CELEBRATING OUR HOBBY

Items promoting stamp exhibitions.

The <u>purpose</u> of this exhibit is to celebrate the hobby of stamp collecting through a display that illustrates the support postal administrations, show organizers and others have provided the hobby either through the issue of stamps, special covers, souvenir sheets, cancels, cinderella issues and other special show philatelic items over the years.

The <u>plan</u> is to display a variety of items from around the world, focusing somewhat on early material and early shows that became (or could have become) annual events, that will appeal to the viewer. There is so much potential material that keeping this exhibit to a 'reasonable' size means some items, by choice, are not shown even if available.

The <u>scope</u> of the exhibit is from the earliest items I've been able to obtain through to roughly 1980 after which date any item displayed is likely 'unique' in some way. The exhibit is mostly in chronological order but size and space needs of the items may see this vary.



Netherlands first day cover 1980 3rd NVPH Show. Features of the cover are: Stamp collecting and, most importantly, Youth Collecting.