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The POST-OP VANPEX 2013 — by Trevor Larden



THE VANPEX 2013 COMMITTEE AT VANPEX: *In the foreground at the right, VANPEX Chair Trevor Larden and Bourse Chair Derren Carman man BC Philatelic Society Table at VANPEX 2013. Geoff Carter (standing, light-blue shirt), talks with stamp dealer Brian Gosselin. To Geoff's left at the next table is Exhibits Chair Martine Mercier.*

The Vanpex Chairman must 'wax eloquently' after the Show, praising, cajoling, and generally doing a bit of 'rah-rah.' So.....

Generally, things went reasonably well – Derren's wonderful promo. material finds its way into my 'specialty' personal collection. The Exhibit Chair people have always the 'devil's own job,' getting people to exhibit – people not committing until the ninth hour. Amazingly, there have been so few nervous breakdowns with these chair people. I must take some blame in the area of exhibits – communications with me were not always 'on.' Frankly, I hardly knew what was happening. Desperate times call for desperate measures! If we had all been communicating

more successfully, exhibits may not have to have been turned away, and there may have been more variety with the one-page exhibits. Again, yours truly did not keep his finger on the pulse. But then, again, if more of you would participate on the exhibiting side, we would not have these problems.

Otherwise, pretty good! Lots of people helping with the set-up and take-down. The crossways, short-row exhibits were much more effective than the long rows, easier to assemble, and much better lighting. And, if necessary, we could probably add another row – upping the total to 42 frames. See about that next time.

Thanks to all participants, and helpers. If I'm

this issue

- The POST-OP VANPEX 2013
- VANPEX 2013 Palmares
- Photographs courtesy of Martine Mercier & Bob Ingraham

And more...

around next year – we'll see – communications – the Committee, and all interested parties must be on the same wavelength.

Thanks,
Trevor Larden, CHAIR
VANPEX 2013

VANPEX 2013 Palmarès

September 20-21, Burnaby, BC

Popular-Choice Exhibit Winners

- **One-Page Exhibit** – *St. Lawrence Seaway Invert* - **Ron Warneboldt**
- **One-Frame Exhibit** – *Leonardo Da Vinci* – **Ron Warneboldt**

One-Sheet Exhibits Geoff Carter, Chair

GOLD

- *WOW! Those Stamps* – **Geoff Carter**
- *Strike* – **June Gibson**
- *Lichtenstein/Switzerland* – **Fritz Graf**

VERMEIL

- *What Happened to Georgie* – **Trevor Larden**
- *Airmail by Night* - **Bob Ingraham**

SILVER

- *Unofficial Airmail Stamps* – **Geoff Carter**
- *Service Suspended* — Return to Sender – **Bob Ingraham**
- *Fighting in the Post Office* – **J. Verster**
- *St. Lawrence Seaway Invert* - **Ron Warneboldt**

SILVER BRONZE

- *Uncovered Cinderellas* – **Martine Mercier**
- *Lundy Puffin* – **Martine Mercier**
- *A 1938 Postcard Foreshadows The Taking Of The Sudetenland By Germany* – **Mike Strachan**
- *A Registered Cover Hints At Changing Borders In Europe* – **Mike Strachan**



One-Frame & Multi-Frame Exhibits

Martine Mercier, Chair

GOLD

- *The Brooke Dynasty of Sarawak* – **David Foreman**
- *International Mail Routes* – **David Foreman**
- *Post Offices and Postal Markings of BC's Gulf Islands* – **Andrew Scott**
- *Compassion in a time of war* – **Bob Ingraham**

VERMEIL

- *The Canada Olympics* – **Geoff Carter**
- *The Battle of the Atlantic* – **Bob Ingraham**
- *Leonardo Da Vinci* – **Ron Warneboldt**

SILVER

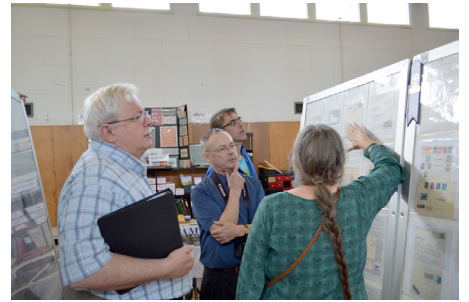
- *What is a variety?* – **Tom Balabanov**
- *An Open quiz! Which one is a collectible?* – **Clayton Lam**

SILVER BRONZE

- *The Royal Mail throughout the ages* – **June Gibson**
- *The Fritz Connection* – **Trevor Larden**
- *Netherland* – **Brian Thomas**

BRONZE

- *A Short Reflection of Some U.S. Kennedy Philatelic Material* – **Duff Malkin**
- *Some French Polynesia* – **Brian Thomas**
- *Some Korea* – **Brian Thomas**

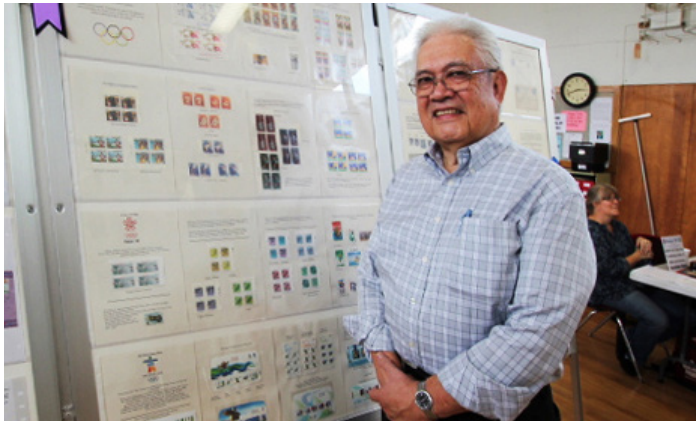




VANPEX 2013, Sept. 20-21 at West Burnaby United Church.



VANPEX 2013 Chair Trevor Larden and his exhibit, "The Fritz Connection."



VANPEX 2013 exhibitor Geoff Carter (who also served as the chair of the one-sheet exhibition) won a vermeil medal for his one-frame exhibit, "The Canadian Olympics".



VANPEX 2013 Chair Martine Mercier presents a gold medal to BC Phil President Bob Ingraham for his exhibit, "Compassion in a Time of War". It was Bob's first gold medal.



Duchess of Cambridge, was released Oct. 22. A first-day ceremony was held in Prince George, BC.

Prince George — the city — has no relationship

A Canadian stamp commemorating the christening of Prince George, son of Prince William and Kate,

to Prince George — the baby. It's named after the fourth son of King George V, Prince George, Duke of Kent.

Prince George *Citizen* reported on Oct. 26 that the commemorative cancellation that was planned failed to arrive. The *Citizen* described it as a "federal seal inscribed with this city's name encircling a royal crown, and the date." In place of the missing cancellation, postal employees offered the use of an old Spruce Kings hockey team cancellation, which includes a crown.

Also missing, the *Citizen* reported, was "one of the best collectables associated with the stamp," the new edition of Canada Post's *Details* magazine, featuring the royal portrait used for the stamp on its cover. A postal official in Prince George explained that he didn't have enough employees to unpack the boxes of *Details*.

The *Citizen* reported that the "rare" commemorative stamps were available in booklets and as "unscheduled and limited-edition postage vouchers." You would call them souvenir sheets.

BC PHILATELIC:

- This issue of the BC Phil Newsletter includes the Palmares for VANPEX 2013, listing award winners and the titles of their exhibits. We hope that those exhibitors will apply to exhibit again at VANPEX 2014, and that new exhibitors will join us as well.
- **Philatelic Daffinities** by BC Phil President **Bob Ingraham**: a) *Officials — Revenue Canada employees who want to audit your stamp collection.* b) *Perforation — The empty space left when small disks of paper are removed from the paper between stamps. For some reason, this empty space excites philatelists a great deal.*

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