

Madison County Coin Club

of Huntsville, Alabama



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**Our next meeting
will be at the
South Huntsville Public Library
7901-L Bailey Cove Rd SE
Huntsville, AL 35802
On February 17, 2025
from 6:00 – 7:30
Doors Open at 5:30**

**It's Show and Tell Time
Please bring something to
share.**

The President's Corner

I want to thank all the esteemed members of the MCCC for allowing me to serve as your president in 2025. With the Super Bowl approaching it's only fair to mention that I fumbled my way through the first meeting of the year.

A question was posed at the January meeting regarding the presentation: "Are Civil War dog tags popular amongst reenactors?" I presented the question to my colleague who is an avid Civil War reenactor and his response in is short was yes and no. The authentic, rare dog tags are not as popular as authentic bayonets, swords, etc. However, having custom made dog tags for themselves is popular as part of their uniforms.

Nathan

**Please bring a coin, medal,
note, or something for Show-
and-Tell.**

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Last Month's Meeting Notes

Madison County Coin Club of Huntsville, AL is excited for 2025! MCCC offers monthly events with member-led presentations that engage and inspire.

Our January 2025 meeting featured refreshments, Coin Show & Tell, plus a presentation by local author Randy Partin about "Dog Tags and Identification Discs of the Civil War." Twenty-two people attended our meeting. A dozen coffee cups from our 2007 collection were given away.

Join MCCC at South Huntsville Public Library, 7901-L Bailey Cove Rd SE, Huntsville, AL 35802. We meet on the 3rd Monday of every month (except December).

View our Meeting Schedule and Newsletter at <http://mccc.anaclubs.org> or join us virtually!

Watch MCCC Meetings live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@MCCCMeeting-of3qx>

View MCCC Meetings photos and more at
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub>

"Numismatics, like some aspects of astronomy and natural history, remains a branch of learning in which the amateur can still do valuable work, and it is on the great collecting public, or rather on that part of which is interested in the subject at a scientific level, that the progress of numismatic science largely depends."

Philip Grierson - Professor of Numismatics, University of Cambridge

Some Scenes from our last Meeting



Mike prepares to live stream our meeting.



Nathan thanks Randy for giving his presentation.

Last Meeting's Door Prizes



Each meeting the club gives away several door prizes. The winners at our last meeting were:

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| First Prize: | Keith George: | Silver Eagle |
| Second Prize: | Wayne Koger: | Two 1/10-ounce silver eagles |
| Third Prize: | Jinnie Adams: | A Reverse Proof Set |



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Admission is free for everyone on Saturday, March 1.

Please note: Valid photo ID required ages 18+.

The 70th Annual FUN Convention

By Tony Swicer

January 9-12, 2025, Orlando, FL

The convention had 650 dealer booths, plus the U.S. Mint, Wizard supply, exhibit area all filling the 187,000 square feet hall. We had 1800 dealers, 315 Early Bird dealers and over 8,000 people in attendance. There were 40 staff members. 2640 showcases were used on the floor. FUN membership is 4527, with 250 new members and 4 life members signed up at the show.

On Thursday's opening ceremonies, ANA President Tom Uram and Director of the U.S. Mint Ventris Gibson spoke to about 400 public. This year's General Chairman was Bob Hurst, and his theme was "Great Time for Collecting".

The exhibit area had 38 exhibitors from 11 states with 54 exhibits using 150 cases. "Best of Show" went to Mack Martin for "Georgia Reconstruction Bonds". The "People's Choice Award" went to YN Natlie Courtney for "How Much Was It?". The Polly Abbott Award went to Katie Williams. The Jim & Carrie Best Literary Award went to Bill Groom for "Counterstamped Coins: A Suffering New Yorker Opines". There were 11 educational programs drawing about 400 people in total. The "Coins & Kids" booth had over 300 kids. The kids "Numismatic Trivia Contest" was a big success. The Numismatic Ambassador Breakfast had 59 attendees, and we had 6 new Ambassadors. The FUN Coin Club Get Together had 41 attendees. The Scout & YN programs had 24 & 25 attendees. 5 club buses brought in 189 club members. We had an ANA District Rep meeting on Friday with 10 attending. The U.S. Mint sold their newly released 2025 proof silver eagles. Mike Bean had his Spider Press, gold mining panners were there, and reenactors Abe Lincoln and George Washington. Cindy Calhoun had her "Elongated Cents" machine.

Many specialty clubs met. There was a Club Section, Foreign & Ancient Section, and Budget Section in the show. All the grading services were there, and NGC had their Numismatic Triathlon. Heritage Auctions auctioned lots on site and the remainder during the week in Dallas online.

Thanks go out to all of the FUN Officers, Board Members, and Volunteers for a great job. Several dealers told me that they sold out of their inventory and had to restock. One dealer that I know reported selling \$2 million the first day. We look forward to the 19th Annual Summer FUN Show July 10-12, 2025, in the West building, Hall C.

The Club's 2025 Medal

By H.K. Fears

In August of last year, the club decided to have Daniel Carr, proprietor of the Moonlight Mint of Loveland, Colorado, produce silver, copper, and brass medals for the club. The issue price was \$100 for a silver medal, \$15 for a copper medal, and \$150 for a set of the three different medals. A total of 40 silver, 60 copper and 20 brass medals were minted.

The medals were well received by our members. All twenty sets were sold out in three days. A total of 19 members purchased 29 silver medals and 17 purchased 35 copper medals. The remaining medals were purchased by our friends of the club and all medals were sold out by December 26.

Next year is the club's 25th anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, the club is planning to have Mr. Carr mint an octagonal medal along with piedforts. More information will be available later this year.



The Moonlight Mint's Grabener Coin Press (Photo Credit: Moonlight Mint)



Only 40 silver medals were minted.



The brass medal is the rarest MCCC medal with a mintage of 20.



The copper medal has a mintage of 60.



The 2025 MCCC medal depicts a \$5 gold Indian Head coin.

The Tudor Beasts Collection

By H.K. Fears

The Tudor Beasts Collection is a series of ten bullion coins minted by the British Royal Mint. Starting in 2022 two coins will be released over five years with designs taken from statues of the King's Beasts on the Moat Bridge of Hampton Court Palace. The beasts are:

- the lion of England,
- the Seymour lion,
- the royal dragon,
- the black bull of Clarence,
- the yale of Beaufort,
- the white lion of Mortimer,
- the White Greyhound of Richmond,
- the Royal dragon,
- the Seymour panther, and
- the Seymour unicorn.



left to right: Mortimer panther; Clarence black bull; Mortimer lion; Royal dragon.

Both the bullion and proof editions will have the same 10 reverse designs. The order of release varies between bullion and proof quality. The silver series is available in a range of weights, including 1oz, 2oz, 5oz, 10oz & 1kg (same reverse designs), and is available in varying weights from ¼ oz to 1 oz in gold and platinum variations. Not all weights will be available for each type and some of the silver coins will be available in an antique finish. Finally, a copper-nickel £5 coin will also be available for collectors.

The king of the beasts is one of the oldest and most iconic beasts in heraldic art. Used on the shield of England for as long as one has existed, the lion first appeared in heraldry in the twelfth century.



*The Lion of England
(bullion version)*



*The Lion of England
(proof version)*

Published Mintages of the Proof version for the Lion of England Coins

| METAL | 2 kg | 1 kg | 10 oz | 5 oz | 2 oz | 1 oz | ¼ oz |
|--------|------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| GOLD | 2 | 3 | 10* | 70 | 181 | 410 | 1,010 |
| SILVER | 55 | 72 | 156 | 306 | 2,006 | 7,010 | - |



The obverse of the 2022 coins depicts Queen Elizabeth II

Can You Identify This Coin?

In this section each month a new coin will be pictured, and your task is to see if you can identify it. Can you step up to this numismatic challenge every month? Email you answer to the [newsletter editor](#) and we will publish the names of winners in our next newsletter.



Last month Mike Campbell, Kurt Kelley, Wayne Koger, Gerry Steele, and Chad Thrasher were able to identify the mystery coin, a half cent from Liberia. Stan Benedict properly called it “the 1941 Elephant Palm Tree African Wildlife half cent.”



Numismatic Jumble Time

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Answers to Last Months' Numismatic Puzzle

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Colorful reading

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Members' Notices

Rules for users of the member notice page: All notices are free and should be directed to the [newsletter editor](#) of the Madison County Coin Club newsletter. 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

World Coins, Tokens, Jade, Relics, etc. for sale

Contact: [Steve Young](#), P.O. Box 8031, Huntsville, AL 35808, 334-300-5409.

Buying Tokens

Contact me if you want to buy or sell tokens, medals, pinback buttons, encased coins, etc.

Randy Partin
P.O. Box 276
Scottsboro, AL 35768
AUBRPARTIN@GMAIL.COM



Canadian 2023/2024 Commemorative Dollar/Two Dollar Coins for Trade for 2025 U.S. Native American or Innovation Dollar Coins

I have a limited number of 2024 Canadian \$1 “Loonie” coins featuring King Charles’s effigy (4 available), 2023 100th Anniversary - Birth of Jean Paul Riopelle (4 available), 2023 CANADA \$2 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY 2 Dollar Colorized Toonie Coins (4 available), and Canada \$2 Dollar Coin Toonie, Colorized Inuit Nunangat (4 available), all uncirculated acquired from a direct exchange during a visit to the Ottawa Royal Canadian Mint. I would like to trade for 2025 United States Native American and/or Innovation Dollar coins as they are released.

Keith George, keith@keithgeorge.net or text 334-717-9091.



Selling Alabama (Huntsville) Innovation Coins



If you are interested in acquiring the 2024 Alabama Innovation \$1 coin, please contact me. I'm selling them for \$3 each. These are the Philadelphia mint version, and I will bring them to the next Club meeting. If you want any via mail, there would be an additional shipping charge.

Please contact me at: VanHut32@gmail.com .

Thanks, Todd

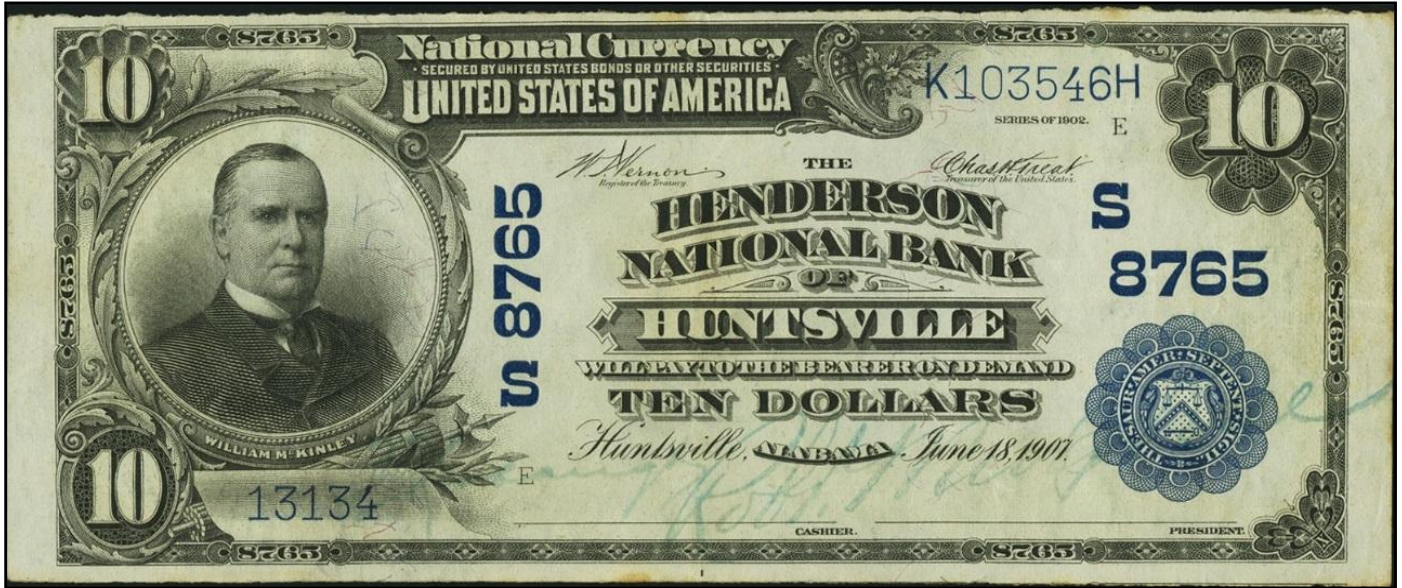
Looking for Alaskan Medals and Tokens



Contact: [Richard](#).



Wanted Alabama Large Size National Banknotes and better Alabama Obsolete Banknotes



Also, postcards portraying Alabama Banks.

Call David at 256-468-5891.



2025 Madison County Coin Club Program Refreshments and Programs Schedule

| Meeting Date | Refreshments | Program |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| January 27 | Harold Fears | Randy Partin <i>Civil War Dog Tags</i> |
| February 17 | Shane and Laura Armstrong | Everyone <i>Show and Tell</i> |
| March 17 | | Todd Hutto <i>TBD</i> |
| April 21 | Pat Douglas/George Steele | Kurt Kelley <i>TBD</i> |
| May 19 | Ann Fulmer | Chad Thrasher <i>TBD</i> |
| June 16 | Potluck, Bourse Night, and Auction | |
| July 21 | Aaron Wales | Aaron Wales <i>TBD</i> |
| August 18 | | Everyone <i>Show and Tell</i> |
| September 15 | Doug Glandon | Nathan Burrows <i>TBD</i> |
| October 20 | | David Hollander <i>The Wonderful World of Banknote Collecting</i> |
| November 17 | Thanksgiving Potluck, Bourse Night, and Auction Election of Officers | |
| December- NO MEETING | | |

2025 Coin Shows Within Driving Distance From Huntsville

| Date(s) | Area | Show & Location | Contact Info | Richard's Rating |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|---|------------------|
| Jan 9-12 | Orlando, FL | 70th FUN Show Orange County Convention Center North/South Bldg Hall NB 9400 Universal Blvd Orlando, FL Th-F 10 am - 6:30 pm Sat 10 am - 5:30 pm Sun 10 am – 3:30 pm | Katie Williams CoinShow.katie@gmail.com 407-404-1370 www.funtopics.com | +++ |
| Feb 27- Mar 1 | Atlanta, GA | ANA National Money Show Cobb Galleria Centre 2 Galleria Pkwy Atlanta, GA 30339 Th-Fri 10 am- 5:30 pm (\$10 admission, free to ANA members) Sat 10 am- 4 pm (free to public) | ANA Staff www.money.org 800-367-9723 | +++ |
| Feb 28- Mar 2 Nov 7-9 | Chattanooga, TN | Tennessee State Numismatic Society Camp Jordan Arena I-75, Exit 1 Chattanooga, TN | Bob Hurst 321-427-6474 forum@comcast.net www.tsns.org | ++ |

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| | | Fri & Sat 10 am – 6 pm Sun 10 am – 3 pm | | |
| April 11-13 | Dalton, GA | 61th Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show Dalton Convention Center I-75 exit 333 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road Dalton, GA Fri- Sat 10 am – 6 pm Sun 10 am – 3 pm | Steven Nix 706-267-9602 fleetwoodcoins@hotmail.com www.gamoney.org | +++ |
| May 31- Jun 1 | Huntsville, AL | HUNTSPEX 2025 Stamp, Postcard & Coin Show Jaycee Community Building 2180 Airport Road, SW Huntsville, AL 35802 Sat 10 am – 5 pm Sun 10 am – 3 pm | Mike O'Reilly 256-527-4601 mcoreilly@yahoo.com | + |
| July 16-19 | Bessemer, AL | 62nd Alabama State Coin Show 1130 Ninth Ave SW Bessemer, AL Bessemer Civic Center 10 am – 6 pm | Corbitt Chandler 205-616-9385 jcolyn@aol.com | ++ |
| | | 66th Blue Ridge | Ronda Leeper | +++ |

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| July 31- Aug 2 | Dalton, GA | Numismatic Association Coin Show Dalton Convention Center I-75 exit 333 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road Dalton, GA Fri-Sat 10 am – 6 pm Sun 10 am – 3 pm | 678-232-6982 ronda@leeper.biz www.brna.org | |
| Sept 4-6 | Nashville, TN | The International Money Expo Music City Center 201 Rep. John Lewis Way S, Nashville, TN 37203 Th-Sat 10 am – 5 pm | COL Steven Ellsworth, ret. 703-932-6331 ellsworth@imex.show www.imex.show | ++ |

Richard's Rating: Small coin show, no educational programs - +
Medium/Large coin show, no educational programs - ++
Large coin show, educational programs and/or exhibits. Worth the drive - +++

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Madison County Coin Club

For over twenty years, the Madison County Coin Club has served the north Alabama community by bringing numismatists together for the love of coin collecting. The Club strives to impart knowledge to its members through presentations and personal experiences. Through the sharing of knowledge and experiences, it enhances and enriches coin collecting for the numismatic community. Speaking of our members, we have a vast group of collectors who collect all types of United States coins, as well as foreign coins. Many of our members collect coins from a certain era (19th century, for example), while others collect strictly modern coins. We also have members who collect only a certain type of coin (Seated Coins, Morgan Dollars, and Commemoratives, to name a few). Some members focus solely on foreign coins (for instance English, German, and Chinese) which can span many centuries. This diversification makes our club dynamic, providing something for every type of collector.



Members of the club enjoy several benefits: Monthly lectures, covering a range of numismatic topics.

- Access to the club's extensive numismatic library.
- Monthly notices via email of club events.
- Able to purchase club medals.

We are keen to encourage anybody with an interest in numismatics to join the club. We provide a warm and friendly welcome and are very keen to encourage those new to the study, collecting of coins, tokens, or banknotes.



The club is a member of the American Numismatic Association (Member #C-195870 Region 20, AL & GA), Alabama Numismatic Society (ANS), Georgia Numismatic Association (GNA), and the Florida United Numismatists (FUN).

The Club's Mailing Address

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Club Officers

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Vice President: [Wayne Koger](#)

Secretary: [David Feeney](#)

Treasurer: [Mike Campbell](#)

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Club's YouTube Channel

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Join the Club

The membership form can be found [here](#) on our [website](#).