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11834 Kingsway Avenue, Edmonton

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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 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:

The ongoing struggle with the distribution of the newsletter continues. ENS President Jamie Horkulak is asking for ENS members to participate by helping with the printing and shipping of our newsletter. I am also thinking of revamping the layout of this newsletter to allow email distribution by PDF to save time and the society some money.

For those of you attending the fall ENS Money Show, please introduce yourself to me if you would like to share your collecting niche. I am always seeking new articles to broaden the topics published in *The Planchet*.

Roger Paulen

EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW, November 10 & 11, 2007

A message from ENS President Jamie Horkulak

Winter is fast approaching and that means it is time for the fall money show. By now, ENS members probably know it's being held at a new location, the Ramada Edmonton Inn on Kingsway. Anybody wishing to lend a hand in any capacity can let me know anytime. Volunteers are required Friday night to help lay out cases and lamps. Volunteers are required Saturday and Sunday to man the admission table and the club table. Members are encouraged to attend the Sunday morning buffet meeting at the Ramada at 8:00 am. The guest speaker will be Marc Bink, who worked at the Sherritt mint in Fort Saskatchewan making coins and blanks. His talk will be very interesting and will shed some insight into coin production.

Ramada Edmonton Inn 11834 Kingsway Avenue, Edmonton (Free Parking at the hotel)

Hours: Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am to 4:30 pm

ADMISSION: \$3.00/day (Kids 16 & under FREE)

As you may have noticed, the Planchet has been slow to arrive. Our editor, Roger, did have the digital layout completed on time, but has no way to mail them when he is out of town. Howard Gilbey did volunteer to help with the mailing, but appears to be just as busy and out of town as Roger. So we are still accepting offers to help. The job would be to print an emailed version of *The Planchet* from Roger, put into envelopes, apply address label and appropriate stamps and then mail out.

For those of you who are not members of the CNA, you will be interested to learn that our very own Dan Gosling is now editor of the CN Journal. It only took Dan an issue or two to revitalize the journal. Dan brings enthusiasm and many fresh articles not only from himself, but from numismatists across Canada. The content quality of the journal is well worth the membership dues. I'd like to congratulate and thank Dan for a job well done.

CONSUMER AWARENESS

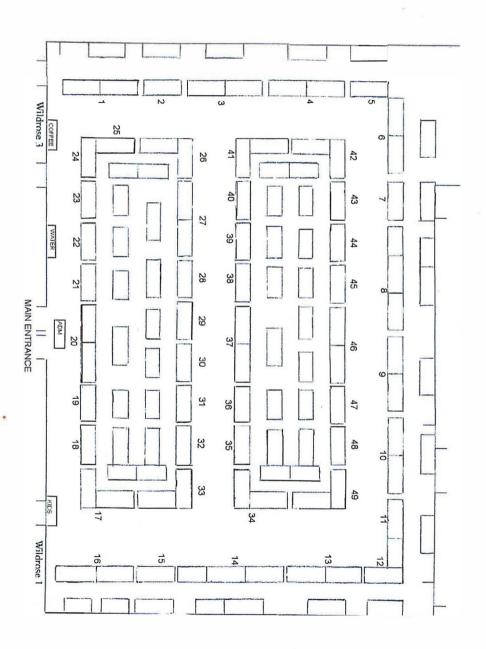
Roger C. Paulen (compiler)

The plethora of counterfeit coins listed on eBay continues. First reported by ENS member Randy Ash in September's issue of *The Planchet*, this follow-up article is the cumulative effort of numerous feedback offered from the many members of the online Canadian Coin Reference Site (CCRS, http://www.canadiancoin.com/). CCRS's numismatic membership and expertise summarize their insights on what online shoppers can do to insure their buying experiences on eBay are good ones. The following red flags do not necessarily imply a fraudulent or bad listing; however, they should serve as alerts to the prudent buyer.

- 1. Emphasis in an item's description that "grading is a matter of opinion." There is some truth to this statement; sellers who overly emphasize this are probably not reputable coin dealers or collectors.
- 2. Coins from "new" certification companies. If you insist on certified coins for an established grade or authenticity, then stick to the established third party grading companies (e.g., ICCS, CCCS, PCGS, NGC, ACG, ICG). Not all new grading companies are illegitimate, but a plethora of "private slabs" have popped up over the past couple years. Generic, plastic "slabs" are easy to buy.
- 3. Someone claiming poor knowledge of coins (or claiming the coins were inherited as part of an estate), but who has a long record of selling large quantities of coins. Take heed when someone who claims to be a novice sells hundreds of coins online.
- 4. Poor quality or blurry pictures are unacceptable, especially for key dates. Modern scanners and digital cameras do a pretty good job. Don't hesitate to ask the seller for better photos their response, or lack thereof, might indicate if they hiding something.
- 5. Key-date coins being sold without professional third-party certification. Trust your common sense. Key-date counterfeit coins, such as 1921 5-cent, 1881H 50-cent, 1875H 25-cent, are being sold on eBay. ICCS reported the first known counterfeit of a Victorian 50-cent piece 20 years ago. Stick with reputable auctions and CAND (Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers) dealers for purchasing key dates.
- 6. Inflated grades, especially on raw coins or those not certified by reputable grading companies, often accompanied by a blurry photo (see above). Be cautious about raw coins that are presented with higher grades. *Caveat emptor* (Buyer beware).
- 7. Extremely rare coins offered by new, non-numismatic sellers. Digital images are easy to steal off the Internet and doctor up using image software. It might not be impossible for a new or overseas dealer to have an 1858 specimen set, but chances are they don't.
- 8. Most illegitimate sellers go for three-day listings, requirement of a money order, "as-is" sales, etc. Have you ever seen a CAND dealer in a huge hurry to sell a rare, highly sought-after coin? A three-day listing is sometimes used to beat eBay's reporting system.

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Bourse Floor Layout, Ramada Edmonton Inn



EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW FALL 2007

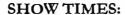
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33	Diverse Equities, Calgary, AB		
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36	Rex Wilson Coins, ON		
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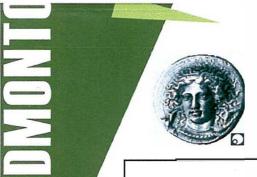
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The following Dealers are scheduled to attend:

National Pride Coins & Stamp, Edm; Loose Change, St. Michael, Ab; Classic Cash, Sylvan Lake; West Edmonton Coin & Stamp: Collins Coins. Sherwood Park: Jadan Coins. Saskatoon.: Canada



Financial Mgmt, Edm; MRCS Canada, Edm; OK coin & Stamp, Kelownn,; Al Tebworth Paper Money, Vancouver; David Peter Coins, Edm; Gilbey Numismatics, Ardrossan, AB.; Ron Whitney coins, Elm; J&J Coins, Edm; George Manz Colns, Regina; Loran's Canadian Coin & Paper, Bruno, Sask; Kamerican Coins, Edm; Charles D. Moore Numismatics, California; Calgary Coin Gallery, Diverse Equities, Calgary; Proof Positive Coins, Baddeck N.S.; Lucky Dollar Coins, Edm; Traders Goldcorp, Hamilton, Ont.; Mattz Coinz, Red Deer; A&E Coins, Edm; B&W Coins, Ontario; Lighthouse NumIsmatics, Nova Scotia; Balmoral Coins, Burnaby B.C.; Newcan Coins & Collectibles, Kenora, Ont; C&P Numismatics, Quebec; Louis Chevrier(CCCS, Quebec; D B & D Collectibles, Edm; Windward Collectibles, Edm; Andy McKaig(CCGS Inc, Calgary; Bluenose Coins & Stamps, Pentiction; Chantou International, Vancouver; Olmstead Currency, St. Stephen, NB; Canadian Coinoiseur, Vancouver; Sven's Modern Banknotes, Edm; Martin's Paper, Terrace, B.C.; Select Currency, Ont; Treasure Galleries, Florida; House of Coins, Quebec; Rex Wilson Coins&Currency, Ontario; Eddie's currency, Edm

ENS Club Breakfast Meeting Sunday Morning - 8:00 am coffee, 8:30 buffet
Special Guest speaker Marc Bink on Working at the Sherritt mint
Members \$13.00, Non-Members \$16.00. RSVP to Terry at 455-0480 to attend.

Show Admission \$3.00/day at the Door, 16 & under FREE!



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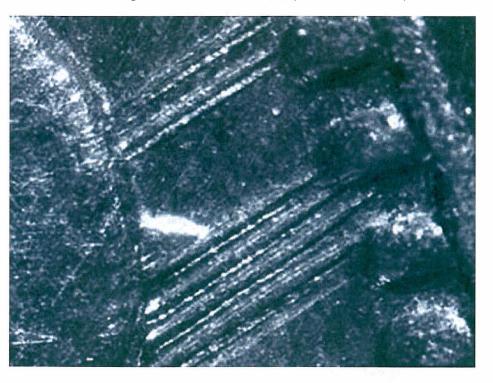
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1968 NICKEL DOLLAR VARIETIES

Michael Blais and Roger C. Paulen

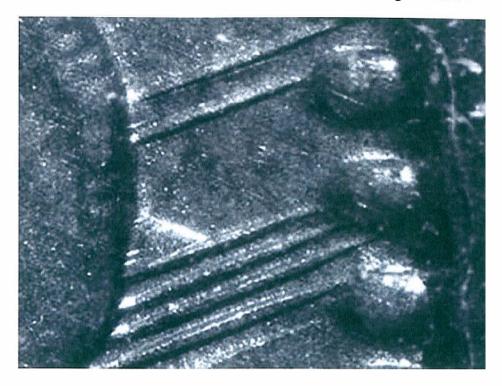
When it comes to varieties, collectors will often split hairs up to 60 times magnification to seek out the various die pairings and the minute errors made during the minting process. Certainly, the King of the varieties is the 1859 1-cent. Another, lesser known coin with a developing list of varieties is the 1968 nickel dollar. This coin, a replacement for the silver Canadian dollar, was pure nickel weighing over 15 grams and 32 mm diameter and the hard metal was unforgiving with the die strikes. Flat field doubling, doubled dates, abraded dies, missing islands, detached jewels, and die clashes are abound in the nickel dollar series and although the 60th Charlton Standard Catalogue published a "Charlton-Zoell Variety Catalogue" for dollar varieties in that edition, many more varieties for the nickel dollar series remain to be discovered.

The 1968 dollar has six varieties listed in the 60th Charlton Standard: flat field doubling (CH# 1968 Obv.-601); normal island, small island and no island (CH# 1968 Rev.-001, 002, 003, respectively); and, the extra waterlines variety, accompanied by the doubling of the "68" of 1968 and "AR" of DOLLAR (CH# 1968 Rev.-004) and extra waterlines lacking the doubled "68" and "AR" (CH# 1968 Rev.-005).



1968 Extra Water Lines variety (Type 1, 60x magnification)

Detailed examination of the island and waterlines reveal and interesting observation,



Above, at 60x magnification, are the waterlines of 1968 dollar with a Full Island. If you look closely at the top most water line, you will see a slight amount of doubling underneath it. Under better lighting, it looks much more pronounced. The conclusion that this doubling must be common to all regular 1968 dollars, and that there is likely no such thing as a 1968 Dollar with a Full Island that does not have this "Extra Water Line". As a result, the variety list is updated to reflect this new conclusion. You may want to test that theory within your own collections.

The following list contains all the discovered varieties for 1968 to date. Note the following acronyms:

FI - Full Island/Normal Island

SI - Small Island/Partial Island

NI - No Island

EWL - Extra Water Line

RD - Rotated Dies

DL - Double Legend

DD - Double Date

WDD - Working Die Doubling

MDD - Mechanical Doubling Damage

1968 Variety List (compiled by Michael Blais)

15. SI

18. NI

16. SI, RD

19. NI, RD

17. SI, Double Obverse (WDD)

20. NI, Double Obverse Legend

1. FI

2. FI, RD

3. FI, RD, Double Island

4. FI, DL#1 (MDD)

5. FI, DL#2 (WDD)

6. FI, DD (WDD)

7. FI, DD, DL#1 (MDD)

8. FI, DD, DL#1, RD

FI, Double "DO" and "AR" of "DOLLAR"

10. FI, Double "OLLAR" of "DOLLAR"

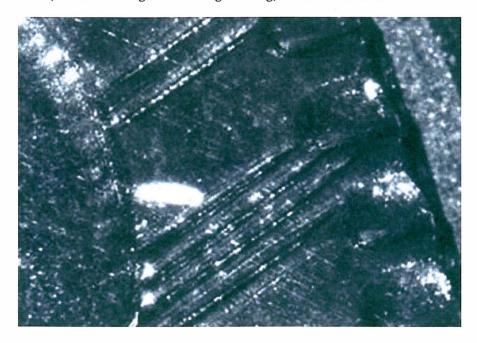
11. FI, Double "DOLLAR" (WDD)

12. FI, Double Obverse (WDD)

13. FI, EWL Type 1 (Strong)*

14. FI, EWL Type 2 (Weak)**

- * Double Water Lines Variety Type 1 (see Figure 1): In this variety, all of the water lines have strong doubling. Strong doubling can also be seen in the date "1968", in "DOLLAR", in "DA" of "CANADA", in the Indian's feather and in other parts of the reverse image. This coin can also be referred to as an Extra Water Lines or Double Die Reverse variety. Further, doubling can be seen in the Obverse Legend.
- ** Double Water Lines Variety Type 2 (see below): All of the water lines have weak doubling. Weak doubling can also be seen in "DO" and "AR" of "DOLLAR". This coin can also be referred to as an Extra Water Lines or Double Die Reverse variety. In addition, the Obverse Legend has strong doubling, and the die is rotated.



COMING EVENTS

SHOWS - USA & INTERNATIONAL

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Mar 7-9 2008	ANA National Money Show	PHOENIX, AZ		
Apr 18-20	Gold and Silver Over Niagara Conference Center at Niagara Fall	NIAGARA FALLS, NY		
SHOWS - CANADA				
Oct 27-28	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON		
Nov 2-4	NUPHILEX, Holiday Inn Midtown	MONTREAL, QC		
Nov 3	11th Annual Scarborough Coin Club Show Cedarbrook Community Centre	SCARBOROUGH, ON		
Nov 10, 11	EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOW Ramada Edmonton Inn (Kingsway)	EDMONTON, AB		
Nov 11	Annual Fall Show Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave.	WINDSOR, ON		
Nov 17-18	TLC Show Future Inns, 700 Hespeler Road.	CAMBRIDGE, ON		
Nov 18	Coin Cabinet Collector Show Crowne Plaza Hotel	MONCTON, NB		
Nov 24	Coin-a-Rama Our Lady of Peace Hall	NIAGARA FALLS, ON		
Nov 25	Vancouver Coin & Stamp Show Oakridge Centre Auditorium	VANCOUVER, BC		
Dec 2	Marche du Collectionneur Hotel Rimouski, Centre des Congres	RIMOUSKI, QC		
Feb 23-24 2008	TOREX Canada's National Coin Show Radisson Admiral Hotel	TORONTO, ON		
July 18-20	2008 CAN Convention	Ottawa, ON		

ENS Monthly Meeting, October 10, 2007

President Jamie Horkulak welcomed 20 members, and introduced 3 new members. Jamie explained why the Planchet did not come on time, showed the Auction catalog for the Oct 27th Torex show, and sold advance tickets for our Nov10th money show.

Our first guest speaker for the evening was one of the new members, Cathy Arbeau. Cathy attended the ANA summer seminar in Colorado Springs this past July. For those who don't know, the Summer Seminar is a course in numismatics held every summer with guest speakers on a wide variety of topics. Cathy then showed a very interesting film about collecting called "History in your Hands", hosted by James Earl Jones.

Our second speaker was David Peter. His topic of discussion was the new "demerit" grading system for paper money, as adopted by the Charlton catalog this year. What we learned is that no system is flawless, and adaptation is hard for some. But this system seems to eliminate some of the guesswork with grading UNC notes, and will likely provide a good starting point for pricing scarce versus common notes. David also had various notes on display to illustrate the various grades.

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.

NOVEMBER MEETING

Our November meeting will be held on the Sunday morning of Edmonton's Money Show, at the Ramada Edmonton Inn, 11834 Kingsway Avenue. Doors open and coffee is available at 8:00 am, breakfast buffet at 8:30 am. Cost to attend this meeting is \$13 per ticket for members and \$16 per ticket for non-members; please RSVP to Terry at 455-0480 to attend.

Guest Speaker: Marc Bink

Topic: Working at the Sherritt Mint

- 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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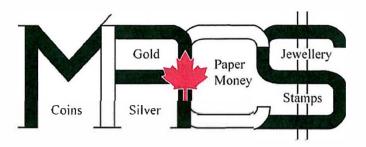
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