



# NORTH YORK COIN CLUB

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MONTHLY MEETINGS 4TH TUESDAY 8 P.M. AT  
Edithvale Community Centre, 7 Edithvale Drive, North York

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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE

### Next meeting

The next meeting of the North York Coin Club will be held on Thursday, December 9, 1993, at the Edithvale Community Centre, 7 Edithvale Drive. This meeting will be our annual Christmas Party featuring good food and the fine fellowship you expect at our numismatic gatherings. Dinner reservations have been on sale for \$5 at the last two meetings to pay for the Kentucky Fried Chicken. To supplement the purchased food, we also appreciate whatever special family goodies (salad, cookies, cakes) you may be able to donate to the buffet table. As with previous years, you should also please bring along a gift with a minimum value of \$5 if you want to participate in the gift exchange. There will also be an election at this meeting. Read the news from the November meeting for more details.

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DECEMBER QUESTION OF THE MONTH: This month's question is going to be an easy one. How many times has the club hosted the C.N.A. and O.N.A. conventions and what years. Maybe the President will get this one right for a change and the rest of the members at the meeting.

The Treasurer is very happy that over 50% of the members so far have renewed their dues for 1994, where else can you get such a great bargain for your money ease days.

NOTICE TO THE EXECUTIVE: A reminder the next Executive Meeting will be held on Wednesday January 12, 1994, at 7:00 P.M. at 4720 Yonge Street, Willowdale, be on time.

O.N.A. CONVENTION UPDATE: Starting last month and up til April an extra page will be enclosed with the monthly bulletin giving the members the latest news on the convention.

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## News from the November 23, 1993 Meeting

The 379th meeting of the North York Coin Club was held on Tuesday, November 23, 1993. The President, Ron Zelk, opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and welcomed 26 members and 3 guests. There was some brief discussion on the winner of the on time attendance draw at the October meeting... and our worst fears were confirmed: we forgot to hold the draw. Since there was no winner, the pot was raised to \$6. This pleased recent member Dennis Schick because he was able to claim it for his own when his name was pulled. Graham Page was accepted as a new member, number 484. Ron very sadly announced the recent passing of Bud Deering, who pre-deceased his wife by a single day. Bud will be missed. Basil Latham has been hospitalized for observation and will hopefully be back soon.

On the coin show front, everyone was reminded of the Waterloo Coin Show coming up the next Saturday and of the change in location for the ONA Convention. The ONA Convention will now be held at the Holiday Inn Yorkdale.

An application for membership was received from Miss Karima Tejani of North York. If no objections are forthcoming, membership will become effective at the December meeting.

In keeping with this time of year when the Canada Savings Bond drive is on, Roger Fox brought along a framed bond from the 1967 Centennial series. This \$50 bond features all 5's as its serial number and, except for some folds from storage in a safety deposit box, is in perfect condition. Its \$100 redemption value is far less than its value to a collector.

Coffee, juice and cookies were available for break time. Thanks as usual to Ted Boxall for his services.

Norm Belsten, as Nominating Chairman, presented the slate of officers for 1994/95. He called for further nominations from the floor. There being none, the following positions are filled by acclamation: President Ron Zelk, 1st Vice President Paul Petch, 2nd Vice President Bob Porter, Secretary Lucille Colson, Treasurer Harvey Farrow and Junior Director Brad Petch. An election will be held at the December meeting for three Directors out of four nominees. The nominees for Director are Ted Boxall, Paul Johnson, Albert Kasman and Basil Latham. The rest of the appointed positions will be announced next month.

The lucky draw winners were John Regitko(2), Jack Rabkin, Albert Kasman, Ron Zelk, Dan Madsen and Paul Petch. The meeting closed at 9:45 p.m.

## Coming Events

1994 ONA Convention, April 22-24, Holiday Inn Yorkdale, 3450 Dufferin Street, North York  
Info: Hosted by the North York Coin Club

## Counterfeit Coins

Paul Johnson introduced Brian Cornwell as speaker for the evening. Brian has been a very active member in the CNA and its committees, a writer for Canadian Coin News and an active member of the ICCS. Because of this background with the ICCS he was able to give us an overview of counterfeit coins as experienced in the grading business. His presentation consisted of four case studies, each one being more difficult to detect. He included both genuine and counterfeit pieces for comparison and also brought along a microscope used in the examination of pieces. The first example was an obvious cast piece. It had the wrong sound when dropped, the wrong weight, the wrong colour and pitting could be observed when it was viewed through the microscope. The second was a duplicate of a common 1911 sovereign. It appeared that a pantograph machine had been used to cut a working die from a genuine piece. As to why it was done, Brian could only guess that gold was put into this form to ease its transport across international borders. The third was very difficult to detect. It appeared to be a genuine piece except for tell-tale flow lines which were present in a bag nick visible above the date. This is impossible in the normal course of things, so the piece was revealed as counterfeit. The fourth was a 1936 dot which had been altered to fool a collector. The dot was actually added to the piece. By the end of the talk those in attendance had a good insight of how an understanding of the coining process, access to the right tools, some intuition, common sense and patient examination can be applied to determine the authenticity of a collectible piece. The talk prompted many questions from the floor. The President, in thanking Brian, presented him with a set of 1986 North York Coin Club Trade Dollars.

## Question-of-the-Month

The November question asked members to identify any counterfeit pieces which may be legally sought and held by a collector. There were three good responses from the floor. The so-called Blacksmith pieces were made to look like worn regal coppers and tokens in common circulation, counterfeit Japanese concentration script is actually more valuable as a collectors' item than the real thing and the PEI Holey Dollar was counterfeited by some inhabitants of the Island so well that it is now impossible to tell the government pieces from the counterfeits. Paul Petch read a short piece from the Numismatist of 1910 in which R.W. McLachlan traced the origin of the term "Blacksmith Copper".

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