

<CP> **The Cuban Philatelist (CPC)**

Miami, Florida: Quarterly journal of The Cuban Philatelic Club, Inc. of America (CPC), July 1971 to March 1979. This journal started its life under the title El Filatelista Cubano as the Quarterly journal of the Círculo Filatélico Cubano de Miami (The Cuban Philatelic Circle of Miami); edited by Agustín J. Cantens, Jr., the philatelic circle's founder. Four issues (Vol.I: Jul, Sep, Dec 1971 and Mar 1972) were published entirely in Spanish. However, starting with the third issue of Dec 1971, a parallel publication, The Cuban Philatelist, Vol.I, No.1, also dated Dec 1971, started to be published as the “English edition of El Filatelista Cubano” translating most, but not exactly all its content into English. These parallel editions only lasted for two issues, the second being issue No. 4, of El Filatelista Cubano, dated March 1972, that was paralled in English by The Cuban Philatelist, Vol.I, Nos.2 & 3, also dated March 1972. Thereafter, El Filatelista Cubano ceased publication and The Cuban Philatelist became a bi-lingual journal starting with Vol.II, Issue No.1, dated July 1972, indicating under its title that it was the “Official Organ of the Cuban Philatelic Club, Inc.” when the former Círculo Filatélico de Miami was incorporated and renamed The Cuban Philatelic Club, Inc. of America. The four published issues of El Filatelista Cubano were:

Vol.I, No.1, Jul 1971, 6 pp.

Vol.I, No.2, Sep 1971, 10 pp.

Vol.I, No.3, Dec 1971, 14 pp.

Vol.I, No.4, Mar 1972, 12 pp. (photocopy)

Note: These four issues of El Filatelista Cubano are listed under FC in this bibliography.

The first four issues of El Filatelista Cubano and the subsequent 12 issues of The Cuban Philatelist were published in 8.5 x 11 inch format. In mid-1975 the Cuban Philatelic Circle changed its name to the Cuban Philatelic Society of America, Inc. (CPSA), and although The Cuban Philatelist conserved its name, it started being published in odd sizes ranging between 7 to 7.5 by 8.5 to 9.25 inches with an oversize issue in October 1978 of 8 x 10 inches.

In total, 27 issues of the journal were published under the name The Cuban Philatelist on a quarterly basis, each volume consisting of four issues numbered 1-4 corresponding to the months of July, October, January, and April. The July 1978 issue was a double issue, Vol.VII, Nos.3-4. The last issue was Vol.VIII, No.2, March 1979. The journal resumed publication under the new name of El Boletín (The Bulletin) in October 1979.

The editor of El Filatelista Cubano and the first editor of The Cuban Philatelist was the club's founder Agustín J. Cantens, Jr. In the fall of 1976, Bernabé de Varona took over as editor of the journal starting with Vol.6, Issue No.1, dated September 1976, and continued as its editor until the last issue of March 1979.

The journal contains a considerable amount of reprinted material and some good original articles. It is recommended reading for Cuban philatelists—both general collectors and specialists.

Following is a listing of the issues published:

Vol.I, No.1, Dec 1971, 12 pp.

Vol.I, Nos.2 & 3, Mar 1972, 12 pp.

Vol.II, No.1, Jul 1972, 16 pp.

Vol.II, No.2, Oct 1972, 16 pp.

Vol.II, No.3, Jan 1973, 12 pp.

Vol.II, No.4, Apr 1973, 18 pp.

Vol.III, No.1, Jul 1973, 20 pp.

Vol.III, No.2, Oct 1973, 16 pp.

Vol.III, No.3, Jan 1974, 14 pp.

Vol.3, No.4, Apr 1974, 16 pp.

Vol.4, No.1, Jul 1974, 18 pp.

Vol.4, No.2, Oct 1974, 18 pp.

Vol.4, No.3, Jan 1975, 16 pp.

Vol.4, No.4, Apr 1975, 20 pp.

Vol.V, No.1, Jul 1975, 20 pp.

Vol.V, No.2, Oct 1975, 24 pp.

Vol.V, No.3, Jan 1976, 24 pp.

Vol.V, No.4, Apr 1976, 12 pp. (photocopy)

Vol.VI, No.1, Sep 1976, 44 pp.

Vol.VI, No.2, Nov 1976, 24 pp.

Vol.VI, No.3, Jan 1977, 28 pp.

Vol.VI, No.4, Apr 1977, 28 pp.

Vol.VII, No.1, Jul 1977, 26 pp.

Vol.VII, No.2, Dec 1977, 28 pp., with inside pages (not including inside covers) numbered 25-48.

Vol.VII, Nos.3-4, Jul 1978, 52 pp., with inside pages (not including inside covers) numbered 49-96.

Vol.VIII, No.1, Oct 1978, 28 pp., with inside pages (not including inside covers) numbered 1-24.

Vol.VIII, No.2, Mar 1979, 28 pp., with inside pages (not including inside covers) numbered 1-24.