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**NEXT MEETING:** *Wednesday, December 14, 2005*

*7:00 p.m. Doors Open      7:30 p.m.*

**Royal Alberta Museum**

**Archives Entrance**

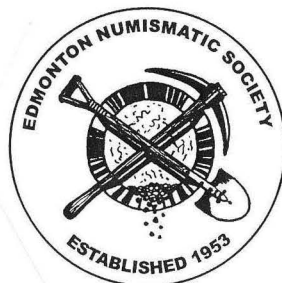
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# The Edmonton Numismatic Society

The Edmonton Numismatic Society (ENS) dates back to September 1953. At that time the members met and discussed the hobby under the name, the Edmonton Coin Club. During the 1960's, 70's, and 80's the Club sponsored 20 Annual Coin-A-Rama shows, issuing many collectible souvenirs.

In 1979, The City of Edmonton's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Club was host to its first CNA Convention. A number of mini shows and Anniversary shows were held during the 1980's and 90's.

As a reflection of the varied collecting interest of the current membership, and a continuing commitment to promote the hobby, the Club changed its name to the Edmonton Numismatic Society just prior to hosting its second CNA Convention in 1998. Since 1996 the Club has sponsored two shows each year, one in the late winter/early spring and one in the fall.



## ENS is a Member of:

Canadian Numismatic Association

American Numismatic Association

Canadian Association of Token Collectors

Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors

Canadian Paper Money Society

Classical & Medieval Numismatic Society

Numerous other Coin Clubs and Numismatic Societies

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**Kids on Coins** Ron Darbyshire

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## ENS NOVEMBER INFO REPORT

### NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of the executive of the ENS, we would like to extend our welcome to the following new members. If there are no objections, they will become a member in good standing:

Sven Nielson	#548	Edmonton, Alberta
Steve Pierson	#549	Edmonton, Alberta
David Marshall	#550	Calgary, Alberta
Sylvia Funk	#551	Bay Tree, Alberta
Robert Burns	#552	Edmonton, Alberta

Congratulations and welcome to the Edmonton Numismatic Society. A membership card will be forwarded with an upcoming newsletter.

### NOVEMBER SHOW REPORT

Once again the ENS put on a great show for the members, community and collectors in and around the Edmonton area. Collectors attended from Nova Scotia to B.C. and all parts in between. The Coast Terrace in was again the venue which included Diverse Equities Auction Saturday night as well. The auction was again live on E-Bay and was quite active on the floor as well. The Bourse floor was packed with dealers to the point our Kids-on-Coins table and registration were outside the hall. Thirty-eight dealers were in attendance, with 3 being unable to attend at the last minute. There were 3 new dealers at the show for the first time; they were Lighthouse Numismatics from Halifax, Balmoral Coins from Burnaby B.C., and Heritage Coins from Calgary. The **Attendance at the show** was as follows:

Pre-sales attending Saturday – 120;  
Paid attendance Saturday – 223;  
Free Junior attendance Saturday – 32;  
Dealers in attendance Saturday – 52;  
Pre-sales attending Sunday – 65;  
Paid attendance Sunday – 136;  
Juniors attending Sunday – 15;  
Dealers in attendance Sunday – 52.  
**Total Attendance for both days – 695**

This is a bit down from last November, but a good turnout none the same. Sales on the bourse floor were brisk, especially on Saturday, and

the crowd stuck around for much of the day. Sunday was a bit slower as usual, but sales were quite good as well. Sunday's **Breakfast Meeting** was attended by 40 members, guests and dealers, who came for the comraderie, buffet breakfast, and to hear our guest speaker, Cprl Jim Macdonald, from the Commercial Crimes Unit of the RCMP 'K' Division in Edmonton. After a bit of a delay, the presentation of counterfeit money was quite impressive, and the crowd in attendance was treated to a lot of information and handouts as well. Stan Clute from Calgary, was thanked for donating 3 CNA hardcover history books to the ENS. James Williston, from the Calgary club, presented a CNA medallion to Howard Gilbey, for his help at the CNA this past summer. Howard took the club cases to the event in Calgary for their use in the Bourse. There will be a significant change to the executive this year, as President Dan Gosling will be stepping down. In addition the position of Treasurer and Secretary are up for grabs. John Callaghan and Michael Schneider have been in these positions for longer than they care to remember, and feel new blood is needed on the executive. They will all still be around to help out but please consider taking over these tasks.

**Nominations** were held, and the following were nominated:

President – James Horkulak,  
Vice President – David Peter,  
Treasurer – Ray Neiman,  
Secretary – Michael Schneider (temporary only).

Directors Nominated: Pierre Driesen, John Callaghan, Terry Cheesman, Mark Bink, Howard Gilbey, Cory Ketcham, Albert Meyer, James Kindrake. Additional nominations will be received at the December meeting on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>.

Pierre Driesen also accepted the position of Program Director.

The meeting adjourned and all attended the bourse. Thanks to all the **Volunteers for the Show**; James Williston, John Callaghan, Terry Cheesman, Eric Schmidt, Greg Wichman, Jules Rach, Pierre Driesen, Celina Comeau, Denice Comeau (Hospitality food), Jamie Horkulak, Mark Bink. I may have missed a few, and to those I apologize. Help was great for both setup and tear down this show. The show dates for 2006 are as follows: March 11 & 12 and November 11 & 12, 2006 at the Coast Terrace Inn.

## Financial Update December 1, 2005

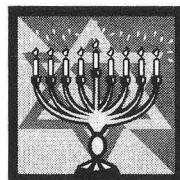
Balance October 31, 2005	\$2,392.84
Deposits November 2005	\$11,193.50
Expenditures November 2005	\$10,106.11
Balance November 30, 2005	\$3,480.73

Outstanding cheque:	
Security Show	\$342.40



## December Meeting

Our December meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.



Coin and Paper Money Donation Auction: Members are encouraged to donate items for the auction. All money raised is for the Kids on Coins program.

Election of Officers

Members are encouraged to bring an edible Christmas treat to share.

## **What is Kids on Coins?**

by ENS member Ron Darbyshire

Kids on Coins is still being invited to speak at schools. I travelled to Calgary for a week and spoke at 9 schools in front of 810 students. On the Monday after the show (November 14) I was on Vancouver Island for 10 days talking at 15 schools in front of 3 classes a day.

At all schools, I donate a Charlton's *Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins* and *Coins of the Modern Olympic Games*. In each book, I put "Donated by the Edmonton Numismatic Society and Kids on Coins". Most librarians tell me that the books will stay on the library shelves for 10 years.

I have spoken to over 10,000 students in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan since the inception of the Kids on Coins program. I am the Western Canadian Director of the CNA's Coin Kids program. As well, I was awarded a Silver Medal for my work locally and nationally for kids from CNA.

I have been invited by the John Janzen Nature Centre to put on a display of coins that feature flowers, birds and animals from around the world. Any donations or lending of coins for this display would be appreciated.

Edmonton Metro's Continuing Education has asked if I could do a course like the one in St Albert. St Albert has a parent bring a child so that they learn together.

I believe that this is a great opportunity to have a higher profile for the clubs. As we all know membership is good to promote the hobby. The first of 3 courses starts February 18, 2006, and runs 5 weeks. The following two sessions will run in April and June 2006.

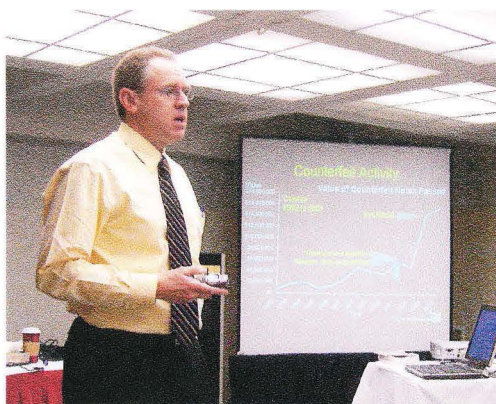
All the kids' coin clubs will be up and running by November 21, 2006. Kids on Coins is starting to be recognized as a very good program.

Additional programs slated for future Coin Shows include: Coin Auctions, Who Wants to be a Millionaire and Treasure Hunt games. With a little promotion, each of these would be great for kids.

I hope you will continue to support Kids on Coins at our December Auction. All funds go to help Kids clubs, printing costs for handouts, school letters and 2x2's, as well as covering educational material for the program.

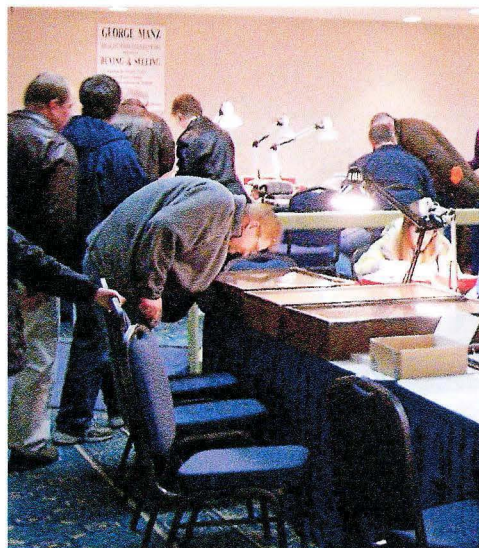
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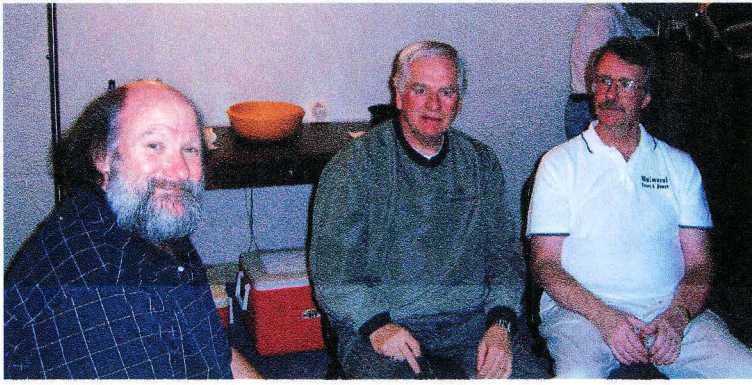




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## "How to collect coins"

by ENS member Jamie Horkulak

One of the nice things about coin collecting is the freedom the hobby offers. Every collector is allowed to follow any path they choose, and are encouraged to do so. The displays that win awards at major coin shows are often given high scores because of the creativity and knowledge of the collector, not because the coins are especially valuable.

Freedom to do as you please can also result in a lack of direction and create confusion. Some collectors find there are simply too many options. Most collectors start by acquiring everything, eventually narrowing their scope to the items they grow to prefer. Years later, when that narrow scope becomes slow for acquisitions do they find another 'side interest' to tide them over between major purchases.

We may all understand the importance of buying quality, but at what price? There's a fine line between paying too much and paying aggressively to get an underrated coin. That's where knowledge is the key. I've seen too many collectors miss the purchase of a lifetime because the price seemed too high. Instead they overlook flaws and settle for average coins because the price is so attractive they can't afford to pass. They're collecting the bargain essentially.

The traditional way to collect Canadian decimal coinage, for example, is to get every date issued in a particular series. Quite quickly collectors notice an area or design that stands out to them, whether it's Victorian coinage, silver dollars or large cents. This technique is somewhat overrated. Sure this method is how 'specialists' and 'experts' are born, but when you show it to someone who doesn't specialize in that area it may seem quite boring.

Take for example the collector who is down to the inevitable key dates. When and if they come on the market will he be able to afford them? So the series will never be complete anyway. What *is* possibly more obtainable and overall interesting is "*Type collecting*". This method is usually followed for world collecting, as there is no need for design duplication. Why not use this technique for Canadian?

Imagine showing your collection to the grandkids or other non-collector. Instead of having row after row of dimes with the same head, you can show a cross section of everything. Now that's interesting!

A 'type' coin usually means the most easily obtained coin in the series. The common date to fill the spot. To enhance this idea, one could also tie in collecting a certain very high grade. To world collectors, grade is secondary due to the vast catalog, but for something comparatively limited such as Canadian GeoV nickels, grade is everything. Now imagine showing your type collection, common dates maybe, but all in MS65! Now that's impressive. Another spin would be to type-collect focusing on better key dates rather than the common ones. And having a cross section of all denominations, there is bound to be something there to impress **everyone**.

## January Meeting

Our January meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, January 11th. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Pierre Driessen

**Topic:** The difficulties encountered by the individual EEC nations when planning the EURO

**Slide Show:** Introduction to Paper Money Part I

## February Meeting

Our February meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, February 8th. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Eric Jensen

**Topic:** Alberta Medallions

Eric is the author of the authoritative catalogue on the medals of Alberta and will discuss his publication *Alberta Medallions & "Similar Type Stuff"*.

**Slide Show:** Introduction to Paper Money Part II

## April Meeting

Our April meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, April 12th. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Terence Cheesman

**Speaker:** Maurice Doll

Coin and Paper Money Donation Auction

## May Meeting

Our May meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, May 10th. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Markus Molenda

Counter stamped Coins of the Mexican Insurgence of 1811-1814

**Speaker:** David Peter

Counter stamped German Inflationary Money (1923 era)



## COMING EVENTS

### SHOWS – CANADA

Jan 27-29, 2006	CAND Ramada Plaza Hotel	HAMILTON, ON
Feb 24-26	TOREX Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
<b>Mar 11, 12</b>	<b>ENS Edmonton's Money Show Coast Terrace Inn</b>	<b>EDMONTON, AB</b>
Apr 21-23	ONA 44 <sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Best Western (Lamplighter Inn)	LONDON, ON
May 26-28	TNS Ramada Plaza Hotel	HAMILTON, ON
Jun 24, 25	TOREX Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
<b>Jul 20-23</b>	<b>2006 CNA Convention Sheraton Fallsview Hotel &amp; Convention Centre</b>	<b>NIAGARA FALLS, ON</b>
Sep 22-24	TNS Ramada Plaza Hotel	HAMILTON, ON
Oct 28-29	TOREX Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
<b>Nov11, 12</b>	<b>ENS Edmonton's Money Show Coast Terrace Inn</b>	<b>EDMONTON, AB</b>

### SHOWS – USA

Dec 16-18	Coin, Currency & Stamp Expo Circus Circus Hotel	LAS VEGAS, NV
Jan 5-8, 2006	51 <sup>st</sup> Annual FUN Convention Orange City Convention-Civic Center	ORLANDO, FL
Jan 13-15	34 <sup>th</sup> Annual New York International Numismatic Convention Waldorf Astoria Hotel	NEW YORK, NY
Jan 20-22	Coin, Currency & Stamp Expo River Palms Hotel	LAUGHLIN, NV

Jan 20-22	Money Show of the Southwest George R. Brown Convention Center	HOUSTON, TX
Jan 21-22	Boeing Employees' Coin Club Show Kent Commons	KENT, WA
Jan 25-28	Coin & Collectibles Expo Convention Center Hall E	ANAHEIM, CA
Feb 4, 5	Collectors' Expo 2006 Elks Lodge No. 346	NIAGARA FALLS, NY
Feb 4, 5	37 <sup>th</sup> Annual Coin Club Show Rendezvous Center	MESA, CA
Feb 9-11	Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo Convention Center	LONG BEACH, CA
Feb 17-19	43 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Coin Club Show El Maida Temple	EL PASO, TX
Feb 24-26	Coin, Currency & Stamp Expo Hilton Hotel	PASADENA, CA
Mar 30-Apr 2	31 <sup>st</sup> Annual Chicago International Coin Fair Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare	CHICAGO, IL

## AUCTIONS

Jan 8-9, 2006	Heritage World Coin Auctions NYINC Signature Auction	NEW YORK, NY
Jan 13-14, 2006	Ponterio & Associates New York International Convention	NEW YORK, NY



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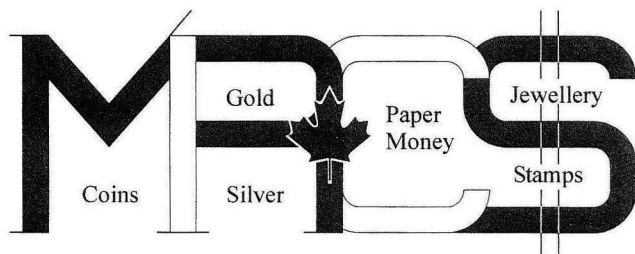
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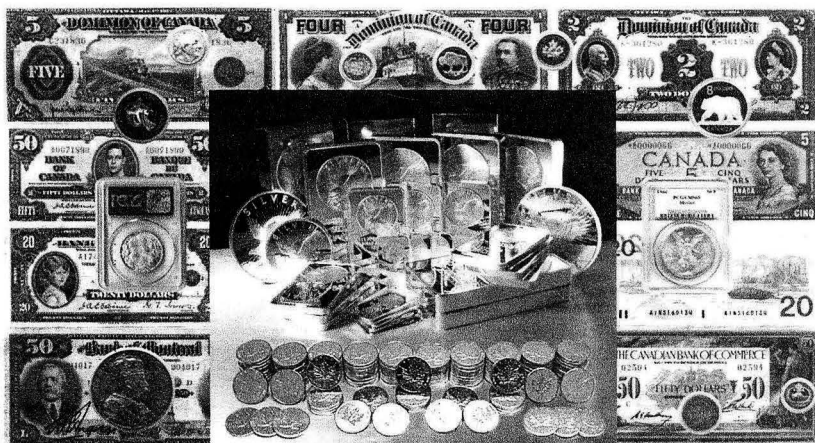
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