HELPFUL JUDAICA BOOKS
There are books that have been written, which will benefit the Judaica stamp collector. Yet again, they are not published or available in this country. – But they do exist.

Here are a few that I have on my bookshelf:-

Great Jews In Stamps By Arieh Lindenbaum
(Hard Back 5” x 8”- published 1970 – 70 pages)
Many stamp illustrations of famous people on stamps – and very useful to form a “wants list”.

The Jewish World In Stamps by Ronald L. Eisenberg
(Hard Back 9” x 11” – published 2002 – 288 pages)
Available via Amazon.com
This book can only be described as excellent.
All the stamps illustrated are in colour.
It begins with the Bible, and going through Jewish history during the Roman period, the Middle Ages, the discovery of the New World, the Emancipation in Europe, the birth of Zionism and the Holocaust. Areas covered include Jewish customs and traditions, and famous people, from all areas of culture and science. sports, and entertainment, to name just a few.
The stamps are arranged artistically and are catalogued with Scott numbering. This is no surprise as it is an American publication. This is definitely the ideal book to increase your Judaica knowledge – and your “wants” list!.

AMENDMENTS TO EMAIL ADDRESS:-
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WHEN IS “ENOUGH IS ENOUGH”??
When collecting stamps by a theme – sometimes a number of countries may issue stamps within months of each other, depicting that same theme.
Some of these themes that come to mind, were back in 1977, for the Queen’s Silver Jubilee. – or the Wedding of Princess Diana etc. These type of themed collections, are I suppose what you call “Omnibus” issues. (Although someone will correct me if I am wrong, and therefore tell me what an “Omnibus” collection actually is then!)

Last year, saw two Judaica related, so called “Omnibus” issues. They were:- 100 years of Rotary.
The other being 150 years since the birth of Albert Einstein.
Many countries issued stamps for these two themes.
For the Rotary anniversary, Australia, Austria, Argentina, and Spain, to name but just a few.
Whilst for the Albert Einstein issue, Argentina, Bosnia & Hercegavina, France, Macedonia, Mexico, Spain, Turkey and South Africa, are a few that come to mind.
In addition to all these genuine countries, there were many more countries that issued stamps on these two themes.
Then there were the “sticky label” countries such as Guyana, Sierra Leone, Grenada etc. – I have my doubts as to how genuine these countries are, to issuing stamps.
But anyway, my “talking point” – which will hopefully create some correspondence and debate is……………………………………………How many stamps with the same theme, should we include in a Judaica collection. Of course, we will all have different views and opinions, and that is good, after-all, it is all our differences that make our Judaica collections, that little bit different from each others – Imagine how boring it would be if we all collected exactly the same.
In my collection, I try to collect as many Rotary, and Einstein stamps from the genuine countries, but I don’t include the “sticky label” countries.
Mind you, with all the issues that there have been on these subjects, I was starting to get a little bored with these two subjects, and starting to get a little concerned that my Judaica collection, was getting overrun with these two subjects.
I would be interested to hear other collectors views on this matter.
ANY IDEAS??
Articles and adverts are always welcome for a forthcoming Newsletter. – It is YOUR Newsletter and Society – so your views are most welcome.
I am also interested in knowing what articles, themes, and “debate” you would like to be discussed in forthcoming newsletters.
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