



North York Coin Club

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MONTHLY MEETINGS 4TH Tuesday 7:30 P.M. AT
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THE BULLETIN FOR APRIL 2014

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to announce that a large yellowish ball has been found in the sky and is emitting heat. Yes, spring has finally sprung. That warmth radiating down allows us to venture outdoors without spending an hour preparing. We can easily attend coin shows and meetings once again. When you head out, why not bring a friend or two and share your experience. Hey, I just had a brain wave. Since I know that May 10th will be a beautiful warm day, why don't you get all your coin hunting books and gadgets out, jump in the car, pick up a few buddies and head out to our hobby show. The Edithvale Hobby Show sponsored by our club will be held all day long in the Banquet Room. So come out and visit with your fellow club members and enjoy a few hours.

During the last meeting I forgot to bring up the club's auction by-laws. We have had a motion to change the auction commission structure. The proposed change was deemed reasonable by the executive who then voted unanimously to present the change to the general meeting on April 29th for a vote. The auction by-law of our constitution, which has been in place for many years, states that the club receives a commission of 10% up to \$1.00. The motion will be put forward to change that to \$5.00. Thus the 10% commission now is on the first fifty dollars of the hammer price.

Also happening during our meeting on the 29th will be our club delegates report from the Ontario Numismatic Association's annual convention that was held in Windsor Ontario the first weekend of April. All other club member who attended the show will also be encouraged to give a brief summary of his or her convention experience.

The balance of our meeting will be a show and tell member participation evening. Please bring in an item or two that you find interesting and share your discovery with the membership. This only works when members actually bring something, so find a item that has a little story to go with it.

May is the club's 600th meeting and we are celebrating with a couple of special commemorative items and a speaker from outside of the club. Please attend and help us celebrate this milestone.

Speaking about upcoming meetings reminds me to thank Paul Petch who has met with Edithvale to secure the permits necessary for us to use Edithvale again for the 2014-2015 season. He has secured a room for our monthly meetings plus five executive meetings. We are hoping there will be no charge to the club based on the percentage of our membership that lives in Toronto and are seniors. Thanks again Paul.

The last item I must mention is the R.C.N.A. convention this August hosted by the club. I would like everyone to help support this endeavour by volunteering at the time of the convention, helping us with the planning or, better yet, register and participate in the many fantastic events that have already been planned. There are trips to Niagara, Artcast Foundry, the ROM, and the highlight of the convention is a trip including an interesting tour and dinner at Black Creek Pioneer Village. These are only a few of the events for the convention. If you are not already a member of the R.C.N.A. your registration fee is increased to include a year's membership.

If you are looking for something to do one weekend why don't you head out and catch one

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 29

IT'S IN THE BANQUET ROOM:

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.

As the highlight for the April meeting we will have a report from Henry Nienhuis on the events at the Ontario Numismatic Association's 2014 Convention in Windsor, April 4-6, earlier this month. We invite all members who were in attendance to contribute their own stories as well.

To round out the meeting we are holding a member participation show and tell, so please bring something of special interest to talk about.

We appreciate all donations to our supply of draw prize material. Please remember to bring your auction lots if you would like an auction at this meeting.

of the other local coin shows. There are shows the weekend of the 27th of April in Brampton or the following weekend in Windsor. The wise collectors are saving their loonies for the three large shows taking place in the GTA in the near future. Coin Expo, TOREX and of course the R.C.N.A. convention are all happening and have outstanding auctions being held during each of them.

Now that seems to cover everything I wanted to mention so until the next meeting, happy collecting and get out of the house and enjoy the spring.

Bill O'Brien

NEWS OF THE MARCH 2014 MEETING

The 598th meeting of the North York Coin Club was held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the 2nd floor Gibson Room at the Edithvale Community Centre, 131 Finch Ave. West. The meeting was hammered to order at 7:30 P.M. with our President Bill O'Brien in the chair; there were 28 members and 2 guests in attendance.

The on-time attendance draw was the first order of business. Member Mark Argentino was not present when his name was drawn to receive the prize of \$2.00. The draw will increase to \$4.00 for the April 29, 2014 meeting.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Bill Bischoff of Cookstown Coins and Curios, and introduced by Ben Boelens who has frequented his shop.

Bill Bischoff has been in the business for 40 years; with the result he has seen a number of changes or cycles in the way that the coin business has developed. Originally the coin business was largely mail order and so had much longer lead times as compared to business today with the advent of eBay and other on-line sites. Another significant change over the early days is that so much instantaneous information is available to collectors today through the Internet, catalogues and population reports that have helped the hobby mature. Mr. Bischoff reminisced about some of the pioneers in the business, both positive and negative, including fond memories of Frank and Harry Rose.

Mr. Bischoff mentioned that he normally gives talks to younger or new collectors. He has been asked to talk to school groups during the school day. He has a wealth of information with respect to encouraging younger numismatist to join our club, including the suggestion of offering catalogues to school libraries, approaching Big Brother or Sister organizations, or donating "basic coin

collecting" kits composed of a sampling of various coin types. In this way we can invite younger members to participate and "seed the future." He suggested every member invite someone they know to a meeting as a guest.

Also, throughout the talk he offered his experience by answering questions from the floor with respect to specific coin collecting questions. Bill O'Brien presented Mr. Bischoff with a certificate of participation as a token of our thanks for his time and effort.

Bill then called for our customary coffee break from 8:54 - 9:00 pm.

Moving on to business items, Bill asked members present if they had noticed any errors or omissions in the minutes of the February meeting as published in the March newsletter. With no corrections identified, Arie Yark made a motion to accept the minutes, which was seconded by Phillip Simms. Motion carried.

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



From left to right, Roger Fox and Norm Belsten chat with guest speaker Bill Bischoff about Canadian Tire notes.



Bill Bischoff in his Cookstown Coins and Curios shop. It was a part of the Around the Corners Studio Tour November 13, 2013. Photo by Jeff Doner and posted on innisfilscope.com.

Henry Nienhuis reminded everyone of the upcoming 600th meeting milestone approaching in May. Henry passed around a draft of the fantasy note he had been working on to commemorate the event. It was also mentioned that we had commissioned Norm Belsten to produce a special wood. There are no plans to issue a medal.

Bill O'Brien then took a moment to update everyone on the status of our annual coin show on Saturday, May 10; he reported that tables were now sold out and looked forward to a successful show.

Bill O'Brien asked if anyone if they had brought along any news items or items for show-and-tell. Jared Stapleton reminded everyone of the upcoming Toronto Coin Expo and mentioned that the show would feature two speakers: François Rufiange of the Ottawa Numismatic Society and author Jill Moxely.

Roger Fox brought along some very rare #1 serial number Canadian Tire notes. Roger mentioned that these were significantly more rare than the Bank of Canada notes which have appeared in various auctions recently. He also brought along #0 notes. Because of the differences in manufacture he mentioned that only the series produced at the Canadian Banknote Company were ever produced beginning with a #0 serial number. Roger commented that these low serial number notes are no longer being produced with recent decisions to continue the number across runs of modern notes. Nick Cowan passed around a 1973 specimen set containing a Large Bust 25-cent piece. He also mentioned that he had heard that Kitco was continuing its bankruptcy protection efforts and worried that many people holding "paper" silver and gold may be at risk of losing their holdings with Kitco. Guest, Mark P., passed around a 1 Kilo "Red Kangaroo" paper weight he recently obtained from the Perth Mint as a souvenir.



Paul Johnson (seated) served as our Auction Manager for the evening.

The last portion of the meeting was devoted to the customary lucky draws and auction. Lucky draw winners for the evening were- Arie Yark, Tom Ivovic (2), Richard Duquette (2), Linda Simms (4), Ben Boelens (2), Henry Nienhuis, Tony Hine and Bob Velensky. The club earned \$27.00 through the sale of the draw tickets! The lucky draws were intermixed throughout the evening's auction, called by our auctioneer Dick Dunn and volunteer runner Jared Stapleton. Our auction manager, David Bawcutt, reported that receipts from the auction added \$13.00 to the club coffers including donations of \$4.00.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 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. We would like to thank Vince Chiappino for his kind donation of auction catalogues and Bill O'Brien for donating a RCM shipping box for 500 Silver 10z. Maples. (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 meeting will be moved to the evening of the 5th Tuesday on April 29, 2014, in the **first floor Banquet Room** of the Edithvale Community Centre. The next NYCC Executive and 2014 R.C.N.A. Convention planning meeting will be held on April 8th and everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

The Royal Canadian Mint recently unveiled this \$20 face value collector coin celebrating the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Royal Ontario Museum in 1914.

The North York Coin Club selected the same theme, with a slightly different view, for this year's 2014 convention medal. An early concept picture is shown.

THE HISTORY OF THE SADDLE RIDGE GOLD COINS

by Lance Ulanoff, from the Mashable news and blog web site

The “Saddle Ridge Treasure” is what many are calling the now-historic discovery of \$10 million worth of gold coins buried in decaying tin cans on the property of one very lucky — and anonymous — California couple. *[This story had just broken and was briefly discussed at the February meeting of the North York Coin Club. Ed.]*

These 1,427 Liberty head coins were minted between 1855 and 1894, and were actually discovered a year ago in eight canisters dotting the couple’s Northern California property. The 19th century coinage has since been authenticated by Kagin’s, a California-based agency that authenticates U.S. currency, and the Professional Coin Grading Service (PCGS). A sampling of the coins were on display at the American Numismatic Association National (ANA) Money Show in Atlanta at the end of February.

As people look over the plastic-encased coins, each with a special gold-coloured “Saddle Ridge Hoard” PCGS certification foil, they may wonder where such a hoard came from. We may have found the answer.

“It’s extremely unusual to find this many U.S. coins, especially gold, all together in one place. It’s a very special and unusual hoard,” said ANA Director Douglas Mudd, who also served as collection manager at the Smithsonian Institution National Numismatic Collection for over a decade.

Mudd told Mashable that while stockpiles of paper and even coin U.S. currency have been found before, the next largest discovery was worth \$4,500 in face value (not the market value of the gold, but the denomination total). According to the PCGS, the majority of these coins are \$20 denomination Liberty Double Eagles struck at the San Francisco Mint. With approximately 1,400 gold coins, that gives them a total face value of roughly \$28,000 — remember that number.

The coins were found in badly decaying, unmarked tins buried — some up to 1 foot deep — somewhere in Northern California. It is safe to say that someone didn’t want them to be found.

Even Mudd wonders about the circumstances. “How did \$28,000, which was a lot of money back then, come to be buried in that spot?”

Mudd said there are a number of ways such a hoard is created.

Often, they come from people who didn’t trust banks, stashing away all their money in a hiding spot — like a mattress, underground vault or tin they buried in the back yard — which was known only to them. They die before retrieving their stored cash, and someone else stumbles upon it years later.

The other option is more of the classic movie western style where bandits make off with the money, but with the authorities in hot pursuit. So they bury the loot and come back later to retrieve it — unless they never get to.

“There are a lot of possibilities, but I haven’t heard anything to suggest what could have happened,” said Mudd.

There are, of course, ways to figure out what happened. The Kagin company, which is overseeing the Saddle Ridge Exhibition and sale of the coins on Amazon.com, hasn’t offered much information about the provenance of the coins, but Mudd says they could potentially date the cans “if there’s enough info on them.”

Kagin’s Communication Director Kirsten Marquette told Mashable, however, “I’ve seen the cans in person and you can’t see anything on them. They’re rusted.”

Another option is doing a lost property or theft search.

“Was there a major theft or did something happen where these coins went missing at some point?” pondered Mudd.

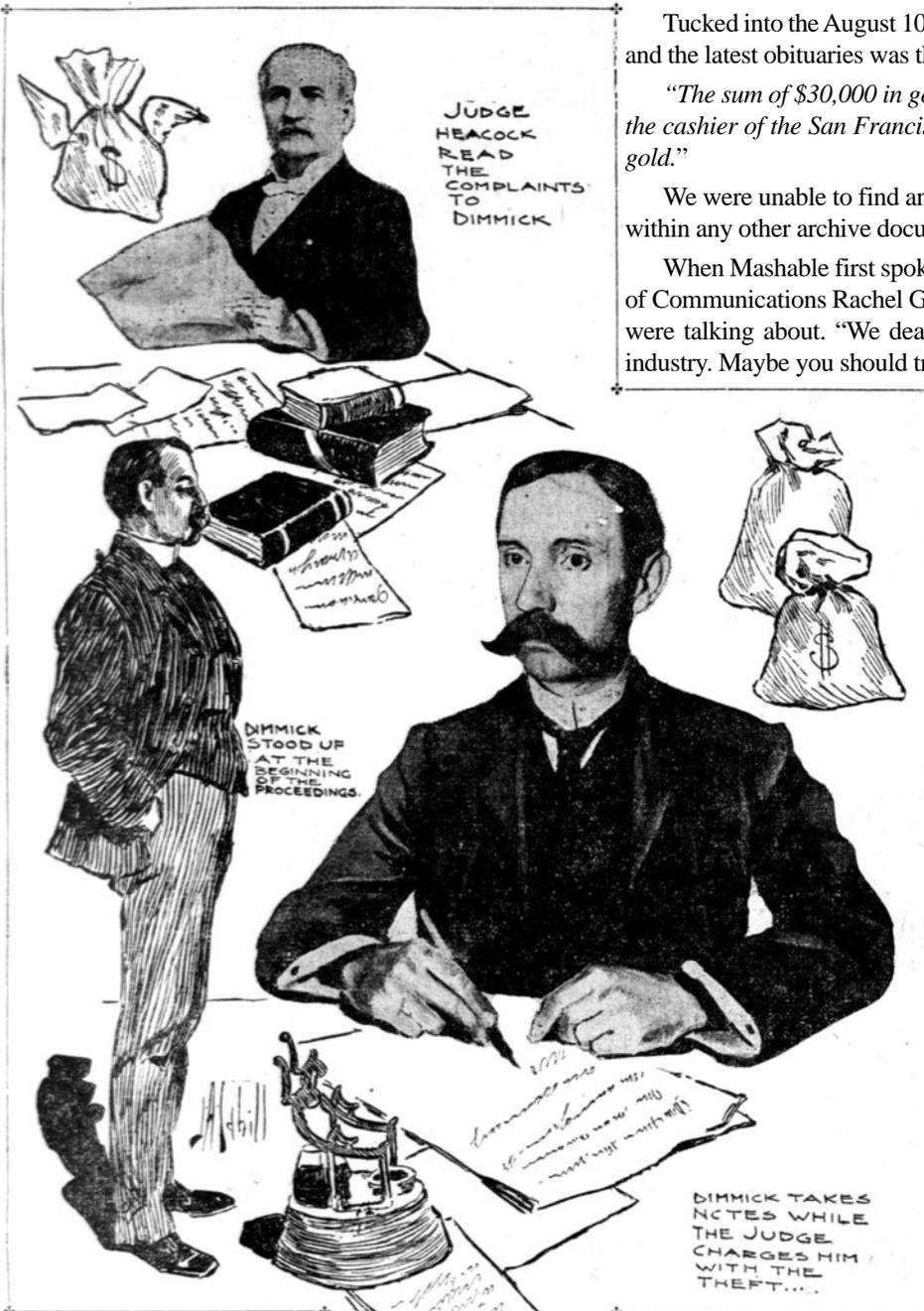
Smoking Gun?

Considering that these coins had probably been buried for more than a century, we dug through microfiche files from old California newspapers, ones that were in print in the 19th century, like the San Jose Mercury News. Luckily, Google has been digitizing a tremendous amount of dead-tree media, including out-of-print books, magazines and newspapers.

A search on *Books.google.com* for “stole,” “1000,” “gold,” “coins,” “from” “San Francisco” brought up a curious note from the Bulletin of The American Iron and Steel Association, an industry newsletter published every two weeks by an organization now known as the American Iron and Steel Institute.



Pictured above are some of the tins containing the gold coins, just as they were discovered. To the right is the hoard packaged at Kagin’s before being shipped to PCGS for grading.



This is a clipping on the Dimmick story from the San Francisco Call for Tuesday, August 31, 1901

WALTER N. DIMMICK HEARS COMPLAINT AGAINST HIM READ IN COURT.

Tucked into the August 10, 1901 issue, between political and financial notes and the latest obituaries was this little tidbit:

“The sum of \$30,000 in gold coin has recently been stolen from the vault of the cashier of the San Francisco Mint. No trace has been found of the missing gold.”

We were unable to find any other reference to that theft or any similar theft within any other archive document, so we reached out to the source.

When Mashable first spoke to American Iron and Steel Institution Manager of Communications Rachel Gilbert about the bulletin, she had no idea what we were talking about. “We deal with iron and steel. We do not cover the gold industry. Maybe you should try to talk to the gold institute.”

Still, she agreed to take a look at the link and get back to us.

A few hours later Gilbert confirmed that the Bulletin was from the AISI. “At the top of the document it lists the leadership staff of the institute at that time. I was able to verify that it was us.” She told *Mashable* that the staff at the AISI was “pretty amused” by the discovery and thought she might spend some time perusing the century-old newsletters.

Stolen Coins

Obviously, the report of the theft comes six years after the latest mint date on the Saddle Ridge Hoard coins. Still, if the coins were taken from the Mint cashier, they may have pulled them from a certain area where similar denominations and mintings were all gathered together. The news was big enough that it made an industry trade sheet, but owing to how news traveled back then, it did not become legendary.

Perhaps the thieves did as Mudd imagined. They had their hoard, but were being chased and simply buried all of it with a plan to return, dig it up and live a very happy life.

When we contacted the U.S. Mint to see if they have any records of such a theft, Adam Stump deputy director, Office of Corporate Communications quickly deflated our balloon,

“We have no information linking those coins to any thefts at any United States Mint facility. Surviving agency records from the San Francisco Mint have been retired to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), under Record Group 104. Access to the records is under NARA’s jurisdiction: <http://www.archives.gov/>”

Apparently Stump forgot about Walter Dimmick. According to a post on the U.S. Mint’s own “H.I.P. Pocket Change” children’s website, Dimmick worked

as a chief clerk at the San Francisco Mint between, according to AlteredDimensions, 1898 and 1901. In a post called “Thieves Among Us,” the U.S. Mint describes how the San Francisco Mint discovered that six bags of gold coins worth \$30,000 had gone missing.

Since [Dimmick] had already been caught learning to sign the Superintendent’s name (forgery), taking money from the pay envelopes of other Mint employees (theft), and stealing other government funds in his care, a jury eventually found him guilty of stealing the \$30,000 in gold double eagles and of two other charges.”

Dimmick went to prison and the 1,500 gold coins were never found.

Until now, perhaps?

GOLD COINS FOUND BY CALIFORNIA COUPLE UNLIKELY STOLEN FROM U.S. MINT

by **Samanth Schaefer, Los Angeles Times**

Gold coins worth \$10 million that were discovered by a Northern California couple were not likely stolen in a 1901 U.S. Mint theft in San Francisco, an official said Tuesday.

“We do not have any information linking the Saddle Ridge Hoard coins to any thefts at any United States Mint facility,” U.S. Mint spokesman Adam Stump said in a statement, adding that lawyers have looked into the matter.

In 1901, six bags of double eagle gold coins — 250 \$20 coins in each — went missing from the San Francisco Mint. Chief Clerk Walter Dimmick was convicted of stealing the \$30,000 and served time in San Quentin prison for what was later called the Dimmick Defalcation.

The coins were never recovered, but a home owned by a Mint superintendent was used to cover part of the loss.

Each bag of coins in Dimmick’s cache would have contained coins with the same date and mint mark, said David McCarthy, senior numismatist for Kagin’s Inc., which evaluated the Saddle Ridge Hoard.

The cache discovered last year contains a mix of coins with 72 distinct date and mint mark combinations, he said. The 1,427 coins, most of them \$20 pieces, are dated between 1847 and 1894.

“That’s 12 times as many permutations as we should have if it was the group that Dimmick defalcated with,” McCarthy said, adding that it’s doubtful the mint would have coins made more than 50 years earlier still in its stocks.

The numismatist firm did extensive research to determine whether the coins were ill-gotten, he said. McCarthy said he was aware of the Dimmick story before the cache was discovered but never suspected the coins were from the theft because he knew what that lot would have looked like.

Despite hearing from quite a few people, Kagin’s has not received any credible claims to the coins and does not expect to, he said.

Numerous theories have cropped up since the discovery of the Saddle Ridge Hoard was announced last week.

Another suggests the coins may have been buried by the Knights of the Golden Circle, a secretive, subversive Confederate group that some believe buried millions in ill-gotten gold across a dozen states to finance a second Civil War.

Though the coins very well could be a fortune buried by a wealthy businessman, the time period, markers near the cache and manner in which the coins were buried fit the mold of the KGC, said Warren Getler, a former Wall Street Journal reporter who coauthored “Rebel Gold,” a book about the group.

Getler and coauthor Bob Brewer argue in the book the KGC existed for many decades after the Civil War and continued to bury and protect underground gold and silver caches.

The Northern California couple, identified only as John and Mary by Kagin’s, had walked the path on their gold country property for years before they spotted the edge of a rusty can peeking out of the moss in

February 2013. When the lid cracked off, they found dirt-encrusted coins, some in better condition than those on display in museums.

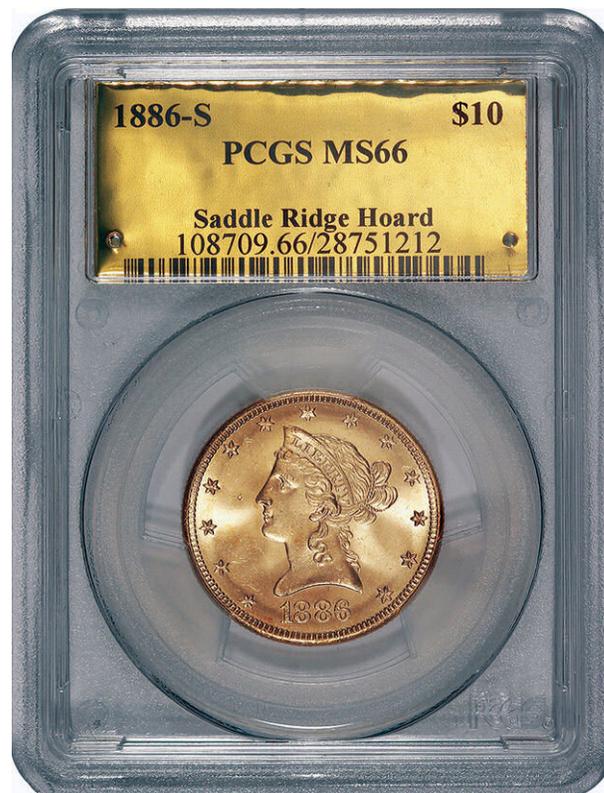
“I looked around over my shoulder to see if someone was looking at me — I had the idea of someone on horseback in my head. It’s impossible to describe really, the strange reality of that moment,” John said in an interview transcript.

The Saddle Ridge Hoard, named for the space on their property, may be the most valuable cache ever found in North America, with an estimated value of more than \$10 million. If you melted the coins, the gold alone would be worth \$2 million, said David Hall, co-founder of Professional Coin Grading Services in Newport Beach, who recently authenticated them.

Thirteen of the coins are the finest of their kind. One “miraculous coin,” an 1866 \$20 piece made in San Francisco and missing “In God We Trust,” could bring \$1 million on its own, Hall said. When the motto was added to the coin in 1866, some were still minted without the phrase, he said.

Had the couple attempted to clean the delicate surface of the piece, they could have reduced the value to \$7,000 or \$8,000 in under a minute, McCarthy said.

Most of the hoard will be sold on Amazon.com in late May or early June to allow a broader swath of the public to access them, McCarthy said. The couple, who will donate some of the profit to charity, said the find will allow them to keep their property.



QUEEN ELIZABETH II PARTICIPATES IN MAUNDY THURSDAY, 2014

by Michael Alexander

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II presided over the Maundy Thursday ceremonies today, the 17th of April, traveling to Blackburn Cathedral in Lancashire for the Royal Maundy during which among many other traditions, she handed out Maundy Money coins.

The ceremony was held for centuries in Whitehall and in Westminster Abbey, London, but since the beginning of Queen Elizabeth II's reign, the Maundy Service has traveled to towns and cities across Britain. The tradition of the Monarch giving money to the needy on Maundy Thursday dates back 700 years, the tradition eventually becoming known as the Royal Maundy. Today's recipients are usually people over the age of 70, chosen not because they are needy but for service to their churches and communities. The number of people who receive Maundy Money has evolved over the years, and now equals the number of years of the monarch's age, with the same number of men as women nominated. This year, 88 men and 88 women received these incredibly special coins.

It was originally King Henry IV to decree that the number of Maundy recipients should equal the years of the Monarch's age, although the practice began at least as far back as 1363 when the then 50-year-old King Edward III gave gifts to 50 poor men. This year's recipients were each given a white purse containing 88 pence face value in Maundy coins (one penny for every year of the Monarch's age) and a red purse containing the 2014 Queen Anne commemorative £5 and Commonwealth Games 50 pence coins. The set of 4 sterling silver coins, four pence to one penny total 10 pence in face value, which means every recipient will

receive eight complete sets and eight pence in various additional denominations.

The venue officially becomes the Royal Chapel for the day, with the Royal Standard flying. As part of the historic ceremony, Yeomen of The Guard or 'Beef Eaters' as they are popularly known—carry the purses containing the Maundy Money coins into the ceremony on six Alms dishes. Two of these are known as the 'Fish Dishes' one featuring seawater fish, the other freshwater. Four 'Children of the Royal Almonry' (two boys and two girls chosen from the area of the venue) attend the event. They wear white linen, carry small bouquets of flowers and also receive a set of Maundy Money coins in recognition of their participation.

The coins themselves have changed little since the 17th century, with only the face value of the coins being adjusted from old to new pence due to decimalization in 1971. Four numismatic portraits of The Queen have appeared on British circulating coins but Maundy coins still bear the portrait of the Queen, which was used for the first coins of her reign in 1953. After the ceremony The Queen and Prince Philip attended a Reception at Blackburn Rovers Football Club to meet all those involved. Since Queen Elizabeth II ascended the throne in 1952, she has missed the Maundy Money service on only four occasions and the 2014 ceremony was the 59th time she has performed the historic ceremony. This will be the first time The Queen has attended the service in Lancashire, and it is understood this is in support of the historic building work taking place at the cathedral, the first such work on an English cathedral since the Middle Ages.

Maundy Money A symbolic gift from the sovereign on Maundy Thursday

The Royal Maundy is an ancient ceremony that has its origin in the commandment Christ gave after washing the feet of his disciples on the day before Good Friday.

The commandment (also known as a 'mandatum' from which the word Maundy is derived) 'that ye love one another' (John XIII 34) is still recalled regularly by Christian churches throughout the world. The ceremony of washing the feet of the poor, which was accompanied by gifts of food and clothing, can be traced back to the fourth century.

In the eighteenth century the act of washing the feet of the poor was discontinued and in the nineteenth century money allowances were substituted for the various gifts of food and clothing.

Maundy money as such started in the reign of Charles II with an undated issue of hammered coins in 1662. The coins were a four penny, three penny, two penny and one penny piece but it was not until 1670 that a dated set of all four coins appeared. Prior to this, ordinary coinage was used for Maundy gifts, silver pennies alone being used by the Tudors and Stuarts for the ceremony.

Maundy money has remained in much the same form since 1670, and the coins used for the Maundy ceremony have traditionally been struck in sterling silver, save for the brief interruptions of Henry VIII's debasement of the coinage and the general change to 50% silver coins in 1920.

The sterling silver standard (92.5%) was resumed following the Coinage Act of 1946 and in 1971, when decimalisation took place, the face values of the coins were increased from old to new pence.

The effigy of The Queen on ordinary circulating coinage has undergone four changes, but Maundy coins still bear the same portrait of Her Majesty prepared by Mary Gillick for the first coins issued in the year of her coronation in 1953.



COMING EVENTS FOR SPRING AND SUMMER 2014

APRIL 27, Pickering, APEX 2014, Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Twenty-six stamp and coin dealer tables (some still available). Free parking, canteen.* Sponsor/Affiliate: Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club. For more information send an email to dougmoon@yorku.ca. Website: <http://www.-ajax-pickering-stamp-club.com>.

APRIL 27, Brampton, Brampton Coin Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden St. E. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: \$3, under 14 free. *Free parking. Coins, medals, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, supplies, militaria. Buy, sell, trade and appraise. Children's table. Funds raised for children's charities.* For more information contact B&W Coins & Tokens, telephone 905-450-2870.

MAY 4, Windsor, Windsor Coin Club 64th Annual Spring Coin Show, Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Free parking, 39 tables, admission \$1, juniors under 12 free.* For more information contact Brett Irick, telephone 313-207-3562, email xr7gt@prodigy.net. Website: <http://windsorcoinclub.com>.

MAY 4, Timmins, Timmins Coin & Stamp Show, Lions Den McIntyre Arena Schumacher. Hours: 12 to 4 p.m. *Free admission and parking, displays of coins, banknotes, tokens, stamps, first-day covers and mining items. Youth table, silent auctions and dealers.* For more information contact Kevin, email nifinder@hotmail.com.

MAY 10, Toronto, Edithvale Hobby Show, Banquet Room, Edithvale Community Centre, 131 Finch Ave. W. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., *Free admission, free parking, all sorts of collectibles and featuring coins, paper money, stamps, etc.* For more information contact Paul Petch, telephone 416-303-4417, email p.petch@rogers.com. Website: <http://www.northyorkcoinclub.com>.

MAY 25, Woodstock, Woodstock Nostalgia Show And Sale, Auditorium & Mutual/Market Building, Woodstock Fairgrounds, 875 Nellis St. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$5 per person, children under 12 admitted free when with adult. Featuring coins, paper money, tokens, Canadian Tire money, military memorabilia, small antiques, postcards, Coca-Cola collectibles, and popular culture vintage items. For more information contact Ian Ward, telephone 519-426-8875 (Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.) or email toyshow@kwic.com. Website: <http://www.nostalgiashow.blogspot.com>.

MAY 30 – 31, Toronto, ON Toronto Coin Expo - Canada's Premier Coin & Banknote Show, Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St., 2nd Floor. Hours: Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$6, under 16 free. This is a great venue 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 May 29-30. For more information contact Jared Stapleton, email torontocoinexpo@gmail.com, telephone 1-647-403-7334. Website: <http://www.torontocoinexpo.ca>.

JUNE 8, Brantford, 53rd Annual Brantford Coin Show, New location: Branlyn Community Centre, 238 Brantwood Park Rd. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. *Free admission. Ample parking and Wheelchair Accessible. Canadian and world coins, paper money, tokens, trade dollars, gold, silver, books, supplies, jewelry, Canadian Tire money, kid's table, displays and door prizes. Lunch available. Seventy-plus dealer tables from Ontario and New Brunswick.* For more information, contact Cassidy, telephone 905-515-9232, email Brantfordcoinclub@hotmail.com.

JUNE 28 - 29, Toronto, Torex - Canada's National Coin Show, Hyatt Regency Toronto On King, 370 King St. W. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Canada's Finest Dealers in Canadian, ancient, and foreign coins, paper money, hobby supplies and reference books; admission \$7, under 16 free; official auctioneer: Lower Canada Auction. For more information telephone 416-705-5348. Website: <http://www.torex.net>.

AUG. 10 -, Paris, S.W.O.N., Convention centre (Paris Fairgrounds), 139 Silver St. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fifty-six tables of coins, paper money, military, gold and silver bullion, pocket watches and more. Excellent food and beverages available. Admission \$3, which includes a ticket on the gold coin draw. Sponsor/Affiliate: Teds Collectables Inc. For more information contact Ted Bailey, telephone 519-442-3474 or toll-free 1-866-747-2646, email tedscollectables@bellnet.ca.

Royal Canadian Numismatic Association 2014 Convention, AUG. 13 - 16, Greater Toronto Area, Delta Meadowvale Hotel, 6750 Mississauga Road, Mississauga ON, Admission hours: Thurs., Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$6, juniors under 18 free. *Over 60 dealer tables from across North America, competitive and non-competitive displays, annual meetings of national collector groups. Official auctioneer: The Canadian Numismatic Company. Book your hotel early and win an iPad and make it a family event at this resort location!* Sponsored by the R.C.N.A. and hosted by the North York Coin Club. Bourse Chairman Len Kuenzig len.kuenzig@sympatico.ca or phone 905-601-4893. For more information contact co-chairmen Paul Petch & Henry Nienhuis, telephone 416-303-4417, email 2014convention@rcna.ca. Complete information on the website at <http://www.rcna.ca/2014>

SEPT. 7, Brampton, Brampton Coin Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden St. E. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: \$3, under 14 free. *Free parking. Coins, medals, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, supplies, militaria. Buy, sell, trade and appraise. Children's table. Funds raised for children's charities.* For more information contact B&W Coins & Tokens, telephone 905-450-2870

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