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Q1-17 DISPATCH							
GB	20.10.16	<p>Mr Men & Little Miss - Error correction.</p> <p>Stamps from the retail booklet are from Walsall by gravure NOT litho, as was reported in the Q4-16 Chronicle. Stamps from the Smilers sheet are from Cartor by litho as was correctly reported.</p> <p>For the specialist collector, the 2 booklet stamps differ from the corresponding ones in the Smilers sheet.</p>					
GB		<p>Playing the Percentages</p> <p>Well, how much black ink was added to the RM red (vermilion) shade to transform it into the "new" RM red 2 (bright scarlet) shade?</p> <p>Was it 5% as reported by Norvic or 10% as reported by Deegam?</p> <p>Neither! Actually, it was 9%!</p> <p>Some sleuthing by the Modern British Philatelic Circle with Royal Mail confirms that the 5% came from the original RM press release, which has now been contradicted by RM experts who confirmed 9%. It is likely that Deegam's 10% also came from a RM source, as he confirms all his research by going to originating sources.</p> <p>Not that it really matters, but accuracy is desirable. And there is no discredit to either Norvic Philatelics or Deegam, both of whom are highly reliable and accurate researchers of the GB philatelic market.</p> <p><i>But when RM incorrectly reports on its own products, where does the blame lie? I'll let you answer that.</i></p> <p>The 9% has now also been confirmed by Deegam. In addition, Myall reports that the yellow content was simultaneously reduced from 100% to 95%.</p>					
GB		<p>The Padlock Booklet</p> <p>Again, to clarify the metamorphous confusion. It would seem that the confusion stems from a mis-communication from RM (are we surprised?). The metamorphous is actually the change in font from Helvetia to Chevin -- NOT a change in livery and rebadging booklets with padlocks.</p> <p>Given all the fuss about RMR2, the distinctive red/yellow livery will remain but with a new type font.</p> <p>Will the public notice? I feel not -- a storm in a tea cup.</p>					
GB	17.1.17	Ancient Britain (8)					
GB	6.2.17	<p>Accession of QE2 - 65th Anniversary</p> <p>(£5 sapphire blue Machin, with iridescent overlay, date code, standard perfs, PVA gum)</p>	2B	W/G			
			<p>1977 chalky blue & salmon on left</p>				
			<p>2017 sapphire blue & white on right</p>				
							
<p>This stamp is based upon the £5 parcel post stamp issued 2.2.77. The colours have been changed to sapphire blue & white (from chalky blue & salmon), the engraving process from acid etched to Electro Mechanical Engraving, and a repeating iridescent overlay reading "65th Anniversary of Accession" added.</p>							

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		<p>The size of the image has also been reduced by ~.4mm all 'round. There is also a date code CE17 on the 4th row from the top. So is it a commemorative or a definitive? I believe the former as it was issued to commemorate a specific event which is printed all over it. I have not found any supporters. However, the design & principal colour based upon a previously issued parcel post stamp plus the addition of a date code suggest definitive. In supplying our standing order, Tallents House have treated it as the latter. And why not? It is clearly an exploitive issue. There is no £5 postal rate and you can not buy £5 stamps (or 50p, £1, £1.50, £2, £3) from most UK post offices. Sadly, printed labels reign.</p>					
Canada	31.10.16	<p>NVI P x 5 Landscapes by Canadian Painters - Kiosk Stamps (sa)</p> 					
					<p>These are the new Canadian equivalent of the UK Post & Go [Faststamps]. In Canada, they are referred to as Kiosk Stamps.</p>		
					<p>Each stamp contains a microdate. Have fun finding them.</p>		
GB	5.2.17	<p>Post & Go: Postal Heritage: Mail by Rail</p> 					

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		 <p>Windsor Castle PSB</p> <p>It is worth noting that the STAMPEX O/P was only available at the Exhibition and can NOT be obtained from Tallents House. This is consistent with past practice despite a chorus of criticism from dis-enfranchised collectors (domestic & international). The EUROPA symbol appears on only one stamp design -- The Norman Gate sheet stamp and the same stamp in the PSB [pane 1]. The Machins from the multi-value PSB pane bear a M16L year code not a M17L year code as might be expected.</p>																																																																	
GB		<p>Postal Tariffs Increase on 27.3.17 <i>The principal changes are shown below:</i></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Old</th> <th>New</th> <th>Change</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>2nd</td><td>£0.55</td><td>£0.56</td><td>2%</td></tr> <tr><td>1st</td><td>£0.64</td><td>£0.65</td><td>2%</td></tr> <tr><td>2nd - Large Letter</td><td>£0.75</td><td>£0.76</td><td>1%</td></tr> <tr><td>1st - Large Letter</td><td>£0.96</td><td>£0.98</td><td>2%</td></tr> <tr><td>Europe - 20gms</td><td>£1.05</td><td>£1.17</td><td>11%</td></tr> <tr><td>Europe - 60gms</td><td>£1.52</td><td>£1.57</td><td>3%</td></tr> <tr><td>Worldwide Airmail - 10gms (letters & postcards)</td><td>£1.05</td><td>£1.17</td><td>11%</td></tr> <tr><td>Worldwide Airmail - 20gms</td><td>£1.33</td><td>£1.40</td><td>5%</td></tr> <tr><td>Worldwide Airmail - 60gms</td><td>£2.25</td><td>£2.27</td><td>1%</td></tr> <tr><td>Airmail postcards</td><td>£1.05</td><td>£1.17</td><td>11%</td></tr> <tr><td>Recorded Signed For - 1st</td><td>£1.74</td><td>£1.75</td><td>1%</td></tr> <tr><td>Recorded Signed For - 1st Large Letter</td><td>£2.06</td><td>£2.08</td><td>1%</td></tr> <tr><td>Special delivery - 100gms</td><td>£6.45</td><td>£6.45</td><td>0%</td></tr> <tr><td>Special delivery - 500gms</td><td>£7.25</td><td>£7.25</td><td>0%</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Many tariffs will be accommodated by existing NVIs.</i></p>		Old	New	Change	2nd	£0.55	£0.56	2%	1st	£0.64	£0.65	2%	2nd - Large Letter	£0.75	£0.76	1%	1st - Large Letter	£0.96	£0.98	2%	Europe - 20gms	£1.05	£1.17	11%	Europe - 60gms	£1.52	£1.57	3%	Worldwide Airmail - 10gms (letters & postcards)	£1.05	£1.17	11%	Worldwide Airmail - 20gms	£1.33	£1.40	5%	Worldwide Airmail - 60gms	£2.25	£2.27	1%	Airmail postcards	£1.05	£1.17	11%	Recorded Signed For - 1st	£1.74	£1.75	1%	Recorded Signed For - 1st Large Letter	£2.06	£2.08	1%	Special delivery - 100gms	£6.45	£6.45	0%	Special delivery - 500gms	£7.25	£7.25	0%					
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France	9.1.17 16.1.17 23.1.17 23.1.17 23.1.17	Reflections - Landscapes of the World (sa) (booklet 12) Marc Chagall sheetlet St Valentine's Day [Balmain - Paris] (yellow) - 73¢ St Valentine's Day [Balmain - Paris] (pink) - EUR1.46 St Valentine's Day [Balmain - Paris] sheetlet stamps from the sheetlet differ marginally from the sheet stamp																																																																	

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		<p>assign numbers to stamps from panes, but not M/Ss. Both formats are collectible. All other aspects of the stamps from each source are identical. Golden Anniversary Celebration (multi (7) value) M/S</p> 		W/G			
		<p>The NVI 1st RM red 2 is the only stamp with a security background with code MMIL/M17L The parcel post sized £1 Machin is embossed and gold foiled (by Cartor). The 4d predecimal Machin at the top left of the M/S is an illustration only, is not perforated and is not valid for postage. All stamps in this M/S are new for specialist Machin collectors.</p>		W/G W/G			
		<p>Machin Definitive Retail Booklet (sa) NVI 1st RMR2 Machin Definitive, ex Retail Booklet (sa)</p> 		W/G W/G			
		<p>Machin code is MSIL/M17L, which is a little difficult to see, and is new*. The Machin Definitive: 50th Anniversary PSB contains a plethora of new stamps</p>					
		<p>Pane 1 NVI 1st x 3 Machin commemoratives (with tabs) Pane 2 NVI 1st x 3 Machin commemoratives (with tabs) Pane 3 M/V pane - 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, NVI 2nd, £1.00, label Pane 4 M/V pane - NVI 1st x 6 (all different), 20p double heads x 2, label Pane 5 £1 gold foil Machin x 4</p>					
		<p>Simply put, specialist Machin collectors will require a PSB. both M/S, 1 stamp from the retail book, and the Post & Go as a minimum.</p>					
		<p>Post & Go: Machin Definitive Anniversary: 1967-2017 (sa)</p> 					
					<p>* but may have also appeared in 2017 reprints of standard retail booklets of 6.</p>		
					<p>Predecimal stamps on the left are not perforated, and are not valid for postage.</p>		

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GB	20.6.17	Windmills & Watermills (exist as vertical pairs only) (6v)					
France	3.4.17	Wrought Iron					
	10.4.17	Vimy: Canada-France joint issue M/S					
	18.4.17	The "Chemin des Dames" M/S					
	24.4.17	Jean-Baptiste Charcot					
	28.4.17	Concours Lepine					
	29.4.17	Flowers (sa) (12)					
	2.5.17	FFAP 90th Congress, Cholet, with label					
	6.5.17	The French Red Cross (sa) (8)					
	15.5.17	Europa					
	15.5.17	French Football Cup Centenary					
	15.5.17	2024 Olympics Games Paris Candidature, with label					
	26.5.17	Société Nationale de Sauvetage en Mer [SNSM]					
	22.5.17	Abbey of Saint-Benoît-sur-Loire					
	22.5.17	Insects - The Ladybird					
	22.5.17	Insects sheetlet					
	29.5.17	Lions International					
Canada	8.4.17	NVI P Vimy (joint issue with France) (sa)					
	8.4.17	\$5 (\$2.50 x 2) Vimy M/S (joint issue with France)					
	27.4.17	NVI P x 5 Star Trek (sa)					
	27.4.17	NVI P x 5 Star Trek M/S					
	27.4.17	NVI P x 2 Star Trek - coil (sa)					
	16.5.17	NVI P x 5 Formula 1 Grand Prix (sa)					
	16.5.17	NVI P x 5 Formula 1 Grand Prix M/S					
	24.5.17	NVI P Eid-Aïd (sa)					
	1.6.17	NVI P x 10 Canada 150 pane 10					
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SG listing of M/S		<p>Note that the souvenir sheets for the Vimy Canada-France joint issue differ.</p> <p>Whereas the stamp designs are the same, the values and the background illustrations differ for each sheet.</p> <p>Some previous joint issues were a single sheetlet containing stamps from each country, but with the one sheet sold in both countries.</p> <p><i>Note that SG no longer lists these issues.</i></p> <p>For a Canadian M/S to be listed, it can only contain Canadian stamps denominated in Canadian dollars.</p> <p>A French M/S can only contain Euro denominated French Stamps.</p> <p>Thus the Australian <i>Marco Polo</i> and <i>Polly Woodside</i> M/S have been delisted and relegated to footnotes.</p> <p>In my mind it begs the question as to just what are the objectives for SG catalogues?</p>					
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