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The first thing which I noticed was the use of different coloured paper for the various sections, which I particularly applaud, the second thing which was immediately “eye” catching was the clarity of both the Illustrations and the Text.

There are over 1500 illustrations, including proof strikes. I was very pleased to note the Maritime Strike Camp, Queens Wharf, Auckland, marking and interestingly enough the NZ Philatelic Federation 25th Anniversary date stamp in 1973, but more particularly the absence of a datestamp celebrating their 50 years in 1998, obviously not the fault of the compilers!

Not only will the future owners of this book find clear illustrations, but there are very well defined Indexes, making this publication both informative and “user friendly”.

The authors are to be congratulated on their contribution to the hobby and obvious expertise in providing a truly “worthwhile” addition to the knowledge of NZ Postal History markings (Marcophily), and I recommend that all Collectors interested in NZ Stamps and Postal History should ensure that they have their own personal copy.

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