



# 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**

**Member:** RCNA, ONA

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Secretary/Treasurer.....Doug McGarvey  
Editor.....Rob Durrant

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Director.....Carol Casselman

Membership.....Chris Liantzakis  
Auctioneer.....Peter Marcucci  
Greeter.....Peter Marcucci

## THE BULLETIN FOR JUNE 2021



### VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Murray Smith

Greetings friends and fellow numismatists.

All the members and friends of our club extend our deepest condolences to the family of our late President. Bob passed away suddenly at his Severn home in early May. We will all miss his creative leadership, friendliness, devotion to our hobby and keen sense of humour.

Although Covid seems to have taken over our lives we can now use this extra "bubble" time to devote to our collections. Perhaps you need more internet research, update your inventory lists or search out a reputable online auction. There is always a small numismatic job to do!

Please remember that we will celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in June, 2022. We still need ideas for the reverse side of the medal that we plan to issue. Some type of new logo for the club would be appropriate. Perhaps it could incorporate the initials "CCC".

Have a safe summer, enjoy your collection and think about ways to move our club forward in the fall season.

Looking forward to seeing you in our monthly meeting.

Stay safe and stay well,  
**Murray**

## Our Next Meeting



**Thursday, June 3rd, 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:

Canadian Fractional Currency



**Happy 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
**Champlain Coin**  
**Club!!**

**Stay in touch with us!**

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**Check out our website**  
[www.champlaincoinclub.com](http://www.champlaincoinclub.com)

## News of the April 2021 Meeting

(May meeting was cancelled)



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 April meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Doug McGarvey read the minutes of the March meeting which was adopted as read by Rob Durrant and Bill Beattie.

Birthdays for April included Jim Jeffries, Anne Fenton and Rob Morrison.

Topics discussed included following up on the youth program by the ONA, Chris Liantzakis has contacted the ONA and arranged for 20 to 25 kits for young collectors. Murray Smith suggested that our club could contribute some of our bulk coins to the ONA's youth program. Murray is going to pass on a donation of foreign coins to our club from someone who was selling off a collection.

Murray has several ancient and medieval coins available for sale.

Bill Beattie said the ICCS graded coins will be picked up by Rob Durrant the following week. If anyone needs supplies or catalogues to let him know.

Rob Morrison was looking for the latest coloured coins from the RCM which led to a discussion about

the latest issues of coins from the RCM. Bill Beattie will be selling individual coloured and regular dollars from rolls as well as first strikes for 2021.

Ron Cheek complimented our club's newsletter and Rob Durrant mentioned the contributions from Judy Blackman and Scott Douglas.

Ron Cheek displayed an English penny with 1916 counter stamped on it and its connection to the Irish Easter Uprising in 1916. Murray Smith suggested that it could also be a challenge coin as WWI was ongoing in 1916. This led to a discussion on challenge coins and bills and other counter stamped coins.

Jeff Wilson initiated a discussion about medals when he showed his George Williams medal that was awarded by the French Consulate. We also saw examples of medals issued in Montreal and NYC to commemorate Edward the Prince of Wales visit in the 1860s.

Chris Liantzakis displayed his design for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary medal

Rob Durrant presented a Power Point presentation from the London Numismatic Society about the Molson's Bank from 1837 to 1925 after which the meeting closed.



## Upcoming Club Meeting & Activities



**May 6<sup>th</sup>** — Executive Vote

**Jun 3<sup>rd</sup>** — Club Update / Celebrate Club's 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday/ Canadian Fractional Currency

**Sep 2<sup>nd</sup>** — Presentation by Murray Smith

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** — TBD

## Did You Know?

**Did you know that in 1958 Canadian Tire money, Canada's other official currency, made its debut?**

It was introduced in 1958, and was inspired by Muriel Billes, the wife of Canadian Tire's co-founder and first president, Alfred J. Billes, as a response to the promotional giveaways that many gas companies offered

at the time. It was only available at Canadian Tire gas bars but was so successful that, in 1961, it was extended to the retail stores as well, and has become the most successful loyalty program in Canadian retail history. The print on the 'notes' refers to them as "money bonus coupons".

In 1958, five different denominations (composed of 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents, and \$1) were issued. The revision of 1962 included the introduction of four lower values (1 to 4 cents), and 12 higher denominations, including 35 and 60 cents. A sequence of six denominations was introduced in 1985 including the 3 cents, 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 40 cents, 50 cents, and \$1.

A \$2 note was added in 1989, and the 3 cents was dropped in 1991.



## 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!

# Happy 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday Champlain Coin Club!!

By Rob Durrant - Editor



In 1962 the Champlain Coin Club was formed, with the help of the Woodville Club, on June 9th at the old Y.M.C.A. in Orillia by Founder and President - Howard Johnson.

Meetings were held the third Saturday of each month. Adult membership began at one dollar per year. In 1964 it was decided in beginning with July, the club will meet the first Thursday of each month which we still do today. Bob Swan wrote first news bulletin on January 18<sup>th</sup> that year. Meetings were changed to St. David's Church on James Street Orillia on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1976.

Over the years the Champlain Coin Club took part in many activities from the Orillia Santa Clause parade (1968), supporting the purchase of an artificial kidney machine (1971), many early coins shows, and started our first annual Scouts night in 1993. We have had many guest speakers join us over the years, including Mr J.E. Charleton. At June 1996 meeting, we saw a film on the life of Emanuel Hahn and Elizabeth Wyn Wood . Elizabeth Wyn Wood was member #64 of the coin club.

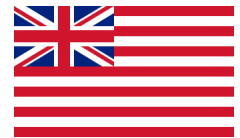
As we remember the past and look forward to celebrating our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2022 we hope to gather some amazing stories from our members to share with you. Looking forward to continuing the legacy and sharing our hobby. Happy 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday Champlain Coin Club!



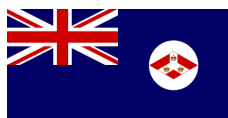
## Collecting Straits Settlements – Quick Primer

Rob Durrant - Editor

If you are looking for a collecting interest outside of Canadian or America coins have a look at collecting the Straits Settlements. There is a lot of history here from the East India Company to the Current Malaysian coinage of today.



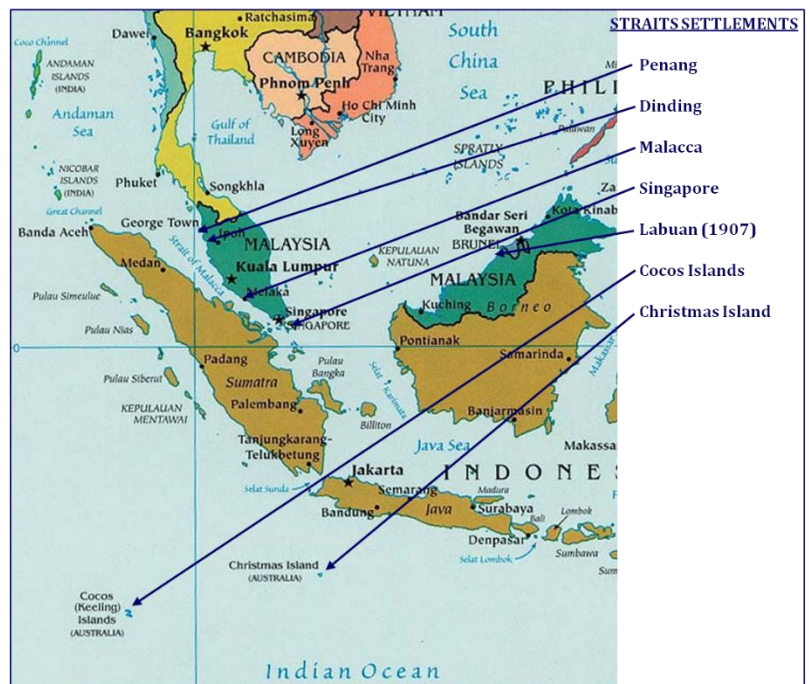
East India Company



Straits Settlements

It started with the three separate East India Company settlements. Penang (rented, 1786), Singapore

(bought, 1819 and 1824) and Malacca (ceded by the Netherlands in an exchange, 1824) were, after 1826, administered collectively by the Company, and later the Indian Government, as Straits Settlements. In 1867 the settlements were made a Crown Colony. Labuan, which became part of Singapore Settlement in 1907, was part of a fourth separate settlement in 1912.



In brief, the three Settlements of Penang, Malacca and Singapore were amalgamated to form the Straits Settlements in 1826. The capital was Penang until 1836, when it was transferred to Singapore. In 1858, British Government took over the Straits Settlements. During this period, the Straits Settlements was under control of the Government of British India. A new issuance of coins with the inscription of "India Straits" was released in 1862.



1835 Half Anna – East India Company



1862 Half Cent – India Straits

### Straits Settlements coins first issued in 1871

- There are three series of Straits Settlements coins issued between 1871 and 1935 with the inscription of "Straits Settlements". These series of coins were issued under the reign of Queen Victoria (1837 -1901), King Edward VII (1901-1910) and King George V (1910-1936).
- In 1867, the Straits Settlements were transferred to the Imperial Government in London and on the same year the Straits Settlements became a Crown Colony. The first series of Straits Settlements coins was then issued in 1871. This series of Queen Victoria Straits Settlements coins was issued in 1/4 Cent, 1/2 Cent, 1 Cent, 5 Cents, 10 Cents, 20 Cents and 50 cents.

These coins were released from 1871 to 1901.



1/4, 1/2 and 1 Cent coins were made by copper and bronze depending on their issuance year.



5, 10, 20 and 50 Cents were made by .800 silver.

## Numismatic Trivia – World (Answers below. Do not cheat!)

1. What is the Italian word for “token,” as shown on their numerous phone tokens?  
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2. “Vampire Notes” were issued in the 1920s by which country?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Which modern Balkan country uses the Perpara as a coinage denomination?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. **True or False:** An eagle perched upon a cactus is commonly found on the reverse of many Mexican coins. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The “Pug Nose” variety Quarter Anna was issued by which Indian Princely State?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. The triskeles is a design element shown on coins from which British dependency?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. In 1971, what country issued coins featuring artwork by Salvador Dali? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Canadian dollar coins dated 1958 are often referred to by what nickname, due to the raven found at the top of the totem pole on the reverse?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Which island nation has issued coins depicting King Cakobau?  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Three medieval towers, the Guiata, the Cesta, and the Montale are often seen on coins from which European microstate, considered by some to be the oldest, constitutional republic in the world?  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. Saudi Arabian coins often show crossed swords and what type of tree?  
\_\_\_\_\_
12. What is unusual about the Mexican 10, 20 and 50 New Peso coins from 1992-1995?  
\_\_\_\_\_
13. F.A.O. coins have been issued by several countries, but what do these initials represent?  
\_\_\_\_\_
14. What is the purpose of F.A.O. coinage?  
\_\_\_\_\_
15. During WWII, many countries utilized which coinage metal as an emergency response to conserving other metals for the war effort?  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. The highly coveted 1935 “Waitangi” Crown was issued by which country?  
\_\_\_\_\_
17. Tennis star Steffi Graf appears on a few \$100 coins from which country? \_\_\_\_\_
18. The proper term for an English quarter penny is \_\_\_\_\_
19. What was a Celator?  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. Who was Mathew Bolton’s partner at the Soho Mint (he invented the modern steam engine)?  
\_\_\_\_\_
21. What is the difference between a working die and a hub?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Answers to the above quiz: Numismatic Trivia – World**

1. Gettone
2. Germany
3. Montenegro
4. False (the side with the eagle is the obverse!)
5. Gwalior
6. Isle of Man
7. El Salvador
8. Death Dollars
9. Fiji
10. San Marino
11. Palm
12. 2. Bi-metallic, with a sterling silver center
13. Food & Agricultural Organization (of the United Nations)
14. To raise money for global food production
15. Zinc
16. New Zealand
17. Niue
18. Farthing
19. A die-cutter in ancient times
20. James Watt
21. A hub is a positive impression of a coin design and is used to produce working dies. A working die is used to produce coins and has a negative/reversed impression of the design

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## COMING EVENTS FOR SUMMER/FALL 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.

#### **JUNE 26 – 27, TORONTO, ON Summer 2021 Torex**

**\*\*CANCELLED\*\*** For more information contact Brian Smith, email [brian@torex.net](mailto:brian@torex.net), telephone 416-705- 5348. Website: [www.torex.net](http://www.torex.net)

#### **JULY 20 – 25, OTTAWA, ON 2021 RCNA Convention,**

**\*\*CANCELLED\*\*** 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,**

**\*\*SHOW CANCELLED, AUCTION STILL ON\*\***  
Paris Fairgrounds, 139 Silver St.  
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).

#### **AUG. 29, TROY, MI**

**10th Michigan Summer Regional Coin Show**, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 East Maple Road Polish American Numismatic Society and Huron Valley Numismatic Society. Over 100 US and World Coin Dealer Tables. Hours are 10am - 4pm.  
Free admission and free parking. Authentic Polish food. Tables \$95, case rent \$10, lamp rent \$5.  
NO SALES TAX in Michigan on Coins & Bullion.  
For more information contact Brett Irick, email [xr7gt@prodigy.net](mailto:xr7gt@prodigy.net), telephone 313-207-3562. Website: [www.pans-club.org](http://www.pans-club.org)

#### **SEPT. 10 – 12, MISSISSAUGA, ON Fall 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 show updates, visit [stampandcoinshow.com](http://stampandcoinshow.com). 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)

#### **SEPT. 18 – 19, CALGARY, AB**

**2021 Calgary Numismatic Society's Annual Fall Money Fair**, Clarion Hotel and Conference Centre, 2120 16th Ave. NE 2021 Calgary Numismatic Society's Fall Money Fair. The show hours: Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm & Sunday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Admission \$5.00 for adults and Free for youth 16 and under. Dealers from across Canada in attendance. 55 Dealer tables on site along a Coin Kid's table with handouts. Lots of FREE parking and Show location is fully accessible. There are hourly door prizes given away, along with a Gold coin as the major door prize. Hotel restaurant is open for breakfast and lunch. For more information contact James A. Williston, email [jawilliston@shaw.ca](mailto:jawilliston@shaw.ca), telephone 403-461-2663. Website: [www.calgarynumismaticssociety.org](http://www.calgarynumismaticssociety.org).

#### **SEPT. 25, GUELPH, ON**

**Guelph Fall Coin Show**, Colonel John McCrae Legion Branch 234, 57 Watson Pkwy. S. The annual Guelph Fall Coin Show is open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission is \$2, and each attendee will receive a coupon for free admission to the Toronto Coin Expo the following week. Free level parking, fully accessible and with a legendary lunch counter. Coins, banknotes, tokens, Canadian Tire money, medals, books and supplies will be offered at more than 35 dealer tables, featuring some of Canada and Europe's top numismatic dealers plus free appraisals – don't give your collection away to those bandits operating out of hotels. There will also be a club table promoting the host South Wellington Coin Society. 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)