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EDITORIAL

When I commenced this magazine in November 1993 the 'big news' each month usually centred around Telstra's (nee Telecom) next issue of official phone cards. Then Custom cards entered the scene and attention was directed towards these bright and attractive cards. Until recently, my focus (and probably that of many collectors) was directed towards phonecards themselves, particularly those as produced by Telsra, ie. what is due for release, what number, what is the prefix number, etc.

It has been evident to me for some time however, that whilst the aesthetic aspect of phonecards is important the technological impact on phonecards is enormous.

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It appears to be only a matter of time before the 'one-use card', the phonecard as we know it, dissapears.

Without raising the (still) contentious issue of 'what is a phonecard', current collectors will soon have further decisions to make as to what they collect.

Australian consumers have always had a high level of acceptance of the ubiquitous credit card "with over 6.6 million accounts turning over more than \$23 billion a year in sales and cash advances".

Bankcard was introduced in the mid 70's by the major banks and was followed by EFTPOS in 1980 and Mastercard and Visa in 1983.

Australians clearly enjoy the flexibility and accessibility of card services.

In line with this thinking and continued evolving technology, both Mastercard and Visa will soon be conducting trials of the so called "smart-cards". Trials are commencing as soon as October in Canberra with Mastercard, whilst Visa will be commencing its trials in November/December (?) on the Gold Coast.

The main aspect of these trials will focus on the multifunctionality aspect of the smart-cards, ie. they will be trialled in usage for a number of functions.

I understand that the Visa Gold Coast trial cards will have a number of functions, including making a phone call, charging a parking meter, buying a coke or a packet of chips from a vending machine and pay for a Big Mac at McDonalds.

Visa is installing readers at McDonalds outlets, in Coke and Chip vending machines, etc. whilst Telstra hardware will be installed to accommodate the cards for the trial. One card will be able to be used for a number of purposes.

The Visa trial will involve cards with a stored value of \$20, \$50 and \$100, ie. people will purchase cards with these values for use and once services or goods to the value of the card are obtained, the card will have no value. At this stage they are not re-loadable (like a credit card) but undoubtable will soon become so.

Smart, or chip cards, have an advantage over the existing magnetic stripe product as they have a much greater information storage capacity and much greater security.

What is the common denominator in making a phone call, buying a coke or a hambuger, putting money in a parking meter? Correct, only 'small' amounts of money are usually required but the usage is associated with 'fiddleing' around with coins which, on many occasions are not in ones pocket in the right denomination.

The consumer will be able to use a smart-card in areas which were not previously available for credit card usage. What does this move away from a 'cashless society' mean to the phonecard collector? As indicated earlier, the collector will firstly need to define with himself/herself what is a phonecard and what (as a consequnce) should they collect.

Time and space precludes me from expanding in more detail at this stage on the impact the above moves will have on 'pure' phonecard collectors. I will have a more detailed comment in the next issue.

EDITOR



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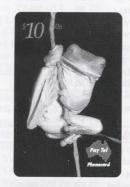
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ADVERTISING CARDS

Featured on the opposite page are two recently released Telstra Advertising cards which feature the new Payphone Centre at 130 Pitt Street, Sydney. The two cards I have contain prefix number 911 on the \$5 card and prefix number 913 on the \$10 card. Telstra advises that 200,000 of the \$5 have been printed and 30,000 (possibly 50,000) of the \$10.

COMPLIMENTARY CARD

Readers should start checking their local bottle shops as the \$2 Complimentary card which features **Baileys Irish Cream**, has been released to the distributors of this product. I understand that **60,000** have been printed.

CUSTOM CARDS

One of the first Custom cards to be issued bearing the Telstra Logo is the \$5 Captain Munchies phonecard.

Captain Munchies is a 24 hour food outlet, right alongside Victoria Quay International Passenger Terminal at the Fremantle (WA) docks. The outlet has apparently become quite an attraction as a service establishment and as well as carrying a large range of essential products, also retails phonecards.

The Captain Munchie phonecard scheduled for release in early **August**, features a colour photo of the store, brightly lit up like an oasis in the dark night sky, adorned with neon and graphic signage including **Coca-Cola**, Streets Ice Cream and others. It is intended that the phonecard will form a vital part of the Captain Munchies promotional activities during the next 12 months.

The rear of the phonecard will carry a redemption offer of certain products carried in the store (to the value of \$5 Free) and hundreds of the Limited Edition Souvenir Packs are to be won by lucky customers who spend over \$5 on food.

Lionel Richards (Captain Munchie himself) is an avid phonecard collector, as are several members of the staff and also many regular customers, just one of the many factors leading to the idea of creating the Captain Munchie phonecard. Richards advises that he has high hopes for this card and anticipates further follow ups.

To further encourage the hobby, Richards will be commencing a phonecard collectors Swap Meet at Captain Munchies, starting 11.00am on Saturday, August the 12th, for local collectors to get together to swap cards, stories, etc. It is hoped that the Meet will become a regular monthly event.

Anyone wishing to find out more about the Captain Munchie phonecard can contact Lionell Richards by writing to him at PO Box 1081, Fremantle, WA 6160 or by faxing him on 339 2871 anytime.

\$5.00 THANK YOU CARD

There has been no response/feedback to Cyril Fox's request on information on the possible varieties in the \$5 'Thank You' card (see last issue).

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\$5 SKYFIRE CUSTOM CARD

This card has been sighted! I received a phone call on Friday, 28th of July, from **Kevin McMillan** in Canberra, indicating that he had a used variety in his possession.

Coincidentally, I received a letter from **Don Hill** on the same day, which I will reproduce as it 'sheds some light' on the circumstances sorrounding this card.

"I am writing to draw attention to an incorrect statement in a recent **Grapevine column by Insider**. On this occasion Insider was incorrect in his/her statements about the 751 Skyfire Custom card.

The card, prefix 751, was released before the Advertising card, prefix 752, early in March. Originally it had been planned to release the Advertising card at the Festival of Canberra, in Telecom 'Caravan' style portable payphones around the site, as well as through re-sellers in the ACT. Unfortunately for the organisers, Telecom did not have the Advertising cards available in time for the Festival so the Custom cards were used instead. These were not suffficient for the demand over the Festival and in fact Bookmunchers were possibly also supplied to the Festival phones.

The organisers cleaned the site each evening and so many of the used cards would most certainly have been trashed - explaining why 'no one' to date has believed in their existence! It is possible that local collectors managed to hoard quantities but it is not known if this is fact or fiction!" **Don Hill, Melbourne Phonecard Centre.**

\$5 SPITFIRE

The Spitfires keep reproducing!! Mr B. Vincent from Doveton in Victoria advises that "closer perusal will show a third arial behind the second Spitfire from the top. Also, at base of print shows rear vision mirror of Spitfire - in effect 7 aircraft????" No wonder the Luftwaffe 'had no chance'.

ON THE BUSES

Featured opposite are two photos from a number taken, which feature different artwork on a number of Sydney buses, promoting Telstra's 'Pop Art' Phonecards.

Thanks to **Ron Smith** who eventually tracked down the buses and obtained the photos.

The 'Cooking' picture is interesting as it would appear to feature the scene appropriate to a card advertised in Telstra's Phonecard Bulletin (No 5) with the 767 prefix number.

Has anyone sighted this prefix number yet?

ROAM AUSTRALIA

Featured opposite are the three **Comstar** (Russian) phonecards being issued by Roam Pacific to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Allied victory in World War II.

The cards will be limited to 1000 sets and should prove popular to the 'war buffs'.

Pricing and marketing details will be provided in future issues.



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Comstar Russia Phonecard Issue





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PHONECARD ADVERTISING & COLLECTOR SERVICES

As a result of the Telstra Collector Services decision to stop the advice of Custom cards produced, in the Phonecard Bulletin, PACS will advertise in their newly created Newsletter - the PACS News.

Alan Dunlop from PACS said that "it is dissapointing that Telstra is not going to keep collectors informed of all phonecard issues as there will be confusion in keeping track of batch serial numbers". "Custom cards were created by Telstra, are produced by Telstra and generate revenue and profit to Telstra".

The PACS News will keep collectors up to date with new releases into the future both in Telstra Phonecards and other stored value technology which will be launched later this year. It will be issued at regular intervals as new designs reach proof stage, which will provide excellent advance warning.

As an incentive to join their mailing list, PACS will give away a \$2 Museum of Contemporary Art phonecard (depicting the Harbour Bridge) to the first 500 mailed applications received. Future promotion will also be run with \$2 phonecard give-aways as well as major prizes featuring "very low" print serial numbers of PACS products issued to date.

PACS activities for the second half of 1995 revolve around more advertising issues. During October, 20,000 \$2 phonecards will be released in the second Taubmans/BBC Joint promotion. During November, a number of different design Qantas phonecards will be produced to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Qantas.

These will be General Advertising issues and should be available through Telstra Collector Services.

Thanks to Alan Dunlop for information as above - Ed.

WORLDWIDE COLLECTABLES

The Worldwide Collectables prize of a holiday to Tasmania was drawn on Friday the 14th of July.

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South Australia	\$360	Endang Spec '93	\$89
Generic	\$69	Aboriginal '93	\$39
Grand Prix	\$49	Landscape '93	\$39
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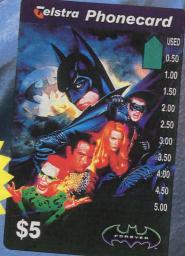
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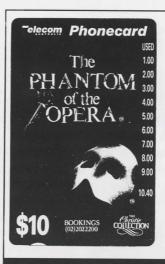
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MELBOURNE'S BIG COLLECTOR WEEKEND

This being the first big fair since I gave up my previous employment, I took the opportunity to take a break in Melbourne and take in the phonecard activity over the weekend. The city put on a fine show with sub-zero temperatures but the important aspects of the weekend were well worth attending.

Arriving in Melbourne on the Friday, I took the opportunity to visit some of the dealers in "collectors lane" and environs - some of whom I have only known from phone conversations over the last 20 months. One difference between here and Sydney is that the majority of shops selling phonecards lie within 100 metres of each other with "collectors alley" (Centre Place) being the hub of the area.

After visiting these shops during the day, I went to watch the phonecard auction in the Dallas Brooks Hall on the Friday evening. I took the opportunity to assess the material on offer. The quality was excellent - this auction does describe carefully any material submitted. I looked up one lot which was described as having slight surface damage and it was indeed 'slight'. Many would not have thought anything wrong with the card.

The auctioneer, Don Hill of the Melbourne Phonecard Centre, set a lively pace despatching the lots and room bidders were active - the majority of attendees bidding on many lots.

Highlights of the auction were the sale of the complete collection of packs and single cards. The **One Australia Challenge** pack sold for a figure of \$680 and looks like a bargain if Telstra destroy the balance of cards which they currently hold. The \$5 Underwater card, prefix 502 in which considerable interest has recently been shown, sold for \$440.

Don stated that many bids were received for these two lots suggesting that the price is upwardly moving. The majority of lots sold and all areas had sales. Most lots sold at higher prices than those realised in the April auction.

The next day was the **International Bank Note Fair** in the same venue. Local dealers were in attendance as well as from interstate and a steady stream of collectors came through the door all day long. The majority of dealers were selling phonecards and trade 'was brisk'.

The Sunday was the **International Phonecard Fair** and the collector turnout was an increase on the previous day. Some extra local and interstate dealers were in attendance to supplement those who were there on the previous day.





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Cyril Fox with intent son daughter in attendance

I took a table on the Sunday to promote the Phonecard Monthly magazine and the Album and when I managed to get away from the table at times, I checked out the dealer's prices. Prices were good and seemed to have turned upwards since the last fair in Sydney. No dealer was "slashing" prices and towards the end of the day the dealers all came out from behind their tables to buy from each other. This inter-dealer trade is the surest sign that life has returned to the market!

On the Monday I paid a visit to PayTel's premises to discuss with Graham Rooke and his partners, the operations of the company. These discussions will be covered in a seperate article next month.

By mid afternoon on the Monday I was quite happy to leave Melbourne (max temp that day was 6 degrees) and head for South Australia (report next month) - Editor.



Don Hill takings bids at the auction

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'SMART MOVE' PAYPHONICS

This September sees Australia entering a new era in phonecards. Until now all phonecards being issued in Australia use a magnetic material on which information is read and written by the payphone. They work just like a tape recorder.

However, Australian payphones authority Payphonics, has changed all this.

During my visit to Melbourne in July, I was able to meet with Payphonics's founder, Craig Hamilton and to discuss with him the introduction by Payphonics of the first Smartcard phonecards in Australia, which will be available to users and collectors alike. They are due for release in early September. See the Payphonics advertisment and order form elsewhere in this magazine.



Payphonics staff at the Melbourne Phonecard Fair Myra de la Rue, Phillip de la Rue & Craig Hamilton

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Smartcards, integrated circuit (IC) or chip cards as they are variously known, use electronic circuit devices to store call credits and other information used by the payphones. The electronic circuit is imbedded into the card below some (real!) gold contacts which connect to the payphone circuitry. Payphonics Smartcards are the most advanced phonecards to be issued in Australia.

Payphonics have only released two phonecard issues in the past 12 months. They are truly 'sticking' to their issuing policy of less than three or four issues per year. The Flag set featured on the cover of APM is only Payphonics third issue making them a truly collectable product/company.

Craig Hamilton advises that stocks of the Christmas bauble and tinsel phonecards are still available from Payphonics and dealers and readers are reminded of the fact that the company is donating two thirds of the proceeds of sales to charity.

Smartcard technology is being introduced as an enhancement to the range of products Payphonics has available to its customers. According to the company some of their customer group have enormous trouble physically inserting and retrieving their card from the payphone reader slot. Payphonics decided upon the robust phonecard material we have seen in their generic First Issue and the Christmas charity cards.

The Smartcards they are using have these same properties of strength and durability. According to Craig Hamilton, "There is potential for a significant increase in the ease of use of this type of technology in operating a payphone and so Payphonics is featuring Smartcard technology in its disabilities program".

Flags of Australia

Being Australia's first Smart phonecards, Payphonics wanted to adopt a theme which was Australian, was of significance and which would advance Australia's interests worldwide. After consulting with users and collectors, 'Flags of Australia' was chosen as the central design theme.

The designs chosen for this release are the Australian National Flag, The Aboriginal Flag and the Eureka Flag, for the three denominations, \$50, \$20 and \$5 respectively. Payphonics advises that it intends to feature Flags of Australia in future issues.

It is interesting how little is generally known of the history of these national icons. Again Payphonics have been innovative by including a paragraph of information on the rear of each phonecard describing the face design for the information of users and collectors alike. A quality Collector Pack provides additional information on each flag and its history.

Three Smart Cards, a \$50, a \$20 and a \$5 complimentary card in pack form are issued at face value plus \$1. Payphonics only charges \$6 for its packs and included in the Smartcard pack is a \$5 complimentary card - hence the \$1.

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Payphonics - The Quiet Achiever

Not a great deal has been heard of the activities of Payphonics since they entered the payphones industry on 1 August 1993, however, I understand they have been quietly working away and have made some significant early achievments, including;

- developing payphones specifically for individual disability groups
- becoming Australia'a first non-Telstra open user group phonecard operator
- installing Australia's first phonecard operated hands-free payphones
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- being the first payphone operator to introduce Smart IC Chip phonecards

Payphonics is steadily growing in business and given its technological expertise, we are sure to see more innovative developments from them over the next 12 months. APM will feature more on the Payphonic's Smartcards next month - Editor.

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"Flags of Australia" has been chosen as the card image theme. Cards based on this theme will be issued from time to time in the future. Three Smart phonecards, a \$50 a \$20 and a \$5 complimentary card, come in a pack, issued at face value plus \$1. There are only 1000 packs. Total card mintage, including those in Packs, is \$5 PIC5-7 1000 only, \$20 PIC20-8 2000 only, \$50 PIC50-9 1500 only. Collector, Reseller and Dealer orders are now being taken. Orders are now being taken - just fill out the form below or see your dealer.

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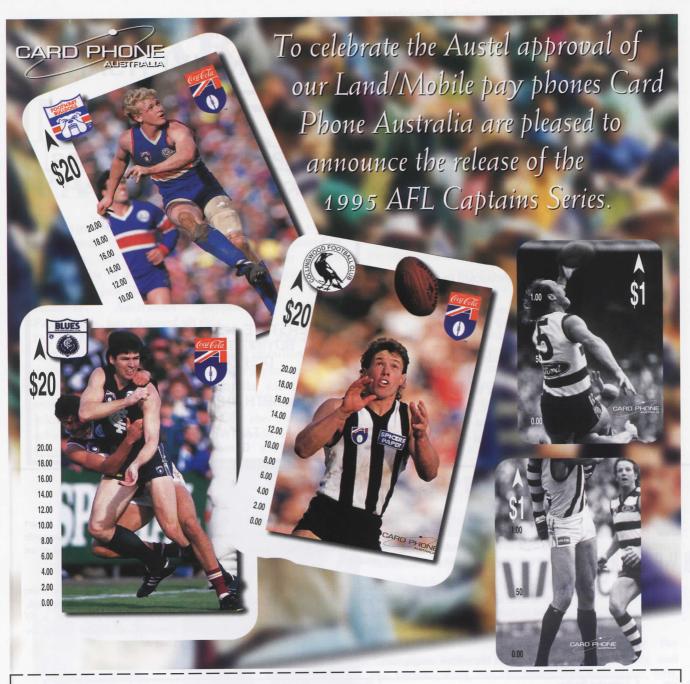
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PAYPHONE TRIALS ON NAURU - COMCARD PACIFIC -

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Nauru is an atoll located in the central Pacific, just south of the equator. Until 1968, when it became one of the world's smallest independent states (being just 20 squ. Km in size), Nauru was administered by Australia under United Nations Trusteeship.

The atoll was discovered in 1798 by the British and was annexed in 1888 by Germany. Occupied during WW I by Australian forces it was placed (1920) under a League of Nations mandate to Australia. Throughout WW II the island was occupied by the Japanese.

Nauru is a parliamentary republic with a president (Administrator) elected by the Legislative Council and a small cabinet. Nauruans are predominantly Polynesian, with heavy intermixtures of Micronesian and Melanesian strains.

PayTel Australia has entered into a **technology agreement** with ComCard Pacific which allows the latter to produce phonecards for the Nauru payphones. These phonecards are encoded by PayTel for use only on Nauru, ie., they will not operate payphones connected to the PayTel national network in Australia.

Recently, in conversation with Graham Rooke, I learnt that PayTel is targeting a number of countries in the Asia-Pacific region with the aim being that the company become a major supplier of both payphone technology and associated hardware to this area.

PayTel's license agreement with ComCard Pacific is the first step in the provision of this technology to the region.

The trial system for Nauru payphones will be focussed in the Central Post Office in Nauru, with a proposed expansion to other strategic locations on the atoll, eg., the airport, shopping centres, government offices, etc.

Depending on the success of the trial, the Nauru government will proceed with the implementation and development of a nationwide system.

The Government of Nauru has decided upon the issue of two trial phonecards in denominations of \$10 and \$20. Only 1200 of each card will be issued, with a number of sets being made available to collectors and issued in a folder or pack. The designs on the two cards depict two Pacific migratory birds, the White Tern (\$10 card) and the Micronesian Pigeon (\$5 card).



The two designs were originally used on the 1963/64 Nauru definitive stamps and as such will prove of interest to collectors of stamps of this nation.

New designs and cards will be considered, but only after the initial assessment/trial period. The Nauru Philatelic Bureau will offer cards on a 'first come, first served' basis. Sydney dealers, Status Retail, have been exclusively appointed to distribute a small quantity of the two trial cards to the Australian and overseas markets, also on a 'first come, first served' basis (see advertisment on page 21).



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Mint 1-Hole Multi					
\$5 Golden Guitar	\$20	\$18	\$16		
\$5 Lee Kernaghan	\$22	\$20	\$18		
Set of 2 Cards	\$35	\$33	\$30		
Collector Pack	\$35				
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Collector Pack	\$20				
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AUSTRALIAN					
\$5 Koala	\$25	\$22	\$20		
\$10 Duck	\$45	\$42	\$40		
PHONECARD					
\$2 Magazine	\$14	\$12	\$10		
AFL SERIE					
\$2 Ablet	\$11	\$10	\$8		
\$2 Modra	\$11	\$10	\$8		
\$2 Mainwaring	\$11	\$10	\$8		
\$2 Silvagni	\$11	\$10	\$8		
Set of 4 Cards	\$40	\$36	\$30		
Collector Packs (4)	\$48				
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\$2 School	\$10	\$9	\$8		
Collector Pack	\$15				
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\$5 Festivities	\$15	\$13	\$12		
\$5 By Day	\$15	\$13	\$12		
\$5 Olympic Night	\$15	\$13	\$12		
Set of 3 Cards	\$42	\$37	\$34		
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\$5 Osca	\$10	\$9	\$8	
\$5 Ferrari	\$10	\$9	\$8	
Set of 3 Cards	\$28	\$24	\$22	
Collector Pack	\$45			
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Collector Pack	\$16			
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\$5 Mobil	\$10	\$9	\$8	
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\$50 Tiger	\$65	\$50	\$45	
\$50 Dog	\$65	\$50	\$45	
\$50 Frog	\$65	\$50	\$45	
Set of 4 Cards	\$235	\$190	\$170	
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\$5 Empire	\$8	\$7	\$6	
Set of 5 Cards	\$35	\$32	\$28	
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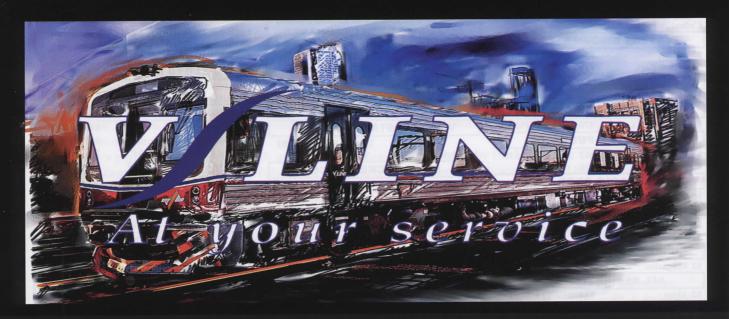


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CARD PHONE AUSTRALIA

Card Phone Australia (CPA) have announced that their new CP2 (Card Phone 2) is the first fully government approved Australian owned, designed and manufactured card-operated payphone. One single Austel Permit covers all aspects of design and manufacture of the payphone.

During November 1994, CPA provided seven CP1 payphones for the Melbourne Cup week at the Flemington race course (see APM issue November '94). Public telephones at Australian race meetings are still a contentious issue!

CP1 updates (accept pulse-metering from exchange) were installed at Kooyong for the week of the colonial Classic Tennis tournament in January 1995.





Card Phone Aust. phonecards issued at Kooyong
Unique Payphones

CP1 updates were once again used but in a unique suituation when connected to the mobile network at Sunbury. Victoria for the 'Birth of the Ashes' cricket tournament between England and Australia, with teams captained by Allan Border and David Gower. CPA believe this to be the first time that the same prepaid phonecard could be used in both P.S.T.N. (hard wired) and mobile environments.





Card Phone Aust. phonecards issued at Sunbury

Sprinter Service

Since April 1995, the new CP2 payphone has been on trial with the Victorian government's V/Line Sprinter Service. One payphone for each of the 5 major country routes is provides with another 16 installations planned over a 12-18 month period.

As of June 1995, the CP2 became a fully approved public payphone after months of Austel scrutiny. Every conceivable electrical test, safety test and call test has been undertaken.

To launch the V/Line mobile service, CPA have printed 1st issue Sprinter \$5.00 and \$10.00 phonecards.

AFL Captains Series

Further, to commemorate CPA's approval by Austel of their CP2 P.S.T.N./Mobile payphone, a complete AFL Captains Series of phonecards will be issued during August (see page 20 - of note is the Gary Ablett pair of complimentary cards available with the purchase of the AFL Captain's Collector Pack).

Distribution

To date, all CPA phonecards have been available to the public at face value only at the sporting events where they have provided a payphone service. CPA are now pleased to announce that new releases of CPA phonecards (not 'P', promotional cards) will be available at various retailers and by mail order at face value.

Telstra have asked CPA to indicate to purchasers of their phonecards that, though similar to Telstra's product in many aspects (as are Japanese, Korean, etc., phonecards), CPA phonecards are not Telstra Phonecards and do not operate their payphones - although Optus and Telstra call card services are accessible from CPA payphones without the use of a card, as are emergency and enquiry operator services!

Thanks to David Mohan for information and material provided during my visit to Melbourne - Ed.



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Conditions of Sale

- The prices listed are estimates. You may bid at, above or below these estimates.
- 2) Reserves are 65% of estimates and correspond to a dealer's buying price.
- All lots are sold as genuine as described. Any lot not so described may be returned within 7 days for a full refund. Collections and bulk lots of cards excluded except for specifically mentioned items.
- Since grading of cards is the same as that used by our company for its mail-order sales, you can be assured of quality. Grading of cards:-
 - Mint: perfect unused example

- 1-hole: As for mint but with one punch hole. no scratches, bends of missing ink.
- Multi-hole: ditto but more than one hole on card.
- 5) Postal bidders. Complete the form below and return to us as soon as possible. The items you bid for will be obtained for you at the lowest price possible subject to other bidders.
- Successful bidders will be notified by post within 5 working days of the auction (subject to postal service!) 7) Telephone bids will be accepted if confirmed in writing (or fax) prior to

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Melbourne Phonecard Centre: Public & Postal Auction September 16, 1995

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t	NSW set 6	\$110	57	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39 2nd Print. Two tiny 3mm	
	Generic Logo all prints (14 cards) Cheap at estimate	\$105		hairline scratches on front of card. Hard to see.	
	\$5 Giraffe consec numbers prefix 54	\$35		Cheap at half price!	\$12
	\$5 Generic original prefix 20 x 6	\$140	58	\$5 Xmas 1995 prefix 695. A hard one to find	\$2
	\$10 Cheetah x 4	\$56	59	Modra AFL	\$
	\$5 Melbourne x 4	\$24	60	Year of the Pig. This one goes Cheap, Cheap!!	\$
	\$10 Generic original x 2	\$20	61	\$5 Platypus. Low reserve!	\$2
	\$20 Marathon prefix 166 x 3	\$24	62	\$5 Flinders Ranges. Low Reserve!	\$3
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	of card. Nice card	\$45		Low Reserve as well!	\$4
	\$20 Bats prefix 221. A nice card	\$13	64	\$10 Red Cross Disaster Relief-a scarce card.	
	\$20 Adelaide profix 20	\$20	0.1	Low Reserve!	\$
	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39	\$25	65	\$10 Red Cross Disaster Relief-a scarce card.	
	\$10 Kangaroo Island prefix 14	\$22	00	Low Reserve!	\$
	\$5 Australia Day '92	\$22	66	\$5 Wallaby prefix 258 x 4. A rare 12,500 run.	
	\$10 Brisbane-immaculate condition		00	Consecutive numbers 91-94	\$1
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	\$10 ACT Tower	\$55	70	\$2 Health and Safety 2nd print prefix 147	\$
	Geelong set 3 cartoons	\$75	71	\$5 Swimming prefix 136	9
	Grand Prix Wreath	\$30	72	\$20 Marathon prefix 156	9
	Australia Day '92	\$22	73	\$5 Cycling prefix 187	
	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39	\$20	74	\$5 Swimming prefix 190	
	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39	\$13	75	\$10 Volume prefix 199	
	\$5 Willy 2nd print	Ψ15	76	\$5 Wombat prefix 253	
	\$10 Cheetah NSW	Φ24	77	\$2 Blood prefix 108 x 2	
	\$5 Melbourne 2nd print x 4			\$5 Questacon prefix 96	
	\$5 Uluru	\$13	78	\$5 Questacon prenx 96	
	\$5 Giraffe prefix 54	\$21	79	\$5 Wombat prefix 258	
	\$10 Brisbane-perfect condition	\$90	80	\$5 Sydney Bid prefix 288	
	South Australia set 1st prints	\$100	81	Courage Under Fire pair 2 x \$5 cards	
	Geelong \$3 Cartoon x 3, \$6 Cartoon x 1	\$55	82	\$5 Giraffe prefix 65 RARE	
	\$5 Grand Prix Wreath x 5. Reserve is 50%		83	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39 RARE	\$2
	Geelong \$1.50 Cartoon		84	\$5 Swimming prefix 137	
	Australia Day 1992 x 2. Low reserve!	\$45	85	\$10 Grampians prefix 46	
	Australia Day 1992	\$24	86	\$2 Orang prefix 84	
	\$20 Adelaide prefix 39 x 2	\$38	87	\$2 Orang prefix 52 RARE	
	\$20 Adelaide prenx 39 x 2	dition	88	\$5 Karri Forest x 2 plus 42 Health and Safety prefix	107
	\$10 Brisbane prefix 38 a difficult card in perfect cond	#40E	89	Rare Rentlo prefix 434. Rear of card has some wear	and
	Reserve is \$75	\$125		surface scratches. Front is fine	una
	NSW Set 6	\$100	00	DADE Minetical part in esplaying 2nd incur	
	Victoria Set 3	\$22	90	RARE Nicotinell card in sealed bag 2nd issue	
	\$10 Cheetah NSW		91	RARE Nicotinell card in sealed bag 1st issue	
	\$5 Community Services 2nd print	\$13	92	RARE Nicotinell card in sealed bag 2nd issue	
	\$50 Generic Original	\$27	93	Victoria set 3	
	\$5 Generic 1st print Original Logo	\$30	94	Advertising set 4	
	\$5 Uluru	\$23	95	\$10 Generic old logo prefix 267	
	\$5 Hobart x 2	\$27	96	\$20 Generic old logo prefix 251	
t		Estimate	97	\$5 and \$10 generic New Logo, plus Environmental \$	55 and
	Pack Pages (50+) new			Face is \$40, RRP is \$75	
	Pack Pages (1001) new	\$95	98	\$2 Generic complete by print. (8 cards) RRP is \$160	3\$
_	Pack Pages (100+) new	Estimate	99	\$5 Swimming 1st print	
t	COLLECTIONS	Estimate		South Australia set plus Wreath (7 cards). RRP is \$	350 \$
	Complete set of 25 Landscape 1994 Prefix cards.		100	\$10 Crampions profix 46 and print	Ψ. υυυ
	Hard to obtain. A prized Set. Vendor must sell-says	reserve	101	\$10 Grampians prefix 46 2nd print	
	is only \$6.40 per card!	\$250	102	\$2 Orang prefix 83	
	Japanese cats x 30. RRP \$120	\$95	103	\$2 Orang prefix 84	
	Nearly complete multi-hole collection States and received	ent issues	104	\$10 Track and Field 1st print	
	(127 cards). Most good used or better. Mint Tas,		105	\$20 Marathon prefix 156	
	1-hole K-Mart, WA. Missing are \$1.50 Geelong, Ger	neva,	106	\$10 Track and Field 2nd print prefix 155	
	\$1.50 Bird. RRP is \$1086. Very Cheap at est \$425.		107	\$5 Snag prefix 209 2nd print	
t		Estimate	108	Rare Rentlo prefix 434.	\$
t	AUSTRALIA: MINT	Lotimate	109	Cardphone Syd the Bull complimentary plus Ablett	LA MILIT
	Tourist series New Logo \$5 x 2, plus \$10 XXXX.	630	103	error variety	
	Reserve is face value\$2 Murray prefix 17 RARE		440	\$2 Generic prefix 72 a difficult card. Low Reserve	
	\$2 Murray profix 1 / BABE		110		
	\$2 Wullay pielix 17 TARL	ADE 6100	444	CO Campria profix 70 v 4 Law Dacania	u.
	\$5 Grand Prix South Australia 2nd print prefix 47. R. \$10 Track and Field 1st Print	ARE \$180	111	\$2 Generic prefix 72 x 4. Low Reserve	\$

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Lot		Estimate
112	\$2 Murray prefix 8	
113	ACT View x 2, and \$2 Mint x 2 RRP is \$66	
114	Olympic \$2 Hockey 1st print x 5, Willy x 1	
116	\$2 ACT prefix 93 x 1, prefix 95 x 1, \$5 Reef x 1 Red Cross 1st print	
117	South Australia set 6.	
118	\$10 Brisbane	
119	ACT set 5 cards	
120	\$5 Gold Coast x 2, \$5 Reef x 2	\$32
121	Victoria Set 3	\$15
122	Queensland set 3	
123	\$5 Racing car x 4	
124	\$10 Kangaroo Island prefix 14	
125 126	Olympic set 6 cards	
127	Red Cross set 6\$2 Perth Skyline	
128	\$5 Giraffe prefix 88. Tiny area of surface scratching i	
120	sky area. Tram line rear of card. MAXI HOLE card	
129	\$20 Marathon prefix 121	
130	\$2 Murray South Australia prefix 9. Some wear.	
	Front not bad.	\$12
131	\$5 Platypus	
132	\$10 ACT Tower	\$22
Lot	AUSTRALIA: COLLECTOR PACKS	
133 134	Tasmania Australia Day 1993 x 3. Reserve is \$30!	\$40
135	Dinosaur x 2	\$6U
136	Endangered Species 1994 x 2. Limited Edition	
137	Landscape 1994 Limited Edition Packs x 2. Low Res	
138	Games Limited Edition x 2. Reserve is \$35!! \$16 per	
139	Generic \$5. Vendor says Sell! Low Reserve!	
140	Wildlife Duck Folio. Low Reserve!	
141	Spies Hecker. Low Reserve!	
142	Swish x 2. Reserve is \$30!	
143	Pay Tel Able Tasman 1st Pack. Reserve is \$80!	\$125
144	Payphonics 1st and 2nd Pack. Vendor says give	405
145	it away at \$40!	\$95
140	get it before vendor ups his price!	\$44
146	Red Cross 2nd print \$10 and \$20.	\$235
147	Australia Day '92	
148	Pay Tel Abel Tasman	
149	Swish Pack plus extra card	\$35
150	Ettamogah Pack plus extra card	
151	Albury High School Pack plus card	
152	Apollo XI Pack in replacement folder	
153 154	UV I and II Packs. 5 each. (10 packs)	
155	Luna Park. Reserve is 50%!	
156	Disney 1st Pack Mickey and Donald x 2. Low Reserve	\$70
157	Opera House- a gorgeous Pack. Low Reserve!	
158	Swish. Low Reserve!	\$25
159	Tasmania	
160	Western Australia	\$60
161	Norfolk Island	\$45
162	Toyota Corolla card in unofficial Pack x 6	
163	Pay Tel Sydney to Hobart Yacht race-a superb pack	
164	Northern Territory	\$50
165	Australia Day 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 (4 packs).	0475
166	Retail is \$175. Reserve is \$85!!	
167	\$5 Generic	
168	Beagle Brothers Train	
169	Rally Australia	
170	ACT	
171	NSW	\$300
172	Nicotinell I and II both in sealed packs	

Lot	ALISTRALIA: COLLECTOR PACKS (contal)
Lot 173	AUSTRALIA: COLLECTOR PACKS (contd) Estimate Queensland-a rare pack \$200
174	World Wildlife Koala x 3 \$75
175	Black Opal plus card, Courage Under Fire plus cards\$56
176	Opera House plus Give someone a Buzz and folder\$56
177	Life Saving Limited Edition\$45
178	Year of Dog\$40
179	AFL Cardphone (4 packs all serial number 1001)\$90
180	Pay Tel Wilderness Rivers\$40
181 182	Pay Tel Hobart Electric Trams
Lot	PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL Estimate
183	Specimens BP \$5, \$10, and \$20. Low Reserve! \$50
184	Police Car Ross Dolbel-line indentations on front.
	Half Price\$45
Lot	TEST CARDS Estimate
185	Postes and Telegraphes Billet 25c France
186	Anritsu \$15 Mint. A scarce card\$230
187	Anritsu 1-hole \$1.50 percentage type. Some surface wear Vendor says Sell. No Reserve
188	Anritsu 1-hole \$1.50 percentage type x 2. Some surface
er Els. II	wear. Vendor says Sell. No Reserve\$105
Lot	VARIETIES Estimate
189	Mint \$5 Underwater and \$5 rescue prefix 502.
	CONSECUTIVE NUMBERS. 50230384 and 50230385
	Pale Green Arrow-lightest shades.
	Extremely RARE cards. Only 4 known in Australia\$1,000
190	Mint \$5 Rescue Prefix 502. 50230386. Consecutive
	with earlier consecutive lot of 502's. Pale Green
	Arrow -lightest shade\$500
191	Telecom International Pre Paid Phone Home card from
	the withdrawn issue. (\$10 Value)\$100
192	Telecom International Pre Paid Phone Home card from
193	the withdrawn issue. (\$20 Value)\$120 Telecom International Pre Paid Phone Home card from
133	the withdrawn issue. (\$50 Value)\$140
194	Mint \$5 Flinders red dot above \$5 variety\$60
195	Cardphone Spring racing Carnival set, unnumbered
	cards (6 cards)\$110
196	Cardphone Spring racing Carnival set, unnumbered
197	cards (6 cards)\$110
197	Mint 502 \$5 Underwater. Consecutive numbers 397 & 398. Pale arrow. Very RARE\$1,000
198	Mint 502 \$5 Surf Rescue. Pale arrow. Very RARE \$500
Lot	WHOLESALE/BULK Estimate
199	Consecutive prefix pairs. Prefix 465 Ballet, 504, 505, 508,
200	Cycling/Diving. 510 Cycling/Diving x 5. (9 pairs)
200	Coca-Cola 1st issue Bear and Santa x 6 sets. These are
201	becoming scarce now!\$275 Coca-Cola 1st issue Bear and Santa x 20 sets. These are
201	becoming scarce now!\$1,000
202	\$5 Melbourne 2nd print prefix 48 x 8\$120
203	Mixed batch of 1-hole cards. good selection, excellent
	overall quality, about half are state cards. Noted are,
204	\$20 Adelaide, Echidnas, and Vic. (54 cards)\$150
204	NSW Mint \$20 Zoo x 4, Giraffe x 3, Platypus x 3,
205	Orang x 2, RRP is \$435\$410 SA Mint \$20 prefix 15 x 4, \$10 Seals x 1, \$5 Flinders x3,
200	\$2 Murray x 3, \$2 Vineyard prefix 6 x 1. RRP is \$910 \$850
206	Grand Prix Wreath 1-hole x 5. RRP is \$200\$150
207	\$20 Adelaide 1-hole prefix 39 x 5 RRP is \$150\$135
208	\$10 Tower ACT 1-hole x 10. RRP is \$600.
	Vendor says Sell. No Reserve\$400
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Lot	WHOLESALE/BULK (cont'd)	Estimate	Lot	WORLD: MINT (cont'd) Estimate
Lot	\$5 Willy 1-hole x 5. RRP is \$50		238	MCC \$20 Blue/White notched. 1987 early trial card\$7
209	\$5 Willy 1-hole x 5. KKP is \$50	Ψ40	239	Nynex Postcard series set 5\$10
210	\$5 Murray Victoria 1-hole x 10. RRP is \$160.	¢0E	240	Mao Tse Tung set 6
	Very Cheap at est			Andorra Kentucky Fried Chicken 10000 issue\$4
211	VSTA Mint 1st \$2 card x 10	\$95	241	
212	\$2 Orangs and Monkeys (30 cards). All top quality	\$105	242	Nynex World Student Games with folder
213	400 mixed Australian used cards. Includes multi & 1-l		243	British TCI Eurofighter Mint\$2
	Mainly \$5 and \$10 cards. Second quality-good for swa	aps	244	British Texaco Oil Rig card. RRP is \$19\$1
	and market stalls etc.	\$250	245	Ireland National Management Conference.
214	\$10 Tower ACT x 5. Retail is \$300	\$200		A rare card 2500 issued\$2
215	Albury School x 5	\$70	246	Ireland Rock of Cashel Castle. 100 unit card. RRP \$40 \$3
	200+ multi \$5 recent cards. Good used. Dinosaur, Ba	llet	247	Ireland An tOireachtas 1991 in sealed bag. RRP is \$40\$3
216	Landagers 1003 Curf Vmcc etc DDD \$100	inct,	248	Ireland Cultural Capital in sealed bag. RRP is \$20\$1
	Landscape 1993, Surf, Xmas etc. RRP \$400.	400	249	France. Bart Simpsons in sealed bag Mint
	Cheap at est \$80	фоо		Papua New Guinea. Bilas Bread\$2
217	200+ multi \$5 recent cards. Good used, Dinosaur,		250	Papua New Guillea, Blias Breau
	Bilby, Opera, Endangered 1994 etc. RRP \$400.		251	Papua New Guinea. South Pacific Games PTC 10u\$2
	Cheap at est \$80	\$80	252	Papua New Guinea. 1st Issue Definitive in bag\$12
218	200+ multi \$10, and \$20 cards recent issues. 50+ x \$	20.	253	Britain Mercury (MER 136) Train. RRP is \$30\$2
	Xmas 1994, Insects, Ballet, reef, Finch, Dinosaur, K-	Mart.	254	Nynex New York Skyline in original sealed packet.
	RRP \$550. Cheap at est \$250	\$250		Low Reserve! \$19
240	200 4 hale 45 \$10 recent issues. Good used Insec	te	255	Baseball Great. Set of 4 baseball stars. Babe Ruth,
219	200+ 1-hole 45, \$10 recent issues. Good used, Insec	,	200	Lou Gehrig, T Cobb, S Paige. A real collector set\$8
	Bilby, Surf, Xmas 1995, Ballet etc. RRP \$500.	COOF	250	Wizard of Oz set 6 cards. Features, Dorothy, Tin Man,
	Cheap at est	\$225	256	Corrective Lies Wicked Witch and Chang Whole grow \$44
220	Early state cards mixture. Mainly seconds but include	S		Scarecrow, Lion, Wicked Witch and Shoes, Whole crew. \$11
	many of the better cards such as \$5 Gold Coast,		257	Vanuatu 30 units in sealed bag\$2
	\$10 Brisbane (surface markings but good seconds) x	11.		
	(120+ cards) Retails would be over \$500 easily	\$300	Lot	WORLD: COLLECTOR PACKS Estimat
221	Assortment of prefix used from Generic through to ab	out	258	New Zealand Annual general Meeting Card-difficult card.
-21	Environmental 1993, includes \$20 cards. Good qualit			Reserve is \$30
	Elivironimental 1995, includes \$25 cards. Good quant	,	259	New Zealand Adcards 1994 Volume 5. Reserve is \$75\$13
	seconds. Over 400 cards. Retail minimum of \$500.	¢200		Amerivox 1st Collector Card in Pack. \$20 Eagle.
	Estimate is only 75 cents per card!	\$300	260	
	ment been enough enough little Sun State Community models I			5000 Issue
Lot	WORLD MINT	Estimate	261	Amerivox Beetle Bailey. Reserve is \$15!!\$4
222	Cambodia \$2, \$5, Issued July 1993. Reserve is \$30)\$60	262	Amerivox US \$21 Jacqueline Onassis\$5
223	Japanese Bicentenary Issued 1988 Reserve is \$60	!	263	New Zealand Science and Technology International \$15
	Vendor says Sell!	\$160	264	USA Basketball Legends (set 3 cards) in folders (mint).
224	Norfolk Island Set 3 cards	\$45		Good Value! Reserve is \$25!\$4
	Coca-Cola Ceska	\$25	265	Nynex New York 1st Magnetic cards collector pack.
225			200	Superb pack with high potential. Includes the
226	American Superheroes 1st issue-a complete sell-ou	AL.		complimentary card\$10
	Spiderman, X-men etc. A real bargain.		000	
227	Rare patented round Telephone Token Phonecard	ın	266	Whyland Whales. Quality Amerivox Waikiki Pack.
	sealed envelope. \$20 card-issue of 250 from USA.	\$30		Five of the worlds best phonecards featuring dolphins,
228	Marilyn in the Towel in original envelope-a lovely car	rd \$20		whales etc. One of Amerivox's top issues-2000 issued\$9
229	MICHAEL JORDAN retirement phonecard. A much	1	267	South African Birds of Prey Pack. One of the world's
	sought after card in original envelope. "Gold Number	er 23"		best looking packs\$15
	Huge investment potential. Only 4000 issued world	wide	268	Great Hotels of New Zealand\$12
	Low Reserve	\$120	269	Whitbread Yacht Race - indentations on front cover of
000			203	pack\$10
230	Paul McCartney Ceska Card in original wrapper. G	redi	070	
	looking phonecard. Low reserve!	\$20	270	Cambodia 1st Collector Pack\$90
231	Xmas Island set of Crab and Cove. Prefix 384 and	385.	271	Elvis CD and card Amerivox\$8
	5 sets. Face is \$150	\$225		and the second state of the second state of the second second second second second second second second second
232	USA Amerivox. Non standard size 1st issue		Lot	WORLD: USED Estima
	Monument series. (8 cards) US Cat value is \$210.		272	Irish (26 cards) includes chip varieties and Tina Turner,
	Cheap at est.	\$100		Diana Ross, Bondex, Trinity Cottage, Christmas, Aladdin
	LIGA American Halla Canada 5000 issue	φισσ		and others\$12
233	USA Amerivox. Hello Canada-5000 issue.	COO	272	
	US Cat value is \$45	\$20	273	British Telecom 37 cards all good condition. Retail is
234	USA Amerivox. "Visit of Japanese Emperor", a real	rarity.	W.L.	\$75 to \$100
	Only 500 issued. Comes complete with photocopie	s of	274	British Telecom 41 cards all good condition. Retail is
	signed paperwork, including letter from former Pres			\$85 plus\$7
	Carter. US Cat value is \$750. Sure to add that extra		275	New Zealand \$2 Post Office Christchurch Trial card
	dimension to your collection	\$400		in folder in excellent condition. A scarce card\$8
005	Numer New Verk Ellis Island act 4 plus Dectored as	at 5	276	Singapore Lunar New Year Definitive series set 4.
235	Nynex New York Ellis Island set 4 plus Postcard se	0470	210	RRP is \$30\$2
	RRP is \$180			
	South Africa Birds of Prey set 6	\$95	277	Japanese Movie cards. 15 different-retail is \$180\$17
236	BT Coke card in folder		278	Vanuatu 60 units\$1

THE GRAPEVINE

by Insider

Reading my copy of last month's Stamp News, I was taken by the comments in the Market Matters column about a recent Papua New Guinea issue. The columnist was 'raving' about it as being a super investment item because it had a print rum of only 85,000. Well, in stamps that is indeed a small print run but for those of you who did not come into the phonecard hobby from stamp or coin collecting, you will be thinking that 85,000 of something is quite a large number.

Look at how many phonecards are issued with print runs less than 85,000. Many Official issues, all Custom cards, all Collector Packs, etc. The lesson here is that in the more subdued market of this year compared to last year, bargains (for the medium to long term) are to be had by anyone astute enough to follow their instinct. A common phonecard issue is 1.5 million. A common stamp issue could be 20 million!

New collectors have been noticed buying early state cards as well as custom cards from dealers at fairs, whereas at the end of last year they were mainly buying the custom cards and recent cheap cards. This increased interest in the early official issues will have a noticeable effect on prices in the next six months. Dealer prices have already turned around and dealers are no longer keen to "give" anything away as they were doing six months ago.

The \$10 Prison Card is to be released through dealers towards the end of August. Prefix collectors take note that the card will not be prefix number 814.

Stronger rumours exist now that Telstra are about to **lower the print runs** on Custom cards to make it a little easier for card producers to make a profit (make a profit = not going broke = not have to return cards to Telstra). This will be good for everyone providing they don't allow the UK situation to develop whereby anyone can print 500 minimum cards. Hundreds of such cards have been released over the last three years.

Collectors have been going back to Custom cards over the course of the year and it would be dissapointing if Telstra were to again change direction by 180 degrees and 'tip everyone into the water' again. Perhaps Telstra could allow Custom card producers the same limit as they (Telstra) have with their Limited Editions - to make it 'all fair'. I must stress that this is just a rumour, an equally strong rumour is going around that says Telstra will not reduce print runs. Perhaps we need a statement from those in charge of Custom cards about Telstra's policy with regard to these points.

Cards so far to have been "returned" to Telstra (or in the case of Roam cards, not sent out in the first place) are as follows, with a listing of the number of cards in current, circulation availability:-

One Australia (4 cards)	352	Thirlmere Train I	2000
Roam Middle East Peace (3 cards)	1000	Thirlmere Train II	2000
Roam WW II (5 cards)	1000		

It should be noted that all of the above (current) circulation figures may increase, dependant on negotiations and agreements between Telstra and the card producer. All things being equal though, the above cards/sets should be 'the good ones' in the future. I doubt if any of these will 'dip' in price. I expect they will move upwards soon enough.

Most of the early Custom cards have now been released through resellers or returned to Telstra. It appears that after the cards are released through the reseller network, the retail price for \$5 cards is around \$10-\$15 depending on how easy the dealers could obtain the cards. If dealers had not been able to obtain these cards they would have rocketed in price, somewhat like the Nicotinell type cards as no future supplies would have been available in the short term - good for future collectors and the hobby. These price levels represent the sort of figures any official \$5 card would sell for after it went off sale. Also, many of these Custom cards are now available in used condition.

The final conclusion is that they now represent good value and should be set aside as good investment items. However, do not expect to buy 2000 packs and then to sell them all for a huge profit in 3 months time! Think ahead a couple of years. Interestingly, the dealers appear quite happy with events. Apparently their profit margins were minimal on Custom cards (most profits intended for the manufacturer), and only now can buy and sell Custom cards with normal profit margins. This means that many Custom card producers have lost significantly on their ventures. The early ones would have been okay, it appears later ones would have suffered a loss of significant proportions.

Feedback from dealers is that Coke 1 has truly sold out and many phonecalls have been whizzing around lately trying to procure some spare packs to no avail. The second Coke still appears to be in plentiful supply at this stage.

Feedback from collectors is that many have decided that there is no need to buy a custom card as soon as it 'hits the streets'. Rather, the collector can sit back and wait for them to be offered at a cheaper rate. This reduced demand for the new Custom cards combined with increased demand for earlier Custom issues appears backed up by dealer comments. Earlier, in a previous article, I suggested about 4000 packs were selling for each new issue. Considering

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PROFILE ON NEW ZEALAND

Phone card collecting in New Zealand has had turbulent times over the past 12 to 18 months. Most speculators have left the market, prices have fallen from unrealistic levels to much more realistic ones and finally, the true collector has now become the fundamental part of the hobby. But perhaps, the most important thing to happen to telephone card collecting in this country has been the emergence of a competitor to Telecom joining the New Zealand market.

The second half of this article explains who the competitor is, their first issues and what to expect from them. Their issuing policies can only be beneficial to the collector.

I'm Nigel Shanks and from this issue onwards, I will be commenting on aspects of the New Zealand phone card collector market. Before I go on to discuss what my articles will cover, it would be helpful to tell you a little about myself and the company I run.

The company is **Global Philatelic Promotions Ltd** and has been involved in dealing in phone cards almost since their arrival in New Zealand in 1989. Our regular and sometimes contraversial newsletters during the boom period were awaited by many New Zealand collectors/speculators. These articles were looked upon as a guide to phone card collecting and as an indicator of what could occur in the future.

In June 1994, during the height of the boom, we launched the first 'Public Phone Card Auction' seen in the country and saw first hand the huge price hikes which were to become standard in New Zealand over the following few months. These auctions continue today and are held every 5-6 weeks and, together with direct sales, form the core of our phone card business.

In future, this segment will give information on Telecom New Zealand: their issuing policies and actual issues including Collector Packs, Adcard and Special Issues along with the standard definitive cards. Also looked at will be "The Competitor" scene in New Zealand. Who are Telecom's competitors? What are their plans, their card issuing policies and the technology used? I will also give a current price guide on particular New Zealand phone card products (both Telecom and competitor issues) showing what is selling and for how much. The prices realised from our regular Auctions allow me to comment confidently on the true current value of most New Zealand phone cards and Phone card related products.

A Brief History

Since this is the first article in the series, it is probably best to start at the beginning and give a brief

background to phone cards and the phone card market in New Zealand from the introduction by Telecom in 1989 to the present day situation.

The first phone cards issued in New Zealand are today known as 'The Trial Issue'.



\$2 Trial Card One of 5 cards in the set

Later in 1989, card phones were installed throughout the country and the first definitive issue of phone cards was issued. Over the following 12 to 18 months as demand for the cards grew, mainly driven by the card user rather than the collector, more definitive sets were issued.

By the end of 1990 and certainly during 1991, collector interest in phone cards grew considerably. By 1992, the first official Telecom Collector Packs began to appear. The first of these were the 'Antarctic Pack' and the 'Fernleaf Butter Pack'.







Global New Zealand Inaugural Issue

"Abel Tasman National Park"

Global New Zealand Issue No 1 July 1995

Introduction:

Global New Zealand's Inaugural Card Issue was produced to celebrate the introduction of the company's International Service. The Abel Tasman International Card Series allows users to make International calls at reduced rates from over 1 million touch tone phones around New Zealand. Global's satellite link to the world will offer a range of highly competitive services.

'The \$2.00 Collection'

Every card design produced as a standard card will also be produced in a \$2.00 value.

Global's \$2.00 Collection policy is intended to provide the collecting public with an affordable, quality, flexible plastic card that enables more to enjoy collecting these cards as a hobby.

Strictly Limited Editions

Official Global Collectors Presentation Pack Limited Edition of Only 500 Packs available at \$205.00

"The \$2.00 Collection"

Presentation Pack Limited Edition of Only 1000 available at \$28,00

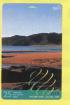


Global New Zealand Issue No 1 July 1995

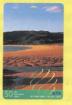
Official Inaugural Issue "Abel Tasman National Park"







\$25.00 (4000) (\$2.00 (4000) (







Totaranui Beach) \$100.00 (4000) (\$2.00 (4000) () \$2.00 (4000) (

All loose cards are available at the face value of the card only. Total run of full face value cards is 10,000 of each design. 4000 are marked collector

Official Presentation Pack

Limited Edition of 500 \$205.00 each

(Set of 4 cards face value \$185.00) "The \$2.00 Collection"

Presentation Pack Limited Edition

of 1000 \$28.00 each (Set of 4 \$2.00 cards) To order any of the above cards - simply write in the quantity required of each item in the () provided

I would like to purchase the above marked items, I understand that I have a 7 days money back quarantee

Payment Details:

by each item.

Cheque () Cash () Credit Card ()

Credit Card Details: Visa () Bankcard (

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P.O. Box 33-1333 Takapuna, Auckland 1309 New Zealand. Ph 64 9 486 2926 Fax 64 9 486 2934 In both these issues, 1000 packs were produced. Although not immediate sell outs, within two years these were to become **two of the most sought after** packs produced by Telecom because of their low issue numbers.

As collector interest continued to grow, so did the number of cards issued by Telecom. By the start of 1994, there had been no fewer than 19 definitive sets of cards issued over a period of only four years. This number does not include all the adcards, promotional and dealer cards which will be covered in a future article.

Towards the end of 1993 and early in 1994, the price of any given card was rising out of control. As a result of the demand Telecom increased the number of packs to try and keep up with demand. Soon close to 7000 of some packs (including International Packs) were being produced.

To continue to stimulate interest in an already booming market Telecom decided to plan an **auction for June 1994**. This was to be the turning point for phone cards in New Zealand. Prices continued to climb to even more unrealistic levels at this auction. For the period immediately after the auction the boom continued but now there was a general feeling that the continuing price rises could not be sustained for much longer - and that was certainly the case!

The Market Correction

By September 1994, prices on Telecom Collector Packs and cards had dropped considerably. The 'crash', or more politely the 'market correction' was caused, in simple terms, by too many speculators and not enough new collectors being involved with phone cards.

The difference in a collector driven market, as opposed to a speculator driven one - as was the case at this time - is considerable. The collector is there for the long term and will purchase cards and packs over a period of years to build up a collection. The collector's main interest is in collecting, profit is certainly a consideration, but not the main one. Thus each new collector entering the market places slightly more pressure on the demand for collector products and the price will rise slowly and steadily as this demand increases.

Speculators, on the other hand, often have no interest in collecting per se, their only interest is in realising a profit and to do this they buy and sell items much more regularly and push the prices up artificially - although prices rise faster, the hobby is left unstable.

The period from September 1994 to January 1995 was not a good one for phone cards. Prices and demand were well down in comparison to what they had been - but nonetheless **they were still selling for well above the original issue price**, a fact many still fail to consider, even today.

Another Turning Point

February 1995 saw another turning point for phone card collecting - **this time for the better**. Many collectors now realised that phone card collecting was for the most part back in the control of the true collector and confidence in collecting and purchasing cards began

to grow. This time it was to be in a much more stable manner.

As a result of the changes to the hobby, Global Philatelic Promotions Ltd changed its auction system radically. All auctions from September 1994, were to be "Unreserved". This thought initially scared many collectors as there was no control over a final selling price. However, this system has worked to the advantage of the collector with cards selling at realistic prices set by the market.

Today the auctions are still held 'Unreserved' and the cards sell very well. For example, a 'Year of the Rooster' Collector Pack, issued at NZ\$95 will now sell for between \$1650.00 and \$2200.00. This is an excellent return on the original purchase price and it is the genuine value of the card because it is based on the price that the **collector** is prepared to pay.







Year of the Rooster Pack & Card

The last two auctions held in April and June 1995, have also shown steady increases in price as a result of new collectors entering the hobby. This can only be a good sign for the future of phone card collecting.

1995 Telecom Auction

June 20, 1995 saw the second National Telecom Auction held in Auckland. The auction was held at the Auckland Downtown Convention Centre and was attended by around 500 people. Although there was no buying frenzy as seen the previous year, cautious interest was certainly apparent with most items selling at a realistic price, once the value of the Auction card was taken away.

Mentioned above is 'The Auction Card'. This is a special NZ\$5.00 denomination card which is produced solely for the Auction. Only 300 of these cards were issued and they were only available to people who purchased an item at the Auction.





1994 Auction Card

This is how Telecom, first of all, guarantees interest in the auction and, secondly, ensures that more of its customers will turn up on the day, if only to get an example of the Auction card.

I find the practice somewhat unfair in that a company will issue a highly limited edition card to ensure the success of an auction because it once again is making a card inaccessible to all but 300 collectors.

Thus, when looking at the prices realised you should subtract the value of this card which is around \$600.00 from the sale price of a particular item. Once this is done it is clear that the items in the auction were selling for around market price.

Nonetheless, the Telecom Auction was certainly a success and showed to everyone that there is still a big collector interest for phone cards in this country.

The Competitors Arrive

Now for the second part of this article where I will discuss the recent arrival of a new telecommunications company in New Zealand. Global Telecom Systems Ltd.

With the launch of Global Telecom Systems Ltd. the establishment of a truly competitive company offering a wide range of telecommunication services has been achieved.

In New Zealand, Global is part of a network currently providing telecommunications services in four continents of the world. This company is offering all New Zealanders and visitors to New Zealand a range of highly competitive services to reduce their telephone calling costs. This is open to private individuals and to businesses alike.

International Telephone Card

Global's first service is the **International Telephone Card**, for savings on international calls. These cards can be accessed through over 1 million touch tone phones including Telecom New Zealand payphones. These first

cards use the 'Remote Memory' services which are now widely accepted and collected throughout the world and especially in the United States.

For those unfamiliar with this system a 'Remote Memory' card is a pre-paid card allowing telephone calls to be made to the pre-paid value. The card carries a set of instructions on the reverse for dialing and a personal card number which is entered using a touch tone telephone as the call is being made.

This system provides for a greater promotional and collector appeal, while increasing the user opportunities in New Zealand. Moreover this system will allow the user to receive a minimum of a 15% saving off standard advertised Telecom Payphone rates, even when dialing from a Telecom New Zealand payphone!

The Global Cards

With regard to the actual telephone cards, the company policy is that each card will be reproduced in a denomonation or value applicable with the service provided, eg. \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 values and the **same** card will be produced as a \$2.00 face value card. The \$2.00 card is produced to a photographic quality but on a more flexible plastic. Collectors should already be familiar with these thinner cards as they are already produced in numerous countries around the world, eg. Australia and Japan. This characteristic will further distinguish the two card types.

Thus it seems apparent that this policy will allow all collectors to enjoy the hobby and purchase the cards for the nominal value of only \$2.00. Moreover the limited edition numbers (ie. quantity produced) will be kept to a minimum and will be based on collector demand.

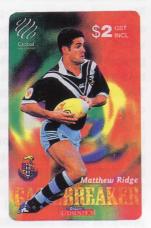
For the more advanced collector, or for the collector who wishes to take their collecting interest one step further the cards will be available in **Limited Edition Collector Packs**. These packs will contain the full set of cards and the packaging premium will be kept to a minimum. I am informed that the additional cost will be somewhere between \$10.00 and \$25.00 for their unique packaging concept. The collector packs are available in two forms. The first has the set of cards with full face value and the second has the set with the \$2.00 face value cards. The first category will be known as 'The Official **Presentation Pack'** with the second category being known as 'The \$2.00 Collection'.

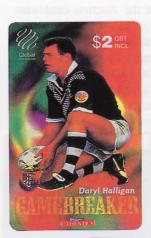
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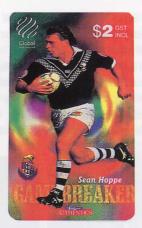
I see this policy as enabling collectors to build a substantial collection of quality cards at a minimal cost. What is even more pleasing to see is the fact that all issues will be available to the collector, so that having a complete collection of a particular company's cards is a reality. This would certainly be a first for New Zealand. By the time this article is published there will be three sets of the Global Telephone Cards available (if not already sold out due to their low issue numbers) and these certainly warrant a mention.



"The \$2 Collection" New Zealand Rugby League

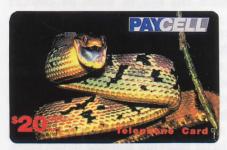






Below: Paycell's "Wildlife Series"













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Back of card Wildlife



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The inaugural issue is the **Abel Tasman National Park** set of four cards with \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 denominations as well as the set produced as \$2.00 cards. The full face value set is available in the Official Limited Edition Presentation Pack of 500 for \$205.00 and 'The \$2.00 Collection' cards set is available in a Limited Edition Pack of 1000 for \$28.00. Single cards are also available at face value and 4000 of each type have been produced.

The second issue is a New Zealand first and features Julia from Jackson Model Management, modelling a swimsuit for the **New Zealand Models 1996 Swimsuit Calendar!** The \$2.00 standard card is available along with a \$10.00 denomination showing a different shot of Julia. This \$10.00 card is also available as a \$2.00 card. The Limited Edition of 1500 '\$2.00 Collection' Presentation Pack is also available at \$19.95.

For those who are more sporting minded, issue three features a set of official New Zealand Rugby League cards depicting Gary Freeman (\$50.00), Matthew Ridge (\$20.00), Sean Hoppe (\$20.00) and Daryl Halligan (\$10.00). The Official Limited Edition Presentation Pack of 1000 is available at \$120.00. The \$2.00 Collection Limited Edition of 1500 Presentation Pack is available at \$28.00. All loose \$2.00 cards (4000 of each design) have been inserted randomly into Card Crazy Authentics Official New Zealand Rugby League trading card packs, thus the \$2.00 cards are not available as singles. The use of these telephone cards as part of a trading card promotion is once again a first in New Zealand.

From the first three issues it is apparent that the issue numbers on both cards and collector products are very low when compared to Telecom issues. For example many of Telecom's recent pack issues have been in excess of 4000 units and many times that number of cards have been produced. So when compared to Global's rather conservative issuing policy and low Presentation Pack numbers, there is an indication that these packs will be very successful and popular with the collector.

Smartcards Arrive in New Zealand

Global's strategic alliance with National Payphones and Paycell also includes the installation of the Paycell Smartcard phones in Auckland. These are now installed on Fullers Ferries throughout Auckland and the new service allows passengers to make telephone calls whilst commuting to their destinations. Smartcard cards are currently available for sale on board the ferries.

The Smartcard telephone cards depict Action Sports and Wildlife. These cards, once again, are a New Zealand first as they depict a full colour design on both sides of the card. This revolutionary concept allows the collector to see the other cards in the set in full colour on the reverse of the card. Once again relatively small Limited Editions have been produced for use on the ferries. Because of their colourful designs and the collector interest generated by their issue, these cards will not be available for long.

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These first three issues by Global along with the introduction of the National Payphones Smartcard Payphones on Fullers Ferries certainly indicate that competition has arrived in New Zealand. These two separate companies (with an alliance formed between them) using different technologies will change the telephone card collector market in New Zealand.

This month's article has been an introduction to phone card collecting in New Zealand showing a general view of the development of phone cards, from their introduction to the present day. Many areas have not been covered and others only briefly as the collecting field in New Zealand is vast. Be assured though that the different facits of collecting phone cards in New Zealand will be brought up in later articles along with up to date information on the current phone card situation in this country.

If you have any questions about New Zealand phone card collecting or wish more information on a particular part of this article please contact me at the below address:

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COLLECTING AUSTRALIAN PHONECARDS BY SERIAL NUMBER It's Easier Than You Think!!

By all accounts, there is a renewed interst beng displayed in the collecting of Telstra's (ex Telecom) Phonecards by Prefix/Serial Number.

Two articles have been contributed for this months issue, focussing on collecting by Prefix/Serial Number. The first is provided by the ardent Victorian collector, Warren Titcher (whose article title is used above), and the second by prominent Melbourne phonecard dealer, Don Hill.

Although the first issue (Geelong Trials) of Phonecards in Australia was in December 1989, it was not until early 1991 that many serious collectors were aware that the SERIAL NUMBER had perhaps more significance than the Phonecard Identification Code itself.

Many newcomers to the hobby collect by the ID Code, which for the early issues was on the bottom **left** hand corner of the reverse of the card. For example, the \$5 Victorian River Murray card had the ID Code of T4C2, and the second print of the \$5 Melbourne by Night had the ID Code T4C1-2.

For more recent issues, the ID Code is still on the reverse, but is placed more centrally and to the **right** and is in much smaller type-face. For example, the \$10 Kangaroo-Uluru Tourist Generic had the ID Code G930123a. The recent \$5 Austel card 'Add a Nine' is an advertising card and has the ID Code A952512.

However, the purpose of this article is to deal with the SERIAL NUMBER, keeping it fairly simple so that recent collectors (and there are lots of them!) may follow the system without confusion.

How do you Read a Serial Number?

First of all, look for the number on the bottom right-hand corner of the reverse of the card. It is always quite large (now in the millions).

Then to work out the serial number......

- 1. eliminate all of the zeroes to the left of the number:
- 2. eliminate the last five numerals on the right of the number.

Telecom Phonecard

\$5

■This Phonecard is for use in Australia wherever you see Phonecard or Payphone ■It contains \$5.40 worth of calls ■Don't bend or stain and avoid magnetic fields ■After usage a punched hole shows approximate remaining call value >=For local, STD and international calls Copyright

Autocall number (use felt-tip pen) :



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For example, the \$5 River Murray illustrated above has the very large Serial Number of 0000002723321. So now you eliminate the six zeroes on the left side and the 5 numerals on the right (in this case 23321). The Serial Number, in simplified form, thus becomes # 27 (also often called prefix # 27 or print # 27).

Another example is the \$5 Melbourne by Night illustrated, which again has the very large and cumbersome number of 0000004801141.

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Once again, eliminate the zeroes to the left and the five digits on the right (in this case the digits are 01141). The simplified serial # of this card becomes # 48. Specialist collectors will nearly always refer to the Second Print of

the \$5 Melbourne by Night as just # 48.

So try your hand at some more recent cards. The \$10 Kangaroo-Uluru shown, has the number 0027010154. You should finish up with #270.

Telecom Phonecard

\$10

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Out of interest, the **very first Phonecard** issued by Australia was the \$1.50 'Go Together' in the Geelong Trial Issue. It has the Serial Number of Zero, whilst the next card in the series, the \$3 'Float & Wave' is Serial 1.

The Explosion of Custom Cards

Up until 1994, most Serial Number collectors were trying to collect at least one of each number, whether it be mint, one-hole or multi-hole. In early 1994, PACS issued the Tamworth Music Festival set and by mid-year it was obvious to many that it would be financially impossible to keep up with all of the Custom issues.

Compounding on this were the 'overseas' issues of Christmas Island, Norfolk Island, Cambodia and Rwanda.

So many and perhaps the majority of Serial collectors decided to stick with the **Official Telecom Issues**, eliminating the Custom cards and the 'overseas cards'.

They were in for a surprise, as a new phenomenon occured with the printing of the \$5 values in the 1994 Landscape Series. This was the advent of **consecutive Serial Number pairs**, which happened even more-so with the \$5 Commonwealth Games, \$5 Ballet and the \$5 Royal Lifesaving Society 1994 set!

But more of this in later articles, as well as a look at the rare Australian cards which fetch up to hundreds of dollars!!

Warren Titcher

A HISTORY OF COLLECTING AUSTRALIAN PHONECARDS BY PREFIX NUMBER

by Don Hill

Many collectors new to the hobby will probably not be aware of the collecting of cards by prefix number.

The prefix number is obtained by discarding the last five digits from the serial number on the lower right hand side of the rear of the card. Each different card design can have more than one different prefix number. Some cards may only have one prefix number such as the \$5 Karri Forest from the Western Australia set which had the prefix number 89. The more common cards may have up to 15 different prefix numbered cards.

Collecting cards in this way first began very early on in Australia when very few cards existed - collecting one of each design was accomplished very quickly, so the real challenge became to find a card from each prefix number.

Collecting by prefix really began at about the time that the **Advertising series** were on sale (around prefix 200) although some collectors had started from day one lucky individuals! As interest quickly picked up on this new form of collecting, it became obvious that many cards were very difficult to find.

Firstly, the cards found in the collector packs were noted as they had the same prefix in nearly all cases. These cards then were the easy ones. Cards from the advertising series onwards tend to be the same difficulty as by this stage enough collectors were buying cards this

way at the time, to enable a supply afterwards - so the really tricky ones are found in the 0-200 range!

The exception of the **502 prefix**, is because it was really a test card and everyone thought it was part of a 100,000 batch so did not buy them when they were offered. As the only dealer to offer a full service on prefix numbers I was fortunate to be offered these cards which my standing order customers were then fortunate enough to obtain at the normal rate!

Many early State cards and generics are extremely difficult to obtain. For example, in the **Giraffe** cards of NSW (numbers 54, 64, 65 & 88), the 54 prefix was in the collector pack and the 88 was a short run of 15,000 cards. Individuals were looking for the 88 when it was issued because it was such a short run but the 64 and 65 prefixes were ignored. It was the same print run as the 54 so was 'common'. However, these two numbers are some of the rarest cards around and can be expected to sell for up to \$100.00.

Most collectors who chose to collect in this manner have kept up the hobby through all the trials and trbulations of the last year. Many chose to ignore Custom cards all through last year (especially the used prefix collectors), but a surprising number did in fact continue with Custom cards. At each fair I attended I would enquire of any customer buying by prefix whether they collected the custom cards etc., and a fair few did do just that. Obviously those collectors could afford to buy mint cards as very few of these collectors have actually stopped because of lack of finances.

Over the last few months there has been a **steady drift back to collecting Custom cards** and many prefix collectors are now adding those cards to their collections. With the 'end in sight' as Telstra change over to chip phone systems, many now see that they can complete the collection even if they miss 'here and there' as they go.

A suggestion for those buying their mint cards by design - buy your cards from Telecom and you will have the common prefix numbered card; buy your card from a retail outlet such as a newsagent and you will most likely have a different number, much more likely to be in demand in some months time, than the common numbered Telstra variety.

Before the Surf Lifesaver series was withdrawn from sale, I was having to re-purchase some numbers of different prefix cards in these series. I still need some more as seen in my advertisment on the inside from cover. And of course, the lucky person who found the 502's was not a prefix collector - just someone looking to obtain other more recent cards for their own collection.

For those already collecting by prefix or ready to start this form of collecting, the soon to be released **Phonecard Organiser by Prefix Numbers** by Modern Philately, will include the complete prefix listing for mint, 1-hole and multi-hole Australian cards.

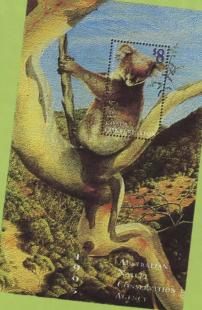
Information for the prices comes direct from my database and allows you to constantly update and monitor the value of your collection amongst other things.

Don Hill

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COMBINATION CONSERVATION PHONECARD AND STAMP PACKS: SERIES 2





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THE LAST STOP BEFORE HOME by Ken Hosking - Bulleen, Victoria

To fly from the United Kingdom to Australia in one hop, is just too long a time sitting in a plane. It's best to break the journey by having a stopover in one of the countries of South East Asia. We decided to stop in Thailand and visit Chiang Mai which is 700 kilometres north of Bangkok and less than an hour from the capital by plane.

When we settled into the hotel, my wife and I changed into our walking shoes and were ready for a wander around the city streets. There were card phones in the streets, but the users didn't leave the used ones behind as, I found out, there is a trade-in value for used cards.

My next stop was to look in the telephone directory for the local stamp dealers because there could be a possibility they would also deal in phonecards. There was only one name in the book. When I found the shop, my hunch was found to be correct - he also had phonecards for sale! This was going to be the last stop. I had 60 Australian cards left, 12 green BT cards and 30 Italian cards that I had found in Naples. I made an offer to exchange Thai cards for what I had. He looked through the cards I had offered and decided to take the lot - one for one. He opened a box with Thai cards in it and I made my choice. **THIS** is the easy way of obtaining overseas phonecards!

Later, I also saw used phonecards on display on street stalls, so these are another source of obtaining cards.







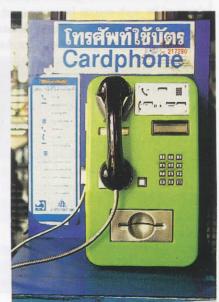












Hints on Collecting if You are Travelling Overseas

Take a quantity of Australian cards with you particularly if you have a lot of one card, eg. the \$5 Opera House. \$10 Kangaroo or Christmas cards. They are thin and do not take up much space. This also may be your chance to 'off load' some of your Italian and green BT cards that every collector accumulates and can't seem to exchange.

Store them in small plastic locking bags and keep some spare bags to hold those cards that you obtain through swaps.

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PHONECARDS OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Many readers of this magazine and collectors of phonecards will recognise the name of Jim Shearing as the initiator of the Albury High School, \$5 Custom card. Jim's involvement in the production of both the Albury High School card and the BT phonecards of Earlsfield School in London were featured in the August 1994 issue of APM. Jim Shearing is now a teacher at the Ela Beach International School in Port Moresby. At the time that Jim changed his subscription address from Albury to Port Moresby, I asked him to provide an article/s on the Papua New Guinea phonecard scene. This he has kindly agreed to do - Editor.

"When I first heard the news of my appointment to Ela Beach International School in Port Moresby, amongst the many thoughts that crossed my mind was that of phonecards. Just what was happening to Papua New Guinea (PNG) phonecards? I certainly hadn't seen any PNG cards for sale or even any news about them in the phonecard magazines. When I contacted my 'friendly dealer', Ross Campbell, he knew little re this specific area as well, so I decided to do a bit of investigating as soon as I found a bit of spare time after school.

The first few weeks proved to be so hectic, trying to cope with one change after another, let alone building up confidence to explore all the back alleys of notorious Port Moresby in search of those elusive cards.

However, I soon discovered that the P.T.C. - Post & Telikom - was in the process of separation and the Philatelic Bureau in town and at Boroko (10 km. out), no longer dealt with phonecards, although the post offices were still the main selling points for phonecards.

The new Telikom centre was in the very impressive new Telikom Rumana building at Waigani, still farther out of town and not far from Parliament House.

My first meeting with the Phonecard Management and Marketing staff proved to be the beginning of a growing relationship. Like most of the people in this wonderfully fascinating country, they could not have been more friendly and helpful.

My initial request to be able to see the archives collection of complete issues, produced an album from a filing cabinet. Such is the scarcity of some of the cards, I noticed that one of these cards was in used condition. But whatever, I soon discovered that since the first trial card in 1990, there had **only been 47 different cards produced**. Of these, only 27 of the more recent issues are still available and even some of the last years 17 new cards are now sold out.

Wanting to obviously put together a collection for myself, I embarked upon a tour of every post office and card selling hotel or shop in the Port Moresby district. Certainly, an interesting way of finding out about the place, but it also proved to be very informative about the public's phonecard usage.

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If you do find a dealer interested in swapping, don't accept the 'two for one' deal! Australian cards are highly acceptable overseas and many dealers accept a 'one for one' exchange.

Some European kiosks which sell new phonecards, buy the used ones back. Just an enquiry can create an opportunity. Railway stations are a good source for phonecards. If you are keen enough, peer into the rubbish bins - wash any cards obtained by such means however (and your hands)! On one occasion I was checking out the telephones on the Munich station and watched another collector also looking for cards. I had a chat with him and found out he came from Hungary. I happened to have some Australian cards in my pocket and was able to swap some German and Hungarian cards with him. We exchanged addresses and I have been corresponding with him since I have been back in Australia. Probably, the last point worth mentioning is always keep a small plastic bag of phonecards that you are prepared to swap with you at all times, because you just don't know when the opportunity might arise.

Over a two month period, my wife and I travelled through fifteen different countries. It wasn't just a holiday but an adventure also. As well as enjoying the scenery, learning about the history and culture of these countries, I added another interest, which was to investigate their phonecard systems which I have shared with you the last nine months.

Some Overseas Observations

Some payphones have locked used phonecard receptacles of Some payphones 'eat' the card when the last unit is used of Some phonecard users bend the card to indicate that it is used of Some phonecard users trade in their used cards. The people who live in 'clean cities' do not leave rubbish or phonecards laying about of The people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecard users trade in their people who live in 'dirty cities' do leave rubbish and phonecards laying about of Some phonecards laying about of

Now Compare to Phonecard Collecting in Australia

Some people may have individual complaints about Telstra, but a hobby that has grown to have 27000 collectors in Australia must be doing something right to keep them interested!

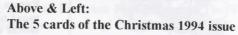














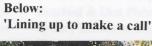
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Above: Telikom Payphone Services Management
Staff together with Jim Shearing.
Xavier Victor (Manager Payphone Centre)
is in the centre of the group.



Below: Some members of the Collector Club at Ela Beach International School - Swapping P.N.G. phonecards



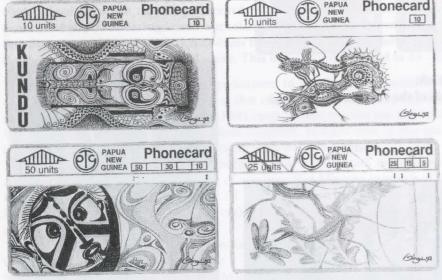




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There are 70 phonecard booths in PNG and 40 of these are located in the Port Moresby area. They are certainly used by many people but as they prefer to buy and use K1 and K2 (Kina) phonecards (largely out of financial necessity), these values are practicallyy unobtainable. I did manage to find some in the University Post Office however, largely because there was no cardphone on the campus.

Further discussions with the Telikom staff revealed that over 95% of cards are being sold to the local population for genuine use. Collectors and dealers, just about all of whom are from overseas (as I appear to be the only collector in PNG), have been ordering between 200 and 350 of the 6,000 sets that have generally been produced. Quite interesting I think!



Papua New Guinea is one of the most unique countries in the world with more than 700 different languages and a 1000 different customs & cultures. Within the world of primitive art PNG stands pre-eminent. Primitive art tends towards expressionism and abstraction. It therefore contains many stylized forms as can be seen in these phonecards.

My next request centred around this question of **quantities of cards** produced. Well have I needed patience and perserverence to sort this one out! I have finally got together a reasonably comprehensive breakdown of figures for the PNG cards

Wanting to put them in some sort of catalogue format, I needed a picture of every card and after repeated requests for the archive collection to be colour photocopied, I practically gave up until I found out that a year ago they had held a competition inviting the public to send in used phonecards. This large cardboard box containing about 2,000 used cards was there in the office with the competition long since gone and nobody it seemed, wanting these useless old cards! It took a few more weeks to finally persuade the Manager of Payphones, Xavier Victor, to let me relieve him of them for a nominal sum.

After a few nights of sorting out the cards, half of which had to be thrown away, I finally got together a complete collection and these are now colour copied. A laminated set now hangs up in the school where the newly formed **Collectors Club** meets. Trying to encourage the children to change to phonecards from basketball cards, I have given every member a starter pack of 15 different cards and in the school Newsletter, I have asked parents to send any used cards into school. I think this must be the first Collectors Club in PNG.

When I first arrived at the Telikom Rumana, Xavier Victor was in Switzerland discussing the PNG phonecard production with the printers, Landis & Gyr. The cards are identical in style to the optical cards used by British Telecom for example and it is expected that an **improved format** will shortly be used, allowing the whole front of the card for the design with the optical strip on the reverse side. At a later date all of these cards will become Smart cards.



The next set of questions centred around the future of PNG cards and what decision making committees and policies had been set up. This issue for me proved to be the most exciting of all and one which I hope will set Papua New

Guinea cards up to be the most collectable in the world, largely because collectors will love it and other agencies will be envious of it!

As a collector myself, I would recommend to you all to try and track down every PNG card you can lay your hands on. After all, it's the closest foreign country to Australia, it has been producing phonecards for nearly as long, has produced only 47 cards and, wait for it, has not produced any Custom or Private cards - and the news is great for the future.

Happy Hunting!"

To be continued Jim Shearing - July 1995

Jim Shearing will be continuing his articles on the PNG phonecard scene in forthcoming issues. I hope to be able to include in the next issue of APM, a reproduction of all of the 47 PNG cards issued to date as well as the quantity printed for each phonecard.

Jim also indicated to me that he will be attempting to obtain a photo of the first Trial Payphone used in PNG, which is located in a village some 40 km from Port Moresby. The Telikom Management has offered to provide an armed escort to accompany him on the trip! - Editor.

	F	AIRS - SHOW	S - AUCT	TIONS
6	Aug	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Rear Doctors Surgery	Corrimal, NSW
12	Aug	Rosebud & Dist. Phoncard Coll Club Fair	Anglican Church Hall	Rosebud, Melbourne
13	Aug	East Gosford Stamp & Coin Fair	Progress Assoc. Hall	East Gosford, NSW
12-13	Aug	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Holiday Inn Menzies	Sydney
19	Aug	Edlins Public & Postal Auction No. 107	Griffen Centre	Canberra
19-20	Aug	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Convention Centre	Canberra
20	Aug	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Wallsend Pioneers Hall	Wallsend, Newcastle
25-27	Aug	Phonecards Exhibition Singapore '95	Takashimaya Square	Singapore
27	Aug	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Granville Town Hall	Granville, Sydney
2-3	Sept	Colossal Collectables Fair	Sydney Showground	Sydney
3	Sept	NSW Phonecard, Stamp, Coin & Coll. Fair		Sydney
3	Sept	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Rear Doctors Surgery	Corrimal, NSW
10	Sept	East Gosford Stamp & Coin Fair	Progress Assoc Hall	Gosford, NSW
13-17	Sept	CardEx '95	Exhib. & Congress Centre	Maastricht, Netherlands
15-17	Sept	International Phonecard Exhibition '95	Hong Kong Cultural Centre	Hong Kong
16	Sept	Melb.'s Public/Postal Phonecard Auction	24 Centre Place	Melbourne
24	Sept	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Granville Town Hall	Granville, Sydney
8	Oct	Sydney Phonecard Collectors Club Fair	St Marys Bowling Club	St Marys, NSW
8	Oct	WA Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Royal Comm. Society Bldg	Perth
14-15	Oct	Stamp, Coin & Phonecard Fair	Town Hall	Tamworth, NSW
19-22	Oct	Sydney '95 National Exhibition	Convention Centre, Centrepo	int Town Sydney
28	Oct	Aust. Phonecard Collectors Club Fair	St Stephens Church Hall	Edwardstown, Adelaide
29	Oct	Stamp, Coin & Phonecard Super Fair	Petersham Town Hall	Petersham, Sydney
4	Nov	Melbourne Phonecard Club Fair	Senior Citizens Club	Northcote, Melbourne
4-5	Nov	Aust. International Phonecard Fair	Holiday Inn Menzies	Sydney
11	Nov	Edlins Public & Postal Auction No. 108	Griffen Centre	Canberra
11-12	Nov	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Convention Centre	Canberra
18	Nov	Rosebud & Dist Phone. Coll. Club Fair	Secondary College	Rosebud, Melbourne
18	Nov	Sydney Banknote Convention	Holiday Inn Menzies	Sydney
19	Nov	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Wallsend Pioneers Hall	Wallsend, Newcastle
19	Nov	Aust. International Banknote Fair	Holiday Inn Menzies	Sydney
26	Nov	Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Granville Town Hall	Granville, Sydney
1	Dec	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Civic Theatre	Burnie, Tasmania
2	Dec	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Albert Hall	Launceston, Tasmania
3	Dec	National Coin, Stamp & Phonecard Show	Westside Hotel	Hobart
3	Dec	NSW Phonecard, Stamp, Coin & Coll. Fair		Sydney
3	Dec	WA Phonecard, Stamp & Coin Fair	Royal Comm. Society Bldg	Perth
10	Dec	East Gosford Stamp & Coin Fair	Progress Assoc Hall	East Gosford, NSW
4		Kangaroo Phonecard Club Fair	City Town Hall	Brisbane
8-11		Int. Stamps, Coins & Phonecards Exhib.		Hong Kong
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THE JAPANESE EXPERIENCE

All Cards Shown Below Are Available From The Melbourne Phonecard Centre



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THE JAPANESE EXPERIENCE

(Part 7.) Cars

by Don Hill, Melbourne Phonecard Centre

This month's cards feature 'cars' which are one of the most popular thematic collecting themes. Not quite as popular as trains but it does have many specialist "car freaks". Wheras many train collectors will collect any or all train cards available, many car collectors specialise in a particular type of conveyance.

Common topics are to collect all Mercedes Benz, Porsche, Volkswagen or BMW for example. Many of these car cards are of course released by the company themselves as a promotional tool when the car is launched - as such this makes each card quite scarce. Often these topic cards can feature pictures of items other than the car itself! Often, logos or symbols from the company are featured and these make a nice addition to a collection of the company cars on phonecards.

Other topics are racing cars, Formula 1, racing related such as Ayrton Senna, etc. The cards opposite focussed on non-racing cars. Many vintage cars are produced and some come in attractive sets featuring classic antique cars. A set of these related cars looks quite stunning when placed together on a page in an album. Many antique cars are featured on NTT cards and so are relatively easy to obtain at around \$4.00 per card. The non-NTT cards are priced from \$8.00 upwards, to usually around \$32.00.

In the Japanese Catalogue, 44 pages are devoted to German cars in the German section and 22 pages are featured in the section devoted to cars. A further 10 pages are devoted to Formula 1 cars. Clearly there is a wide choice of car themes and topics from which to start a collection!

"RE-PROGRAMMING OF JAPANESE PHONECARDS"

A reader of the magazine, John Kruger from Melbourne, Victoria, has sent me some interesting examples of reprogrammed Japanese phonecards.

Information received, indicates that this re-programming is becoming more and more prevalent, as the cost of local calls keep rising in Japan. Apparantly, a standard 105 unit card is worth approximately \$12-\$13 Australian and is no where near the value for money our cards are when making calls.

According to a source recently returned from Japan, the 're-programming boom' is controlled very closely by the Iranians in the community. I have also heard that the Japanese mafia - the Yakuza - are also involved in the practice. It appears that re-programming is actually quite easy. Having first covered the punch holes with either thin metal foil or sensitised tape, the programming code is broken, then re-done with a simple process using a lap-top PC.

Note foil covered punch holes at top of each phonecard





Re-programmers wait by the most frequently used phone booths and collect masses of used cards. Following the re-programming, these same 'gatherers' then sell the cards at 50% off face value to anybody and everybody. Most payphone users are aware that cheap cards are available and readily buy them in preference to full cost cards from the legitimate re-sellers.

Thanks to John Kruger for the above information and phonecards - Editor.

CLUB & SOCIETY NEWS

This Section Is Provided To Phonecard Clubs & Societies For The Promotion Of Their Activities And Membership.

Articles Provided Will Be Reproduced At No Cost To The Club.

Australian Phonecard Collectors Club Inc.

64 Concord Drive, Reynella, SA 5161 Secretary: Glenis Hymers

As indicated in the last issue of APM, I was intending to attend the July meeting of the Club, whilst I was on a visit to South Australia. This I was able to do and (on a cold, wet and miserable night in Adelaide) I was quite impressed with the turnout of members, which augers well for the hobby in SA. I have commented on this Club meeting elsewhere in the magazine, but would again like to thank the committee and members for the warm welcome I received - Editor.

Glenis Hymers advises that the Club Fair held on Saturday the 22nd of July was a success. More on this in the next issue.

Kangaroo Phonecard Club Inc PO Box 706, Springwood, Qld. 4127 President: Wim Matzer

The Club advises that a tentative date of the **4th of February 1996**, has been set for its next **Club Fair**. Again, it is proposed to hold the fair at the City Town Hall, the venue of this year's successful event.

The Committee extends a reminder that a **renewal of memberships is due**, advising that the rates remain the same, ie., \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for Juniors.

Rosebud & District Phonecard Coll. Club Inc. PO Box 211, Rosebud, Victoria 3939 Secretary: Sandy Kitto

All is progressing well for the Rosebud Club's Phonecard Fair on **Saturday 12 August 1995**, at the Anglican Church Hall, corner Sixth Avenue and Point Nepean Road, Rosebud. Melway 158 D.12. The fair will be open between 10 am and 4.00 pm with **free entry** and ample parking.

The Club further advises that a Phonecard Fair will be held on 18 November 1995, at the Caufield Secondary College, corner Booran and Neerim Roads, Caufield - Melway 68 D.3. Again, the fair will be open between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.

All paying patrons (\$2.00 for adults) will receive a Free Club Promotional Limited Edition Card.

Enquiries in relation to either of the above two fairs can be made to Sandy Kitto as above or to the Club President (John Thomas) on (059) 86 2261.

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The Melbourne Phonecard Club Inc. PO Box 177, Northcote, Vic 3070 Secretary: Keith Sykes

Membership fees for the 1995/96 year are now due, and remain the same as for last year except for a special discount for families. Fees are as follows:-

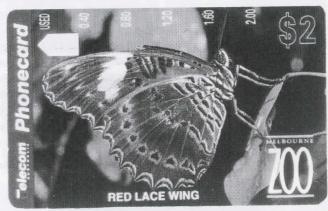
	1st Year Membership	2nd Year & After
Family	\$30.00	\$20.00
Senior	\$20.00	\$15.00
Junior	\$10.00	\$ 8.00
Associate	\$15.00	\$12.00

The Club is planning to hold its second Fair on Saturday, the 4th of November 1995, between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm at the Northcote Senior Citizens Club, Bent Street, Northcote.

Dealers tables may be booked with the Secretary, Keith Sykes (Tel/Fax: 03 484 2568) and are \$30.00 a table (\$20.00 for members).

The \$2.00 Red Lacewing Butterfly Phonecard, produced in conjunction with the Melbourne Zoo, is now being offered to members at the special price of \$3.00, which includes the folder. Postage by ordinary mail is free and Certified Mail costs are free for orders of five cards or more. The offer of \$3.00 per card is also available to the dealers who supported the promotion and sales of this card when it was released last February. To date, some 4500 cards have been sold, with another 500 cards being given to the Melbourne Zoo for sale at their Zoo Shop.

Contact the Secretary as above re purchase of this card. **Warren Titcher - Publicity Officer.**





CLUB & SOCIETY DISPLAY ADS

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P.O. Box 706, Springwood, Queensland 4127

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The Club President on (07) 209 7915

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PO Box 773, St Marys, NSW 2760

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All Members & Visitors Welcome

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that only 2000 Thirlmere Railway cards have been sold/are being sold over a reasonably lengthy period, then the new limit for Custom card producers will be much reduced to around 1500 to 2000 packs. The Melbourne Phonecard Club still has some 5000 of its Butterfly card for sale (at \$3,00)!

All this bodes ill for any new issue from a manufacturers point of view. The Batman issue and the next Coke issue would have to have the best chance of beating these figures but even so, the challenge is huge. The Batman loose card will sell for around \$16 so it probably will not reduce in price. Stay tuned!

More offerings from the South Australian Tourist Commission were sold at auction on the 22nd of July in Adelaide. South Australian packs sold for \$160 with about 40 packs being available for sale.

There are rumours floating around that the Phonecard Collector has ceased to be. This is not true. The Collector is being produced and will be inserted into the Stamp Collector magazine rather than be sold as a seperate magazine. It looks like those subscribers only receiving the Phonecard Collector will gain the benefit of an extra magazine. Yippee! The Phonecard Collector has again changed owners who have promised an improved product.

Whilst on the Phonecard Collector, I noticed an article on the development of a payphone system on the tiny island of Nauru. Looking at the size of the island, would the majority of Nauruans need a phone to talk to each other, or is it to be able to ring 'out of the country'?

A while ago a Survey was sent to all subscribers to the magazine. Approximately 1/3 of all subscribers replied and some 1,050 Surveys are now being processed - did I hear a "hooray" out there! This month we will look at some individual comments taken at random from replies and focus on questions 5 to 7 which refer to other collecting areas and whether the collector is still collecting in that area?

Some individual responses from the Survey

"Custom cards - I'm sure they'll go bankrupt". TW 11 years old. Indication of magazine impartiality - "You get the knife out on Telecoms". LH. "**Grapevine** in ny opinion seems to be written by some **bitter** person". New Zealander who needs to apply to the witness protection program - "I know where you are!"

Why you stopped collecting

"Interest diverted to phonecards" - ex coin collector. "Ran out of space" - ex plate and spoon collector!

"Preferred phonecards, stamps are getting nowhere". JA.

"Lost interest in coins and stamps since phonecards introduced". JM.

Of the respondents whom now collect phonecards, 57% previously collected stamps, 40% collected coins and 31 % collected in other areas.

Of the respondents, 32% collected stamps and coins. Only 14% still collect stamps and coins and 14% do not collect stamps or coins anymore.

From these replies, 48% of stamp collectors have stopped collecting stamps, 41% of coin collectors have stopped collecting coins, 14% of those collecting other collectables have stopped collecting "other" collectables. 34% of replies did not collect stamps or coins prior to collecting phonecards.

From these figures it can be deduced that a considerable drift has occurred from the realms of the stamp and coin collecting hobbies to phonecards. More pronounced from stamps than from coins - this appears substantiated in that stamp dealers took to phonecards before coin dealers. Of course, these figures do not indicate the percentage of stamp or coin collectors who have started to collect phonecards,ie., we do not know from these figures whether 90%, 50% or 10% ot the total number of stamp/coin collectors have joined the hobby.

We can deduce that nearly 8000 stamp collectors and 4500 coin collectors now collecting phonecards have given stamps and coins away!?!? This must represent a significant problem for those other hobbies and may partially explain why coin fairs prohibit the selling of phonecards! If we assume stamps, coins and phonecards to be the big three collectables (not necessarily in that order) it appears that many new collectors have entered the mainstream of collecting hobbies.

Insider

NSW PHONECARD, STAMP, COIN AND COLLECTABLES FAIR

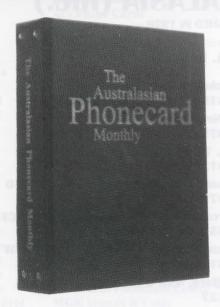
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ach album will be able to hold 12 copies of the magazine to enable you to keep all your backissues in pristine condition. As time progresses these back issues will become an invaluable library for information about the hobby.

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