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July Meeting Notice

Our speaker will be Richard Jozefiak. His topic will be "The Modern Sovereign and Half-Sovereign: Gold Coins of the British Empire From 1817 to Today." The July meeting will be held Monday the 28 at the Senior Center in Huntsville in the Ceramics Room. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.



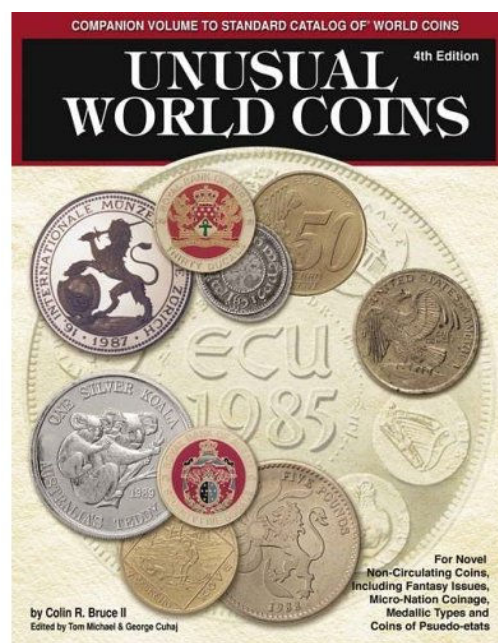
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From the Library

Unusual Wrold Coins

By Colin R. Bruce II



This book describes the issues of "novel non-circulating coins, including fantasy issues, micro-nation coinage, medallic types and coins of pseudo-etats." As such, one will find issues from places as varied as 'Atlantis,' the Republic of China, 'Sealand' and Gardiner's Island. The book describes the physical characteristics of the issues, tries to establish mintage dates and numbers, and metallic composition. The resource is perfect for one attempting to find a little information about something he has found and is curious.

Some Scenes from the June Meeting



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Jersey's Edward VII Coins

By Harold Fears

There were only two coin types issued for Jersey during the reign of Edward VII, both minted in 1909, the penultimate year of his reign. The bust on the obverse was modeled and engraved by George William De Saulles, the Royal Mint's Chief Engraver from 1893 to 1903. His work also appears on other Colonial coinages issued during the King's reign.

The reverse of each coin features the same design as the one appeared during Queen Victoria's reign.



The obverse of the one twenty fourth of a shilling



The reverse of the one twenty fourth of a shilling



The obverse of the one twelfth fourth of a shilling



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The reverse of each coin features the same design as the one appeared during Queen Victoria's reign. Although this basic design had been used for Jersey's badge of arms for centuries, it was only in 1907 that King Edward VII gave royal permission for the Crest to be used as Jersey's official motif.

The half penny has a mintage of 120,000 while the penny has a mintage of 180,000. ■

Members' Notices

Rules for users of the member notice page: All notices are free and should be directed to the editor of the Madison County Coin Club newsletter (see back page for address). Notices will be limited to a maximum of 8 lines, including the name and contact information. The person entering the notice must answer all responses to notices. Preference will be given in the following order to notices when the page is oversubscribed in a single month:

1. Research Notices
2. Wanted Items
3. Trades Offered
4. For Sale Items

Looking for world coins or tokens with sailing ships, or dragons. Interested in crowns, and smaller denominations. Silver, Cupero-Nickel, bronze, Aluminum and the like. Contact Mark at TheLarsens@bellsouth.net

Looking for Alaskan Medals and Tokens. Contact: Richard ANALMRJ@gmail.com or 256-337-5092

Looking for numismatic information concerning the Island of Jersey, Channel Islands. Especially interested in magazine or newspaper articles. Contact: Harold hkfears@knology.net or 256-881-6268.

A Few Numismatic Definitions

Accumulation: A group of coins, sometimes not of any certain type or date. Also can be a "hoard".

Altered date: a coin with the date manipulated or altered after the coin was produced. Often done to try to deceive someone. For example, someone might alter the date of a 1944-D cent to look like a 1914-D cent.

Bag mark: Mark(s) on a coin that occurred during the production process. Come from coins bumping into each other when placed in bags at the mint. Larger size coins typically exhibit more bag marks than smaller ones. A coin can still be uncirculated even if it has obvious bag marks.

Cameo: a coin (usually a proof) that has a mirror like background to the surface of the coin and a design that is frosted looking. Special treatment of the dies (that strike the coins) make this cameo frosted effect. Modern day proof coins are struck from specially treated dies to give this frosted (cameo) appearance. On older proof coins the first produced by a die might have a cameo appearance. Later as the dies starts to wear (or break in) the coins produced will have less and less of the cameo frosting. Most proof US coins prior to the mid 1960's will have a mirror like surface over the whole coin. One with a frosted cameo design will bring a premium, sometimes a substantial one. Even today, some coins sell for more if the cameo effect is more pronounced than the typical coin.

Junk silver: silver coins of circulated quality. Often used to describe bags or common US silver coins that were pulled out of circulation when silver was disappearing. Does not mean the coins are damaged. Junk silver rolls or bags usually will not contain scarce dates, low mintages, or high quality coins. ■

Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?

July is Penny Month

As we all know, most collectors like to build sets of certain series of coins, such as Lincoln wheat cents, buffalo nickels and standing liberty quarters. As we build our sets, we often acquire multiples of the same coin. July has been designated the penny month, to give members a chance to bring in all their duplicates, or surplus, unneeded coins to sell or swap around with other members. For example, one member may be assembling a set of Lincoln wheat cents, and be in need of an '11 D. However, the same member may have 3 or 4 '15 cents. Perhaps another member has an extra 11 D, but needs a 15D. A trade of some type could occur, which helps both members in their quest to complete their sets.



So, bring in your extra Lincolns, Indian Heads, or large cents to our next meeting.

2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All meetings are held at the Senior Center in Huntsville in the Ceramics Room. We meet on the fourth Monday each month except for May and December. Meetings start at 6:30 and typically end around 8:30. The Thomas W. Davidson, Sr. Senior Center is located at 2200 Drake Ave. SW, Huntsville, AL 35803

JANUARY 28

Speaker: Bob Jaques

FEBRUARY 25

Charles Cataldo presents "*The State of the Coin Market*"

MARCH 24

Speaker: Dennis Schafluetzel, President of Georgia Numismatic Association, presents "*Carpetbagger Promotes, Combines and Rebuilds and Bankrupts AL & Chattanooga Railroad*"

APRIL 28

Speaker American Numismatic Association (ANA) Governor Radford Stearns presents "*The History of the Western World in 28 Coins*"

JUNE 23

Annual potluck and bourse night.

JULY 28

Speaker: Richard Jozefiak presents "*The Modern Sovereign and Half-Sovereign: Gold Coins of the British Empire From 1817 to Today*"

AUGUST 25

Open.

SEPTEMBER 22

Open.

OCTOBER 27

Speaker: Robert Patrick

NOVEMBER 24

Annual Thanksgiving celebration and bourse night.

Membership Dues

Your 2008 dues can be paid at the next meeting, or if you wish, you can send in your check to

Mike Campbell
8001 Randall Road
Huntsville, AL 35802

Membership forms are available at:

<http://mccc.anacclubs.org/MCCC%20Application.pdf>

Please make check payable to Madison County Coin Club. Please support MCCC by promptly renewing your membership.



Inclement Weather Notice

If the Huntsville City Schools are closed due to inclement weather, then the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. There will be no club meeting if the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. Local TV and radio stations will give notice of any Huntsville school closure. ■

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