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## Modern Pacific Philately

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### More Fiji News from

## PACIFICA

*PACIFICA*, the journal of the Pacific Islands Study Circle, announced in their October 2011 issue a new PISC publication, *Fiji's Times Express Stamps: The Three Issued Paper Types and Other FTE Topics* by SAS/O Member **David E. Gillis**. Nonmember price is £24 + p&p. For more information, contact the PISC at [booksales@pisc.org.uk](mailto:booksales@pisc.org.uk). Gillis presents a summary of his research in an article in this same issue. He also has an article on the topic in the November 2011 *London Philatelist* pp. 338-346.

Also noted in *Pacifica* are images of a set of a dozen more metal circular datestamps, similar to the ones illustrated by Zirinsky above and at right.

China funded another miniature sheet for Fiji of three sets of se-tenant stamps valued at 65c and \$1.20, released 15 August 2011 (see similar story *The Informer* October 2009, Vol. 74 No. 4, p. 97). The sheet features a small bird and pomegranate in Chinese painting style. A total of 10,000 sheets were supplied by the PRC to Fiji Post. SAS/O

A number of new circular date stamps for Fiji have been seen in 2011. See also the sidebar on news from PACIFICA.

Above (L-R): Nasinu Post Office/ Post Fiji Ltd., Nadi Airport Post Office/ Parcel Office, and International Airmail/ Suva, Mail Centre, Fiji, all found in various shades of blue.

Below (Left) Nadi Airport Post Office/ Parcel Office/ Post Fiji Limited and (Right) double-ringed Mail Centre/ Suva, Fiji, both in black.



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(Right) This 27 JAN 2010 airmail to Vanuatu was missent to Wallis et Futuna. It is marked with the boxed handstamp: FAUSSE DIRECTION (MISSENT).



(Left) A fortuitous misplaced postage stamp enables us to capture a clear image of the new VANUATU/ PORT VILA date stamp. The single line date is struck to the right of the circular Post Office handstamp (see arrow). SAS/O

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