

# The Shoreline

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## The North Shore Numismatic Society

a non-profit society working for the advancement of numismatica at all levels.

Membership is open to everyone.

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

### NON-MEMBER DROP-INS ARE WELCOME!

Meetings Include:

- A Numismatic Presentation
- Show & Tell
- A Numismatic Auction
- Refreshments & Great Fun!

### A Quick listing of our 2023 NSNS Shows:

- May 20th
- September 23rd



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& CLUB ACTIVITIES**

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### President's Message

#### - Mike Souza

It's been a few months since our last newsletter so we have some catching up to do. First a thank-you to Gene Simms for all his time and effort that goes into putting the Shoreline newsletters together.

In the Interest of space and my memory, I'm only going to touch on a few of the more interesting meeting highlights since the last newsletter.

Our first in-person meeting in September was a big success with over 30 attendees. The meeting room allotted to us in the main building was a little small for that number of people, making it a little crowded but there were no complaints, everyone was just happy to be there.



**Terry Naylor**

To welcome everyone back, we held a special draw at the end of the meeting for a cased proof 1 oz Silver Maple Leaf. The winning ticket was held by Terry Naylor.

In early October, Bonsor reopened the Senior 55+ Centre and moved us back to our pre-covid location in time for the October meeting. The room was much brighter and spacious, and we had 28 people attend that meeting. There were also several individuals that we had met during our Zoom meetings that came to our Bonsor meeting. Several became members that night and I want all of you to join me in welcoming all the 2022 new members into the club.

### A Big NSNS Welcome to all the 2022 New Club Members.

- Chris Styles
- Maggie Yan
- Justin Lee
- Don Griffith
- Farrukh Aslam
- Jorge Obregon & Junior Members: (Jorge's sons) Miguelito, Diego, Dominic, Antonio, and Ignacio
- Chris Pollock

Our Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show on September 24th. was our most successful 1-day show ever. The club had a record 240 paid attendees and a countless number of free attendees aged 16 and under.

At the show, we had several new stamp dealers from the Centennial Stamp Club, the BC Philatelic Society, and the Peace Arch Stamp Club. In total, the bourse

had 13 stamp dealers and 18 coins and currency dealers.

We received some very positive feedback from several dealers after the show about how well it was run and how much they were looking forward to our upcoming shows. The February Show was sold out with 2 ephemera dealers, 10 stamp dealers, and 17 coin and paper money dealers.

On Tuesday, December 13th, with 30 people in attendance the club held its first live Christmas meeting in three years. Everyone brought loads of food and beverages. The food combined with Pandora's Box and 4 draws for 1 oz. silver maples, made for a festive evening.

The previous two years, due to COVID, the Christmas meetings had to be held via Zoom. Not quite the same as in-person but lots of fun anyways. Again, a thank-you to Gene for organizing the Pandora's Box Draws via Zoom.

Pandora's Box is our annual Christmas Draw that is open to paid-up members only. The last ticket drawn wins it all. This year's lucky **Pandora's Box** winner was a very pleased Brandon Beaulieu.



**Pandora's Box Winner**

**Brandon Beaulieu**

Normally the winner gets to open and spread all the winnings on the table for all to see, because the meeting ran long and we had to vacate the room that part had to be cut short. As you can tell from the picture he didn't get to far into opening his treasure trove of winnings.

Congratulations to fellow club member Adem Karisik. In early December, Adem was appointed Buyer and Consignment Director for the auction firm of Stack's Bowers. Adem will provide an extensive array of services for all collectors, dealing in items ranging from modest value to solo known rarities. He will be present at the club's upcoming Coins, Stamps and Collectibles Show at the Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre. If you wish to contact him to sell or consign an item, he can be reached at: [Karisik@stacksbowers.com](mailto:Karisik@stacksbowers.com)



**Adem Karisik**

Picture:  
Stack's Bowers Galleries



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### Editors Notes - Gene Simms

*"How did it get so late so soon? It's night before it's afternoon. December is here before it's June. My goodness, how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?"*

#### - Dr. Seuss

Here we are almost three months into 2023 already, it feel like only yesterday we were celebrating Christmas. In the immortal words of Dr. Seuss, "another year has flown". The truth is the last three years have gone bye in the blink of an eye and it doesn't appear to be slowing down anytime soon. With that said, It does feel good to be moving forward, away from the covid mess of the last three years. With two in-person meetings under our belts and a very successful show, the road ahead is looking brighter.

Mike has covered most of the details of our meetings up to this point so I'll just share with you two of my favorite show & tell items at our Sept. meeting.

The "Show & Tell" portion of our meeting is a good chance for member to talk about their latest finds and share with the rest of us interesting items that may not cross our paths otherwise. Two recent offering were done with more than a little tongue-in-cheek humour.

The first was by club member Jamie Senger. Being a good son he treated his mom June to a night out by having her accompany him to the Sept, 2022 club meeting. She was caught totally off guard when he decided to introduce her during the "Show & Tell" portion of the evening by describing her as he would his latest coin. He started with... She was minted in BC, 1934. Recently graded SP-88 (88 years old). Mintage -

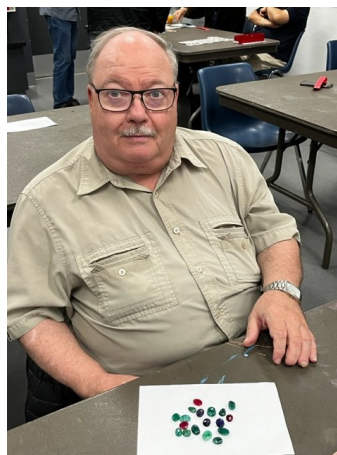


Jamie Senger and his mom June Senger

only one, that we know of. He was going to add there is some wear and die cracks but thought better of it.

According to Jamie, his mom had no idea he was going to prank her and that he has not heard her laugh like that for awhile. He ended it by crediting her interest in antiques and coins rubbing off on him for his love of the coin collecting hobby. June had a wonderful time and has since attended our meeting and has become a regular member.

Next, Doug Sheving shared with us his subtle humour, and his latest ebay purchase, an assortment of gem stones, rubies, emeralds, sapphires and other so-called precious stones. When asked the grade, Doug referred to them as road building grade. They may not be adding to his retirement fund but he feels he has gotten more than his monies worth in the pleasure he had sharing them with his grandkids and gifts to family members.



**Doug Sheving**  
with his assortment of  
road grade gem stones,  
rubies, emeralds  
& sapphires.

Pictured on the left is club director Tom Deeth helping Ron L. a visitor to our show get an evaluation on his 1887 \$2 Dominion of Canada bank note.



The note belonged to his grandfather and he wasn't really looking to sell it right away. He was more interested in finding out what it might be worth. Ron was all smiles to learn the note was valued around \$1250.00.

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Dominion of Canada 1887 \$2 Note

The note was printed by the British American Bank Note Co., Montreal. The green central protector die is flanked by portraits of the Marchioness and Marquis Landsowne, the latter Governor General of Canada. The green back displays a small scene of explorer Jacques Cartier and his men aboard their ship.

### February - AGM and Elections

Mike presented the Financial report with no problems arising and it was unanimously passed by the membership. The elections were a mere formality, as expected we did not receive any new nominations, and thanks to all the incumbent members that were up for election. All agreed to stand for another term and were unanimously re-elected.

### 2023 NSNS Executive:

#### \*re-elected in 2023 Annual General Meeting

- President - Michael Souza\*
- Vice-President - Gene Simms\*
- Shoreline Editor - Gene Simms
- Secretary - Michael Souza
- Treasurer - Michael Souza
- Past President - Lynn Balmer
- Director - Alex Carmel
- Director - Stan Chin\*
- Director - Tom Deeth
- Director - Desmond Richards
- Director - Gordon Smith\*
- Director - Al Tebworth
- Director & Past President - Owen Wright\*
- Director & Webmaster - Julian Ticehurst\*

Tom is under the weather and could not attend the last meeting and we got a new volunteer to step in and help Gene with the auction. Egan Wong, stepped into the role and did a great job. We are hoping Egan will lend his auctioneer talents again in future meetings.

### New for March Meeting, a 50/50 Draw

Peter Rubben suggested at the February meeting that the club introduce a 50/50 draw at each club meeting. 50% will go to the club and 50% will go to the winner. The funds raised will go toward the club's community donations, everybody wins.

It was voted on and will be implemented at the March meeting. Remember to bring extra cash (small bills please). Tickets are only \$2 each. You can buy as many as you like. Peter also volunteered to sell tickets at the meetings.

### A Reminder to Renew 2023 Membership

We are well into the new year and there are still members who have not paid their dues for 2023. E-transfer, cheque & cash options are available. You can do so at the coming meeting or contact Mike at;

*[coinsns72@gmail.com](mailto:coinsns72@gmail.com)*



**Mike Souza and Gene Simms**, manning the front table at the NSNS Feb. Coin Show, and doing double duty promoting a sister club we are both members of, **Canadian Banking Memorabilia Society**.

The three cases of banking memorabilia pictured are from Gene's personal collection.

If you would like more information on this club contact:  
Kevin Day Thorburn or Stephen Oatway at;  
*[bankingmemorabilia@gmail.com](mailto:bankingmemorabilia@gmail.com)*





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### We Got Some Ink...

As the late Ray Mah would say, "We got some ink". This article by our president Mike Souza, was first published in the Canadian Coin News - Volume 59, #15 (Oct. 26 - Nov. 8, 2021), and is reprinted here in full for those of you who may have missed it.

### Vancouver club president helps youngster

by Mike Souza

As the current president and a long-time member of the North Shore Numismatic Society (NSNS), based in Vancouver, I feel it is important to promote our hobby and introduce young people to coin collecting.

This opportunity arose when one of our club members said he had a co-worker whose five boys are avid coin collectors. Their ages range from three to 10. After establishing contact with their father, Jorge Obregon, NSNS Vice-President Gene Simms, club member Matthew Maybee and I arranged to hold a zoom meeting with Jorge and meet his family. Prior to the meeting, we told the boys to write down any questions they had so we could try and answer them.

On the day of the zoom meeting, Gene, unfortunately, could not attend, but Matthew and I had an interesting meeting with Jorge, his wife and their five boys, Miguelito (age 10), Diego (age nine), Dominic (age seven), Antonio (age five) and Ignacio (age three).

They showed us what they had since collected, and we answered all the questions they had. They had been borrowing the latest catalogues from the local library, and they collected Canadian and world coins. They were familiar with 2x2 cardboard coin holders, and as an alternative, showed them some 2x2 plastic flips. I also showed them a quick PowerPoint about unusual world coins, including some examples of odd and curious money. Like whale's teeth and Chinese tea money.

At the conclusion of the zoom meeting, Matthew said he would give the kids some 20-pocket coin sheets to hold their 2x2 holders, and I would get our club to put together a coin kit for each of them.

We put together five older Canadian coin and paper money catalogues and a U.S. "Red Book", and we gave each child a handful of world coins, tokens and paper money. Each child also received a 1967 \$1 centennial banknote and a 1973 \$1 banknote. We also approached a local coin store, Chantou International Coin & Stamps, and they generously donated some coin folders and other items. Gene labelled five individual boxes with the names of each boy, and copies of Canadian Con News.

As things turned out, we learned Gene and Jorge were neighbors residing on the same street (small world). Gene's wife kindly made a batch of chocolate chip cookies for the kids, and Gene delivered all the boxes to Jorge.

Jorge also took several photographs and gave us permission to reproduce them for this CCN commentary. We look forward to assisting these young collectors with our knowledge and expanding their collections into the future.

### Follow-up to the story:

The whole **Obregon** family, Jorge, his wife and

their five boys, Miguelito, Diego, Dominic, Antonio and Ignacio came to see us at the Saturday show. A number of dealers went out of their way to make them all feel welcome and to spoil them with freebies. It was a very positive experience all around, and one they won't soon forget.



From left to right: The Obregon brothers, Migueliti, Diedgo, Dominic, Antonio and Ignacio enjoy the coin kits prepared for them by representatives of Vancouver's 'North Shore' club.



**The Obregon Brothers**

Posing with a copy of Canadian Coin News featuring their picture and story.

### Masonic Coins: Meaning, Value, and Symbolism



**New Westminster, British Columbia**  
**SILVER Masonic Chapter Penny Token**  
**R.A.C. No. 124 G.R.C. Chartered Jan. 23, 1901.**  
**They Received Every Man A Penny.**  
image Ebay & text 03/26/2022

Today's Freemasons have a rich history dating back to guilds of stonemasons and cathedral builders of Medieval Britain. Though much of this group is shrouded in secrecy, it's a form of a fraternal organization that regulates the qualifications and characteristics of members. Rich in symbolism, one of the ways Freemason's express recognition is through masonic coins. So much more than keepsakes, masonic coins serve a higher purpose. These coins have been used for centuries to identify members as well as represent the many different lodges across the world. In this guide, we'll explore the world of masonic coins, including their meaning, value, and symbolism.

#### What Are Masonic Coins?

First, what is a masonic coin and how does it differ from other custom, collectible coins? These are believed to date back to the 18th century. During the 1700s, Freemasons carried unique coins as a way to prove they were members of their fraternal group. As more lodges appeared across the globe, these became even more distinct to identify different regions and groups.

#### What Are Masonic Coins Used For?

A mason coin can be used for any of the following purposes, depending on its unique design:

- **Celebratory:** Celebration masonic coins honor a specific member, lodge, or event. Custom Masonic lodge coins serve this purpose, and they're a unique token of service.
- **Initiation:** Similarly, initiation masonic coins identify when a Brother was initiated to a specific order.
- **Mark mason token:** Also known as a penny, this is the specific mason coin that marks a pivotal moment in the initiation process.

**Currency:** Believe it or not, there is also a masonic

coin currency. While the masonic coin value can be determined by the specific lodge, one family in England minted the first and only masonic currency in history. During the 1790s, this was accepted as a legal form of currency.

Ultimately, masonic coins represent the values of the Freemasons. This fraternal order is based on several important ideals, like chivalry, equality, and liberty. Because members are expected to be active, upstanding members of their communities, coins honor their special dedication to service.

#### What Do Masonic Coin Symbols Mean?

Speaking of values, the symbolism of masonic coins reflects the vast values and characteristics of Freemasons. These symbols might appear unusual to outsiders, but they're rich in history and meaning. Though each lodge might have its own unique symbols, here are some of the ones you might encounter the most often:

- **Square and compass:** Likely the most recognizable symbol of the Freemasons, the square and compass is a reminder to make one's actions just while understanding your unique role in the vast universe.
- **The letter G:** Similarly, the letter G is often found alongside the square and compass. Some think this refers to geometry and mathematical lessons, while others see it as a reminder of God's presence in our lives.
- **All-seeing eye:** Freemasons must remember that the Higher Power is all-seeing and all-knowing. God himself watches over all.
- **Apron and gloves:** Next, Freemasons must lead with their pure hearts and keep their hands clean of any sins.
- **Ashlars:** Some masonic coins also have ashlar. This is a symbol of the contrast between man's natural state and the perfection of the Higher Power.
- **Level:** Additionally, the level reminds us that everyone is equal before the Higher Power.

**HTWSSTKS:** Because there isn't much space for lengthy statements on these coins, you'll commonly see this abbreviation which refers to the Mark Master Degree. This can be interpreted in different ways, but the words themselves stand for "Hiram, Tyrian, Widow's Son, Sent to King Solomon". The story of King Solomon is an important part of Freemason's study. Vintage masonic coins might have their own meanings, some of which aren't known to outsiders. As you can see, masonic coin meanings are diverse and purposeful. Designed to signal core values and characteristics each of these coins has its own story to tell.



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**Rossland, British Columbia**  
**Masonic Chapter Penny Token**  
 Chapter No. 122 G.R.C. Instituted 1899.  
 They Received Every Man A Penny.  
 Steve Hayden Located in: Goose Creek,  
 South Carolina, United States

### What's the Value of Masonic Coins?

A common question about masonic coins is whether they hold a lot of value. The short answer is yes, in many cases. Many of these coins, like the 1904 masonic coin, are considered valued collectibles, and like any other collectible the value is determined by supply and demand.

A quick internet search shows just how varied resale values are amongst not just the rare, but also among the more common masonic coin issues.

Masonic coins are carried by lodge members and hold special meaning for recipients and are considered priceless in monetary terms. Their worth and value is much more by way of symbolism, togetherness, and comradery.

To outsiders, Masonic coins are a glimpse into a secretive and revered fraternal order. To members, they're a reminder of signifying pivotal parts of initiation, rites, and moving up in ranks, all good reasons these coins are so coveted.

<https://embleholics.com/masonic-coins/>



**Kaslo, British Columbia Canada**  
**SILVER Masonic Chapter Penny Token**  
 Kootenay Chapter No. 120 GRC Kaslo, B.C. A.I. 2428.  
 They Received Every Man A Penny Canada One Penny  
 with Masonic images.

All token pictures and description are compliments of ebay.

### Canadian Masonic Medal (British Columbia) Israel Wood Powell, 1871



Canada (British Columbia) - Copper 48mm. medal commemorating "Israel Wood Powell, Esq. M.D." First Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia 26th December 1871. The lodge was founded in 1871. Ebay 09/26/2022



February Bonsor meeting  
 a full house.



February Nikkei Show  
 A line up waiting for the  
 doors to open.



Owen Wright  
 Manning the kid's table  
 and doing a great job  
 as always.



Owen Wright  
 Manning the kid's table  
 and showing his best side.



February Nikkei Show  
 Busy Bourse Floor



# CANADA REMEMBERS THE 1972 SUMMIT HOCKEY SERIES



Canada issued both color and non-colored circulating bi-metallic 2 Dollar coins in 2022 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of their victory in the Summit Series ice hockey games against the Soviet Union held in September 1972. Both nations considered themselves to be the best in the world. The Summit Series was set to prove it. It was a series of eight games, the first four held in Canada and the last four in the Soviet Union. This was during the Cold War. Both fans and players had intense feelings of nationalism. Canada went into the series confident they would sweep the series, but it was not to be. The Soviets were a lot better than they expected. Going into the final game of the series the games were evenly split, with three wins and a tie. The Soviets led in the number of goals scored. An estimated 15 out of 22 million Canadians tuned into the final game. It was a tense and dramatic game, with Team Canada overcoming a two-goal Soviet lead after two periods. Canada scored the final game winning goal with just 34 seconds left to play. The coin depicts two Team Canada players in their distinctive red and white uniforms. The coaches' initials and the players' jersey numbers surround the inner core. The Royal Canadian Mint pledged that the net proceeds from the sale of the coins will be donated to the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.



- Coin pictures and text courtesy of Joel Anderson - Interesting coins of the world. <https://www.joelcoins.com>
- Go Canada postcard courtesy of ebay

## An Imperial Bank of Canada \$50, 1907 Specimen - Double Size Note

Recently listed on ebay.

**"Buy it Now" \$48,000.00 Canadian.**

On the bright side, you get free shipping.



A beautiful double size note printed by Waterlow & Sons, London. The face of the note features a large portrait of Queen Alexandra. The extra large high denomination notes were circulated, but no issued example is known in private collections. Collectors will therefore have to be content with Waterlow Specimens or proofs, which are printed in colours differing from those of the issued notes, but are very, very rare in their own right. It has been many years since there has been a public offering of this piece.

*Pictures & Text courtesy of ebay & RayMac Holdings / raymac2020*

Princess Alexandra of Denmark, later Queen Alexandra of Great Britain, enjoyed a historical heritage before her birth and a landmark life for 80 years afterward. In 1863, she married Albert Edward, Prince of Wales and she reigned as Princess of Wales from 1863-1901, the longest time anyone held that title. When Queen Victoria died in 1901, Albert Edward became King Edward VII, and Alexandra his queen-empress from 1901 to 1910. From the time of King Edward VII's death in 1910 until she died in 1925, Queen Alexandra was the dowager queen and the queen mother of the reigning King, George V.





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### Next North Shore Numismatic Society's Meeting:

Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. at the Bonsor 55+ Senior Centre, 6533 Nelson Ave. Burnaby, upstairs in the Multipurpose Room. Doors open at 6:30 pm, the meeting starts at 7:00 pm. And is open to both members and non-members, everyone is welcome.

### Show and Tell:

Please bring items to share and discuss at the meeting.

### Announcements:

Please share any hobby-related announcements, e.g. future shows, club meetings, etc.

### Program:

#### Ships and Boats on Canadian Woods

This program will be presented by **Mike Souza** and covers seagoing vessels printed on wooden tokens. It was prepared by **Norman Belsten** in 2015 and shared through the Ontario Numismatic Association. We thank him for creating this program and making it available to the numismatic community.

### Door Prizes:

- Canada RCM 1961 PL Set (no envelope) \$63
- Canada BC-56eA Knight-Dodge 1986 \$5 Radar Note UNC / \$50
- Canada BC-39c Bouey-Rasminsky 1954 / \$5 UNC \$35
- Finland 1971 10 Makka MS60 / \$25
- Japan ND (1963) 1000 Yen banknote / \$15
- UK 1809 George III Jubilee Token by Kettle & Sons Scarce / \$15
- Canada BC-46aA 1973 \$1 Lawson-Bouey Asterisk VF / \$10

### Penny Guess Prize:

- UK 1768 Brass Gaming Tokens - Guinea and Half Guinea \$5 (? 50/50 Draw)

### March Auction Listing:

- 1 - Can. Large Cents 1901 & 1903 AU-50  
Est. **\$42** / Res. **\$25**
- 2 - Can. 1958 Silver Dollar - AU-50  
Est. **\$25** / Res. **\$20**
- 3 - Portugal 50 Escudos 1968 MS-62  
Est. **\$25** / Res. **\$18**
- 4 - India - Mewar Rupee 1928 AU-50  
Est. **\$40** / Res. **\$30**

- 5 - St Thomas 50 Escudos 1970 MS-62

Est. **\$30** / Res. **\$20**

- 6 - Can. 2004 1 oz Coloured Silver ML

Est. **\$50** / Res. **\$40**

- 7 - Poland 1933 5 Zlotych EF-40 Est. **\$30** / Res. **\$20**

- 8 - Can. 1992 25c Proof Silver - Ont. & PEI in cases

Est. **\$20** / Res. **\$15**

- 9 - Can. 1999 "P" Test Token Set Est. **\$150** Res. **\$100**

- 10- Bank of Canada 1973 \$1 2 "Poker" notes VF

Est. **\$10** / Res. **\$6**

- 11- Can. 2012 Proof-Like set - Est. **\$42** / Res. **\$25**

- 12- Can. 2000 "Knowledge" P-L Set

Est **\$16** / Res. **\$10**

- 13- Bank of Canada \$1 1967 5 UNC Notes CU

Est. **\$20** / Res. **\$14**

- 14- Can. 2004 Specimen Set Est. **\$35** / Res. **\$15**

- 15- USA 1 Cent Collection 1909-93 VG-UNC

Est. **\$25** / Res. **\$10**

If you wish to place a pre-auction bid on any of the above items, please send an email with your bid to

**[balmoralnu@shaw.ca](mailto:balmoralnu@shaw.ca)**

Please bring your floor submissions for the auction. A limit of up to 5 submissions per member, and remember to bring SMALL bills and change to facilitate your purchases.

Thank-you and we hope to see you again at the meeting.



**Mike Souza & Lynn Balmer getting ready to start the auction.**

### Remembering a Fellow Club Member

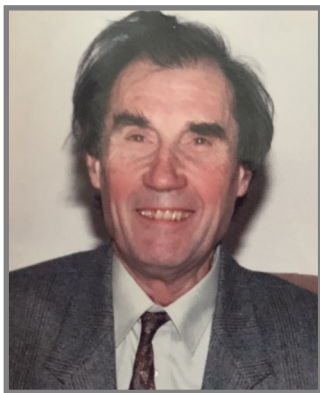
On behalf of The Northshore Numismatic Society, I would like to offer our deepest condolences to Michael Robertson, and his family on the death of his father David. His passing is felt by all of us who had the honour of spending time with him.

On the occasions David was able to join us at our monthly meetings he took great pleasure in the Show & Tell portion of the evening, and always had a item of interest with which to share his knowledge. I remember one of his favorite topics was the Hagia Sofia Grand Mosque in Istanbul, Turkey, and another being United Kingdom medals. As Michael states in his dad obituary, his interests were diverse and prolific.

With Michael's permission we share with you the amazing life of a remarkable man and fellow club member David Robertson.

Mike Souza  
NSNS President

#### **David Hunter Henderson Robertson M.B.Ch.B., D.T.M.&H., F.R.C.P. (Edin.)**



passed away peacefully, on Saturday, 4th February, 2023 at the age of 98. He is survived by his loving wife, Vera, son, Michael and daughters, Eleanor and Clare, grandchildren Andrew, Fiona, Roslyn, Ewan and great grandchild, Kian.

David was born in 1924 in Edinburgh, Scotland. He spent his childhood in Suez, Egypt and Biggar, Lanarkshire. He was educated at Cargilfield School and Fettes College, Edinburgh. He studied Medicine at the University of Edinburgh and qualified in 1948 (M.B.Ch.B.). From 1949 - 1951 he undertook his National Service responsibilities as a Surgeon - Lieutenant at H.M.S. Victory, Royal Naval Barracks, Portsmouth.

In December 1951 he married Vera and after completing a course in Tropical Medicine at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine in 1952, Vera and David set sail for East Africa. He was a Medical Officer at the

Sewa Haji Hospital in Dar es Salaam. In 1955 he moved to Tororo, Uganda having taken up a position as a Medical Research Officer with the East African Trypanosomiasis Research Organisation (E.A.T.R.O.).

In 1963 he left E.A.T.R.O. to fill the Registrar's position in the Department of Venereology at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh. He became a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1966. In 1969 he became Head of the Department and Senior Lecturer. Until 1990 he was Head of the Department of Genito - Urinary Medicine and Senior Lecturer at the University of Edinburgh.

He published many research papers and contributed articles and chapters to medical journals and textbooks.

He retired in 1991 and in 1997 emigrated to Canada where he resided in both North Vancouver, B.C. and Maple Ridge, B.C..

Beyond the medical field his interests were diverse and prolific. With his enquiring mind he challenged himself to learn as much as possible about subjects and objects that fascinated him. These ranged from Fossils to Sassanian Kings, to Medallion Art, to Scottish Poetry, to the Art of the West Coast First Nations, to Marine Mammals and to the Life Cycle of Salmon. His attention to detail was amply illustrated by his note-taking which was meticulous, neatly written and copious.

He enjoyed very much his association with the North Shore Numismatic Society.

Gardening provided another avenue for relaxation and each plant cared for was labelled accurately with the appropriate classification in Latin.

As one who remembered him, he was a gentle and gracious man, erudite and thoughtful. [1]

[1] Reprinted in part from the Province and Vancouver Sun newspapers.  
First published February 18, 2023

Picture compliments of Michael Robertson, David's son.

*"The picture is of my Father in more 'youthful' years. It shows him smiling which is a rarity amongst the family pictures that feature him! I think it brought him some inner amusement by not smiling when asked!"*



Edinburgh Castle



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### Canadian Merchant Scrip / Advertising Note

- by Gene Simms 09/15/22

Here is an interesting piece of Canadian Merchant Scrip/Advertising Note I happened across on eBay recently that I feel was incorrectly attributed.

The seller stated in his text that it was a WWII note, which is what immediately caught my attention. After downloading the pictures and text thinking it would make a nice article for our newsletter, I realized the note did not appear to be what was stated in the accompanying description.

The note in question is loosely modelled after a Bank of Canada George VI, 1937 series, bilingual one dollar bill. The front of the note has the king's portrait replaced with a drawing of a rooster and the words "BLINK OF CANADA" and "BLINQUE DU CANADA" on each side of the portrait. Across the lower part of the note, near the bottom of the portrait, again on each side of the note, are the words "ONE WINK" and "UN WINK" and below are the signatures: R. Van Winkle and Sleeping Beauty.

The back of the note features a man seated on a couch with people partying in the background. The seated man is leaning on his elbow with his head in his hand and looks to be tired and out of sorts, while the woman bending over him looks to be in a party mood. She appears to be speaking to him, possibly the words that are printed across the top of the note, "Am I keeping you up?" Try Wake-Ups stimulating tablets".

The seller states in the ebay description, "It appears to have been issued as part of a marketing campaign for Wakeups during the Second World War, amphetamine type drugs were used by the armed forces of both sides of the conflict as stimulants to keep soldiers and pilots awake and alert. For a while after the war, some of these medications were legally sold as over the counter drugs in Canadian pharmacies.

I feel the seller is possibly correct in that it was issued as part of a marketing campaign for Wakeups but is incorrect regarding the time frame of the notes issue.

The note itself, as stated above is modelled after a Bank of Canada George VI 1937 bilingual series note, making the design available during the second world war.

After some web searching, I found a site for, Wake-Ups, caffeine supplement tablets. A product under Adrem Brands Inc. whose website; <https://wake-ups.com/pages/about-us> states they have been around since 1951 and their product has always been made right here in Canada, with GMP-certified manufacturers in Manitoba and Quebec.

Here is where the clues start. The company started 1951 and the war ended in 1945, 6 years earlier. Therefore, I do not think this has anything to do with amphetamine type drugs used by the armed forces during WWII as stated. This is not to say similar type products were not available during the war and picked up after the war and marketed commercially under different brands such as Wake-Ups.

- The rooster is the central feature of the notes ob-

verse (front), and a stylized rooster is also used on the Wake-Ups logo. A definite tie in.

- The reverse (back) of the note clearly states, "Try Wake-Ups stimulating tablets" tying it to this product and company, and therefore a tie-in to this note.

I believe the Wake-Ups company used the note to draw attention to their marketing campaign in Liberty Magazine, as stated on the lower part of the note. A quick search on the web for Liberty Magazine turned up very little, mainly Liberty Magazine covers.

The product most likely being promoted on this note are the caffeine stimulating tablets produced and sold by Wake-Ups.

In the description their site claims, each Wake-Ups 100mg tablet contains about as much caffeine as an 8oz cup of coffee and helps to overcome physical and mental fatigue, promoting alertness, enhance cognitive and motor performance, promote endurance and help prevent drowsiness (note tired and out of sorts man pictured on the back of the note). Again, tying it back to the product on the note. Cont....



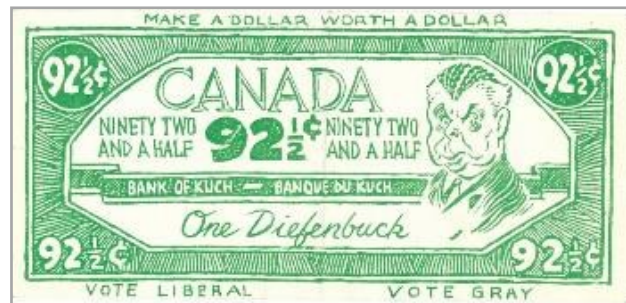
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Wake-Ups are still available to purchase over the counter at most pharmacies and related retail outlets.



Here is a current ad for the product. Note the bottom line, "Made in Canada since 1951".

Disclaimer: This article is not an endorsement of this product, just an interesting piece Canadian numismatic history and fun to research. I did bid on the note but was unsuccessful.



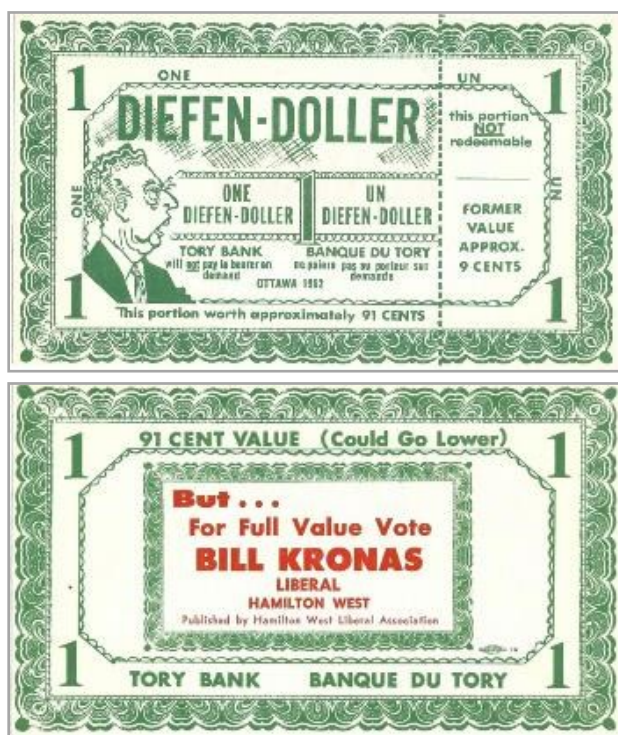
### "Gray" Diefenbuck

**Make a dollar worth a dollar**

**Vote Liberal Vote Gray**

This "Diefenbuck" version of the Bank of Kuch, Diefendollar was issued in the Ontario riding of Windsor West to promote the election of Herb Gray in 1962. He went on to serve for nearly 4 decades becoming a cabinet minister and deputy prime minister. This is another very scarce note. photo & text ebay

## Political Satire "Funny Money"



### "Kronas" Diefendollar

**Political Satire Funny Money**

In 1962, Finance Minister Fleming and Prime Minister Diefenbaker ordered the Bank of Canada to fix the value of the Canadian dollar at \$0.925 in US money. Before this event, the Canadian dollar had fallen as low as 91 cents. Individual Liberal party candidates started issuing Diefendollars to mock the Conservative government policy as the election date approached. This note is one of the earliest examples of such a Diefendollar. It was issued to promote the election of Bill Kronas in the Hamilton West riding. This is a very scarce issue and was soon replaced by one sponsored by the the nation-wide federal Liberal party.

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### 2023 Fine Silver Coin Commemorating Black History No. 2 Construction Battalion



They served with distinction, and they were willing to risk their lives to preserve the very rights and freedoms that weren't always afforded to them before, during and after the First World War.

From the unit's formation in 1916 until the disbandment in 1920, the members of No. 2 Construction Battalion persevered in the face of racism and discrimination. They provided vital support to Canada's war effort by assisting Canadian Forestry Corps lumber operations in France.

The fifth coin in the Royal Canadian Mint's annual Commemorating Black History series pays homage to No. 2 Construction Battalion, the largest all-Black battalion-sized unit in Canadian military history.

Crafted in 99.99% pure silver, the coin's reverse shines a light on the battalion's history and contribution in the First World War. Despite racial prejudice, the members of No. 2 Construction Battalion persevered in their determination to serve, and a century later, their legacy remains an inspiration.

- Royal Canadian Mint



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### SHACKLETON'S SHIPS



**BRITISH ANTARCTIC TERRITORY 50 PENCE 2022  
ENDURANCE**



**SOUTH GEORGIA & SOUTH SANDWICH ISLAND 50  
PENCE 2022 QUEST**

British Antarctic Territory and South Georgia & South Sandwich Islands each issued a 2022 dated 50 Pence coin to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of British Antarctic Explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton.

The Endurance trapped in sea-ice is featured on the British Antarctic Territory 50 Pence.

In 1914 Shackleton and a crew of 27 sailed for the Antarctic on the Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition. The sailing ship became trapped in sea-ice on January 19, 1915 and drifted for months before being abandoned and sinking. The exhausted crew eventually made it to Elephant Island, 346 miles (557km) from where the ship was abandoned. From there Shackleton navigated an open lifeboat across 800 miles (1300km) of treacherous ocean to South Georgia, then hiked across the island to a whaling station, arriving on May 20, 1916 where he was able to finally obtain help. His remaining crew were rescued from Elephant Island on August 30, 1916. In 1921 Shackleton began another Antarctic expedition, this time using the schooner-rigged steamship the Quest. The crew included members of his previous expedition. Unfortunately, Shackleton died of a heart attack aboard the vessel on January 5, 1922, the day after reaching Grytviken, South Georgia. The ship is pictured on this 50 Pence coin of South Georgia and

South Sandwich Islands.

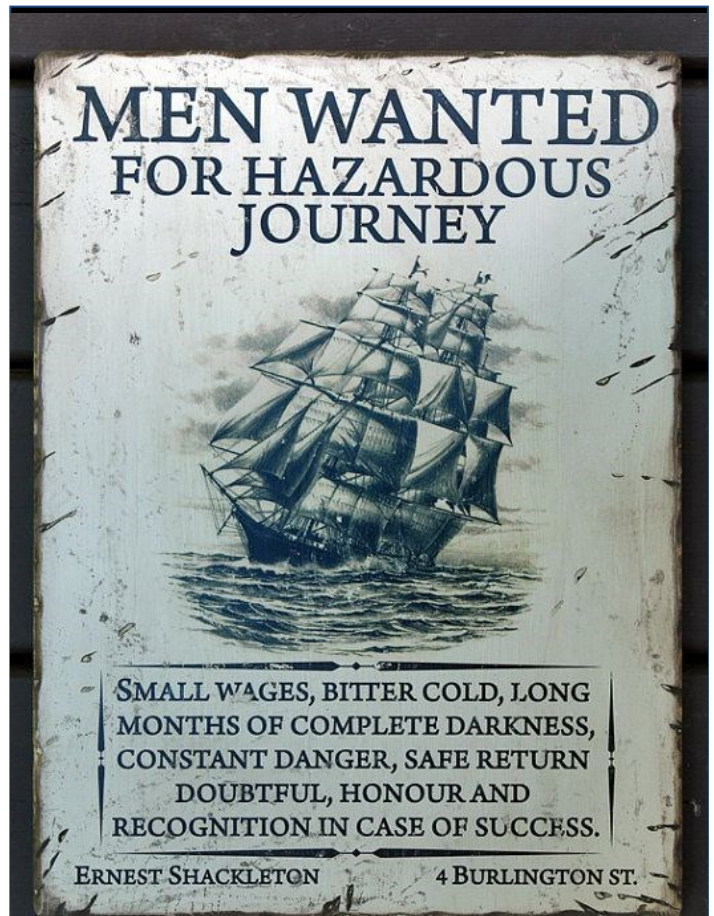
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Once believed to have been an ad placed by Ernest Shackleton to recruit men for his Endurance expedition (Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition 1914-17). The ad has since been proven to be a myth. However, this did not stop this advertisement from becoming one of the most famous in history, and forever linked to Shackleton's epic expedition.

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