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Cover Image: The 3rd SAPOA Joint issue was organized by Namibia Post.
The illustrated composite sheet was only distributed by Namibia (about 5000 sheets).
Malawi backed out of the agreement; too late for a redesign to take place. No stamps for Malawi were printed.
Botswana issued it's own souvenir sheet with nine different denominations.

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DIARY OF EVENTS - 2010

27 th -31 st October	Joburg 2010 International Stamp Show Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa
4 th -6 th November	Autumn Philatex , The Royal Horticultural Hall, London Society AGM is on Sat 6 th Nov. in Room 33 between 10:30 and 12:30
12 th -14 th November	Southern African Societies Convention Falstaff Hotel, Leamington Spa, UK Contact Simon Peetoom (simon@africastamps.co.uk) for more details.

Membership Subscription for the Society's financial year 1st July 2010 to 30th June 2011

You are reminded that subscriptions for the year 1st July 2010 to 30th June 2011 are now due and, thanks to the support of each and every one of our members, it is pleasing to be able to advise that we are again able to offer renewal at the levels already established. In order to contain costs we will not be sending out individual reminder letters this year but, as our treasurer/membership secretary provides receipts to each member who has taken advantage of our offer to pay for future years in advance, you will have a personal record as to whether or not any subscription is due. Cheques should be made payable to "The Bechuanalands & Botswana Society". Should you not wish to continue your membership for any reason an email advice or note would be appreciated.

For U.K. and continental European members the subscription is £10.00 and for international members £12.00. For Botswana members wishing to pay locally to John Schaerer the conversion will be P140.00, for South African members to Alan MacGregor R150.00, and for USA members to Peter Thy US\$20.00. You are again welcome to pay for future years in advance, the favourable exchange rate providing a particularly attractive option this year to overseas members.

Payment through the internet banking service is an additional facility you are welcome to take advantage of should you find this to be the more convenient. The Society's account number is 79841853 and sort code 07 00 55. An email advice to the Treasurer that you have paid by this means will suffice.

Your co-operation in forwarding your subscription as soon as possible is much appreciated. Membership which has not been renewed by the end of November 2010 will be regarded as having lapsed.

Short Article ...

by A. Member

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a few paragraphs and maybe an image
as provided by you
about your favourite item
a recent purchase
or a subject you have a question or knowledge about

The alternative is that the Runner Post will get thinner and quite soon fade away.

Editor's Corner

Apologies for the severe lateness of this the June issue. May/June was a particularly busy time at work and I had other demands on my free time (such as the replanting of the garden that I've been putting off for years). There was also a shortage of articles to consider.

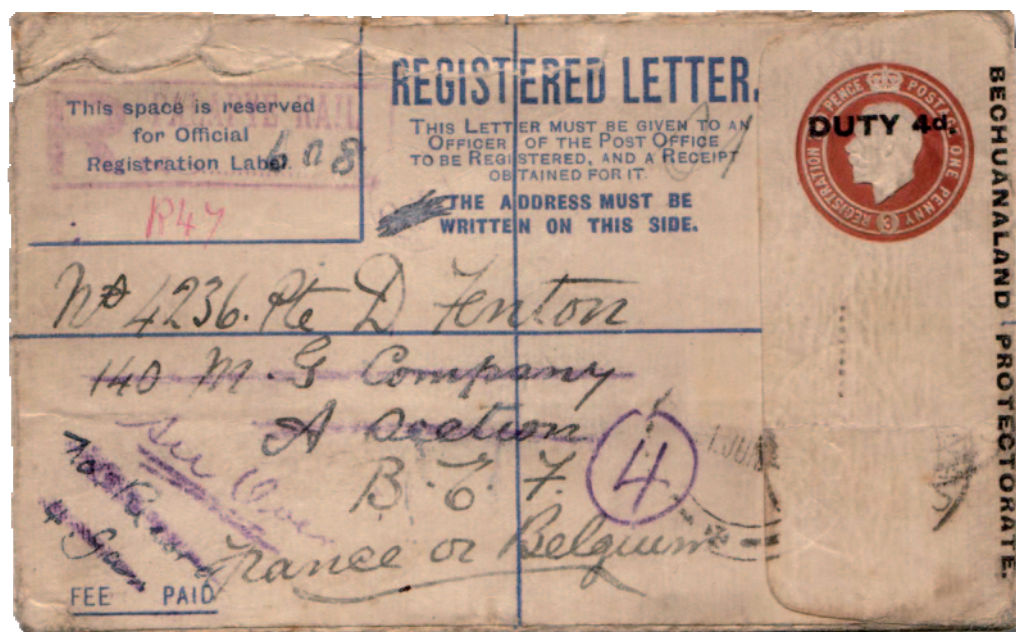
A number of members turned up on Saturday 15th May at London 2010, where the Society had a room with food, drink and a talk. Peter van der Molen was unable to give his talk in person, due to a family illness, and it fell to our Chairman Brian Hurst to give the presentation to accompany Peter's

"Bechuanalands Queen Elizabeth II" display. The talk was well received and a member asked if it could be serialised in the Runner Post as we don't get many articles about the QE II period. Peter has kindly agreed to provide a series of articles based on the material.

It was also nice to meet Mr Motheo Makolo, from Botswanapost's Philatelic Bureau, who turned up for the talk and stayed to ask many questions as he tried to understand what drives philatelists to collect, specialise and look for the stamp with the missing flagpole, unusual colour or lack of perforations.

From Bechuanaland to the WW1 Battlefield

by Peter Thy



This is a truly a miserable cover. It has all the earmarks of a cover that a discriminating collector would hesitate even to touch with his or hers favourite tongs and certainly would never admit in public to own. To mention, all the stamps originally affixed on the front have been removed without traces, the cancelling therefore is only discernible by part of a remaining date '1. JUN.', a large tear occur just below the upper left corner and penetrates toward the right, numerous collector scribbles are all over it, and the usual tear and wear admittedly often seen on this type of stationery are also there. So yes a miserable cover. But let's look at the misery in more details perhaps to understand why it is still sitting in my collection.

The registration envelope used for the letter is a typical British envelope overprinted during 1913-1917 for use in Bechuanaland Protectorate. It is the smallest envelope available (Size F). According to Thy and Inglefield-Watson it is a RE 32 of which three different types are known identified by a date code next to the printers imprint under the flap (McCorquodale & Co.). The known dates are G.F., K.F., and E.G. (or July 1912, Oct. 1912, and May 1913, respectively). The present envelope, however, has a F.G. date code identifying the printing of the envelope to be June 1913 (but not necessary the date of the stamp imprint and certainly not the overprinting). This date code has previously not been recorded and would likely be assigned the number RE 32d in a future revision of the stationery catalogue. The envelope is missing full stop after 'FEE

PAID' in the lower left corner on the front. This may be common for envelopes printed in 1913 and later.

The registered letter was mailed in June 1917 from Palapye Road by the rail Station Master. The registration cachet clearly identify the office of dispatch as Palapye Road despite no complete dated cancellers are preserved. The sender is identified by a crowned oval dated cachet on the reverse reading 'STATION MASTER/11 JUN 1917/ PALAPYE ROAD'. The incomplete data given on the front as '1 JUN.' should thus probably be read as 11. JUNE 1917, the date when the registered letter was handled in over the counter. In 1917, the registration fee was 4d paid by the surcharged stamp imprinted on the envelope. The fee for mailing a letter in 1917 to Europe was 2½d per 1/2 oz.

The recipient of the letter was a soldier serving in the British Army somewhere in Belgium or France during the First World War. It is addressed to

No. 4236 Pte D. Fenton,
140 M. G. Company,
A Section,
B. E. F.,
France or Belgium.

'M.G.' stands for Machine Gun and 'B.E.F.' for British Expeditionary Forces. The 140th M.G. Company was formed in the 47th (2nd London) Division in 1915. The Division took part in the Battle of Pilkem Ridge (31 July - 2 August) as well as the remaining of the

Third Battles of Ypres fought until September 17, 1917. When the letter reached the battlefield in very late July 1917, the Third Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele) had begun with heavy artillery bombardment followed by a major First Army offensive launched on July 31. The battle dragged out due to severe weather and to unexpected strong German fortification. The Allied made few advances during most of the rest of the year and suffered severe casualties mounting to 310,000 men. The MG Companies were often heavily inflicted with up to 30 % killed in action.

It is thus not surprising that the letter from Bechuanaland had problems locating its recipient in the Battlefield of Flanders. The letter went via Cape Town to London. An incomplete London registered letter section 20 JY date cancel appears on the reverse. It was sorted in London at the Base Army Post Office as was practice at that time. It first went to APO R47 (47th (2nd London) Division Railhead), where the recipient was expected to be found, and then on to FPO 173 on the same day of July 29. APO R47 was in 1917 located near Ypres of Belgium, right in the hot spot for the Ypres offensive a few days later. The FPO 173 cancel was assigned to the 173 Brigade of the 58 Division, probably in the same area.

The Army cancels on the reverse are:

ARMY POST OFFICE R.47 (29 JY 17)
 FIELD POST OFFICE 173 (29 JY 17)
 FIELD POST OFFICE T.G. (30 JY 17)
 ARMY POST OFFICE S.18 (30 JY 17)
 ARMY POST OFFICE S.18 (31 JY 17)
 FIELD POST OFFICE 173 (4 AU 17)
 ARMY POST OFFICE R.47 (4 AU 17)
 ARMY POST OFFICE S.1. (AU 5 17)

Having not found Pte Fenton, the letter moved away from the battle to FPO TG and then to APO S18,

reaching both the next day of July 30. FPO TG was located at Hesdin and APO S18 at Camiers, both in France toward the west coast of Pas-des-Calais along the English Channel. FPO TG appears to have been a major rail intersection and APO S18 was the major base depot of the British Army in France and also the base depot of the Machine Gun Corps. The letter was returned the following day from APO S18 back to FPO 173 and again APO R47, still near Ypres, where it arrived on August 4. From there it made the trip back to the coast to APO S1 which was the Southern Central Office for the Army Cross Post in France at Abbeville.

Somewhere along this route information on the whereabouts of Pte Fenton was obtained, probably at APO R47, and a note was scribbled on the reverse of the letter reading:

No. 4 Ward,

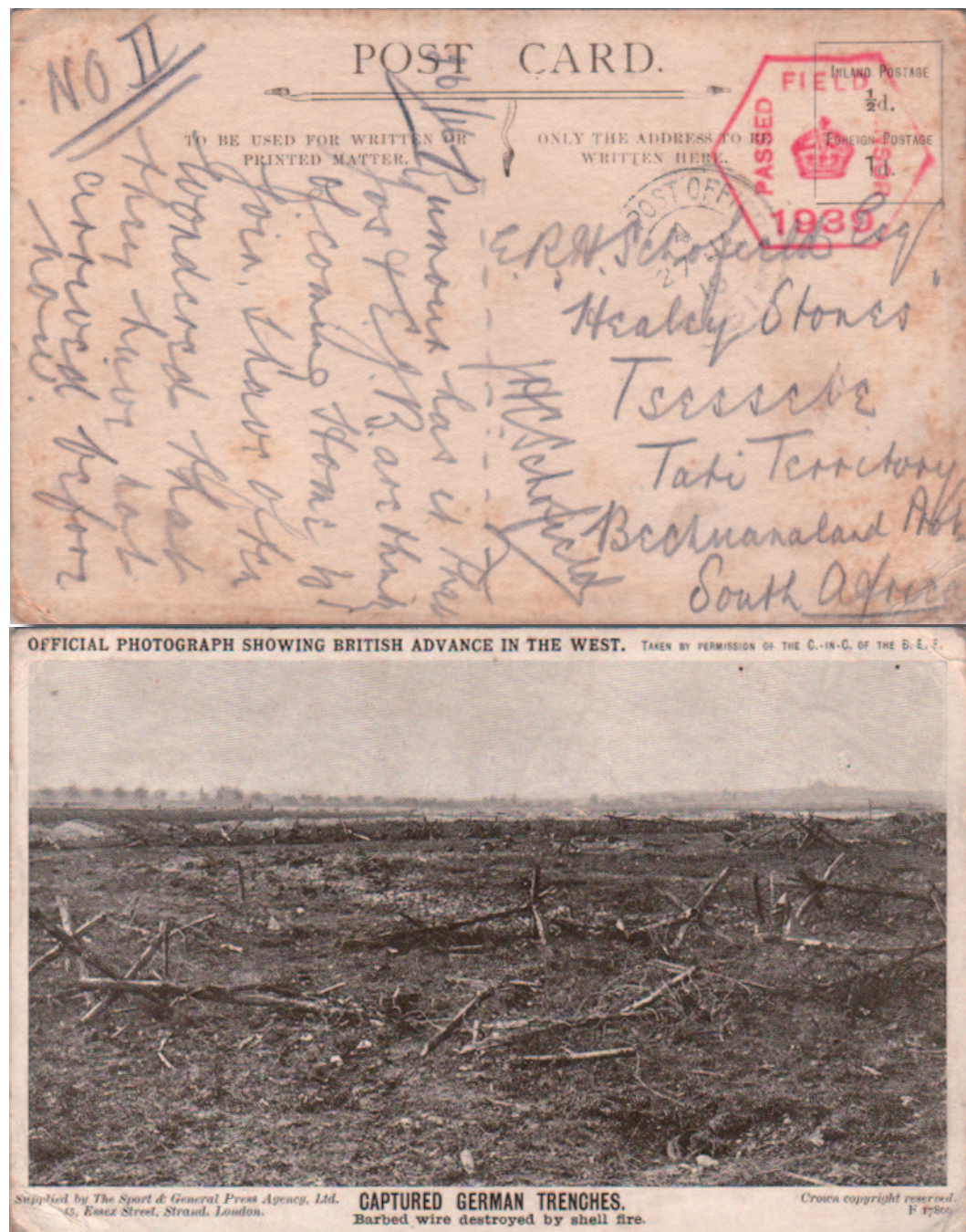
1st South African General Hospital.

The 1st South African General Hospital was attached to the B.E.F. in France and was located at Abbeville during 1916 to 1918. It was managed by the South African Medical Corps, had over 1000 beds, and was staffed largely by South African volunteers. It was thus not solely for South Africans, but was serving the Allies in general.

There is a '4' in a circle on the front and also a note in the lower right corner reading 'No Record 4 Gen' (or is it Gan?) that has been crossed out. It is thus probable that the letter after all reached the SA Hospital without further postal markings. The roughly torn envelope toward the top and left and the lack of further forwarding markings may be indications that it finally reached Pte Fenton. It is also reassuring that there is no Pte 4236 D. Fenton listed as having died during 1917-1918, despite two other D. Fentons are indeed listed.

The passage of the wounded from the Western front





1916 postcard from the battlefield of World War One to Bechuanaland. Cancelled by FPO 51 and censored and addressed to Tati Territory, Bechuanaland Protectorate. The picture shows the trenches of the Western Front.

was often first to a Regimental First Aid post for emergency first aid, then if required to a Field Hospital (forward hospital/clearing station) near the front, where first surgical interventions were carried out, and if the patient did not die, to a larger base hospital like the 1st South African General Hospital, where surgeons and nurses were better equipped to deal with complicated problems. These hospitals varied in bed-numbers from the mid 200s to several 1000s and were located well away from the battlefield near a port from where patients could be moved (often by hospital ship) to England to received further hospital care or to recuperate.

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Thanks to Robin Pelteret for the information on the 1st South African General Hospital and other information on army hospital organization and care during World War One.

Recent Botswana Issues

The hoped for update to the BotswanaPost Philatelic pages to list anything after early 2009 has not, as yet, happened. Unfortunately the BotswanaPost stand at London 2010 was out of leaflets on the recent issues and e-mails to Mr Motheo Makolo are bouncing

back so I've not been able to ask him to send me the information/leaflets.

Here are the images for the rest of the 2009/10 issues I know of. I'll include completed Information Panels in a future issue.

<i>Sky At Night</i>	Date of issue	2009
Denominations P1.10, P2.60, P4.10, P4.90	Period of Sale	One Year



<i>Children of Botswana</i>	Date of issue	2009
Denominations P1.10, P2.60, P4.10, P4.90	Period of Sale	One Year



<i>Honey Bee</i>	Date of issue	2010
Denominations P1.10, P2.60, P4.10, P4.90	Period of Sale	One Year



Checklist of Botswana Postmarks (Second Series)

Late Arrivals Section - Part 2

The Botswana Postmark Project Team set out to extend the earlier work done on Botswana Postmarks (First Series) by Brian Trotter. Botswana Postmarks (Second Series) followed the same Postal Marking Classification System (Typology) as the First series and continued the numbering from the First series.

The earliest date included in the Botswana Postmarks (Second Series) was 01-Jun-1995 i.e. only new postmarks and markings appearing after this date, which had not been previously recorded, were included.

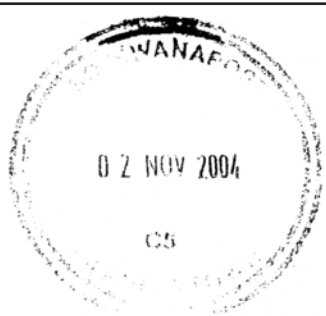
Since Runner Post #60 in June 2004 there have been sixteen installments of the Second Series Checklist. In the last five and a half years the Project Team has consisted of Bruce Warrender and David Wall - with assistance from Sheila Case, Barbara Andersson, Steen


Jelgren, Dennis Firth, David Allison (a non-member), Peter Jukes and the late John Inglefield-Watson. Bruce wishes to thank all those members who contributed.

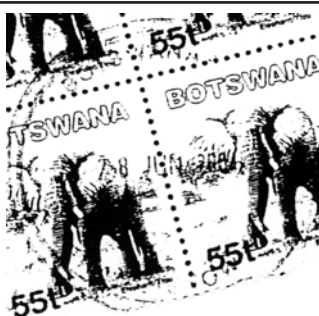
In the period of time covered by the sixteen installments more and more postmarks have been recorded thanks to members interest in the postmark study. Unfortunately some of these have been too late to be published in the correct section, so here is the first part of the "Late Arrivals Section" - in four parts - to be followed by annual supplements.


Further information on recorded postmarks, copies of better illustrations, and, of course, information on unrecorded markings is welcome and should be sent to Bruce Warrender (post) or e-mailed to the Editor.


Late Arrivals Section - Part 2 - Offices F to J


FRANCISTOWN	No 74 Type 23 M 26(5)	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	14-Jun-2004
	Latest recorded date	13-Dec-2004
	Number so far recorded	4


FRANCISTOWN	No 75 Type 23 M 26(6)	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	14-Jun-2004
	Latest recorded date	10-Feb-2005
	Number so far recorded	6


FRANCISTOWN	No 76 Type 23 M 26(7)	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	28-Jun-2004
	Latest recorded date	24-Feb-2005
	Number so far recorded	4


FRANCISTOWN	No 77 Type MISC 6 z 54 Struck in red.	
	Oval dimensions	38mm by 60mm
	Earliest recorded date	11-Aug-2003
	Latest recorded date	11-Aug-2003
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant z 54. "BOTSWANA CUSTOMS & EXCISE" above "REGISTRY" (2 lines) at top with [OFFICE NAME] at base; with star separators		


FRANCISTOWN	No 78 Type MISC 3 z(1)	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	18-Aug-2008
	Latest recorded date	18-Nov-2008
	Number so far recorded	2
New sub-variant z. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "C" followed by a number above "BUSINESS CENTRE" above [OFFICE NAME] (3 lines) at base.		


FRANCISTOWN	No 79 Type MISC 3 z(2)	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	19-Aug-2008
	Latest recorded date	10-Dec-2008
	Number so far recorded	4


GABANE	No 7 Type 23 M 21	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	02-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	26-Apr-2007
	Number so far recorded	7
New sub-variant 21. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "COUNTERS" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] (2 lines) at base.		


GABANE	No 8 Type 23 M 28	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	23-Sep-2004
	Latest recorded date	18-May-2005
	Number so far recorded	22


GABORONE STATION	No 12 Type 23 M 22	
	Outer circle diameter	39mm
	Earliest recorded date	23-Jul-2008
	Latest recorded date	23-Jul-2008
	Number so far recorded	1

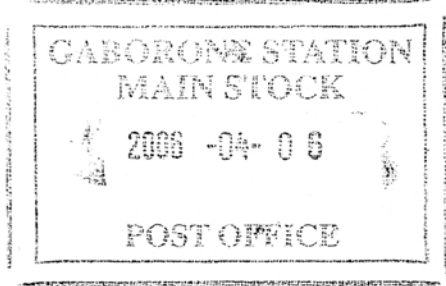
GABORONE STATION	No 13 Type 23 M 24(4) Struck in pink.	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	05-Nov-2007
	Latest recorded date	05-Nov-2007
	Number so far recorded	1


GABORONE STATION	No 14 Type 23 M 24(6) Struck in red.	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Latest recorded date	22-Aug-2008
	Number so far recorded	3


GABORONE STATION	No 15 Type 23 M 26(3) Struck in red.	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Latest recorded date	30-Jul-2007
	Number so far recorded	2


GABORONE STATION	No 16 Type 23 M 26(5) Struck in red.	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Latest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	1


GABORONE STATION	No 17 Type MISC 6 z 49 Struck in purple.	
	Oval dimensions	36mm by ~55mm
	Earliest recorded date	04-???-2006
	Latest recorded date	04-???-2006
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant z 49. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "CIRCULATION BRANCH" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] optionally followed by "POST OFFICE" (2 lines) at base		


GABORONE STATION	No 18 Type MISC 7 z 2 Struck in purple.	
	Box dimensions	38mm by 58mm
	Earliest recorded date	27-May-2002
	Latest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	2
New sub-variant z 2. [OFFICE NAME] above "MAIN STOCK" (2 lines) at top with "POST OFFICE" at base.		


GABORONE VILLAGE	No 13 Type 61 M 16 Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	35mm by 55mm
	Earliest recorded date	02-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	05-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	2


GABORONE VILLAGE	No 14 Type 61 M 24(1) Struck in purple.	
	Oval dimensions	30mm by 45mm
	Earliest recorded date	29-Aug-2007
	Latest recorded date	02-Aug-2008
	Number so far recorded	2


GABORONE VILLAGE	No 15 Type 61 M 26(1) Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	30mm by 45mm
	Earliest recorded date	05-Apr-2006
	Latest recorded date	05-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	1


GABORONE VILLAGE	No 16 Type 61 M 28 Struck in purple.	
	Oval dimensions	30mm by 45mm
	Earliest recorded date	18-Jan-2006
	Latest recorded date	05-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	2

GABORONE WEST	No 3 Type 61 J 43 Struck in purple.	
	Oval dimensions	35mm by 55mm
	Earliest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Latest recorded date	06-Apr-2006
	Number so far recorded	1


GANTSI/GHANZI	No 18 Type 2 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	18mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	10-Nov-2008
	Number so far recorded	5


GANTSI/GHANZI	No 19 Type MISC 6 z 43 Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	36mm by 56mm
	Earliest recorded date	12-Oct-2004
	Latest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2
New sub-variant z 43. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "RECLAMATION" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] (2 lines) at base		


GANTSI/GHANZI	No 20 Type MISC 6 z 51 Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	36mm by 55mm
	Earliest recorded date	19-Oct-2004
	Latest recorded date	19-Oct-2004
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant z 51. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "INSUFFICIENT ADDRESS" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] (2 lines) at base		


GANTSI/GHANZI	No 21 Type MISC 11 [OFFICE NAME] above design with the words "Census Botswana 2001:- Be there to be counted 17th - 26th August 2001"	
	Earliest recorded date	10-Aug-2001
	Latest recorded date	10-Aug-2001
	Number so far recorded	1


HEREFORD POSTAL AGENCY	This is a new postal agency. Date of opening unknown.	
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HEREFORD POSTAL AGENCY	No 1 Type 23 M 48	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	15-Jan-2008
	Latest recorded date	15-Jan-2008
	Number so far recorded	1

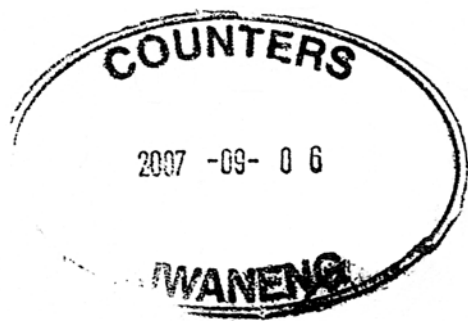
HEREFORD POSTAL AGENCY	No 2 Type MISC 6 z 58	
	Oval dimensions	35mm by 56mm
	Earliest recorded date	15-Jan-2008
	Latest recorded date	15-Jan-2008
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant z 58. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "PMR" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] (2 lines) at base		


HUKUNTSI	No 6 Type 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	21mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	27-Oct-2004
	Latest recorded date	27-Oct-2004
	Number so far recorded	1


HUKUNTSI	No 7 Type 23 M 24(1)	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	04-Dec-2008
	Latest recorded date	04-Dec-2008
	Number so far recorded	1


HUKUNTSI	No 8 Type 23 M 33	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	29-Nov-2008
	Latest recorded date	29-Nov-2008
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant 33. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "PMR" (horizontal) above [OFFICE NAME] (2 lines) at base with star separators.		


HUKUNTSI	No 9 Type 21 X 8(2)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 36mm
	Earliest recorded date	29-Oct-2004
	Latest recorded date	29-Oct-2004
	Number so far recorded	1


JWANENG 	No 33 Type 61 J 54 Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	40mm by 61mm
	Earliest recorded date	14-Aug-2007
	Latest recorded date	06-Sep-2007
	Number so far recorded	2
New sub-variant 54. "COUNTERS" at top with [OFFICE NAME] at base		

JWANENG 	No 34 Type 1 M 26(2) Struck in brown	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	10-May-2007
	Latest recorded date	10-May-2007
	Number so far recorded	1

JWANENG 	No 35 Type 1 M 26(4)	
	Outer circle diameter	41mm
	Earliest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1

JWANENG 	No 36 Type 23 M 50	
	Outer circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	25-Sep-2008
	Latest recorded date	25-Sep-2008
	Number so far recorded	2
New sub-variant 50. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "CB" above [OFFICE NAME] optionally followed by "POST OFFICE" (2 lines) at base with star separators.		

JWANENG		No 37 Type 61 M 26(1)	
		Struck in red	
		Oval dimensions	30mm by 46mm
		Earliest recorded date	25-Oct-2007
		Latest recorded date	25-Oct-2007
		Number so far recorded	1

JWANENG		No 38 Type 61 M 26(3)	
		Struck in brown	
		Oval dimensions	30mm by 45mm
		Earliest recorded date	18-Apr-2007
		Latest recorded date	18-Apr-2007
		Number so far recorded	1

Auction News

Here are the results of the Society's 20th Postal Bid Sale which was held on the 12th June 2010.

LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£
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32	11	34	46	35	7	36	50	38	420	39	310	40	19	41	36	42	32
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71	75	72	150	74	210	75	20	76	12	77	5	79	40	80	23	81	15
82	28	83	26	84	8	85	3	86	19	87	10	88	4	89	15	90	8
91	4	92	4	93	7	94	7	95	6	96	50	100	36	101	200	102	16
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266	85																
																	Total £6178
Unlisted lots remained unsold																	

Dear Customer,

Please be advised that Botswana Post tariffs are adjusted from 1st June 2010. Kindly note, that some products and services will remain at the same price except for the 2% VAT adjustment.

Postal Tariffs were last adjusted in 2005/06, and are approved by Cabinet. Postal Tariffs will now be reviewed annually. We thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours truly,



Pele Moleta
Postman

**Tariffs' effective from 1st June 2010
(Vat Inclusive)**

Item	Size, Weight or Range	New Tariff Pula / Item
Letters	Standard	2.60
	Large	4.10
	Oversize	5.50
	Registered letter (additional charge)	5.60
Packets	Up to 500g	11.20
	501-1000g	12.50
	1001-1500g	13.50
	1501-2000g	14.70
Money Orders	1-300	17.20
	301-1000	22.00
	1001 & Above	40.70
Postal Orders	P0.50-P5.00	19.40
	P10.00-P100	29.70
Postal Boxes	Individuals	112.00
	Postal Agencies	70.00
	Govt/ Parastatals	1275.00
	Business	336.00
Private Bags	Individuals/ Business	560.00
	Govt/ Parastatals	1530.00
Penalty	Post Boxes	2.00/day maximum 66.20
	Private Bag	5.00/day maximum 168.00
BotswanaPost reserves the right to sell post boxes and private bags to the next customer after 30 days		
Cash on Delivery		11.20

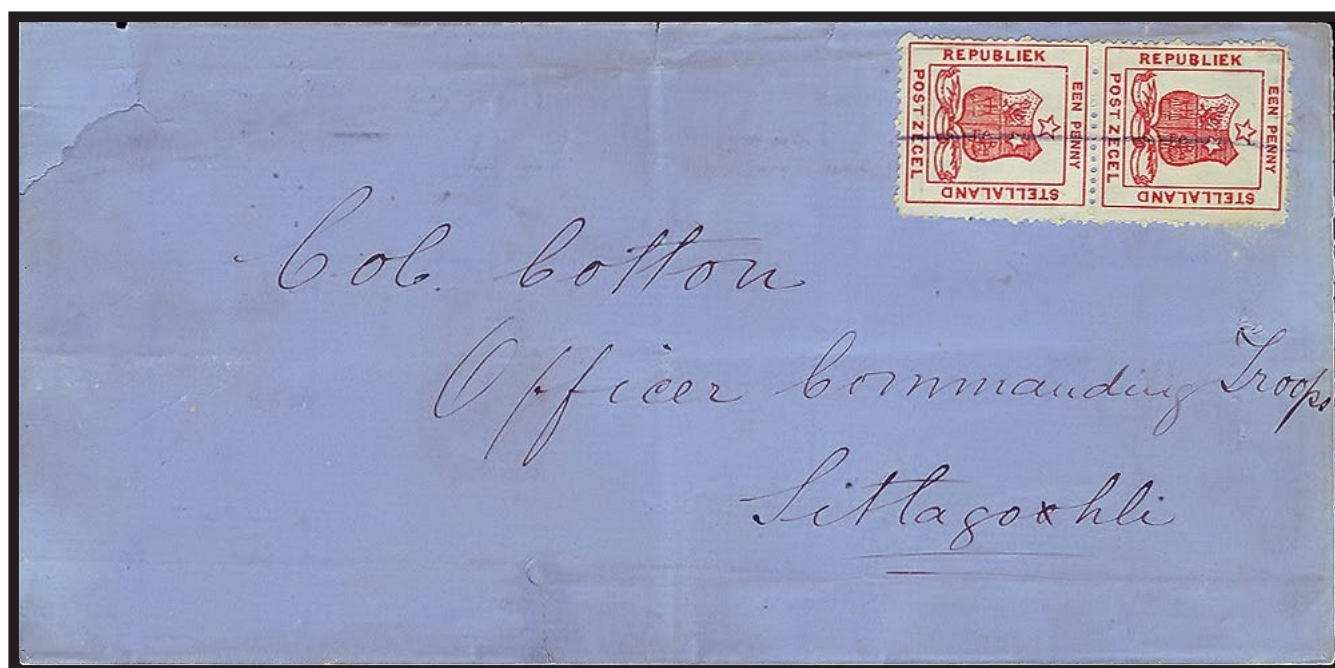
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The latest Botswana Post
tariffs {courtesy Peter Jukes/
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STELLALAND

WARREN EXPEDITION



1885 STELLALAND : THE 'COLONEL COTTON' COVER

1885 (June) cover addressed to 'Col Cotton / Officer Commanding Troops / Sitlagohli' bearing a vertical pair of Stellaland 1d red (SG 1) tied by a horizontal blue crayon stroke. The reverse is annotated "This letter came by the despatch riders this day at 3.15 p.m. from Vrijburg and was delivered to me. Paul Methuen. Col Command. Setlagoli. June 28. 1885. Setlagoli".

A small defect on the right hand stamp has been expertly repaired subsequent to the issuance of a clear RPSL certificate (1978). Ex Jonkers.

Exceptionally rare, being one of only 13 covers bearing Stellaland stamps recorded in 'A Postal History of Stellaland' by Alan R. Drysdall, FRPSL (London Philatelist, March/April 1992).

Outstanding, and a most attractive contrast of red on blue.

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