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COLLECTING LOCAL NUMISMATICS

BY JEFF FOURNIER

Has your city or town ever issued a commemorative medal, token, or paper note? Does it have a Masonic lodge that might have struck "Masonic Pennies" for its members? Have any local dairies ever issued milk tokens "good for" a quart of milk? Are there hospitals, universities or businesses that may use tokens at their parking facilities? What about your club – has it issued any numismatic items such as wooden nickels?

Most likely, the answer to at least some of these questions is yes! But just how many of these pieces are you aware of? Wouldn't you like to find out?

Recently, I completed a catalog covering numismatic items issued in the City of Sudbury and was surprised to find during my research that over 100 pieces existed (and the number climbs to 200 when considering varieties)!

It occurred to me..."wouldn't it be nice if other individuals or clubs would produce a catalog of numismatic items in their area?"

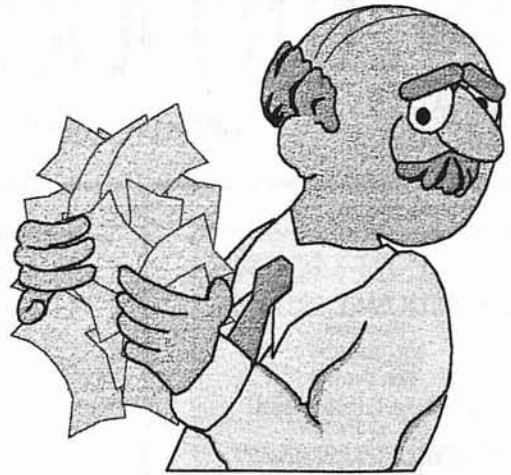
Clubs are always looking for ways to promote themselves and pick up new members. Would cataloguing local numismatic items and letting the community know what you had done perhaps strengthen numismatics in your area and pique the interest of other would-be numismatists? Quite possibly, the answer is yes. Surely, it's worth a try.

In my case, after being interviewed by the Sudbury Star and answering questions from numerous city residents, co-workers and friends about coin collecting and my catalog, I can conclude, it's been a step in the right direction.

Why not take the challenge and begin an individual or club project of compiling a listing of numismatic pieces in your area. You'll learn a lot about the history of the place and its people and in the process, meet some new friends and perhaps, acquire a few new pieces for your own collection!



EDITOR'S VIEWS



This newsletter is getting to you much later than usual and I apologize for that. Rest assured that your November/December issue will follow before long and you'll receive it long before Christmas. As much as I don't like to make excuses, I must say there were technical difficulties responsible for the delay (mainly, a faulty motherboard on my computer - which has now been rectified).

I would like to open up this month with an appeal to all members for articles - long or short and on any numismatic subject. Other than for a few of my own and several from the ever hardworking Jerry Remick, the cupboard is bare. Please sit down for a few hours and write something up, even if it's just a letter to the editor, a comment or what have you. I need your help to keep this newsletter going.

Paul Johnson reports that the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course is going well. If you haven't ordered your copy yet, by all means do so. It's a fantastic course and for \$35.00 (CNA members), you surely can't go wrong.

Jerry Remick has authored a new catalog checklist on collecting Canadian type coins. It is reviewed elsewhere, but merits a second mention. You may remember that the checklist was first published in this ONA journal last year and to date, response has been good. Many collectors are beginning to catch the wave and are beginning a collection of type coins - a much cheaper, and dare I say, more interesting method of collecting Canadian coins. Order your copy today from the publisher - The St. Eligius Press.

While I'm on the topic of books, several are reviewed here this month. One of them - Sudbury Numismatics - was authored by your's truly and covers medals, tokens and other numismatic items issued in the Sudbury Region. Why would anyone not living in Sudbury want a copy of this catalog? Well, first off, it offers something for everyone: municipal token collectors, Canadian Centennial collectors, wooden money collectors, medal collectors and lovers of history. Secondly, and I believe most important, it may serve as a guide for other collectors, or perhaps entire clubs, who may be pondering compiling a catalog or list of numismatic issues in their area. I believe it is a worthy project which others should consider starting. Ordering information is contained later in this newsletter.

It was in 1952 that Jim Charlton published his first edition of the "CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN COINS, TOKENS AND FRACTIONAL CURRENCY". Recently, the 50th edition (1996) of "THE STANDARD CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN COINS" was released by the Charlton Press. Although Jim sold the business to Bill Cross back in the early 1970's, his name and numismatic legacy endures. This is another catalog reviewed here, and one you shouldn't be without.

In a recent Ingersoll Coin Club newsletter, Tom Masters wrote the following about club newsletters:

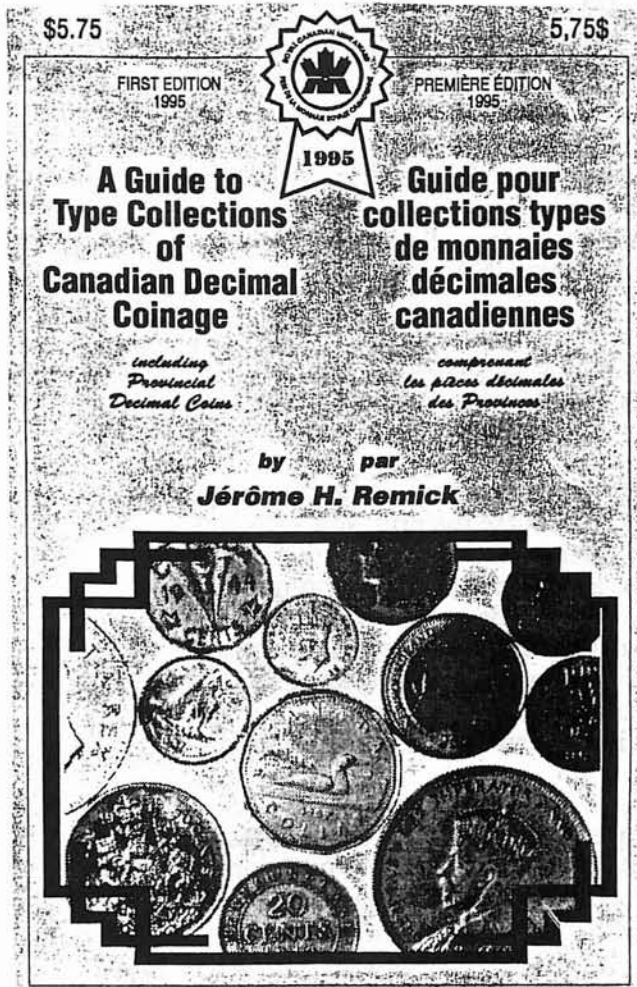
First I believe that the newsletter is the club's most valuable vehicle. It tells the members what to expect at the upcoming meetings, and if an auction is printed in advance, gives members the opportunity to check and see if they need any of the lots being offered.

Some clubs have gone to a bi-monthly newsletter in an effort to save a few dollars, but in most cases, attendance and membership have suffered.

Tom brings up an interesting point, and it's one all clubs should think about!

Until next time.....

NEW CATALOGUE GUIDES TYPE COIN COLLECTORS



A GUIDE TO TYPE COLLECTIONS OF CANADIAN DECIMAL COINAGE

by Jerry Remick is now available for \$7.00 postpaid from the publisher, THE ST. ELIGIUS PRESS INC., P.O. Box 103, Sainte Julie, Quebec, J3E 1X5. Discounts are available to dealers and to coin clubs.

The 36 page bilingual booklet is printed on 5.5" X 8" pages and bound with a stiff card cover.

This is the first check-list available for tracking a type coin collection, and it is certain to change the way many people collect.

For each type coin listed, there is a space provided for the collector to write in the date, condition and price paid for each type coin.

The number of type coins listed in the check-list from 1858 - 1996 is as follows: Canada (142), Newfoundland (20), New Brunswick (5), Nova Scotia (2) and Prince Edward Island (1). So, it is not a large collection and therefore, ideal for beginners of all ages, especially junior collectors.

A type collection gives the collector an overall view of Canadian decimal coins with all major changes in design, metal, shape and size.

Only currency coins that were circulated at face value in Canada and her provinces are listed.

This publication received one of the four 1995 Royal Canadian Mint Youth Awards.

A copy of the check-list has been donated to the ONA library, but it is highly recommended that collectors purchase a copy for themselves.

In the introduction at the beginning of the catalog the author states "Gathering a complete collection of Canadian Decimal coins has become, over the years, an almost unattainable goal to most collectors. One has only to consider the elusive and costly 5 cents and 50 cents 1921 and other coins less expensive but still out of reach of most people, an example of this being the 1948 dollar.

This coupled with the monotony of having only the date change from coin to coin for several years or more, has all but discouraged most collectors to pursue their hobby."

For those of you who are tired of the same old routines - ie: collecting one of every date - why not buy this catalogue and give type collecting a go. It will breath new life into your hobby!

Pictured above is the new type coin check list. To the right is the Royal Canadian Mint Award presented to Jerry Remick for his work in producing this invaluable catalogue.





Initial Reponse to CNA / NESAs Correspondence Course a Success

The CNA / NESAs Numismatic Correspondence Course has been well received by collectors across North America since it was launched at the 1995 CNA Convention in Calgary last July.

About one hundred and fifty collectors have registered for the 12 chapter course and that number continues to grow. Registrants are located in all parts of Canada and many of the states in the U.S.A.

It is now evident that numismatists want educational programs to learn more about their hobby. This self study course allows registrants to review the course material and answer the questions at their own leisure. The course material centers around the coins, tokens, medals and paper money of Canada. It was designed to encourage and promote the collecting and understanding of Canadian numismatic material. The course includes over two hundred pages and was written in an easy-to-read and well organized format by many of the top numismatic experts in Canada. Well known author Robert C. Willey wrote two of the chapters before he passed away and this is his last written work. The development of the course was lead by Project Chairman Paul Johnson and more than forty individuals and organizations worked towards its completion.

Each of the twelve chapters include a series of fifteen questions which will serve to test the participant's knowledge of the text. Registrants are required to answer these questions and submit them to the Course Administrator. Upon the successful completion of the course, a special certificate will be issued.

Another advantage of completing the course is receiving your choice of three numismatic books relating to Canadian numismatics from a list of seven available volumes. Six of the titles were donated by William K. Cross of Charlton Numismatics and one book title was donated by Serge Pelletier. This is included as part of the total cost of the course.

The cost of the course is **\$35.00** for CNA members, **\$45.00** for non CNA members (U.S. mailing addresses should remit in U.S. funds). These funds include the shipping of the 12 chapters and split-D three-ring binder, all applicable taxes, and upon successful completion of the course, the mailing of the Certificate of Completion. The above three books are also included.

A special Library Edition (cerlox bound) is available to both members and non-members at **\$40.00** postpaid (U.S. mailing addresses should remit in U.S. funds). This does not require the completion of the questions following each of the 12 chapters and no Certificate of Completion will be issued. The book should be considered more of a reference edition for your library. It is a valuable reference guide on all phases of Canadian numismatics. A hard copy is available in very limited edition at a total cost of **\$75.00**. Don't be left out... order your copy of the CNA / NESAs Numismatic Correspondence Course today!

Cheques, money orders or bank drafts, made payable to the Canadian Numismatic Association should be sent to P. O. Box 226, Barrie, Ontario L4M 4T2 Canada.

1996 EDITION OF "COINS OF CANADA"

By Jerry Remick

COINS OF CANADA, 14th edition 1996 by J.A. Haxby and the late R.C. Willey, was released late in July 1995 by the publisher, Unitrade Press, 99 Floral Parkway, Toronto, Ontario, M6L 2C4, telephone (416) 242-5900. It is available from dealers in either English or French at \$9.95 with spiral binding and \$8.95 with the usual "perfect" binding. If ordered from the publisher, please add \$2.50 for postage.

The 250 page catalog is printed on 5 X 8 inch pages. The catalog is subdivided into 12 chapters covering Canadian decimal coinages from 1858 to date, collectors' singles and sets, bullion issues, Ottawa Mint gold sovereigns, the issues of the French regime, pre-confederation colonial issues, trade and transportation tokens and banknotes issued by the Dominion of Canada from 1867 to 1935 and the Bank of Canada from 1935 to date. A 3 page glossary of terms at the end of the book and a 17 page introduction provide useful data for the reader.

Short descriptive and historical texts are included with each type coin, token and issue of banknotes.

A pair of photos illustrates both sides of each type coin, token, or banknote. Detailed enlargements show major die varieties.

A brief descriptive grading section from good condition through extra fine condition is given for each major type coin. Mintage figures and valuations in up to 8 grades of preservation (from good through MS-63) are given for most coin dates. Fewer lower grades are valued for the more recent coins.

A unique and very useful feature of this catalog are photos of the various types of portraits used on each denomination of the coinage for Queen Victoria and in the catalogue section an indication of which portrait type appears on each date coin.

The informative historical data on the various coins, tokens and banknotes covered in this catalog provide informative and educational reading, even for the non-collector. So, the catalogue is highly recommended as a gift for both collectors and non-collectors.



NEW CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PAPER MONEY CATALOGUE



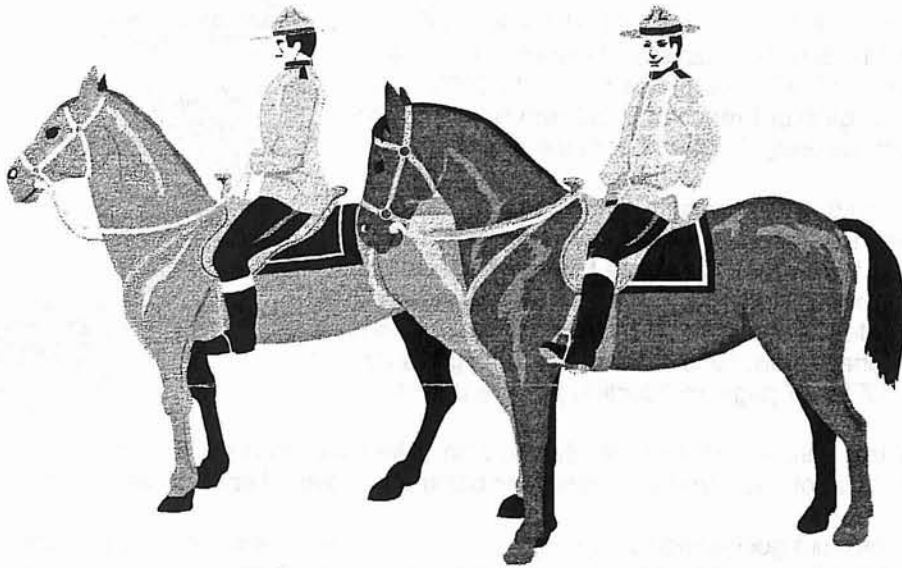
The 8th edition of "THE CHARLTON STANDARD CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PAPER MONEY" is now available at \$19.95 retail. It is also available from the publisher, The Charlton Press, 2010 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont., M4S 1Z9, telephone (416) 488-4653.

The 317 page soft covered book is printed on 5.5" X 8.5" pages and contains 450 photographs. It catalogues all issues of Canadian Government Paper Money, starting with French Colonial Playing Card Money issued from 1685-1757 and continuing through the banknotes currently in circulation. The various chapters catalogue Army Bills, Provincial Issues, Municipal Issues, Province of Canada Issues, Dominion of Canada Issues and Bank of Canada Issues. The final two chapters cover Special Serial Numbers on Notes and Paper Money Errors. An 8 page introduction includes a discussion of grading, a short historical section on Canadian Government Banknotes and Printing Methods.

Banknotes are catalogued in grades from Good or Very Good through Uncirculated condition. Photos of both sides of each type note are presented as well as the following descriptive data for each type note: description of both sides and color, issue date, printer and signature combinations.

CNA CONVENTION REPORT

By Harvey Farrow



Ron Zelk and I left separately on a Monday to attend the CNA convention. The convention started on the Tuesday morning with an all day trip to Banff, Lake Louise and Moraine Lake which is about a 2.5 hour drive from Calgary. We had lunch in Banff and toured the main street of Banff after which we went to Moraine Lake - made famous as the mountain scene on the reverse of the 1969 \$20 bill. After leaving Moraine Lake, we went on to visit Lake

Louise. By this time it was the middle of the afternoon. On the front lawn of the Lake Louise Hotel there was a band of bag-pipers playing music for the people touring the grounds of the hotel. We got back to the hotel in time for supper.

On Wednesday, we went to the Royal Tyrell Museum of Palaeontology in Drumheller. We toured the museum for 3.5 hours after which we had lunch. On the way back to Calgary, we toured what is referred to as the "flatlands" of Alberta and again we got back to Calgary in time for supper.

The official opening for the convention was on Thursday at 10:00 am, which was followed by a 3 hour bus tour of the greater Calgary area including a tour of a chocolate factory. The rest of Thursday was open for you to go through the bourse and exhibits which was all in one room.

Friday morning the club's delegate breakfast meeting was held, with 26 in attendance. A round table discussion was held on how clubs conducted their meetings, retained members, what their program of events were and so forth.

The CPMS luncheon and annual meeting was held at noon and was well attended.

At 5 pm, a large busload of registrants went out to the Olympic Village Park. We toured the ski slopes and the toboggan runs and a museum set up with an Olympic display for permanent viewing. We had our supper in the tea garden restaurant in the museum which gives a wonderful view of the greater Calgary area. The population of this area is 750,000, which is smaller than Toronto, but the area is much larger. We got back to the hotel around 11 pm.

Saturday was the last day that the convention was open to the public. The day started with the annual general meeting of the CNA where the installation of the new executive for the next two years, was held. The CNA Educational forum held after this was followed by the launching of the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course, which had been in the works for the past 3 years under the chairmanship of Paul Johnson. At the end of the launching, he was given a special award from the incoming Vice-President of the ANA - Anthony Swiatek - on behalf of the ANA.

Another first this year was that the Royal Canadian Mint reception was held the evening prior to the annual banquet on Saturday evening. The banquet itself was well attended, as usual, with all having a great time. The highlight was the announcement of the winner of the J. Douglas Ferguson Award for this year, which went to Paul Johnson.

The only event on the Sunday, the day the bourse and exhibits closed, was the annual meeting of the Canadian Wooden Money Collectors.

After a busy 6 days, Ron Zelk and I flew back together from Calgary to Toronto, where we arrived around midnight.

ONTARIO COIN CLUBS

THE NICKEL BELT COIN CLUB



In 1955, four gentlemen conceived of the idea of forming a club for coin collectors in the city of Sudbury - Mr. Harold Jensen, Mr. J.P. Kirwan, Mr. C.F. (Chuck) Martin and Mr. R. Butler. Two or three meetings followed and in 1956 an ad was placed in the Sudbury star by J.P. Kirwan to help publicize the club. Shortly after, the inaugural meeting was held and the Nickel Belt Coin Club was formed.

Two of the men who had responded to the advertisement and joined the club were Mr. R.C. (Bob) Willey and Mr. George Furchner. They helped assist in drawing up the constitution and by-laws for the club.

Chuck Martin was elected the club's first President and Ethel Marciniwe its first Secretary.

Martin was interviewed by the Sudbury Star in 1956 about the aims and progress of the new club, at which time he forecast that perhaps it might grow to have 10 or 12 members. Within a short time, to the surprise of many, club membership had grown to nearly 100.

Originally, the club met twice each month, but since 1965 has been meeting only once per month.

In the beginning, National Coin Week was the big annual promotion for the club with displays shown in various businesses throughout the city. Special guest speakers were called upon to help publicize the event.

As membership increased along with the club's finances, it was decided to hold a coin show - the first of which was in 1967. After that date, shows were held along with the Sudbury Stamp Society.

In 1971, the club hosted the annual convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association, which was held from April 24th to 25th at the President Motor Hotel on Elm Street in Sudbury. This was certainly one of the club's highlights up to this point.

The club's official logo was approved in January of 1990. The design is significant in that it pays tribute to the industries of mining and railway, which first helped spur growth in the area. It was designed by Father Roger Lavoie, with modifications by Jeff Fournier.

In recent years, the club has set up displays at local malls and libraries, visited schools and given talks to children about coin collecting. They also produced a commemorative note in 1992 to mark Canada's 125th anniversary.

The Nickel Belt Coin Club currently meets from 1:00pm to 4:00pm on the 3rd Sunday of every month (except July and August) in room C-11 at Sudbury's Civic Square. Meetings feature a monthly coin auction of 65 lots, guest speakers, displays, discussions, trading and so forth.

The official club newsletter (Nickel Belt Coin Club News) is distributed free to all paid-up members. Membership in the club is \$10.00 per year and offers privileges such as the newsletter, meetings, door prizes, draws and use of the club library. Members can also buy or sell coins in the monthly auctions.

For more information about the Nickel Belt Coin Club, you are encouraged to come out to one of the meetings, or write to: *NBCC, P.O. Box 593, Sudbury, Ont., P3E 4R6.*

1996 ONA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

DRAW PRIZES FOR LOCAL COIN CLUBS

DRAW WILL BE HELD AT THE CLUB DELEGATES MEETING ON APRIL 20 AT THE 1996 ONA CONVENTION, HOLIDAY INN YORKDALE, NORTH YORK, ONTARIO

Prizes can be used by a club any way they choose, for example, door draws at monthly meetings, donation auction to help defray expenses of running club meetings, prizes for the club's annual show or dinner meeting, club library, etc.

- A set of 6 numismatic reference works published by the J. Douglas Ferguson Historical Research Foundation: Canadian Welcome Home Medals 1899-1945, The currency and Medals of Prince Edward Island, Aspects of the Numismatics of North America, Yukon Numismatica, Coins of New Brunswick and the limited edition hardcover Interpam Book (\$196.45 total retail value)
- One of 2 sketches that were entered in 1979 in the coin design contest of the Royal Canadian Mint for the \$100 "Year of the Child" theme by award-winning coin designer Stewart Sherwood (2 separate draws)
- One set of 2 sketches that were entered in 1979 in the coin design contest of the Royal Canadian Mint for the \$100 "Year of the Child" theme by award-winning coin designer Raymond Taylor
- One set of 2 sketches that were entered in 1980 in the coin design contest of the Royal Canadian Mint for the \$1 "Arctic Territories" commemorative nickel coin by award-winning coin designer Raymond Taylor
- A sketch that was entered in 1984 in the coin design contest of the Royal Canadian Mint for the \$1 "Jacques Cartier" commemorative nickel dollar by award-winning coin designer Raymond Taylor
- A sketch of the "Northwest Territories" 25 cent submission entered in the Canada 125 coin design contest to the Royal Canadian Mint by award-winning coin designer David Craig
- A set of 6 different pogs produced by the Royal Canadian Mint for limited distribution at the unveiling of the new \$2 coin design at the Metro Toronto Zoo on September 21, 1995. The obverses show the "polar bear" design of the coin. Five of the reverses feature different background information on the polar bear, while the sixth piece is autographed by highly respected wild-life artist Brent Townsend, designer of the "polar bear" side of the \$2 coin
- One of 3 copies of the highly acclaimed 353-page book "My 2 Cents Worth" by Jack Veffler
- A one-year subscription to a choice of either Canadian Coin News, Canadian Stamp News or Canadian Antique News (the ultimate winner must choose a new subscription to any of these publications, not a renewal)
- One of 4 hard-cover copies of "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of CANADIAN BANK NOTES," 2nd edition, donated by William Cross, Publisher of The Charlton Press (\$75.00 each retail)
- A set of 50 different Canadian trade dollars (including \$2, \$3 and \$5 trade dollars)
- A set of 50 different Canadian wooden nickels donated by the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors
- A 1995 "Oh Canada" set donated by the Royal Canadian Mint

In addition to the above draws, participating coin clubs will receive a set of 5 numismatic publications donated by Charlton Press (\$66.75 retail value) for every 3 new members signed up by December 31, 1995 (renewal memberships are not included in this count for free books, only new applications). There is no limit to the number of sets of books a club can earn.

- The Charlton Standard Catalogue of CANADIAN COLONIAL TOKENS
- The Charlton Standard Catalogue of CANADIAN COMMUNION TOKENS
- The Charlton COLONIAL TOKEN WORKBOOK
- EXPLORING CANADIAN COLONIAL TOKENS
- The Charlton Press reprint of CANADIAN COMMUNION TOKENS by George A. MacLennan

NOTE THAT THE LIST OF PRIZES AND DRAW INFORMATION FOR NEW MEMBERS ARE DETAILED IN THE SPECIAL APPLICATION BROCHURE SENT TO ALL COIN CLUBS



Ontario Numismatic Association

John Regitko - Club Services Chairman
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October 6, 1995

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF LOCAL COIN CLUBS

SUBJECT: ONA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE THROUGH LOCAL COIN CLUBS

The ONA is initiating an aggressive campaign to obtain new members *through and with the help of local coin clubs*. To this end, we are appealing to you to pass out the enclosed brochure to any member of your club that is not now a member of the ONA.

During this special membership drive, we are giving away hundreds of numismatic catalogues as an incentive for new members to join. Your club will also be generously rewarded with sets of numismatic books for participating. In addition, two special draws will take place: one group of prizes for new members, the second for clubs, again as a reward for its participation in this ONA membership drive. Although full details appear in the enclosed brochure, we wish to draw your attention to the following:

- **NEW MEMBERS:** Any new member that signs up for membership in the ONA for 1996 between now and the end of December of 1995, will receive a set of 5 numismatic publications donated by The Charlton Press (\$66.75 retail value). Further, we will place the names of all new members in a draw for a number of prizes as detailed in the membership application brochure. Since a number of the prizes are one-of-a-kind numismatic items created by well-known coin designers, it is virtually impossible to put a realistic value on them. So as not to ignore current members of the ONA, note that any renewals received prior to December 31 will also be eligible to participate in the draw for these valuable prizes. If the quantity of New Membership Application Form enclosed is not sufficient for your club, please make photocopies or simply ask new applicants to write the required information on plain sheets of paper.
- **COIN CLUBS:** Every local coin club that is designated as the new member's "home club" on the application form will receive a set of numismatic books (\$66.75 retail value) *for every 3 new members signed up* during this membership drive. In addition, your club name will also be entered in a special draw for a number of worthwhile prizes (again, we hesitate to place a value on these one-of-a-kind numismatic sketches). Note that the more new members your club signs up, the more sets of books you receive and the more chances your club has of winning draw prizes. The prizes in this special "participating club" draw are detailed on the next page.

Note that the books for new members and for your club, along with the draw prizes won by any of your members, will be sent to you in time for handing out at your January or February meeting. The club prize draws will be held at the ONA Club Delegates Meeting at the 1996 ONA Convention.

I encourage every member of your club to review the prizes spelled out in the application brochure to appreciate what they will receive for the \$10 membership fee. In view of the valuable prizes being given away to clubs who sign up new members, it is also to your club's advantage to encourage its members to join the ONA at this time.

A sizable amount of money received from this membership drive will be allocated to the budget for production of new audio visuals, as well as for expenses incurred for a major overhaul of the speakers circuit. Therefore, your club's involvement in this membership drive will ultimately benefit the club and its members!

I look forward to your participation!

Numismatically yours,

John Regitko,
Club Services Chairman

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ATTACHMENTS:

List of Prizes in Club Participation Draw

NEW ISSUES

By Jerry Remick

1995 MANITOULIN ISLAND TOKEN ISSUED



The Providence Bay Fair, which has been in existence since 1884, is commemorated on the obverse side of the 1995 Manitoulin \$2.00 municipal token, administered by the Little Current Lions Club, Little Current, Manitoulin Island, Ontario.

The Municipal token is valid for use at participating merchants on all of Manitoulin Island, the world's largest freshwater island.

A small stone building with a bell on top is pictured in the center of the obverse side with the following fair objects around it: the head of a horse, a quill, a jam jar and the head of a cow. The Lions

International logo is at the right side of the building. A cluster of three hawberries and two haw leaves is at the left side of the building. ESTABLISHED 1884 and below that 1995 are inscribed below the building. EXPIRES NOV. 30, 1995 is above the building.

HAWEATER TWO DOLLAR/PROVIDENCE BAY FAIR is inscribed around the outer part.

An outline of Manitoulin Island is shown on the reverse side. A deer is pictured above. Shown below the island is a fisherman in a small motor launch, who has hooked a large fish on his line that has just jumped out of the water with the bait attached to the fish and line still in his mouth. GOOD ON

MANITOULIN FOR \$2 / WORLD'S LARGEST FRESH WATER ISLAND is inscribed around the outer part.

Two Canadian companies struck the token, each in a different diameter and in different metals.

Sherritt Inc., Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, struck 5000 tokens on 33 millimeter milled edge blanks in nickel bonded steel.

Pressed Metal Products, 500 Alexander Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6A 1C8, using the same pair of dies as used by Sherritt Inc., struck the following mintages on 32 millimeter plain edged blanks: 1150 specimens on gold plated brass blanks with a proof-like finish and 1150 specimens on antiqued copper blanks.

The token is available as follows: NBS (\$2.00), gold plated brass (\$7.00) and copper



plated (\$6.00) plus \$1.50 postage for each three tokens from Mr. Rolly Racicot, P.O. Box 623, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0, telephone (705) 368-2830. A list of back issues for sale is free on request.

This is the 27th consecutive annual issue of municipal tokens issued by the Little Current Lions Club. Manitoulin Island and Nanaimo, B.C. are tied for having the longest continual series of municipal tokens without missing a year. Both issued their first token in 1969. However, Manitoulin issued a medal in 1968. To the best of my knowledge, this is only the 2nd time two different companies have struck the same year's municipal token for the same municipality. In 1984, the Alberta Mint of Edmonton, Alberta and Pressed Metal Products, each using their own dies, struck part of the 1984 issue for Wildwood, Alberta. Jesuit Missionaries visited Manitoulin Island in 1648-1650. Various other missions were established for the native Indians over the years, and in

1838, the entire island was made a reserve. In the early 1860's, by treaty, the island was purchased from the natives, except for 105,000 acres at its eastern end. This is now known as the Wikwemikong Unceded Reserve.

In 1863, provincial land surveyors began laying out the township boundaries and the island was opened to non-native settlers. These determined pioneers faced many hardships in the early years on their stony island. The areas settled were usually the higher, dry land which required much labour to clear.

The hawthorn, a small deciduous shrub, armed with long sharp thorns, grows in abundance in the stony open areas. In the autumn, it produces clusters of bright red edible berries. It is said that these early settlers supplemented their diet with these hawberries, which make a lovely red jelly having a distinctively delicious flavor. Visitors to the island in those early days referred to these hospitable homesteaders as the "Hawpeople" or "Haw-eaters" and thus the inscription on the 1995 token of HAWEATER TWO DOLLAR. Today, "Haweaters" or "Hawpeople" is an affectionate term given to those born on Manitoulin. The peaceful beauty of Manitoulin Island annually draws a great many vacationers, hunters, fisherman and yachtsmen to its extensive scenic shoreline and some 100 inland lakes. The island is internationally known for its deer hunting.



STURGEON FALLS TOKEN ISSUED



The Sturgeon Falls Centennial Committee 1995 of Sturgeon Falls, Ontario, has issued a 1995 \$2.00 municipal trade token to mark the centennial year of their town. Sturgeon Falls is situated in Northeastern Ontario, about 1 hour southeast of Sudbury and 20 minutes west of North Bay. It sits atop the very large Lake Nipissing. The processing of caviar (Sturgeon roe) may be seen at the town's Lake Nipissing Caviar Plant. A view of Sturgeon Falls, as it looked in 1885 when the first settlers arrived, is pictured in the center on the obverse side. VALUE 2.00\$ EXPIRES / DATE D'ECHANCE 95-12-31 \$2.00 VALUEUR is inscribed in small letters below the central picture. Just about all inscriptions are in English and in French. TOWN OF VILLE DE / STURGEON FALLS is around the outer part. The town's logo is depicted in the center on the reverse side.

It shows the Sturgeon falls with a bridge above, a sturgeon above the bridge and above that SANS FAUTE (without fault)/. TOWN OF VILLE DE/ STURGEON FALLS is around the logo scene. CENTENNIAL 100 CENTENAIRE / 1895 - 1995 is around the outer part. Sherritt Inc., Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, struck 10,000 specimens on 33 millimeter nickel bonded steel blanks. This metal will be used for the Canadian 5 cent through 50 cent coins in 1996. The token is available at \$2.50 postpaid from Sturgeon Falls Centennial Committee 1995, P.O. Box 270, Sturgeon Falls, Ontario, P0H 2G0, telephone (705) 753-0990.

NORSEMAN FLOAT PLANE 60TH ANNIVERSARY MEDALS



Two 33 millimeter medals, each with a common obverse design and a different reverse design, have just been issued by the Red Lake and Golden

Economic Development Corporation of Red Lake, Ontario to mark the 60th anniversary this year of the production of the first Norsemen float plane by R.B.C. Noorduyn in 1935. One medal is in nickel bonded steel and the other medal is in pure silver. The Norseman, first produced in 1935, was the first aircraft both designed and built in Canada to meet the demands of flying in Canada's harsh and remote north. It was the plane that opened up Canada's north. This plane made Red Lake a bush plane center and made Red Lake what it is today. In 1937, over 100 landings and take-offs daily of Norsemen planes from Red Lake's Harvey Bay made it known as the world's busiest airport for that year. A few Norsemen are still in operation today, but the plane is no longer manufactured. The common obverse design features the logo of Noorduyn Aviation Limited, the manufacturer of the Norsemen float plane. It shows a profile portrait of the god Mercury with metal helmet and bird's wings on either side. A sword is below. A buckled belt surrounds the logo with the

inscription NOORDUYN AVIATION LIMITED. NORSEMAN is inscribed just below the belt. RED LAKE ONTARIO CANADA NORSEMAN CAPITAL OF THE WORLD / DIAMOND 1935 - 1995 JUBILEE is around the outer part. The reverse side of the nickel bonded steel medal show a restored Norseman CF-DRD mounted on a wishbone pedestal in Red Lake's Norseman Heritage Park. The plane's last flight was June 28, 1992. Trees fill in the background. NORSEMAN FESTIVAL / JULY 14-16, 1995 is around the outer part. 5,000 33 millimeter nickel bonded steel specimens have been struck. Up to 2,000 more specimens will be struck if required. The medal comes in a red cardboard with gold drawing on the cover. The reverse side of the pure silver specimen shows a graphic design of Norseman CF-AZS in flight - the first Norseman to fly in Red Lake. RED LAKE'S FIRST NORSEMAN CF-AZS DBR: JUNE 16, 1937 / STARRATT AIRWAYS & TRANSPORTATION LIMITED" is around the outer part. A final

mintage of 500 specimens in proof condition in pure silver have been struck on 33 millimeter blanks. The pure silver medal, accompanied by an NBS specimen is housed in a hand-crafted wooden case with a cast pewter crest on the cover, bearing a branded number of the medal on the bottom. The pewter cover insert contains a certificated .015 carat full cut round 58 facet diamond insert in the design as symbolic of the Diamond Jubilee Anniversary. Sherritt Inc., struck the medals. Specimens are available at the following prices including postage and 7% GST: NBS (\$10.70) and a boxed set of a pure silver specimen and an NBS specimen (\$229). Orders should be sent to the Red Lake and Golden Economic Development Corporation, P.O. Box 131, Red Lake, Ontario, PVO 2M0, telephone (807) 727-2809. Profits from the sale of the medal will go to maintaining Red Lake's Norseman Heritage Park and other projects connected with the Norseman. Red Lake's annual Norseman Float Plane Festival took place on July 14-16, 1995.

CASH BONUS COUPONS ISSUED BY TIMMINS MERCHANTS

Earlier this year, a series of six denominations of undated cash bonus coupons were given by downtown Timmins, Ontario merchants to their customers as cash bonus coupons in a manner similar to the Canadian Tire Corporation gives their cash bonus coupons. The coupons can be spent on a subsequent visit to a participating merchant for goods, but are not valid for cash.

The six denominations are 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents, \$1.00 and \$5.00. The notes are printed on ordinary white bond paper, 5 and 5/16 inches long and 2 and 5/8 inches wide. They are undated, without expiry date and are without serial number, security features or signatures.

The text, except for the denomination in numerals, is printed in black on each denomination. The denomination in numerals and on both sides and decorative features are printed in a single color, a different color for each denomination.

A different bank with an office in Timmins has an advertisement which covers the entire reverse side of the various denominations, the name of the bank being printed in color. Banks are represented as follows: Hong Kong Bank of Canada (5 cent note), Bank of Montreal (50 cent note), Canada Trust (\$1.00 note) and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (\$5.00 note).

Specimens of any or all denominations of notes are available at face value plus \$2.00 for handling and postage from Bill Boychuck, One Boychuk Drive, Timmins, Ontario, P4N 7C2, telephone (705) 264-4634. Bill thought up the idea for the notes and promoted it to completion.

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THE GREAT CANADIAN COIN KIT

A fun, educational and interactive coin kit for kids will be released on November 20th, 1995 by the Royal Canadian Mint. The kit contains a collector's manual that explains how to begin a collection, how to care for coins, and is full of interesting facts and trivia. Also included in the coin kit are two coin albums, a magnifying glass, a coupon for a free 1995 fifty-cent piece and a Royal Canadian Mint medallion. The kit retails for \$24.95. For more information, contact the RCM at 1-800-267-1871.





CLUB NEWS

CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB



At the June meeting, a delicious pot luck supper was held, complete with a birthday cake to celebrate the club's thirty-third birthday. Lloyd Young showed a video on the building of a covered bridge at Guelph, Ontario. To save money, the club did not issue an October bulletin. Attendance at the meeting in October was 14. Plans were made for the banquet and Christmas party.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB

The June meeting featured a slide presentation produced by Tom Masters featuring "Ladies on Coins & Medals". These slides featured Queens Anne, Victoria, Elizabeth, Juliana, Wilhelmina, Maria Theresa, and many other notable ladies who have adorned the coins of the world. An auction concluded the meeting.

Attendance at the September meeting was very poor. 65% of the auction went to mail bids. Two bourse dealers were in attendance. The feature for the evening was a talk on horses on coins. President Masters stated that one could build a topical display of horses on coins for a very reasonable amount. A successful auction completed the evening.



LAKESHORE COIN CLUB

The club's annual banquet was held in Pierrefonds, Quebec in May. Bob James was the guest speaker.

The September meeting was held at the Y.M.C.A. in Pointe-Claire while construction was being done at Stewart Hall. The club's 35th anniversary was discussed. An open forum for discussions was held and Mick Carter brought in a nice display on brokerage coins.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



The club's 535th meeting was held on August 1. Ted Leitch, Bill Clarke and Ross Blakey each showed a number of slides featuring various coins. James Finch gave an outline on contemporary French coins found in circulation during his trip to Europe.

At the September 5th meeting, Jeff Wenn presented a paper on "The Currency of the Bahamas". The talk was accompanied by a display of banknotes of the Bahamas which included at least one note from each series issued from the reign of George VI to the present day.

MISSISSAUGA COIN CLUB

The club held their elections at the June 6th meeting, and all positions were filled by acclamation except for editor. Vince Chiappino was elected for this position.

Errors and Varieties were discussed with most members taking an active part. A small auction of donated items was also held.

NICKEL BELT COIN CLUB



There was a very poor showing at the September meeting, with only 9 people in attendance. The auction while offering some quality material, saw little bidding. Without doubt the most poorly attended meeting the club had in several years.

The October meeting saw the attendance jump to 15, which was better than September, but still not as good as usual. However, the auction was top-rate and most lots sold.

Jeff Fournier had a display of Sudbury Numismatics which was well received. He also launched his new book entitled "Sudbury Numismatics".

A copy of the new CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course was available for viewing and order forms were handed out. Jeff gave a brief presentation on the subject.

NORTH YORK COIN CLUB

The 398th meeting of the North York Coin Club was held on Wednesday, August 23, 1995 with 29 members present. It was noted that club member, Paul Johnson had been awarded the J. Douglas Ferguson Award at the CNA convention. It was also noted that the North York Chamber of Commerce would be issuing a \$2 trade token valid from Sept. 1995 through Jan. 1996. Paul Johnson then introduced the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence course and called on fellow committee members to provide background on material they had written.

19 members attended the September 26th meeting. Paul Johnson announced that since the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence course was released two months ago, over 125 people have registered. He also reported that an invitation has been received from the ANA to teach the course over a one week period during the summer of 1996 at their headquarters in Colorado Springs.

Rick Craig presented an outstanding paper which summarized the adventure, history and satisfaction in collecting the Canadian Colonial Token series and he passed around a few examples from his collection.



OSHAWA & DISTRICT COIN CLUB

33 members and guest were at the June 11th meeting. A donation and regular auction were held as well as a door prize.

At the Sept 10th meeting, 37 members were in attendance. A donation auction and regular auction were held as well as an attendance draw and door prize.

SCARBOROUGH COIN CLUB

Terry Campbell gave a talk at the June meeting on photographing coins and a donation auction was held.

Paul Johnson was present at the September meeting to give more information on the new CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence course.

Del Murchison gave an interesting talk at the October meeting about Iranian coins. He brought 3 display cases with a variety of coins that gave some background information about each coin. An election chairperson was also appointed at the October meeting and elections are scheduled to be

held in December. A coin display was held at the Cederbrae mall on October 28 to coincide with Coin Week Canada which ran from October 22 to 28th.

STRATFORD COIN CLUB

The September newsletter noted the passing of one of the Stratford Coin Club's hard working members - Terry Roit. Terry departed on June 14th and members of the Stratford Club new her well as a consistent contributor to their newsletter. The newsletter also noted that editor Ken Wilmot would be giving up the position of editor as of December 31, 1995. As yet a replacement hasn't been found.

Another member of the Stratford club - Neil Stone - passed away on Sept. 22. He was a long-time member and contributed many times at the club's annual coin show.

The Stratford Coin Club executive decided the club would subsidize any member wishing to avail themselves of the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course. It was discussed and adopted that the club would reimburse \$15.00 to any member taking the course.

The September meeting had an excellent showing with 40 members and guests in attendance. The auction action was heavy.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY

The August meeting, held at the Rink in the Park, focused on Chinese money, spanning many centuries. Len Trakalow and Jack Van Norman were responsible for the evening.

At the September meeting, Brian and Scott Cornwell from the International Coin Certification Service, gave an A-1 presentation. They talked about how the "professionals" grade coins.

In an effort to encourage both new members and renewals, the Waterloo Coin Society is offering two new membership deals. First, for families in which more than one person is involved in coin collecting, a family membership is offered for only \$11 (one newsletter only). The second membership enticement: anyone who pays for 1996 dues before Dec. 30th, 1995 will have his or her name entered in a draw to win a two-year subscription to Canadian Coin News.

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NOVEMBER 4TH 1995, DECEMBER 2ND 1995 AND JANUARY 6TH 1996 - MISSISSAUGA STAMP & COIN FAIR

At the Ramada Hotel (Downstairs) Malta Room, 2501 Argenta Rd. Corner of Derry Rd & Argenta Rd.

NOVEMBER 11TH, 1995 - SCARBOROUGH STAMP AND COIN FAIR

At the Holiday Inn Express 50 Estate Drive

NOVEMBER 12TH, 1995 - WINDSOR COIN CLUB COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW

At the Cabot Club, Tecumseh & Parent Streets, Windsor, Ontario. \$1 admission, free parking. From 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 18TH, 1995 - WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY COIN SHOW

Rink In The Park, Seagram Drive, Waterloo, Ont. Free admission and parking. From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For info: Don Robb (519) 888-9655 or write Box 22062, Westmount P.O., Waterloo, Ont., N2L 6J7.

NOVEMBER 19TH, 1995 - GARDEN CITY COLLECTABLE SHOW

At the C.A.W. hall, 124 Bunting Rd., St. Catherines

NOVEMBER 25, 1995 - N.I.C.F. COIN-A-RAMA

At our Lady of Peace Hall, 7021 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, Ont. Free admission. For info: 7581 Dorchester, Niagara Falls, Ont., L2G 7G4 (905)356-5006.

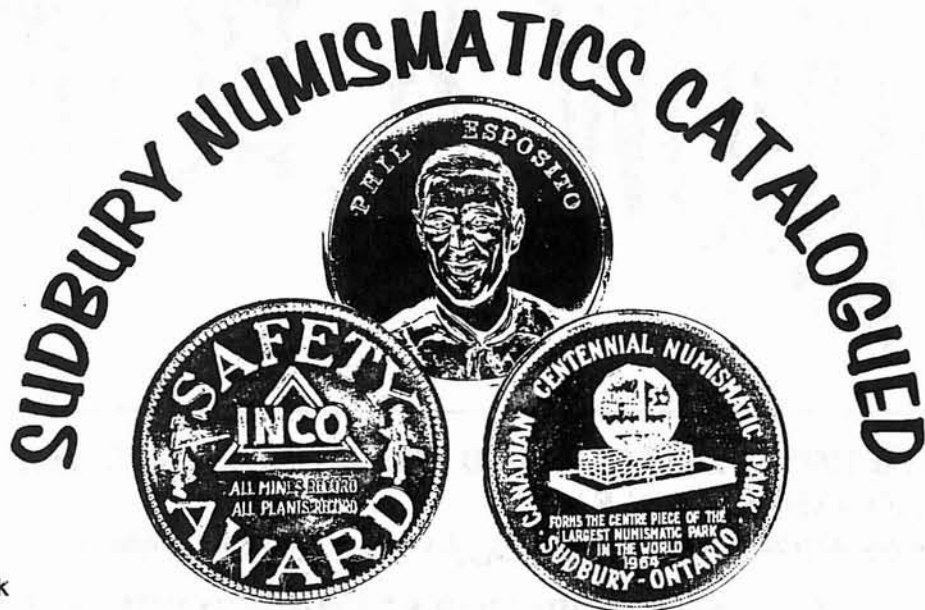
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At Our Lady of Peace Hall, 7021 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls.

2ND SUNDAY @ MONTH - OTTAWA COIN, STAMP DEALERS' ASSOC. SHOW

Nepean Sportsplex, Woodsroffe Ave., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Info? Allen Davis, P.O. Box 397, Carp, Ont., D0A 1L0.

**Send info. regarding shows, displays, special club events etc... to: O.N.A. Editor, P.O.
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By Jerry Remick

"SUDBURY NUMISMATICS" by Jeff Fournier was released in October 1995 at \$9.95 retail. It is available by mail for an additional \$2.50 (U.S. residents should pay postage in U.S. funds) from *Jeff Fournier, P.O. box 2111 Stn. "A", Sudbury, Ont., P3A 4R8*. A complimentary Sudbury medal or token, with an approximate market value of \$3.00, will be sent with each catalogue ordered.



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The publication covers all known tokens, medals, scrip, woods and Masonic pennies issued in the Regional Municipality of Sudbury; an area with a population of over 160,000 that includes the towns of Capreol, Nickel Center, Onaping Falls, Rayside-Balfour, Valley East, Walden and the City of Sudbury.

Over 100 different pieces are catalogued; 200 if all varieties are included.

The pieces are listed either one or in some cases two per page in a spacious layout. The following data is presented for each piece: historical background, description of both sides, composition, diameter, mintage and actual size photos of both sides.

Included in the catalogue is the complete story of the world famous "Big Nickel" monument; Sudbury's "religious medals"; Inco safety and Royal Visit medals; the demonic "Mond Nickel" medal; the controversial "World Famous Hockey Stars" medal series featuring Bobby Orr, Phil

Esposito, and Eddy Shack; milk tokens; gaming tokens; transportation tokens; municipal tokens; wooden nickels; Masonic pennies and scrip. Many of the items have never been catalogued before. Of particular interest are new municipal token varieties and some fairly recent Centennial medal discoveries.

The author spent over 10 years researching the pieces appearing in the catalogue. He would like to see collectors, or perhaps coin clubs as a whole, embarking on a similar project to catalogue numismatic items issued in their area. This catalogue on **"SUDBURY NUMISMATICS"** could serve as a model for other catalogues of similar material.