



Papua New Guinea Stamp News

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Dear Collector,

Welcome to our first newsletter edition for this year. To the new comers, a special thank you for considering Papua New Guinea Postage Stamps. We may fail to impress, however, it has always been our desire to exceed your expectations in every way we possibly could.

As promised in our newsletter late last year, 2021 will be a whole year of Papua New Guinea related issues. The decision here was derived from numerous concerns raised against excessive release of irrelevant issues over the years. But before emphasizing further on this, I'd also like to make mention here that the long awaited last two issues for 2020 (*Saltwater Crocodile and Bilums*) have finally arrived from our overseas supplier. Respective components of the both issues have been transferred to Inventory for distribution to post offices nationwide, and then the Philatelic component to follow suite straight after related stationeries are produced.



Sheetlet, Bilums stamp issue



Sheetlet, Saltwater Crocodile stamp issue

With the covid-19 issue continuing to shake foundations, the Philatelic business is no exception. The obvious delay in the release of 2021 stamp issues, once again forced us into using surplus stocks from last year, plus a handful of personalized postage stamps. With the timely release of the 2 x 2020 issues, this should usher us back to normalcy.

With the introduction of our online shop (www.postpng.com.pg), business gradually picked up for us, and at a closer look, Papua New Guinea related issues continue to fare better than the international issues, thus, prompting us to respond accordingly.

With the hope of seeing better times ahead, we have adamantly scheduled for eleven stamp issues for this year. Starting off with the commemorative issues for 'Royal Papua Yacht Club' and 'Mission Aviation Fellowship' (MAF), Notice that due to uncertainty created by the pandemic, it would be unrealistic for us to jot down tentative release dates just as yet, so we'll holdback till circumstances demand it. I know its unbecoming of a practice, therefore, I apologize for that.

Here is the list of issue topics again for your convenience:

1. RPYC 100th Anniversary
2. MAF 70th Anniversary
3. Birds of Paradise
4. Traditional War shields
5. PNG Made Products
6. Canoe Splashboards
7. Traditional Grass Skirts
8. Freshwater Fish
9. Somare Commemorative
10. Armbands
11. Kundu/Garamuts

Last but not the least, a special thank you too, to the good friends of our Bureau, who continue to highlight the grey areas in our service practice. You have been a perfect mirror to us.

Until then, thank you again for your continued support.

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