

**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 133 James Street, Orillia, Ontario

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# **THE BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 2020**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bob Durrant



Good day fellow collectors and members!

As we enter another COVID-19 wave, we have to consider our habits and realize that this wave could be

much worse than the first. So take care out there and stay safe! There hasn't been too much happening in the coin collecting market as everything has been kept to a minimum. Since our last meeting, our vice president Rob Morrison is stepping down from his position as he has moved back to the Hamilton area. We are looking for 2 positions to be filled, the vice president and some one to look after membership. Any nominees wanting to be involved with an executive position to help the club move forward, please inform any executive member and we will put your name on the list. We have two nominees so far that have shown interest, Murry Smith and Chris Liantzakis. We will be voting for the positions at the December coin meeting so as to give time for any new nominees to come forward. Hope everyone is well!

#### November 5<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting –on ZOOM

Our November meeting will not be held in person. We will be using video conferencing by Zoom.

Zoom details will be sent to members via email. Zoom can be used on personal computers as well as mobile devices. If you are unable to join by Zoom you can call in via telephone.

Meeting line will open at 6:30 pm and begin promptly at 7:00 pm Thanks to the <u>Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA)</u> for inviting its member clubs to use its annual Zoom subscription – for free – through June 2021.

## **Our Next Meeting**

Auctioneer

Greeter

November 5<sup>th</sup> – Zoom Meeting



The Nov 5<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held online using Zoom meetings.

### We Need Your Input!

We are looking for articles for our newsletter. If you have a numismatic or philatelic story or event you would like to share, please email us!

Remember social (physical) distancing does not mean isolation.

Stay in touch with your club!

Email <u>champlaincoinclub@gmail.com</u>

Check out our website www.champlaincoinclub.com

### News of the September 2020 Meeting



By Doug McGarveyAttendance: 7Guests: 150/50 Draw: \$0.00Draw tickets: \$0.00Auction: \$0.00Membership dues: \$0.00

The October 2020 meeting was our first virtual meeting online with everyone safe at their homes. We had 7 members participating online.

President Bob Durrant introduced our first Zoom meeting saying that we might be doing this for a while. He also mentioned that the Montessori School has taken over all of St. David's basement and we likely won't be going back there. Doug McGarvey volunteered to contact St. Mark's church in north Orillia to see if we can use their basement for meetings once the pandemic is over.

Bob Durrant motioned that membership fees be waived for returning members until we have a meeting place again as there is no charge from the RCNA for using Zoom. There will be no banquet next month because of Covid-19. Bill Beattie asked about the possibility of getting a meeting room at the new rec centre but Bb says no one has responded to his latest query and feels the rooms may well be closed.

Doug McGarvey read the minutes of the September 2020 meeting and moved the minutes be adopted as read. Carried by Rob Durrant and Bill Beattie. Birthdays for October included Rob Durrant, Cindy Sherman and Brian Tucker.

Doug also mentioned that he would like to pay the ONA insurance before the 1st of November to secure the cheaper rate and mentioned that we are covered no matter where we meet. If we renew before the deadline, we will save a ten dollar fee every time a venue wants to be a named insured on the policy.

Doug also asked if we could have recordings of the meeting, so he doesn't have to write down minutes during the meeting.

Bob Durrant urged the members present to get serious about designing our 60th anniversary medallion as he hasn't seen any submissions. He wants to form a committee to select designs. A discussion ensued about our medallion project by Bob Durrant suggesting a prize for the winner of the design competition. Bill Beattie asking about what metals to use, Jeff Wilson suggested doing some silver along with copper or bronze. Doug mentioned that Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital is 100 years old in 2022 and maybe we could incorporate that into the design and help raise money for our club and the hospital. Doug mentioned that the existing hospital was greatly expanded and renamed Soldiers Memorial in 1922 to honour the sacrifice of those who served in WWI and to provide returning soldiers with free health care at the hospital.

Bob Durrant asked about the status of the Champlain monument in the park and Doug explained the recent developments since Canada Day. This led to a talk about Champlain the person by Doug who had just read Champlain's Dream by David Hackett Fischer. Doug's impression from reading this book was that Champlain was enlightened, was appalled by the way the Spanish and English treated the natives in their colonies and wanted to build a new society in North America based on harmony between the natives and settlers, intermarriage and mutual respect.

Doug also wondered what we were going to do about getting a new Vice President since Rob Morrison has moved to the Hamilton area. He was told by Bob Durrant that Rob would stay on as acting VP until the selections in May. Note: Since the meeting Rob resigned and we'll have to select a new VP.

The floor was opened to the members.

Rob Durrant mentioned that our sister club in the 1990 was Globe Cointraders Club, San Mateo, California but the club doesn't seem to exist under that name anymore. Rob also suggested we reach out to other clubs to share ideas during these pandemic times. Rob also mentioned that mintages are down thirty eight percent for 2020. Rob presented a video from the London Numismatic Society about Canada's fifty cent pieces.

President Bob concluded the meeting and the screens went blank. No tables and chairs to stack, no lights to turn off and no doors to lock.

### **Upcoming Club Meeting & Activities**



Nov 5<sup>th</sup> — 7pm Zoom meeting - Newfoundland Decimal Coinage Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> — Zoom meeting - Dominion of Canada Bank Notes Jan 7th — Zoom meeting - TBD

If you submitted coins through us for ICCS grading Bill Beattie has them ready for pick up. Please contact him in advance. Thanks to Rob Durrant who personally couriered them for the club.

### Changes to legal tender status will take effect in 2021



In January 2021, some of our old bank notes will lose their legal tender status. What does that mean?

- The \$1 and \$2 notes stopped being issued in 1989 and 1996, respectively, and were replaced with coins.
- The \$25 note was a commemorative note. Both it and the \$500 note were discontinued shortly after they were issued in 1935.
- The \$1,000 note stopped being issued in 2000.
- Some rarer notes could be worth significantly more than face value to collectors.
- The Bank of Canada has provided step-by-step instructions for sending bank notes directly to the Bank for redemption using their Bank Note Redemption Service.
- Financial institutions must return the banknotes to the Bank of Canada, which will destroy them.



### **Quick History of the Royal Canadian Mint**

Canada's first Mint officially opened on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1908 in Ottawa by Lord Grey and his wife. Prior to that all Canadian government coinage was produced at the Royal

Mint in London or the private Heaton Mint in Birmingham, England. In 1931, the Canadian government took over full control of the Ottawa branch of the Royal Mint, renaming it the Royal Canadian Mint. A second branch of the Royal Canadian Mint was officially opened in Winnipeg on April 30th, 1976. The Winnipeg facility produces the circulation coins while the Ottawa facility focuses on numismatic products. Up to two billion Canadian circulation coins are struck each year. Canada's mint has also produced foreign coins for more than 60 countries. Since 1911 it has also ran its own precious metals refinery and has become one of the most respected gold and silver refineries in the world.

Through all this, the mint's core mandate is to produce and manage the distribution of Canada's circulation coinage and provide advice to the Minister of Finance on all matters related to coinage.

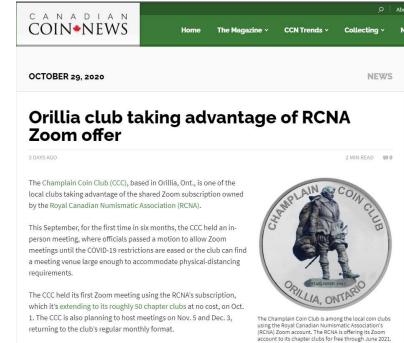
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### **Club Mention in Canadian Coin News**

https://canadiancoinnews.com/orillia-club-taking-advantage-of-rcna-zoom-offer/

After kicking off our first **Zoom** call last month we were featured in the Canadian Coin News!

This is an excellent promotion for our club and shows you how we are keeping our hobby interests going through these challenging times. Please come out and join us Nov 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm.



## Tips for Using Zoom (Thanks to Bill Beattie!)

For all members that have <u>never used</u> "ZOOM" before here are the steps to take.

- 1. First note the pass code in the email so you will have it when Zoom requires you to input it.
- 2. "Click" on the Zoom link noted in the same email.
- 3. Download & Install Zoom software program on to your computer--takes only a few minutes. This can all be done in advance you will not be able to join the meeting in No. 4 until the appropriate time slot.
- 4. Once the install finishes a window should appear on your screen--"Click" on "Join Meeting"
- 5. Insert "Pass code" you previously noted from the email and your name when prompted.
- 6. Wait for the "Meeting Coordinator" to let you into the meeting.
- "Click" on "Computer Sound" and "Video On" if prompted on your screen. (make sure your computer camera is not covered) You should see an image of yourself on your screen if all is working properly.
- 8. Once you are into the meeting you should now see other members on your screen (Gallery View). Wave and Say Hello
- 9. Any other steps such as full screen, muting your mic or turning off the video can be explained when you are live.

### Did You Know?

https://www.bankofcanada.ca/banknotes/bank-note-series/commemorative-notes/portraits-in-time/

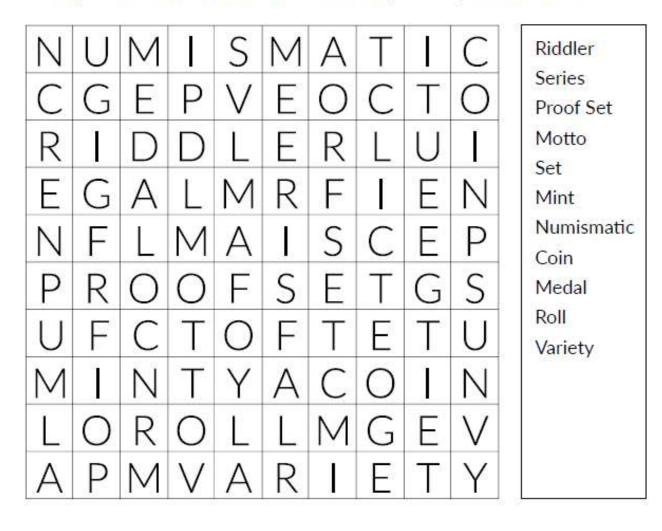


Queen Elizabeth II has appeared on every Bank of Canada series banknotes except for the Bilingual series issued in 1937 and on every \$20 note produced in those series.

### **Coin Terms Word Search**

Here is some extra fun!

Can you find all the words? Hint: some may be diagonal or backwards!



### Numismatic Trivia – U.S. Coins (Answers on next page. Don't cheat!)

1. What feminine name is a commonly used nickname for the U. S. one cent coin?

Answer has 5 letters

2. What are the names of the first two one cent coin designs minted in the United States in 1793?

- a) Link cent and Feather cent
- b) Brass cent and Bronze cent
- c) Chain cent and Wreath cent
- d) Copper cent and Zinc cent

3. In addition to the first two cent coins minted in the United States, five other designs were minted from 1793 to 1857. What is the collective name for these one cent coins?

- a) Small cents
- b) One coins
- c) Tenth-dimes
- d) Large cents

4. During the years 1857 and 1858 a one cent coin was minted that pictured a flying animal. What animal appeared on the obverse of this coin?

- a) Falcon
- b) Hawk
- c) Bat
- d) Eagle

5. What was the name of the one cent coin, minted between 1859 and 1909, that pictured the goddess Liberty wearing a feather head dress?

- a) Native American cent
- b) Indian Head cent
- c) American Indian cent
- d) Sacagawea cent

6. The next design of the one cent coin featured one of the United States' most important crops. What crop appeared on the reverse of the one cent coin from 1909 to 1958?

- a) Maize
- b) Rice
- c) Wheat
- d) Barley

7. In 1959 the Lincoln Memorial cent was first minted. What is significant about the year 1959 in relation to Abraham Lincoln?

- a) It commemorates the centennial of his death.
- b) It commemorates the sesquicentennial of his birth.
- c) It commemorates the centennial of his inauguration as president.
- d) It commemorates the bicentennial of his birth.

8. It is commonly believed that the modern one cent coin is primarily copper. Actually, it's only 2.5% copper. What element comprises 97.5% of the composition of the one cent coin?

- a) Tin
- b) Lead
- c) Nickel
- d) Zinc

9. In 2006 Congressman Jim Kolbe of Arizona introduced a bill recommending that the United States stop production of one cent coins. Which of the following was not cited as one of the reasons for stopping production of one cent coins?

- a) People can melt one cent coins and sell the metal for a profit.
- b) One cent coins have a foul smell that bothers most people.
- c) Most people do not spend one cent coins but rather trade them in at banks.
- d) The majority of vending machines do not accept one cent coins.

10. 2008 was the last year in which the Lincoln Memorial cent was minted. What legislation called for a redesign of the one cent coin starting in 2009?

- a) 2008 One Cent Coin Act
- b) Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005
- c) Penny Act of 2007
- d) Lincoln Cent Act of 2006

### Answers – U.S. Coin Trivia

#### 1. penny

The U. S. mint does not officially recognize the name penny for one cent coins but in everyday conversation the word penny is used much more often.

#### 2. c) Chain cent and Wreath cent

The Chain cent was the first type of coin officially produced by the United States Mint in Philadelphia. The Wreath cent featured a Liberty head with flowing hair on the obverse and the words "one cent" enclosed by a wreath on the reverse.

#### 3. d) Large cents

The other large cent designs included the Liberty Cap (1793-1796), Draped Bust (1796-1807), Classic Head (1808-1814), Matron Head (1816-1839) and Braided Hair (1839-1857). The diameter of a large cent was 28 mm, 9 mm larger than the modern one cent coin.

#### 4. d) Eagle

The Flying Eagle cent was the first small cent minted in the United States. The Flying Eagle cent was designed by an engraver named James Longacre.

#### 5. b) Indian Head cent

The 1859 version of the Indian Head cent is different than those minted from 1860 to 1909. The 1859 cent depicts a wreath of laurel while the later versions feature a wreath of oak and olive.

#### 6. c) Wheat

Maize, wheat and rice are among the most produced cereal crops in the world. In 1943 the Lincoln Wheat cent was minted with 100% steel because of a shortage of copper during World War Two. 7. b) It commemorates the sesquicentennial of his birth.

Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809, 150 years before the first minting of the Lincoln Memorial cent. The Lincoln Memorial was dedicated by Chief Justice William Howard Taft on May 30, 1922.

#### 8. d) Zinc

The 97.5% zinc, 2.5% copper ratio has been the standard since 1982. Due to the toxic qualities of zinc, ingestion of a one cent coin could cause damage to the stomach lining.

9. b) One cent coins have a foul smell that bothers most people.

One cent coins minted before 1982 contain 95% copper and thus can be melted down and sold (illegally) for much more than one cent.

#### 10. b) Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005

In addition to honouring each president with his own \$1 coin, the Presidential \$1 Coin Act required that the cent, beginning in 2010, "shall bear an image emblematic of President Lincoln's preservation of the United States of America as a single and united country"

### COMING EVENTS FOR Winter 2020 Listings are courtesy of Canadian Coin News

Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, many shows, auctions, club meetings and other numismatic events are being cancelled. For the most up-to-date information, visit CCN's online 'Events' listings at canadiancoinnews.com/events or contact event organizers.

#### NOV. 7, SCARBOROUGH, ON

#### Scarborough Coin Club 24th Annual Coin Show \*\*CANCELLED\*\*

For more information contact Dick Dunn, email <u>cpms@rogers.com</u>, telephone 905-509-1146. Website: <u>www.scarboroughcoinclub.ca</u>

#### NOV. 8, WINDSOR, ON

#### Windsor Coin Club 69th Annual Fall Coin Show, \*\*CANCELLED\*\*

For more information contact Margaret Clarke, email <u>mtclarke@mnsi.net</u>, telephone 519-735-0727. Website: <u>www.windsorcoinclub.com</u>

### NOV. 12 – 14, BALTIMORE, MD

#### Whitman Coin & Collectibles Winter Expo,

Baltimore Convention Center, 1 West Pratt St. Celebrating more than 44 years of continuous service to the numismatic community, the Whitman Baltimore Spring Expo is one of the biggest annual collector shows in the U.S. For more information contact Lori Kraft, telephone 404-214-4373. Website: www.expo.whitman.com

#### NOV. 14, NIAGARA FALLS, ON

# **Niagara Falls Coin Club Show, Optimist Club**, 7085 Morrison St.

Buy, sell and trade at more than 40 tables of coins, paper money, tokens, medals and more. Admission \$is 2 (children aged 12 and under are \$1). The show will run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., with a draw ticket for a gold coin included with every admission.

#### NOV. 14 – 15, EDMONTON, AB Fall 2020 Edmonton Coin Show and Sale \*\*CANCELLED\*\*

For more information contact David Peter / Pierre Driessen, email <u>worldcoin@gmail.com</u>, telephone 780-405-8748 / 780-612-8477. Website: <u>www.edmontoncoinclub.com</u>

#### NOV. 15, COBOURG, ON Classic Coins & Collectables Show,

Best Western Plus Cobourg Inn, 930 Burnham St. This multi-dealer event features Canadian, U.S. and world coins plus banknotes, militaria and more. Held just south of Highway 401 in Cobourg, the show runs from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and also includes free parking.

For more information contact Paul Harding, email coinmanph@yahoo.com,

### telephone 905-375-5712.

Website: www.classiccoinsandbanknotes.com

# NOV. 21, PETERBOROUGH, ON Peterborough Coin Show

#### \*\*CANCELLED\*\*

For more information contact Nigel Mackey, email <u>nigelmackey346@outlook.com</u>, telephone 289 685-0092. Website: <u>www.facebook.com/PeterboroughCoinClub/</u>

#### NOV. 22, MONCTON, NB

#### 2020 Coin Cabinet Collector's Show,

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1005 Main St. Moncton, N.B.'s Coin Cabinet will host its annual Collector's Show from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., featuring coins, banknotes, Royal Canadian Mint products, jewellery, sports cards and memorabilia, militaria and more! In addition to buying, selling and trading, there will also be free, no-obligation evaluations offered to attendees.

Admission is \$3 (children under the age of 12 are free). The show will be preceded by an auction the previous evening – Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020 – at the Coin Cabinet's headquarters on 1141 Main St., in Moncton. For more information contact Jason Benjamin, email <u>sales@coincabinet.ca</u>, telephone 506-857-9403. Website: <u>www.coincabinet.ca</u>.

#### NOV. 28, BURNABY, BC

Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show \*\*CANCELLED\*\* For more information contact L. Balmer, email balmoralnu@shaw.ca, telephone 604-336-1828. Website: www./northshorenumismaticsociety.org