



# JOINT STAMP ISSUES

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Dear JSI collectors,

It appeared that the inclusion of the "rogues' gallery" of officers (like some of you called it) was a good idea. I never got such a lot of mail after having sent a journal, all being very positive about this initiative. It looks that putting a face in front of a name seems very important for all of us. I must admit that I was myself also interested in knowing the faces of other board members as I did only know the two members I have met up to now, namely Volker Dietze and Pascal LeBlond. I expected that some of the members, enthusiastic about this idea, would also answer by sending their own picture, but all of you remained hidden. It is proposed to open a similar picture page for all members, as all of you could also participate to this communication operation. Of course it must not be mandatory, but I suggest publishing the faces of all members who volunteer to be on a portrait gallery to be published in this journal. Just send me an ID picture or the scan of it. I will send the original back to you and let see what happens.

The February issue is the mainly devoted to the update of the catalogue. Therefore the information will not be detailed in this leaflet, but take a look in detail to the list of stamps released in 2001: you may have some surprises. The already huge list of joint issues to be released in 2002 is also astonishing. We go probably for a new record year.

Another classical chapter of the February issue is the part devoted to the budget. For the first time the accounts are even, leaving to the new treasurers a clean basis to start their duty.

Some of our members have given a few Euros or Dollars on top of what they were expected to pay as fees. These members always mentioned this supplement as being "a gift for the Society". This money was not taken in the figures given below. Although limited to a small amount of money, it will allow making something special. This will be a surprise that will be described in the May issue. So just be patient, please.

A discussion about the 2003 membership fees will have to be initiated. Details will be given in the next journal. Printing costs will probably increase, as it becomes too

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heavy to handle the increasing number of copies (this February issue represents about 1900 photocopies!). So, this part will have to be subcontracted. We study presently the cheapest way. The supplement to the catalogue was already given to a specialist. You will already notice a difference.

And finally, I am glad to announce that we gained several new members. Welcome to all of them.

RZ

## SOCIETY LIFE

### Membership fees

Now that we have entered in the Euro year and also that the new board members are taking their new responsibilities, we can speak about 2002 membership payments.

First of all, for the fourth consecutive year, the fees remain unchanged. For members leaving in the Euro countries the fees are fixed at 7.50 €. Members leaving outside the Euro countries, but who are able to pay in Euros (cash or international

postal money order) have to pay 12 €. Other country members paying in US dollar will have to pay 12 US\$. As the costs for checks within the Euro area remain taxed in 2002, it is recommended this year to send cash or international money orders to the treasurer. Membership fees in Euros have to be addressed to the European treasurer and membership fees in US\$ to the North American treasurer. For USA, Charles Feingersh opened a checking account for the Society: Name of the account is Joint Stamp Issues Society, Account # 005-

371988 at the Provident Bank, Potomac, MD 20854. All US members can send checks in US dollars to this bank account, at the address of Charles Feingersh (see below).

The European account is located at the Südtiroler Volksbank at I-39042 Brixen (KK/number: 1082664, ABI 5658, CAB 58222). Transfers or checks in Euros can be written either at the name of the IPS-JSIC or to the treasurer Christoph Kerschbaumer. It is reminded that until July 2003, money transfer within European countries will continue to be submitted to fees. So,

exceptionally this year, checks in Euros will be accepted from Italian members if sent to Christoph Kerschbaumer, from German members if sent to Volker Dietze and from French members if sent to Richard Zimmermann. Make sure that these checks are addressed to individuals not to the society's name. For people paying the bank fees or in cash, it is requested to send it directly to Christoph. For cash in the mail, it is preferable to send a 10 € bill than coins. The extra money will be taken in account as advance for 2003 fees.

As you will see below, it even seems that for the first time we are within our budget. However, distributing the work at different places and to different treasurers will increase both the internal mail costs and the bank account fees. Moreover, as the number of members grows in such a way that producing the journal (photocopying, folding, addressing) cannot anymore be done in a couple of hours, I had to give the printing work to a professional, who will also want more money for his job. We are

## New members and Addresses

*Members who have not seen their own name in this or previous lists are reminded that a written approval is required before publishing their address in this journal. A few words on a small postcard will do. Thanks.*

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looking for solutions to reduce the costs of mailing (such as sending a package of all North American journal to our NA Vice president who will distribute them to individuals) or introduce remote printing (by sending .pdf files to members accepting to print the journal themselves). Both proposals are under evaluation and other ideas are welcome. Anyway we will have to individualize the membership fees and at least separate membership costs from mailing costs. A final proposal will be published in the May issue and submitted to all members for acceptance. It will be applied only from 2003 on.

Pascal LeBlond has created a new Internet address for the Society. When trying to get some supplementary information directly from the Society web site, questions will be collected under the address [jointissues@yahoo.com](mailto:jointissues@yahoo.com) and Pascal will be the one answering to these requests. Of course all members can use this address also, but can continue addressing their

specific requests directly to individual board members.

We ask you to continue to support the Society by remitting your membership subscription for 2002. The membership year runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, so if you wish to continue to remain member and to receive the forthcoming quarterly documents, please return your payment as soon as possible.

**The 2002 yearly society fees amount € 7.50 for European Members, and € 12,- or US\$ 12,- for non European Members.** For those having chosen the large (double) size documents, dues are respectively € 13,50 for Europe and US\$ 21,- for the rest of the world.

**Christoph Kerschbaumer (Vene-**  
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**Many thanks in advance.**

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Georg MAHR, Röthenbach (Germany)  
These members have to be removed from your list.

## AUCTIONS

I recently got an e-mail from Barry Newton, editor of the journal of the American First Day Cover Society, pointing on an auction organized by his society, in which a large number of joint issue covers including mixed covers are presented. I can only urge you to check by yourself at the following address ([www.AFDCS.org/auction](http://www.AFDCS.org/auction)) and to choose within the list the items, which might interest you.

The sale will close in the late March 2002.

All collectors interested in first day covers can join the AFDCS, either directly via the website, or by contacting Barry Newton, PO Box 405, Peninsula, OH 44264-0405, USA. Please mention the IPS-JSIC in the sponsor box, this shows that our society is in a certain way also supporting the AFDCS.

It is also remembered that it could be possible to organize an auction within the Society, with material provided by the members. It has not been done up to now, due to a lack of time, but above all due to a lack of volunteers. If somebody is ready to launch the first auction, just contact me (RZ).

## BUDGET

As for each year, you will find below a few information about our budget, as I was still in charge of it as treasurer during 2001. This will change now with our new Treasurers, Charles Feingersh and Christoph Kerschbaumer, and our new Account Book Auditor. Hereunder is a summary of what was done with last year's society member fees (all figures are in Euros):

### Income:

European Members (fee: 7.50 to 7.67 € depending on the exchange rate):	52
Non European Members (fee: 10.62 to 12.00 € depending on the exchange rate):	32
Total: 84 members in 2001	Total income: <b>854.75 €</b>

This amount includes also the extra fees paid by the 10 members interested in the large size documents. Members who joined in December were integrated in the Society from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2002 only and did not receive the 2001 package. The excess of payment sent by some members is reported to 2001 in deduction from the following year membership. Only one member had to be excluded for non-payment of membership fees. Unfortunately, two members died during this year.

### Expenses:

QR. Feb: with catalogue complement IV; production costs 0.67 € each - total printing costs 56.95 € (supplementary printing costs for large size 13.76 €) - total postage fees 118.11 € - 84 sent;	total: 188.82 €
QR. May: production costs 0.45 € each (including material for election) - total printing costs 37.80 € (+ 8.36 € for large size) - total postage fees 101.47 € - 84 samples sent	total: 147.63 €
QR. Aug: production costs 0,28 € each - total printing costs 23.52 € (+ 8.36 € for large size) - total postage fees 90.71 € - 84 samples sent	total: 122.59 €
QR. Nov: production costs 0.34 € each (including supplementary color page) - total printing costs 27.88 € (+ 8.37 € for large size) - total postage fees 88.14 € - 82 samples sent	total: 124.39 €

All members received the 4 issues of the Quarterly Reports, but the members who joined during the year received less than 4 packages as previous issues were sent together, this explaining the difference between postal fees totals.

Advertising package contained a short description of the Society, a Membership form and a sample of the Quarterly Report, usually the one from May or August: (Amount sent: France 2, USA 8, India 1, Canada 1, Algeria 1, Australia 1, Slovenia 1; total 15) and diverse mail (answers to requests, free advertising packages to philatelic journals and libraries, mail exchange with members,...)	total: 86.74 €
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We have to consider that sending advertising package is like an investment and we should expect very soon a return on invest in terms of new members. From the 15 advertising package sent during 2001, 5 returned a signed membership form, which is quite a good success. Another 6 new members joined directly via the web page membership form.

Diverse stationery including paper (10.39), and printing ink (104.42), bank fees (1.60)	total: 116.41 €
Estimated part related to the use of the Internet (includes the telephone expenses), based on one tenth of the yearly subscription for the access to Internet (real 547 €)	estimated: 54.70 €

Details of expenses can be sent to any members who wish to check these figures by himself.

Total expenses: **841.28 €**

This short list of expenses does not include all extra expenses such as stationery, software and original printing costs, as well as costs for the web site update, telephone, catalogue, newspaper, etc. Moreover all samples of QR's and catalogue complements printed in advance are not accounted with the figures above.

The budget of the year 2002 shows for the first time an excedent of 13.47 . This is mainly due to the fact that we found a cheaper way for producing the journal (0,04 per printed page instead of 0,05 ). In previous years expenses were higher than incomes (respectively 12,09 and 18,23 missing), therefore the difference can be deduced from the

excess of this year. As we have now new treasurers, I propose that we put the level of the accounts to zero and restart this new year on a clean basis. In absence of critics by publication of the next journal, I consider these figures as approved. Starting with this year account system, we will also have our independent account book auditor in place.

## ADVERTISEMENT

### Advertisement

• Giovanni Valente, 449 Gregory Ave., Weehawken, NJ 07086, USA, would like to exchange mint stamps and FDCs with other collectors.

• Rindert Paalman has for sale a collection of the Portuguese booklet (mentioned by Volker Dietze in the August journal) containing the 18 different mixed FDCs of the May 22, 1992 Christopher Columbus issue.

Sales price is fixed at € 105,-. Please contact him directly under Kees van Baarenstraat, 4, 7558 DD HENGLO (OV (The Netherlands), e-mail: r.paalman@noknok.nl.

## NEW ISSUES

### Latest issues

#### Twin issues

Shortly after having published the November journal, Pascal LeBlond informed me about a twin issue produced by **Armenia** and **Russia** on **September 26, 2001** and already on sale on the net at e-Bay. This issue commemorates the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Count Ivan Lazarev, founder of the Lazarev Institute for Oriental languages. First day covers are available, mixed first day covers have not been seen up to now.

The **China Egypt** issue from **October 12, 2001** was first seen on the listing of new issues from Linn's. A short search on the Chinese postal site (which was reactivated since - data between March and September are missing) proved the existence of these stamps ([www.cpi.com.cn/cpi-e/yubao/2001-20.htm](http://www.cpi.com.cn/cpi-e/yubao/2001-20.htm)) related, of course, to the good relationship between both countries and showing golden masks.

The **China Portugal** issue was produced as initially announced by **November 8, 2001**.

Information from some smaller countries reaches us very late. We only recently discovered the existence of a pair of se-tenant stamps issued on **December 13, 2001** by **Georgia** and **Ukraine** and devoted to local poets. Nevertheless these stamps are true twin issues.

The year 2001 was considered as closed when was announced the issue of stamps involving both Belgium and Congo. The **Belgium** postal administration decided shortly before end of the year to produce a stamp at the occasion of the change of the currency from Belgium Franc to Euro. This stamp was issued on **December 31, 2001**. As 2002 corresponds to the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the comics Tintin in Congo, the topic was chosen on that

basis, the **Democratic Republic of Congo** (ex-Zaire) being a former Belgium colony. Unfortunately this issue was not listed in the official philatelic programme and most of the collectors were informed very late. The (usually very good) philatelic web site of the Belgium postal administration had not mentioned this issue by end of January.

A stamp and a souvenir sheet were produced in each country. Items are identical and were produced for both countries in Belgium. The stamp represents the cover of the 1931 comics (Tintin in safari outfit) while the souvenir sheets shows the present cover (Tintin with congolese friend in car, giraffe). Mixed first day covers are available. Obviously stamps were printed at the same place.

#### Joint issues

Jim Manton was the first to discover the existence of the **Slovak-Hungarian** joint issue related to the Maria Valeria Bridge on the Danube. These stamps were issued by **October 11, 2001** and are also available as FDC covers.

The four countries of the Mercosul (**Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay**) produced stamps showing endemic flowers and claimed it is a joint issue. Actually stamps are different and only two countries have issued their stamp on the same date (**December 21, 2001**). This series has been reported in the catalogue, but we are waiting for more details.

#### Omnibus series

The Community of Independent States (CIS) created after the dissociation of the Soviet Union, already exists since 10 years. This anniversary led to the production of similar stamps issued in **December 2001** by **Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldavia, Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan**.

The list of stamps produced at the occasion of the "Dialog between civilizations" continues to grow. They are now 53 countries known, but the list given in the catalogue update is still not complete. It could be above 60. Complementary Information is welcome.

### New issues to come

#### Twin issues

The German postal administration recently confirmed the issue of a common series involving **Argentina, Brazil, France, Germany, Italy and Uruguay** at the occasion of the Soccer World Championship by **March 21, 2002**. Participants are all former winners of the Soccer World Championship with the exception of Great Britain that declined to participate to this joint issue up to now. There will be one common round stamp, showing the flags of all 7 countries and a soccer playground; a second stamp, different for each country, shows a game situation involving the national team. This second stamp will be produced se-tenant to the common one.

### Postal stationery

This is just to report about the postal cards and envelopes bearing a stamp included in a recent joint issue and produced in the past year with an illustration based on a private request.

Europa 2000 stamp (Germany):

- issued at the occasion of the local philatelic exhibition gsi'BRIA 2001 at Rankweil from 14 to 16 September 2001 (envelope).
- The Euro is coming; coins and bills (DM and Euros) (envelope)
- IMB 02, International Philatelic Exhibition in Munich, 7-9 March 2002, illustrated with a train

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