

# ANTARCTIC STAMP, POSTCARD & COLLECTIBLES EXHIBITION 2020

1<sup>ST</sup> BIENNIAL ANTARCTIC STAMP EXHIBITION THURSDAY 30 JULY TO SUNDAY 2 AUGUST

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### **BULLETIN NO 1**

#### WELCOME

Welcome to the first bulletin for the Antarctic Stamp, Coin & Collectibles Exhibition 2020. This exhibition will be held in conjunction with the Australian Antarctic Festival held in Hobart biennially. In 2018 the Festival attracted nearly 25,000 visitors – local, interstate and international. The Festival covers everything from icebreakers to the CSIRO research laboratories. The Festival will run from 29 July to 2 August 2020, and if you have any interest in the Antarctic then Hobart will be the place to be.

Highlights include opportunities to tour Antarctic icebreakers and research ships and sit in the pilot's seat of the huge Boeing Globemaster C17 military aircraft which lands on the ice runway at Wilkins Airstrip in Antarctica. Crews will be on hand to demonstrate equipment, answer questions, and give you a guided tour. Next year is the last year of operation of the Australian Antarctic ship Aurora Australis, which will be in port and has carried virtually every Australian Antarctic expeditioner in the last 30 years. Many will come just to farewell this iconic vessel.

There will be numerous fascinating public lectures on a wide range of Antarctic related subjects, given by a wide range of stakeholders. A general exhibition is also held with ice tractors, helicopters, remote controlled underwater vehicles, communications equipment, and dozens of stands from companies who are suppliers to The Australian Antarctic Division. The research laboratories of CSIRO, Tasmanian University, and IMAAS are open, with endless displays of marine life, ship wrecks, Antarctic flora and fauna, minerals and more. Experts and students are on hand to answer questions.

It is fascinating and family friendly, with free admission to many events including the stamp exhibition. There are also tours of the many historical Antarctic sites around Hobart, scientific conferences and reunions, Antarctic films, and the ever-popular Mawson's Huts Replica, which is fascinating!!

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A great variety of stamps, postcards and other collectibles have been a part of all Antarctic expeditions — both as fundraisers and souvenirs. For the first time, we have decided to run a noncompetitive exhibition of Antarctic-related stamps, postcards and other collectibles as a part of this important festival.

As a non-competitive exhibition it is free of any of the usual constraints of competitive philatelic exhibits. We are hoping to attract exhibits, in particular, from the "heroic" era of Mawson, Scott, Amundsen, Shackleton and others, all of who had strong connections to Hobart.

The exhibits will include stamps, postal history, postcards, antique maps and other collectibles. The exhibition will be limited to 90 frames so if you are interested in being part of this unique event, please send in an entry. There is a separate prospectus and entry form.

Standard Australian exhibition frames will be used which include approximately 1m<sup>2</sup> of space or 4x4 standard exhibit pages. There will also a possibility of display cases for bulkier collectibles.

#### **SOUVENIR MEDAL FOR EXHIBITORS**

Although the exhibition is non-competitive each exhibitor will receive a specially minted medal in sterling silver which will limited to 40 medals at the most (depending on the number of exhibits). This is the reason for the high cost of the first frame in each exhibit.

#### **SPECIAL EXHIBITION DINNER**

Mawson had a farewell dinner at Hadley's Hotel We have asked the hotel to recreate the menu and it will be held on Saturday 1 August. It is strictly limited to 50 guests. There will be a guest speaker and a unique philatelic souvenir. The cost is \$100 and bookings can be made at <a href="https://www.trybooking.com">www.trybooking.com</a> (Search under buy tickets using the date 1 August 2020 and postcode 7000.)



#### IMPORTANT - Dates of the Exhibition

The Festival itself runs from 29 July to 2 August, but our stamp, postcard & collectibles exhibition runs from 30 July to 2 August with the 29th of July being used as a set-up day.

#### **DEALERS**

The following dealers will be in attendance:

- Shields Stamps & Coins
- Hamiltons for Stamps
- Classic Stamps (NZ)
- Willard Allman (USA)
- The Stamp Place Hobart

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Accommodation has been reserved at Hadley's Orient Hotel (where Mawson stayed prior to departing) at a special rate of \$159 (standard room) and \$179 (premium room).

Hadley's Hotel 34 Murray Street, Hobart, TAS 7000 Tel: (03) 6237 2999

Please quote booking number 2163795 and reservations need to be made by telephone.

#### **VENUE**

The venue is the award-winning Brooke Street Pier which is in the heart of the Hobart tourist precinct on the harbor. It is the ferry terminal for the famous Museum of Old and New Art (MONA). There are refreshment options both within the pier and within walking distance.

#### **SOUVENIRS**

In addition to the Supporter's Club pack there will other souvenir items including PNCs, a bronze version of the exhibition medal and an overprinted Miniature sheet only available at

the venue. Contact Darryl Fuller for an order form.

#### **SUPPORTERS' CLUB**

By becoming a Supporters' Club member, you will not only help to fund the show but also receive a range of benefits, including:

- Free exhibition catalogue
- AAT Mawson PNC \*
- AAT Crabeater Seal\*
- AAT Emperor Penguins\*
- Overprinted Replica Card (No. 45 2/-Antarctic Stamp)
- Drink voucher for the Dinner (\*Each PNC is overprinted with the exhibition logo and numbered.)

The number of Supporters' Club memberships is strictly limited to 100 and the above items are ONLY available as a club member.

The cost of membership is only \$100.

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