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Welcome

Welcome to our first Philatelic news of 2011 and on behalf of all of us at Guernsev Philatelic Bureau may we wish you a Happy New Year.

2010 was another successful year for Guernsev Stamps. Our first Children's Book. The Adventures of Penny the Postie, is proving extremely popular with our collectors and islanders alike. Penny herself visited several local schools and children have been thrilled to see their heroine come alive - it was great to see them get in the spirit of the story and enthusiastically "boo" the baddie of the book, the mean Captain Bullybones. Work is well underway on the second Adventure of Penny the Postie so watch this space!

The 2011 programme kicks off with our latest in the endangered species series; the Blue Whale. This incredible marine mammal has once again been beautifully illustrated by Joel Kirk.

Petula Stone has produced another set of finely illustrated Alderney insects - this time we are looking closely at Hawk-Moths. The striking colours of the Elephant Hawk are a particular favourite of mine.

And last but certainly not least, as 2011 celebrates the 90th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion, our set of six stamps depict the values at the heart of this worthwhile charity. The image used on our presentation pack was taken at the 2010 Remembrance Service here in Guernsey.

These stamps will all be released on the first day of Spring StampEx, 23rd February 2011. and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there.

And finally, a big thank you to everyone who voted for their favourite Guernsev or Alderney stamps of 2010 - you can see the prize draw winners overleaf.

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Yearbook 2010

THE COMPLETE 2010 COLLECTION OF STAMPS

Our Yearbook is excellent value for money as it continues to be sold for the value of the stamps - £58.28.

All stamps issued from Guernsey and Alderney in 2010 are provided in a separate glassine bag so you can carefully place them in the affixed mounts at your leisure.

Please see the order form for details or visit www.guernseystamps.com



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2011 Stamp Programme

Guernsey

23 February 2011

Endangered Species: Blue Whale

Miniature Sheet £3.00, FDC £4.20, Pres Pack £3.90

90th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46, Pres Pack £4.16 Sheets of 10 £32.60, Souvenir Sheet £3.26 Souvenir Sheet FDC £4.46

4 May 2011

Europa "Forests"

Set of 3 Stamps £2.97, Souvenir Sheet £2.97, FDC £4.17 Souvenir Sheet FDC £4.17, Pres Pack £3.87 Souvenir Sheet Pres Pack £3.87, Sheets of 10 UK (45p) £4.50 Sheets of 10 Europe (50p) £5.20, Sheets of 10 (£2) £20.00

Penny and the Enchanted Forest

Penny and the Forest book £4.95

Royal Wedding - Prince William and Catherine

Miniature Sheet £4.86, Miniature Sheet FDC £7.26 Miniature Sheet Pres Pack £5.86

28 July 2011

Formula 1 Winners part 2

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46 Pres Pack £4.16. Sheets of 10 £32.60

Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46 Pres Pack £4.16. Sheets of 10 £32.60

28 September 2011

SEPAC - Sea Guernsev 3

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46 Pres Pack £4.16, SEPAC Folder £14.68

Guernsev Christmas Stamps

Set of 7 Stamps £3.57, FDC £4.77, Pres Pack £4.47

Alderney

23 February 2011

Alderney Hawkmoths

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46, Pres Pack £4.16 Souvenir Sheet £3.26. Souvenir Sheet FDC £4.46 Souvenir Sheet Pres Pack £4.16. Sheets of 10 £32.60.

4 May 2011

Bailiwick Birds

Set of 6 stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46, Pres Pack £4.16 Sheets of 10 £32.60. Souvenir Sheet £3.26 Souvenir Sheet FDC £4.46, Souvenir Sheet Pres Pack £4.16

2 June 2011

Queen Elizabeth 85th Birthday and Prince Phillip's 90th

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46, Pres Pack £4.16 Sheets of 10 £32.60, Prestige Booklet £13.04

28 July 2011

100 Years of Red Cross Uniform

Set of 6 Stamps £3.26, FDC £4.46 Pres Pack £4.11, Sheets of 10 £32.60

27 October 2011

Alderney Christmas Stamps

Set of 7 Stamps £3.57, FDC £4.77, Pres Pack £4.57

Tariffs, programme details and issue dates are subject to change without prior notice.

YOUR FAVOURITE GUERNSEY OR ALDERNEY STAMP ISSUE OF 2010!

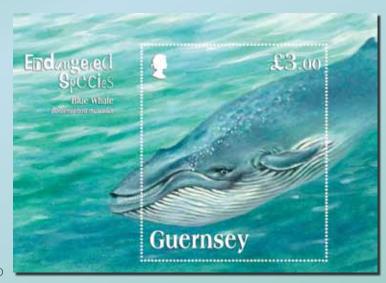
We had a fantastic response and can confirm that your favourite stamp issue of 2010 is the Alderney Dragonflies.

Two lucky winners were picked from lots of entries to win the prize draw: 1. Noris Gian Emilio from Italy 2. Mrs M Boyer from Spalding, Lancs

Each will receive their preferred choice of The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society Calendar 2011 or The Islands of Guernsey Calendar 2011.



Endangered Species: Blue Whale



Miniature Sheet £3.00

Did you know that the blue whale is the largest animal ever known to have lived on planet earth? In fact blue whale calves enter the world already ranking among the world's largest creatures. After almost a year inside its mother's womb, a baby blue whale emerges weighing up to 3 tons and measuring around 8 metres in length.

The average lifespan of a blue whale is estimated at around 80 to 90 years and the oldest blue whale found was believed to be around 110 years old.

To celebrate the latest in our endangered species series which features the blue whale we've pulled together some more interesting facts on this magnificent marine mammal:

Scientific name: Balaenoptera musculus
Diet: Carnivore
Size: 25 to 32 metres
Weight: Up to 200 tons
Group name: Pod
Protection status: Endangered



BLUE WHAL

Presentation Pack £3.90



First Day Cover £4.20





Date of issue

23 February 2011

Designer Joel Kirk

Printer

Southern Colour Print

Value

£3.00

Process

Offset lithography

Stamp size

70mm deep

x 60.9mm wide

Sheet size

84mm deep x 118mm wide

Paper

110gsm unwatermarked PVA adhesive

Perforation

13.145x13.145

Cylinder

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Did you know?

- When a blue whale exhales, the spray from its blowhole can reach nearly 9 metres into the air
- The blue whale has between 55 68 flexible throat grooves which run along half the body length
- Blue whales have very deep voices and can vocalize at a volume of greater than 180 decibels, the loudest sound of any animal
- Blue whales tend to live alone or in pairs (mother and calf or two adults), although they may gather in loose groups to feed

- The blue whale is larger than 25 elephants and bigger than a Brontosaurus and a Tyrannosaurus rex combined
- Blue whales are found mostly in cold and temperate waters, preferring deeper oceans to coastal waters
- Blue whale calves are born mainly in late autumn and winter and weaned at around 6 to 8 months when they are around 16 metres long
- The female blue whale is larger than the male
- Instead of teeth, blue whales have baleen plates to process food













90th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion

The Royal British Legion is the nation's leading Armed Forces charity. It plays a vital role not only in keeping alive the memory of those who have fought in wars but also by providing help and welfare to the serving and ex-Service community and their families.

The Legion is best known for its annual Poppy Appeal and its emblem, the red poppy which, from its more humble beginnings in 1921, has since become a key annual event.

Following some of the bloodiest fighting of World War I in the Flanders and Picardy regions of Northern France, the only thing which would grow on the land was the poppy. Doctor John McCrae, who was serving there with the Canadian Armed Forces, wrote of the poppies in Flanders Fields, which has become one of the best known poems of World War I. Moina Michael, an American War Secretary with the YMCA, was moved by McCrae's work and wrote: "And now the torch and Poppy red, wear in honour of our dead". She bought red poppies and sold them to her friends to raise money for Servicemen in need. Her French colleague, Madame Guerin, suggested making artificial poppies for sale to help ex-Servicemen and their dependants. In Britain, Major George Howson, a young infantry officer, formed the Disabled Society to help

disabled ex-Servicemen and women from World War I. He suggested to the Legion that members of the Disabled Society could make poppies and so, in 1922, the Poppy Factory was founded.

The original poppy was designed so that workers with a disability could easily assemble it - a principle that has remained to this day; more than 70% of Poppy Factory employees have a disability or chronic illness.

Today, some 300,000 staff and volunteers organise the annual Poppy Appeal and, at the Legion's Poppy Factory in Richmond, Surrey, more than 30 million Remembrance poppies, 5 million remembrance petals, 100,000 wreaths and sprays, 750,000 Remembrance Crosses and other Remembrance items are produced each year.

We are absolutely delighted to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Royal British Legion with our commemorative stamp issue, which serves to highlight the values and work of this wonderful charity.

- 1968 is the only year where a British Service person hasn't been killed on active service since the Second World War.
- Each year the Legion answers thousands of calls to its helpline, Legionline. It helps with a huge range of issues from counselling and job retraining, through to organising home and hospital visits.
- For every pound raised the Legion spends 80p on achieving its objectives - and of that 6.6p goes towards its support costs.









First Day
Cover £4.46



Stamps £3.26 Hope (36p) Reflection (45p) Comradeship (52p) Selflessness (58p) Service (65p) Dedication (70p)

Date of issue

23 February 2011

Designer

Two Degrees North

Printer

Cartor Security Printing

Value

36p, 45p, 52p, 58p, 65p, 70p

Process

Offset lithography

Stamp size

21.5mm deep x 51mm wide

Souvenir Sheet size

100mm deep x 140mm wide

£3 stamp size

42mm deep x 28mm wide

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110gsm unwatermarked PVA adhesive

Sheet

10

Perforation

13.25 x 14

Cylinder



Sheets of 10 £32.60













Alderney Hawk-moths

Beautifully illustrated by renowned international artist Petula Stone, our stamps feature the wonderful hawkmoths which can be seen in Alderney, from the busy little Hummingbird Hawk to the Privet and Poplar, which are common residents. Complementing previous sets of stamps depicting Alderney's wide range of insects, the Hawks are shown with island scenes in the background, although most of these moths fly at night.

Hawk-moths are arguably some of the most spectacular of all moths and are the only ones capable of hovering, enabling them to use their long tongues to sip nectar from deep flowers. Their streamlined wings and bodies are perfectly adapted for rapid flight and indeed, some of the hawk-moths seen in Alderney have migrated hundreds of miles to reach the island.

Species which reach Alderney from Africa include the rare and beautiful Striped Hawk and the huge, grey Convolvulus Hawk, which appears in autumn, sometimes commonly, where it hovers at dusk over long-tubed flowers.

There are about 1,400 species of Hawk-moth around the world and some play a unique role in the pollination of plants: some orchids have evolved to be pollinated solely by hawk-moths - and if the moth becomes extinct, so too will the plants.

Sheets of 10 £32.60

With special thanks to David Wedd of Alderney Wildlife Trust

Stamps £3.26

Elephant Hawk-moth Deilephila elpenor (36p) Hummingbird Hawk-moth Macroglossum stellatarum (45p) Convolvulus Hawk-moth *Agrius convolvuli* (52p) Poplar Hawk-moth Laothoe populi (58p) Striped Hawk-moth Hyles livornica (65p)

Privet Hawk-moth Sphinx ligustri (70p)

Did you know?

In 1862 Charles Darwin noted that the spur of the Madagascan Star Orchid, Angraecum sesquipedalian, was so long that the nectar within the flower could only be reached by an insect with an equally long tongue. At the time, Xanthopan morganii praedicta, the hawk-moth in question, had not even been discovered.





Presentation Pack £4.16



Souvenir Sheet First Day Cover f4.46





Date of issue

23 February 2011

Designer

Petula Stone

Printer

BDT International

Values

36p, 45p, 52p, 58p, 65p, 70p

Process

Offset lithography

Stamp size

30.56 deep x 38mm wide

Souvenir sheet size

100mm deep

x 140mm wide

Paper

110gsm unwatermarked

PVA adhesive

Sheet

10

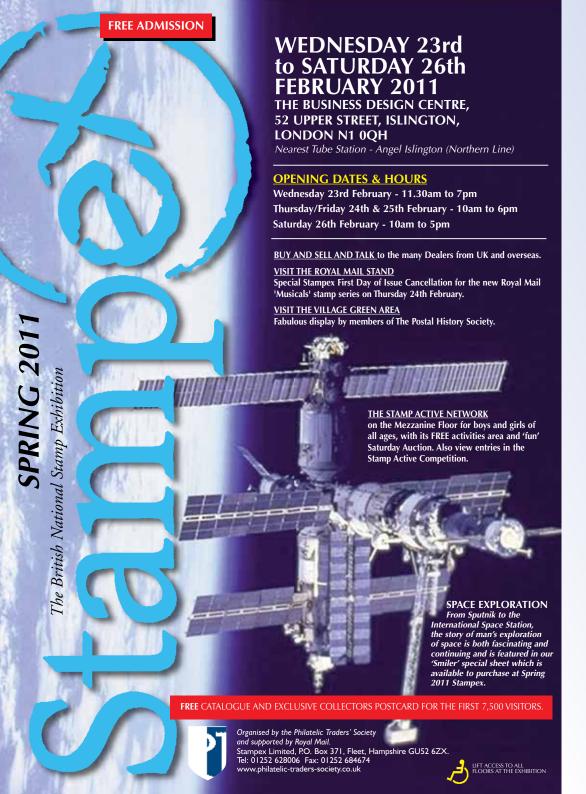
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Souvenir Sheet £3.26





Soon to be withdrawn...

These stamps will be withdrawn on 3 May 2011









the Battle of Britain A set of stamps and miniature sheet commemorating the heroic and brave actions of both the British military and

70th Anniversary of

civilians during WWII.

Products available Set of 6 stamps £3.17 Presentation Pack £3.97

Mini Sheet £2.00 - Sir Douglas Bader Sheets of 6 £19.02

Europa - Children's Books

Follow our very own fictional children's character Penny the Postie on her amazing journey at sea in pursuit of stolen pirate treasure.

Products available

Set of 3 stamps £2.95 Presentation Pack £3.75 Souvenir Sheet £2.95 Sheets of 10 £29.95

The Souvenir Sheet will still be available when purchased as part of the Book for £4.95



These stamps will be withdrawn on 26 May 2011













Centenary of Girl Guides

A striking set of embroidered Girl Guide badges produced to commemorate the Centenary of Girlquiding.

Products available

Set of 6 stamps £3.17 Presentation Pack £3.97 Sheets of 10 £31.70

Issues currently available



150th Anniversary of the Birth of JM Barrie

Beautiful illustrations from Peter Pan in Scarlet, the only official seguel to the book by JM Barrie 'Peter Pan and Wendy'.

Date of issue: 4 November 2010



Guernsey **Christmas Carols 2010**

A fabulously innovative set of stamps with clever and creative use of modern typography.

Date of issue: 4 November 2010



Alderney Christmas Carols 2010

For the first time ever, Alderney have their own set of Christmas Stamps depicting traditional Christmas Carols in a contemporary manner.

Date of issue: 4 November 2010



70th Anniversary of **Guernsey Evacuees**

We mark the 70th anniversary with a collection of evocative images from WWII.

Date of issue:29 July 2010



50th Anniversary of the **National Trust of Guernsey**

Six stunning examples of Guernsey's natural beauty, historic buildings and heritage.

Date of issue: 5 July 2010



Florence Nightingale

A creative reflection on Florence's many wise quotations, capturing her pioneering spirit.

Date of issue: 29 July 2010



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Withdrawal Date: 26 May 2011



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