



Stirling Philatelic Society (Inc)  
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## Novice Trophy Guidelines 2023

Entry to the Novice Trophy is open to any club member who has not won a club or State Competition award.

All participants will receive a certificate of participation. The overall winner will be awarded the Annual Stirling Philatelic Novice Trophy.

Each entry is to be made up of 6 to 16 sheets of which one may be the title or plan page and need not have any stamps or philatelic material on it. The subject of each entry is unrestricted.

Judging points to be awarded as follows:

1. PRESENTATION: **35 points** for writing and general layout.
2. PHILATELIC KNOWLEDGE & RESEARCH: **30 points** for application of knowledge from any source.
3. COMPLETENESS. **20 points** Relative to the Title Page
4. APPEAL **15 points** for general eye appeal to the viewer.
5. MEMBERSHIP VOTE – at the conclusion of the judging and prior to the judge's critique members will be invited to vote on the display which appeals to them most.
6. The overall winner will be the display with the most points.

As the Society has a Thematic Trophy, the Display which corresponds most closely to Thematics/Topical appeal from either Novice or Senior division will be deemed the winner of the Thematics Trophy.

All entries are to be handed to the committee prior to the commencement of the September meeting. All entries will be judged by an independent accredited philatelic judge.