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Fig. 1: FOUR OVERPRINTED STAMPS (from left to right) \$1.00 overprint on \$3.75, \$1.00 overprint on \$4.50, \$2.00 overprint on \$3.75 and \$3.00 overprint on \$2.50.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth issues of 2017 consisted of four overprinted stamps. A \$1.00 overprint (Fig.1a) in silver ink on the \$3.75 stamp (SG #927/Sc #645) of the 2002 Humming Bird issue, Another \$1.00 overprint (Fig.1b) in silver ink on the \$4.50 stamp (SG #930/Sc #640) of the 2002 Butterfly issue. A \$2.00 overprint (Fig.1c) in silver ink on the \$3.75 stamp (SG #929/Sc #639) of the 2002 Butterfly issue. A \$3.00 overprint (Fig.1d) in black ink on the \$2.50 stamp (SG #843/Sc #516a) of the 1990 Bird Definitive with a rectangle the width of the stamp obliterating the denomination. In the cases of three stamps overprinted in silver, a small rectangle obliterated the previous denomination.

All four overprints were done by Trinidad and Tobago Printing Works Limited. The following printing quantities and release dates were supplied courtesy TTPost:

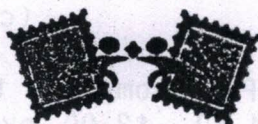
Fig. 1a	\$1.00 overprint on \$3.75 - 125,000	25th May 2017
Fig. 1b	\$1.00 overprint on \$4.50 - 275,000	28th July 2017
Fig. 1c	\$2.00 overprint on \$3.75 - 175,000	28th July 2017
Fig. 1d	\$3.00 overprint on \$2.50 - 100,000	16th November 2017

On the Butterflies and Humming Bird overprints, those small round pieces of paper which were cut-out to make the perforations on the stamps caused a lot of flaws on these overprints. The least affected was the \$2.00 overprint while the \$1.00 overprinted Humming Bird had a considerable amount of flaws.

When these flaws occurred inside the rectangles, it resulted in either dots with the silver ink missing or 'donuts'. In the remainder of the stamp area the 'dot' flaws resulted in a random scattering of silver dots and sometimes the cut-out pieces of paper (silver dots) remained stuck on the stamps. Some stamps had as many as eight flaws. The flaws were not constant as the dots can shift and it is assumed that the printing plate was cleaned periodically which would result in some stamps without dot flaws.



Proudly celebrates



**WORLD
POST
DAY** 9 OCTOBER

Fig. 2: RUBBER STAMP PRINT USED ON WORLD POST DAY, 9TH OCTOBER 2017

In commemoration of World Post Day, 9th October 2017, TTPost offered free postage for all locally addressed personal mail in envelopes. Individuals were informed to drop-off their personal mail at any TTPost Corporate Shop. A commemorative rubber stamp (Fig. 2), with the World Post Day & TTPost logos, was applied to the envelopes.

A media release was done for the event (Fig.3), but the event was not well publicized. Two identical rubber stamps were made, both were used at the National Mail Centre, one in the mailing sorting area and the other at the Stamps & Philatelic section (upstairs). There was no year date on the rubber stamps as TTPost may use them for future World Post Day events. It is unknown how many pieces of mail received the rubber-stamp.



FREE LOCAL POSTAGE FOR WORLD POST DAY 2017

In commemoration of World Post Day on October 9th 2017, the Trinidad and Tobago Postal Corporation (TTPost) will offer free postage for all locally addressed personal mail in envelopes.

This offer is valid on **Monday 9th October 2017** only as the Corporation joins with the Universal Postal Union (UPU) and the global community in celebration of World Post Day.

Individuals can drop off their personal mail (envelopes only) at any TTPost Corporate Shop as listed below and the TTPost website. TTPost will then waive any stamp costs and a special World Post Day commemorative stamp will be imprinted on each envelope that arrives at the National Mail Centre before delivery to the intended recipient.

World Post Day is celebrated each year on 9th October. The event was declared by the 1969 Universal Postal Congress in Tokyo as a means to mark the anniversary of the Universal Postal Union's (UPU) creation in 1874. The purpose of World Post Day is to bring awareness to the Post's role in the everyday lives of people and businesses, as well as its contribution to global social and economic development.

TTPost CORPORATE SHOPS:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arima
- 17 Prince Street, Arima • Bon Accord
- Milford Court, Bon Accord, Tobago • Chaguanas
- 9 St. Yves Street, Chaguanas • Couva
- Cor. Bryce & La Croix Street, Couva • La Romaine
- 2 Lucky Street, La Romaine • National Mail Centre
- 240 - 250 Golden Grove Road, Piarcó • San Juan
- 5 Eastern Main Road, San Juan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scarborough
- Teal Building, Scarborough, Tobago • Siparia
- 1 Oropouche Road, Siparia • St. Ann's
- 29 St. Ann's Road, St. Ann's • St. James
- 61 - 63 Western Main Road, St. James • St. Vincent Street
- 22-24 St. Vincent Street, Port of Spain • Tragarete Road
- 177 Tragarete Road, Port of Spain • Tunapuna
- 76-78 Eastern Main Road, Tunapuna |
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- ▶ **Read more about World Post Day at**
<http://www.upu.int/en/the-upu/world-post-day/about-wpd.html>
- ▶ **Visit the TTPost Website at** <http://www.ttpost.net/>
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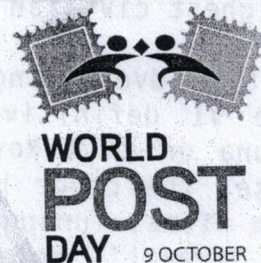


Fig. 3: TTPost ADVERTISEMENT FOR WORLD POST DAY, 9th OCTOBER 2017

BOLLYWOOD ACTRESS - DEVKIKA RANI



R. P. HARICHAND

(JEWELLER)

Importer of Indian Film,
TUNAPUNA,
TRINIDAD, B.W.I.

TOP: DEVKIKA RANI ON ADVERTISING COVER BOTTOM: SENDER

One of India's most beloved movie stars of the 1930's and early '40's, Devika Rani, was illustrated on this advertising cover. Devika Rani (1908-1994) made her cinema debut in the Indian film, *KARMA*, in 1933. She was admired for her beauty and sensitive acting. She received many awards over her career, including the Padma Shri, one of the highest civilian awards of the Indian government.

The advertising cover was franked with a 6¢ stamp of the 1938 George VI definitive (SG #250/Sc #55). The cover was mailed from Tunapuna on 24th November 1941 to Radio City, New York City. On the reverse, the cover has printed 'R.P. Harrichand (jeweller) Importer of Indian Films, Tunapuna'. *IZZATT* was the name of a motion picture. The word 'izzatt' refers to personal dignity or respect and honor (especially for women).

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th February 2018 (Ash Wednesday) at St. Mary's College, Frederick St., Port of Spain. Nominations are required for all posts for the 2018/19 session. Please respond and nominate any member whom you believe could serve well, but please have your nominee sanction their acceptance.

AGENDA

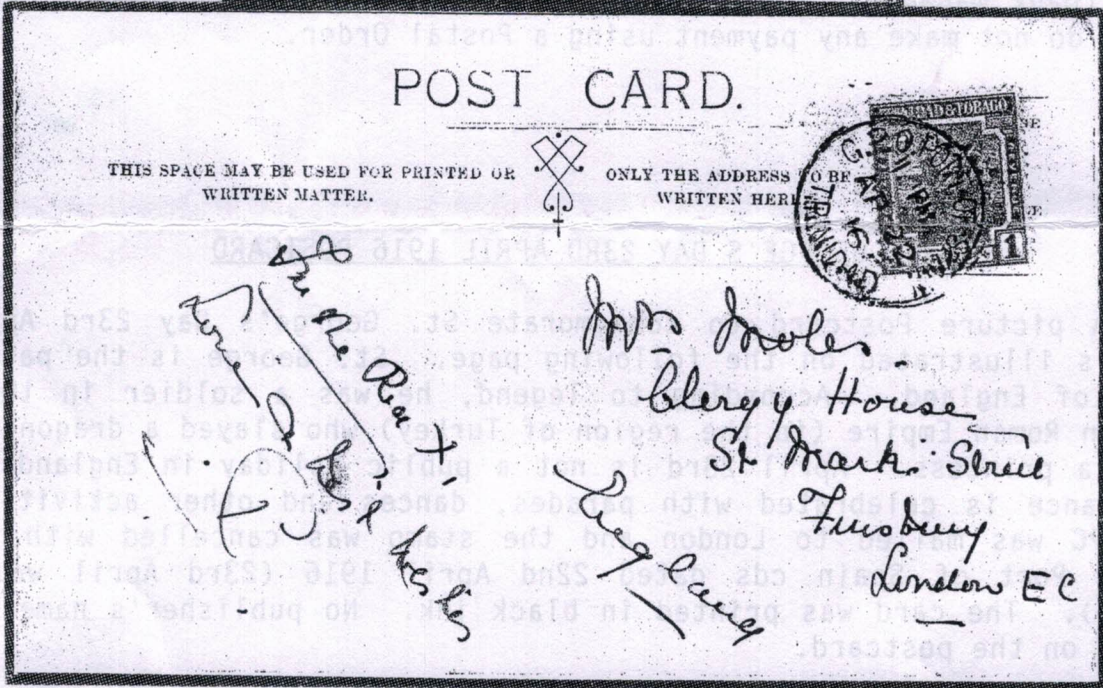
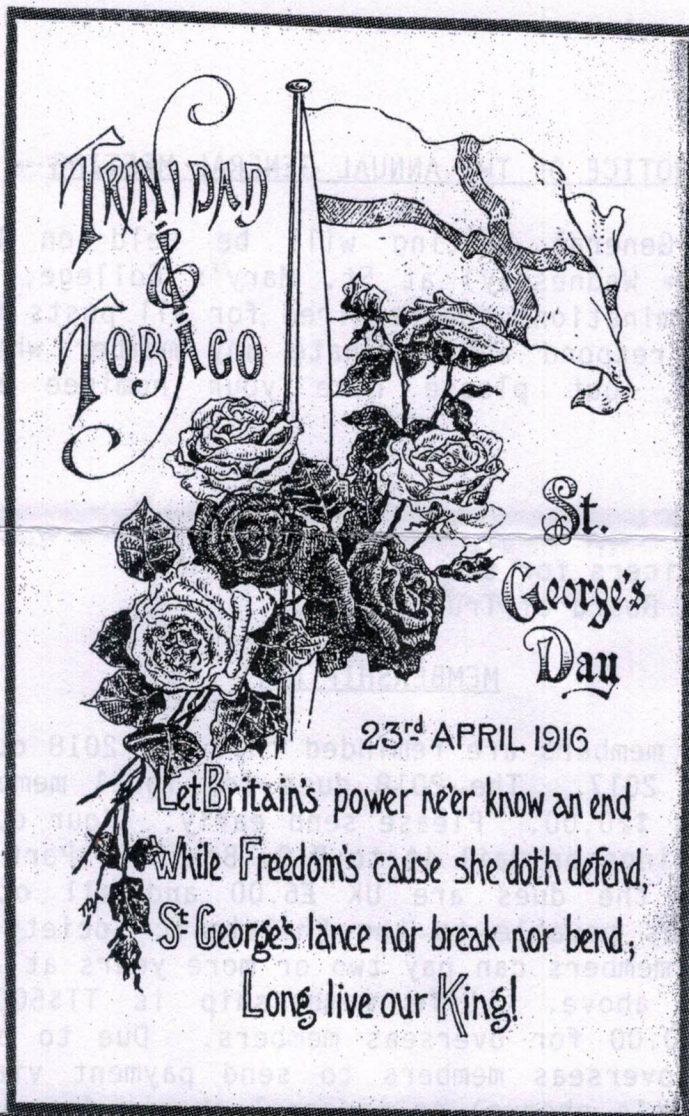
1. Election of officers for the 2018/19 session.
2. Election of the Board of Trustees.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

All ordinary members are reminded that the 2018 dues were due by the 31st December 2017. The 2018 dues for local members are adults \$30.00 and juniors \$20.00. Please send early. Your dues can be paid either at the meetings or mail it to P.O. Box 596, Port of Spain. For overseas members, the dues are UK £6.00 and all others US\$10.00. Please make cheques payable to the Philatelic Society of Trinidad & Tobago. Ordinary members can pay two or more years at a time based on the annual given above. Life membership is TT\$500.00 for local members and US\$150.00 for overseas members. Due to bank charges in T&T, we ask our overseas members to send payment via a bank money order (bank manager's cheque) or personal cheque drawn on a USA bank. Please do not make any payment using a Postal Order.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY 23RD APRIL 1916 POSTCARD

A picture Postcard to commemorate St. George's Day 23rd April 1916 is illustrated on the following page. St. George is the patron saint of England. According to legend, he was a soldier in the eastern Roman Empire (in the region of Turkey) who slayed a dragon and saved a princess. April 23rd is not a public holiday in England, its observance is celebrated with parades, dances and other activities. The PPC was mailed to London and the stamp was cancelled with the G.P.O. Port of Spain cds dated 22nd April 1916 (23rd April was a Sunday). The card was printed in black ink. No publisher's name was stated on the postcard.



TOP: FRONT - ST. GEORGE'S DAY PICTURE POSTCARD
 BOTTOM: BACK OF POSTCARD (ILLUSTRATIONS COURTESY ROGER EDGHILL)