

The United Nation's 4¢ and 11¢ World United Against Malaria Set Of 1962 And Their First Days Synopsis

Purpose and Scope:

This is a multi-frame 'Traditional' First Day exhibit of the United Nation's 4¢ and 11¢ World United Against Malaria set of 1962.

Treatment:



This exhibit will follow the "Traditional" format and will start with a study of the stamp including essays and proofs, the first printing, the second printing, First Day Covers, commercial covers and then a conclusion. When available, production material of the cachets will be shown.

My collection includes all 17 recorded Essays for the stamp issue, of course only some will be shown for balance. My collection and exhibit has all the recorded ArtCraft, Artmaster, and Dyer cachet pre-production pieces which is everything recorded for these issues.

Importance: Malaria was a world-wide epidemic that killed millions of people and contributed to economic depression and instability. Still today, over 1,000,000 people die a year from malaria (data from UNICEF). The U.N./W.H.O. stamp campaign successfully brought global awareness to the issue, educated the world's population about prevention and cure, and raised millions of dollars used in the global education, prevention and treatment of malaria. This raised revenue was from direct donations from countries like the United States or from postal agencies donating revenues from the stamps or donating stamps themselves to the United Nations which could sell them and get the revenue directly. Well over 100 postal agencies and many other organizations (Wilkinsburg Stamp Club created a Cinderella sheet and donated a few hundred dollars) got involved in this campaign as evidenced by the ten frames in this exhibit. This was the largest stamp campaign to date and took years to organize.

Philatelic/Subject Knowledge: I have been collecting these malaria campaign stamps for over 20 years. In 2007, I restarted the Malaria Philatelists International (MPI) serving as its president and webmaster and responsible for over 90% of the articles. In my 20+ years of collecting, I have purchased many intact collections (including philatelic research notes) from notable collectors and original members of the MPI from the 1970s such as Ron Ward, James Sauer, Kelly Horn and others who collected for 40+ years.

Personal Study and Research: There is a Malaria Philatelists International (MPI) definitive handbook (originally started in the late 1970s on paper) which I am a co-author and is now over 5000 pages in online PDFs and the MPI records every malaria item that the club (over 100 members) can locate. I look at hundreds of large auctions each year and spend about 5 hours a week on eBay, Delcampe, other online auction sites, and attend 3-5 WSP shows a year looking for items. For the MPI, I have written about 100 malaria articles and the 6 pertaining to this set of stamps is in the references section. I have purchased over 200 full panes of these stamps and have "plated" all of the important flaws and all are included in the exhibit. Many of the flaws are new discoveries.

The "known" catalogs by Gaines, Terins, & Lindner list numerous plate flaws and EFOs for this issue. Having acquired and plated a large array of panes over the past decade, I have discovered a number of plate flaws and EFOs not listed in those "known" catalogs. These new finds are flagged as "Original Research" . I also have a cover with an auxiliary marking that is not in the catalogs. I wrote about this in January 2016, and it is marked as "Original Research". 

I found/wrote about the 'WHO Emblem Touching Orange' Discovery sheets (all 7 in my collection) which show the emblem printed crooked. I have other "only one recorded" EFOs in the exhibit.

Rarity/Condition: "Rarity" is a subjective word. Some items can easily be written up as "unique" like Essays. With buying so many collections from collectors who collected for 30-40 years, I have many "only one recorded" items.

Finding "quality" (in good shape, good stamp, clean readable cancel) commercial covers with these anti-malaria stamps can be very difficult. You can search eBay and find a few a year with the United Nations anti-malaria stamps on them but they are torn or are philatelic or have terrible cancels or they are just plain covers paying the domestic surface rate.

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MPI stands for Malaria Philatelists International and is APS Affiliate #AF0266 which has over 100 members and I have been the President for 10 years and I have written around 100 articles all dealing with anti-malaria stamps.

All of the links have been checked to be valid (I manage the MPI website) and all of the other books are at the APRL.

Larry Fillion and Mike Birrer, MPI Handbook, United Nations Scott 102-103

[http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/handbook/United%20Nations%20\(1962\)%20Scott%20102-3.pdf](http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/handbook/United%20Nations%20(1962)%20Scott%20102-3.pdf)

This handbook is the definitive source for what is recorded for this set of stamps. This is 240 pages of information on this stamp recording all of the essays, proofs, varieties, EFOs, FDCs, and commercial covers. This is part of a 5000 page handbook and gets updated once a year with all of the new/updated findings.

Larry Fillion, MPI, United Nations 'GRO Export License Not Required' Auxiliary Marking

<http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-article-un-gro-license-not-required.asp>

Larry Fillion, MPI, United Nations 102-103 Last Day Of Sale

<http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-article-malaria-un-102-103-last-day-of-sale.asp>

Larry Fillion, MPI, United Nations Scott 102 'WHO Emblem Touching Orange' Discovery

<http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-united-nations-scott-102-orange-touching-yellow.asp>

Larry Fillion, MPI, New Finds - United Nations Scott 102 Bisects on FDCs

http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-new-finds-unitednations-bisects_first-day-covers.asp

Larry Fillion, MPI, Using Beecher And Wawrukiewicz For U.N. Scott 102-103 Commercial Covers

<http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-article-un-102-103-postal-rates.asp>

Larry Fillion, MPI, United Nations Scott 102-103 FDC Cancellations

<http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi/malaria-stamps-club-article-un-102-103-fdc-cancellation.asp>

Henry W. Beecher and Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz, U.S. Domestic Postal Rates, 1872-2011 - Third Edition

“First Class, Letter, Surface Rates” - Page 9

“First Class. Postal and Postcard Surface Rates” - Page 50

“Airmail Letters Rates” - Page 87

“Postal and Postcard Airmail Rates” - Page 97

“Third Class Standard Mail Rates” - Page 157

“Registry Service” - Page 322

“Certified Service” - Page 333

“Special Delivery Service” - Page 347

Henry W. Beecher and Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz, U.S. International Postal Rates, 1872-1986

“Airmail Letter Rates” - Page 108

“Airmail Postal and Post Card Rates” - Page 209

“Special Postal Treaties With Canada” - Page 320

(Gaines) United Nations Philately, 1980 R&D Publications

“Stamp Information for 102-103” - Pages 48-49 (his information is also in the 240 page handbook above)

“First Day Cancellations” - Pages 387-390

“Official Headquarters Cachets” - Pages 407-408

“Cancels” - Pages 551-553

“Registry” / “Insured” rubber stamps - Pages 673-676

Mellone's First Day Cover phot Encyclopedia of First Cachets Revealed 1923-2005. Ready Reference Edition. Multiple pages were used to lookup information on all of the cachets in the exhibit.