



# BISON TALES

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*The Manitoba Coin Club, incorporated in 1954, is a Not for Profit Organization. We meet at 7:00 p.m. on the 4th Wednesday of every month excluding July, August and December at the Fort Rouge Leisure Center, Osborne and Walker St., Winnipeg.*

*Dates for 2016 meetings are: Jan. 27th, Feb. 24th, Mar.23rd, April 27th, May 25th, June 22nd, Sept. 28th, Oct. 26th and Nov. 23rd*

**There will be a coin grading workshop during the May 25th meeting. Raffle for April is a mystery item.**

**Upcoming shows: Regina Coin Club Spring Show, April 16 and 17th at the Turvey Center, on Armour Rd. just north of the city.**

**Red River Coin Show at the Charter House April 10th**

### OF INTEREST TO COLLECTORS:

The Bank of Canada has asked us to submit names of prominent Canadian women one of which is to be selected by the BOC to be the first Canadian female pictured on the next series of a Canadian banknote. The finance minister Mr. Bill Morneau said: “Its now been almost 150 years that we’ve not had a Canadian woman on our bank notes.”

Numismatists around the country call foul at both BOC and the Finance Minister’s remarks, since the 1917 issue of the \$1.00 bank note displayed Princess Patricia. Their argument is based on two facts obviously not known by either. Firstly, that while Princess Patricia was born in England, and was a member of the Royal Family, she immigrated to Canada in 1911, shortly after her father, The Duke of Connaught, became the country’s Governor General. She had lived in Canada for 6 years before appearing on the banknote. Secondly, The 1910 Canadian Immigration Act was very clear in stating that Canadian Citizenship was automatically granted to all British subjects who had spent more than 3 years in the Country. Princess Patricia was certainly Canadian.

Princess Patricia is also known as the sponsor for Princess Patricia’s Canadian Light Infantry, which was known in 1917 as the Commonwealth’s most deadly regiment.



TORONTO, April 6, 2016 /CNW/ -

To celebrate Vaisakhi, **CIBC** is thrilled to offer Canadians a limited edition, one-of-a-kind pure silver coin to commemorate one of the most important observances in the Sikh religion on April 13th, ahead of parade festivities in major cities across Canada.

Every April, Vaisakhi, traditionally seen as a harvest festival, is celebrated by millions of Sikhs and Punjabis around the world. It recognizes the creation of the Khalsa fellowship by Guru Gobind Singh, the 10th Sikh guru.

The 1 oz. silver Vaisakhi **coin**, illustrating the symbols of Ik Onkar and Khanda, is certified to be 99.99 percent fine silver and was minted exclusively for CIBC. Retailing for \$59.95, this limited edition coin can be ordered online or in any CIBC Banking Center.



Some Auction Items:

Ray:

1. 1963 PL set            Res. \$25.00
2. 1917 5 cent VG+    No Reserve
3. 1939 Medallion Commemorating Geo. VI  
visit to Canada.    Res. 3.00
4. 5 large Canadian One Cent 1910, 16, 18, 19  
VG and F.    No Reserve
5. Two Folklorama tokens, 1979 & 1985 and  
Panda in person token 1989    No reserve.

Bruce:

- 1- unopened original roll of 1973 RCMP quarters  
Res. 15.00

## An Editorial Opinion:

Digital Engraving, Die Making may create new Error Coin Categories....by William R. Gibbs, Managing Editor, [bgibbs@coinworld.com](mailto:bgibbs@coinworld.com), @wgibbscoinworld.

Improvements and changes in the ways dies are produced have virtually eliminated the die varieties that make collecting older coins so much fun, at least in nations that operate technologically advanced minting facilities.

However, new technologies can open new doors and create new ways for coin designers, die makers, and press operators to make mistakes.

Discovery that some examples of a 2016 Proof Canadian coin with a super low mintage were struck with a reverse die that also bears a portion of an attribute intended for only the bullion version might signal that computer driven engraving and did production creates a new generation of risks.

As of this writing, we are awaiting the results of a Royal Canadian Mint investigation into what caused a portion of the bullion coin's laser mark to appear on a Proof coin that was supposed to lack the mark. A specialist in Canadian coinage offers a possible scenario: that a computer file used in engraving a Proof die may have had a digital "layer" left over from the file for the bullion version. Anyone who has ever worked in a design software using layers, would agree that this is a plausible explanation.

Whether this is the correct explanation awaits the conclusion of the RCM investigation. We eagerly await the end of the RCM's study.

## Did you know ??

For a time, it was the custom to use eggs as a form of currency in France. Once a year, poverty-stricken clerics and students trudged through the streets of Paris, carrying an egg basket, and collected what they could.

The first international convention for coin collectors was held in August 15 - 18, 1962, in Detroit, Michigan, sponsored by the American Numismatic Association and the Canadian Numismatic Association. Attendance was estimated at 40,000

**For the next several issues, I would like to highlight our local dealers. Please support them in all your numismatic needs.**

**Collectibles Canada at Unit O-2211 McPhillips St., is a long standing Winnipeg dealer, having been at the same location for 14years. Sheldon turned his childhood love for coin collecting into a viable business, which offers the buying and selling of Gold and Silver, as well as RCM products, and many other collectible items. You can reach Sheldon at 204-586-6263, or [cash.cdn@shawlink.ca](mailto:cash.cdn@shawlink.ca) or visit his website at [www.collectiblescanada.com](http://www.collectiblescanada.com)**