



## Woo-hoo! **Big Gala** at the Library

“I takes a village . . .” (you’ve heard that one before). Well *it takes a community* to support a library, and the philatelic community in the Greater Bay Area came through with an outpouring of generosity and support for the Western Philatelic Library.

The **WESTPEX Board** took a lead role by underwriting the recent open house celebration and fund raiser held at the Library 6 February. Over 200 people took advantage of the “half-price sale” on surplus donated stamps and duplicate books. A steady stream was flowing in and out for the 6 hours the party lasted.

**Ed and Judy Jarvis** marshaled an additional 20 volunteers to spiff up the Library, organize the food and beverages, make the sales, and help happy collectors to their cars with their bargains. **WESTPEX, Inc.** paid for the refreshments (they were great, Judy!) and provided a “match” for every dollar received in sales — items were half the price, and at the end of the day, the Library took in more than \$3200, matched by WESTPEX for a total of more than \$6400. **Stuart Leven** and **David McNamee** chipped in to provide professional signage for the building, raising the event’s total to more than \$10,000.

The roster of people who gave their time to make this event a success:

- John Cross:** set up and take down
- Bill Dwyer:** publicity postcard design & mail
- Bob Gordon:** sales
- Clyde Homen:** sales
- Ed Jarvis:** Manager and Asst. Broom Pusher
- Judy Jarvis:** refreshments
- Marci Jarvis:** sales check out desk
- Bob Jarvis:** security
- Wally Joliff:** assembling & pricing collections
- Ed Laveroni:** sales
- Stuart Leven:** donations processing; signs
- Ken Lewetzow:** assembling & pricing collections
- David McNamee:** publicity; signs
- Jerry Mix:** sales
- Kristen Patterson:** set up and take down; book sales
- Russ Samuels:** sales
- Kathy Samuels:** Official Photographer
- Roger Skinner:** Answer Man (“do you have a book on . . .”)
- Jo Skinner:** Chief Accountant; sales check out desk
- Roy Teixeira:** Chief Broom Pusher, Painter, Interior Decorator, . . .and on and on
- Sigrid Teixeira:** coffee and tea
- WESTPEX Board:** Provided funds for advertising, refreshments and matching funds for the sales of surplus collections and books.
- The Bay Area Stamp Community:** supporters! A BIG THANK YOU, EVERYONE.

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# CNCPS Elected Officers and Appointed Positions 2014-15

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**MEETINGS in 2016: WESTPEX : NOON May 1**, Filatelie Fiesta (November 13)

*Subject to change — watch the **Council Courier** for exact times and places*

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## What Does the Council Do?

A number of questions arise at this time every year (dues collection time) about what the clubs get for their ten bucks. It is a fair question, because a lot of what the Council does is not visible to everyone or not associated in people's minds with the CNCPS.

Perhaps some clues can be seen by the Committees that are part of the Council:

The *Council Courier* and the web site attempt to keep clubs and member societies aware of what is going on in our area (Northern California, Northern Nevada and Southern Oregon).

The Council promotes local philately

through support for clubs through the Speakers' Bureau for club programs, exchange of membership recruiting and retention ideas through the *Council Courier*, and support for stamp shows through:

- Publicity
- Exhibition Judges for local shows
- Loan of exhibit frames

The Chaloner and Holmsten awards are two of the ways that the Council encourages local philately.

The Council provides a training ground for future leaders in organized philately on the local, area and national levels.

## Council Minutes 6 December 2015 — Meeting at PENPEX

Attendees: Vesma Grinfelds      Robert Pope      Nancy Swan      Larry Crain      Ed Laveroni  
Nigel Moriarty      Randy Tuuri      Kristin Patterson      David Epps      Ed Bierman  
Barbara Herbert

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 PM by President Larry Crain followed by introductions as each member stated their name and which stamp club and or show they represented.

**Minutes** were read and passed around from our last meeting at WESTPEX in April of 2015. The minutes were unanimously approved. A quorum was achieved.

**Treasurer's report:** There are currently there are only 3 clubs that have not renewed their membership fees with the council. Frame storage fees have increased and COALPEX is helping with the shipping fees. The website has been paid for the next 5 years. Motion to accept the report was by Randy and seconded by Vesma.

### New Business

**Council Courier:** The *Courier* is currently running well with David McNamee as editor. Vesma suggested that we encourage clubs and shows to submit current club/show information to the *Courier*.

**Website:** Discussion went around regarding the appreciation for all of the past work that Tim Burgess has done with the council's website

**Chaloner Memorial Trophy Award:** Terry and Harvey Edward received the Chaloner Award for all of their hard work and dedication to the Nevada Stamp Study Society and the Reno Stamp Show.

**Holmsten Award:** The Holmsten Award will be featured at the EBCC in 2016 and COALPEX in 2017. Pervious award sites are listed on the Council web site.

**Elections 2016/2017:** Vesma nominated Barbara Herbert as the new Vice President. She accepted, Roy seconded and everyone agreed unanimously. The Secretary was filled this year by Robert Pope and Treasurer by Nigel Moriarty. David McNamee has assumed responsibilities as Judge Coordinator.

**Website Report:** Ed Bierman has taken on the duties and responsibilities as the Webmaster for the council. Over the past several months Ed has been working hard on the website. He distributed a website report with various facts, data and information regarding demographics and who is viewing the website.

**Frame Repair/Storage Pods:** Frames are in need of being repaired. Ed Laveroni volunteered to help demonstrate repairing frames and storage pods as needed.

**CA Clubs/Shows Poster & Flyer boxes:** Kristin Patterson created a large poster map of Northern California showing the locations of the various stamp clubs and shows. Many appreciated the visual display during the show! Larry Crain volunteered to transport the box(s) containing club/show information and poster from PENPEX to WESTPEX. We also have a new stamp club in Grass Valley and the Roseville stamp club will be added to the CA poster map display.

**Future Meetings:** The next council meeting will be at WESTPEX May 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 at noon. The next meeting after WESTPEX is scheduled for Filatelic Fiesta.

**The meeting was adjourned at 1:24 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Robert N. Pope, Secretary**

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Fellow Collectors:

We enter 2016 with lots of stamp shows ahead of us. The first one, NOVAPEX, in Redding had 42 frames of exhibits, was judged by Council judges and was supported by Council dealers and Council volunteers. Keep in mind as you attend these shows that they are the work of the local clubs who put them on. These shows are the fun, social part of our hobby. So come to WESTPEX the end of April (and May 1) and to the next ones: SOPEX (Medford, OR), COALPEX (Walnut Creek) and The Reno Stamp & Cover Show (Reno).

For all clubs, please bring to WESTPEX or email to me at [larry.crain@gmail.com](mailto:larry.crain@gmail.com) 1/2 page club information sheets. The Council staffs a table at the top of the escalator at WESTPEX, and from past years at the table I know people ask about clubs in their area and not just in the Bay Area. In fact, sign up to staff the table and meet other collectors while there. Use this link:

[www.signupgenius.com/go/10coc4eaca92fa7fdo-council1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10coc4eaca92fa7fdo-council1)

I regret having to inform you of the passing of Council Vice-President **Barbara Herbert** on March 7. Barbara was an active show goer who could be seen on the floor of many shows -- literally on the floor setting up frames, tables, exhibits or whatever. She would ask what needed to be done and would pitch in to accomplish it. We will miss her enthusiasm and presence.

Lastly, if interested, attend the Council meeting at WESTPEX, Sunday May 1. The room number will be in the show program.

*Larry Crain*  
CNCPS President

*John Walker, President*

*Nevada Stamp Study Society announced:*

## APS is Coming to RENO!

The APS staff signed a contract to hold **AmeriStamp Expo 2017** in Reno, Nevada on **3-5 March**. This is a wonderful opportunity to attend one of the major APS national shows. There will also be opportunities to volunteer to help in registration and exhibit mounting/dismounting (more on that later).

Here are the details we know about (so far):

**Venue:** Reno-Sparks Convention Center  
4590 S. Virginia St.  
Reno, NV 89502

**Hotel:** Atlantis Casino Resort Spa  
3800 S. Virginia St.  
Reno, NV 89502

\$135 (Th-Sat.), \$109 (Tu., Wed., Sun.)  
[single/double]  
13% tax, +\$2/night room fee

For Reservations, call: (800) 723-6500  
Mention "AmeriStamp Expo" or "ASE"  
Reservation Deadline: 5 Feb. 2017

The APS show will have an impact on the Council Schedule of Shows for 2017., so stay tuned. Meanwhile, **circle the date!**

## Henry Marquez

Henry has recently been accredited as a philatelic Judge by the APS Committee for Accreditation of Exhibitions and Judges. Henry has previously gain accreditation by our Council for local and regional shows as well as by the Peru National Philatelic body. He is a well known exhibitor at Council shows, usually scoring quite well with his various exhibits of Peru philately. *Congratulations!*

### NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

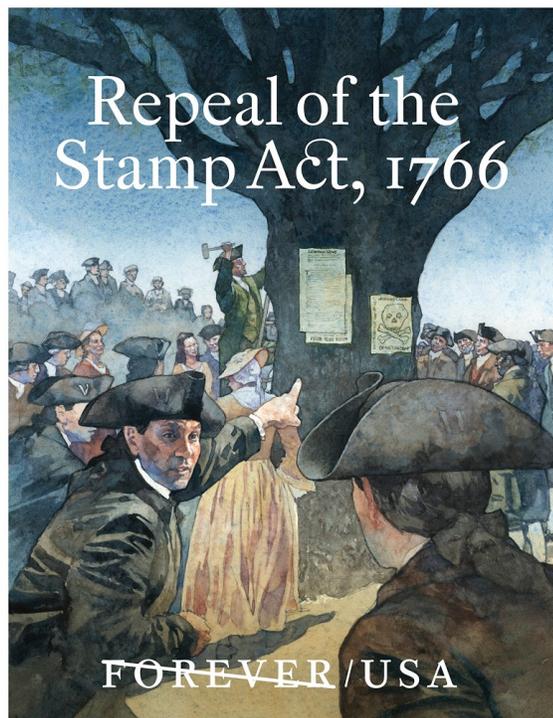
**Westpex, Sunday MAY 1, 2016**  
**Burlingame @ NOON**

# COALPEX is Coming!

June 11-12 Walnut Creek

See Exhibition Prospectus attached

Theme: Repeal of the Stamp Act



Walnut Creek Community Center

1375 Civic Dr.

10 AM—5 PM Sat, 10 AM — 4PM Sun

Dealers, Exhibits, Cachet Cover

### Want YOUR club's news featured?

Make certain your newsletter editor sends a copy of the club's newsletter and press releases to the Editor of the *Council Courier*:

David McNamee  
PO BOX 37  
Alamo, CA 94507  
or dmcnamee@aol.com

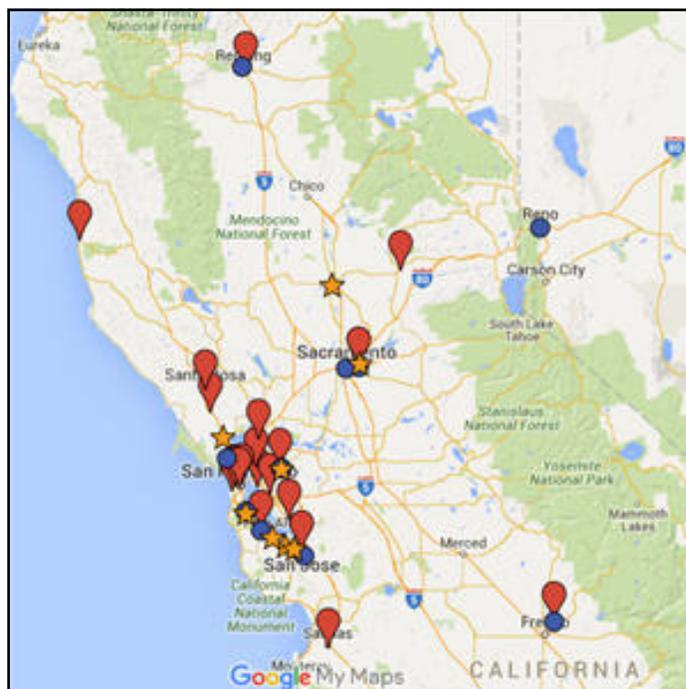
# OOPS!

A helpful feature of our web site is a listing of all of our member clubs and the contact address/ telephone/ email/ web site (however many of those types of info we have on file) so that new and prospective members can look up the clubs in their area and contact them for more information. Now we have maps, too!

A recent incident surprised one of our club presidents when he found that his home address was publicly listed. Look at the web site and get in touch with web master Ed Bierman if you want to make any changes.

## Council Web Site New Maps

[www.norcalstamps.org](http://www.norcalstamps.org)



**Ed Bierman** has improved the information content of the Council web site with Google Maps that has optional displays of location data for Stamp Clubs, Stamp Shows, Stamp Dealers, or all at once as shown above. If you have not visited [www.norcalstamps.org](http://www.norcalstamps.org) in awhile, check it out now. This will be great for newcomers to our Council area, who will be able to access details on the location and times for activities near them.

## Around the Council: Clubs and Members

**Keep Your Club Contact Information Up-to-Date on the Web Site!**

### California Collectors Club

The California Collectors Club announced recently that they have a new member, **Emilie Ko**, pictured below.



Emilie was introduced to CCC activities at their New Year's Dinner. Rather than hold its regular Holiday potluck party, the CCC opted for a New Year's Dinner at the Europa Café near where the club meets. The club partially subsidized the event, which included lots of stamp chatter. It was enjoyed by all who could attend. Pictures by **Ian Anton**, CCC President.



L-R: Emilie Ko, Steve Schumann, Mikhail Goldshteyn and wife, Ancock Hsiao, Valery Gris, Dzintars and Vesma Grinfelds, and Charles Drucker. Missing from photo but attending: Pierre Hahn, Suchada Nilchan and Ian Anton.



The California Collectors Club selecting items from the menu at their New Year's Dinner at the Europa Café.

### East Bay Collectors Club

**Correction** to our January story: EBBC celebrated 70 continuous years sponsoring its annual stamp show. That is the longest continuing philatelic event in the Bay Area. **Randy Tuuri** is the one who actually provided the historic memorabilia from his collection to show the various milestones in the EBCC show. This was inadvertently credited to Bill Barlow. My apologies, Randy.

The EBCC show will be 29-30 October this year at its usual venue, Walnut Creek's Civic Center Assembly Hall, 1375 Civic Drive. Hours are 10 AM—5 PM.

### Southern Oregon Stamp Society

Medford is gearing up for its annual Pear Blossom Festival, and SOSS is dusting off frames for its annual SOPEX show, 9-10 April.

**Lena Ward**, the Society's Secretary and newsletter editor will be happy to put you on email distribution if you contact her through [lmward78727@hotmail.com](mailto:lmward78727@hotmail.com). This is a lively group, and full of great ideas to involve club members.

**New Meeting Place:** First Methodist Church, 607 W. Main St., Medford, OR effective with the March meeting.

## USCS

**Michael (Stan) Turrini** is President of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society USS *Saginaw* Chapter.

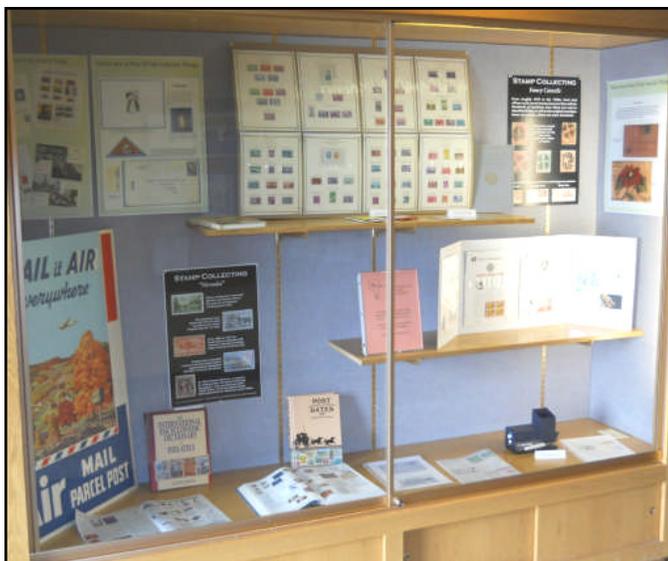
Its newsletter *CoverAge* for January provides a schedule for the 2016 meetings. WESTPEX at 12:30 PM on Saturday 1 May is the next meeting, room TBA. The newsletter has extensive illustrations of Valentines Day ship cancels and cachets. USS *California* is also the subject of photos and cacheted covers. There is a lot to learn here!

If you have an interest in ship covers, contact **Steve Shay** of the local USCS Chapter at shaymur@flash.net for the exact time and place of the next meeting.

## Nevada Stamp Study Society

Collectors in the Reno-Carson City area are excited to find that the APS will be holding their winter show, AmeriStamp Expo at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center March 3-5, 2017. Northern Nevada has hosted the APS and ATA shows several times previously. More info as things develop!

Meanwhile, NSSS is not resting on its laurels. On January 2, **Stan Cronwell** and **John Walter** installed two displays in the Carson City Library lobby. A picture of one of the cases is shown below. There might be a library in your town that would be pleased to receive a display. Give it a shot!



## Friends of the Western Philatelic Library

Thanks to **Kathy Samuels** for the high quality pictures taken at the Gala Open House held February 6 at the Western Philatelic Library in Redwood City. More pictures on page 10.



Guests at the Open House traveled from Fairfield, Los Gatos, Marin, and Morgan Hill — it was truly a philatelic community event.

Several guests commented favorably on the increased space and the quality of the donated furnishings — ideal for a stamp club or a Board meeting. Our Council finally has a “Philatelic Center” in more ways than one. If you had to miss the Gala Open House, you can still visit the library to browse the stacks, read the latest newsletters, or take advantage of the low prices on duplicate used philatelic literature

The WPL is located in its own building in Redwood City at 3004 Spring Street. Their normal hours are posted on their web site: [www.fwpl.org](http://www.fwpl.org) or call 650-306-9150 for info.

### **Fresno Philatelic Society**

**FRESPEX** was held March 12-13 at the Rex Phebus Veteran's Memorial Building. The show is now a dealers' bourse, having had difficulty in the past few years raising participation in the exhibition side. Even with eBay and other online sources, it is important for collectors to be able to meet dealers face to face. Kudos to the organizers of FRESPEX for serving the collectors in their area.

### **Collector's Club of San Francisco**

Member **Mathew Kewriga** provided the March monthly meeting with a presentation on the "United States Brazil Steamship Line 1865-1875." at the club's usual dinner rendezvous at L'Olivier in the Embarcadero neighborhood of San Francisco March 9. Next month is the annual WESTPEX dinner meeting with Member **Ross Towle** the featured speaker.

### **Redding Stamp Club**

Another great NOVAPEX March 5-6, a very nice awards dinner, and a well-run show committee. **Mark Woodward** and **Bob Grosch** and a great team of volunteers should take a bow. Many members of the **Southern Oregon Stamp Society** brought exhibits — it is great to see these two shows supporting each other with philatelic exhibits. It cross-pollinates the skills and interests of both, and it provides the members living in each area to see exhibits that they may not have another chance to see.

Check out the Redding Stamp Club's new web site: [www.reddingstampclub.org](http://www.reddingstampclub.org) — it is being completely redesigned.

### **Sequoia Stamp Club**

Check out the Sequoia Stamp Club web site for some fascinating stories about club activities and ideas to make your club more attractive for new members:

[www.penpex.org/sequoia-stamp-club/](http://www.penpex.org/sequoia-stamp-club/)

### **SFPPS**

The San Francisco Pacific Philatelic Society is an amalgam of two very venerable groups: Pacific Philatelic Society (APS Life Chapter No. 1) and the San Francisco Stamp Society (APS Life Chapter No. 7). These groups merged some time ago to create a great group of people who would love to see you on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 PM at the Community Room of the SF Police Department — Richmond Station, 461 6th Avenue.. San Francisco. Everyone is welcome to participate in this historic group.

### **Sacramento Philatelic Society**

Each Spring, the SPS hosts their annual Easter Seals Show, and for 2016 it is April 2. It is a wonderful experience, especially for newcomers. The main feature includes large tables with millions of stamps — sort through for what you want, and buy them for 2 cents each! Free admission and free parking — how good can it get? The show is a benefit for Easter Seals, and it is held at Easter Seal Center, 3205 Hurley Way, Sacramento. **GO!**

### **Filatelic Fiesta**

Chairman **Stephen Schumann** announced that Filatelic Fiesta is moving from a 3-day show to a 2-day show, on November 11-12, but at a new site: the San Jose Elks Lodge. More information next issue.

### **COALPEX**

Chairman **Dave Epps** reports that COALPEX will take place again this year at the Walnut Creek Community Center June 11-12. This will be the second year of the show's comeback from a multi-year hiatus. There will be exhibits and a great group of dealers, so circle that date! An exhibit Prospectus is attached to this newsletter.

It is up to our Northern California clubs to turn out the members to **support our local stamp shows**. Volunteers are always needed, both on planning committees and at the day of the show as well. Contact Dave Epps if you are available to help:

[depps55@gmail.com](mailto:depps55@gmail.com)

## Alameda Stamp Club

Council Vice-President **Barbara Herbert**, a member of the Alameda Stamp Club and tireless worker for local stamp clubs and shows, passed away March 7 after a brief illness. She will be missed by many. Our condolences to her family and many friends in the Council.



(L-R) Bradley Fritts (Southern Oregon Philatelic Society), Barbara Herbert (Alameda Stamp Club), David McNamee (EBCC), & Council President Larry Crain (also Southern Oregon Philatelic Society) at the EBCC Show Oct. 2015.

## The Philatelic Society of San Leandro

President **Gayle Hamilton** announced that the March 15 meeting of the Society will be its 1000<sup>th</sup> meeting since its founding. This group does a lot of stamping while socializing — perhaps you should pay them a visit!

**Meeting:** Tuesday March 15. Doors open at 6 PM, and meeting starts at 6:30 PM at the San Leandro Library, in the Estudillo Room, 300 Estudillo Avenue, San Leandro. Cake, coffee and a special commemorative souvenir for all who attend.

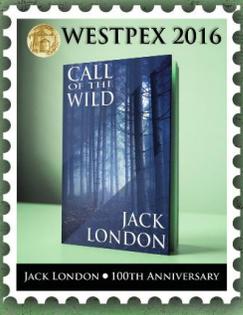
Future meetings include a Pizza Party in April, and another celebration in June to honor the Society's 78<sup>th</sup> birthday. Contact Gayle at:

**gale737@att.net** for more information.

## WESTPEX

### WESTPEX

April 29 - May 1, 2016  
San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront



Featured Societies

- United Postal Stationery Society
- International Society for Portuguese Philately
- Portuguese Philatelic Society

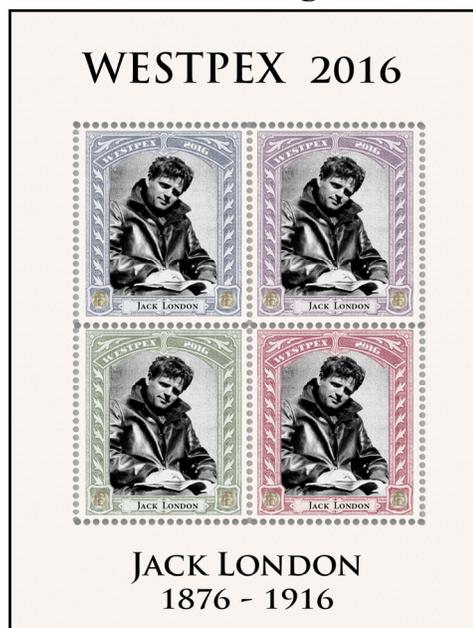
5000 Pages of exhibits  
75 Dealers \* Meetings \* Seminars

Schuyler Rumsey Auction (4/28 - 5/1)

**Ed Jarvis** leads a team of 40 volunteers to produce a stamp show that is arguably the best in the land. We are fortunate to live in the same part of the country.

The 2016 WESTPEX will be held from April 29 through May 1 with a major auction, numerous society meetings and seminars, 75 dealers, and over 5000 pages of excellent philately. The theme this year is the centenary of Oakland native Jack London's death (1876-1916), one of the West's great storytellers.

The United Postal Stationery Society, the International Society for Portuguese Philately and the Portuguese Philatelic Society are having their conventions at WESTPEX. Check out all of the activities on the schedule on their web site: **www.WESTPEX.org**.



# Council Shows Report

**NOTE:** The *Council Courier* will publish only the highlights of each stamp show. We will not publish the full palmares — that information is available on the CNCPS web site: [www.norcalstamps.org](http://www.norcalstamps.org).

## Results for First Quarter 2016

MARCH 5-6 : **NOVAPEX**, Redding

Grand Award: Richard Clever

*Mongolia 1886-1932*



**Bob Grosch (Left) and Richard Clever with Grand Award, a hand-turned burl bowl by a local Redding area artist**

### The Holmsten Award

The Holmsten Award is named for the late Leonard Holmsten, a long-time sparkplug of local stamp shows and exhibitions. It is given annually at a rotating Council club exhibition to the Best Exhibit by a member of a Council club. In 2016, the Holmsten Award will be given at the East Bay Collectors Club exhibition in October.

#### Recent winners:

2012 **Joe Ross** won at PENPEX

2013 **Terri Edwards** won at Reno S&C Show

2014 **Mark Woodward** won at SOPEX

2015 **Stephen Schumann** won at WINEPEX

## SHOW SCHEDULE & JUDGES

CNCPS Judges Chair **David McNamee** announced the Exhibition Show Schedule and Judges for 2016:

**SOPEX** APRIL 9-10, Medford, OR

Judges: Tim Bartshe + NW Fed Judge

**COALPEX** JUNE 11-12, Walnut Creek

Judges Larry Crain + Henry Marquez

**RENO STAMP SHOW** JUL 23-24, Reno, NV

Judges Bill Barlow + Nigel Moriarty +

Lisa Foster (Apprentice)

**WINEPEX** OCTOBER 8-9, San Rafael

Judges Tim Bartshe + Nestor Nuñez

**EBCC SHOW** OCTOBER 29-30, Walnut Creek

Judges David McNamee + Behruz Nassre

**SACAPEX** NOVEMBER 5-6 Sacramento

Judges Vesma Grinfelds + Bob Grosch

**PENPEX** DECEMBER 3-4 Redwood City

Judges Akthem Al-Manaseer + Dzintars Grinfelds

## Schedule: Second Quarter 2016

**SOPEX** APRIL 9-10, Medford, OR

**COALPEX** JUNE 11-12, Walnut Creek

Contacts and information for these shows can be located through the CNCPS web site:

[www.norcalstamps.org](http://www.norcalstamps.org)

***Consider exhibiting — it's fun!***

## WSP (National) Shows

**WESTPEX** APR 29—MAY 1

**FILATELIC FIESTA** NOV 11-12

# Our Library Open House and Gala Celebration!

# NOVAPEX Sights 5-6 March 2016



# COALPEX 2016

Contra Costa – Alameda County Philatelic Exhibition

**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Civic Park Community Center, 1375 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek, CA

Sponsored by  
Alameda Stamp Club – Diablo Valley Stamp Club – Fremont Stamp Club  
East Bay Collectors Club – Philatelic Society of San Leandro, Inc.

## PROSPECTUS 2016

**To enter your exhibit, complete this form, sign and mail to:  
David McNamee, 15 Woodland Drive, Alamo, CA 94507**

Exhibitor's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliations \_\_\_\_\_

Other Society Memberships \_\_\_\_\_

APS# \_\_\_\_\_ Novice: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Youth \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Exhibit (for the Program) \_\_\_\_\_

Has this exhibit been shown before? \_\_\_\_\_ **Please attach title page/synopsis to this application**

Highest previous award for this exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_ at what show: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Frames Requested \_\_\_\_\_ (Each exhibit must submit a separate form.)

I will bring my exhibit in person \_\_\_\_\_ I will send my exhibit by: Mail \_\_\_\_\_ UPS \_\_\_\_\_ Fed Ex \_\_\_\_\_

By another person \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Exhibits not delivered in person will be returned to exhibitor by same method as received unless otherwise specified.  
*Please include your check for the return of your exhibit by the same method as it was sent to us.*)

Signature of Exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW**

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Date Entry Received \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Notified \_\_\_\_\_ Frame No(s) Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit Mounted By \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit Removed By \_\_\_\_\_

# **COALPEX 2016**

Contra Costa – Alameda County Philatelic Exhibition

**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Entries must be made on the official entry form. Acknowledgement of the entry does not signify acceptance for the exhibition. You will be notified of acceptance or rejection. This is to insure a balanced exhibition. Signing the entry form denotes acceptance of all rules and regulations.

Closing date for entries is Saturday, two (2) weeks before the show, or when all frames are filled, whichever occurs first.

Exhibits can be set up from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday and 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Exhibit frames are 3' x 4' and hold **sixteen** pages (8½ x 11) or the equivalent.

An exhibitor may enter more than one exhibit provided separate entry forms are submitted for each exhibit.

**It is preferable that a title page and synopsis (with list of references, if any) accompany your application.** An application will not be counted “complete” until at least the title page OR synopsis OR description of the exhibit’s purpose and scope has been received.

The exhibits must be bona fide property of the exhibitor. COALPEX reserves the right to reject any exhibit, and to limit the number of frames, if necessary.

Owners must provide their own insurance. All reasonable precautions will be taken for the safety of the exhibits; no responsibility shall be attached to the Walnut Creek Recreation Department or to the COALPEX Committee and/or any of the member clubs for any loss or damage whatsoever.

An APS accredited panel of judges will be selected by the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies’ Jury Selection Panel. The jury will make their decisions by deliberation and consultation among themselves, and their decisions will be final.

**AWARDS:** The COALPEX committee will provide a sufficient number of Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver-Bronze, and Bronze awards and ribbons for awards in an open competition.

**GRAND AWARD:** Best Multi-Frame Exhibit

**GRAND AWARD:** Best Single Frame Exhibit

**APS Award:** Best exhibit by an APS member

**ATA Award:** Best thematic exhibit

**Best Novice Exhibit Award** for a First Time Exhibitor

**PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES:** For all exhibitors

The exhibit will close at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. No exhibit or part thereof may be removed from the frames prior to the close of the show, and then, not until released by the Exhibit Chairperson. Exhibits not picked up at the close of the show will be given to the Exhibit Chairperson for return to the exhibitor as provided.