FRONT RANGE COIN CLUB

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Second Thursday of Each Month

April 2023

Attendance

19 members, 0 young numismatists

Meeting Minutes

Old Business:

Coin Show Director, Ken D., announced that the FRCC Spring Coin Show was an outstanding success. All the tables were sold out nearly a month before the show with about a dozen additional dealers declined access due to being fully booked. Saturday there was record attendance with approximately 520 people coming through the door. Some refused to sign in or snuck through, so there were more. There were roughly 185 more on Sunday, so a grand total of nearly 705 attendees at the spring coin show!

Member dealers that had tables at the show reported on their experience during the meeting. Their response was overwhelmingly positive, and they had a great show!

The next show is on track to sell out again. About 75% of the tables for the next show are already sold. If members would like to see the income statement for the show, please see Treasurer Bob L. at the next club meeting!



New Business:

Member Dan C. brought along a counterfeit \$20 bill that he had been paid at another local coin show. He commented that we all need to keep an eye out for folks attempting to pass off counterfeit currency for assets like coins and bullion. The members got to pass the fake note around and inspect it for knowledge and experience. Thanks for the heads up, Dan!

The Fort Collins Coin Club is collecting dues for 2023. Any members interested in joining the FCCC should speak with member John B., who is also the Secretary for the FCCC. Annual dues are \$5, and they have donuts at their meetings!

Vice President Joe G. made a proposal to do a summer cookout for the club. Present members were positively inclined, and the club will come to a final decision at a future meeting. Please consider your position on this matter for our eventual future vote.

President Dave J. has contacted Paul D. with ANACS to request that he give a presentation at a club meeting. Dave and Paul will get something scheduled for an upcoming meeting.

The club also enjoyed three new members present during the April meeting. The FRCC welcomes Bill S., John M., and Zach A.! We look forward to having you at future meetings and getting to know about you and what you collect!

Presentation(s)

Member John B. brought along a very fun box of "numisallaneous" pieces for show and tell. He has picked up a variety of fun coins and medals from all sorts of times and countries. Members had a good time looking at all these cool pieces and hearing more about them from John. Thanks for the show and tell John!



President Dave J. gave a talk about some unique historic counterfeit British pound Sterling banknotes that came into the coin shop recently. The individual came in with several Bernhard notes, notes which were produced during World War II by Germany attempting to counterfeit the British pound banknote to use them to purchase goods for the war and to debase their adversary's currency.

The design of the British pound note was used continuously since the mid-1800s. The German's leadership had the idea to counterfeit them to use to aid their war efforts. An SS officer, Major Bernhard Kruger was previously a police officer before the war, and he knew of one of Germany's best counterfeiters. He assembled a team of criminal counterfeiters at the Sachsenhausen concentration camp to produce the notes. He kept them all together at the concentration camp and to motivate them he clothed them, fed them, and treated them properly rather than treat them like prisoners.

They succeeded in counterfeiting the design but struggled with making the paper feel right. Eventually German chemists that were working alongside them found that the water in Great Britain was different than the water in Germany or Poland being used to make the paper, so they had to make water to chemically match British water, and then the paper gained the proper feel.

In order to age them, officers lined up about seventy-five prisoners in a circle and had them pass notes around all day to make them seem circulated. To see if the notes would be good enough to pass as real, Germany sent some to the Swiss National Bank and told them they were concerned that the notes were fakes. The bank analyzed them and concluded they were real. The German agent asked that they be sent to London to further confirm that they were real. They were sent, and the bank in London said they were real as well.

Everything was matched virtually perfectly, but there is little information on how they got the serial numbers correct. It is believed that between 132.6 to 300 million British pounds were counterfeited. The note had 150 security features, including a water mark, and they still passed inspections by banking officials. The figure of Britannia has a minor error that indicates which notes are authentic and which are counterfeit. There is a movie called The Counterfeiters that tells the story of these counterfeit bills and the prisoners that produced them. The group also attempted to produce United States dollars and succeeded, but quite late in the war before the Germans were able to use them to any notable benefit.

These notes are valuable, collectible, and hard to come by these days. The program is widely hailed as one of the most successful counterfeiting operations of all time.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation_Ber nhard

Thank you, Dave, for bringing in several examples of these notes for us to see and for sharing their intriguing history!

Joe G. recommended a fun coin movie called Coin Heist to the group. Our member Dan C. minted some of the coins used in the movie! The coins seen close up, and the dies were produced by Dan, and the coins produced for the scene where a bulk amount fall on the ground were made by another private mint. Want something fun and lighthearted to do this weekend? Check it out on Netflix now!

As a reminder, Dan C. has an art display titled Messages on exhibit at the Red Brick Center for the Arts in Aspen, CO. His stamp mosaic pieces will be on display from Monday, March 13, 2023 to Thursday, July 6, 2023. We urge you to take a beautiful spring daytrip up to Aspen to see his impressive works on display along with other lovely pieces produced by Colorado artists.

https://www.redbrickaspen.com/calendar/da niel-carr-messages

Treasurer's Report

Bob L. gave the April financial report, which was as follows:

Current balance:

\$14,480.86

Bob reported that all the income and expenses for the spring coin show had been settled, and he has a complete income statement available for members to review upon request.

Club dues for 2023 membership are owed if you haven't already paid. Dues are \$2 per person, or \$5 for a family membership.

Drawings/Door Prizes

The April silver coin drawing was held.

The coin won was an 1878 S Morgan Dollar.

The winner was Bob L.!

The monthly door prize drawings were held.

The coins won were two barber dimes.

The winners were Buck R. and Greg L.!

The 2nd quarterly gold coin drawing will be held on June 8th, 2023, at the club meeting. The price per ticket is \$2.00. The prize will be a $1/10^{\text{th}}$ ounce gold coin.

New Coin News

Letter to the Editor regarding Edge Inscriptions on coins:

https://www.coinworld.com/news/uscoins/monday-morning-brief-for-may-8-

2023-edge-inscriptions

Anticipation for the 2023 Morgan and Peace dollar programs is rising:

https://www.coinworld.com/news/uscoins/subscription-sales-rise-for-2023morgan-and-peace-dollars

Upcoming Programs

If you would be willing to present your favorite topic or show your collection, please let Joe Garguilo or Rebecca Murren know to schedule an event for you. If there is a topic or a discussion you would like to see/hear, let Joe or Rebecca know and they will try to get an outside presenter scheduled for a future meeting.

Local Area Coin Clubs

*On average, doors open 30 minutes before the start of the meeting:

Front Range Coin Club:

June, August, October: 7:00 PM, 2238 W. 1st Street, Loveland, CO; April, May, July, September, November: 7:00 PM, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 640 Alpine St, Longmont, CO; 2nd Thursday monthly. December TBD.

Northside Coin Club:

7:00 PM, Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 12099 Lowell Blvd, Broomfield, CO; 2nd Tuesday monthly.

South Suburban Coin Club:

6:30 PM, 1000 Englewood Pkwy, Englewood, CO 80110; 2nd Thursday monthly.

Denver Coin Club:

7:00 PM, Salem United Church of Christ, 5300 E. Florida Ave, Denver, CO; Last Thursday monthly.

Fort Collins Coin Club:

6:30 PM, Senior Center, 1200 RaintreeDrive, Fort Collins, CO;1st Friday monthly except July & December.

Greeley Coin Club:

7:00 PM, Moose Lodge, 3456 11th Ave, Evans, CO; 2nd Tuesday monthly. No meetings July and August.

Cheyenne Coin Club:

7:00 PM, Ascension Lutheran Church, 712 Storey Boulevard, Cheyenne, WY; 3rd Tuesday monthly.

2023 Coin Shows

January:

20 th -21 st	Wasatch Winter Coin Show
	Sandy, UT
	Bob Campbell, 801-467-8636
21 st -22 nd	Grand Island Coin Club Show
	Grand Island, NE
	Max Mader, 308-384-5150

February:

17 th -19 th	Cheyenne Coin, Currency, Tokens, &
	Collectibles Show
	Red Lion Hotel & Conference Center,
	Cheyenne, WY
	Bill Arnold, 307-630-2350

March:

$2^{nd}-4^{th}$	ANA National Money Show
	Phoenix, AZ
	conventions@money.org
11 th -12 th	Front Range Coin Club Spring Show
	Boulder County Fairgrounds, Longmont,
	СО
	Ken Davis, 303-772-6706
24 th -26 th	Fort Collins Coin Club Show

	Larimer County Fairground, Loveland, CO
	Jim Oscarson, 970-294-3385
24 th -26 th	60 th Las Vegas Numis. Soc. Coin Show by
	CK Shows
	Palace Station Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas,
	NV
	Dawn, 888-330-5188
31 st -2 nd	oin Club Spring Show
	id North, Albuquerque, NM
	Rod Frechette, 505-247-8558

April:

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14 th -15 th	Northern Utah Coin Show
	Davis Conference Center, Layton, UT
	Bob Campbell, 801-467-8636
21 st -22 nd	Western Slope Coin Club Spring Show
	Grand Junction, CO
	Lewis Miller, 970-640-3765

May:

Iviay.	
$3^{rd-}6^{th}$	Denver Coin Expo
	Denver, CO
	Neal Hatgi, 720-773-1175
19 th -21 st	AMA South Dakota Coin & Stamp Assn.
	Show
	Sioux Falls, SD
	Dar Makram, 605-321-9195
26 th -28 th	ROMPEX
	Arapaho County Fairgrounds, Aurora, CO
	Ron Lampo, 720-771-0841

June:

9 th -10 th	NUTS Coin & Token Show
	Sandy, UT
	Bob Campbell, 801-467-8636

July:

15 th	Greeley Coin Club Show
	Greeley, CO Dave Feely, 303-772-7690

August:

7 th	Cheyenne Philatelic Picnic
	Lions Park, Cheyenne, WY
11 th -13 th	WYPEX 2023
	Red Lion Hotel & Conference Center,
	Cheyenne, WY
	Bill Arnold, 307-630-2350
19 th	Wyo-Braska Coin Show
	Gering Civic Center, Gering, NE
	Rick Russell, 970-581-7305
25 th -27 th	Vegas National Coin Show
	Palace Station Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas,

NV
Dawn, 888-330-5150

September:

8 th -10 th	Sioux Falls Coin, Currency, & Sports Cards
	Show
	Sioux Falls, SD
	Dar Makram, 605-321-9195
17 th -18 th	Front Range Coin Club Fall Show
	Boulder County Fairgrounds, Longmont,
	СО
	Ken Davis, 303-772-6706
29 th -30 th	UNS Coin Show
	Sandy, UT
	Bob Campbell, 801-467-8636

October:

7 th -8 th	Cherpex Stamp Show
	Aurora, CO
	Eric Carlson, 303-694-4252
12 th -14 th	Denver Coin Expo
	Denver, CO
	Neal Hatgi, 720-773-1175
20 th -21 st	Western Slope Coin Club Fall Show
	Clarion Inn, Grand Junction, CO
	Lewis Miller, 970-640-3765

November:

10^{th} - 12^{th}	Albuquerque Coin Club Fall Show
	Marriott Pyramid North, Albuquerque, NM
	Rod Frechette, 505-247-8558
17 th -19 th	Cheyenne Coin, Currency, Tokens, &
	Collectibles Show
	Location TBD
	Bill Arnold, 307-630-2350

December:

1 st -3 rd	Las Vegas National by CK Show		
	Palace Station Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas,		
	NV		
	Dawn, 888-330-5150		
2 nd	Fort Collins Coin Club Show		
	Lincoln Center, Fort Collins, CO		
	Jim Oscarson, 970-294-3385		

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The next FRCC Monthly Meeting will be held:

Thursday, May 11th, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 640 Alpine St, Longmont, CO 80504