

Quarterly Newsletter Report September 2023

I am continuing to enjoy preparing the newsletter each month and continued thanks go to all the those who provide items every month.

Financials

Since the last report commencing with 12 stamps, I have used 53 stamps - 18 for July, 19 for August and 19 for September newsletters. I purchased 60 stamps in July at a cost of \$72.00.

I have a balance of 16 stamps so will shortly need to buy more stamps to cover the postage of the next few issues.

Since I commenced in the role of Newsletter Editor, I have (happily) been using envelopes of my own, however I have now run out of these. I spoke to Marie about purchasing a box of envelopes and she was happy for me to do this. I purchased a box of 500 in August at a cost of \$23.55. It was much cheaper to purchase the large box. I have this box set aside specifically for the Society. It should last approximately two years based on the current postage of approximately 19 per month.

Emails to Bigpond email addresses

As reported in June, I was having trouble sending the newsletter to all the members who had Bigpond email addresses. There were originally 52 problem emails. After trying to contact all these members, many members either provided a gmail address or changed their settings to allow emails from the newsletter email box to go through to them. There were still 17 who either ignored my request or said it was too hard. Anyway, the July, August and September newsletters did go through with no bouncebacks. I have no idea why they suddenly went through again. Maybe because there are now only 17.

Next year

I am wanting to flag with you all that Ken and I will be going overseas next year from 30 April for three months. Assuming I am accepted to continue being the Newsletter Editor at the 2024 AGM, this will mean I will be unable to produce the June, July and August newsletters. Just letting you know so you can think about who will produce these newsletters.

Thanking you.

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