

# PHILATELIC NEWSLETTER VOLLEYBALL

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## China

1. On July 19, **2011** China Post issued a cancel to commemorate the 11th National secondary school games in Baotou.

At the top of the cancel the same is mentioned in Mongolian language. Further is mentioned in the cancel: Specific in education & get beneficial result.

2. On June 16, 2012 China Post will issue a beach volleyball stamp commemorating the 3<sup>rd</sup> Asian Beach Games in Haiyang (China).

The stamp has also the logo of the Games.

<http://www.haiyang2012.cn/en/>



## Egypt

On internet I found the block from July 28, 1984 with shift printing.



## Finland

On May 7, 2012 Finland Posti issued a self adhesive S/S commemorating successful disabled athletes. Both of the depicted athletes on the stamps have high hopes of winning medals at the next Paralympics in London in 2012.

The designer is Klaus Welp.

The souvenir sheet contains the text "Disabled Sports" in Finnish and Swedish Braille, together with 1st class indications. The sheet will be released in an issue of 400,000 copies.

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The pictograms on the sheet have also one with sitting volleyball. Third from left and confirmed by the designer.



## France New PAP



Office de Tourisme Port-La Nouvelle.  
Approval No. 859 Lot 243/847.  
OFFICIAL (2002) Number Y&T 3417-E2 with private overprint (2005?).  
Website: <http://www.portlanouvelle.com/index.php>



This PAP is private used

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The PAP exist also with the EURO stamp € 0,46/3,00F from 2001.  
Further information from this PAP is not available.

### Ghana

On March 31, **2009** Ghana Post issued a set of four stamps commemorating the secondary school Tweneboa Kodua in Kumawu.

The highest value (GHc 1,30) is volleyball.

So far I could not find the set but I bought a cover from Tema to Berlin (Germany) on which the stamp was cancelled. This scan shows clearly: Students Playing VolleyBall. The Y&T number = 3330.

It is the first volleyball stamp from Ghana.



### Great Britain

On May 13, 2012 the Olympic Torch reached Edinburgh (Scotland) and got as all others cities a cancel from that.

Exactly a week before, so on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2012, Royal Mail issued a cancel with volleyball in that city.

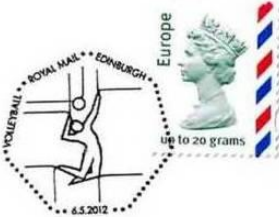
Bob Farley from the Society of Olympic Collectors wrote me:

There was confusion over this cancel. Royal Mail used a complete issue of the postmark bulletin to announce the Olympic torch relay cancels and forgot to announce this and another cancel.

We knew the cancel would happen from a very old announcement, but when we called to check we were told that it would be beach volleyball, but not the city at which it would be used.

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We prepared covers with SmartStamps and stamps (to get the correct date on the SmartStamps), but could not mail them for cancelling until the city was known.



### Italy

On April 24, 2012 Italy issued a cancel in Ravenna Centro commemorating Vigor Bovalenta. Vigor Bovalenta has died at the age of 37 after suffering a heart attack during a Serie B2 (the fourth league in the Volleyball Italian structure) match between his team Volley Forli and Lube Macerata on March 24, 2012. He won the European Championship two times, the World League four times and Olympic silver in Atlanta 1996. He was married and father of four children.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VC1Z4zTjzKE&feature=related>

1. Ravenna Centro 24-4-2012. La Nazionale Italiana di pallavolo gioca a Ravenna in ricordo di Vigor Bovalenta
2. Pinzano al Tagliamento 29-4-2012. 20° Anniversario Green Volley Un ponte di benessere
3. Sampierdarena 20/05/2012. XXXI Edizione Torneo nazionale giovanile di pallavolo 15° Memorial Roberto Carmarino



### Uruguay

On March 30, 2012 Correo Uruguayo issued a S/S commemorating the Olympic Games 2012 in London with o.a. a pictogram beach volleyball (second from left).

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### Vanuatu

On August 14, 2010 Vanuatu Post issued a S/S commemorating the Youth Olympic Games. Third from left (in blue) is a volleyball player.



For details: <http://www.vanuatupost.vu/youthOlympics.html>

### Volleyball covers

Our collector's friend André Jungen from Germany is not only a stamp collector but also a referee in the CEV Champions League.

On 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012 he whistled the match Partizan Termoelektro BEOGRAD versus Zaksa KEDZIERZYN-KOZLE (Poland).

He informed the official from the federation of Serbia about his passion.

On January 21<sup>th</sup> he got the cover below. He was asking if it would be the only one in the world with six different volleyball stamps. I think: YES!!

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In March 2012 a Japan cover was offered on e-Bay. The description of the cover was: Japan 1947 ATHLETIC MEET STRIP/4 + 50y "IMPERF" NOH MASK Cover USA, Nice! The cover is cancelled on the first day of issue but I had never seen a strip of 4 different from this issue before but only a block of four, so I followed the bidding. The cover was sold for US\$ 255,10 excl shipping charges (to Europe US\$ 15,25). According to the composition of the sheet there cannot be a strip of four different.



### Personalized stamps

#### Turkey

In 2009 The Turkish Volleyball Federation issued three personalized stamps to commemorate the European Championship for men in Izmir (2) and the new logo of the Federation (1). All stamps has a number and I think it is the number of personalized stamps issued in that year so far. All stamps are printed in sheets of 25 stamps each.

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2009-250



2009-251



2009-252

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