

collecting career and would have a good chance to come across another medal in the future (and I do currently have two others in my collection now) made me relent and agree to the swap.

New Brunswick is sorely lacking a comparable catalogue (to the best of my knowledge), but I have come across some nice municipal medals in my time in this province.

Here's where I come to my point. As the mint's annual offerings exploded in number, I lost interest. It became too daunting a task to keep up on the sheer quantity and there was no way I could ever afford to add these items to my collection. I stopped buying prooflike and double dollar sets and realized it was worth my while to replace that interest with an increased pursuit of commemorative medals. Both options are works of art and often available with precious metal content.

This is only a personal observation and preference. Some people do enjoy the capacious inventory the mint churns out and that's perfectly fine. They are in the business of making money and their collectable side seems to be doing just that. I would make certain you know the difference between NCLT and actual legal tender coins though.

I would love to see more New Brunswick municipal or corporate medals and have given thought to undertaking a catalogue similar to the mentioned Nova Scotia book. Let's see what you have and maybe we can get an organized idea of what this province has produced.

Fredericton Coin Show by Tom Craig

The annual coin show was held at the Fredericton Motor Inn on April 05th, 2014.

The show was put on by Dale Kenny of AP Bullion Enterprise.

About 24 tables were set up selling coins, with some stamps for sale.

The weather that day was not the best but a fair number of collectors showed up during the day to look for new coins for their collections.

Silver dollars and graded paper money seemed to be the best sellers of the day.

All in all it was a good day and look forward to the next show.

**Next Meeting: May 20th, 2014
Howard Johnson Fort Howe, Portland and
Main, Saint John, NB**

ALMOST CIRCULATED

Question Period with Jim Jennex

1. What is the name given to a coin that is mechanically or chemically treated to make it appear to be of a higher grade than it actually is?
2. What is the name given to the bead money produced by the North American Indians?
3. What is the name given to a coin which has been altered by smoothing one or both surfaces and engraving initials, scenes, messages, etc thereon?

Check back next issue for the answers.



Consider this item a clue to one of Jim's questions.

Upcoming Numismatic Events

May 24, 2014 - The Canadian Numismatic Company
- Auction and Sale - via the Internet

May 25, 2014 - Saint John Coin and Stamp Clubs
Collectors' Show - Howard Johnson Fort Howe,
Saint John, NB

May 29 -30, 2014 - Geoffrey Bell Auctions - Toronto
Coin Expo

Aug. 13 - 16, 2014 - RCNA Annual Convention
- Toronto, ON