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## Upcoming Events

Oct 19, 2019 - Woodstock  
Collector Show

Oct 20, 2019 - APNA Fall Show,  
Halifax, NS

Nov 23, 2019 - Geoffrey Bell  
Auctions Ltd. Moncton Sale

Nov 24, 2019 - Coin Cabinet  
Collector Show, Moncton

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## Advice from SJCC 1973 Newsletter!

By Kevin Day-Thorburn, FRCNA

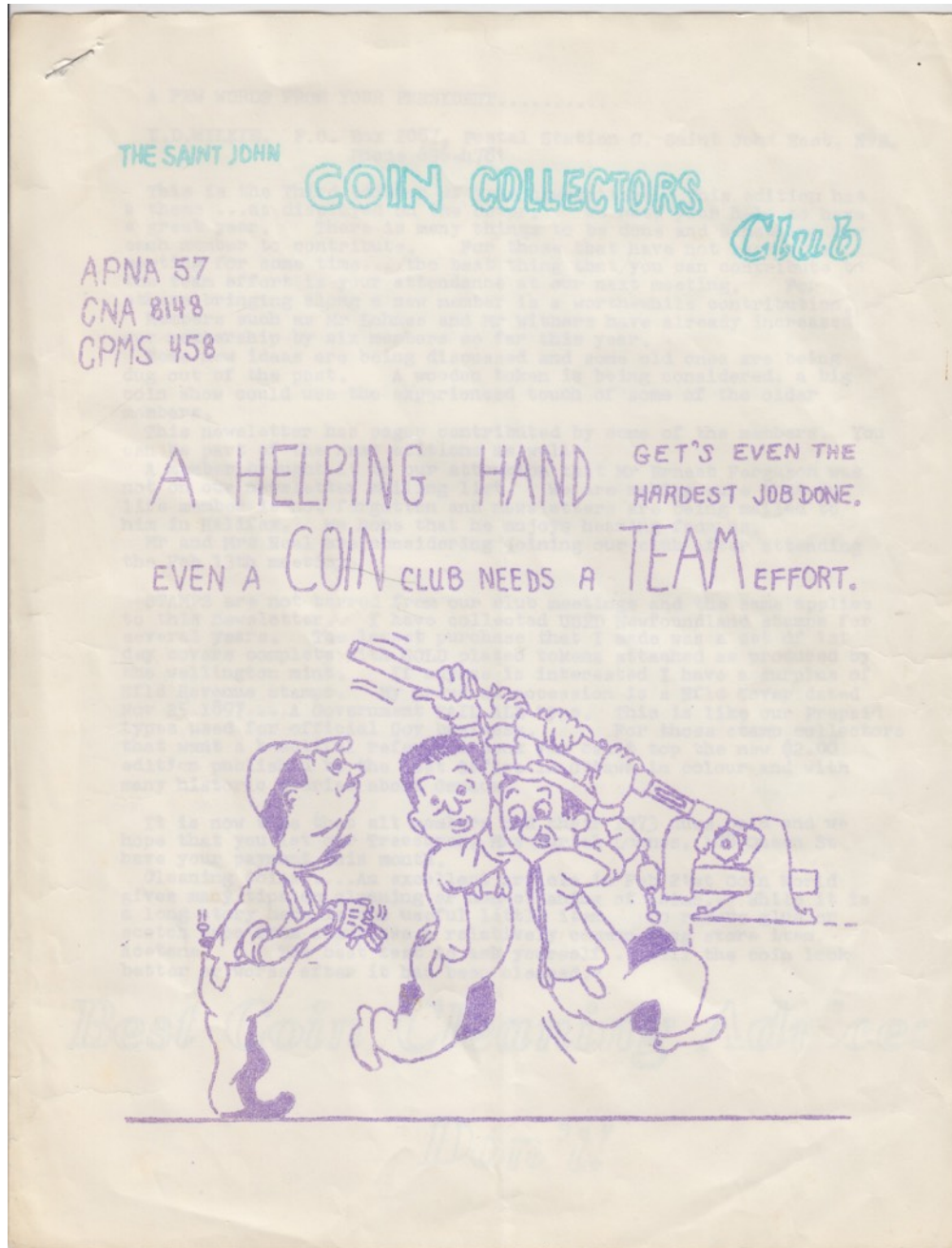
This old copy of a “Saint John Coin Collectors Club” newsletter was handed to me some time ago from Jim Young. It’s proof that newsletters were once printed on paper and weren’t merely a series of bits and bytes! Of course most current electronic newsletters are formatted to print very nicely, but who does that? Anyway, this old-time club newsletter was from 1973 and is worth revisiting.

The first thing of interest is the cover with that purple and green so familiar to school children of a certain vintage. It almost makes me want to sniff the page (and maybe I did). I believe they were called ditto machines and their existence made it possible to create inexpensive printed documents. Moving to the second page (there are three pages), a note from the president mentions this is the third edition; wouldn’t it be great to possess the first two? I believe the president was Ian Wilkie as his name is printed on this page with the post office mailing address for the club. I’m a little unclear on whether he was the president, editor, or both.

An article from Coin World on cleaning coins is mentioned, with the editor’s summation boldly printed: Best Coin Cleaning Advice: Don’t! Forty-six years later, this advice still holds.

That's not the only advice still pertinent today. That "team effort" spoken about on the cover is equally relevant. Whether it's in the production of a newsletter, a successful collector show, or merely helping to run a club that adds something to our hobby, it requires teamwork.

There are many ways to help out. Volunteering at the show, writing articles, contributing or bidding on auction items, are a few examples, but a couple more are mentioned in this newsletter: "the best thing that you can contribute to the team effort is your attendance at our next meeting," and "bringing along a new member is a worth-while contribution."



I love these old remembrances of the past. Nostalgia may be the biggest driving force of any collecting-based hobby. It would be a worthy project to try and assemble an archives for our club, a history book of sorts. When the past isn't recorded, it can be lost.

The very existence of this newsletter prove what's old is new again.



## September 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Kevin Day-Thorburn called the meeting to order. He started by mentioning and thanking Steve Small for returning to the position of secretary.

Financial report was given by Tom Craig. He went over income and expenses for July, August, and September. There is currently \$1025.44 in the account. The report was approved on a motion by Jim Young, seconded by George Murray.

Kevin read over a thank you note from CAFNE in regards to our \$100 donation. It was noted that the donation was mentioned in Canadian Coin News too.

Kevin didn't make the RCNA convention in Calgary, but is arranging to get woods to those interested by mail.

Under New Business, dues can be paid anytime for 2020. Kevin, as RCNA director for New Brunswick, presented the club with a certificate from the RCNA honouring the club for 50 years of membership. Vice president George Murray accepted the certificate on the club's behalf.

Upcoming shows in Woodstock, Halifax (APNA show), and Moncton (Coin Cabinet show) were mentioned.

We went over ideas for our next show, slated to be held at the Kent Theatre again. Steve mentioned an offer to try the new Kia dealership on Rothesay Avenue as a venue. We discussed the possibility of changing the format to move to a bigger location and attract larger dealers, which would result in higher table costs. It was generally felt that attendance wouldn't change with either format. Consensus seemed to be to remain with our existing format.

Jim Y asked if membership in the RCNA is decreasing. When this was confirmed, he made the suggestion of the club sponsoring a couple of new memberships. There will likely be a draw at a future meeting to do this.

The winner of the attendance prize was Lou D. Jim Young won the 50/50 draw.

Tom presented a quiz on identifying world coins. Paul C was the winner.

Tom presented a video on the Perth Mint in Australia, which was interesting and informative.

Jim Y conducted our auction.

There were 13 members in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

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## New National Club

You may or may not know of the recent formation of a new national organization dedicated to many items not necessarily covered by traditional coin collecting clubs. The Canadian Banking Memorabilia Society was officially launched in July of this year with its first newsletter. Co-founders are Kevin Day-Thorburn and Stephen Oatway. Two editions of their newsletter, which is to be issued every second month, have been produced. For more information you can email [bankingmemorabilia@gmail.com](mailto:bankingmemorabilia@gmail.com) or talk to one of the organizers.

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