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2007 25-cent Coin - Ruby-Throated Hummingbird

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 09, 2007 Doors 7:00 pm-- Meeting 7:30 pm Royal Alberta Museum 12845-102 Ave, 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,



American Numismatic Association

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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 month, the much-awaited ENS member coin auction will occur. This is probably one of my favorite events, yet I will have to miss this due to professional commitments (unfortunately, coins are my hobby – not my career). It is also due to my professional commitments that the expected issue of June's *The Planchet* will either not make it to press in a timely matter with respect to the June 2007 meeting. This is unavoidable and I apologize in advance. I will gladly email anyone the template if they want write a couple of articles, publish it and lastly, distribute it.

Roger Paulen

ROYAL CANADIAN MINT UNVEILS \$1 MILLION COIN

The Royal Canadian Mint unveiled a monster gold coin with a face value of C\$1 million that it says is the world's biggest, purest and highest denomination coin. Weighing in at 100 kilograms (220.5 pounds), the limited edition coin easily dwarfs its closest rival, the 31 kg (68 pound) "Big Phil", which was made to honour the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and has a face value of a mere 100,000 euros (C\$150,000).

The Canadian mint introduced the mega-coin, which is the size of an extra-large pizza, alongside the one-ounce gold bullion coins it is mass-producing at its Ottawa plant. Originally designed to promote the new one-ounce coins, the colossal 100 kg coins will be produced in a very limited quantity. A U.S. precious metals distributor has ordered three and there is interest in Asia and Europe, the mint said.

At 53 centimetres (21 inches) in diameter and over 3 cm (1.2 inches) thick, the massive coins need a high level of hand crafting. While it has a C\$1 million face value, the coin is worth more than twice that amount given the current gold price of \$683.30 an ounce. The new coins are both adorned with a maple leaf and boast 99.999 percent purity, a notch above previous purity peaks of 99.99 percent.

"Since the Royal Canadian Mint upped the ante on the rest of the world in 1982, by raising the purity of gold bullion to four nines pure (99.99 percent) other nations have come on the scene ... Austria, the United States, and Australia being the case in point," said mint spokesman Alex Reeves. "We compete for market share with all of these countries and we decided that the time was right to do something to stand out from the crowd once again."

Bullion and refinery services generated almost C\$281 million in revenue in 2006, more than half the mint's total sales of almost C\$494 million. Below: A 100kg gold coin is seen next to gold bars and smaller gold coins in an undated publicity photo from the Royal Canadian Mint.



LASQUETI MINT - MINTING YOUR OWN MONEY

Roger C. Paulen, with contributions from Daniel Rubin and Howard Gilbey

The traditions of numismatics and the laws of Canada decree that fine metal bullion coins may be issued and sold free of any tax, provided that the purity of the metal, the weight of the coin and a maker's trademark are shown on each coin's face. Under this premise, the Lasqueti Mint was born, with coins made by hand, using nineteenth century technology.

The Lasqueti Mint is a private mint located on Lasqueti Isle. The principals of the mint are Tolling Jennings, a numismatist and the Mint Master, and Ray Lopovsky, a goldsmith. Making their own coins by hand, the two partners are reviving an ancient tradition. Since 1997, the mint has produced high quality, attractive bullion coins.

Lasqueti Isle is one of the larger Gulf Islands in the Strait of Georgia. It measures approximately 20 km long and 5 km wide and is located 50 miles northwest of Vancouver. The island has a population of 367 residents. The Lasqueti coins circulate freely on Lasqueti Isle and on the other islands. Stores proudly display logos of the Lasqueti Mint to indicate that Lasqueti coins are accepted in trade. With copper, silver and gold coins, Tolling and Ray are now minting coins for other Gulf Islands. Since 1999, the Lasqueti Mint has produced coins for Gabriola Island to support the local arts society.

Working by hand, the partners can produce a limited number of coins per day. That this whole process takes place in a local workshop is remarkable enough. But what catches your attention is the design depicted on each coin, drafted by local artist Tony Seaman.





A 2006 1/10 oz. silver of .9999 silver, struck in coinage fashion (north-south die flip). Coin courtesy of Howard Gilbey.

ENS MEMBERS AUCTION

Royal Canadian Mint Wetherup bimetallic medallion (see photo)

Canada 1977 5 cents pair, high and low 7 varieties

Canada 1977 5 cents, Low 7, ICCS MS-63



Royal Canadian Mint 2004 medallion (see photo)

Canada 1969 10 cents, ICCS PL-65, Heavy Cameo

Roman coin Lucinius II Bronze follis Nicomedia Mint (\$30 Trend).

Spanish Netherlands Duchy of Burgandy & Brabant (also known as Namur) 1710 Philip V liard KM#2 (\$15 Trend)



Newfoundland 50 cents 1917c VG-8 & 1918c VG-10 (\$17 Trend – Reserve \$10)

Canada large cents Edward VII - 1902 to 1910 complete set 10 coins including scarce 1907H G6 to F15 (\$75 Trend – Reserve \$25)

Canada 5 cents silver lot of 9 coins: 1882H, 1888, 1902, 1903H (small H), 1904, 1910 (pointed leaves-holly), 1912, 1914, 1918 G6 to F15 (\$60 Trend – Reserve \$20)

Canada 10 cents Victoria 1888 VF-20 (\$85 Trend - \$40 Reserve)

Canada 10 cents Victoria 1899 (small 9's) G6 (\$15 Trend - \$7 Reserve)

Canada 10 cents silver lot of 7 coins: 1913 (small leaves), 1915, 1918, 1920, 1929, 1931, 1936 G6 to VF20 (\$26 Trend - \$8 Reserve)

Canada 25 cents silver lot of 4 coins: 1943,1946, 1947ML (2) VG8 to F12 (Trend \$10.75 – Reserve \$9)

Canada 50 cents 1929 F12 (Trend \$15 - Reserve \$8)

Canada 50 cents lot of 3 coins: 1942, 1946, 1952 F15 to VF20 (Trend \$23.50 - Reserve \$13.50)

Canada 50 cents lot of 4 coins: 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966 AU50 to MS63 (Trend \$20 - Reserve \$18)

Canada Silver Dollar 1935 EF-40 lightly cleaned (\$35 Trend - \$20 Reserve)

Dominion of Canada 25 cents notes (shinplasters) (2) DC-15b 1900 Boville,and DC-24c 1923 McCavour-Saunders. Both notes have miscuts; the top edges showing the banknote company inscription from the notes above, both notes grade F (\$130 Trend - \$40 Reserve)

Bank of Canada BC-33a \$20 Coyne-Towers 'Devil's Face', note appears EF but has been processed (smell) and trimmed (\$95 Trend - \$25 Reserve)

Nevada Silver Dollar with belt buckle bezel (\$25 Trend)

1970 United Kingdom mint set

1971 United Kingdom mint set

1973 United Kingdom mint set

1977 United Kingdom mint set

1980 United Kingdom mint set

1981 United Kingdom mint set

1982 United Kingdom mint set

1984 United Kingdom mint set

1985 United Kingdom mint set

1997 United Kingdom deluxe proof set

1969-71 Coins of Ireland set

Coins of Ireland set (mid-1960s)

1972 Jamaica proof set

1972 Jamaica BU \$10 silver coin

1972 Jamaica BU \$20 gold coin

1975 Isle of Man 25 pence proof

1977 British Virgin Islands coin set

1992 Denmark coin set

1981 Canada uncirculated set in wooden 1976 Olympic coin box

1983 US proof Olympic dollar

1997 Canada hockey silver dollar gift set

Fairview and Dunvegan Bridge trade token

Swift Current 1964 BU trade token

Wooden nickel – Ronelea Collectibles

Large medallion, City of Edmonton (1909-1979) City Council

Tombac "wartime" 1942 and 1943 5 cent coin and stamp set

Two Bank of Canada 1867-1967 notes (BC-45a) uncirculated (\$10 Trend - Reserve \$2)

Canada 1 cent 1971 PL-65 Ultra Heavy Cameo (\$35 Trend)

Canada 1 cent 1904 MS-60 Red Brown (\$55 Trend - \$15 Reserve)

Canada 1 cent 1962 Missing M variety MS-62 (\$5 Trend)

Canada 1 cent lot 1960, 1961, 1964, 1968 all MS-64 (\$43 Trend – no reserve)

Canada 1 cent lot 1971, 1972, 1977, 1980 all MS-64 (\$32 Trend – no reserve)

Canada 5 cents 1922 Near Rim AU-50 (\$35 Trend - \$10 Reserve)

Canada 10 cents 1943 MS-60 (\$25 Trend – \$5 Reserve)

Canada silver dollar 1935, Doubled Indian and Voyageur variety (Zoell No. R501g) (\$45 Trend - \$25 Reserve)

Canada silver dollar 1950 SWL, Doubled Voyageur variety (Zoell No. R512Q) (\$30 Trend - \$15 Reserve

Canada silver dollar 1964, Missing dot variety (Zoell No. S5260) (\$15 Trend - \$10 Reserve.

Good Luck!



1904 MS-60 Red Brown



1971 PL-65 Ultra Heavy Cameo



1922 Near Rim AU-50

HUB DOUBLING VARIETIES

Roger C. Paulen

Recently, collectors are starting to take an interest in the variety of coins for sale on the internet and listed in reports such as the 2007 Ashrap. These varieties are becoming popular, in part, due to ICCS (International Coin Certification Service) and CCCS (Canadian Coin Certification Service) commenting on one or more specific aspects of hub doubling. Hub doubling, or commonly known as doubled die, produces two overlapping or offset, raised and rounded images on the devices. ICCS comments on this feature with respect to a coin's date or the denomination, but generally not on other features of the reverse and obverse. CCCS tends to be a bit more liberal with their variety comments.

Hub doubling starts at the production of the working die. A working hub, produced from a master die, is placed upon a die blank, then forced with extremely high pressure into the blank – producing a working die. This hubbing process may be repeated several times before the working die is satisfactory. It is between the multiple hubbing pressings that doubling occurs. W.K. Cross (Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins) places hub doubling into eight different classifications, and the pricing rule is that the wider the doubling spread, the more the variety will be worth. Often this phenomenon is confused with similar or misused terms such as re-engraved, repunched, and double punched.

This hub doubling variety is well known with some dates, most notable are the 1953 one cent with the doubled 953, the 1962 1 cent with the doubled 962, the 1962 5 cent with the doubled date and the 1979 1 cent. Other varieties appear to occur in almost every year and every denomination. The ICCS population report does not list the varieties that ICCS comments on, but the Ashrap Report shows that these items in mint-state condition command a premium price. Several varieties, which the author has spent countless hours searching circulated and uncirculated rolls, are shown here.





Circulated varieties of doubled dates on 1939 and 1940 one cent coins.



Above: 1962 5 cent doubled date. This coin also exists as a re-engraved variety with just the 962 doubled. Below: hub doubling of the reverse legend and date in the 1967 1 cent.





No magnification is necessary to see the strong doubling of the date in this 1962 one cent coin.

COMING EVENTS

SHOWS – USA & INTERNATIONAL

May 9-12	68th Anniversary CSNS Convention America's Centre	ST. LOUIS, MO			
May 31-June 2	Coin Stamp & Collectible Expo Long Beach Convention Centre	LONG BEACH, CA			
Aug 8-12	116 th ANA World's Fair of Money	MILWAUKEE, WI			
Sept 6-9	Illinois Numismatic Association (ILNA) 48th Annual Fall Convention	CHICAGO, IL			
Sept 27-29	Coin Stamp & Collectible Expo Long Beach Convention Centre	LONG BEACH, CA			
Mar 7-9 2008	ANA National Money Show	PHOENIX, AZ			
SHOWS - CANADA					
Apr 21-22	45 th Annual ONA Coin Convention Four Points Sheraton	LONDON, ON			
Apr 21-22	Coin & Stamp Show Western Christian College	REGINA, SK			
May 5-6	TLC Show, Ramada Suites Hotel	NIAGARA FALLS, ON			
May 5-6	Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Associatio Spring Coin Show	n DARTMOUTH, NS			
June 17	Vancouver Coin & Stamp Show Oakridge Centre Auditorium	VANCOUVER, BC			
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			

COMING EVENTS

Oct 13	Durham Coin-A-Rama, Five Points Mall	OSHAWA, ON
Oct 27-28	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
Nov 2-4	NUPHILEX, Holiday Inn Midtown	MONTREAL, QC
Nov 10, 11	EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW Ramada Edmonton Inn (Kingsway)	EDMONTON, AB
Nov 25	Vancouver Coin & Stamp Show Oakridge Centre Auditorium	Vancouver, BC
Feb 23-24	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON
July 18-20 2008	2008 CAN Convention	Ottawa, ON

ENS Executive Meeting, May 3rd, 2007

An executive meeting was held on May 3rd, hosted at Ray Neiman's house (Thanks Ray). A financial summary of the 2007 ENS Spring Show and Treasurer's report was discussed at the executive meeting.

Due to the lack of a host, the 2007 ENS Club barbeque will be cancelled. A June meeting will be tentatively held at the Royal Museum, but there is uncertainty surrounding the museum's renovation plans, and a June meeting remains to be confirmed. ENS executive will advise at this month's meeting.

June 2007 Meeting

Speaker: Dan Gosling - Collection Management - hands on

July and August 2007

No meetings scheduled – summer holiday break

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

According to ENS Secretary Marc Binc, ENS has 74 (paid) members for 2007. Membership cards are included with this issue of *The Planchet*. New members 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. 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.

MAY MEETING

Our May meeting will be held at the Royal Alberta Museum on Wednesday, May 9th. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm; door will open at 7:00 pm.

ENS Membership Coin Auction will take place at the May meeting. See this issue for details on some of the lots available.

Speaker: *Pierre Driessen* - Family recollections of the Liberation of the Netherlands (with artifacts and coins)

ENS Monthly Meeting, April 11, 2007

Our April meeting came to order with 19 members present, with Jamie Horkulak presiding and Roger Paulen taking minutes in Marc Bink's absence. The guest speakers were Terence Cheesman on Roman Provincial coins and Chris Hale who spoke about Muslim Coins. Jamie Horkulak brought several issues forward to the members:

- Several members of the ENS attended the funeral of Reinhard Hermesh and commented on the ceremony.
- Costs greatly increased at the March coin show, however, when the dust settled, a profit was still made. Coin cases were donated by Bud and Vicky Collins.
- Beginning in September of 2007, a new meeting place will be required due to expected renovations at the Alberta Museum. A tentative new meeting place has been set, but yet to be confirmed at Progressive Academy (13212 106 Ave). This should be confirmed prior to the last meeting before the summer.
- A call for speakers and articles for *The Planchet* were made for fall 2007.

Following a short question and answer period, the meeting was adjourned and the fellowship continued at the Boston Pizza on 124th.

- Selling Numismatic Items uncertified and certified coins, sets (proof like, specimen, proof) including varieties and errors
- ☑ Also selling Banknotes (Dominion of Canada to present)
- ☑ Interested in Special Number Banknotes, Error Notes & Coins (varieties & errors)

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