



# 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 APRIL 2021

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bob Durrant



Greetings friends and fellow numismatists!

Spring is in the air and the nicer weather is finally on its way. Surely, it's a sign of hope that we will be getting back to some kind of normalcy. With vaccines now rolling out, hopefully it will be sooner than later. It has been difficult for our hobby over the past year as coin shows have been consistently cancelled and the social aspect that we all enjoy has been limited. I encourage you to check out the ONA and RCNA conventions this year as they are going virtual! You will be able to attend from the comfort of your home. Check their respective websites for more details on how to connect.

It is time for all those ideas you have for our jubilee medallion you have been working on for the last year and a bit to be submitted. I hope I am surprised by your efforts. We are looking forward to celebrating our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2022. Please send us your past stories and memories for our upcoming celebration!

I encourage you all to join us in our last few meetings before the summer. We are still planning to have an outside meeting in May, with weather and Covid19 rules permitting.

Looking forward to seeing you in our monthly meeting.

Stay safe and stay well,

**Bob**

## Our Next Meeting



**Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

Meeting will open at 6:30 pm  
and begin promptly at 7:00 pm

Zoom details will be emailed to  
members with the newsletter  
distribution.

**Presentation:**

**Molsons Bank of Canada**



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[champlaincoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:champlaincoinclub@gmail.com)

**Check out our website**

[www.champlaincoinclub.com](http://www.champlaincoinclub.com)

## News of the March 2021 Meeting



By Doug McGarvey

Attendance: 6            Guests: 1  
50/50 Draw: \$0.00    Draw tickets: \$0.00  
Auction: \$0.00    Membership dues: \$0.00

President Bob Durrant welcomed the members and guests to the March meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Doug McGarvey's had technical issues so the minutes of the February meeting were read by Bob Durrant and adopted as read by Chris Liantzakis and Murray Smith.

President Bob opened the floor to the members.

Murray asked Doug if Rob Morrison had signed off with the bank yet. Doug explained that bank is aware as a letter of instruction had been sent.

Chris Liantzakis elaborated on his 2006 no mint mark magnetic cent. Murray urged him to get it graded with the ICCS. Jeff Wilson thinks he may have the rarer 2006 non-magnetic cent with the P mintmark.

Murray mentioned a recent Canadian Coin News article about young collectors. He volunteered to carry out a program with the scouts that would reward those able to identify coins. Rob Durrant said the ONA has kits for young collectors. Chris Liantzakis volunteered to contact the ONA and work with Murray on a youth program with

the possibility of going to scout meetings to garner interest.

Bob Durrant wants articles about the history of our club and wants to include memories of Harry Booth in upcoming newsletters.

Bob introduced our guest Jamie Hunter from the Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club. Jamie is interested in colonial tokens and one of our members who specializes in them, Murray Smith.

Murray told members that they should check out Midland Auctions website as they have some really good stuff. A discussion about Waverly Ontario and 1858 20 cent coins, 1850 Upper Canada and Rutherford tokens ensued.

Rob Durrant presented the London Coin Society's Power Point presentation about Upper Canada Tokens from 1790 to 1867.

Realizing that we had missed reading the March birthdays, technical issues, Doug read off the March birthdays that included Chris Liantzakis and Bill Robertson.

Murray mentioned that pre-confederation tokens are reasonably priced unless one is looking for high grade examples.



Bob closed the March meeting.

## Upcoming Club Meeting & Activities



**Apr 1<sup>st</sup>** — Zoom meeting – Presentation on the Molsons Bank of Canada

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** — Outside meeting (weather and COVID permitting) – Presentation TBA

**Jun 3<sup>rd</sup>** — Zoom meeting – Celebrate Club's 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday

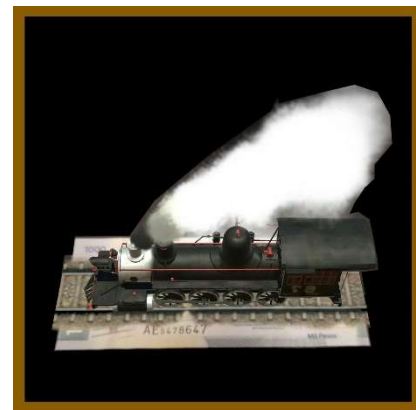
**Sep 2<sup>nd</sup>** — Hopefully in person!

## Did You Know?

Did you know that the newest Mexican banknotes have augmented reality?



Mexico has issued new Mexican pesos banknotes featuring an Augmented Reality app that brings them to life. Other countries like Russia and South Africa have also taken this approach with some of their banknotes released in 2018.



It is important to mention that the app's functionality is not to detect if a banknote is false, as most of the people and media thought, but to only educate users about the security elements in the banknotes.



## Champlain Coin Club Celebrates 60 years in 2022

This is a reminder for our members and friends to submit your ideas and designs to mark our 60th anniversary in 2022. In 2017, we marked Canada's sesquicentennial with a medal featuring the club's namesake Samuel de Champlain. Using the 2017 design as the obverse die, we are looking to you for the reverse design to commemorate our 60th anniversary.

### Submission instructions:

Please submit all questions, ideas, and artwork to [champlaincoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:champlaincoinclub@gmail.com)

You do not have to be an artist to submit what you have. Please send us your thoughts and ideas today!

### Our Latest submission

Thanks Chris!



## William Eli Sanford and The Oak Hall Store Chain

(DYK No. 053) by Scott Douglas FRCNA, FONA, FCNRS, GKStE



The well known Oak Hall token **good for 25c when buying \$5 or over** before Oct. 15, 1899 (left) and Nov. 15, 1899 (right).

**Did You Know ...** that one of Hamilton, Ontario's wealthiest entrepreneurs was appointed to the Senate in 1887 by Sir John A. Macdonald?

William Eli Sanford was born September 16, 1838 in New York City. He was the son of Eli Sanford, a carpenter and Emmeline Argall. William was orphaned by the age of 7 and came to Hamilton, Ontario to live with his Uncle Edward Jackson a wealthy tinsmith. Sanford graduated Central School and then briefly attended a private school in Connecticut before going to New York City to clerk in a publishing house. He remained in New York for about 2 years before returning to Hamilton in 1856 to marry his cousin Emmeline Jackson the only daughter of Lydia (Sanford) and Edward Jackson. William and Emmeline moved to London, Ontario where Sanford joined his Uncle Edward and Mr. Murray Anderson as a partner in the local iron foundry known as Anderson, Sanford and Company.

On November 15, 1857, after only 18 months of marriage, Emmeline died giving birth to a child that perished soon after. Sanford was devastated and gave up his partnership in the iron foundry and returned to Hamilton. Several years later Sanford married Harriet S. Vaux April 25, 1866. Their union would produce 2 daughters and 2 sons.

After a brief but lucrative bout in the wool trade Sanford sought out greener pastures in the business of ready made clothing. Since most individuals made their clothes at home or from a tailor Sanford, with the help of Richard Wanzer's new treadle operated sewing machine, sensed a unique opportunity. A combination of the technology of the sewing machine and the invention of the band knife increased productivity allowing Sanford to mass produce and market ready made men's apparel of good weight and style. In July of 1861 William Sanford partnered with Alexander McInnes to form the Sanford, McInnes Company.

**SANFORD, McINNES & Co.,**  
MANUFACTURERS OF  
**CLOTHING, BOOTS AND SHOES,**  
37 & 39 KING STREET, EAST,  
HAMILTON, C. W.

By 1865 the company was in need of additional space for their growing firm and so they expanded into an adjacent building on King Street East. Sales for the firm for the first year were \$32,000. Ten years later sales had grown to \$350,000 and a factory work force of 455. Compare these exceptional numbers to Hamilton's next largest clothing manufacturer with \$40,000 in sales and 15 workers. In 1871 Sanford and McInnes were not only the fourth largest employer in all of Ontario but the largest in the clothing industry in the province.

Sanford and McInnes dissolved their partnership in late 1871 and Sanford brought Albert Vail and Frances Bickley into the business. Both men were well known and respected in the clothing trade. The company was now known as Sanford, Vail and Bickley. In 1876 the arrangement was extended for 3 more years when in 1879 Bickley retired and the firm became known as Sanford, Vail and Company until 1881.

In 1881 the W.E. Sanford Manufacturing Company was created and the first Oak Hall retail stores were opened in Hamilton and Toronto. Oak Hall would later open stores in St. Catharines in 1888, London in 1892, another in Toronto in 1889 and Windsor in 1895.



The W.E.Sanford building  
at the corner of John and  
King St. in Hamilton, Ont

William Sanford was a pillar of the Centenary Methodist Church from 1868. He served as a steward, secretary of the Trust Board, treasurer, member of the music committee and contributed to the missionary and educational agencies of the Methodist Church.

Sometime around 1879 Sanford had become a generous contributor and tireless fund raiser for the Conservative party. In recognition of his loyal efforts Sir John A. Macdonald called Sanford to the Senate on February 6, 1887. As Prime Minister, Macdonald could not ignore Sanford's wealth, strong business contacts and exceptional leadership within the Methodist Congregation. The Methodist's were thrilled that their leading clergymen's successful campaign helped to enable this appointment.

DON'T FORGET  
TO MARK  
THIS DOWN ALSO.

AS USUAL

**Oak Hall**

HAS THE LARGEST AND  
BEST SELECTED STOCK OF  
MEN'S  
YOUTHS' AND  
CHILDREN'S

**Clothing**

IN THE CITY.

Men's Suits, \$3.50 up.  
Youths' Suits, \$3.50 up.  
Boys' Suits, \$1.50 up.

BAT AND BALL WITH THE  
BOYS' SUITS.

**Gents' Furnishings**

Collars, any shape, 15c.,  
Two for 25c.  
Boys' Sweaters, 50c.  
Ties, 15c., worth 25c.

GREAT VALUE IN CAPS,  
UNDERWEAR, ETC.

**OAK HALL**  
154 Dundas St., London.

Sanford not only excelled in the textile industry but was highly successful in real estate. Sanford was once one of the largest landowners in Manitoba with a land holding consisting of 52,000 acres. Sanford also held numerous buildings and lots in Hamilton and other parts of Ontario.

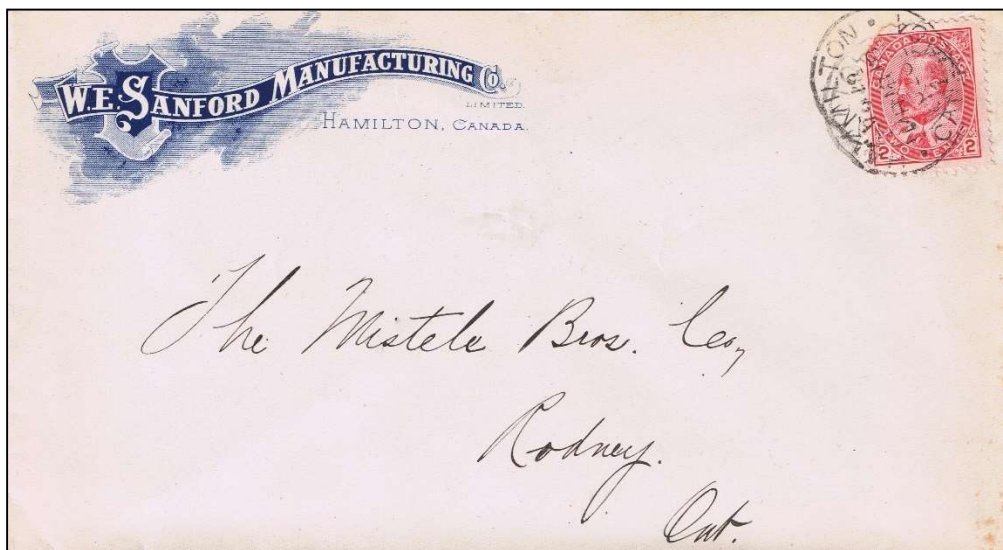
W.E. Sanford was a designated managing director of the Saskatchewan Colonization Railway Co., Vice President of the Hamilton Provident and Loan Co., and a director of the Exchange Bank of Canada. He was President of the Hamilton Board of Trade from 1876-1877 and served on the executive committee of the Canadian Manufacturers Association in 1877 and 1878.

Throughout his adult life Sanford was a benefactor in support of education. As part of his commitment to the Methodist Church, Sanford was a director of the Wesleyan Boy's Institute and director of the Wesleyan Ladies College. He would later serve as Vice President of the Wesleyan Ladies College from 1881-1888 and President from 1890-1897.

Sanford was a director of the Hamilton Art School. He also sat on the board for the Victoria College from 1876 until his death in 1899.

Although Sanford seems to have endeared himself to many people and institutions from the Prime Minister on down not everyone was a fan. It was later revealed in the diary of Lady Aberdeen that she scorned his pretence to the institution of marriage (Sanford and his second wife Harriet, although living together, their lives had drifted apart). Lady Aberdeen also indicated her displeasure with Sanford who was supposedly 'pestering' her for a knighthood by writing that he was a man who is "too hopelessly vulgar and indelicate for anything".

William Eli Sanford drowned in 1899 at his summer home on Lake Rousseau in Muskoka. His estate was valued in excess of a million dollars. Everything went to his family. His widow died in 1938 at the age of 90. Oak Hall went into receivership in 1923.



The Mistele Bros. store in Rodney, Ontario would be a perfect example of an outlet for Sanford's style of ready made clothing.

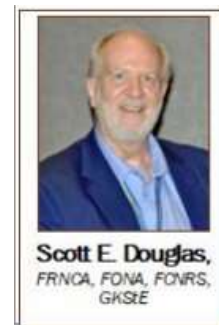


The 'EXCELSIOR' name was a line of Sanford clothing. This advertising token displays the Hamilton City coat of arms.



Residence of Hon. W. E. Sanford

The W.E. Sanford home was lived in by Sanford's widow Harriet until her death in 1938. The contents were auctioned off and the house was raised to make way for single family residences.



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*This article is authored by Scott E. Douglas, and from his two-volume Did You Know book containing 100 articles.*

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## Surge of suspected fakes hits cities across Canada since fall

Taken from current Canadian Coin News – By Jesse Robitaille

Counterfeit coin expert Mike Marshall has been fighting fakery in Canadian numismatics for nearly 15 years.

In recent months, his sights have been set on a string of suspected counterfeit \$2 coins reported in cities and towns, big and small, across the country.

Marshall, a resident of Quinte West, a city just west of Belleville, Ont., has been collecting data on counterfeit toonies since last summer, when dozens of fakes hit Toronto businesses ("Dozens of counterfeit toonies allegedly passed in Toronto," CCN Vol. 58 #10).

Last July, a Toronto supermarket employee reportedly found 75 counterfeit \$2 circulation coins, ranging in date from 1996-2011, in one cash register. The employee didn't identify themselves to CCN, communicating only through a private chat on the online forum Reddit, in fear of retaliation from the counterfeiters.

Based on his findings since last summer, Marshall now estimates about two per cent of the \$2 coins in circulation are counterfeit.....

**READ THE REST HERE in Canadian Coin News**

<https://canadiancoinnews.com/surge-of-suspected-fakes-hits-cities-across-canada-since-fall-collector-finds/>

## Remembering Ken Prophet (1931 – 2002)

Excerpts from ONA V39.13.2000



Last month we wrote about the Barrie Huronia Numismatic Association that was founded by Ken. I thought I would follow that up with remembering Ken Prophet and his tremendous contributions to the numismatic world.

**CNA # 3601**

**ONA # 120**

**HNA #1**

Kenneth B. Prophet was born in Toronto in April 1931, the ninth of ten children (nine boys and one girl). He was raised in Toronto's Cabbagetown and attended Rose Avenue Public School. He joined the Canadian Army in 1948 and served until 1972. During his military (army) career, he was stationed in Camp Borden, Halifax, Valcartier and Petawawa. He also did a tour in Korea and Japan in 1954. For most of his 25 years in the Service, he was in the administrative field with the Army Medical Corps being the Chief Clerk of 4 Field Ambulance in Petawawa, Chief Clerk of the Base Hospital in Borden and finished his career as Chief Clerk of the Canadian Forces Medical Services School in Borden. He retired with the rank of Warrant Officer.

Ken and his wife, Joyce, had a son Barry who was also active with the hobby. Ken's interest in coin collecting started when a patient passed away at Sunnybrook Military Hospital in Toronto and left the collection to Ken's mother who worked on the hospital's staff. She passed it along to Ken, who was living in Halifax, N.S. at the time, and one of her other interested sons. Ken joined the Halifax Coin Club around 1958 and continued as a member for several years after leaving the Halifax area.



### **HIS NUMISMATIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Ken started the Huronia Numismatic Association in Barrie in 1960 and was its President for a good portion of its 36 years of existence. He also assisted in the running of the club's very popular mall shows and its educational program. He founded the Pembroke Centennial Coin Club in Pembroke in 1967 while stationed in Camp Petawawa (this club is still active).

### **HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CNA (Now RCNA):**



Ken Prophet

Ken joined the CNA in 1960. He was appointed Executive Secretary in 1972, a position he held until he passed in 2002. He was invaluable in assisting the Presidents of the CNA since that time (including your Editor) in assuring Minutes of Executive meetings and Annual General Membership meetings, membership mailing lists, renewal processing and the 101 other duties that assure the smooth running of the CNA, arc taken care of. He was a Life Member of the CNA He has assisted in the management of many of the annual conventions, where his expertise has enabled him to give advice to the host organizations. For a number of years, he was also the advertising manager for the CNA Journal, the association's official publication.

### **HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ONA:**

Between military postings, Ken served as the ONA's Second Vice-President in the early 1960s. He also chaired the ONA Speakers Circuit for many years. He also served on various ONA committees between 1961 and 1977. He was a Life Member of the ONA as well.



## Numismatic Trivia – Ontario Club Questions (Answers below. Do not cheat!)

1) When was the Champlain Coin Club started?

- A. 1960
- B. 1962
- C. 1965
- D. 1955

2) When was the Toronto Coin Club formed?

- A. 1960
- B. 1955
- C. 1936
- D. 1900

3) What year was the Waterloo Coin Society formed?

- A. 1957
- B. 1962
- C. 1960
- D. 1959

4) In what year was the North York Coin Club established?

- A. 1962
- B. 1951
- C. 1960
- D. 1936

5) In what year was the South Wellington Coin Society founded?

- A. 1997
- B. 1979
- C. 1987
- D. 1970

6) When was the Oshawa & District Coin Club established?

- A. 1956
- B. 1960
- C. 1958
- D. 1959

7) When did the Windsor Coin Club come into being?

- A. 1961
- B. 1951
- C. 1953
- D. 1919

8) Ingersoll Coin Club formed in what year?

- A. 1920
- B. 1951
- C. 1961
- D. 1971

9) When was the Stratford Coin Club founded?

- A. 1959
- B. 1936
- C. 1960
- D. 1961

10) When was the Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club established?

- A. 1974
- B. 1961
- C. 1972
- D. 2003

1) 1962 2) 1936 3) 1959 4) 1960 5) 1997 6) 1960 7) 1951 8) 1961 9) 1960 10) 1974

Answers to the above:

## COMING EVENTS FOR Spring/Summer 2021

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](http://canadiancoinnews.com/events) or contact event organizers.

**APR. 9 – 11, 2021, BURLINGTON, ON**

**58th Ontario Numismatic Association Convention,**  
[Ontario Numismatic Association - Home \(the-ona.ca\)](http://the-ona.ca)

The 58th Ontario Numismatic Association Convention is **virtual this year**. Visit our website for details!

For more information contact Robb McPherson, email [robb4640@outlook.com](mailto:robb4640@outlook.com), telephone 519-577-7206.

Website: [www.the-ona.ca](http://www.the-ona.ca)

**APR. 9 – 11, 2021, MISSISSAUGA, ON \*\*CANCELLED\*\***

**Spring 2021 National Postage Stamp & Coin Show**, Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale hotel, 6750 Mississauga Rd.

Presented by Canadian Coin News and Canadian Stamp News, the National Postage Stamp and Coin Show features 50-plus professional coin and stamp dealers from across Canada. Highlights include a two day live "Premier Auction" by Colonial Acres; various seminars; and the Young Collectors discounted sales table and popular free youth auction on Sunday. Admission is \$4 on Saturday and free on Sunday. The show is open on Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parking is free. For more information contact Mike Walsh, email [info@trajan.ca](mailto:info@trajan.ca), telephone 1-800-408-0352.

Website: [www.stampandcoinshow.com](http://www.stampandcoinshow.com).

**APR. 16 – 18, 2021, MONTRÉAL, QC**

**Nuphilex Spring 2021, \*\*CANCELLED\*\*** For more information, email [montrealnuphilex@gmail.com](mailto:montrealnuphilex@gmail.com), telephone 514-889-7740. Website: [www.nuphilex.com](http://www.nuphilex.com)

**APR. 24, 2021, GUELPH, ON**

**Guelph Spring Coin Show, \*\*CANCELLED\*\***

For more information contact Mike Hollingshead, email [cholling@uoguelph.ca](mailto:cholling@uoguelph.ca), telephone 519-823-2646. Website: [www.southwellingtoncoinsociety.com](http://www.southwellingtoncoinsociety.com).

**APR. 30 – MAY 1, 2021, TORONTO, ON Spring 2021**

**Toronto Coin Expo, \*\*CANCELLED\*\***

For more information contact Jared Stapleton, email [torontocoinexpo@gmail.com](mailto:torontocoinexpo@gmail.com), telephone 647-403-7334.

Website: [www.torontocoinexpo.ca](http://www.torontocoinexpo.ca)

**JULY 20 – 25, OTTAWA, ON 2021 RCNA Convention,**  
Delta Hotel Ottawa City Centre, 101 Lyon St. N. The 2021 Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA)

Convention is scheduled for July 20-25 in Ottawa. Daily admission is \$6 a person, but attendees aged 17 and under are free. On July 25, closing day, all adults accompanying an under-18 attendee are also free.

For more information contact Paul Johnson, email [info@rcna.ca](mailto:info@rcna.ca), telephone 647-401-4014.

Website: [www.rcna.ca/2021/](http://www.rcna.ca/2021/)

**AUG. 8, PARIS, ON Paris Coin Show,**

Paris Fairgrounds, 139 Silver St. Canada's best one-day coin and collectables show features more than 50 tables of coins, paper money, tokens, militaria and more with dealers buying, selling and appraising. The show will be open from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m., and admission is \$4, which includes a draw ticket for a gold coin. Hot and cold food and drinks are also available. The night before the event, an auction is hosted by Geoffrey Bell Auctions in conjunction with the Paris Coin Show. Visit [gbellauctions.com](http://gbellauctions.com) for auction details.

For more information contact Jared Stapleton, email [pariscoinshow@gmail.com](mailto:pariscoinshow@gmail.com), telephone 647-403- 7334.

Website: [www.pariscoinshow.ca](http://www.pariscoinshow.ca).

**SEPT. 10 – 12, MISSISSAUGA, ON Fall 2021 National Postage Stamp & Coin Show**, Hilton Mississauga/

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