

MALTA — A DIARY

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10.1.95

In today's Govt Gazette a public competition was notified for the selection of the designs of the 'Anniversaries 1995' postage stamp set. This set will consist of three stamps featuring a different design. The design of each stamp should bear relation to the following subjects:

- (a) 50th Anniversary of the United Nations Organisation
- (b) 50th Anniversary end of the Second World War
- (c) 50th Anniversary Food & Agriculture Organisation. Theme – Food for All

The competition is open to Maltese citizens and designs are to be submitted not later than 1.00pm on Tuesday, February 7, 1995.

13.1.95

In today's Govt Gazette it was notified that with reference to the notice published in the Govt Gazette of November 18, 1994, the designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Qawsalla' by Mr Harry Borg was placed first. The set of designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Pax' by Mr Frank Ancilleri and the nom-de-plume 'Venus' by Mr T. Bugeja have been placed second and third respectively.

The two designs by Mr Harry Borg will be reproduced on the Europa 1995 postage stamp set.

24.2.95

In today's Govt Gazette it was notified that with reference to the notice published in the Govt Gazette of January 10, 1995, the designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Hamsinjiet' by Mr F. Ancilleri was placed first. The designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Shades' by Mr Harry Borg and the nome-de-plume 'Meteor' by Mr T. Bugeja have been placed second and third respectively.

The three designs by Mr F. Ancilleri will be reproduced on the 'Anniversaries 1995' postage stamp set.

27.2.95

The 'Commemorations 1995' postage stamp set issued today. A special hand-postmark was used for cancellation of philatelic mail on the first day of issue.



6.3.95

A machine stamp cancelling slogan reading: "General Fisheries Council – Of The — Mediterranean — Meeting Of Fisheries Experts — 6-8 March 1995 — Malta" was used at the Central Mail Room, from March 6 to 8, 1995. The slogan also incorporates the logos of the Food and Agriculture Organisation and European

Community.

14.3.95

The Postmaster General notified that the Sub-Post Office at Wied il-Ghajn was going to be closed from Tuesday, March 14 to Wednesday, March 22, 1995. This Sub-Post Office will be open again for normal business on Thursday, March 23, 1995.

27.3.95

A machine stamp cancelling slogan reading: "Patrimonju — Silver of Malta — Exhibition — April 1995 — The Palace — Valletta" was used, on and off, from March 27 to April 18, 1995, at the Central Mail Room.

27.3.95

A special hand-postmark was used on the occasion of the XXXIVth C.I.E.S.M. Congress. The postmark is inscribed as follows: "XXXIVth C.I.E.S.M. Congress — 27 March 1995 — Valletta — Malta".

The postmark was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room, from 8.00am to 12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively on March 27, 1995.



29.3.95

The 'Europa 1995' postage stamp set issued today. A special hand-postmark was used for cancellation of philatelic mail on the first day of issue.



7.4.95

In today's Govt Gazette, the Postmaster General notified that to celebrate the European Nature Conservation Year, a postage stamp set was to be issued this year. This set was to consist of three stamps featuring a different

design. The selection of the three designs was to be made after a public competition by Maltese citizens. The design on each stamp should bear relation to the following subjects: Environment, Flora, Fauna.

21.4.95

The 'Anniversaries 1995' postage stamp set issued today. A special hand-postmark was used for cancellation of philatelic mail on the first day of issue.



28.4.95

A commemorative postal card was issued on the occasion of the participation of the Malta Post Office in the Munich '95 International Stamp Fair which was held in Munich, Germany, from April 28 to 30, 1995. The card has imprinted thereon the two stamps of the Europa 1995, postage stamp set and an appropriate motif.

The card could have been purchased in mint condition or with the stamps cancelled with a special hand-postmark inscribed: 'Malta Post Office — 28-30.IV.1995 — Munich '95'.

The postmark was used on April 28 and 29, 1995, at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO from 8.00am to 12.45pm. An identical postmark was used at the Malta Post Office Stand at Munich '95.



2.5.95

A Sub-Post Office was opened at "The Old Inkshop", Ta' l-Ibrag Road, Ta' l-Ibrag, limits of Swieqi, on Tuesday, May 2, 1995.

A metal hand date-stamp with the words: 'Swieqi S.P.O. — Malta' will be used at this Sub-Post Office. The telephone number at this Sub-Post Office is 374571.



6.5.95

A special hand-postmark was used to commemorate the 400th Anniversary of Martino Garges as Grand Master of the Order of St John. The postmark is inscribed as follows: 'Gran Mastru Martin Garges — 6.V.1995 — 1595-1995 — Valletta — Malta'.

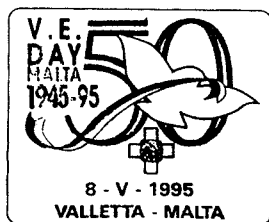
The postmark, which incorporates an appropriate motif, was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room, from 8.00am to 12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively, on May 6, 1995.



8.5.95

A special hand-postmark was used to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Victory Day in Europe. The postmark is inscribed as follows: "V.E. Day — Malta — 1945-95 — 8.V.1995 — Valletta — Malta'.

The postmark, which also incorporates the Victory Day in Europe logo, was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room, from 8.00am to

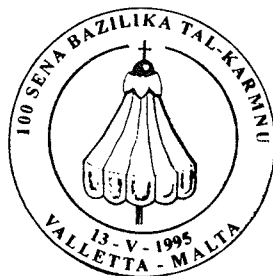


12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively on May 8, 1995.

13.5.95

A special hand-postmark was used to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Carmelite Basilica at Valletta. The postmark is inscribed: '100 Sena Bazilika Tal-Karmnu — 13.V.1895-1995 — Valletta — Malta'.

The postmark was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room from 8.00am to 12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively, on May 13, 1995.



15.5.95

A special hand postmark was used to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the National Association of Pensioners. The postmark is inscribed: 'Ghaqda Nazzjonali — Tal-Pensjonanti — 15.V.1995 — 25 Anniversarju — Valletta-Malta'.

The postmark was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room from 8.00am to 12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively, on May 15, 1995.



19.5.95

A notice in the Govt Gazette having today's date stated that with reference to the notice published in the Govt Gazette of April 7, 1995, the PMG notifies that the designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Monochrome' by Mr M Tanti Burlo was placed first. The set of designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Ambjent' by Mr Harry Borg and 'Piermara' by Mr A Micallef were placed second and third respectively.

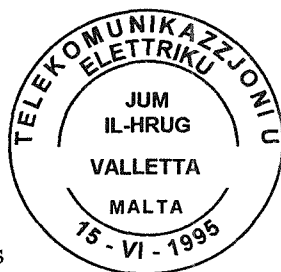
2.6.95

In today's Govt Gazette, the PMG notified that a set of postage stamps on the theme Treasures of Malta will be issued this year. This set will consist of four stamps featuring a different design. The selection of the four designs will be made after a public competition open to Maltese citizens.

The design of the four stamps should bear relation to any four of the following recommended subjects: Gilded Wall Clocks (Tal-Lira), Maltese Sun Dials, Tower Clocks (e.g. Pinto Clock at the Palace), Maltese Church Clocks, Long Case and Grandfather clocks, and Mechanism and Tools connected with Maltese timepiece movement (e.g. Works by M.A. Sapiano).

15.6.95

The 'History of Telecommunications and Electricity' postage stamp set issued today. A special hand-postmark was used for cancellation of philatelic mail on the first day of issue.



22.6.95

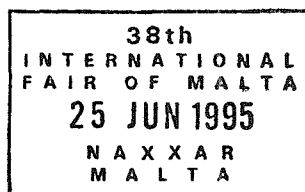
A machine stamp cancelling slogan reading: "Korporazzjoni—Telemalta—20 Sena Ta' Servizz" was used from June 22 to 24 and on June 26, 1995, at the Central Mail Room.

The slogan means: "Corporation — Telemalta — 20 Years of Service".

25.6.95

A Temporary Branch Post Office was opened at the International Fair of Malta, Naxxar, from Sunday, June 25 to Sunday, July 9, 1995 from 6.00pm to 9.30pm for the transaction of the following business:

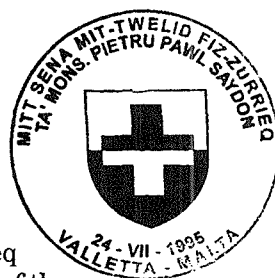
- (a) sale of stamps and postal stationery
- (b) registration of postal articles local and foreign
- (c) sales and encashment of Postal Orders and Money Orders
- (d) encashment of Postcheques
- (e) EMS Datapost Service



Postal articles posted at this Temporary Branch Post Office were postmarked by a date-stamp inscribed as follows: '38th International Fair of Malta — Naxxar — Malta'.

24.7.95

A special hand-postmark was used to commemorate the centenary from the birth of Mgr Pietru Pawl Saydon. The postmark is inscribed: 'Mitt Sena Mit-Twelid Fiz-Zurrieq — Ta' Mons. Pietru Pawl Saydon — 24.VII.1995 — Valletta-Malta'.



The postmark, which also incorporates the Zurrieq Local Council Logo, was used at the Philatelic Counter of the GPO and at the Central Mail Room, from 8.00am to 12.45pm and from 8.00am to 6.00pm respectively, on July 24, 1995.

The slogan means: "100 Years From the Birth At Zurrieq — Of Mg. Pietru Pawl Saydon — 24-VII-1995 — Valletta-Malta".

26.7.95

The 'European Nature Conservation Year' postage set issued today. A special hand-postmark was used for cancellation of philatelic mail on the first day of issue.

28.7.95

In today's Govt. Gazette, the PMG notified that with reference to the notice in the Govt. Gazette of June 2, 1995, the designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Tikk Tokk' by Mr F. Ancilleri was placed first. The set of designs submitted under the nom-de-plume 'Hour Glass' by Mr J.P. Smith and the nom-de-plume 'Mahler' by Mr J.A. Caruana were placed second and third respectively.

