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I'am Talking STAMPS

Dear Collector,

It is this time of the year again when celebration arrangements get underway in preparation for the long festive season. Everyone else, obviously, will be juggling Christmas preparations together with other final issues of 2020, and I guess so would you as avid stamp collectors; a last dash to collect the latest stamp issues from the various countries.

STAMP RELEASES

Our choice of issues, as we would prefer, should be based on demand and balanced coverage of topics, however, due to international obligatory responsibilities, we're forced to also accommodate foreign issue topics that have no relevance to Papua New Guinea, and that triggered concern from most collectors.

For 2019, due to internal issues, we were unable to broadcast our stamp issue topics as soon as we should. Again, out of the eleven topics that were finally considered, two of them are international topics (Moon Landing and Year of the Pig). With the final eleven made known, our progress was hampered by unforeseen situations that were beyond our control; only seven of the scheduled issues plus a supplementary one on H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha, III were released:

1. Year of the Pig
2. Team Sports
3. Reef Fish
4. Fresh Produce (Agriculture)
5. Pioneer Arts
6. Galip Nuts
7. Moon Landing
8. H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha, III (supplementary issue)

The four shelved issues (Breadfruit, PNG Faces, Birds of Paradise and Post Courier's 50th Anniversary) have now been included in the 2020 issues listing, which are now in the process of been screened by management.

POSTAL RATE

For postal rates, I am pleased to inform you that our management have decided to freeze the current for the third consecutive year (Domestic: K1.60, International: K6.90). A formal notice of the same will be broadcasted together with other related postal rates. As we're behind schedule again, the remaining stocks from this year will keep the Post Offices going while we're working on the 2020 issues.



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PERSONALISED STAMPS

For friends who have only began their collection of Papua New Guinea Postage Stamps, I am pleased to introduce you to this exciting product; 'PERSONALISED STAMPS'. This product offers a unique opportunity to the adventurous customers who wish to personalize their mailing using personalised postage stamps. They are an ideal Gift idea at anniversaries such as Birthdays, Weddings, Christmas or as parting gifts for friends who are going finish.

The catch about personalised stamps is that, it gives one the liberty to feature favourite photographs with captions or slogans for campaign purposes. Personalised stamps are legal tenders, thus, can be used for postage. The distribution and use of these stamps is the prerogative of the customer. Although a wide circulation of them would be beneficial to the customer in terms of publicity, however, Post PNG can only resell to collectors upon customer's approval.

With the industry taking a worrying trend after the intrusion of modern technology, the introduction of the product (personalised stamps), really, was aimed at recouping that interest from the general public. Although is a legal tender, however, they're not a part of the formal issues scheduled yearly.

Apart from customers, Post PNG also uses the product as filler from time-to-time. Those that were printed for generic use are now sort after by collectors. A considerable number of these generic stamps are available now for collection. As the product generates a considerable amount of revenue for us yearly, there is no restriction to the number of stamps produced; we can print upon request.

UNAUTHORISED ISSUES

As some of you will have noticed, there are a couple of unauthorized issues currently been distribute featuring 'Masks' but are of Chinese flavour in the designs. The United Postal Authority is currently investigating to establish the source. For more information, they can be contacted at the address below:

United States Postal Inspector
PO Box 70
White Plains, NY 10610-0070
T: (914) 697-4139
F: (914) 697-4136
<http://postalinspectors.uspis.gov/>

I hereby confirm again that those stamps are not ours, as we have no knowledge of them so by all means DO NOT collect them.

Until then, on behalf of my team I Wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous 2020.

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