



STAMP NEWS FOR 2012



TRISTAN DA CUNHA NEW RELEASES

OCTOBER 2012

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SHACKLETON- ROWETT EXPEDITION 1921-1922

Release date: 28th November 2012

This 4 stamp issue depicts, Wild, Worsley, Marr and Wilkins, four of the surviving crew members of the Shackleton-Rowett Expedition.

The Quest (commanded by Captain Wild) landed at Tristan after the death of Sir Shackleton. The bay they anchored in at Tristan was named "Quest Bay" by the Islanders. The expedition made brief landing on Inaccessible, Nightingale & Gough Island where the Wilkins Bunting was discovered and named after Sir Hubert Wilkins.

4 stamps - values 4 x 70p Mint set : £2.80 FDC: £3.55



ROYAL NAVY SHIPS CRESTS II

Release date: 15th October 2012

The first set of ships crests was issued in 1977. This 4 stamp issue shows five of the Royal Navy ships. HMS Montrose *named after the Duke of Montrose*, HMS Clyde *first ship built entirely in Portsmouth Naval base*, HMS Edinburgh *nicknamed "Fortress of the Sea"*, HMS Portland *launched 15th May 1999* and HMS Southampton *named after the city of Southampton*.

All these ships have patrolled the South Atlantic at one time and have visited and helped the islanders of Tristan da Cunha.

4 stamps - values 2 x 35p, 2 x 70p
Mint sheetlet : £2.10 FDC: £2.85



MAIDEN VOYAGE OF SA AGULHAS II

Release date: 17th September 2012

The SA Agulhas II, a polar research vessel constructed in 2009 and completed in 2011, replaces the old SA Agulhas.

The old SA Agulhas was also a research vessel which sailed from 1978-2011. The ship visits once every year and stays for a period of three weeks. This is usually from September until October. During this time she drops off the new Gough weather team for the changeover and also does various scientific research in the area.

This 4 stamp issue commemorates the Maiden Voyage to Tristan da Cunha and Gough Island of the SA Agulhas II.

4 stamps-values 2 x 35p, 70p, £1.10

Mint Set: £2.50

FDC: £3.25



CENTENARY OF THE SINKING OF THE RMS TITANIC

Release date: 27th February 2012

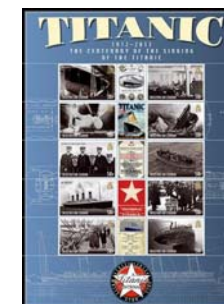
The RMS Titanic was a passenger liner who, on her maiden voyage, struck an iceberg and sank on 15th April 1912.

The 10 stamp sheetlet shows various images and include one central row of half stamp width stickers.

Sheetlet Size - 250 x 180mm

Sheetlet of 10 x 50p: £5

FDC: £3.05 each (5 x 50p stamps on each cover)



QEII LIFETIME OF SERVICE PT 2 Diamond Jubilee

Release date: 6th February 2012

This 6-stamp issue is part two of a collection. This year we commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the Accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Her Majesty became Head of the Commonwealth and Queen in 1952 and was crowned in Westminster Abbey on June 2nd 1953.

Each stamp is diamond shaped and features an attractive portrait of Her Majesty.

Values 25p, 35p, 2 x 50p, 2 x 70p

Mint Set: £3.00

Souvenir Sheet: £1.50

Diamond Sheetlet: £3.00 Showing all values

Sheetlets of 8 Stamps: £2.00, £2.80, £4.00, £5.60



1961 VOLCANO SERIES – PART 2

Released 30th January 2012

(50th Anniversary of Royal Society Expedition)

This issue, designed by Andrew Robinson, is the second in a four part series commemorating important events in Tristan's history 1961-63.

On 22nd January 1962 the Royal Society mounted an expedition to investigate the eruption. They arrived at Tristan on 29th January. Volcanic activity was still in evidence, only one house had been destroyed by cinders landing on the roof. Some of the houses had been looted and the door of the safe in the Post Office had been prised open.

On 20th March the HMS Protector arrived to evacuate the members of the Royal Society Expedition to the UK.

4 stamps—values 25p, 35p, 95p & £1.10

The £2.00 souvenir sheet depicts the landing party, HMS Protector and it's Whirlwind helicopter

Mint Set: £2.65

FDC: £3.20

Souvenir Sheet: £2.00

FDC S/S: £2.55



PROPOSED ISSUES FOR 2013

Tristan Song Project
Queen Elizabeth II Coronation
WWF– Island Birds
1961 Volcano Series Part 3 and Part 4

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- HISTORY OF THE BRITISH ISLES PT II
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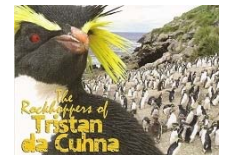
- QEII LIFETIME OF SERVICE PT 1
- ATLANTIC ODYSSEY—MV PLANCIUS
- ROYAL WEDDING PT 1
- HISTORY OF THE BRITISH ISLES PT III
- ROYAL WEDDING PT2
- 1961 VOLCANO SERIES PT1

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