



North York Coin Club

Founded 1960

MONTHLY MEETINGS 4TH Tuesday 7:30 P.M. AT
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THE BULLETIN FOR AUGUST 2015

R.C.N.A. NIGHT



For our August meeting the main topic will be a review of the 2015 R.N.A. Convention. From the official ribbon cutting (above) to the swearing in of a new executive at the Annual General Meeting (below), our delegate, Henry Nienhuis, will be bringing us all the convention news from start to finish.

In addition to the official R.N.C.A. events, including displays, awards and the closing banquet, there are also many group meetings. Did you attend one of these group meetings? If so, consider yourself to be on the program as well, because we want to hear from you for details of the event.



NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

IT'S IN THE GIBSON ROOM:

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

As we have done in past years, we are once again holding one of our laid back informal summer meetings. As you see to the left, the main topic is the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association and its annual convention ... this year in Halifax, Nova Scotia. But please, don't let this prevent you from bring along your own show and tell items!

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.

Please Remember the Executive Meeting on Tuesday September 8 at President Bill O'Brien's office ... we have club business, regular meeting planning and our December meeting event to discuss.



NEWS OF THE JUNE 2015 MEETING

The 612th meeting of the North York Coin Club was held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 in the 1st floor Banquet Room. It was hammered to order at 7:35 P.M. with our President, Bill O'Brien, in the chair and 27 members and 3 guests in attendance. We were glad to see that our receptionist, Franco Farronato, was back at the helm early after his recent surgery. Welcome back Franco!

Member Norman G. Gordon was present when his name was drawn to receive the on-time attendance draw prize of \$6.00. Norman remarked that this is the first time winning the draw in his recent memory. The draw will reset to \$2.00 for the August 25th meeting.

Bill asked members present if they had noticed any errors or omissions in the minutes of the May meeting as published in the June newsletter. There being no corrections to the minutes Phillip Simms made a motion to accept the minutes, which was seconded Norman G. Gordon. Motion carried.

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

The next item of business was the upcoming R.C.N.A. election. As reported previously, our club being a long-standing member of the R.C.N.A. has the right to cast a vote in the election. Ben received the official ballot with the June issue of *the CN Journal*. After a brief discussion it was decided to take the vote for each position by show of hands. For the positions being contested the following unanimous results were tabulated- Robert Forbes, 1st-Vice President; William Waychison, 2nd-Vice President; and Robb McPherson, Director for South-Central Ontario. There were no votes withheld. Ben took the action item to transcribed the results on to the official ballot and mail it.

We then talked about sending an official delegate to attend the Club delegates meeting at the R.C.N.A. convention. After a brief discussion Henry Nienhuis agreed to represent the club at the convention and to give a report at the August meeting.

In conclusion, Bill reminded everyone that we had decided not to have a regular meeting in July.

With the business portion complete, we then moved on to our featured show-and-tell session for the evening.

Ben Boelens brought along a 2015 commemorative 25-cent piece featuring the Canadian flag. (By coincidence, the coin was designed by Bonnie Ross who will be present at the R.C.N.A. convention.)

Phillip Simms invited those present to look through his early Colonial Token collection, which he brought with him.

Franco Farronato passed around a 1933 5-franc piece from Switzerland that he had acquired recently.

Nick Cowan had two items for show-and-tell. First he brought an interesting toonie error with an offset core, which he had asked Henry to authenticate. He also brought along a counterfeit Chinese crown sized coin.

Walter Rodriguez passed around an excellent example of the 1992 NWT 25 cent piece with a 90-degree die rotation.

Bill O'Brien brought along an interesting old stock certificate from the now defunct "Wellington Financial Corp." He was wondering if anyone had experience with determining if a stock certificate, such as this, had any intrinsic value.

Bill then called for our customary refreshment break from 8:40-8:50 P.M. prior to starting with the business portion of the meeting.

The next order of business was the regular club auction and lucky draw. Dick Dunn served as our Auctioneer, while Jim Heifetz volunteered as the Runner for the evening. Lucky draw numbers were called at various times while the auction took place. Lucky draw winners for the evening were- Bob Velensky, Richard Duquette, Linda Simms (4), Peter White, Tony Hine, Bill O'Brien, Ben Boelens and Franco Farronato. The club earned



\$23 in revenue through the sale of draw tickets and our auction manager, David Bawcutt, reported \$7.60 from auction commissions and \$8 from the sale of donations to the auction.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 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 August 25th, 2015, in the 2nd floor Gibson Room of the Edithvale Community Centre.

WANT TO TRADE WORLD COINS?

I am looking to exchange duplicate world coins with other collectors. So far I have had some good experiences trading coins. Please contact me at my e-mail address boelens40@gmail.com or at 905-890-9484.

COMING EVENTS FOR SUMMER AND FALL 2015

Aug. 31, Woodstock, 26th Annual Woodstock Coin Show, Woodstock Community Complex, 381 Finkle Street inside Goff Hall. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$1 (kids free). Free parking, lunch counter, hourly draws. For more information contact Rick Johnson, email martjohn@execulink.com, telephone 519-537-3858.

Sept. 13, Brampton, Rotary Club of Brampton Coin and Trading Card Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E Hours: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$3, under 14 free. *Buy, sell, trade and appraise at more than 40 tables of dealers, including a Children's table. Free Parking. Funds raised for Children's Charities.* For more information contact B&W Coins & Tokens c/o Willard Burton, email willardb@bwcoin.com, telephone 905-450-2870.

Sept. 19 – 20, London, Jeffrey Hoare Auctions Numismatic & Military Sale No.118, The Ramada Inn, 817 Exeter Rd (off Hwy 401) Saturday - Numismatic Session. Sunday - Military Session. In conjunction with London Numismatic Society. For more information contact Mrs. Wendy A. Hoare, email jhoare@jeffreyhoare.on.ca, telephone 519-473-7491. Website: <http://jeffreyhoare.on.ca/>

Sept. 20, London, London 23rd Annual Coin Show, The Ramada Inn, 817 Exeter Rd. (off Hwy 401) Displays and dealers for coins, medals, notes and tokens. Admission \$2.00. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information contact London Numismatic Society, email tedleitch@hotmail.ca, telephone 519-472-9679.

Sept. 26, Guelph, Guelph Fall Coin Show, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 234, 57 Watson Parkway South Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$3, under 16 free. Free level parking, fully accessible. *Lunch counter, free draw for gold coin; 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.

Oct. 2 – 3, Toronto, Toronto Coin Expo, Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St 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 Oct 1-2.* For more information contact Jared Stapleton, email torontocoinexpo@gmail.com, telephone 647-403-7334. Website: <http://www.torontocoinexpo.ca>

Oct. 4, Windsor, Windsor Coin Show and Sale, Riverside Sportsman Club, 10835 Riverside Dr E. Annual Essex County Coin Club Coin Show and Sale Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. *Free admission with donation to Canadian Diabetes Association. Over 20 tables selling and buying Canadian, United States, world coins, tokens, paper money, mint products, coin supplies, war medals, vintage watches, bullion, collector coins galore.* For more information contact President Dan Jones, email djones33@cogeco.ca, telephone 519-819-1805.

Oct. 17, Oshawa, COIN-A-RAMA of the Oshawa & District Coin Club, Five Points Mall, 285 Taunton Rd E. at Ritson Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free dealer and membership draws and NEW hourly public draws + free admission and parking. *Featuring paper, coins, tokens, medals trade dollars books and supplies and many more other items.* For more information contact Sharon, email papman@bell.net, telephone 905-728-1352.

Oct. 18, Stratford, Stratford Coin Show, Festival Inn, 1144 Ontario Rd. 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, email lswalker@cyg.net.

Oct. 24 – 25, 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. 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.* For more information

contact Brian R. Smith, email brian@torex.net, telephone 416-705-5348. Website: <http://www.torex.net>

Oct. 30 – Nov. 1, Montreal, Nuphilex – The largest coin and stamp show in Canada., Complex EVO, 420 Sherbooke St. West Admission \$3 Friday and Saturday, free on Sunday, early bird admission \$25, beginning Friday 8 a.m. (to be donated to Quebec Autism Society and Miriam House). Hours: Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Auction to be conducted by Lower Canada Auction. For more information contact Gabriel Sebag, email nuphilex@nuphilex.com, telephone 514-842-4411. Website: <http://www.nuphilex.com>

Nov. 7, Scarborough, Scarborough Coin Club 19th Annual Coin Show, Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 Eastpark Blvd. *Coins, paper money, tokens, medals, Club table, etc. Free admission and draws. Refreshments available. We are at the location where our club meets for our monthly meetings.* For more information contact Dick Dunn, email cpms@idirect.com.

Nov. 8, Windsor, Windsor Coin Club 65th Annual Fall Coin Show, Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$1 with children under 16 admitted free when accompanied by an adult. *Thirty-nine dealer tables. Plenty of free parking. New wheel chair accessible entrance.* For more information contact Margaret Clarke, email mtclarke@mnsi.net, telephone 519-735-0727. Website: www.windsorcoinclub.com

Dec. 6, Brampton, Rotary Club of Brampton Coin and Trading Card Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E., Hours: 9 a.m. to 4:30 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 B&W Coins & Tokens c/o Willard Burton, email willardb@bwcoin.com, telephone 905-450-2870.

Listings are courtesy of Canadian Coin News Coming Events

ROYAL CANADIAN MINT COMBATS COUNTERFEIT BULLION PRODUCTS

by Paul R. Petch and files from the RCM

In the November 25, 2014 issue of *Canadian Coin News*, Bret Evans presented a story about counterfeit Royal Canadian Mint gold one-ounce gold bars and bullion coins. Under the title *Chinese fakers up the ante with thick plating* it told about a company named Shenzhen Shun Xin Da Handicraft Co. Ltd., based in the city of Guangdong, which had a large offering of “gold-plated tungsten coins” including RCM gold maple leaf and one-ounce bars, United States Mint gold eagles and South African krugerrands.

The firm was offering the items, with various dates, as “souvenirs” at a price of \$250 to \$500, depending on the number ordered and commodity gold prices at the time of the order.

Payment required 50 per cent down before production and the rest before delivery, with a production time of one to two weeks. The firm stated it could produce up to one million pieces per month. Philip and Harry Mernick, of London, England, were the first to bring the fakes to the attention of the numismatic world. Law enforcement did not just sit by, but there is now a large amount of counterfeit bullion out in the marketplace.

It was announced on August 13 at the American Numismatic Association convention in Chicago that the RCM is now placing an innovative anti-counterfeiting device in the hands of North American bullion dealers and distributors. The convenient counter-top device certifies the authenticity of gold and silver Maple Leaf bullion coins (GML, SML).

Following successful field trials of the novel device, the Royal Canadian Mint has announced the commercial launch of its Bullion DNA Anti-Counterfeiting Technology. The Bullion DNA counter-top device which now allows genuine GML and SML bullion coins to be identified in-store was unveiled before a gathering of North American bullion dealers and distributors attending the American Numismatic Association’s 2015 World’s Fair of Money in Chicago, Illinois. North American dealers and distributors can now purchase this anti-counterfeiting technology by registering for the Royal Canadian Mint Bullion DNA Program.

“The Royal Canadian Mint is committed to assuring its customers that our family of bullion products stands for unrivalled quality, purity and security by being a continuous bullion industry innovator,” said Sandra L. Hanington, President and CEO of

the Royal Canadian Mint. “The addition of Bullion DNA Anti-Counterfeiting Technology to our growing list of bullion security solutions is a game-changer for Royal Canadian Mint bullion dealers and distributors as they and their customers can now certify that new GML and SML coins are genuine, in-store and at the very moment of a transaction.”

The Bullion DNA device is connected to a computer and linked to the RCM over the Internet. It works by reading a micro-engraved security mark appearing on the reverse of every GML bullion dated 2014 and later, as well as every SML coin dated 2015 and beyond. The mark, consisting of a textured maple leaf and the last two numerals of the coin’s production year, visible only under magnification, is laser-engraved on the dies which are used to strike these coins. Each die is registered in a secure database after a microscopic view of the mark is captured and converted into a complex, encrypted digital code using the Mint’s digital non-destructive activation (DNA) technology, developed in partnership with Signoptic™. When a genuine GML or SML coin is placed in the Bullion DNA device, it can read the security mark like a fingerprint and match it to a registered Royal Canadian Mint die.

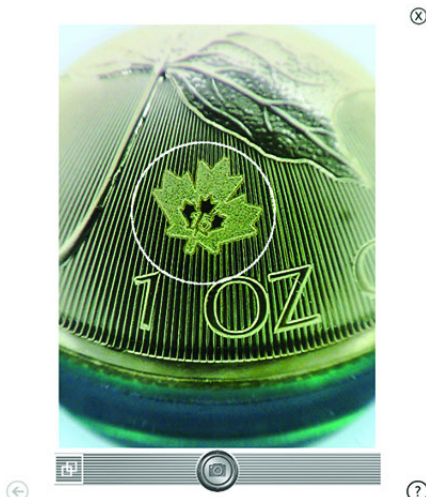
Step One:

Insert the coin into the device



Step Two:

Use the application to take a high-resolution photo of the coin



Step Three:

The DNA server matches the photo to the image in our database, instantly telling you if the coin is registered with the Mint

