



TORONTO COIN CLUB

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— Meeting Minutes for November, 2013 —

CLUB MEETINGS

Held on the 3rd Monday of the month
(moved to 2nd Monday for statutory
holidays), from September to June.

Doors open at 7:00 P.M.,
starting at 7:30 P.M.

Located at Metro Hall, 55 John St.
(at King St.), Toronto.

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NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be Monday, December 9, 2013.

LAST MEETING:

The November 18, 2013 meeting of the Toronto Coin Club was held in room 309 of Metro Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 with our president Don B. in the chair. There were 9 members and 2 guests present.

CLUB BUSINESS:

- This month Don had chosen to forgo the on-time attendance draw and distributed selected material, donated to the club by the Bank of Canada Currency Museum, directly to members present.
- Don B. mentioned that he had received some comments from the Constitution Review Committee. He reported that this was still a work in progress.
- With respect to our December 9 meeting plans, Don B. mentioned that he had made reservations at La Maquette, the same restaurant as last year, located at 111 King St. West, on the South side, between Church and Jarvis streets. He also mentioned that he will verify that we will be eligible for a 15% discount from their regular menu.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

- Paul P. brought some news from a M.A.S.C. meeting, held at the Arts and Letters Club, that he had recently attended. He mentioned, FIDEM, the International Medal Conference will be held in Ottawa in 2018. He also discovered that the RCM had done away with the Head Engraver position at the mint which he learned during a conversation with Susan Taylor, an engraver at the mint.
- Don B. mentioned that he brought a sampling of books, part of the Bank of Canada Currency Museum donation, that he will auction off during the evening. Proceeds of the auction were \$11.00.
- Paul P., acting as treasurer, reported that he had paid both the R.C.N.A. and O.N.A. dues for 2014 on behalf of the club.
- Jared S. invited the members to visit his newly opened coin shop, Metro Coin and Banknote, located at 722 Annette St., Toronto.

GUESTS:

Calvin J. (a junior collector) was welcomed this month along with his mother Wendy. Calvin is just starting to collect; currently focussing on Canadian circulation coins and World coins he receives from people around him returning from their travels.

AFFILIATIONS



Royal Canadian
Numismatic Association



Ontario Numismatic
Association

PRESENTATION:

There were no planned speakers for the November meeting.

SHOW-AND-TELL ROUND TABLE:

Paul P.:

Paul P. brought along a copy of “Studies on Money in Early America” by authors Richard Doty and Eric P. Newman. Newman’s collect recently sold for an impressive US\$23 Million. Even more impressive is that he had paid only \$7,500 to acquire it over the course of his career. The proceeds are being donated to the Eric P. Newman Education Society.

Henry N.:

Henry brought along a few interesting vignettes, used on Bank of Nova Scotia notes, that he had acquired at the recent Bell auction. He also brought along a Canadian 1874 P4, 5-cent piece that he bought at auction. The interesting aspect of the coin was a very large die chip in the right hand wreath of the reverse most likely caused by a retained die break. He also brought along a copy of the CCN Newsletter, published by Michael Findlay, which he received recently in the mail.

Marvin K. MD:

Marvin reminded everyone of one of his more interesting and challenging collecting themes in which he assembles a collection of numismatic material with the denomination of his current Wedding Anniversary. He began doing this with his 25th anniversary and has continued since then. This has led him to odd denominations such as the 56-kreuzer Swiss crown dated 1795.



He is currently working on his 80th anniversary with items such as- the Italian States 80-scudo issued by Pope Innocentium, the 80-cent note issued by Newfoundland in 1903 and the \$80 Dominion of Canada certificate issued by the Department of the Interior (appearing in a CPMS Journal he acquired recently as a door prize at the NYCC).

Jared S.:

Jared took a moment to mention that ex NYCC and MECSCC president, Nick Cowan, would be speaking to a meeting of the Canadian Antiques Collector Club.

Jared brought along three interesting bank notes that he had acquired recently. These items include-

- \$10.00 note issued by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago
- Merchant scrip issued by the “Dominion Radio and Electronics Co.” 535 Yonge Street.
- Also a very interesting and timely J Charlton keepsake. an 1867-1967 \$1.00 note signed on the back three separate times by Mr. Charlton between the 1950s and the 1990s.

Calvin J.:

Calvin, our young guest, brought along a collector holder from a kit he purchased from Scholastic. It also came with a booklet describing the coins that would fit in holes in the holder. He mentioned that he recently was awarded a coin collecting badge from the Pathfinders troop he is a member of.

Everyone told Calvin that they were reminded how they started collecting in very similar ways.

John Mac.:

John brought along a series of old cheques from the Royal Bank of Canada he came across recently which had excise stamps in 1- and 2-cent denominations affixed to the backs. He mentioned a story that he had heard about a merchant who was arrested for transferring the stamps from negotiated cheques to new ones. :-)

David Q.:

David brought along a few items he had recently acquired. Including-

- a series of coins dated 1954-1967 issued by Venezuela
- a restrike of the popular Marian Theresa Taler dated 1780
- a 10-Mil coin issued by Egypt in 1917H
- 1 1968 25-peso Olympic Commemorative and an 1833 8-reales issued by Mexico
- and, a well worn coin – likely issued during the crusades.



John M.:

John M. brought a number of interesting items he had obtained on the way to the club meeting from Taylor Coins, including-

- 3 aluminium tokens with the same "CANADA" reverse design issued by the RCMP, City Hall and Calgary Stampede.
- a Republic of Panama coin by Birks commemorating the 15th Commonwealth Games "Spirit of Nations" featuring a totem design.
- a foreign silver lot he obtained below melt from the recent Waddington's auction including a 1973 20 Balboa coin issued by Panama.
- US Civil War tokens he obtained at the Niagara Falls coin show just the past Saturday. He commented that the show was poorly attended.

Shawn H.:

Shawn brought a number of Chinese coins that he obtained recently, three of which were modern "replica" items produce in China. He also brought three rarer German States notgeld coins.

Irina N.:

Following the theme of Latvia declaring independence from Russia in 1918, Irina brought 20 coins issued by Latvia during the 1920s-1930s she acquired at auction. She also brought along a journal from the Institute for Historical Review with articles on the liberation of Latvia and Latvia under foreign rule. Which she donated to the club auction.

She also brought along a counterfeit Russian 10-kopecs piece.

Don B.:

Don brought along his working copy of "The Canadian Coin Cabinet" published by Joseph LeRoux MD. in 1888, to document one of the night's themes (the opening of Canada's second railway line, the Montreal and Lachine railway in 1847). The railway issued a third class fare token, LaRoux 600, for its Indian passengers.

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L600, Obv. : Engine. Montréal & Lachine Railroad Company. Rev. :Beaver, tree, third class. Size 21, rarity 5. The Company had special low rates for the Indians, this token was a ticket for an Indian.

The central hole allowed the tokens to be strung with a wire as they were collected from the passengers.



The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.



Entrance to the Lachine Canal, Montreal, QC, 1826. Photograph with glass lantern slide of watercolour by unknown artist, McCord MP-1976.288.2.