

# SCANDINAVIAN COLLECTORS CLUB COLORADO CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER

## NOTIFICATION OF THE SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024 MEETING AT 10:00 AM AT THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN PHILATELIC LIBRARY (RMPL)

Our regular monthly meeting will take place this Saturday at RMPL. Jim Kilbane will give the feature presentation on "Introduction to Denmark Locals" encompassing its land posts and by posts. We will have our usual "Show-and-Tell" session with the subject matter being up to you. Members are reminded to submit scans of your items to Even Brande ([evenbrande@gmail.com](mailto:evenbrande@gmail.com)) who will prepare them for presentation on RMPL's large screen. Your pages for the SCC Chapter's one-frame exhibit in the Club competition at the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show will be returned at the meeting. Breakfast sweets will be provided.

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### SCC Chapter 27 May 4, 2024 Meeting Summary

The May 4 was called to order at 9:06 AM by President Harry Pedersen with ten members in attendance. Roger Cichorz gave the Treasurer's report (\$568.88 cash on hand) and suggested the Chapter make a monetary donation to RMPL as it was one year since our last donation. Attending members voted to give \$250 and Roger handed RMPL President Tonny van Loij \$250 cash after the meeting ended. [Note: We subsequently received a donation acknowledgement letter from RMPL.] **New Business:** Even Brande indicated SCC now has a ZOOM account that he set up – more on that subject later. Even collected members' pages for the local club's one-frame competition at Rocky Mountain Stamp Show to be held May 24-26 at the Arapahoe Country Fairgrounds. [Note: At the time of this newsletter writing, the Palmars were not yet posted on the RMSS Website, so no exhibits results are known to your Editor.] Roger presented the summary for the SCCL Auction #72 that closed midnight April 30: 28 bidders participated in this auction, 25 of whom were successful at winning one or more lots. 99 lots were offered at cumulative starting bids of \$1286, and 90 of these 99 lots sold, realizing \$1435.50 versus their cumulative starting bids of \$1101. Four members from our Chapter participated and all were successful at winning one or more lots, which Roger gave them at the meeting. Steve Nadler indicated that he will be giving a PowerPoint presentation of "Maps on Stamps" to a local book club on Wednesday, May 15, and members are invited. **Show-and-Tell Session:**

- Steve Nadler showed several covers including one from Denmark to South America, an airmail cover that went via Hamburg through Egypt, and a postal history page explaining postal charges and transit markings.
- Roger showed a page from his collection of Faroes WWII-era provisionals, • Even showed a Norwegian telegraph money order form that was introduced in 1883 that generated some discussion because the form was delivered a week later than its date and seemed to defeat the purpose of an instantaneous monetary exchange via telegraph. Even introduced us to the American Philatelic Research Library's Robert A. Masen digital library website through which the APRL is currently offering free access to its digital collections data base. For more information and a trial, go to <https://digital.stamplib.org/>.
- Eric Carlson showed a 1979 Swedish stamp available at a discount from Sweden Post with a limit of two booklets of 20 stamps each per household (see *Facit* #1074 for details about this stamp.)

**Program:** Roger gave the feature presentation on Iceland's 1930 Parliament stamp issue that was printed in Austria and provided free to the Iceland Post Office by the Friends of Iceland Society. Iceland's postmaster was against this scheme, but got overruled by members of Iceland Parliament who authorized this stamp issue. Besides the issued stamp set and the "Pjonustumerki"-overprinted stamp set used for official purposes, Roger showed an imperforate set mounted on a presentation card and numerous examples of color trials and die proofs of the borders, vignettes, and completed stamp designs from his collection. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

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### S.C.C. Chapter 27 Treasurer's Report

**\$1461.09 Previous Treasury Balance (4/6/24)**

-\$250.00 cash donation to RMPL

-\$13.99 breakfast sweets for April meeting

-\$5.90 printing costs for May 2024 Newsletters and program script

**\$1174.81 Current Treasury Balance (5/7/24)**

**\$318.68 Cash on Hand (5/7/24)**

**\$856.13** seven-month Certificate of Deposit at Elevations Credit Union, Boulder, CO (ECUBC) valued at \$856.13 was reinvested on 2/12/24 at 5.00% APY for seven months (maturity date of 9/12/24).

Prepared by Roger Cichorz, 5/7/24

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### SCC Chapter 27 Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024

June 1: Jim Kilbane on a subject to be determined, Sept.

September 7: Steve Nadler on "Maps on Stamps" (a joint meeting with Topic members invited to attend)

October 5: Semi-annual members' auction

November 2: open

December: Annual holiday party to be determined, or, alternatively, December 7: open

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### Chapter 27 Members' Classified Advertisements

*As a no-cost service to all Chapter 27 members, your "buy, sell, or trade" classified ads can appear in future Meeting Notifications. Submit your copy to Roger at [rcichorz@comcast.net](mailto:rcichorz@comcast.net). Also, take a look at the listing of Chapter members' collecting interests on the next page as you may have unwanted items others may be interested in!*

**For Sale:** My entire holdings of worldwide stamps and postal history (countries include Åland, Danish West indies, Denmark with emphasis on star cancels & postmarks, Faroes, Finland with emphasis on village cancels, Greenland, Iceland, Sweden with emphasis on postmarks – also many non-Nordic countries) – worldwide postal history of various specialties and topics (including advertising, airmail & zeppelins, auxiliary markings, censored, consular, DOX, maps, military, perfin, pneumatic, postage dues, propaganda, RPOs/TPOs, ship mail) – U.S. postal history (including advertising, Colorado towns and RPOS, Doane cancels, expositions, foreign destinations, machine cancels with emphasis on flags, overrun nations, postal stationery, registered/insured, RFD, special delivers and town cancels by State) – miscellaneous (used and unused postcards, trade cards, "Dear Doctor" cards). I probably have some of the items you are looking for! Contact me to arrange for an appointment at my home. Steve Nadler, 9730 East 32nd Avenue, Denver, CO 80238, 303-638-3755 (cell phone), or [schlomoX@msn.com](mailto:schlomoX@msn.com).

**For Sale:** Roger Cichorz conducts regular quarterly auctions for the SCC Library, and all Chapter 27 members are on his auction distribution list. Roger will gladly accept literature and stamp donations to SCCL – SCCL is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit entity that will formally acknowledge donations, which may be to your tax advantage. SCCL Auction #73 will occur in July with a closing date of July 31, 2024 and offer another 100 lots (50 literature and 50 stamps and covers).

**Free Offer:** Jay Smith sends via e-mail distribution a weekly Philatelic E-News that is chock full of stamp, cover, and literature offers available from his extensive stock. Also included in each issue is a "Behind the Scenes" Commentary, several of which have been reprinted in our SCC Chapter 27 Newsletters. Jay reminds members that these are available to you free upon request, so contact Jay at [js@jaysmith.com](mailto:js@jaysmith.com) and give him your name and e-mail address to start receiving issues of these weekly Philatelic E-News.

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**This space is available. Why not consider submitting something for next time?**

**Wanted:** Contributions for future *Scandinavian Collectors Club Chapter 27 Newsletters* so that your Editor can continue to incorporate additional pages of items of interest each issue. Anything is welcome: brief articles, collection and exhibit pages, scans or color photocopies of your favorite stamps or covers (preferably with explanatory captions), Scandinavian humor, items for a "Questions and Answers" feature, etc. Submissions to [rcichorz@comcast.net](mailto:rcichorz@comcast.net).

### Chapter 27 Members' Philatelic-Related Collecting Interests

List your collecting interests (all, not just Scandinavian) here for members to be aware of what you collect and possibly help with or bring attention to items of interest! **Contact Roger at [rcichorz@comcast.net](mailto:rcichorz@comcast.net) to amend your listing.**

- **Paul Albright:** Greenland and runs of worldwide correspondence to use as historical research material
- **Peter Bergh:** Denmark (in particular the bi-colors and 1882-1905 coat-of-arms series), Malmö and Lund locals, Ireland, and Great Britain QE2 predecimals and KGV Silver Jubilee
- **Even Brande:** Norway 1855 to the present cancelled & mint stamps, airmail covers to the U.S., FDCs, and U.S.A. 1847 to the present canceled & mint stamps, airmail covers, first-flight covers, FDCs, and Wyoming & Colorado covers
- **Geno Brink:** worldwide postally used up to 1970, Denmark used errors and varieties, and Aalborg (cancels on stamps, covers, by post, Christmas seals, and other items related to Aalborg)
- **Eric Carlson:** United States, certain Great Britain (Wildings, Machins, and earlier sets of British Royalty), Sweden, Finland mint Wasa/Vasa issue (*Scott #111-18*), various sets of Denmark, Finland, and Norway, and lighthouses, golf, and baseball as topicals/thematics
- **Roger Cichorz:** Åland and Faroes postal history and revenue stamps, Iceland stamps and revenues, Denmark and Danish West Indies stamps, Lundy and Herm Island (stamps, postal history, and postcards), Abbott Pentothal "Dear Doctor" ad postcards, *HMS Montagu* postcards, and bonsai and puffin items as topicals/thematics
- **Jerry Eggleston:** primary interests = used Denmark, Danish West Indies, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway; secondary interests = Austria, Canada, Estonia, Finland, Great Britain, Greece, Hong Kong, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, and Sweden; postal history interests = Jo Daviess County, Illinois, and Summit County, Colorado
- **Jim Fredlund:** early Finland used stamps & 1980 to the present, and used Scandinavian & worldwide stamps 1985 to the present
- **Jim Kilbane:** Iowa and Colorado postal history, registered package envelopes, United States Post Office Department envelopes, revenues, cinderellas, and other miscellaneous
- **Severt Kvamme:** post-2002 used stamps of Åland, Faroes, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway
- **Sergio Lugo:** Danish West Indies, Iceland, Greenland, and many other non-Scandinavian topics and subjects beginning with South America, Puerto Rico, Cuba, and continuing throughout the world, including stampless Papal State covers, Lombardy Venezia, and extending to military postal history
- **Clark Lyda:** Norway, United States, Canada, and Europa
- **Steve McGill:** Great Britain Machins and GB postal mechanization (specialist level) and Antarctic, Austria, China (Republic and PCR), Faroes, Germany, Greenland, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Monaco, Sweden, and United States (fun-to-collect level)
- **Jeff Modesitt:** Denmark (general, postal stationery, and booklets, primary), Åland, Danish West Indies, Faroes, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden (secondary), Great Britain (general, postal stationery), New Zealand (general, penny universals, QEII, 1960 and 1980 definitives), and United States postal stationery
- **Steve Nadler:** all Scandinavian postal history (covers and postmarks), Colorado postal history, U.S.A. States (streetcar postmarks and covers, flag machine cancels, and advertising covers), worldwide (airmails, perfins on and off cover, pneumatic mail, overrun nations covers, and military mail), Afghanistan, France, Israel, Monaco, and Palestine
- **Harry Pedersen:** United States (including revenues), U.S. Possessions, and 1840-1940 worldwide (including Scandinavia)
- **David Petersen:** Danish West Indies and Hawaii
- **Jay Smith:** France Merson issue – bicolored high-denomination stamps used in the 1900-1930 era and North Carolina postal history and postmarks from the beginning until the day after tomorrow.
- **Tonny van Loij:** Colorado, Colorado Territory, and Kansas Territory postal history, classical music (Bach, Beethoven, Mozart), opera buildings (stamps and postcards), European Union, NATO, European Security Council (KSZE), Thurn & Taxis European postal service from 1499 to 1864 (specializing in foreign destinations), and Scandinavian destinations handled by Thurn & Taxis during 1854-1867

Iceland: 1914 Customs Declaration Form for Imported Goods from Germany

Item from Roger Cichorz's Iceland Revenues Collection: Illustrated below is an invoice dated May 22, 1914 from the Hamburg, Germany firm of Brunn & Giesler for import goods into Reykjavík. At bottom left is the top portion of this invoice's backside with an affixed pair of Iceland's 1911 Jón Sigurðsson 15 aur stamps, used to pay the import goods duty fee of 30 aurar, tied by a "REYKJAVÍK 2. VI. 14" bridge-type datestamp. At bottom right is an accompanying 2009 Lasse Nielsen certificate attesting to the genuineness of this item.

The Customs Laws for Iceland in 1907 required, for the first time, that recipients of import parcels containing items subject to duty had to submit a signed document specifying the kind and quantity of goods. The Import Duty Law of 1909 required any import duty fees had to be prepaid and confirmed by written receipts before any parcels were released to recipients. The Import Duty Law of 1912 set import duty at 15 aurar per parcel and required it to be paid with postage stamps affixed to the parcel invoice and cancelled with a regular postal hand canceller. The Duty Law of 1913-1919 increased import duty from 15 aurar to 30 aurar per parcel until January 1, 1919, thus the proper 30-aurar revenue payment franking on the illustrated 1914 invoice. Iceland's revenue stamps were not introduced until late September 1918.

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Handwritten: *Carl Gammelsdorf & Co*

Handwritten: *22. Mai 1914*

Handwritten: *Brunn & Giesler*

Handwritten: *Hamburg*

Handwritten: *Paketer Papier.*

Handwritten: *Shawl aus Wolle mit angewählter Seidenfärbung.*

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Ort: **HAMBURG**, den 22. Mai 1914  
 Name des Absenders: **Brunn & Giesler**

**Bar Beachtung!** 1. Es ist in allen Fällen Sache des Absenders, sich genau zu erkundigen, ob die zu versendenden Gegenstände in das Bestimmungsland eingeführt und durch die einseitigen Zölle durchgeführt werden dürfen. Die aus mangelhafter oder unrichtiger Abfertigung der Zollbescheinigungen entstehenden Folgen fallen dem Absender zur Last.  
 2. Ein Doppel der Zollbescheinigung muß bei Paketen und Kisten mit Wertangaben und ferner bei Paketen ohne Wertangabe auf grünem Papier angefertigt werden.  
 3. Die nach den Vorschriften des Bestimmungslandes etwa erforderliche Angabe des Herkunfts- (Erzeugungs-)landes der Waren ist in der Spalte Bemerkungen niederzuschreiben.

Zu haben bei Friedrich C. Jensen, Inh.: Heinrich Ide, Hauptgeschäft Spitalerstraße 12, Semperhaus, Filiale Caledoniahaus, Mönckebergstraße 5.





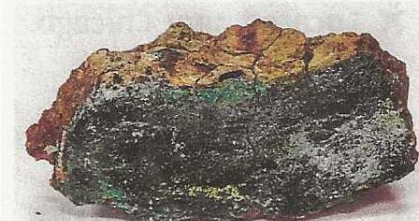
Source: *Chemical & Engineering News*, January 15/22, 2024, page 8.

# Norway green-lights exploratory seabed mining

## Despite environmental concerns, the country becomes the first to approve exploration for deep-sea minerals in national waters

Amid pushback from scientists and environmental experts, the Norwegian parliament on Jan. 9 voted 80–20 in favor of exploratory deep-sea mining in a 280,000 km<sup>2</sup> area of the Norwegian Sea. It's the first country to allow this controversial practice in waters under national jurisdiction.

The concern is that extracting these seabed minerals could damage the marine environment. But proponents argue that retrieving such underwater deposits will have less impact than mining on land and could help meet the growing demand for critical minerals needed for clean energy technologies.



**Samples of sulfide deposits acquired during expeditions to the northern Norwegian Sea in 2020 indicate high concentrations of important minerals such as copper, zinc, and cobalt.**

"It's a great day for Norway and for energy transition," says Egil Tjøland, a petroleum geophysicist at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology and the secretary general of the Norwegian Forum for Marine Minerals.

Expeditions to the northern Norwegian Sea have found mineral reserves in the form of manganese crusts and sulfide deposits. Chemical analyses have revealed high concentrations of copper, zinc, and cobalt and the presence of important rare earth elements in these features.

For now, the government plans to open an area roughly the size of Nevada on the Norwegian continental shelf for mining companies to explore. That could include surveying the seabed for mineral deposits, conducting small-scale extractions,

evaluating the deposits' mineral content and worth, and assessing the operations' environmental impact. But a parliamentary approval will be required to issue an exploratory mining license. "The authorities would like to have the last word," Tjøland says, "so it won't be a race without doing proper environmental impact studies."

Similar research conducted as part of deep-sea mining explorations in other areas of the world has documented biodiversity loss due to sediment plumes generated while retrieving the minerals. A recent study also noted signs of acute stress in helmet jellyfish that were collected from Norway's fjords and subjected to simulated mining-induced plumes in tanks. In addition to these harmful impacts on marine life, scientists are concerned about how such mining will affect carbon storage in the deep sea.

Pradeep Singh, an ocean governance expert at the Helmholtz Center Potsdam, worries that Norway's decision to move forward with exploratory mining signals to the mining industry that the country could next allow exploitative commercial mining. "You cannot have a situation where you invite industry to come explore and then at some point say, 'Sorry, you can't go ahead' after they've invested millions of dollars," he says. "The danger here is that the pressure might be so high that the government may just have to give in to exploitation despite the environmental risks."

Meanwhile, an intergovernmental body known as the International Seabed Authority has granted 31 exploratory mining permits to private companies and governmental agencies interested in surveying mineral deposits in waters beyond national jurisdiction. But many scientists, several countries, and industry groups have called for a ban or a moratorium on deep-sea mining until the long-term impact becomes clear.

"As scientists—me included—we would always like to know more, but we need these raw materials to fix our planet," Tjøland says. "It's a dilemma."—PRIYANKA RUNWAL