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Doors 7:00 pm-- Meeting 7:30 pm

Royal Alberta Museum

4440 Calgary Trail North, EDMONTON

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 75th 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 (formerly the Edmonton Coin Club) 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.



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EDITOR'S NOTE:

This issue exposes a few of the lesser-known varieties of Canadian decimal coinage. It is perhaps the beginning of a feature I would like to see in *The Planchet* regularly, with our members contributing their expertise on various coin series. Many of you have researched or even have discovered new varieties that should be published. Send me an email with your ideas for future editions.

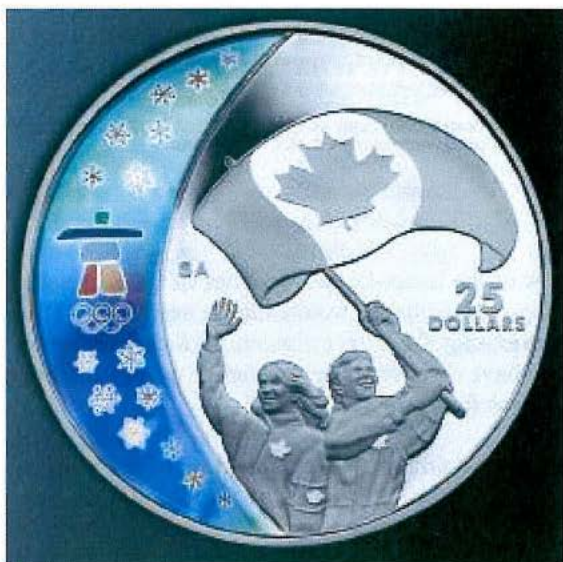
This issue also marks the first time that *The Planchet* will be sent via email to those members who request so. If you want to save the ENS a little money and don't mind receiving your society's newsletter via email (*.pdf format), send me an email at: sherwood_park_pennies@shaw.ca.

Roger Paulen

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Normally, this page is reserved for notices and articles from the ENS President. Unfortunately, no items were submitted as of press time, so instead you get to enjoy a few images of 2007 coins courtesy of the Royal Canadian Mint.

Roger Paulen



VANCOUVER 2010 WINTER GAMES COMMEMORATIVE COIN COLLECTION UNVEILED

Art and coins come together in the launch of a series of commemorative coins for the 2010 Winter Games. Available in February 2007 and spanning the period up until Games time, the Royal Canadian Mint will release an extensive Olympic and Paralympic-related coin collection.

Over the next three years, the RCM will put up to 350 million coins into circulation featuring seventeen coins related to the 2010 Winter Games. Twelve 25-cent coins will depict ten Olympic winter sports and two Paralympic winter sports. Three additional 25-cent coins will feature designs of Canadian athlete medalists with the participation of Canadians. Each coin will have a bronze, silver or gold finish. Two one-dollar "Lucky Loonie" coins will also be struck. The first will be released prior to the Canadian Olympic and Paralympic Teams heading to the Beijing 2008 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the second prior to the 2010 Winter Games.



About 1,200 Royal Bank of Canada and participating Petro-Canada outlets will distribute and promote the circulation coins over the next three years. Coins will be released into circulation at selected intervals. In 2007, the RCM will release five 25-cent circulation coins: Curling (February), Ice Hockey (April), Paralympic Winter Games - Wheelchair Curling (July), Biathlon (September) and Alpine Skiing (October).

Non-circulating limited mintage coins will include a collection of thirty-six unique coins. This includes a series of fifteen \$25 sterling silver coins featuring winter sports and thematic designs. Each will have a limited worldwide mintage of 45,000. A series of nine \$75 14 karat gold coins highlighting distinctly Canadian culture and wildlife and Olympic Games themes are also part of the Olympic collection, each having a limited worldwide mintage of 8,000. Two \$2,500 one kilogram gold coins will be available. Marking the first time the RCM has issued a pure gold coin with a guaranteed weight of one kilogram, these coins will be spectacularly engraved in ultra high relief with a very limited mintage of only 20 coins. Also an RCM first, two \$250 one kilogram silver coins will be offered with a limited worldwide mintage of 2,500 per coin.

Also offered will be three \$300 Premium Gold coins (one released in each of 2007, 2008 and 2009) with a limited mintage of 2,500 per coin as well as three special edition uncirculated coin sets, each with a mintage of 30,000 containing all denominations, including the 2010 Winter Games-related 25-cent coins of that year. Lastly, two Sterling silver Lucky Loonie painted coins will be issued in 2008 and 2010, with mintages of 30,000 and 40,000 respectively.



MODERN VARIETY: 1979 50 CENT POINTED & ROUND BUST

Roger C Paulen

This is a modern variety that only gets the slightest mention in Charlton's Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins, but you have to know what you are looking for. In the 61st Edition, the table on page 289 denotes a 1979 BL and 1979 Ptd price, with no indication of any specific coin contained within those brilliant uncirculated coin sets. Likewise, Trends in Canadian Coin News (look under proof-like sets) also lists two prices for this year indicating a Rd and Pt bust, but for those unfamiliar with this variety, you get no indication as to which coin in the set hosts the variety.



What these information sources are vaguely referring to are the 50 cent pointed and round bust varieties only available from uncirculated (proof-like) coin sets of 1979. All business strike and specimen strike 50-cent coins from 1979 (and onwards) have a rounded bust. Prior to 1979, the effigy was of the pointed bust variety.

I have scanned a couple of coins here, with oversaturated brightness and contrast to enhance the effect. The upper image at left is the pointed bust variety and the lower image is the rounded or blunt variety. The lower right tip of the effigy is where the two varieties are identified, as indicated by the arrow.



Because this coin has a 1979 reverse with an obverse intended for 1980 coins, this coin could be considered a Mule. However, both varieties from the 1979 brilliant uncirculated set are easy to collect; the pointed variety only has a premium of \$2 to \$4 over the rounded variety.

N'S MONEY SHOW



*ENS Money Shows in 2007 are
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Breakfast Buffet Meeting Sunday Morning - 8:00 am coffee, 8:30 buffet

\$13.00 per ticket. (subsidized by the ENS). Must RSVP to Terry at 455-0480 to attend.

Insert Banknote seminar presented by Martin Holzbauer

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LESSER KNOWN VARIETY: 1946 5 CENT 6/6

Roger C Paulen

This is a variety that goes unmentioned in Charlton's Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins, but it has been a known variety by some dealers since 2002. I am unsure of who discovered this particular variety, but it is a fairly common coin to find, yet appears to be quite rare in mintstate (MS).

This coin variety appears to be a progression of die-deterioration rather than having been re-punched or doubled punched.

The coin is recognized by a slight infilling of right part of the hole of the '6' and slight infilling of the open space of the '4'. As the deterioration continues, the infilling becomes more pronounced. This is definitely different from the doubling of dates that are fairly common in coins from the 1940s. Extreme examples show the number 6 in a severe state of wear. The overall number is poorly struck and the infilling of the 6 is greater than 25%. At this stage, the 4 is also showing signs of uneven and strong wear. (*Photo images courtesy of Brad, via Randy Ash*).

The Canadian Coin News Trends has listed this coin at least since my return to the hobby in late 2004. Current trend values for this variety are:

VG	F	VF	EF	AU	MS-60	MS-62	MS-63	MS-64
\$6	\$16	\$28	\$40	\$60	\$100	\$125	\$150	\$275

Most dealers have never seen this variety in MS-65. I suspect this coin is slightly undervalued in mint state varieties, because often the lower grades sell at and above trend values. Interestingly, ICCS does not certify this variety because it is not recognized in the Charlton Standard, but CCCS (Canadian Coin Certification Service) does recognize and will certify this variety.



BOOK REVIEW

The Standard Catalogue of Canadian Uncirculated Sets

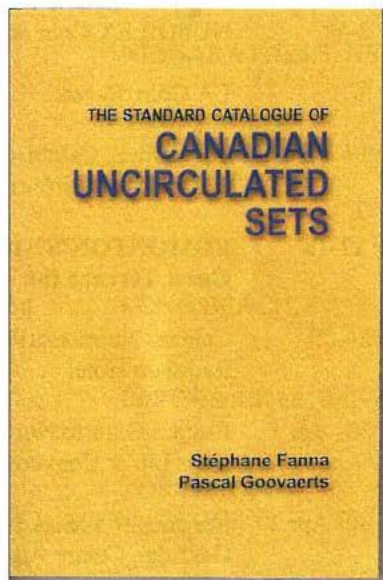
Roger C Paulen

When it comes to specialized collecting, there is nothing like the perfect reference guide to provide you all the nuances and details of the most discrete varieties. Yet at some point, all collectors need to make discoveries for themselves, understand the importance of their discoveries and share this experience with others.

This is the basic premise of my most recent book purchase. Through their own collecting experience, Stéphane Fanna and Pascal Goovaerts have put together a unique reference guide on Canadian uncirculated coin sets. This is specifically targeted at the six and seven coin collector sets (proof-like sets) sold by the Royal Canadian Mint to represent circulating coinage.

There are three main sections to this guide, sets with silver coins (1953-1967), sets with nickel dollars (1968-1987) and sets with the modern nickel-bronze loon dollar (1988-2007). Within each of those sets, all known varieties, including those discovered by the authors, are included with accompanying photos to aid identification. For the collectors who are demanding even to packaging, there is a well-described section regarding the paper certificates and official envelopes from the RCM. They also compile an error list, breaking it down by different types of errors. I even found information in this guide, that isn't in Charlton's, such as the 1979 50 cent pointed and round bust varieties.

However, no review is complete without some constructive comments. Many of the close-up photos are fantastic with high resolution yet there are other photos with very poor resolution (photos versus scanned images). Other varieties are not shown directly; rather the authors have chosen to display the ICCS certificate denoting the variety or error (see page 31). The authors use of **bold text** highlighting their own discoveries and even quote outside sources like *Canadian Coin News* when their discovery was made is completely unnecessary. While it is a great feeling being credited as the person who discovers a new variety, patting yourself on the back in your own book seems excessive to me – you will not find Bill Cross making a similar statement in any of his books. Despite these minor comments, this is a good first attempt for a reference available at a very reasonable price (approx. \$22). If you are going to collect Canadian uncirculated coin sets, get the Goovaerts and Fanna book.



COMING EVENTS

SHOWS – CANADA

Feb 24-25	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
Mar 2-4	NUPHILEX Coin & Stamp Show	MONTREAL, QC
Mar 3	LA Coin Show	WINDSOR, ON
Mar 17	16 th Annual Cambridge Coin Show Cambridge Newfoundland Club	CAMBRIDGE, ON
Mar 17-18	EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW Coast Terrace Inn	EDMONTON, AB
Mar 24-25	Calgary Numismatic Society Coin Show Radisson Hotel	CALGARY, AB
Mar 30- Apr 1	Eastern Ontario Numismatic Show Days Inn & Convention Centre	KINGSTON, ON
Mar 30- Apr 1	Vancouver's Money Show Oakridge Centre Auditorium	VANCOUVER, BC
Apr 21-22	45 th Annual ONA Coin Convention Four Points Sheraton	LONDON, ON
Jun 23-24	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
July 12-15	2007 CNA Convention Sheraton Fallsview Hotel	NIAGARA FALLS, ON
Aug 17-19	East Coast Extravaganza Casino Halifax	HALIFAX, NS
Sept 8-9	North Shore Numismatic Society Coin Show Oakridge Centre Auditorium	VANCOUVER, BC
Oct 27-28	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
Nov 10, 11	EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW Coast Terrace Inn	EDMONTON, AB

SHOWS – USA & INTERNATIONAL

Feb 9-11	Coin, Currency & Stamp Expo	PALA, CA
Mar 31- Apr 1	Nor-Cal VII Show	FREMONT, CA
Apr 20-22	Gold & Silver Over Niagara	NIAGARA FALLS, NY
April 27, 28	Ponterio & Associates Chicago International Coin Fair	CHICAGO, IL

AUCTIONS & MAIL BID SALES

Feb 11-13	Superior Galleries Pre-Long Beach Elite Coin Auction	LONG BEACH, CA
Feb 11-14	Ira & Larry Goldberg Auctioneers Pre-Long Beach Sale	BEVERLY HILLS, CA

Feb 24-25 Charles Moore
TOREX TORONTO, ON

Online catalogue at: http://www.torex.net/torex_coin_show/auctions.htm



Several rare Dominion of Canada \$4.00 notes (DC-10, DC-16 and DC17) are up for auction at the Feb. TOREX

ENS Annual General Meeting, January 10, 2006

The meeting came to order in the face of winter's weather with Jamie Horkulak presiding over the meeting and taking minutes in Marc Bink's absence. An executive meeting was called for January 25 and a call for a meeting host was put out to the floor.

One major announcement was made regarding the ENS coin shows. The auctions will continue in the future with C&P Numismatics replacing Diverse Equities Inc. Despite the relatively short notice, C&P Numismatics will be running the auction at upcoming the March show. Jamie Horkulak also gave a brief report on the FUN show held in Orlando, Florida in early January.

Guest speakers were Marcus Molenda on Hudson Bay tokens and Roger Paulen gave a brief presentation on geology, rocks and their relationship to coins. Rock samples containing copper, nickel, zinc, iron, silver and gold were passed around the room.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30, and the fellowship was continued by a small group at the Boston Pizza on 124th.

MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE

Memberships are now due for 2007 renewal, payable to the ENS, or if you're paying cash, pay it to the Secretary/ Membership chair (Marc Bink). Membership fees are unchanged from last year, and we will try and get membership cards out to you as soon as we get them made. Those that pay via cheque will have their membership cards mailed to them in a subsequent issue of *The Planchet* while those who pay cash at the meetings will get a card either mailed to them, or in person. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Due to the age of our database, we'd like to ask that members provide a current mailing address when renewing their membership. ***Please note that the Society does not, and will not, sell or use any personal information obtained from the membership for commercial uses or for publication.*** Any information we collect will only be used for club functions such as the newsletter, and a call out list for any special events.

FEBRUARY MEETING

Our February meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, February 14th. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm; door will open at 7:00 pm.

- Speaker:** Albert Meyer
Collector Coins issued since the Introduction of the Euro
- Speaker:** Dan Gosling
My Trip to England

- ☑ Selling Numismatic Items - uncertified and certified coins, sets (proof like, specimen, proof) including varieties and errors
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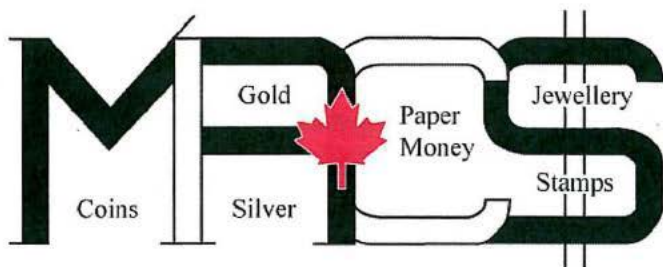
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