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Upcoming Events

April 22, 2017 - Woodstock
Collector Show

April 29, 2017 - APNA/Central
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St. Andrews by-the-Sea 2017 Trade Dollar

by Kevin Day-Thorburn

The municipal trade tokens, or trade dollars, of St. Andrews by-the-Sea, New Brunswick are a popular series with collectors of this material for a number of reasons - they present attractive vignettes of the history of this town, have been issued regularly since their first token in 1976, have enough interesting varieties to keep collector on their toes, but not too many to overwhelm, and they've remained relatively inexpensive. The 2017 edition of this series is no exception.

The All Saints Anglican Church on King Street in St. Andrews

is a striking building that is large enough to draw your interest without being imposing. This structure is the perfect representation for this year's trade dollar because it was consecrated in 1867, permitting the town to celebrate its sesquicentennial with that of our nation. Fittingly, the Canada 150 logo has been placed in full colour above the church.

Along with the enamelled logo, the token features a face value of two dollars and a bi-metallic composition. Struck in China, mintage is being limited to 4000 pieces, with a special striking of only 20 in silver. The common reverse bears the town's seal, with the lone surviving blockhouse aptly representing their history.

The coin may be purchased through participating St. Andrews merchants - I got mine at Serendipin' Art on Water Street - or by inquiring through the St. Andrews Chamber of Commerce at (506) 529-3555.

Pocket Change Radio

by Kevin Day-Thorburn

A mix of traditional and non-traditional numismatic sources in Canada is important; coin clubs, shows, books, and magazines are great tools for collectors, but times change and other resources need to be utilized. While radio may not be considered a "new" medium for information, it's still a little out of the ordinary for a program to be talking about Canadian numismatics, yet that's exactly what happens during Pocket Change Radio on Tuesdays at 8pm Eastern time.

The show, appearing on Bluewater Radio 91.3 FM, is hosted by Rick Dupuis a "third-generation collector" and dealer through his company, 5th Avenue Coins. Rick has managed to attract many prominent numismatists as guests on his program. Former Canadian Coin News editor Bret Evans was his first guest when Dupuis started Pocket Change Radio in October of 2015.



Rick has asked me to be a guest on this Tuesday's show, right after our coin meeting, where I'll mainly be discussing the RCNA's electronic newsletter, NumisNotes, of which I'm editor. I'm certain it'll be a fun time, as we'll be discussing our favourite topic - coins!

If you haven't heard Pocket Change Radio before, I encourage you to tune in each week because I always learn something from the guests Rick has on his shows.



RCNA Discount Membership

The Royal Canadian Numismatic Association has an offer to Saint John Coin Club members who have never been a member of the RCNA of a one-year digital membership, with the option of upgrading to a standard membership (receiving a printed copy of the CN Journal). No more than six can join via this special offer. If you have any questions or wish to apply, contact Kevin Day-Thorburn.

Minutes of the Saint John Coin Club 21 February 2017 Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Steve and accepted on a motion by Paul, seconded by Jim J.

Member present were 18.

Tom went over the door prizes for our May show. The proof set, which is already sold out, is the first prize.

Tom presented the financial report which was accepted on a motion by Paul, seconded by Jim B.

Tom did a presentation on the 2017 proof set.

Kevin discussed the possible Canada 150 medal we can do through the RCNA's medal program this year. We would go through the RCNA president to take advantage of bulk rates, but we do have to have things started soon. Kevin went over the different costs for the medals from each of the two possible mints - Pressed Metals in Vancouver and Mississauga Mint. Tom, Kevin, and Jim Butler volunteered to meet to go over some numbers and themes.

Kevin brought up the RCNA membership discount available to club members, letting everyone know they can contact him for more information.

Jim J. handed out his numismatic trivia quiz. Kevin was the winner this month.

Dan McCormick, newly elected president of the APNA was on hand to give a talk on the APNA and see about getting the Saint John Coin Club back involved with the organization. He mentioned the APNA's shift to collector shows and that Kevin is the newsletter editor. The Canadian Coin News is doing an article on the APNA's rebirth. Tom volunteered to be the local director. Dan mentioned that shows do not need to be limited to two per year and said he could talk to the executive about the possibility of sponsoring our May show. Many club members signed up for the APNA.

Jim Y. conducted our auction, raising \$140 for the club.

Meeting adjourned.

Steve Small, Secretary



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