

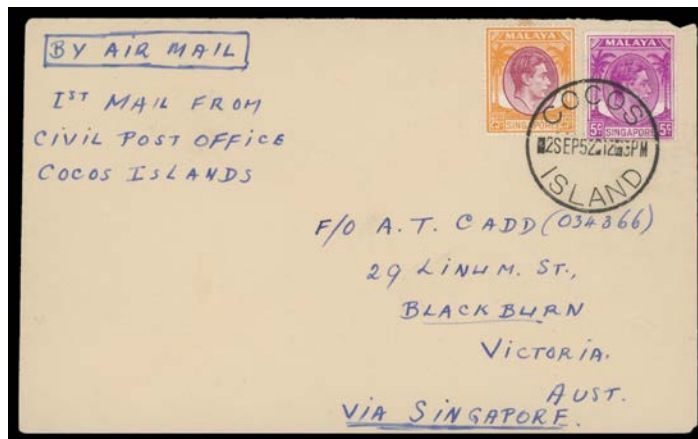
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COCOS ISLANDS POSTAL HISTORY - Singapore Postal Agency 1952 to 1955

A Singaporean Postal Agency was opened 2.9.1952 and closed 6.11.1955. During this period civilian mail could no longer be sent through the RAAF Post Office. Most mail in this period is overtly philatelic, with commercial covers being very scarce.

2474 CPS Exhibit pages including Qantas South Africa-Cocos with 'COCOS/8SEP52/ISLAND' cds arrival on face, OHMS covers with cds of 2MAY53 on Singapore 10c & of 16MAY53 stampless with 'ADMINISTRATOR/COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS' cachet, 1953 Coronation Flight group including Airletter used in both directions with scarce boxed 'BY AIR/FROM/KEELING COCOS/ISLANDS' cachet & irregular usage of the Coronation Airletter to South Africa & cover with irregular usage of Australian stamps with the Cocos cds & Coronation cachet, 1953 use of Singapore 25c Air Letter + 5c to GB, 1954 overpaid registered to Switzerland with stained R label, etc, generally very fine. (15 items)

300^T**Lot 2475**

2475 C A 1952 Opening Day cover to Victoria with Singapore 5c & 25c tied by superb 'COCOS/2SEP52/ISLAND' cds. [The mail was flown on 2.9.1952 to Sydney per the DC-4 'New Guinea Trader'. Kim Dwyer's similar cover sold for \$414]

300^T**Lot 2476**

2476 C B 1954 commercial cover to GB with superb strike of the rare boxed 'BY AIR/FROM/KEELING COCOS/ISLANDS' cachet in violet, Singapore 20c & 50c tied poor 'COCOS/2FE54/ISLAND' cds, minor spotting.

400^T

2477 C A/A- 1954 Royal Visit group comprising airmail cover to GB with superb strike of the huge Royal Visit cachet in violet, printed "map" cover to GB with blue & black/white 'Cocos Island' 'R' label, and three covers - one an Arthur Bergen - with Australian adhesives deemed invalid & all with Malay-pattern 'T/CENTIMES/("25c")' h/s, one with Postage Due 2d block of 4 on the reverse. (5)

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Lot 2478

2478 C A 1954 cover with the Royal Coat-of-Arms embossed in red on the flap & endorsed "Personal", to an *aide de camp* at Buckingham Palace, Singapore 12c tied by superb 'COCOS/5APR54/ISLAND' cds. Rare mail from the Royal entourage.

250^T

Lot 2479

2479 PS A - use of *Jothee & Co* formular aerogramme with printed 'Form Approved by the PMG Malaya No 3 (1)' endorsed on the reverse "JR Bartlett/C&W Ltd/Cocos Island", to Peru (!) with Singapore KGV1 20c & Coronation 10c tied by cds of 1MY54. Unusual & rare and a **terrific origin/destination item**. [Lengthy social letter states "The big news here is still the Royal Visit...It all went off like a bomb...I was one of the half dozen presented to HM and HRH..."]

500^T

Lot 2480

2480 PS A- - use of Singapore 25c+5c Air Letter endorsed "EM Smith/Qantas Empire Airways/Cocos Is", to GB with very fine cds of 7AUG54, minor blemishes. Social letter states "...My term of duty expires here at Cocos on the 30th october...I have no definite [*sic*] information regardings [*sic*] the handing over of the Islands to Australian administration..." Rare use from Cocos.

500^T

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Lot 2481

2481 C B 1955 cover endorsed on the flap "Kalzie bin Myle/Keeling Cocos Island" to "Tuan G Clunies-Ross/31 Jervois Road/Singapore 10" with Singapore 10c tied by Cocos cds of 4SEP55, minor blemishes. Rare "local" cover, apparently from a Cocos Malay.

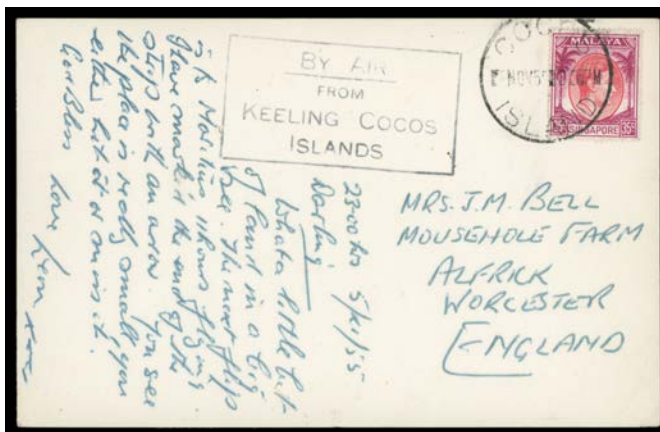
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Lot 2482

2482 C A- - commercial airmail cover to South Africa with Singapore Ships 5c 10c 20c & 50c tied by cds of 28OCT55. [From 1.4.1953, the rate to South Africa was increased to 85c]

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Lot 2483

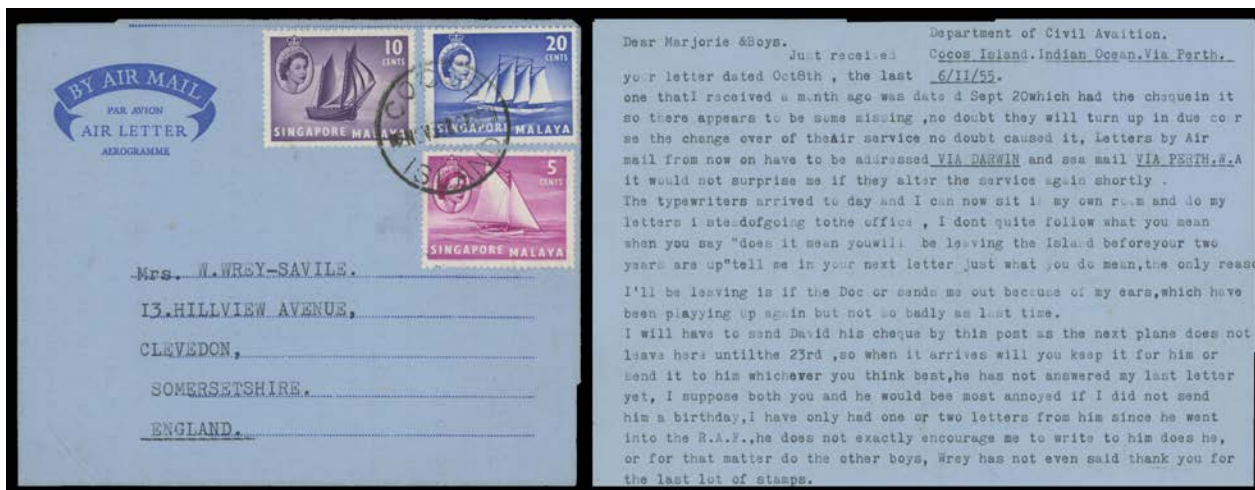
2483 C A- - real photo PPC of buildings on West Island to GB with largely very fine strike of the rare boxed 'BY AIR/ FROM/KEELING COCOS/ISLANDS' cachet in violet, Singapore 35c tied by fine cds of 5NOV55, minor blemishes. The letter states "What a little bit of land in a big sea. The next flip is Mauritius, 11 hours flying. I have marked the end of the strip with an arrow. You see the place is really small, you either hit it or miss it..." [The Singapore Post Office closed the next day]

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**Lot 2484**

- 2484** PS A - use of formular Air Letter permit number '71995/2E' to Somersetshire with Singapore Ships 5c 10c & 35c tied by "COCOS/6NOV55/ISLAND" cds. Interesting social letter headed "Department of Civil Aviation/Cocos island" states "...Letters by air mail...have to be addressed VIA DARWIN and sea mail VIA PERTH WA but later "... (all) mail should be addressed COCOS ISLAND AUSTRALIA...The Australian govt take over on the 21st of this month then postage will be much cheaper..." Ex Kim Dwyer and David Flaot: acquired for \$1207. [Carried on the last mail from the Singapore Agency]

1,000^T**Lot 2485**

- 2485** C A - airmail cover to GB with Singapore Ships 5c 20c 25c & 50c tied 'COCOS/8NOV55/ISLAND' cds, blue/white 'Cocos Island' 'R' label. [From 1.4.1953, the rate to GB was increased to 70c + 30c registration. Mail posted after 6.11.1955 was held until after the transfer to Australian administration. Such post-closure items are rare]

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