



The first issue in a new series of Generic sheets features the Castles of Northern Ireland. On sale from 17 March, price £7.74 (£8.35 from 6 April).

**New Generic sheets** A second Design Classics generic sheet, bearing 20 of the 1st class Concorde stamps from the Design Classics set, will be available from 2 March, marking the 40th anniversary of the first Concorde flight. The first in a new series of generic sheets featuring castles of the UK will be available from 17 March. It contains 20 1st class Northern Ireland country stamps plus labels showing castles in the Province: Monea, Belfast, Carrickfergus, Dunluce, Enniskillen, Dungiven, Killyleagh, Narrow Water, Killymoon, and Gosford (each features on two labels). The second Castles sheet, featuring English castles, goes on sale on 23 April. The castles on the labels are: Warwick, Orford, Bolsover, Dover, Framlingham, Carlisle, Windsor, Bamburgh, Kenilworth, and Bodiam. The English sheet will have the St George flag stamp, as in the Celebrating England miniature sheet. The Castles sheets are printed in litho by Cartor on self-adhesive paper ●

**Coin and medal covers** A Concorde medal cover, on sale from 2 March, marks the 40th anniversary of the first flight, of Concorde 001. It is a limited edition of 12,500, price £14.63. Designed by Neon, the cover features the amazing pilot's control panel in Concorde, and the aircraft on the tarmac after an early test flight (see illustration in the February *Bulletin*, page 168). The cover's filler card gives a potted history of this most famous of aircraft, from an advisory committee recommending studies for long-range supersonic airliners to the final commercial flight in 2003, and provides some fascinating Concorde statistics ●