“The Best of Both Worlds”
Two-part Presentation
Sheet Numbers & Postal History

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Dates

• Released : 10 February 1960
• Postal Rates reset : 4 February 1966
• Withdrawn : 9 October 1968
• Postal Rates reset : 1 July 1970
• Decimalisation : 15 February 1971
• Postal Rates reset : 1 September 1971
• Invalidated : 31 May 1972
Sheet Numbers
QE II ‘Birds’ Definitives
Policies, Facts and Unknowns

- Policy: sheets delivered to Crown Agents [CA] were not numbered - top quality allocated to CA
- Policy: sheets despatched to Stanley were numbered by printers – residue/lower quality allocated to colony, ie Stanley
- Policy: sheets ex Crown Agents stock were mostly numbered before despatch by printers if despatched to supplement Stanley stocks
- Advice notes of some Shipments unknown
- Policy: sheets, minimum 10%, of all printings of all values, sent to Stanley, but …
- Stanley’s new printing share reduced, replaced by old printing(s) ex CA, as available, intentionally to reduce/eliminate CA’s stock of earlier printing(s)
- Stanley released all printings of all values, with dates coordinated with CA, some in only small numbers, with balance destroyed after issue withdrawn
- Subsequent release dates mostly unknown
Printings

• 1959 by Waterlow – all 15 values
• All subsequent reprints by De La Rue
• 5 Values reprinted - ½d, 1d, 2d, 6d and 2/-
  • 1d : 1963 and 1966*
  • 2d : 1966
• 6d : 1963
• 2/- : 1966

  Note * Sheet Number example not known.
Numbering

- Preferred location, top margin, NE corner
- Part sheets, half, quarter etc numbered as margin availability permitted
- No number duplication within a printing
- Manuscript numbers mostly added by postal clerks to aid Stanley PO stock management
- Number of digits printed set by batch size
**Printer's Despatch Note**

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The above includes a stock of 1966 sheets x 30 set of 1d and 150 sheets x 60 set of 6d stamps held for sale in London, which have been exchanged for an equivalent number from the recent printing.
Waterlow
De La Rue
Re-work
4d Lower Half sheet of 30
6d Albatross
9d Silver Frebe
Rarely Seen
POSTAL HISTORY
of the QE II BIRDS

MRS LES. HARDY & SON,
HELEN'S STORE.
Postal Services - Pre-Paid

- ‘Internal’ - within the Falkland Islands
- ‘Commonwealth’ - within British Commonwealth
- ‘Foreign’ or ‘UPU’ - overseas without Commonwealth

- Surface
- Premium - Airmail, Registered or Insured
- Concessionary - Printed Matter, Christmas
- Parcel - Surface & Premium
POSTAL INFORMATION - FAIRLAND ISLANDS.

RATES OF POSTAGE - effective from 14th February, 1966.

Letters To any part of the Colony, South Georgia and British Antarctic Territory per oz 2d.
   To the United Kingdom or any part of the British Commonwealth 3½d.
   To other parts of the world - first oz. 5½d.
   - each additional oz. 3d.

Post Cards To United Kingdom or Commonwealth and inland 1½d.
   To other parts of the world 3d.

Papers To Colony, South Georgia and British Antarctic Territory per two ozs 1½d.
   To United Kingdom or Commonwealth - per two ozs. 1½d.
   To other parts of the world - per two ozs. 6d.

NOTE Papers include books and other unsealed matter

Parcels To Colony, South Georgia or British Antarctic Territory
   - not over 2 lbs 1/- Inland parcels
     - " 5 " 1/6 weighing over
     - " 8 " 2/- 1 lb. are not
     - " 11 " 2/6 accepted for
     - " 22 " 5/- conveyance by
       air, such
       parcels should be freighted by
       F.I.G.A.S.

To United Kingdom:
   via Montevideo - not over 3 lbs. 8/- Rates to other parts
     - " 7 " 13/- of the world may be
     - " 11 " 16/9 obtained on application
     - " 22 " 26/- to the Postmaster.

   Air Mail Parcels - each ½lb. 15/-

Direct - not over 3 lbs. 6/-
   as opportunity " 7 " 9/9
   presents. " 11 " 14/6
   " 22 " 22/9
Rates, some examples

- ½d - Printed Matter, pre 1966
- 1d - Internal Letter, pre 1966
- 1½d - Printed Matter, 1966/70
- 2d - Internal Letter, 1966/71
- 2½d - Commonwealth Letter, pre 1966
- 3d - Postcard, UPU pre 1970
- 3½d - Commonwealth Letter, 1966/70
- 4d - Internal Registered Letter, pre 1966
- 4½d - Registered Printed Matter, 1966/70
- 5d - Registered Internal Letter, 1966/70
- 5½d - Registered Commonwealth Letter, 1966/70
Rates, part 2

- 6d - Air Letter, pre 1970
- 6½d - Registered Commonwealth Letter, 1966/70
- 7d - UPU Letter, 1970/71
- 8d - Registered Commonwealth Letter, 1970/71
- 8½d - Registered UPU Letter, pre 1966
- 9d - Air Letter, 1970/71
- 10d - Registered C’wealth DR Letter, 1966/70
- 10½d - Air Mail, Class 2, 10 gm, pre 1970
- 11d - Registered UPU Letter, 1970/71
- 11½d - Registered UPU DR Letter, pre 1966
Rates, for Airmail first class, part 3

- 1/3d - Airmail Registered, 5 gm, pre 1970
- 1/4d - Airmail Registered, 5 gm, 1970/71
- 2/-* - Airmail, 10gm, pre 1971
- 2/3d* - Airmail Registered, 10gm, pre 1970
- 2/4d* - Airmail Registered, 10gm, 1970/71
- … for 15gm, 20gm etc giving 3/-; 3/3d; 3/4d 4/-, 4/3d, 4/4d 5/-, 5/3d, 5/4d etc etc
Rates, for Airmail class 2, part 4

- 1/1½d - Airmail Reg Class 2, 10 gm, pre 1970
- 1/3d - Airmail Class 2, 15 gm, pre 1970
- 1/4d - Airmail Reg Class 2, 10 gm, 1970/71
- 1/6d - Airmail Class 2, 15 gm, 1970/71
- 1/7½d - Airmail Class 2, 20 gm, pre 1970
- 1/10d - Airmail Reg Class 2, 15 gm, 1970/71
- 1/10½d - Airmail Reg Class 2, 20 gm, pre 1970

4 ranges - 6d:10½d:1/3d: 1/7½d: 2/- ... [Cl 2 - pre 1970]
  9d: 1/1½d: 1/6d: 1/10½d: 2/3d ... [As above but +3d for Reg]

  6d: 1/-: 1/6d: 2/- : 2/6d ... [Cl 2 - 1970/71]
  9d: 1/4d: 1/10d: 2/4d: 2/10d ... [As above but +4d for Reg]

Each step +5gm.
Rates, part 5 for Parcels
Surface to UK

- Pre 1966: 3/6d  6/6d  9/3d & 15/6d
- 1966/70:  6/-  9/9d  14/6d &  22/9d direct
- 1966/70:  8/-  13/-  16/9d &  26/- via Monte
- 1970/71:  8/6d 12/6d 18/6d & 30/- direct
- 1970/71: 11/-  16/6d  21/6d  34/6d via Monte
Rates, for Inland Parcels, part 6

- Pre 1966: 9d 1/- 1/3d 1/6d & 3/-
- Post 1966: 1/- 1/6d 2/- 2/6d & 3/-
Rates, part 7

Insured

Insured items are seen but rarely.

For the range of fees see your Heijtz catalogue, Ed 6 page 210

Bulk of Fennia, an insurance loss
Parcel to UK

Rate:
- Parcel weight 3-7lbs
- Postage 6/6d
- Insurance for £12 @ 6d
- Postage Cost 7/-

- Note Red wax seals
Selected Milestones of this Era

• End of 1d rate, Internal letter 1oz
• End of 3d registration fee, 1970
• End of long term price stability
• Start of price inflation
• Overseas mail - Airmail replaces Surface
• Last Recess printed Definitives
• Rise of Commemorative issues/year
• End of ‘Revenue’ usage
Conundrum – £12 Insured fee 6d
1962 Surface mail ex Louis Williams?

12oz PM+Reg+Insured = Rate 6d + 3d + 6d
Conundrum – £5 Insured fee 6d
1969 Surface to UK

8oz PM+Reg+Insured = Rate 6d + 3d + 6d
Conundrum

Registered - Surface or Airmail Class 2, 20gm?
Rate 1/10½d, Krista Dan sailed for Montevideo, 17 AP 60

On Her Majesty’s Service.

Leonard Thoen Esq.
Osoyoos,
B.C.
CANADA.

Backstamped 29 MY 60
Conundrum
Airmail 10 gm Second Class?
Rate 10½d
The End

Time for you to review
Birds Postal History & Sheet Number Displays

Thank you