

North York Coin Club

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THE BULLETIN FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Good day to all of you fellow numismatists and to everyone who receives the North York Coin Club's monthly bulletin. It's hard to believe that we have only a few days remaining in our summer season. The last week or so has been the nicest weather in months. Take advantage of these last few beautiful days before we spend our next six months huddled in our homes trying to stay warm. Oh, the hibernation period is also the time when most of us really get down to pursuing our hobbies.

The Coin Show Circuit

That being said, the number of shows in the Golden Horseshoe area of Ontario is ever increasing. Nearly every weekend until December is booked with a show. Downtown Toronto, Mississauga, Woodstock, Stratford, Oshawa, Niagara Falls, Scarborough, Brampton show are coming and you have three months of continuous numismatic action to keep the keenest of collectors busy. Get out and support these endeavours and others to keep our hobby strong and vibrant.

Along those lines of attending these local numismatic shows we have provincial and national conventions that also let numismatists get together and discuss the latest in the hobby, catch up with old friends and get educated and introduced to new aspects of collecting. The educational forums, at some of these shows and conventions, are a valuable way that we can learn more about the hobby from distinguished experts in the field. So if you need another reason to get off the couch, there it is.

It's Time to Get Busy

Now we get into the more serious aspects of the hobby; helping out to make sure everything runs smoothly. Do the members actually think these wonderful shows and conventions just miraculously show up on the day of the calendar that they are scheduled? WRONG Many days and hours are spent by volunteers to make sure everything runs without a hitch. That is where you can help us out and make next year's R.C.N.A. convention, which our club is hosting, a memorable experience for all who are attending.

We have had a couple of meetings of the R.C.N.A. 2018 convention planning committee and the response from the members has been anything but impressive. The meetings and the show will not run by themselves and unless more members get off their wallets and assist the leadership of the club then the days of a vibrant successful club are numbered. Participation is the key to enjoyment and the camaraderie with the people who share a common interest is your doorway to gaining knowledge and insight into your field of collecting. I may sound like a broken record but unless things change you may not be attending meetings in the future because there will be no one left to run them.

Our Annual Coin Show

If you look at the calendar, May 12, 2018 is a long way in the future. But the club's annual coin show has always been a sold out event. If you are planning on renting a table it's never too early to pay and get your reservation. See Paul Petch with your cash and

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

We start gathering in the Banquet Room on the first floor of the Edithvale Community Centre, at 7:00 p.m. with meeting start scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Our featured speaker for the September meeting is Mr. Michael Rogozinski who operates a collectibles company here in Toronto called Empire Auctions Inc. Over the years he has had the opportunity of handling a variety of appealing coins and will share some interesting stories and experiences with us. He was last with us in April, 2013. We encourage everyone to turn out to hear this special guest speaker.

Bring along your recent finds or special treasures to share with us during the show and tell!

Please remember to bring your auction lots so we can have a really fine auction at this meeting. Also, we appreciate all donations to our supply of draw prize material.

a table will be held for you. Better yet take two tables and try and sell all your duplicates or unwanted coins to provide you with some needed money to pursue the items that matter to you today. Tthis is how the economy runs.

Dues and December

It's that time of year again when our treasurer Ben Boelens starts collecting the dues for the upcoming year and also for our festive meeting in December. Now I know that December seems a long way in the future,

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News of the August 2017 Meeting

The 635th meeting of the North York Coin Club was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 in the 2nd floor Board Room at the Edithvale Community Centre. It was hammered to order at 7:34 p.m. with our Vice-President, Henry Nienhuis, in the chair and 20 members and 2 guests in attendance.

The first order of business was the on-time attendance draw. Member Bob Wilson was not present when his name was drawn to receive the on-time attendance draw prize of \$10.00. The draw will increase to \$15.00 for the September 26th meeting.

Henry asked the members present if they had noticed any errors or omissions in the minutes of the June meeting as published in the August newsletter. With no corrections identified, Phillip Simms made a motion to accept the minutes, which was seconded by Arnie Goldstein. Motion carried.

Ben Boelens, our treasurer, then gave a brief report on the club's financial status.

Henry Nienhuis mentioned that although Bill O'Brien had officially volunteered as the NYCC delegate to the R.C.N.A. convention in Boucherville, Quebec, he would give a delegate's

report on behalf of Bill—who was not at the meeting. Henry included a PowerPoint presentation to supplement his report with images and interesting facts from the convention. One of the highlights of the presentation was a report of the results of the R.C.N.A. board elections. Paul Petch, volunteering as Elections Chair, reported the results at the R.C.N.A. Annual General meeting on Saturday, July 22^{nd} . Other members that attended the convention also added their comments.

With the delegate's report complete, Henry asked members if they had brought along a show-and-tell item. Paul Petch was first to show the souvenir he purchased from the RCM booth at the R.C.N.A. convention. He purchased a full set of 2017 circulating coins mounted on a beautiful, maple leaf shaped, card. The set included both the commemorative coins and the regular designs together. Paul also mentioned that he was happy he had made the purchase at the convention because he had heard that the package did not survive shipping well and many people purchasing the collectible from the Mint website were not happy when the set was damaged in shipping.



Bill O'Brien (left) presents a North York Coin Club donation cheque to Bob Forbes, representing CAFNE



A part of every RCNA banquet is the presentation of the ribbon cutting scissors by the outgoing convention chairman to the chairman of the next convention. Pierre LeClerc (right) presents the scissors to Bill O'Brien who extended an invitation to everyone to join us in 2018 at Hotel Hilton Meadowvale from August 7 to 11.



A meeting of the RCNA Executive during the 2018 Convention with NYCC members Henry Nienhuis, RCNA President and Paul Johnson, RCNA Executive Secretary

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Jim Heifetz mentioned that he had attended the RCM launch of the 25-cent commemorative coin held in Richmond Hill. He was impressed by Joelle Wong, the young coin designer who participated in the launch.

A short refreshment break was called from 8:18–8:30 p.m. The club would like to thank Carolyne-Marie Petch for her help in preparing the coffee and cookies during the break.

We resumed the meeting with our regular auction and our customary lucky draw. Lucky draw numbers were called at various times while the auction took place. Lucky draw winners for the evening were—Ross McInnes (2), Paul Johnson, Andrew Silver, Linda Simms, Paul Petch (2), and Franco Farronato. The club earned \$20.00 through the sale of the draw tickets! Our auction manager, Paul Johnson, reported that receipts from the auction added \$14.95 to the club coffers. We thank David Quinlan our auctioneer, Andrew

Silver who volunteered as runner and Paul Johnson our auction manger for their help with the auction.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

The club executive would like to thank members for supporting the club through the purchase of draw tickets and draw prize donations. Please consider supporting your club through a donation of numismatic material or other items. (Don't forget to mention your donations to the club secretary so that your support can be recognized in the minutes and newsletter.)

Our next regular meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 26, in the 1st floor Banquet Room of the Edithvale Community Centre. The next host Convention Meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 10 in the 2nd floor Board Room at Edithvale. We hope to see everyone there!



The Royal Canadian Mint product My Canada My Inspiration 2017 Coin Collection and the Classics is an open stock item that continues to be available for \$34.95.

Paul Petch showed this item as a souvenir of the R.C.N.A. 2017 Convention at Boucherville and purchased at the RCM booth on the bourse floor.

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but everyone knows that time flies. The festive meeting is scheduled for December 5th at Tucker's Marketplace, on Carlson Ct. near the airport, as it has been in previous years. I urge everyone to save the day, pay Ben your dues and for your holiday meal so that these bookkeeping items can be completed before he heads out on his usual four-month vacation.

Looking Forward to the 26th

Well that's about all I have to say this month — including my standard rants. The draw prize cupboard is still empty and I encourage everyone to bring a few items so we can replenish the kitty. The meeting on the 26th will be a special presentation by a speaker from outside of the club. Michael Rogozinski will be making a return visit to the club and if his current topic is as interesting as his last then this will be a night that you should not miss. Until the 26th, enjoy the last few days of summer and start thinking about how you are going to start volunteering some of your time to make the hobby more enjoyable for all.

ROYAL CANADIAN MINT COMMEMORATES HOT AIR BALLOONS

FROM AN RCM PRESS RELEASE

The mint has gone to a teardrop shape on this commemorative non-circulating coin product to mirror the basic shape of a hot air balloon. While the reverse of the coin itself is light on engraving, only the legend is actually struck into the coin, the colours of the printed scene aptly present the familiar image of many balloons floating in a clear sky.

Extremely fine detailing and tilt-shift perspective deliver a remarkable depth of field help the viewer feel they are floating in a basket high above the ground, gazing out at big billowing clouds of vibrant orange, green, purple and blue as they float down the mountain valley. A red-and-white balloon salutes the rich ballooning tradition that can be found across Canada where passengers can experience the ride of their lives as they enjoy Canada's breathtaking landscapes in this exhilarating way.

A limited production run of 5,000 pieces has been assigned to this 1 ounce 99.99% pure silver product and sells for \$114.95.

Design

Canadian artist Calder Moore created the captivating and immersive design filled with rich, vibrant colour. The compelling tilt-shift perspective uses strategic sizing and placement of the balloons—a larger balloon extending beyond the field of the coin, and progressively smaller balloons disappearing in the distance—to create an exceptional depth of field. Majestic mountains in the distance enhance the sense of depth, while a red-and-white maple leaf balloon salutes Canada's rich ballooning tradition in this, our sesquicentennial year.

Background in Ballooning

Beautiful colour has been a signature feature of hot air balloons since the first flight of 1783. Inventors Joseph-Michel and Jacques-Étienne Montgolfier worked with wallpaper manufacturer Jean-Baptiste Réveillon to build their 1,700 m³ taffeta envelope, and Réveillon brought a strong sense of aesthetics to the project when he created a blue and gold design of flourishes, suns and zodiacs—and that is likely how the tradition of beauty took off.





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Some Ballooning Firsts

- 1783 First manned flight
- 1785 Crossing the English Channel
- 1793 Lift-off in North America. George Washington was present.
- 1932 Manned flight to the Stratosphere
- 1978 Atlantic Ocean (helium-filled balloon)
- 1981 Pacific Ocean (helium)
- 1987 Atlantic Ocean (hot air)
- 1991 Pacific Ocean (hot air)
- 1999 Around the world
- 2016 Record-breaking solo flight around the world. The pilot was 64-year-old Fedor Konyukhov, a Russian priest who completed the 34,000 km journey in 11 days. Riding as high as 10,000 m above the Earth, Konyukhov battled temperatures as low as -56°C as he travelled faster, farther, and succeeded on his first attempt.

The first passengers aboard a hot air balloon were a sheep, a duck and a rooster. They took to the air on September 19, 1783, two months before the first manned flight in Paris.

First hot air balloon in Canada was launched during the War of 1812 as a military post to observe American troops along the Ouebec border.

Record-breaking landings in Canada took place in 1991 and 1995 when British billionaire Richard Branson and Swedish copilot Per Lindstrand made the first transpacific crossing in a hot air balloon and landed on a frozen lake 240 km west of Yellowknife (NT). Four years later, American businessman Steve Fossett completed the first solo flight across the Pacific when he landed his helium-filled balloon in a muddy field near Leader (SK).

The only Canadian ever to be honoured with a Montgolfier diploma, the most prestigious international hot air balloon award from the FAI (Fédération Aéronautique Internationale), is the Ottawa balloonist Sandra Rolfe. Her 7 1/2-hour flight in February 2015 set a world record for the longest time aloft in a balloon of its class. She holds more than 30 Canadian and international ballooning records and, in September 2016, managed to be back in the sky while still recovering from a severe stroke suffered in October 2015.

Four-season ballooning is an amazing adventure to be experienced anywhere in Canada, provided the snow isn't blowing. In fact, during winter, hot air balloons can take to the sky any time of day, unlike summer when flights usually take place in early morning or late afternoon when gentle breezes are prevalent.

Every year, brightly coloured hot air balloons fill the sky right across Canada as ballooning festivals attract thousands of visitors from around the globe.

Warm air is lighter than cold air. Lift-off is achieved by heating the air within the envelope. The hotter the air, the higher the balloon will go. The balloon descends by releasing air through a valve at the top.

While going up or down is easy enough, controlling direction is another problem. This is where the pilot's mastery comes in as he reads changing wind speeds and direction, and takes the balloon up or down to catch the breeze that will take him in the right direction. To keep the flight stable, the pilot fires the burner at regular intervals throughout the voyage.

Despite modern materials like aluminium and composite plastics, woven cane is still the preferred choice for the basket because it is extremely strong and flexible to handle the constant shifting, and relatively lightweight.

Initially, balloonists would burn materials on board to generate the heat to propel the envelope upward. Then, hydrogen and helium were introduced as a safer option to an open flame. Hot air came back into favour about 50 years ago and is now produced using propane burners.

Balloons are used today as heavy-lift vehicles in remote areas (eg: logging operations), to broadcast aerial views during sporting events, and as advertising billboards.

If you are thinking about a hot air balloon ride for yourself and friends, rates start at about \$155 per person for early morning trips during the week. There are a few companies offering flights in our southern Ontario region and it could be quite spectacular once the Fall colours appear. I enjoyed one ad I saw that said payment is not required until they get you safely down.

CANADA 150 "CANADIAN ICONS" RCM PRODUCT

FROM AN RCM PRESS RELEASE

From the mountains of Western Canada to the maritime emblems of Atlantic Canada to the inukshuk that reflects the spirit of the North, these are the classic images that define our nation on this special anniversary year. This coin allows us to experience Canada from coast to coast to coast with an inspirational collage of red-coloured icons, all of which come together beautifully to form the most iconic of all Canadian symbols: the maple leaf. Look at those icons closely and you will discover that there is some special meaning for everyone, from the maple leaves, the CN Tower, a hockey stick, birds, bears, salmon and more—every element within the mosaic featured on the 65 mm reverse touches on the different ideas of what defines Canada, in our own eyes and in the eyes of the world!

The mint has chosen to do minimal engraving on the reverse of this coin with only "Canada 1867-2017" and the sesquicentennial privy mark struck into the coin. The silhouette shapes of the icons could have been engraved on the coin as well, but the red paint rendering definitely gives more energy to the appearance of the design.

The 65.25 mm coin is encapsulated and presented in a Royal Canadian Mintbranded maroon clamshell with Canada 150 themed black beauty box and is limited to a mintage of 1,500, selling for \$519.95.

Design

Artist Tami Mayrand presents a symbolic homage to Canada through the classic images that broadly define what it means to be Canadian. Each icon represents a Canadian theme or idea; united by an application of red paint, they form the distinctive silhouette of a predominant Canadian symbol: the maple leaf.



Within this pointed outline, the nation's geography, flora and fauna are well represented by various images: a mountain peak; small maple leaves; pine cones; an evergreen tree; birds in flight; a wolf; a moose; polar bear; squirrel; sea lion; bear; bison; a Canadian Inuit dog; and our national symbol, the beaver. A blade of wheat and a bottle of maple syrup highlight some of Canada's most famous agricultural exports, while a hatchet alludes to the forests that have shaped the nation's history. Inukshuks and a tepee pay tribute to the history and richly varied cultural traditions of Canada's First Nations peoples, while a schooner, whale tail, salmon, and orca are a nod to Canada's coasts.

Canada's innovative spirit is well represented by an icon of the aeronautic industry, and the tower that defines Toronto's skyline. But most prominent of all is our love for the great outdoors, and the pastimes we enjoy through the seasons, as illustrated by: snowflakes; a snowman; a curling stone; a snowmobile; sprig of holly; a canoe; a Muskoka chair; figure skates; winter gear; and ski equipment. A puck, helmet and skate are included to reflect a nation's fervent passion for its winter sport, including a hockey stick that forms the maple leaf's petiole.

Take a close look at the design. Can you find all the symbols?

CANADA 150 "CANADIAN ICONS" RCM PRODUCT

FROM AN RCM PRESS RELEASE

The Royal Canadian Mint has produced a very special premium product in its already impressive series of pieces that commemorate Canada 150. At \$10,699.95 no one will dispute that this product is expensive, and so limited at its mintage of 100 that most collectors will not have the opportunity to see it first hand. Fortunately the marketing material is comprehensive and the illustration is detailed, so at least on this basis we can enjoy its beauty.

The enactment of the British North America Act was a defining moment for Canada. Shaped by the vision of the Confederation delegates to conferences in Charlottetown, Québec, and London, this constitutional act began the process of uniting British North American colonies into one political entity: the Dominion of Canada. In 1867 the founding four provinces were Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Québec. In the years that followed others joined Confederation: Manitoba (1870), Northwest Territories (1870), British Columbia (1871), Prince Edward Island (1873), Yukon (1898), Alberta (1905), Saskatchewan (1905), Newfoundland (1949) and Nunavut (1999).

The terms of Confederation provided the framework for this new nation, which was built on the federal union of provinces. It defined

about three-quarter its

actual size

Canada's executive, legislative and judicial systems, and outlined the division of power between the federal and provincial governments. In short, Confederation is the foundation for Canada, as we know it today.

The 150th anniversary of Confederation represents an important milestone for Canadians from coast to coast to coast. Our country's sesquicentennial is an extraordinary opportunity to come together and reflect on our past, take pride in our shared values and achievements, and share our hopeful vision for the future.

The stirring collage on this coin captures Canada's spirit and character in 2017. These characteristically Canadian images come together seamlessly to provide a one-of-a-kind, cross-country journey that speaks of the essence and uniqueness of Canada, our beloved home and native land. Such a sweeping tribute to Canada demanded an extra-large canvas.

Each 180-mm coin is crafted from a single pour of five kilograms of 99.99% pure molten silver. The production of the dies alone required roughly four weeks of work in a process that involved state-of-the-art computerized three-dimensional rendering of the sculptured design. To achieve the crisp, flawless impression of each coin it is struck up to eight times on specially prepared blanks. Finally, it is presented

> in a burled-wood case, which bears the Royal Canadian Mint logo and wordmark, highlights. The coin may be displayed inside its case—a round acrylic window in the lid is sized to the coin's dimensions—or it may be displayed in a custom frame included

Design

This 500-dollar coin, with a diameter of 180 millimetres and a nominal metal weight of 5,000 grams, is another in a series of mint products that commemorates the 150th anniversary Confederation, Canadian artist Steve Hepburn designed a collage of iconic Canadian images that represent the nation from east to west and to the north. The stirring collage captures Canada's spirit and character in 2017. These quintessentially Canadian images come together seamlessly to provide a one-of-a-kind, cross-country journey that speaks of the essence and uniqueness of Canada, our beloved "home and native land." Your coin is also engraved with the words "CANADA" and "150 YEARS/ANS" The obverse features the effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by Susanna Blunt, along with the coin's date, weight, purity and denomination.



COMING EVENTS FOR FALL 2017

Sept. 23, Guelph, Guelph Fall Coin Show, Colonel John McCrae Legion Branch 234, 57 Watson Pkwy. S. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$3, under 16 free. Free level parking, fully accessible. Legendary lunch counter. Never been to a coin show? This is where you start! Coins, banknotes, tokens, Canadian Tire money, medals, books and supplies at more than 35 dealer tables. Featuring some of Canada's top numismatic dealers. Club-sponsored Kid's Table for under 14; buy, sell, trade or evaluate. For more information contact Mike Hollingshead, email cholling@uoguelph.ca, telephone 519-823-2646. Website: http://www.southwellingtoncoinsociety.com

Sept. 29 – 30, Toronto, Toronto Coin Expo – Canada's Coin & Banknote Show, Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St. Hours: Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$6, under 16 free. Join us at Canada's premier coin and banknote show and auction, representing Canada, United States, and the world of collectable currencies. Located on the 2nd floor. Featuring 30+ internationally renowned coin and banknote dealers, . This is the place in Canada to buy, sell, trade. Appraisals with internationally renowned dealers in coins, banknotes, tokens, medals, militaria, gold, silver and jewelry. Partnering with Geoffrey Bell Auctions; auction Sept 28-29, 2017. You are sure to find a one-of-a-kind coin or banknote treasures! For more information contact Jared Stapleton, email torontocoinexpo@gmail.com, telephone 647-403-7334. Website: http://www.torontocoinexpo.ca

Oct. 15, Mississauga, Mississauga Coin & Stamp Show, John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd. Sponsored by the Troyak Club. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Over 30 dealers & 60 dealer tables. Canadian and world coins, banknotes, stamps and supplies. Buy, sell, trade, appraise. For more information contact Les Plonka, email leszekp@rogers.com, telephone 416-505-7999. Website: http://www.troyakclub.com

Oct. 22, North Bay, Fall 2017 Northeastern Antique, Collectible & Nostalgia Show, North Bay Elks Club, 325 Elks Ln. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$5 admission. 12 and under free. Largest collectible show in Northern Ontario featuring coins; extensive stock of commemorative medals and tokens; stamps; postcards; vintage toys; posters; militaria; comics; small antiques; vinyl and much more. Lunch counter. Door prizes. For more information contact Jeff Fournier, email jfournier14@gmail.com, telephone 705-491-1735. Website: http://www.facebook.com/northeasternantiquecoincollectible/

Oct. 22, Stratford, Stratford Coin Show, The Festival Inn, 1144 Ontario St. Hours:10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$2 adults, 16 and under free. Buy and sell coins, paper money, tokens. For more information contact Larry Walker, email <code>lswalker@cyg.net</code>, telephone 519-271-3352. Website: http://www.stratfordcoinclub.ca
Oct. 29, Oshawa, COIN-A-RAMA, Jubilee Pavilion, 55 Lakeview Park Ave. One day only. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free dealer and membership draws, New hourly public draws, free admission, featuring paper, coins, tokens, medals, books & supplies and many other items. So come out and look for that special item for your collection or for a gift. I am sure you'll find what you need. For more information contact Sharon, email <code>papman@bell.net</code>, telephone 905-728-1352. Website: http://www.oshawacoinclub.com

Nov. 4, Scarborough, Scarborough Coin Club 21st Annual Coin Show, Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 Eastpark Blvd. One day only. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free admission and draws. Coins, paper money, tokens, medals, club table, etc. Refreshments available. We are at the location where our club meets. For more information contact Dick Dunn, email *cpms@bell.net*.

Nov. 5, Sudbury, Sudbury Coin and Stamp Show, Dynamic Earth, Big Nickel Rd. Nickel Belt Coin Club and the Sudbury Stamp Club will again be extending a welcome to collectors. Our location cannot be missed as we have the BIG NICKEL to show the way. There will be displays, vendors, guest speakers, and lots for the kids. Looking forward to seeing you there. For more information, email robert.denton@sympatico.ca, telephone 705-626-3305. Website: http://www.nickelbeltcoinclub.com

Nov. 12, Windsor, Windsor Coin Club 66th Annual Fall Coin Show, Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave. Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$1. Juniors free when accompanied by an adult. Thirty-nine dealer tables. Handicap accessible entrance. Plenty of free parking. For more information contact Margaret Clarke, email mtclarke@mnsi.net, telephone 519-735-0727. Website: http://www.windsorcoinclub.com

Nov. 18 – 19, Toronto, TOREX® – Canada's National Coin Show, Hyatt Regency on King, 370 King St. W. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$7. Under 16 Free! Featuring Canada's finest dealers in Canadian, ancient, and foreign coins, paper money, coin and paper money supplies and reference books. Official Auctioneer: The Canadian Numismatic Company. Auction viewing begins on Friday. For more information contact Brian R. Smith, email brian@torex.net, telephone 416-705-5348. Website: http://www.torex.net

Nov. 25, St. Catharines, Canada Coin News' Open House, North End Plaza, 103 Lakeshore Rd. Canadian Coin News invites you to our first Christmas Open House at our St. Catharines' office, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. *This will be an opportunity to meet some of our writers and columnists*. As well, we will also be offering some fantastic specials from our supplies store – *coinstampsupplies.com* – just in time for Christmas. Join us for coffee and Christmas treats. For more information contact Mike Walsh, email mwalsh@trajan.ca, telephone 905-646-4820. Website: http://www.canadiancoinnews.ca

Dec. 3, Brampton, Rotary Club of Brampton Coin and Trading Card Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3, under 14 free and free parking. *Buy, sell, trade and appraise at more than 40 tables of dealers, including a children's table. Funds raised for children's charities.* For more information contact Willard Burton, email *willardb@bwcoins.com*, telephone 905-450-2870.

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