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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

Raffle for June 22, will be:

- 1. 1974 Winnipeg Centennial \$15.00**
- 2. 1980 Arctic Territories (polar bear) \$20.00**
- 3. 1982 Regina Centennial \$15.00**

Tickets still the same at \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00

Remember PIZZA Night June 22, 2016...

Of Interest to Collectors:

The number 13 is believed to be bad luck for a large number of people. You will rarely see a building with a 13th floor, elevators do not stop at the number. My great Aunt, would not sit at a table with 12 other people, in fact I remember as a child that she went outside and stopped the local fisherman who happened to be riding by on his bicycle in Grand Marais, MB., and invited him to dinner so that there would be 14 at the table.

Not so with the United States of America. The U.S. bank notes display an inordinate number of things pertaining to the number 13, for example. On the great seal, there are 13 stripes on the flag, 13 stars above the Eagles head. The latin phrase “ e pluribus unum” contains 13 letters. There are 13 arrows in the Eagles left talon, and an olive branch of 13 leaves accompanied by 13 olives in the right. On the other side of the bank note, there are 13 letters in the latin phrase “annuit coeptis”, 13 levels of stone in the pyramid. Of course the numbers represent the original 13 signers of the Declaration of Independence, representing of course the original 13 colonies.



German coin collectors face threatening legislation regarding cultural property, because of the Law on the Protection of Cultural Heritage. Proposals to the existing law include provisions that could limit coin collecting and dealing.

Designed by the Commissioner of the Federal Government for Culture and Media, the legislation defines archaeological cultural heritage as including items described as being older than 70 years and valued at more than 300,000 euro, these therefore being of paleontological, ethnographical, numismatic, or scientific value. Under this legislation, any numismatic items being exported must be documented to be able to be legally shipped outside Germany, even to other European Union member nations. Also under this legislation, there are provisions through which any foreign state can block an import if that state decides to classify the import as being a relevant item of national heritage value. Previous drafts limited foreign government interruption of such imports to items of special artistic, historic or archaeological value.

The law doesn't obligate coin dealers to provide buyers with the provenance of what they are buying at the time of purchase; however, the same dealer must provide the provenance if the legal right to ownership of the item comes into question later.

While the proposal isn't yet law, there is fear among German coin collectors that if they sign a petition voicing their opposition to the legislation their names will be stored for possibly future investigation into what they own. A 2014 study conducted as a cooperation between the Research Centre for Financial Services and the Steinbeis-University, 7.7 million of collectors were identified as being numismatists.

The German government has asked those persons voicing their objections to the proposed legislation to sign the German Bundestag's online petition platform, but, an alternative favoured by coin collectors, coin dealers and others is to file their objections through a neutral platform not under government supervision. This is less likely to identify the signers to law enforcement at some later date.

According to CoinWeekly.com, many people still won't sign an open petition. "They fear that after the law has been enacted, this list of signatures will be used to launch an investigation into the collections of all who supported the petition."

The Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation was originally meant to protect items of cultural value in Prussia. It more recently established the rather ominous sounding "research project" ILLICID, meant to block the illicit trade in antiquities, likely including coins. The project may be keeping a secret file where information on anything or anyone identified as being a collector can be stored.



Some Auction Items:

- 1-Book of 20 Canadian Nickel Dollars res. \$25.00
2. 2000 UNC Canadian Coin Set res \$10.00
- 3.Box of Great Britain Coins new and old res. \$20.00
- 4,.Box of foreign coins new and old..res. \$20.00
5. 2 books of Canadian pennies res. \$5.00
6. 1997 O'Canada set trends 35.00 res: \$18.00
7. 2010 Special Olympic Set Res. \$25.00
8. 2010 Canadian limited edition coin res \$2.00
9. 2006 MCC/RCM token res: \$2.00
10. 9- 5 cent coins 1927,37,42,43,48 VG to VF \$2.00

Did you know ??

There is more Monopoly money printed in a year, than real money printed throughout the world. The amount of money in a Monopoly game is \$15,140.

The word "dime" is an anglicized version of the word "disme" (pronounced "deem"), meaning tenth.

Remember next meeting is PIZZA NIGHT



OTTAWA, ONTARIO – May 24, 2016 – The Royal Canadian Mint is on track to achieve its financial goals for the current fiscal year after announcing consolidated revenues of \$780.9 million in the 13 weeks ended April 2, 2016, and consolidated profit before taxes of \$13.2 million in its 2016 First Quarter Financial Report. Strong bullion sales have increased overall revenue by 22% compared to the same quarter in 2015, while other for-profit businesses are also contributing positively to the Mint's bottom line.