

ORNITHOLOGY

New Issue Listings

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As I was getting ready to write this next article regarding countries that have issued stamps with birds as some of the subjects, I was thinking about the copy of FLIGHT that I received from a friend, which is also a quarterly journal listing countries that have issued stamps as the subject. This particular quarterly does not list any Scott, Stanley Gibbons or Michel's numbers as part of the information, which means that it lists many more of the new issues in a timely fashion without having to wait for these stamp publications to assign numbers to the stamps issued.

It has been a known practice for Biophilately to not make a too big a practice of listing these new issues without the assigned Scott, Stanley Gibbons or Michel's stamp numbers that are given to each new issue of published stamps.

My publication this month is a little sparse due to the delay in Scott Publication catching up with a good many stamp issues and assigning the appropriate numbers that would be given to each new issue for that countries stamps. Part of this reason, is that Scott Publication will not normally assign numbers to a set until they have seen the issue, determined the stamp dimentions, performations, watermarks, and other pertinent information that is part of a stamp issue published in the Scott Stamp Catalog.

As indicated in an earlier quarterly, I would only be listing Scott numbers, as the majority of members of Biophilately are located in the United States. I also have a concern regarding bringing new issues to the membership as early as possible, which is not always possible if you are waiting for Scott Publication to assign numbers to stamp issues, as they can sometimes be up to a year behind an issue or longer.

I, therefore would like to hear from the membership of Biophilately, especially those that list bird stamps as their collecting interests. Should I write up everything that I have or know about regarding new stamps with birds as the subject, foregoing waiting for a set or issue to have the Scott assigned number(s), or continue to hold out issues not yet assigned the Scott numbers?

If the membership would like to know what has been issued, even though numbers have not yet been assigned, it would give, you, the collectors of bird stamps, a heads up of what is available on the market and give you an opportunity to search for the stamps, to keep your collections as up-to-date as possible. If it would be the wish of the readers of the Ornithology section to list all stamps, regardless of the fact that the catalog publishers have not yet assigned the numbers, I would list the numbers eventually assigned to any entries in subsequent quarterly journal in the "Corrections/Updates" section.

Your input is needed as to preference; list all issues, even those not yet assigned Scott numbers, and publish assigned numbers in subsequent journal quarterlies, or wait until numbers have been assigned by Scott before publishing the issue in Biophilately. My email address and home address are listed on the reverse side of the cover page sent with each quarterly journal.

CORRECTIONS / UPDATES

MAURITANIA

V51(3), page 144 was listed with Michel numbers. Update: Scott has assigned 749a-c to this issue

NEW ISSUES

AFGHANISTAN 1998, SEPT. 10

A*

Birds; multi-color Lithography; this set of bird stamps and a S.S. is beautifully printed and colors very vibrant. The set has never been listed in the New Issues of this journal nor is it listed in the Scott Catalog as an issue of Afghanistan—it is possibly an illegal issued. The notice of this upcoming set was originally listed by Linn's Stamp News under their listing of new issued, and is a set I received by way of my New Issues dealer back in 1999. I will deal with the subject of "illegal" or "unauthorized" in a subsequent article of Ornithology.

N/A	400afs	Knysna Turaco, Tauraco corythiax
N/A	600	Peregrine Falcon, Falco peregrinus
N/A	800	Blue-naped Mousebird, Colius macrourus
N/A	1000	Eastern Paradise-Whydah, Vidua paradisaea
	(Stam)	o has Steganura paradisea)
N/A	1200	Red Bishop, Euplectes orix
	(Stam)	o has Pyromelana orix)
N/A	1500	Gray Parrot, Psitticus erithacus
N/A	4000	Osprey, Pandion haliaetus (SS)

ALDERNEY

2007, MAY 24

A*

Resident passerines: Des. Andrew Robinson; Offset, Bdt International; each stamp was also available in a booklet pane of four in addition to a complete booklet pane of all six.

297	32p	Eurasian Blackbird, <i>Turdis merula</i>
298	37	Dartford Warbler, Sylvia undata
299	45	Eurasian Blue-Tit, Cyanistes caeruleus
300	48	Winter Wren, Troglodytes troglodytes
301	50	House Sparrow, Passer domesticus
302	71	Eurasian Jackdaw, Corvus monedula

ANDORRA (SP.) 2007, JULY 4

A*

Bird, no information available at this time and no write-up by Linn's in their New Issues section.

332 2,49e Eurasian Capercaillie, *Tetrao urogallus*

AUSTRIA

2007, SEPT. 7

A*

A joint issue with Serbia (not yet assigned a Scott number) of an eagle flying over water; Des. Helga Herger; Gravure, Austrian Government Printing Office.

2116 0.55e White-tailed Eagle, *Haliaeetus albicilla*

BELGIUM 2007, JULY 9 **A***

Bird type of 1985 with Euro denomination only; Des. Andre Buzin; Offset, Mechelen Stamp Printing Office.

2218a 0.06e Little Owl, Athene noctua

BOTSWANA 2007, MAR. 31

A*

Kingfishers; Des. Gwithie Kirby; Offset, Enschede

830	1.10pu	Pied Kingfisher, Ceryle rudis
831	2.60	Malachite Kingfisher, Alcedo cristata
832	4.10	Woodland Kingfisher, Halcyon senegalensis
833	4.90	Brown-hooded Kingfisher, Halcyon albiventris

CHILE 2007, MAY 9

A *

Strip of five 390p horizontal stamps on tourism, Sc # 1473a-e; one stamp has a penguin in Chilean Antarctic.

1473e 3.90p Emperor Penguin, Aptenodytes forsteri

COLUMBIA 1993, AUG. 5

A*

This stamp, issued as part of a mixed set of four stamps and the only bird stamp of the set, has never been listed in this journal.

1078a 150 Red-and-green Macaw, Ara chloropterus

ECUADOR

2006, DEC. 1

A*

Conservation; Se-tenant pair of \$.60 stamps, and \$.80 stamps, one of each se-tenant pair is a bird; Des. Not known; Offset, Printer not reported.

1850a	.60	Great Green Macaw, Ara ambiguous
1851a	.80	Harpy Eagle, Harpia harpyja
1852	2.00	Red-masked Parrot, <i>Aratinga erythrogenys</i> (IMP)

FALKLAND IS. 2007, SEPT. 28

A*

Saunders Island; a se-tenant pair of 50p and 55p stamps; one stamp of each se-tenant pair represents a bird; Des. Tony Chater: Offset by BDT International.

942a	50p	Rockhopper Penguin, Eudyptes chrysocome
943a	55p	Southern Caracara, Caracara planus

FAROE ISLAND 2007. OCT. 1

A *

Stone fence and wildlife; se-tenant sheet of eight stamps, all 5.50kr values, four of the fauna are birds.

494a	5.50kr	Winter Wren, Troglodytes troglodytes
494e	5.50kr	European Storm-Petrel, Hydrobates pelagicus
494f	5.50kr	Northern Wheatear, Ocenanthe oenanthe
494h	5.50kr	European Starling, Sturnus vulgaris

FIJI 2006-2007 **A***

Provisional stamps; Sc#725 and 729 surcharged.

1151-52 (2c on 1) Fiji Parrotfinch, *Erythrura pealii* (#725) 1154 (3c on 1) Fiji Parrotfinch, *Erythrura pealii* (#725) 1155 (4c on 1) Fiji Parrotfinch, *Erythrura pealii* (#725)

Blue-crested Flycatcher, *Myiagra azureocapilla*) is #729 shown on #1149, 1150, (1c on 6c); 1153, (2c on 6c); 1156, (4c on 6c); 1157-58, (18c on 6c); 1159-60, (20c on 6c).

GHANA 2007, SEPT. 15

A *

Birds of Africa, pane of four se-tenant 7,500c value stamps; Each stamp has the birds head and a portion of the upper body within the confines of the stamp and the lower half of the body outside the stamp confines; Des. Not reported; Offset, Printer not reported.

2604a	7,500ce	Red-billed Hornbill, <i>Tockus erythrorhynchus</i>
2604b	7,500	Bearded Barbet, Lybius dubius
2604c	7,500	Eurasian Hoopoe, <i>Upupa epops</i>
2604d	7,500	African Pygmy-Kingfisher, Ispidina picta
2605	20,000ce	Gray-Crowned Crane, Balearica regulorum (SS)

GUATEMALA 2005, APRIL 29

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America/Flora and Fauna (The 2003 Americaa Theme); Des. Not reported; Offset, printer not reported.

528 50cent King Vulture, Sarcorhampus papa

INDIA 2007, MAY 31

C*

Vertical strip of five different national parks stamps, Sc#2199a-e, value all \$5.00; no information on designer , printing method or printer.

2199b 5.00	Pied Kingfisher, Ceryle rudis
and	Rosy Starling, Pastor roseus
2199c 5.00	Sclater's Monal, Lophophorus sclateri
2199e 5.00	Red-wattled Lapwing, Vanellus indicus

JERSEY 2007, JUNE 19

A*

Birdlife/Garden Birds; six bird stamps; a SS contains the six stamps se-tenant; a 2nd SS contains the 41, 57 and 74pence stamps; Des. Nick Parlett; Offset, by Carter.

1259	34p	House Sparrow, Passer domesticus
1260	37	Chaffinch, Fringilla coelebs
1261	42	Eurasian Blue-Tit, Cyanistes caeruleus
1262	51	Eurasian Blackbird, Turdus merula
1263	57	Eurasian Magpie, Pica pica
1264	74	Great Tit, Parus major

LITHUANIA 2007, OCT. 3 **A***

Joint issue with Belarus, two stamps with a label in between; birds of the Cepkeliai Nature Reserve, Lithuania and Katra Sanctuary, Belarus. (The Scott #'s were not yet available for the Belarus issue). No other information regarding designer or printer.

848a 2.90lt Great Snip, *Gallinago media* 848b 2.90lt Corn Crake, *Crex crex*

LUXEMBOURG 2007, DEC. 4 A*

A semi-postal stamp done in Litho. No other information known.

B455 50c+5c European Robin, Erithacus rubecula

MALAYSIA 2007, MAR. 19 **A***

Tourism; No other information available

1142a 30sen Rhinocerus Hornbill, Buceros rhinoceros

MAURITIUS 2007, JUNE 25

Four drawings of the extinct Dodo bird, a SS of one; also printed in booklet stamps format; Designer, printing method and printer not known.

1041	5rs	Dodo, Raphus cucullatus (Drawing of head from journal of the
		Gelderland, 1601)
1042	10rs	Drawing of entire bird by Adrian van de Venne, 1626
1043	15rs	Entire bird published by Harrison, 1798
1044	25rs	Entire bird published by J.W. Frohawk, 1905
1045 SS 25rs		Contains one 30x50mm stamp, different pose by Julian Pender Hume, 2001

MICRONESIA 2007, AUG. 17

Penguins, pane of six se-tenant \$.75 stamps and a \$3.50 SS. Designer not reported; Offset, printer not reported

748a	\$.75	Jackass Penguin, Spheniscus demersus
748b	.75	Emperor Penguin, Aptenodytes forsteri
748c	.75	Galapagos Penguin, Speniscus mendiculus
748d	.75	Humboldt Penguin, Speniscus humboldtii
748e	.75	Magellanic Penguin, Speniscus magellanic
748f	.75	Rockhopper Penguin, Eudyptes chrysocome
749SS	3.50	Gentoo Penguins, Pygoscelis papua

MONTENEGRO 2007, FEB. 7

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Protected Animals; a pelican in flight with a lifesaver emblem in top left hand corner of the stamp; Designer, printing method and printer not reported.

156 0,50euro Great White Pelican, *Pelecanus onocrotalus* **MONTENEGRO** (contd.) 2007, MAY 11

A*

Fauna, two stamps; Des. Esad Bazdulj; Offset by Forum

160a	0,25euro	Black-headed Gull, <i>Larus ridibundus</i>
160b	0,50	Golden Eagle, Aquila chrysaetos

NETHERLAND ANTILLES 2007, JAN. 26

A*

Sheet of twelve stamps, Sc#1134a-l, of fauna, three of them having birds; Des. Robert Willems; Offset, by Enschede.

1134a	\$.03	Yellow-crested Cockatoo, Cacatua sulphurea
1134b	.25	King Penguin, Aptenodytes patagonicus
1134f	.81	Painted Buntings, Passerina ciris

NEW CALEDONIA 2007, AUG. 3

A*

Endemic Birds/Birdlife International; Des. L. Maon; Offset, Philaposte

1018	35f	Crow Honeyeater, Gymnomyza aubryana	
1019	75f	New Caledonian Cuckoo-Shrike, Coracina analis	NEW
1020	110	Kagu, Rhynochetos jubatus	

NIGER 1999

A*

This set of stamps was noted in BP V50(1), page 41, but no identification of the nine stamps was listed. The stamps were all 500f values.

1011a	500f	Chattering Lory, <i>Lorius garrulus</i>
1011b	500	Black-headed Parrot, Pionites melanocephalus
1011c	500	Eclectus Parrot, Eclectus roratus
1011d	500	Chestnut-fronted Macaw, Ara severus
1011e	500	Blue-and-yellow Macaw, Ara ararauna
1011f	500	Military Macaw, Ara militaris
1011g	500	Sun Parakeet, Aratinga solstitialis
1011h	500	Eastern Rosella, Platycerus eximius
1011i	500	Red-crowned Parrot, Amazona pretrei

POLAND

2007, SEPT. 11

A*

Animals in Polish zoos; four different values, four different zoos of Poland; Scott # 3868-3871. Only one of the zoo animals is a bird; Des. M. Blazkow; Offset by State Printer.

3869 2.40zl Black Stork, Ciconia nigra

PORTUGAL

2007, JUNE 18

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Six stamps, (Scott #'s 2962-2967 and a SS, 2968), showing different animals of the Mafra National Reserve; Des. Atelier Acacio Santos and Jose Projecto; Offset by Imprensa Nacional-Casa da Moeda.

2966	1euro	European Eagle-Owl, Bubo bubo
2967	2	Bonelli's Eagle, Aquila fasciata
ROMANIA		2007, APR. 19

Birds of Prey; Des. Mihai Vamasescu; Offset, printer not reported.

4935	50bani	Eastern Sparrowhawk, Accipiter nisus
4936	80	Western Marsh-Harrier, Circus aeruginosus
4937	160lei	Lesser Spotted-Eagle, Aquila pomarina
4938	250	Eurasian Buzzard, Buteo buteo
4939	310	Little Owl, Athene noctua
4940	470	Eurasian Hobby, Falco subbuteo

SPAIN 2007, APR 2

A*

Flora and fauna self-adhesive (2); one is a domesticated bright yellow canary; Offset, National Printer.

3486 0,30euro Island Canary, Sernus canaria

2007, JULY 2

A*

Flora and fauna definitive self-adhesive; two stamps, one stamp is a bird; Des, not known; Offset, by National Printer.

3511 0,30euro Common Nightingale, Luscinia megarhynchos

UPPER VOLTA 1984

A*

This single stamp was issued in 1984 and never listed in this journal but was listed in Supplement 106.1, Birds of the World in Philately, but as an unlisted bird.

White-backed Vultures, Gyps africanus

And Marabou Stork, *Leptoptilos crumeniferus* (upper left corner)

ZAMBIA 1990

A*

The original listing of this set was done over two BP volumes, 40(4) and 40(3). Fourteen stamps exist to this set but only thirteen were listed. The missing value of 5k was also printed in a value of 1k20, as a Western Bronze-Naped Pigeon, *Columba iridotorques*, while the scientific name on the stamp is listed as a *columba malherbii*. The same description is listed on 5k value stamp, but is incorrect.

536 5k Bronze-naped Pigeon, *Columba iridotorques*.

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