Four different stamps picturing the postal mascot figure were issued on February 11th to supplement the Folk Motifs definitive series with values required by the 1998 postal rate increases. The 23Ft stamp was intended to pay the new local letter rate; the 24Ft, domestic distance postal card; 30Ft, domestic distance letter up to 30gm; and the 65Ft, postal card rate to European countries not bordering Hungary. The designs were prepared by Gyula Molnár and the stamps, which measured 26 x 33mm, were printed in sheets of 100 in unlimited quantity by the Banknote Printers, Ltd.

150th Anniversary of the 1848-49 Revolution and War of Independence

Three stamps were issued on March 13th picturing Petőfi, Táncsics, and Kossuth. The stamps were designed by Tamás Tőkés based on photographs by Csaba Gedai and were printed in sheets of 50 by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. 600,000 sets were issued.

Pro Juventute '98

This year's 'For Youth' semi-postal issue appeared on March 13th in the form of a 150Ft + 50Ft surcharge souvenir sheet picturing a group portrait of the 'March Youth' from 1848. Ferenc Svindt was the designer and the Banknote Printers, Ltd. was the producer of the 300,000 souvenir sheets that were placed on sale to coincide with the revolution anniversary.

Easter - 1998

Two stamps were issued on March 13th for the annual holiday. The 24Ft stamp picturing an Easter egg made of simulated perforations measured 28.5 x 40mm and was designed by Szilvia Lázár. The 30Ft stamp, which measured 21.6 x 43.2mm, depicted El Greco's painting titled The Resurrection. The design was adapted to the stamp, which is intended to be a definitive issue, by Melinda Egedi Kovács. Both issues were printed in offset by the Banknote Printers, Ltd., in sheets of 50 stamps.

Dawn of the 20th Century - Art Nouveau

Four stamps (20, 24, 30, 95Ft) picturing art nouveau pieces made by the Zsolnay Ceramics Works of Pécs were issued on March 31st. The stamps were designed by György Kara and Péter Nagy using photographs made by Géza Molnár. the stamps measured 45 x 26.7mm and were printed in offset in sheets of 50 by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. The released quantity was 300,000 set. The 20, 24, and 30Ft values also appeared in booklets of 10 stamps.
This year's event remembered the 250th anniversary of Maria Theresa's edict establishing postal regulations in the Austrian and Hungarian crown lands. The two stamps (24Ft + 10Ft surcharge and 30Ft + 10Ft) and a 150Ft souvenir sheet were designed by graphic artist Ferenc Svindt and were printed in offset by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. The stamps measured 50 x 30mm, the souvenir sheet's dimensions were 80 x 61.5mm. 200,000 copies of the stamps and 100,000 souvenir sheets were issued on April 10th.

Animals Native to the American Continent

April 30th saw the release of another set of stamp and souvenir sheet in this continuing series showing native animals of the world's different continents. The four stamps (23, 24, 24, 30Ft) and the souvenir sheet (150Ft) were designed by Kálmán Székely and were produced in offset by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. The stamps measured 40 x 30mm; the souvenir sheet, 90 x 65mm. The production quantities were 600,000 sets of stamps and 100,000 souvenir sheets.

100th Anniversary of the Birth of György Jendrassik

A single 100Ft stamp appeared on May 4th in honor of the Hungarian mechanical engineer noted for 80 different patents relating to diesel and gas turbine engines. The stamp was designed by János Kass and engraved by György Lengyel. The 36.7 x 30mm sized stamp was printed in sheets of 25 (5 x 5) by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. in an edition of 300,000 copies.

150th Anniversary of the Birth of Gábor Baross

A 60Ft stamp was issued on June 5th to commemorate the birth one of the dominant political figures in the post-Compromise era whose economic policies contributed significantly to the development of Hungarian transportation infrastructure. The stamp design was prepared by Péter Nagy based on photographs by Géza Molnár. The 35 x 41.7mm sized stamp was printed in offset by the Banknote Printers, Ltd., in an edition of 250,000 copies.

16th Soccer World Championships, France

Two stamps, 30 and 110Ft face value, appeared on June 5th to commemorate this quadrennial sporting event. The stamps were designed by Attila Elekes and were printed in offset by the Banknote Printers, Ltd. The stamps measured 40 x 30mm and were printed se-tenant (top-bottom) in sheets of 25 pairs of stamps. The total quantity issued was 250,000 stamps of each design.
Three stamps (24, 65, 80Ft) were issued on June 5th in honor of the sporting event held in August. The trio of stamps (26 x 35.3mm) was designed by László Dudás, and 300,000 copies were printed by the State Printing Office, Ltd.

A single 30Ft definitive stamp was issued on June 5th for this sporting event which has produced a significant number of Hungarian world and Olympic champions in prior years. The 40 x 30mm stamp was designed by István Szabó and was printed by the Banknote Printers, Ltd., in quantities necessary to meet postal requirements.

A 5Ft supplemental value to the current definitive series appeared on June 5th. The 26 x 33mm stamp, picturing the designs from Rábaköz (the area around the Rába Rivers in west-central Hungary), was prepared by László Dudás and printed in unlimited quantity by the Banknote Printers, Ltd.

The following events were commemorated with 24Ft postal cards issued in recent months: 70th Anniversary of the Girls' Calvineum of Nyíregyháza; 100th Anniversary of the Kálmán Kandó Technical College;

Mabéosz issued two philatelic souvenir sheets, one picturing poet Sándor Petőfi for the 150th anniversary of the 1848 independence movement, the second reproduced a painting by Sándor Wágner and commemorated the 540th anniversary of the coronation of King Mátyás. Each of these sheets sold for 300Ft. The Philatelia Hungarica organization honored the memory of Marilyn Monroe and John Lennon on a philatelic souvenir sheet which sold for 250Ft.

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