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AUSTRALIA

## Christmas Island

Lunar New Year  
- Year of the Ox

## Inventive Australia

With Love

## AAT: South Magnetic Pole 1909–2009



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Dear Collectors

Welcome to the first *Stamp Bulletin* of 2009. I hope you have enjoyed (or are still enjoying) this special time of the year with your family and friends. I don't know about you, but for me this time of year provides the opportunity to pause and reflect on life in Australia. Looking back over previous stamp issues reminds me of just how lucky we are as a country.

Before outlining some of the special items contained in this *Bulletin*, I'd like to thank all those who participated in our 2008 Stamp Poll (People's Choice) and congratulate the lucky winner of our grand prize. I'm sure Mr RJ Williams from NSW will enjoy the (2d. and 3d.) 1931 Kingsford Smith unhinged blocks of four stamps. We really do rely on the feedback obtained from the poll to ensure that we continue to meet your needs. Next month we will provide a detailed summary of what you had to say, while on page 17 of this edition you will find the voting outcomes of the favourite 2008 Australian stamp issue.

Speaking of Australia's favourites, one of the last stamp issues for 2008 was the Favourite Australian Films which included five films voted for by the Australian public as their favourites. They were *Gallipoli*, *Lantana*, *Muriel's Wedding*, *The Castle* and *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert*. What we couldn't tell you before now is which one was the favourite (as it was only announced at the 2008 AFI awards on 6 December). Australia's Favourite Film, *The Castle*, is a classic movie about an Aussie family trying to get a fair go. As we mentioned in the last *Bulletin* Australia Post produced a special presentation pack for the awards, which includes an embellished sheetlet (see page 10 for details).

The first stamp issue for 2009 is Christmas Island Lunar New Year: Year of the Ox by designer Dani Poon, which celebrates the second year of the Chinese Zodiac 12-year cycle. The issue also includes the first postal and numismatic cover for 2009. Each cover is individually numbered and includes a seal of authenticity, as do all official Australia Post postal and numismatic covers.

January marks the centenary of the first successful expedition to the South Magnetic Pole with the stamp issue, AAT: South Magnetic Pole 1909–2009. The Royal Society of Victoria is arranging a special flight over the South Pole to commemorate the anniversary and to carry commemorative covers for collectors. Refer to page 10 for details but you will need to be quick ... the flight is scheduled for 17 January.

February highlights some of the Australian inventions that have gone toward identifying our unique Australian culture. What could be more Australian than winding up the hoist, mowing the lawn with the Victa or slapping on some zinc cream. I believe this issue will be extremely popular, not only with collectors but among the many general postage users.

Until next time,

Noel Leahy, Group Manager, Philatelic

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**Australia Post Australian Legends Award  
Released 22 January 2009**

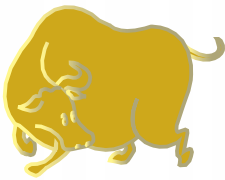


A full product list is available with this edition.

## The Beijing Collection



**The collection includes  
all of the Australian  
Gold Medallists  
sheetlets along with  
digital pairs printed  
in Beijing.**



# CI LNY: YEAR OF THE OX

8 JANUARY 2009

55c.....Illustrative Ox  
\$1.65...Chinese symbol for Ox



1594098 zodiac sheetlet

Each year Australia Post issues a stamp to celebrate lunar new year, which is the most important of the traditional Chinese festivals. It is celebrated by Chinese people throughout the world. The Chinese zodiac is made up of a 12-year cycle and Chinese animal signs are used for dating the years. The recurring animal cycle is Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat (or Sheep), Monkey, Rooster, Dog and Pig. The next lunar new year is the Year of the Ox, which begins on 26 January 2009.

The Ox symbolises loyalty and tenderness and is highly respected in traditional Chinese society signifying prosperity through fortitude and hard work. The minisheet of the issue depicts Laozi, a prominent thinker in ancient China. A native of Chu, a southern state in the Zhou dynasty, he served as a keeper of archival records at the court.

Confucius (551–479 B.C. or 2,500 years ago) was a contemporary. Witnessing the decline of Zhou, he departed for the wilderness on his faithful ox. Upon reaching the border he was asked to put his teachings into writing. The result was a book titled Daode jing, which today is one of the most translated works in world literature. The influence of Laozi on Chinese culture is reflected in philosophic thought, literature, calligraphy, painting, music and other cultural traditions.



1594142 minisheet



1594212 postcard



1594126 stamp pack

The stamps feature the calligraphic symbol for the Ox and its pictorial derivation. People born in Ox years include Princess Diana, Charlie Chaplin and Napoleon. Ox years over the last century were 1901, 1913, 1925, 1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985 and 1997. The stamp pack doubles as a greeting card and can be sent to family and friends within Australia and overseas using the matching PPE and IPPE.

The stamp pack is designed for use as a greeting card using the matching postage paid envelopes.



1594008 postal and numismatic cover – 2009 Issue no. 1



1594231 ppe (domestic)



1594232 ippe (international)

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

|                            |                                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Issue date .....           | 8 January 2009                       |
| FDI withdrawal date .....  | 28 February 2009                     |
| Denominations.....         | 1 x 55c, 1 x \$1.65                  |
| Stamp design .....         | Dani Poon                            |
| Printer .....              | Energi Print                         |
| Paper.....                 | Tullis Russell                       |
| Printing process .....     | Lithography                          |
| Stamp/minisheet size.....  | 26mm x 37.5mm/136mm x 70mm           |
| Zodiac sheetlet size ..... | 170mm x 210mm                        |
| Perforations .....         | 14.6 x 13.86                         |
| Sheet layout .....         | 50                                   |
| Special feature .....      | Image & foiling in gutter (10 x 55c) |
| National postmark.....     | Christmas Island, WA 6798            |



# CHRISTMAS ISLAND LNY: YEAR OF THE OX

8 JANUARY 2009



1594002 first day cover (gummed)  
1594013 first day cover (minisheet)



1594252 first day cover (zodiac sheetlet)



## LNY FESTIVAL IN VICTORIA

Each year Australia Post sponsors the three day "Hawkers Bazaar" at Crown Casino in Melbourne. The dates for 2009 are 30 January to 1 February (11am to 11pm).

The LNY stamp issue designer Dani Poon will be available for signing sessions each day. A special Year of the Ox **Personalised Stamps™** sheet will also be on sale at the venue with a generic version available to mail order customers.

**1594400**

**LNY generic souvenir sheet \$15.95**

Please refer to the website for signing session times and updates.



1594350  
LNY ingot set  
by Perth Mint

(mail order only)

**\$250**

This limited edition 2009 LNY: Year of the Ox display set features a silver ingot replicating the 55c stamp artwork in relief. Also included is the 2009 LNY: Year of the Ox miniature sheet. Only 1,000 have been produced. The set comes with a certificate of authenticity and is housed in a wooden box to enhance and protect. Available while stocks last.



1594184 prestige booklet (cover shown here)

# 2008

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# AAT: SOUTH MAGNETIC POLE 1909 – 2009

8 JANUARY 2009

55c..... Unloading the *Nimrod*  
55c..... Depositing provisions  
\$1.10 ... Northern Party camp  
\$1.10 ... Claiming the Pole



1608142 minisheet

January 2009 marks the centenary of the first expedition to the South Magnetic Pole, and this issue commemorates that milestone in polar science and exploration. The event was recognised with an Australian stamp issue in 1984, on its 75th anniversary, and with a single stamp in the 2001 issue, *Australians in the Antarctic*.

Two Australian geologists, TW Edgeworth David and Douglas Mawson, journeyed to the frozen continent of the south with the third British Antarctic Expedition, under the charge of Ernest Shackleton. Along with Scotsman Alistair Mackay, the men were also part of the expedition's three-man Northern Party, which sought to reach the South Magnetic Pole and to claim it for Britain.

With two heavily laden sledges, the Northern Party left Cape Royds on 5 October 1908. The men endured the extreme polar conditions for more than 100 days before raising the Union Jack over the "approximate mean position of the pole" at 3.30pm on 16 January 1909. The pole moves rapidly each day, while at the same time moving north-west by about five kilometres per year, making it notoriously difficult to measure. Following its movement away from land, the pole's most accurate position to date was achieved in 2000 from onboard the *Sir Hubert Wilkins*.

This stamp issue was designed by Melbourne-based studio Disegno. Historical images from the expedition tell the narrative of the journey, in combination with the typography, which forms a graphic element of the story. The bold white text represents the vast Antarctic landscape and its staged incline across the designs symbolises the increasing difficulty of a journey and the endurance required of the men. The sparse visual approach to the design also conveys the idea of the men at the mercy of the elements.

### 55c Unloading the *Nimrod*

On 3 February 1908 the *Nimrod* was moored on bay ice at Cape Roys, where the British Antarctic Expedition established its winter quarters. The motor car was the first item to be unloaded from the ship, followed by the Manchurian ponies, which were used in Shackleton's attempt to locate the geographical South Pole.

### 55c Depositing provisions

This expedition was the first to transport a motor car to Antarctica. The car was an Arroll-Johnston 12–15 HP, fitted with a specially designed air-cooled, four-cylinder engine. It was used to deliver provisions for exploration journeys. Only two depots were dropped for the Northern Party before the car returned to base, due to the unforgiving terrain and mechanical difficulties.

### \$1.10 Northern Party camp

On a journey lasting more than three months, the men hauled sledges through sastrugi and crevasse-riven terrain. This photograph shows the men at camp before making their final dash to the locality of the South Magnetic Pole.

### \$1.10 Claiming the South Magnetic Pole

This design features the signature image of Edgeworth David (right), Douglas Mawson (centre) and Alistair Mackay (left) on having reached the location of the South Magnetic Pole. The blurred white line at Mawson's hand is the shutter-release cable, which he triggered as David declared: "I hereby take possession of this area now containing the Magnetic Pole for the British Empire."

The photographs used on the stamps are reproduced in full in the maxicard set, visually documenting this milestone in our historical record. The stamp release also includes a miniature sheet, which shows the Northern Party's route to the South Magnetic Pole.

#### TECHNICAL DETAILS

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Issue date .....          | 8 January 2009                           |
| FDI withdrawal date ..... | 5 February 2009                          |
| Denominations.....        | 2 x 55c, 2 x \$1.10                      |
| Stamp design.....         | Disegno, Melbourne                       |
| Product design .....      | John White, Australia Post Design Studio |
| Printer .....             | Energi Print                             |
| Printing process .....    | Lithography                              |
| Stamp size .....          | 26mm x 37.5mm                            |
| Minisheet size .....      | 170mm x 85mm                             |
| Perforations .....        | 14.6 x 13.86                             |
| Sheet layout .....        | 50                                       |
| Special feature .....     | Printed three line colours               |
| National postmark .....   | Kingston, Tas 7050                       |



1608002  
first day cover (gummed)



1608126 stamp pack



1608220 maxicard set (4)

# South Magnetic Pole special flight cover



A flight into Australian Antarctic history. This special collector cover will record the event!

**BE QUICK  
to avoid  
disappointment.  
Only limited  
numbers are  
available.**

**This special collector cover has been produced for carriage on the commemorative flight, which will form part of the centenary celebrations.**

- Each cover will bear a coloured postmark (Tullamarine, Vic)
- The covers will be loaded for the celebration flight over the South Magnetic Pole
- All of the flight covers will be printed with the Philatelic Bureau's address
- There are no personalised covers available.

**1608300**

**\$7.95**

## Australia has voted and *The Castle* is the winner!

**This favourite Australian film draws on values that have helped shape the Australian culture.**

**A presentation pack includes an embellished sheetlet of 10 stamps and the original stamps of the issue. The sheetlet is also available separately.**

out now  
**\$12.95**



# WITH LOVE

3 FEBRUARY 2009

55c.... Filigree heart  
55c.... Heart-shaped flowers  
55c.... Red roses



1596122  
self-adhesive sheetlet in  
checkerboard design

The choice of use is endless. From a traditional red rose bouquet to more modern contemporary designs, each of these stamps can be used for a variety of occasions. Whether it is Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, a birthday or any other special day, send your cards and letters with love.



1596126 stamp pack

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Issue date .....          | 3 February 2009   |
| FDI withdrawal date ..... | 3 March 2009  |
| Denominations .....       | 3 x 55c (Filigree & Love hearts se-tenant)                                    |
| Stamp designs .....       | Donna Farquhar (Heart), Elise Hurst (Roses)<br>Sally Piskuric (Heart flowers) |
| Typography/product .....  | Sally Piskuric, Australia Post Design Studio                                  |
| Printer .....             | McKellar  |
| Paper (gummed/s-a) .....  | Tullis Russell/B100 s-a   |
| Printing process .....    | Lithography   |
| Stamp size .....          | 26mm x 37.5mm   |
| Sheetlet size .....       | 104mm x 190mm   |
| Perforations .....        | 14.6 x 13.86  |
| Sheet layout .....        | 50  |
| Special feature .....     | S/adhesive sheetlet in checkerboard   |
| National postmark .....   | Darlington, WA 6070   |



1596001 first day cover (gummed)



1596001 first day cover (gummed)

- 55c.....Esky/Wine cask
- 55c.....Hills hoist
- 55c.....Speedos/Zinc cream
- 55c.....Ute/B&D Roll-A-Door
- 55c.....Victa rotary lawnmower



1597002 first day cover (gummed)

Australia claims many inventions, the outstanding success of which has ensured their place in collective memory – for example, the sound of lawnmowers and games around the Hills hoist have defined many an Australian childhood. Esky and Speedo, although brand names, have entered the dictionary and popular songs as ordinary words, a reliable marker of widespread acceptance. Several of these inventions were part of a post-war development boom that centred on suburban housing, and the backyard was the amphitheatre in which they took centre stage.



1597142 minisheet

### Esky

An Esky is an insulated box that can keep food chilled for many hours. Although a brand name, it is often used as a colloquial term in Australia for any portable cooler. It was invented in 1952 by the Australian company Malley's. The original Malley's Esky had a steel outer layer.

### Wine cask

Before the early 1960s, bulk wine was sold in flagons. Once they were opened the exposed wine deteriorated rapidly. Wine casks allowed people to buy large quantities that would keep for a longer period. The first company to market a wine cask was Angove's from Renmark, South Australia, in 1965.

### Hills hoist

The modern rotary clothes hoist was first patented in 1926 by Melbourne blacksmith Gilbert Toyne. Though some rotary hoists existed before this date they were expensive and impractical due to their fixed height.



1597182 self-adhesive booklet (10 x 55c)

## Speedos

The Speedo swimsuit was developed in Australia by a Scot named Alexander MacRae (1888–1938). His company MacRae Hosiery Manufacturers produced a racer-back style suit in response to a need for swimmers to reduce “drag”. The company began marketing the suit in 1928.

## Zinc cream

In 1940, Faulding Pharmaceuticals invented zinc cream – the ultimate protection against sunburn. The cream, made from zinc oxide, physically stopped ultra violet rays from reaching skin cells.

## B&D Roll-A-Door

One of the most distinctive features of suburban streets, the B&D Roll-A-Door was the first all-steel door that could be rolled closed or open without cracking. Arthur Byrne and Paul Davidson and their company accountant moved their board meeting to Hyde Park, Sydney, to escape the heat and to discuss what to do with left over scrap metal leading to the development of the first commercial door.

## The ute

In 1932, a farmer’s wife from rural Victoria wrote to Ford Australia’s Geelong plant asking them to build a vehicle that could be driven to church on Sunday and carry pigs to market on Monday. Twenty-two year old Lewis Bandt, the plant’s chief body engineer and designer, responded with a design.

## Victa rotary lawnmower

The idea was inspired by Lawrence Hall in 1948. Mervyn Victor Richardson saw a demonstration of Hall’s lawn mowing machine and made a similar one. Richardson realised the potential of the innovation and in 1952 designed a simple machine and named his creation the “Victa”.

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Issue date .....          | 19 February 2009                                   |
| FDI withdrawal date ..... | 19 March 2009                                      |
| Denominations .....       | 5 x 55c (se-tenant)                                |
| Stamp design .....        | Stuart McLachlan                                   |
| Typography/product .....  | Sharon Rodziewicz,<br>Australia Post Design Studio |
| Printer .....             | Energi Print                                       |
| Paper (gummed/s-a) .....  | Tullis Russell/B100 s-a/B90 s-a                    |
| Printing process .....    | Lithography  |
| Stamp size .....          | 26mm x 37.5mm                                      |
| Minisheet size .....      | 170mm x 85mm                                       |
| Perforations .....        | 14.6 x 13.86                                       |
| Sheet layout .....        | Modules of 50                                      |
| Special feature .....     | Nil  |
| National postmark .....   | Bright, Vic 3741                                   |



1597184 prestige booklet



1597126 stamp pack



1597220 maxicard set (five)

# TALKING STAMPS

WITH BRADLEY FROHNERT

## **On 20 October 2008 the magnificent Qantas A380 Airbus took to the skies with exclusive Australia Post cargo – its First Flight covers.**

This was the first Australian commercial passenger A380 international flight, flying from Melbourne to Los Angeles. Philatelic collectors had the opportunity to obtain a hand-addressed Aviation stamp issue cover carried on this very first flight. The customer response was overwhelming, with our allocated cargo space quickly filled.

The covers were transported to the Qantas freight terminal by a Philatelic representative, and after numerous security checks were on their way. Qantas staff in Los Angeles kept a watchful eye on the special mail bag, and on its return to Melbourne Qantas contacted Australia Post shortly after the A380 airliner touched down. For the lucky recipients of the First Flight covers the rest is history!

The First Flight covers feature two A380 international stamps and imagery of the airliner. In addition, the covers feature a full-colour, digitally printed postmark – an Australian first – and an exclusive official AIRMAIL sticker and cache recording mail items carried on this first flight, including origin, flight date and destination.

Qantas named its A380 airliner after Australia's first female pilot, Nancy Bird-Walton. In 1933 Mrs Bird-Walton began flying lessons at Mascot at just 17 years of age and was taught by famous pioneer aviator Charles Kingsford Smith. She became the first woman pilot in the Commonwealth to achieve commercial certification to carry passengers. Mrs Bird-Walton was delighted with the naming of the aircraft in her honour.

Since 1914, when the first Australian airmail flight occurred, there has been a tradition of sending mail on inaugural flights. On that flight, French pilot

Maurice Guillaux took off from the Melbourne Showgrounds, at 9.12am on 16 July, with about 2,000 postcards and a number of letters. Weather conditions were not ideal; the flight was made mid-winter over the most mountainous portion of the continent, terrain unfamiliar to Guillaux. The sense of wonder and admiration his journey created is conveyed in the newspapers of the time, and it is incredible to think how far technology has advanced since those pioneering days.

Today the A380 is the largest and most technologically advanced aircraft ever built, and reduces take off noise by half. For the aviation enthusiasts, the craft's length is 72.57m, height 24.1m, fuselage diameter 7.14m and wing span 79.8m. It has four Rolls-Royce Trent 900 engines, a fan diameter of 3m, maximum ramp weight of 571 tonnes, maximum fuel capacity of 310,400 litres and a seat count of 450, including 14 first-class suites and 72 business-class Skybed seats.



The first flight of the new A380 to Los Angeles takes off from Melbourne's Tullamarine Airport

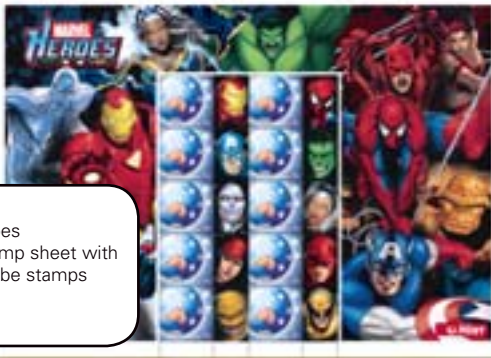
# SOUVENIR STAMP SHEETS



1514362  
Barbie Mariposa  
souvenir stamp sheet with  
nine butterfly stamps

**AUD\$15.95**

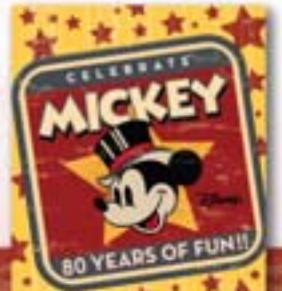
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1514365  
Marvel Heroes  
souvenir stamp sheet with  
10 x 55c Globe stamps

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1514367  
Mickey Mouse  
80 Years of Fun stamp pack

**AUD\$10.95 each**

**NRL PREMIERS 2008**



1514377  
NRL Premiers 2008  
souvenir stamp sheet with  
10 x 55c Globe stamps

**AUD\$15.95**

1514376  
AFL Premiers 2008  
souvenir stamp sheet with  
10 x 55c Globe stamps

**AUD\$15.95**

**AFL PREMIERS 2008**  
**HAWTHORN HAWKS**



1514379  
Paralympian of the Year  
Matt Cowdrey instant  
sheetlet

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## Play On – 150 Years of Australian Football extended to June 2009

### Stamps of Australia 2005–2008 (November 2008 to June 2009)

Australia is a multicultural and comparatively young nation that has a strong culture and identity. It is distant from major world centres and, consequently perhaps, less influenced by world trends. The Australian stamps and philatelic products in this exhibit reflect this in both subject matter and innovative approaches to the products and their marketing. They showcase Australia's unique culture, landscape, flora and fauna.

The stamps and products on display are fresh and unique, and include domestic and international stamps, instant stamps (on sale within a day or so of major events), stamps of living Australian legends, personalised stamps and others. The exhibit includes Australian Antarctic Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands stamps.

### Here Comes the Postie—200 Years of Postal Services in Australia

This exhibition will not be shown in the Post Master Gallery as originally advised. It will now form part of an exhibit at the Melbourne Stamp Show from 23 to 26 July 2009 at the National Tennis Centre. The exhibit will include gems from the National Philatelic Collection and the Chapman Collection.

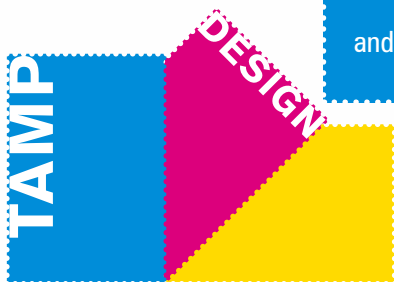


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Whether you are a collector, a designer ... or a member of the general public, we all have our favourites ... and we know what we like. We received a great response to the Australia Post Stamp Design Award (People's Choice) for 2008, with thousands of people voting for their favourite stamp issues.

### Favourite Australian stamp issue

**Working Dogs**

**Favourite Australian stamp from the issue**

**Border Collie**

**Favourite Australian territories stamp issue**

**Cocos (Keeling) Islands: Visiting Birds**

**Favourite Australian territories stamp from the issue**

**Black-winged Stilt**

**Individual stamps with the most votes**

**(Australia) Katherine Gorge – Gorgeous Australia**

**(Territories) Black-winged Stilt – C(K)I: Visiting Birds**



### THANK YOU FOR ENTERING

We would like to thank all those who entered, and for the valuable information supplied through the survey.

This information will help to ensure that the Australian stamp issue program continues to offer unique and award winning stamp designs celebrating significant Australian events and cultural milestones.

### DESIGNER'S CHOICE AWARD 2008

The Stamp Advisory Committee voted for the stamp issue which would receive the Designers' Choice Award for 2008.

The winning issue, **Living Green**, was by Hoyne Design.





**Australian Government**  
**Royal Australian Mint**



1514424  
International Polar Year  
Antarctic Explorers  
\$5 Silver Proof coin  
**AUD\$65.00 each**



1514431  
International Year  
of Astronomy  
2009 Two Coin  
Uncirculated Year Set  
**AUD\$15.00 each**

1514429  
International Year  
of Astronomy  
2009 Two Coin  
Proof set  
**AUD\$45.00 each**



1514428  
International Year of Astronomy  
2009 Six Coin Proof Year Set  
**AUD\$95.00\* each**

1514430  
International Year  
of Astronomy  
2009 Six Coin  
Uncirculated Year Set  
**AUD\$30.00 each**



**1514425**  
**2009 Wedding Set**  
**Gem-Uncirculated**  
**AUD\$95.00 each**  
**(Available January)**

\*Price applies to orders made on or before 29 December 2008. From this date the RRP will increase to AUD\$115.00.

1514447  
2009 Year of the Ox 1/10oz Gold  
Proof coin  
**AUD\$243.00 each (5,000 mintage)**

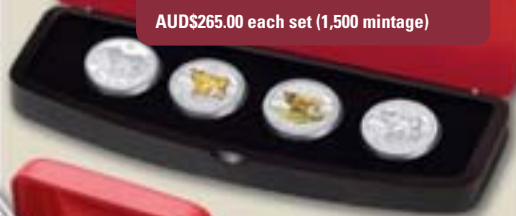


1514452  
200th Birthday of  
Charles Darwin 1oz  
Silver Proof coin  
**AUD\$82.50 each  
(5,000 mintage)**



1514459  
LNY Year of the Ox Typeset Collection  
Set of four 1oz Silver Proof coins  
–proof, gilded, coloured, bullion

**AUD\$265.00 each set (1,500 mintage)**



**ONLY THROUGH AUSTRALIA POST!**

1514458  
LNY Year of the Ox  
½oz Silver coloured coin  
**AUD\$34.95 each (3,500 available)**



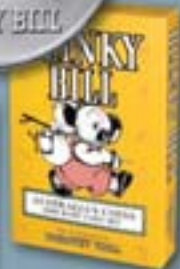
1514457  
LNY Year of the Ox  
1oz Silver gilded coin  
**AUD\$76.50 each**

medallion  
detail  
shown

**Great Australian birth or  
birthday memento!**  
1514426  
Blinky Bill  
2009 Baby Proof Set  
**AUD\$120.00 each**



1514427  
Blinky Bill  
2009 Baby Uncirculated Set  
**AUD\$35.00 each**



## STAMP SHOWS AND POSTMARKS

### ADELAIDE 2009 CPS LABELS

Adelaide 2009 labels will be available from the PM, GPO from 1 January. Denominations are 55c, \$1.10, and \$1.65. CPS strips and button sets are available in mint, FDI cancelled and FDI covers. FDI postmark features Adelaide GPO clocktower.

6 x 55c strips = \$3.30

Button sets = \$6.60

Add 30c for each additional cover and a return addressed postage paid envelope to ensure prompt delivery.

### PENINSULA STAMP CLUB (Vic)

17 January 2009

This event will be held at the Dromana Uniting Church Hall, corner Point Nepean Rd and McCulloch St, Dromana from 10am to 4pm. FREE admission. Phone 0418 322 315.

### APTA STAMP & COIN SHOW (Vic)

14 – 15 February 2009

This event will be held at the Malvern Town Hall, corner Glenferrie Rd and High St from 10am to 4pm. Contact APTA direct on 03 9878 4664 or email publicity@apta.com.au.

### STAMP & COIN FAIR

#### CORNER INLET STAMP CLUB (Vic)

24 February 2009

This event will be held at the Foster Uniting Church Hall, Station Rd, Foster. Entry is a gold coin donation. Operating hours are 9am to 4pm. Phone 03 5664 7309 or 03 5688 1018.

#### BALLARAT PHILATELIC SOC. (Vic)

9 March 2009

This even will be held at Ballarat Specialists School, Gillies St, Wendouree, Ballarat. Contact Cliff Matthews on 03 5332 3275 or email cmatthew@ncable.net.au.

### EXPO 2009 (NSW)

18 and 19 April 2009

Kenna Hall, Hill St, Orange, NSW. Admission is \$2 – children FREE. Contact Derek on 02 63614872 or Norm (PR) on 02 6362 3754.

### FDI POSTMARKS

#### CI LNY: Year of the Ox

8 January 2009  
Christmas Island, WA 6798  
Cabramatta, NSW 2166  
Haymarket, NSW 2000  
Bourke St, Vic 3000

#### AAT: South Magnetic Pole 1909–2009

8 January 2009  
Kingston, Tas 7050

#### Australian Legends 2009

22 January 2009  
Melbourne, Vic 3000

#### With Love

3 February 2009  
Darlington, WA 6070

#### Inventive Australia

19 February 2009  
Bright, Vic 3741

### TEMPORARY POSTMARKS

Please note that the previously advised temporary postmark for Turrumurra should have read North Turrumurra. The postmark was available until 7 October 2008.

#### Wonga Park, Vic 3115

4 to 10 January 2009  
To celebrate the 2009 Jamborette and 60th anniversary. Impression available from the PM, Wonga Park Post Office.

## IN RETROSPECT

### TEMPORARY POSTMARKS

#### GPO WA 6000

20 October 2008

Released to celebrate the re-opening of the GPO. A special souvenir stamp sheet is also available from the GPO, and Fremantle, Midland, Hilary's and Cannington offices in WA.

#### Shrine of Remembrance, Vic

30 October 2008

The previously used postmarker has been replaced. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, St Kilda Rd Post Shop, Vic 3004.

#### Mildura, Vic 3500

31 October 2008

This replacement postmark features a paddle-steamer and the words "It starts with the River". Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Mildura Post Office, Vic 3500.

#### Diggers Rest, Vic 3427

3 November 2008

This commemorative postmarker was released for the nintieth anniversary of the end of WWI. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Diggers Rest Post Office, Vic 3427.

#### Geraldton, WA, 6530

19 November 2008

This postmarker is to commemorate the discovery of HMAS Sydney. Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Geraldton Post Office, WA 6530.

### PERMANENT PICTORIAL P'MARK EUREKA TOWER

5 November 2008

Impressions are available from the Postal Manager, Southbank Post Shop, Vic 3006.

**8 January 2009****CI Lunar New Year: Year of the Ox**

Supplement design set (gummed), minisheet, zodiac sheetlet, gutter strip (10 x 55c with design)

Optional nil

**8 January 2009****AAT: South Magnetic Pole 1909–2009**

Supplement design set (gummed), minisheet

Optional nil

**22 January 2009****Australia Post Australian Legends Award**

Supplement design set (gummed blocks of four), s-a mixed booklet, gutter block (2)

Optional s-a booklet (5) -includes mixed, gutter strips with design (2)

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

**3 February 2009****With Love**

Supplement design set (gummed), s-a booklets (3)

Optional s-a booklets (3), s-a sheetlet (1), gutter strips with design (2)

**19 February 2009****Inventive Australia**

Supplement se-tenant strip of five (gummed) & five x s-a from roll, minisheet

Optional s-a booklet, s-a strip from roll, collector pack

**Mail order codes**

|                |                                    |                |
|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>1597235</b> | <b>Australian Supplement</b>       | <b>\$46.20</b> |
| <b>1597236</b> | <b>Australian Optional</b>         | <b>\$94.40</b> |
| <b>1597238</b> | <b>Christmas Island Supplement</b> | <b>\$14.10</b> |
| <b>1597239</b> | <b>AAT Supplement</b>              | <b>\$6.60</b>  |
| <b>1608235</b> | <b>Megafauna Supplement</b>        | <b>\$2.20</b>  |

**(includes strip of four by Pemara)**

## NEW ISSUES

| Mail order (Retail) | Product Description                                | Price    | Planned Withdrawal Date |
|---------------------|--|----------|-------------------------|
| 8 January 2009      | Christmas Island LNY: Year of the Ox               |          |                         |
| 1594067             | Stamps (1 x 55c, 1 x \$1.65)                       | \$2.20   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594258             | Set of minisheets (mint, postmarked) [MO]          | \$4.40   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594142 (36398)     | Minisheet (mint)                                   | \$2.20   | 31 July 2008            |
| 1594143             | Minisheet (postmarked) [MO]                        | \$2.20   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594258 (36400)     | Pack of five minisheets                            | \$11.00  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594098 (36401)     | Zodiac sheetlet                                    | \$4.20   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594126 (36406)     | Stamp pack (doubles as a greeting card)            | \$2.65   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594001             | Set of first day covers and PNC [MO]               | \$22.25  | 28 February 2009        |
| 1594002 (36403)     | First day cover (gummed)                           | \$2.50   | 28 February 2009        |
| 1594013 (36404)     | First day cover (minisheet)                        | \$2.50   | 28 February 2009        |
| 1594252 (36405)     | First day cover (zodiac)                           | \$2.30   | 28 February 2009        |
| 1594005 (36402)     | First day cover (blank – not included in the set)  | \$0.30   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594212 (36407)     | Postcard (single)                                  | \$1.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594230             | Set of PPEs [MO]                                   | \$3.00   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594231 (36408)     | PPE (domestic)                                     | \$0.65   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594232 (36409)     | IPPE (international)                               | \$2.35   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594008 (36410)     | LNY stamp & coin cover (with seal of authenticity) | \$14.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594184 (36411)     | LNY: Year of the Ox prestige booklet               | \$12.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594240             | Set of gutters (10 x 55c, 10 x \$1.65) [MO]        | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594241 (36393)     | Gutter (10 x 55c – with design)                    | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594242 (36397)     | Gutter (10 x \$1.65)                               | \$16.50  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1594350             | Lunar New Year: Year of the Ox ingot set [MO]      | \$250.00 | To be advised           |
| 1594400             | LNY: Year of the Ox generic souvenir sheet [MO]    | \$15.95  | To be advised           |

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| Mail order (Retail) | Product Description                                    | Price    | Planned Withdrawal Date |
|---------------------|--|----------|-------------------------|
| 8 January 2009      | AAT: South Magnetic Pole 1909–2009                     |          |                         |
| 1608067             | Stamps (2 x 55c, 2 x \$1.10)                           | \$3.30   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608142 (36414)     | Minisheet  | \$3.30   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608002 (36426)     | First day cover (gummed)                               | \$3.60   | 5 February 2009         |
| 1608013 (36427)     | First day cover (minisheet)                            | \$3.60   | 5 February 2009         |
| 1608126 (36428)     | Stamp pack   | \$7.05   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608220 (36429)     | Maxicard set (4)                                       | \$6.30   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608240             | Set of gutters (10 x 55c, 10 x \$1.10) [MO]            | \$16.50  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608241 (36420)     | Gutter (10 x 55c) – no design                          | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1608242 (36424)     | Gutter (10 x \$1.10)                                   | \$11.00  | 31 July 2009            |
| 22 January 2009     | 2009 Australian Legends                                |          |                         |
| 1595067             | Stamps (8 x 55c)                                       | \$4.40   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595001 (36468)     | First day cover (gummed)                               | \$4.70   | 30 March 2009           |
| 1595250 (36450)     | Self-adhesive booklet A (10 x 55c)                     | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595251             | Chequebook A (20 x 10 x 55c)                           | \$110.00 | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595252 (36451)     | Self-adhesive booklet B (10 x 55c)                     | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595253             | Chequebook B (20 x 10 x 55c)                           | \$110.00 | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595254 (36452)     | Self-adhesive booklet C (10 x 55c)                     | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595255             | Chequebook C (20 x 10 x 55c)                           | \$110.00 | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595256 (36453)     | Self-adhesive booklet D (10 x 55c)                     | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595257             | Chequebook D (20 x 10 x 55c)                           | \$110.00 | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595258 (36460)     | Self-adhesive booklet MIXED (20 x 55c)                 | \$11.00  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595259             | Chequebook MIXED (20 x 20 x 55c)                       | \$220.00 | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595126 (36469)     | Stamp pack   | \$4.85   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595220 (36470)     | Maxicard set (4)                                       | \$5.20   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595241 (36465)     | Gutter (10 x 55c portrait) – with design               | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595242 (36466)     | Gutter (10 x 55c action) – with design                 | \$5.50   | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595184             | Set of four prestige booklets [MO]                     | \$43.80  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595301 (36471)     | Prestige booklet A                                     | \$10.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595302 (36472)     | Prestige booklet B                                     | \$10.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595303 (36473)     | Prestige booklet C                                     | \$10.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595304 (36474)     | Prestige booklet D                                     | \$10.95  | 31 July 2009            |
| 1595219 (36475)     | Legends book   | \$16.95  | To be advised           |
| 3 February 2009     | With Love  |          |                         |
| 1596067             | Stamps (3 x 55c)                                       | \$1.65   | To be advised           |
| 1596001 (36589)     | First day cover (gummed)                               | \$1.95   | 3 March 2009            |
| 1596250 (36573)     | S-adhesive booklet Rose (10 x 55c)                     | \$5.50   | To be advised           |
| 1596251             | Chequebook Rose (20 x 10 x 55c)                        | \$110.00 | To be advised           |
| 1596252 (36574)     | S-adhesive booklet Filigree (10 x 55c)                 | \$5.50   | To be advised           |
| 1596253             | Chequebook Filigree (20 x 10 x 55c)                    | \$110.00 | To be advised           |
| 1596254 (36575)     | S-adhesive booklet Love hearts (10 x 55c)              | \$5.50   | To be advised           |
| 1596255             | Chequebook Love hearts (20 x 10 x 55c)                 | \$110.00 | To be advised           |
| 1596122 (36586)     | Self-adhesive sheetlet (10 x 55c checkerboard/foiling) | \$5.50   | To be advised           |
| 1596256             | Chequebook s-a sheetlets (20 x 10 x 55c)               | \$110.00 | To be advised           |
| 1596126 (36590)     | Stamp pack   | \$2.10   | To be advised           |
| 1596220 (36591)     | Maxicard set (3)                                       | \$3.90   | To be advised           |
| 1596241 (36582)     | Gutter Rose (10 x 55c)–with unique design              | \$5.50   | To be advised           |
| 1596242 (36585)     | Gutter Hearts (10 x 55c)–with unique design            | \$5.50   | To be advised           |

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| Mail order (Retail) | Product Description                             | Price    | Planned Withdrawal Date |
|---------------------|---|----------|-------------------------|
| 19 February 2009    | Inventive Australia                             |          |                         |
| 1597067             | Stamps (5 x 55c)                                | \$2.75   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597142 (36496)     | Minisheet                                       | \$2.75   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597001             | Set of three FDCs (gummed, minisheet, s/a) [MO] | \$9.15   | 1 December 2008         |
| 1597002 (36502)     | First day cover (gummed)                        | \$3.05   | 1 December 2008         |
| 1597013 (36503)     | First day cover (minisheet)                     | \$3.05   | 1 December 2008         |
| 1597003 (36500)     | First day cover (self-adhesive)                 | \$3.05   | 1 December 2008         |
| 1597005 (36501)     | First day cover (blank)                         | \$0.30   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597182 (36494)     | Booklet (10 x 55c)                              | \$5.50   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597250             | Chequebook (20 x 10 x 55c)                      | \$110.00 | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597126 (36504)     | Stamp pack                                      | \$5.95   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597220 (36506)     | Maxicard set (4)                                | \$6.50   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597210 (36493)     | Roll of (200 x 55c)                             | \$110.00 | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597200 (36499)     | Strip of five from a roll                       | \$2.75   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597240 (36500)     | Gutter (10 x 55c) – no design                   | \$5.50   | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597184 (36507)     | Prestige booklet                                | \$12.95  | 30 May 2009             |
| 1597223 (36505)     | Collector pack                                  | \$9.15   | 30 May 2009             |

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## A ride into history...available now!

### 2008 Emirates Melbourne Cup souvenir stamp sheet



This souvenir sheetlet records the place getters of the 2008 Emirates Melbourne Cup along with details of the 12 cup wins by leading Australian trainer, Bart Cummings.

1514453 \$15.95

**In Retrospect:** Please note that the perforation measurement for the following gummed sheet stamps is 13.9 X 13.9: Love blooms, Gorgeous Australia, WYD, Centenary of Rugby League, Heavy Haulers, Anzac Day: Lest We Forget, Queen's Birthday, Aviation.

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