



Champlain Coin Club Bulletin

Serving collectors in Orillia and surrounding area since 1962

MONTHLY MEETINGS 1st Thursday 7:30 P.M. (except July and August)

St. David Anglican-Lutheran Church Basement

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THE BULLETIN FOR DECEMBER 2019

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Seasons Greetings fellow members and recipients of this bulletin.

It's hard to believe December is already here although the recent stormy weather sure tells us winter is upon us.

In November we held our 52nd annual Ham and Turkey Banquet which was enjoyed by all who attended. We all had a great evening of food, conversation and the annual long arm draw. Thanks to all who helped make this a memorable evening.

For our January 2nd meeting there will be a coin grading workshop held by Murray Smith and Bill Beattie. This will be an educational meeting for those wanting to understand more about the process.

Grading is one of the key factors in determining a coin's value. A grade is generally determined by these five criteria: strike, luster, color, preservation and attractiveness.

Our next meeting will include a visit from Santa and a gift exchange. Don't forget to bring your \$5 gift for the gift exchange!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting on Thursday December 5th.

Our Next Meeting
Thursday, Dec 5th @7:00pm
Meeting starts @ 7:30pm

For our December meeting Rob Durrant will present on his collecting experiences from his recent trip to Malaysia.

Reminders

There will be a five dollar gift exchange with Santa. Please remember to bring your gift item for the exchange.



Hopefully we will have a visit from Santa too!

Please bring along your recent finds or special treasures to share with us during the show and tell!

Bring good, friendly conversation, ideas and Christmas cheer!

Note: Thursday, Dec 5th is our final meeting of 2019 and the next meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan 2nd, 2020.

News of the November 2019 Banquet

By Doug McGarvey



Instead of a regular meeting we feasted and celebrated our 52nd annual Ham and Turkey Banquet. It was a full house as we had fifty-two diners and had the best prize table this writer had seen in twenty years of attending.

President Bob Durrant welcomed the diners and had a moment of silence for Harry Booth.

Thanks to Donna-Jean Jeffries for again graciously conducted the grace. At the end of dinner, the Kitchen Krew was presented a cheque for money raised by the club during the April Scout night and the tip collection.

There was a special draw for a fifty-dollar prize donated by Harry Booth. We sold almost one hundred dollars in tickets. Bill Robertson's lucky streak from the October meeting continued as he won the fifty-dollar prize.

The door prizes draw included with the dinner ticket were won by guest Cathy Walsh and member June Carpino.

The highlight of the event was of course the long arm draw and I wish I had taken pictures of the table. It was all over by eight and a good time was had by all.

Merry Christmas from all of us at the Champlain Coin Club



Long-time coin dealer, grader Bob Armstrong dies at 84

Excerpt from Canadian Coin News → <https://canadiancoinnews.com/long-time-coin-dealer-grader-bob-armstrong-dies-at-84-2/>

Remembered as a legend of Canadian numismatics and with many decades of service as a trusted coin dealer, Bob Armstrong, of Owen Sound, Ont., died on Nov. 8 at the age of 84. Armstrong is survived by his wife of 62 years Joyce Armstrong as well as two daughters, one son, eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.



Image: www.rcna.ca

Numismatic Trivia – Historical Examination of Canadian Coinage

(Answers at bottom. Don't cheat!) Taken from funtrivia.com

If you would like a full explanation of the answers contact ChamplainCoinClub@gmail.com or see Rob at the meeting.

1. On Canadian coinage, the portraits of Kings always face to the left and the portraits of Queens always face to the right.

- a) True
- b) False

2. In what year did the Dominion of Canada stop making five cent coins from silver?

- a) They were never made of silver.
- b) 1937
- c) 1922
- d) 1927

3. During WWII Canadian five cent coins bore a message written in Morse or International code. What was this message?

- a) Support the war effort.
- b) There was never any such thing.
- c) Victory through labor.
- d) We win when we work willingly.

4. The Canadian five cent coin has always been round in shape.

- a) True
- b) False

5. Who was the original designer of the familiar beaver design on Canadian five cent coins?

- a) G.E. Kruger-Gray
- b) Thomas Shingles
- c) T.H. Paget
- d) W.H.J. Blakemore

6. What was notable about the \$20 coin issued by the Canadian Government to commemorate the Canadian Centennial in 1967?

- a) It was made of 95% gold.
- b) The 'heads' & 'tails' are upside down with respect to one another.
- c) It bore a portrait of Canada's first prime minister rather than the British monarch.
- d) It did not bear the dates 1867-1967 like the rest of the series.

7. By what 'popular' name (used by the general public), was the 1958 issue of the Canadian one dollar coin known?

- a) None of these.
- b) Silver dollars.
- c) Death dollars.
- d) Indian dollars.

8. Which of the following is not a commonly accepted variety of Canadian five cent coins?

- a) 1953 Shoulder Fold
- b) 1957 Bug Tail
- c) 1947 Dot
- d) 1998 Weeping Queen

9. Which of the following pairings of coin denominations and reverse (tails) designs for the 1967 issue of Canadian coins commemorating the Canadian Centennial is correct?

- a) 5 - rabbit, 25 - fish, 50 - bobcat, 1.00 - wolf
- b) 5 - rabbit, 25 - bobcat, 50 - wolf, 1.00 - goose
- c) 5 - dove, 25 - bobcat, 50 - wolf, 1.00 - goose
- d) 5 - fish, 25 - bobcat, 50 - caribou, 1.00 - goose

10. During WWII nickel was a strategic metal used in the war effort. This caused the Canadian government to suspend the use of nickel in coinage. Did the same thing occur during the Korean War?

- a) Yes
- b) No



Answers: 1) False 2) 1922 3) We win when we work willingly 4) False 5) G.E. Kruger-Gray 6) It did not bear the dates 1867-1967 like the rest of the series 7) Death dollars 8) 1998 Weeping Queen 9) 5 - rabbit, 25 - bobcat, 50 - wolf, 1.00 - goose 10) Yes

COMING EVENTS FOR WINTER 2019 / 2020

Dec. 1, Brampton,

Rotary Club of Brampton Coin & Trading Card Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is \$4, under 14 free and free parking.

Buy, sell, trade and appraise at more than 40 tables of dealers, including a children's table. Funds raised for children's charities.

For more information contact Willard Burton, email willardb@bell.net, telephone 416-254-6569.

Dec. 10, Toronto,

Once again this year the Toronto Coin Club is joining the Etobicoke-Mississauga Coin and Collectibles Club and the **North York Coin Club in cohosting a club Christmas festive dinner** at Tucker's Marketplace 15 Carlson Court, Etobicoke ON M9W 6A2.

The price is \$35 (includes tips and taxes) per person for the Tucker buffet.

We start gathering at 6:00 p.m. for buffet dinner at 7:00 p.m. Following the dinner, festivities will continue with the usual free draw prizes, optional gift exchange (\$10 gift items marked as "male" or "female", please) and 50-50 draw.

Guests and members of other area coin clubs are welcome to join us by contacting William O'Brien at 416-897-6684.

Jan. 25 – 26, Hamilton,

CAND Annual Convention & Coin Show, Sheraton Hamilton Hotel, 116 King St. W.

Hours: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25; 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26.

Admission on Saturday is \$4 for adults, \$2 for seniors and free for young collectors under the age of 12. Admission on Sunday is free.

The annual show and convention of the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (CAND) returns to the Sheraton in Hamilton. This popular show, which kicks off the Canadian coin show season each year, features dealers from across Canada. Jeffrey Hoare Auctions will also host a numismatic and military sale in conjunction with the show.

For more information contact Tom Kennedy, email cand@bellaliant.net, telephone 519-271-8825. Website: <http://cand.org>

Feb. 2, Paris,

Paris Coin Show, Paris Fairgrounds, 139 Silver St.

Hours 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$4 Admission and includes draw tick for a Gold Coin. Canada's Best 1 day Coin and Collectables show. Over 50 tables of coins, paper money, tokens, military & more. Buy, Sell & Appraise at the show with professional Coin & Banknote Dealers. Hot & cold food and drinks are available at the show.

For more information, email pariscoinshow@gmail.com, telephone 647-403-7334. Website: <http://pariscoinshow.com>

Feb. 16, Oshawa,

Coin-A-Rama, Jubilee Pavilion, 55 Lakeview Park Ave.

Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Free admission, free dealer and membership draws, new hourly public draws. Featuring paper, coins, tokens, medals, books and supplies and many other items. There will also be a "mini-auction" at 2 p.m. Free parking and food available.

For more information contact Sharon MacLean, email papman@bell.net, telephone 905-728-1352. Website: <http://www.oshawacoinclub.com>

Feb. 22 – 23, Toronto,

Winter 2020 Torex, Hyatt Regency on King, 370 King St. W.

Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Admission \$7. Under 16 Free!

Numismatic excellence since 1962, featuring Canada's finest dealers in Canadian, ancient, and foreign coins, paper money, coin and paper money supplies and reference books. Official auctioneer is The Canadian Numismatic Company. Auction viewing begins on Friday.

For more information contact Brian Smith, email brian@torex.net, telephone 416-7055348. Website: <http://www.torex.net>

Mar. 8, Mississauga,

Mississauga Coin & Stamp Show, John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission: \$5 at door (youth under 16 years of age free). Fully accessible with free parking. Over 30 dealers & 60 dealer tables. Canadian and world coins, stamps, paper money, tokens, medals, trade dollars, official Mint products, hobby supplies, reference books and much more. Buy, sell, trade, appraise.

For more information contact Les Plonka, email leszkep@rogers.com, telephone 416-505-7999. Website: <http://www.troyakclub.com>

Mar. 21, Cambridge,

29th Annual Cambridge Coin Show, Cambridge Newfoundland Club, 1500 Dunbar Rd.

Hours: Sat. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free admission!

Voluntary cash donations will be gladly accepted at the door in support the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank. Fully accessible with free parking and a convenient lunch counter. A significant portion of the show proceeds will be donated to the CSHFB and RCNA to benefit the local community and help promote numismatics. Buy, sell, trade and have your collection or inheritance evaluated at over 50 qualified dealer tables with coins, paper money, tokens, medals, trade dollars, official RCM products, hobby supplies, reference books and more.

For more information contact Brent Mackie, email coinshow@waterloocoinssociety.com Website: <http://www.waterloocoinssociety.com/events.php>