were erected to house colonial settlers, gold miners and other workers. Buildings needed to be constructed quickly, and the flexible, lightweight, cheap corrugated iron was well-suited to this purpose.

Today corrugated iron pervades our cities; it is no longer just a symbol of the bush. Available in a variety of profiles and multicoloured coatings, it is a popular material for roofing, water storage, warehouses and factories. Two award-winning railway stations have made it a feature of their spectacular roofs - the Southern Cross Railway Station in Melbourne and Olympic Park Railway Station in Sydney.

Water Tank

The stamp shows a typical rusted tank on hardwood posts within a dry Australian country landscape. This is a typical landscape on the Fleurieu Peninsula, SA, and photographed by Christopher Potter.

Traditional Home

The photograph was taken in Broken Hill, NSW, by photographer Eric Sierens. From colonial times, corrugated iron has been used to make vast numbers of portable, prefabricated dwellings to house colonial settlers, miners and other workers, and has been sought after because it is a flexible, lightweight and cheap material.

Shearing Shed

This Nissen hut was converted into a shed at Bushy Park Cattle Station, Queensland, and is here photographed by Jaen-Marc La Roque. Widely used during both world wars and in subsequent conflicts, Nissen huts have since been recycled as migrant hostels, churches, schools and farm sheds.

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1587126 Stamp pack

Magney House

This contemporary home at Bingie Bingie Point, NSW, is by architect Glenn Murcutt and photographed by Anthony Browell. Murcutt is internationally famous and won the Pritzker Prize in 2000 – the world's most prestigious architecture award. All his designs are tempered by the land and climate of his native Australia. This stamp shows Magney House, stretching across a wind-swept site overlooking the ocean. Its asymmetric V-shaped corrugated iron roof collects rainwater that is recycled for drinking and heating.

Issue Highlights

This issue features a decorative gutter, a prestige booklet with a unique block of four, a self-adhesive booklet of 20 and a roll of 200.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	. 11 August 2009
FDI withdrawal date	. 8 September 2009
Denominations	. 4 x 55c
Stamp design	. Andrew Hogg
Product design	. Sally Piskuric, Australia Post Design Studio
Gutter sculptures	Jeff Thomson
Printer	. Energi Print
Paper (gummed/s-a)	. Tullis Russell / B90
Printing process	. Lithography
Stamp size	. 37.5mm x 26mm
Perforations	. 13.86 x 14.6
Sheet layout	. Panes of 25 modules of 50
Special feature	. Decorative gutter
National postmark	. Rippleside, Vic 3215



1587240 Gutter strip



1587182 Booklet of (20 x 55c)



1587220 Maxicards (4)

55c...... Sombrero Galaxy M104 \$1.45..... Reflection Nebula M78 \$2.10..... Spiral Galaxy M83

STARGAZING: THE SOUTHERN SKIES

25 AUGUST 2009



First Day of Issue 25 August 2009 Southern Cross WA 6426









1619002 First day cover





1619142 Minisheet

This stamp issue is being released during the International Year of Astronomy. It highlights the beauty of astronomical objects revealed through the art of astrophotography, and it celebrates a science that has had an enormous impact on culture and society worldwide.

The miniature sheet conceptually anchors the three stamps. It shows the dome of the Anglo-Australian Telescope at Siding Spring, NSW, backed by star trails around the south celestial pole. The two galaxy images in the stamp designs were taken from this telescope, while the nebula image was taken from a backyard observatory in Yass.

Sombrero Galaxy M104

The Sombrero takes its common name from the broad-brimmed Mexican hat it resembles. Despite its appearance it is a spiral galaxy, one of the largest in the Virgo constellation. It has a large central bulge, the light of which is dominated by the billions of old faint stars around a small hidden nucleus. It is seen almost edgeon and the bulge is encircled by a lane of dust, giving M104 its distinctive hatlike look.

Reflection Nebula M78

Nebulae are clouds of gas, mainly hydrogen and helium, often mixed with tiny dust grains. M78 is one of the brightest diffuse reflection nebulae in the sky, one of many such objects in the constellation of Orion. It belongs to a vast dusty cloud centred on the Orion nebula, and it is also a star-forming nursery.

1619013 First day cover (minisheet)

Spiral Galaxy M83

M83 is located in the Hydra constellation and is sometimes known as the "southern pinwheel". It is a fine example of a "grand design" galaxy and is thought to be much like our own, the Milky Way. This image is taken from above one of its poles, its trailing spiral arms showing reddish star-forming regions alternating with bluish young star clusters and dark lanes of dust. The concentrated central region of the galaxy comprises older, yellow stars.

Issue Highlights

This issue includes a minisheet, and also a postal numismatic cover with a \$1 Uncirculated base-metal coin, produced by The Perth Mint.



1619008 Postal numismatic cover

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Issue date	25 August 2009
FDI withdrawal date	22 September 2009
Denominations	55c, \$1.45 and \$2.10
Stamp/product design	John White, Australia Post Design Studio
Printer	McKellar
Paper (gummed)	Tullis Russell
Printing process	Lithography
Stamp size	37.5mm x 26mm
Sheetlet size	13.86mm x 14.6mm
Perforations	14.6 x 13.86
Sheet layout	Modules of 50
National postmark	Southern Cross, WA 6426



1619126 Stamp pack







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THE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR MICROBIOLOGY

The Australian Society for Microbiology (ASM) was formed in Melbourne in 1959 with virologist and immunologist Sir Frank Macfarlane Burnet as foundation president. A not-for-profit organisation, the main objective of the Society is to advance the science of microbiology in Australia. The ASM now has a national membership of about 2,200 and actively liaises with governments and other professional bodies at both State and Federal levels in support of its members and the profession.



0480134 Pre-stamped envelope (mint) 0480144 Pre-stamped envelope (postmarked)-shown

THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF ASTRONOMY

25 AUGUST 2009





0481134 Pre-stamped envelope (mint) 0481144 Pre-stamped envelope (postmarked)-shown

The International Year of Astronomy 2009 is a worldwide celebration of astronomy and its contributions to society and culture. It marks the 400th anniversary of Italian scientist Galileo Galilei turning a telescope to the sky. This was the beginning of modern instrumental astronomy and a milestone in the history of science. Organisers in 137 countries are running activities throughout the year aimed at establishing collaborations between professional and amateur astronomers, science centres, educators and science communicators. The goals of IYA in Australia include raising awareness of Australia's contributions, strengths and role in astronomy and encouraging young people in particular to engage with the natural world through astronomy.

TALKING STAMPS

There is much to stamp collecting...

There is a lot to stamp collecting, whether you collect the stamps that come on your mail, buy stamps from your local post office or drop into your local stamp dealer to fill the spaces in your collection. Stamps tell us about current events, history and the world around us. Yet, while stamps can show us aspects of history, an envelope and its letter are also elements of postal history. It's all part of the great hobby of stamp collecting. Over the years, changes in the postal service have mirrored the way society has changed. Stamps are part of this unfolding story, and this is why stamp collecting has always been, and remains, one of the most popular hobbies in the world

Think about what goes into creating a stamp for postage. An idea is fleshed out to tell a story, which a designer or artist conveys through a design. The design then needs to become a printable stamp before being sent to a post office for sale. The stamp then ends up on a letter or parcel, on which it is postmarked before being delivered. Many stamp collectors are interested in one or all of the processes of post and philatelic, and this is what extends the interest of stamp collecting beyond adding stamps to an album. There is something for everyone in stamp collecting, whether you collect mint stamps from the post office, postmarks on envelopes or study the way the envelope is delivered. Many people collect stamps on a theme, the most popular theme being birds. Others collect every stamp issue Australia produces. Yet others are interested in single stamp designs. The interests of stamp collectors cover the whole spectrum.

Many stamp collectors ask how they go beyond what they do now. The good news for collectors is that stamp collecting is not only the world's biggest hobby, but it is also well organised. There are international and national bodies for postal administrations, stamp dealers and collectors, in addition to local stamp clubs. Some collectors don't like being involved with anything too organised, but this can be a mistake. Stamp clubs are a great place to meet people with similar interests and to get those stamps you are missing. and perhaps most importantly they may stop you being taken advantage of by unscrupulous people. What's more, the friendships made at stamp clubs can often be for life

Does stamp collecting sound a bit more interesting than dusty old albums and stamp tweezers? We hope so, because many collectors certainly find it so. To find your local stamp club take a look at the Australian Philatelic Federation's website www.apf.org.au, Australia's national stamp collecting body, and check out your state council, which lists all clubs in the state and when they meet. Alternatively, write to the APF, PO Box 528, Cardiff, NSW 2285. To find your local stamp dealer check out the Australian Philatelic Traders Association's website www.apta.com.au, and for your local post office go to www.auspost.com.au.

Another way to find out more is attend a stamp exhibition, where you will find the organisations above in one place and with a fascinating array of stamps on display. The next national exhibition, Melbourne Stampshow 2009, will be held from 23–26 July 2009 at the Function Centre, Melbourne Park (National Tennis Centre), Batman Avenue, Melbourne. See the website for further information www.melbournestampshow 2009.com.

Darryl Fuller

Philatelic Development Officer Australian Philatelic Federation (APF)

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1514521 Fall of the Berlin Wall 1oz silver proof coin **\$89.50 each**



1514523 200 Years of Postal Services 1oz silver proof coin **\$89.50 each**



1514536 Famous Battles: The Battle of Cannae 216BC **\$89.50 each**



1514537 2009 International Year of Astronomy 1oz silver proof coin **\$89.50 each**

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1514524 Famous Battles: The Battle of Thermopylae 480BC **\$89.50 each**

1514538 100 Years of Swimming Excellence \$1 Uncirculated coin **\$13.95 each**



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\$1 Uncirculated 60th Anniversary of Australian Citizenship coin. Mintmark (C) Privy marks (B, M, S) **\$3.00 each**

\$1 Frosted Uncirculated pad printed coins: 1514530 Frilled Lizard **\$14.95 each** 1514529 Bilby **\$14.95 each**

AUSTRALIA POST BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS IN SYDNEY (NSW)

26-28 June 2009

See page 3 for more details.

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APTA TASMANIAN STAMP, COIN & COLLECTABLES SHOWS

11 - 12 July 2009

To be held at Sandors on the Park, 3 Brisbane Street, Launceston on Saturday, 11 July 2009, and at the Mercure Hotel, 156 Bathurst Street, Hobart on Sunday, 12 July 2009. Open 9am to 3.00 pm for both shows. Local and interstate dealers will attend. Admission is \$5 adults, children free. www.apta.com.au

SYDNEY YOUTH STAMP GROUP WORKSHOP (NSW)

16 July 2009

An open day for children at Philas House, 17 Brisbane Street, Surry Hills, with games, talks, stamp activities, swapping and lots of prizes. The event will run from 10.30am to 3pm. Children should be registered by 10am. Entry is FREE with lunch provided for children attending. To make a booking contact Liz Nakhla on 02 9498 5290. www.vouth.stamparena.com

MELBOURNE STAMP SHOW (Vic)

23-26 July 2009

National Philatelic Exhibition See page 7 for more details. www.melbournestampshow2009.com

BENDIGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY ANNUAL STAMP FAIR (Vic)

8 August 2009

To be held at St Andrews Uniting Church Hall, 24 Myer Street, Bendigo. Hours 10am to 4pm. FREE admission. Further details call 03 5443 0347.

WEST SYDNEY STAMP & COIN SHOW (NSW)

29 August 2009

This event will be held at the Merrylands RSL, 14 Military Road. Hours will be 10am to 3.30pm and local & interstate dealers will attend. Admission is \$2. Contact Steve on 0432 540 760 for details.

SOUTHPEX - 25TH ANNIVERSARY (WA)

13 September 2009

The Southpex stamp show will be held at the Maddington Community Centre, Alcock Street, Maddington. Hours will be 10am–5pm. Dealers, exhibitions and an auction will take place at the show. Available at the show are a limited edition set of 4 anniversary booklets at \$12 a set and Year of the Ox booklets at \$3 each or via mail order from

Southpex PO Box 228 GOSNELLS WA 6990 www.southpex.com

ANTARCTIC STAMPS ARRIVAL DATES

The AAT International Polar year stamp issue released in September 2008 arrived at the following stations on the dates shown. These are the dates used for the first day of issue.

Davis Station

1 November 2008

Casey Station 4 December 2008

Mawson Station 9 December 2008

Maquarie Island 19 March 2009

POSTMARKS

Sandstone, WA 6639 Introduced 1 April 2009 Celebrating 100 years of the Sandstone Post Office.

IN RETROSPECT

Mt Buller, Vic 3723 Introduced 6 April 2009 Features the new Mt Buller logo.

Saddleworth, SA 5413 Introduced 14 April 2009 Features a ram and wheat sheaf

Kyneton, Vic 3444 Introduced 14 April 2009 Features a daffodil.

Batman, Vic 3058 Introduced 14 April 2009 Features a bat.

Port Germein, SA 5495 Introduced 30 April 2009 Features a wooden jetty

Melbourne, Vic 3000

Introduced 1 May 2009 Commemorates the 57th National Lions Club Convention. Impressions available from the PM, Collins St West Post Shop, 3000.

23rd Asian International Stamp Exhibition Introduced 14 May 2009 Hong Kong show 14-17 May 2009 Impressions available from the Australian Philatelic Bureau

Impressions can be obtained from relevant Postal Managers.

KOALA COUNT

A summary of reprints from July 2008 to June 2009 will be featured in the next Stamp Bulletin.

POSTMARKS

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE POSTMARKS

Australia Post –200 Years (Part II) 26 June 2009 Sydney, NSW 2000

Australian Bush Babies 1 July 2009 Gumly Gumly, NSW 2652

Australian Parks and Gardens 14 July 2009 Botany, NSW 2019

Micro Monsters 28 July 2009

Sydney, NSW 2000

Species at Risk –Joint Territories

4 August 2009 5 locations (see page 16)

Corrugated Landscapes 11 August 2009 Rippleside, Vic 3215

Stargazing: The Southern Skies 25 August 2009 Southern Cross, WA 6426

Microbiology PSE postmark 1 July 2009 Perth. WA 6000

Astronomy PSE postmark 25 August 2009 Southern Cross, WA 6426

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TEMPORARY POSTMARKS Williamstown VIC 3016

25 June 2009 Celebrates the 125th Anniversary of the arrival of three Victorian Colonial Naval Ships in Port Phillip – 25th June 1884.

Swan Hill, Vic 3585

8-16 August 2009 Celebrates Swan Hill Pioneers Week.

Australia Post-200 Years

26 June 2009 – from GPO Sydney and QVB PostShops, design features a tall ship. 27 June 2009 – from Darling Harbour exhibit *, design features the PMG logo. 28 June 2009 – from Darling Harbour exhibit *, design features the Australia Post–Celebrating 200 Years logo.

* Postal requests for impressions should be directed to the Postal Manager, Queen Victoria Building NSW 1230.

The following postmarks will also be available at the exhibit: Sydney GPO, Sydney Harbour Bridge, QVB, The Rocks and Darling Harbour.

PICTORIAL POSTMARKS Dubbo, NSW 2830 14 July 2009 Featuring the Western Plains Zoo.

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Coutts Crossing, NSW 2460 20 July 2009 Commemorating the opening of Shannon Creek Dam.

Mount Gambier, SA 5290

6 August 2009 Featuring the ship Admella to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the shipwreck.

Minlaton, SA 5575

6 August 2009 Featuring the Red Devil Plane to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Harry Butler first flight.

North Sydney, NSW 2060 8 August 2009 Featuring Mary MacKillop

COUNTER PRINTED STAMPS

To celebrate the beginning of a new national collectables group, the Australian Postcard Society, a special commemorative literal CPS "APS Launch 2009" was released on 23 April 2009. The CPS will be only available in 6 x 55c strips featuring the kangaroo and koala paper. Strip 6 x 55c: \$3.30. FDC Strip 6 x 55c: \$3.60

Also available is a special commemorative postmark for the release date of 23 April 2009. CPS and postmark impressions are available from Postal Manager Adelaide GPO until 31 August 2009. Please supply a postage paid reply envelope to ensure a quick response.

Impressions can be obtained from relevant Postal Managers.

CORRECTIONS

23rd Asian International Stamp Exhibition Souvenir Stamp Sheet Limited print run is 6,300 not 8,000 for this Souvenir Stamp Sheet. 1514526

Not Just Desserts Gutter is not decorative.

SEVEN SEAS

The following will be included in Seven Seas 2009 supplements and optional pages. Seven Seas pages are only available from stamp dealers and Seven Seas. Products for Seven Seas pages • No CTO • Partial returns for refunds not accepted.

1 July 2009

Australian Bush Babies - International Stamps Supplement design set gummed

design set s/a (supplied as 2 x s/a sheetlets) Optionals 2 x s/a sheetlets

14 July 2009

Australian Parks and Gardens

Supplement design set gummed design set s/a (supplied as s/a strip of five) Optionals s/a booklet s/a strip of five s/a Coll Pack gutter strip with design

28 July 2009 Micro Monsters

Supplement design set gummed
(strip 5 x 55c plus
minisheet
design set s/a
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Optionals

single) ot five from roll) s/a strip of five from roll s/a Coll Pack gutter strip with design

In the case of self-adhesive stamps, Australia Post will supply collector packs, full booklets or sheetlets only.

NEW ISSUES

4 August 2009 **Species at Risk - Joint Territories** Aust. Supplement design set gummed mini sheet design set s/a (s/a bklet 20 x 55c) Aust. Optionals s/a booklet gutter strip with design 11 August 2009

Corrugated Landscapes

Supplement design set gummed design set s/a (s/a strip of four) Optionals s/a strip of four s/a booklet gutter strip 10 x 55c with design s/a collector pack

25 August 2009

StarGazing: the Southern Skies Supplement design set gummed mini sheet Optionals nil

July 2009

Melbourne Stamp Show Optionals minisheet

Mail orde	r codes	
1619235	Australian Supplement	\$73.45
1619236	Australian Optional	\$104.05

Mail order (retail)	Product description	Price	Planned withdrawal date
26 June 2009	Australia's Favourite Stamps		
1611067 (36833)	Stamps (5 x 55c)	\$2.75	31 December 2009
1611300 (36863)	Prestige cover "A Letter to Mary"	\$9.95	31 December 2009
1611002 (36839)	First day cover (gummed)	\$3.05	24 July 2009
1611003 (36840)	First day cover (self-adhesive)	\$3.05	24 July 2009
1611005 (36838)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	31 December 2009
1611126 (36841)	Stamp pack	\$3.20	31 December 2009
1611220 (36842)	Maxicard set (5)	\$6.50	31 December 2009
1611184 (36877)	Prestige booklet	\$12.95	31 December 2009
1611241 (36837)	Gutter (10 x 55c – with design)	\$5.50	31 December 2009
1611008 (36843)	Postal numismatic cover	\$14.95	31 December 2009
1611210 (36834)	Roll (200 x 55c) (McKellar)	\$110.00	31 December 2009
1611301 (37040)	Roll (200 x 55c) (Pemara)	\$110.00	31 December 2009
1611200 (36836)	Strip of five self-adhesive from a roll (McKellar)	\$2.75	31 December 2009
1611302 (37039)	Strip of five self-adhesive from a roll (Pemara)	\$2.75	31 December 2009
1611223 (36900)	Collector pack	\$11.90	31 December 2009
1611250 (36995)	Special presentation pack	\$12.95	31 December 2009
1611251 (36993)	Special souvenir stamp sheet	\$7.15	31 December 2009
26 June 2009	Australia Post – 200 Years		
1611252 (36844)	Stamp-coin Set: Early Posting Box 1/2oz silver proof	\$89.95	1 January 2010
1611253 (36845)	Stamp-coin Set: Home Delivery 1/2oz silver proof	\$89.95	1 January 2010

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Mail order (retail)	Product description	Price	Planned withdrawal date
1 July 2009	Australian Bush Babies – International Stamps		
1615067 (36959)	Stamps (1 x \$1.45, 1 x \$2.10, 1 x \$2.90, 1 x \$4.20)	\$10.65	T.B.A.
1615250 (36955)	Self-adhesive sheetlet (5 x \$1.45)	\$7.25	T.B.A.
1615251	Chequebook (20 x 5 x \$1.45)	\$145.00	T.B.A.
1615252 (36956)	Self-adhesive sheetlet (5 x \$2.10)	\$10.50	T.B.A.
1615253	Chequebook (20 x 5 x \$2.10)	\$210.00	T.B.A.
1615002 (36977)	First day cover (gummed)	\$10.95	29 July 2009
1615005 (36976)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	T.B.A.
1615126 (36978)	Stamp pack	\$11.10	T.B.A.
1615220 (36979)	Maxicard set (3)	\$13.65	T.B.A.
1615241 (36963)	Gutter (10 x \$1.45)	\$14.50	T.B.A.
1615242 (36967)	Gutter (10 x \$2.10)	\$21.00	T.B.A.
1615243 (36971)	Gutter (10 x \$2.90)	\$29.00	T.B.A.
1615244 (36975)	Gutter (10 x \$4.20)	\$42.00	T.B.A.
1 July 2009	Golden Jubilee of the Australian Society for Microbio	logy	
0480134 (36944)	Pre-stamped envelope (mint)	\$0.65	31 January 2010
0480144 (36945)	Pre-stamped envelope (postmarked)	\$0.65	29 July 2009
14 July 2009	Australian Parks and Gardens		
1616067 (36864)	Stamps (5 x 55c)	\$2.75	31 January 2010
1616300 (36876)	Prestige first day cover	\$9.95	31 January 2010
616002 (36872)	First day cover (gummed)	\$3.05	11 August 2009
616003 (36873)	First day cover (self-adhesive)	\$3.05	11 August 2009
616005 (36871)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	31 January 2010
1616126 (36874)	Stamp pack	\$3.20	31 January 2010
616220 (36875)	Maxicard set (5)	\$6.50	31 January 2010
1616184 (36877)	Prestige booklet	\$12.95	31 January 2010
616182 (36865)	Booklet of (10 x 55c)	\$5.50	31 January 2010
1616250	Chequebook (20 x 10 x 55c)	\$110.00	31 January 2010
616240 (36870)	Gutter (10 x 55c - with design)	\$5.50	31 January 2010
1616209 (36867)	Roll (100 x 55c)	\$55.00	31 January 2010
616223 (36919)	Collector pack	\$9.15	31 January 2010
1616200 (36869)	Self adhesive strip of 5	\$2.75	31 January 2010
28 July 2009	Micro Monsters		
617067	Stamps (5 x 55c, 1 x \$1.10)	\$3.85	31 January 2010
617142 (36927)	Minisheet	\$3.85	31 January 2010
617002 (36937)	First day cover (gummed)	\$4.15	25 August 2009
617003 (36938)	First day cover (self-adhesive)	\$4.15	25 August 2009
617013 (36939)	First day cover (minisheet)	\$4.15	25 August 2009
617005 (36936)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	31 January 2010
617126 (36940)	Stamp pack	\$8.15	31 January 2010
617220 (36941)	Maxicard set (6)	\$8.35	31 January 2010
617350 (36943)	Stamp and medallion cover	\$19.95	31 January 2010
617241 (36931)	Gutter (10 x 55c – with design)	\$5.50	31 January 2010
1617242 (36935)	Gutter (10 x \$1.10)	\$11.00	31 January 2010
1617209 (36926)	Roll (100 x 55c)	\$55.00	31 January 2010
617223 (36942)	Collector pack	\$9.15	31 January 2010
1617200 (36930)	Self adhesive strip of 5	\$2.75	31 January 2010

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Mail order (retail)	Product description	Price	Planned withdrawal date
4 August 2009	Species at Risk – Joint Territories		
1618067 (36983)	Stamps (5 x 55c) (Australian)	\$2.75	28 February 2010
1618142 (36981)	Minisheet (joint)	\$2.75	28 February 2010
1618002 (36986)	First day cover (gummed) (Australian)	\$3.05	1 September 2009
1618013 (36988)	First day cover (minisheet) (Australian)	\$3.05	1 September 2009
1618004 (38687)	First day cover (Australian + Norfolk Island)	\$5.80	1 September 2009
1618005 (36985)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	28 February 2010
1618127 (36989)	Stamp pack (Australian)	\$5.95	28 February 2010
1618128 (36990)	Stamp pack (Australian + joint)	\$8.70	28 February 2010
1618220 (36991)	Maxicard set (5)	\$6.50	28 February 2010
1618241 (36984)	Gutter (10 x 55c – with design)	\$5.50	28 February 2010
1618182 (37063)	Booklet of (20 x 55c)	\$11.00	28 February 2010
1618250	Chequebook (20 x 20 x 55c)	\$220.00	28 February 2010
11 August 2009	Corrugated Landscapes		,
1587067 (36079)	Stamps (4 x 55c)	\$2.20	28 February 2010
1587002 (36083)	First day cover (gummed)	\$2.50	8 September 2009
1587003 (36858)	First day cover (self-adhesive)	\$2.50	8 September 2009
1587005 (36082)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	28 February 2010
1587126 (36084)	Stamp pack	\$2.65	28 February 2010
1587220 (36085)	Maxicard set (4)	\$5.20	28 February 2010
1587184 (36086)	Prestige booklet	\$10.95	28 February 2010
1587240 (36081)	Gutter (10 x 55c – with design)	\$5.50	28 February 2010
1587182 (36860)	Booklet of (20 x 55c)	\$11.00	28 February 2010
1584250	Chequebook (20 x 20 x 55c)	\$220.00	28 February 2010
1587210 (36862)	Roll (200 x 55c)	\$110.00	28 February 2010
1587223 (36859)	Collector pack	\$8.60	28 February 2010
1587200 (37065)	Self adhesive strip x 4	\$2.20	28 February 2010
25 August 2009	Stargazing: The Southern Skies	ψ2.20	2010510017 2010
1619067 (36999)	Stamps (1 x 55c, 1 x \$1.45, 1 x \$2.10)	\$4.10	28 February 2010
1619142 (37012)	Minisheet	\$4.10 \$4.10	28 February 2010
1619002 (37012)		\$4.10	
1619013 (37016)	First day cover (gummed)	\$4.40	22 September 2009
	First day cover (minisheet)	\$4.40	22 September 2009
1619005 (37014)	First day cover (blank)	\$0.30	28 February 2010
1619126 (37017)	Stamp pack		28 February 2010
1619220 (37018)	Maxicard set (3)	\$6.35	28 February 2010
1619008 (37019)	Postal numismatic cover	\$14.95	28 February 2010
1619241 (37003)	Gutter (10 x 55c – no design)	\$5.50	28 February 2010
1619242 (37007)	Gutter (10 x \$1.45 – no design)	\$14.50	28 February 2010
1619243 (37011)	Gutter (10 x \$2.10 – no design)	\$21.00	28 February 2010
25 August 2009	The United Nations International Year of Astronomy		
0481134 (36946)	Pre-stamped envelope (mint)	\$0.65	28 February 2010
0481144 (36947)	Pre-stamped envelope (postmarked)	\$0.65	22 September 2009
Seven Seas			
1619235	Australian Supplements BLTN 299	\$73.45	
1619236	Australian Optional BLTN 299	\$104.05	

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Coins					
PERTH MINT (PM)					
1514522 (36878)	50th Anniversary of Barbie 1oz silver pr	oof coin	\$97.50	-	
1514521 (36879)	Fall of the Berlin Wall 1oz silver proof co	oin	\$89.50	-	
1514524 (36880)	Famous Battles: The Battle of Thermop	ylae 480BC	\$89.50	-	
1514536 (37048)	Famous Battles: The Battle of Cannae 2	216BC	\$89.50	-	
1514523 (36881)	200 Years of Postal Services 1oz silver	proof coin	\$89.50	-	
1611403 (MO)	Australia Post – 200 Years Two-coin Set	: Isaac Nichols	\$119.95	-	
1514537 (37058)	2009 International Year of Astronomy 1	oz silver proof coin	\$89.50	-	
1514539 (37043)	100 Years of Swimming Excellence 1oz	silver proof	\$97.50	-	
1514538 (37044)	100 Years of Swimming Excellence \$1	Unc coin	\$13.95	-	
ROYAL AUSTRAL	IAN MINT (RAM)				
1514426 (36551)	2009 (Blinky Bill) Baby Proof coin set	9	\$120.00	-	
1514469 (36710)	60th Ann of Aust Citizenship \$1 Unc 'C	" mint mark coin	\$3.00	-	
1514527 (36950)	2009 Australia Remembers 20c coin		\$6.95	-	
1514528 (37022)	2009 Fine Silver Proof Year Set	9	\$295.00	-	
1514529 (37023)	Land Series: \$1 Frosted Unc Bilby		\$14.95	-	
1514530 (37024)	Land Series: \$1 Frosted Unc Frilled Liza	ırd	\$14.95	-	
1514531 (37021)	150 Years of State Government – QLD	silver proof coin	\$65.00	-	
March 2009	2009 AFL & NRL stamp packs	\$15.95 each	AFL & NF	RL withdrawal 31/12/09	
AFL Teams		NRL Teams			
1598301 (36476)	Adelaide	1614301 (3668)	6) Brisbane	Broncos	
1598302 (36477)	Brisbane Lions	1614302 (36695	5) Canberra	Raiders	
1598303 (36478)	Carlton	1614303 (36687	') Canterbur	y Bulldogs	
1598304 (36479)	Collingwood	1614304 (36698	3) Cronulla S	Sharks	
1598305 (36480)	Essendon	1614305 (36697) Manly-Warringah Se		arringah Sea Eagles	
1598306 (36481)	Fremantle	1614306 (3669)	2) Melbourr	ne Storm	
1598307 (36482)	Geelong	1614307 (3669	1) Newcast	Newcastle Knights	
1598308 (36483)	Hawthorn	1614308 (36690	90) Parramatta Eels		
1598309 (36484)	Melbourne	1614309 (3669)	93) Penrith Panthers		
1598310 (36485)	North Melbourne	1614310 (36689) St Georg	e-Illawarra	
1598311 (36486)	Port Adelaide	1614311 (36694	4) South Sy	dney Rabbitohs	
1598312 (36487)	Richmond	1614312 (36696	6) Sydney F	Roosters	
1598313 (36488)	St Kilda	1614313 (3668	8) North Q	ueensland Cowboys	
1598314 (36489)	Sydney Swans	1614314 (36699) Wests T	igers	
1598315 (36490)	West Coast Eagles	1614315 (3670	1) New Zea	aland Warriors	
1598316 (36491)	Western Bulldogs	1614316 (3670)	0) Gold Coa	ast Titans	
Miscellaneous					
0482229 (MO)	Melbourne Stamp Show 2009 minishee	et	\$2.20	31 January 2010	
1575171	2008 Collection of Australian Stamps		\$99.95	31 December 2009	
1575214	2008 Collection of Australian Stamps (E	xecutive)	\$134.95	31 December 2009	
1575194	The Australian Territories Collection of S	Stamps 2008	\$24.95	31 December 2009	
1514526	23rd Asian Stamp Exhibition Souvenir s	stamp sheet	\$9.95	31 December 2009	
1514534	Bicentennial re-enactment voyage cove	er	\$9.95	31 December 2009	
1514535	Bicentennial commemorative anniversa	ary cover set of 2	\$6.10	31 December 2009	
1514540	Bicentennial Australia Post classic vehi	cles SSS	\$15.95	31 December 2009	
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To celebrate the bicentenary of Australia Post, a re-enactment of the first official delivery of mail from England to Australia will take place on Friday 26 June 2009. It was on this day in 1809 that Isaac Nichols, Australia's first ever Post Master, received the first bag of mail in his official capacity.

The historic James Craig tall ship will sail into Sydney's Circular Quay at 8am.

A re-enactment of this historic delivery of mail will take place, followed by speeches onboard the ship by Government Dignitaries and Australia Post officials.

The celebrations will continue over the weekend of 27-28 June 2009, with a historic display to be held at Sydney's Darling Harbour. The display will feature historic vehicles, including a Cobb & Co Coach and T-Model Ford, as well as old uniforms, photographs, street posting boxes and other archival material. The exhibition will also include some state-of-the-art modern vehicles used by Australia Post to transport mail today, including a B-Double and Hino Hybrid Truck.

The exhibition will run from 10am to 6pm over the two days with commemorative products available at the exhibition (see over for details).

On 27 June 2009, the celebrations will continue into the evening with Australia Post holding a free public concert featuring David Campbell and Jessica Mauboy from 6.30pm. They will perform from the floating Aqua Shell on Darling Harbour, with the performance culminating with an impressive fire works display.





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