

IRISH STAMPS *Collectors News*



*Ireland and The Ryder Cup
50th Anniversary - Ireland's Membership of the UN
Erskine Childers*

Dear Collector,

Welcome to the fifth edition of Collectors News 2005.

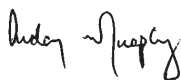
Ireland is hosting the 2006 Ryder Cup at the K Club in County Kildare. To mark this historic occasion, An Post is issuing four stamps this year celebrating Irish involvement in the Ryder Cup over the years and announcing the K Club as the venue for the Ryder Cup for 2006. There is also a superb Ryder Cup Prestige Booklet written by renowned golf writer, Dermot Gilleece, which no collection on this subject should be without. An Post will issue a further set of Ryder Cup stamps in 2006.

Another event of undoubted interest is STAMPA, the Irish National Annual Stamp Exhibition. It will be held in the RDS, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, from 14 to 16 October 2005. Turn to page 8 to read more about STAMPA.

This year also sees two notable anniversaries that An Post is proud to commemorate. The first is the centenary of the birth of Erskine Childers, who died in 1974 while holding the office of President of Ireland. His important contribution to Irish politics is remembered in an emotive stamp denominated at 48c, which can be seen on page 10. The second is Ireland's 50th anniversary of United Nations membership, which we are delighted to honour with the issue of four stamps on 14 October, the first day of STAMPA.

Also in this issue we would like to remember one of philately's greats, Czeslaw Slania. Arguably the world's greatest stamp engraver, he died earlier this year. Turn to page 11 to see just why his work is so eminently collectible.

I hope that you enjoy the latest edition of Collectors News!



Aidan Murphy
Marketing Manager, Irish Stamps



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NEWS & INFORMATION

Portadown Stampex and Collectors Fair - 2005

A stamp exhibition and collectors fair will be held by the Portadown and District Philatelic Society on Saturday 24 September in Portadown Town Hall. Celebrating its 40th anniversary, the Society will be displaying members' individual exhibits together with competition entries for the Gardiner and Cansdale cups. Presentations will be made to the winners.

The Exhibition and Stamp Fair will be open from 10.00am to 4.30pm and admission is free. Further details can be obtained from The Secretary, Mr J. J. Proctor, 15 Dorchester Park, Portadown, Co. Armagh BT62 3EA. Tel: 0044 (28) 38 334964.

Cologne Exhibition 2005

The Georg Roll Company will represent An Post at the 'Philatelia and Coin Expo' in Cologne from 22 to 24 September. With up to 20,000 visitors expected, it is without doubt one of the largest stamp shows in Europe.

A cachet will be available and customers can order it through the Philatelic Bureau.

Michael Craig Signing



Renowned artist, Michael Craig who designed the Round Towers stamps recently signed First Day Covers for a large crowd of collectors in the Philatelic Shop.

Cork Stamp Exhibition

The Cork Philatelic Society will hold its Annual Stamp and Coin Fair in the newly refurbished ballroom of the Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork on Saturday 8 October 2005.

The Fair will run from 11am to 5pm and, as usual, a Souvenir Booklet and Cover will be available on the day or for those unable to attend, from The Secretary, Tim Crowley, Lahadane, 77 Bishopstown Road, Bishopstown, Cork.

A special handstamp (which can be ordered from the Philatelic Bureau) is also being produced for the day and An Post – Irish Stamps will be represented along with stamp dealers from around the country.



The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition

Collectors will remember our Shackleton issue last year. Indeed our readers voted it as their Irish stamp of the year in a competition we ran some months ago.

You might be interested to know that an exhibition featuring the photography of Frank Hurley, who accompanied Shackleton on this hazardous expedition, will run until the end of October at the National Museum of Ireland – Decorative Arts and History, Collins Barracks, Dublin 7. Tel: (01) 648 6453.

This fascinating exhibition documents the dramatic, near-fatal expedition to Antarctica led by Sir Ernest Shackleton in 1914. Admission to the National Museum and all temporary exhibitions is free of charge.

IRELAND AND THE RYDER CUP



The Ryder Cup

There is some debate about who originally came up with the idea of the Ryder Cup, a golf tournament first held between teams representing Britain and the USA. Some attribute it to James Harnett in 1920, a journalist with Golf Illustrated magazine, while others credit it to Sylvanus Germain, president of a club in Toledo. Certainly, Germain set up an unofficial match in 1921, won 9–3 by the British, and another in 1926, again won by the British 13–1.

However, it was Samuel Ryder (a spectator at the second match, who had made his fortune by coming up with the idea of selling seeds packaged in small envelopes) who really got the ball rolling when he persuaded the two captains to reform their teams in 1927 for the first official Cup. Ryder donated a gold cup and agreed to pay £5 to each of the winning team, as well as organising “a party afterwards, with champagne and chicken sandwiches.” Also, as sponsor, it was agreed that the competition would carry his name.



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The first official match was played at Worchester Country Club in Massachusetts, USA, in 1927. Ted Ray captained the Britons and Walter Hagen the Americans, with the Americans winning 9 1/2 to 2 1/2. The Ryder Cup was presented to the American team, and the first Ryder Cup competition had officially taken place.

It was decided to play the Ryder Cup every two years, but the competition remained rather one-sided – the Americans were just too strong. An attempt to redress the balance was made when Ireland was officially added to the British team in 1973, although great Irish players such as Fred Daly, Harry Bradshaw and Christy O'Connor Snr had already played in the Ryder Cup before then! The Great Britain & Ireland team, as it was known, competed in just three Ryder Cups; 1973, 1975 and 1977. Subsequently, the American and British PGAs agreed to open the matches to all of Europe and it was announced that 1979 would be the first year in which the Ryder Cup would pit the USA against Europe.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Date of Issue	27 September, 2005
Values & Quantities	48c Se-tenant (410,000) 60c Stamp (280,000) 65c Stamp (280,000)
Design	Paul Raftery
Stamp Size	40.64mm x 29.8mm
Colour	Multicolour with phosphor tagging
Make-up	Sheetlets of 16
Perforations	15 x 14
Printing Process	Lithography
Printer	Irish Security Stamp Printing Ltd



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An Irishman has been on every Ryder Cup team since 1973, bar one. Household names such as Eamonn Darcy, Des Smyth, Christy O'Connor Jnr, Ronan Rafferty, Darren Clarke and Pádraig Harrington have all performed with distinction. But of course, of all the Irish golfers the name of Paul McGinley is sure to go down in the annals of the competition; for he was the man who brought the Cup back to Europe at The Belfry in 2002 with a ten-foot putt on the 18th green to halve his last day singles match with Jim Furyk. Also on that team were Darren Clarke and Pádraig Harrington – the first time since 1975 that three Irishmen were on the team.

Did you know...

- The two courses at the K Club, the Palmer Course and the Smurfit Course, were designed by Arnold Palmer;
- The 2006 Ryder Cup will be played on the Palmer Course;
- Christy O'Connor Snr played on ten consecutive Ryder Cup teams;
- The golfer whose likeness adorns the Ryder Cup trophy is Abe Mitchell, a member of the 1926 British team who played America in an 'unofficial' Ryder Cup match before the British Open at Wentworth;
- The first time the Ryder Cup took place at a European venue outside Britain was at Valderrama, Spain, in 1997.



The K Club

The Ryder Cup will be played at the K Club, Straffan, County Kildare, in September 2006, the first time that Ireland has hosted this biennial transatlantic duel. The K Club was first opened as a hotel and golf club in 1991 and is a truly spectacular setting for this epic competition. Nestling amongst 550 acres of County Kildare countryside next to the river Liffey, its clubhouse is an elegantly restored country house which will provide the perfect backdrop to the event.

IRELAND AND THE RYDER CUP

To celebrate the Ryder Cup coming to Ireland, An Post will issue four superb stamps highlighting Irish involvement in the Ryder Cup competition. The stamps feature Pádraig Harrington, Darren Clarke and Paul McGinley, who played on the successful 2004 winning team; Eamonn Darcy, Philip Walton and Christy O'Connor Jnr, who all played pivotal roles on previous Ryder Cup winning teams; Ronan Rafferty, Harry Bradshaw and Christy O'Connor Snr; and the K Club, the venue for 2006. A further four stamps will issue in 2006.

Tee off and order your unique Ryder Cup stamps now. Also available is a superb First Day Cover designed by Paul Raftery featuring Des Smyth, Vice Captain of Europe in the Ryder Cup 2006. You can also purchase a Prestige Booklet containing 16 stamps, that's four of each of the Ryder Cup stamps. Crammed with interesting facts, stats and photographs and expertly written by noted golf writer Dermot Gilleece, this informative and very collectible 22 page booklet is a real winner for both philatelists and golf enthusiasts!

All of the stamps and associated products can be purchased at the Philatelic Shop, GPO, Dublin 1, or call +353 (1) 705 7400. Alternatively you can order on-line at www.irishstamps.ie or by using the order form attached.



The Ryder Cup Format

From the beginning of the series until 1959, The Ryder Cup competition comprised four foursomes on one day and eight singles matches on the other day, each of 36 holes. The winner (or winning team) of each match was awarded one point, with half a point awarded for a draw. While the format has since changed, the system of scoring has endured and is still in use today.

After 1959 the competition went through several changes until 1979, when the current format of four fourball and four foursome matches on the first two days, followed by 12 singles matches on the third day, was introduced.

STAMPA 2005



A selection of STAMPA minisheets which will be available at the event over the weekend.

What is STAMPA?

STAMPA is the Irish National Annual Stamp Exhibition. It will be held in the RDS, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, from 14 to 16 October 2005, opening daily from 11am to 6pm. This year's event will be the 34th continuous running of this exciting exhibition, with collections displayed under the categories of Postal History, Traditional Philately, Thematics, Postal Stationery, Aerophilately, Revenues and Literature.

Entry to the competition is open to all collectors. Novice class is for first time participants and Open Class allows items of a related but non-philatelic nature. Various medals and trophies are awarded to entries deemed by a panel of judges to have achieved certain standards of excellence. Medals are awarded at Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver Bronze and Bronze levels, with those achieving Gold and Vermeil gaining entry qualification to any International Philatelic Exhibition. The best entry in each category also wins a magnificent trophy, and an overall trophy is presented to the best exhibit of the show.

Bring the family

STAMPA is more than just an exhibition - it is an opportunity to purchase as well as view stamps. Traders and dealers from Ireland, England and further afield attend the show and Philatelic Bureaus are invited from across the EU. Of course, An Post always attends with a wide range of distinctive and wonderful Irish stamps.

Irish stamp collectors from all over the world have visited STAMPA. Some 'live' at STAMPA for the three days, while others visit for hours on end. There is always a great attendance and a friendly atmosphere, with a continuous flow of people, young and old. The young are especially encouraged as they are the philatelists of the future. STAMPA membership ensures a family ticket for the show, so there is every reason to bring the family!

STAMPA 2005

Membership

STAMPA overprints various Irish mini-sheets and booklets each year with the exhibition dates and STAMPA logo. This is allowed with the kind permission of An Post, who for many years has been the main sponsor of STAMPA. These exclusive limited edition souvenirs are only available to STAMPA members. Annual membership costs just €25 and further details and membership forms are available from STAMPA at PO Box 2723, Cardiff Lane, Dublin 2, Ireland or alternatively on the STAMPA website www.stampa.ie. With over 800 members worldwide, you can see that you don't have to have an Irish address to enjoy the benefits of STAMPA membership!



Kevin Drury (left) and Brian Warren (right) with Young Philatelist of the Year, Sinead O'Donovan, at STAMPA



A colourful display at STAMPA

To further encourage participation from the young, STAMPA organises an annual competition. A School's Trophy is presented to the school with the best philatelic entry and overall display by individuals or school classes. Also, the Young Philatelist of the Year is chosen from the school entries – a proud moment for any aspiring philatelist.

The Committee

The current STAMPA committee is made up of:

Chairman: Seamus Kearns

Vice Chairman: P.J. Gilmore

Secretary: Michael Kelly

Treasurer: Kevin Drury

Committee Members: Marie Cullen,

Kevin O'Connell, John Lennon,

Kevin Farrell.

*There is something for all
the family at STAMPA.
See you there!*

ERSKINE CHILDERS

Centenary of the birth of Erskine Childers

Former President of Ireland, Erskine Childers was born in London in 1905. The son of Robert Erskine Childers, author of 'The Riddle of the Sands', he was educated at Gresham School, Norfolk, and Trinity College, Cambridge. Following some years as European manager for an American travel organisation, he returned to Ireland and became advertising manager of the newly founded Irish Press.



A member of Dáil Éireann for thirty five years, he held several key ministerial posts including Posts and Telegraphs (1951-54, 1959-61 and 1966-69), Lands (1957-59), Transport and Power (1959-69) and Health (1969-73).

Erskine Childers succeeded Éamon de Valera to become the fourth President of Ireland on 30 May 1973 by defeating Tom O'Higgins. Childers was a vibrant, extremely hard-working President who earned universal respect and popularity in the process of making the office of President of Ireland a highly visible institution. Unfortunately, he died suddenly of a heart attack in November 1974, while making a public speech in Dublin.

To commemorate the centenary of Erskine Childers' birth, An Post is issuing a stamp denominated at 48c. Also available is a 16 stamp sheetlet and a First Day Cover. Place your order now and join us in celebrating this important Irish political figure.



Product Code: 0516FDC Price: €1.23

TECHNICAL DETAILS

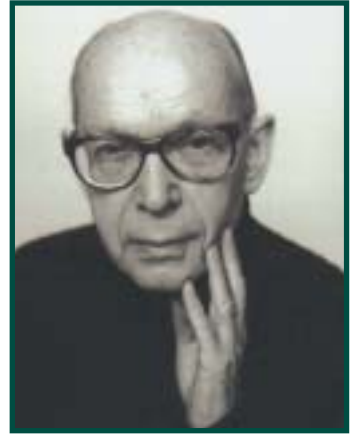
Date of Issue	10 October, 2005
Value & Quantity	48c Stamp (330,000)
Design	Trevor Lee (Photography) Paul Raftery (Layout)
Stamp Size	29.8mm x 40.64mm
Colour	Multicolour with phosphor tagging
Make-up	Sheetlets of 16
Perforations	14 x 15
Printing Process	Lithography
Printer	Irish Security Stamp Printing Ltd

CZESLAW SLANIA

Czeslaw Slania – stamp engraver extraordinaire

The legendary stamp engraver Czeslaw Slania passed away on 17 March 2005 at the age of 83. However, having engraved more than 1,070 stamps throughout his career, his legacy will undoubtedly live on for a very long time in the world of philately. As a tribute to the world famous engraver, we thought we'd take a brief look at his life and his remarkable work.

Czeslaw Slania (pronounced Chess-wav Swan-ya) was born in Silesia, Poland in 1921. After attending the Krakow School of Fine Arts, he engraved his first stamp in 1951. He went to Sweden in 1959, formally joining the Swedish Postal Service as a full time engraver in 1960. Throughout his career, he won numerous awards for the beauty, speed and proliferation of his engravings.



What is engraving?

Engraving is when lines, dots and dashes are cut into a soft metal plate with a tool called a burin. The engraving is done life size and in mirror reverse. Up to 10 lines per millimetre are cut at depths varying from 0.01 to 0.08 mm to give the effects of shadows, highlights and contours. This process usually requires between four and six weeks per engraving, and the engraver must get it right the first time – there is no way to erase mistakes!

Why collect Czeslaw Slania's work?

There are many reasons. His work is international - having engraved for countries the world over, from Argentina to Iceland to New Zealand. His subjects are very varied too. People, landscapes, abstract symbols, household furnishings, transportation; all are in his amazing repertoire. Czeslaw Slania also had an astute sense of humour. In his work you can see him skiing down a mountain, his mother planting potatoes, the names of girlfriends, relatives and friends, all buried in intricate engraving detail. He has even been known to include intentional mistakes as buried jokes!

Truly, he was a remarkable character whose work would grace any collection.

Illustrated below is a tiny selection of some of Czeslaw Slania's remarkable work



IRELAND AND THE UN



50th Anniversary of Ireland's membership of the United Nations

The United Nations was founded on 24 October 1945. It is a highly visible organisation and according to its Charter has four purposes: to maintain international peace and security; to develop friendly relations among nations; to cooperate in solving international problems and in promoting respect for human rights; and to be a centre for harmonising the actions of nations. Today, there are 191 member nations of the UN – a number that is sure to rise as countries see the value of international cooperation and mutual support.

All UN Member States are represented in the General Assembly, which is essentially a 'parliament of nations' that meets to consider the world's most pressing problems. In recent years, a special effort has been made to reach decisions through consensus rather than by taking a formal vote. That notwithstanding, the Assembly cannot force action by any State but its recommendations are an important indication of world opinion and represent the moral authority of the community of nations.



IRELAND AND THE UN



Product Code: 051765 Price: €10.40

Since joining in 1955, Ireland has been active in efforts to maintain international peace and security in accordance with the UN Charter. Ireland served as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2001-02 and served previously on the Security Council in 1962 and in 1981-82. The Defence Forces have served with distinction in many UN peacekeeping missions and a significant proportion of their personnel is deployed on UN service today. Members of An Garda Síochána (the Irish police force) have also served in UN peacekeeping operations in recent years.

Ireland plays an active role in the Commission on Human Rights and Mary Robinson, former President of Ireland, served as UN High Commissioner for Human Rights from 1997 to 2001. Ireland is also active in other UN areas promoting universal standards of human rights and was a member of the Commission on Human Rights from 1997-99 before commencing a further three-year term on 1 January 2003. Also on 1 January 2003, Ireland commenced a three-year term as a member of the Economic and Social Council.

To celebrate Ireland's 50th Anniversary of UN membership, An Post is issuing four momentous stamps. The stamps feature F.H. Boland, Ireland's signatory when Ireland joined the UN fifty years ago; An Garda Síochána's role in overseas duty and members of the Irish Defence Forces (one in a classroom in Lebanon, while the other stamp depicts medical aid being dispensed in East Timor). Go to the order form now to obtain a piece of defining Irish history.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Date of Issue	14 October, 2005
Values & Quantities	48c se-tenant (410,000) 60c Stamp (280,000) 65c Stamp (280,000)
Design	Ger Garland
Stamp Size	40.64mm x 29.8mm
Colour	Multicolour with phosphor tagging
Make-up	Sheetlets of 16
Perforations	15 x 14
Printing Process	Lithography
Printer	Irish Security Stamp Printing Ltd



IRELAND AND THE UN

A LITERARY CONNECTION

The Dublin-Belfast railway line - commuting for some, creativity for others

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PADDY McGARVEY
Cambridge
United Kingdom

Boyne Valley Viaduct Railway Scene
To Whom It May Concern,

What a wonderful surprise it was to witness a scene from my memory recreated on a recent stamp issue. Of course I refer to the '150th Anniversary of the Dublin - Belfast Railway Line' stamps and in particular to the stamp featuring the dramatic Boyne Valley Viaduct.

Having been born in Railway Street, Armagh, I grew up with the wonderful GNR(I) just down the street as a virtual play area. Indeed I still remember having the privilege of driving a shunter at the age of nine, during the monthly pig market in the goods-yard.

However, it was my time as a junior reporter with the Drogheda Argus (in 1947) that sprung to mind upon seeing the Boyne Valley Viaduct stamp. Immediately below where the engine is shown on the stamp used to stand a rowing club (with tennis courts) of which I was a member. Long since cut away as a sand quarry, back then it was the hub of society in the town, a match-making centre focused around the many glamorous-looking girls working in the local banks - which in those years also meant they came from moneyed families!

Only last year did I discover that the very same Belfast - Dublin Railway line has an amazing link with Anthony Trollope, the founder of regional Post Offices. In 1856 Trollope was working in Belfast, responsible for improving the Post Office management structures in Ireland. Incredibly, it was during his daily commute from Dublin, with his 'writing box' on his lap, that he commenced and completed the classic novel, 'Barchester Towers.' I was astounded: the great love-satire of the 19th century Church of England, and still an iconic example of English literary tradition, was written on the Dublin - Belfast Railway line!

I have to admit, anytime that I try to write on that journey, the wonderful maritime and pastoral scenery gets in the way!

Sincerely
Paddy McGarvey



MY COLLECTION

John Fitzsimons, President of the Federation of Philatelic Societies in Ireland, gives us an insight into his thematic collection

Like most philatelists, I started in the traditional fashion of collecting stamps on a country basis. Ireland was an obvious first choice and then I added France and the USA. While I still dabble about with the traditional form of the hobby, I now concentrate on another aspect of philately which is thematic collecting.

Due to a life-long interest in music, I decided that it would be the subject of my first venture into thematic stamp collecting. Music is a very broad subject and it can be broken down into many facets. There are stamp issues from all over the world covering orchestral music and opera, folk and country music, composers and pop music, etc. There's no end to the philatelic variations on the theme of music!

Faced with such a wide spectrum in the field of stamps and music, I decided to specialise in composers in general and Mozart in particular. I was drawn to Mozart because I especially liked his music and to my delight I soon discovered that there are more stamp issues commemorating the life of Mozart than of any other composer.

In putting together my thematic collection on the life of Mozart I was able to include stamps and other philatelic material relating to his contemporaries, such as Haydn, Beethoven, Gluck and Salieri. I also included those great composers whose music influenced Mozart, like Bach, Handel and Monteverdi and, of course, those composers who themselves were inspired by Mozart such as Schubert, Rossini and Gounod.

You can easily see how a theme such as "The life of Mozart" has endless possibilities as one continues to research the subject and find more philatelic material to illustrate it. It's all part of the fun and joy of this wonderful hobby of stamp collecting!



William Rowan Hamilton Coin



Coin Specification

Denomination: €10

Alloy: Sterling Silver 925 Ag

Diameter: 38.61mm

Weight: 28.28 Grammes

Mint: Monnaie de Paris

Design: Mr. Michael Guilfoyle

Issue Limit : 30,000 coins for issue worldwide

Product Code : 0507COIN

Price : €32

A €10 silver coin was issued on the 20th May to celebrate William Rowan Hamilton, Ireland's greatest mathematician and scientist, as part of the UNESCO World Year of Physics and Ireland's Hamilton Year 2005, celebrating Irish Science.

The coin, housed in a special presentation box, would make a wonderful gift or indeed a treasured memento of this special year. A limited number are still available to buy from Irish Stamps.

Strictly limited to one per customer. (Registered Post fee applies).

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ORDER FORM

Date of Issue	Product/Item	Product Code	UOM	Quantity	Price €	Value
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup stamp set	0515SET	EA		€ 2.21	
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup 48c stamp sheetlet	051548ST	S8		€ 7.68	
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup 60c stamp sheetlet	051560	SH		€ 9.60	
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup 65c stamp sheetlet	051565	SH		€ 10.40	
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup FDC	0515FDC	EA		€ 2.96	
27 Sep 2005	The Ryder Cup Prestige Booklet	0515PBK	EA		€ 9.50	
10 Oct 2005	Erskine Childers Birth Centenary 48c stamp	051648	EA		€ 0.48	
10 Oct 2005	Erskine Childers Birth Centenary 48c stamp sheetlet	051648	SH		€ 7.68	
10 Oct 2005	Erskine Childers Birth Centenary FDC	0516FDC	EA		€ 1.23	
14 Oct 2005	50th Anniversary Ireland's membership of UN Peacekeeping stamp set	0517SET	EA		€ 2.21	
14 Oct 2005	50th Anniversary Ireland's membership of UN Peacekeeping 48c se-tenant stamp sheetlet	051748ST	S8		€ 7.68	
14 Oct 2005	50th Anniversary Ireland's membership of UN Peacekeeping 60c stamp sheetlet	051760	SH		€ 9.60	
14 Oct 2005	50th Anniversary Ireland's membership of UN Peacekeeping 65c stamp sheetlet	051765	SH		€ 10.40	
14 Oct 2005	50th Anniversary Ireland's membership of UN Peacekeeping FDC	0517FDC	EA		€ 2.96	
N/A	William Rowan Hamilton Silver Coin	0507COIN	EA		€ 32.00	

The following postal charges will apply:

Ireland = 48c; UK = 60c; Rest of the World = 65c. Orders over €63.50 in value and coin collection/set will be sent by Registered Post €3.90 for Ireland & €4.05 for Rest of the World. (This fee includes Priority Postage.) Postage for Framed Items, Books, Albums or Van Sets is €2.40 (within Ireland) & €4.80 (Rest of the World).

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Stamps for 2008

The Philatelic Advisory Committee are currently seeking suggestions for the 2008 Programme of Special and Commemorative Stamps. Please send your suggestions, in writing, to: The Secretary, Philatelic Advisory Committee, Stamp Suggestions 2008, An Post, Ground Floor, GPO, Dublin 1, Ireland.

The closing date for receipt of suggestions is Friday 27 January 2006.