



Palm Beach Coin News

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November 2019 Events

November 3

Gold Coast Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show
Hollywood Rotary Club, 2349 Taylor St, Hollywood

November 10

Coin, Stamp and Collectible Show
Azar Shrine Center, 1591 Eau Gallie Blvd, Melbourne

November 13

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 4:00PM
Meeting Begins at 7:00PM

★ *Nomination of Board & Officers* ★

★ *"What other Clubs in Florida are Doing"* ★

November 17

Coin and Stamp Show
Volunteer Park Community Center, Plantation

November 24

PBCC Coin Show
American Polish Club,
4725 Lake Worth Rd., Greenacres

November 27

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM
Meeting begins at 7:00PM

★ *Election of Board & Officers* ★

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Presidents Message

It's time once again to email your essay for our *PBCC ANA Summer Seminar Scholarship*. In 500 words or less, tell us why you want to go to the *ANA Summer Seminar* in June 2020 and how it will benefit you and the club. Email to swicer@comcast.net. You must have been a club member for at least one year. The deadline is December 31st, 2019.

The October 10th auctions sold \$8499 (#41 \$6268, #42 \$2231). The club made \$425. Donations that night were \$113. October 23rd was the last estate auction of the year.

Wednesday, November 13th is nomination of club officers & Board for 2020. The program will be "What other clubs in Florida are doing". Wednesday, November 27th is the club election. There are no estate auctions in November. Club members can put up to 10 lots in each auction.

Wednesday, December 11th is our annual Pot-Luck dinner, White Elephant Sale, and Awards night. Every member should bring a covered dish such as salad, potato salad, fruit, casserole, pasta, vegetables, etc. The club will provide the meat and drinks. At the White Elephant Sale, bring a painting, TV, computer, sports equipment, numismatic items, or anything that will sell to benefit the club. Club member of the year will be announced that night. This party is for club members and their family, not guests. This is the only meeting in December. Our Coin Show is Sunday 12/22/19.

The club bus trip to the January *FUN Show* is Friday, January 10th at 7AM and

returns about 8PM. The bus leaves from Iglesia Familiar Church, 855 Jog Rd. This is at the NW corner of Summit Blvd & Jog Rd. It is \$10 per club member. We need the money in by December. See Tony or mail to PBCC, P.O. Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466. We currently have 27 of 55 seats paid for.

Club calendars for 2020 are \$1 while they last. Three spiral *Red Books* are left at \$8.50 each. Club shirts are available at \$21 in L, XL, 2X. See Tony.

Dues are due in January 2020. See Tony or mail to the P. O. Box above. Look at your membership card. If it says, "Good thru 12/19", your dues will be due.

Tony

From the *Encyclopedia of Coin and Medal Terminology* by Dick Johnson.

Vocabulary: Essay, Trial and Experimental Pieces

Essay. A trial piece or proof of a design that may, or may not, be accepted. See PROVING, TRIAL PIECE. Essay is not to be confused with assay, a testing of metal fineness. The term is spelled *essai* in French and this has appeared on numismatic items.

Trial Piece. A die trial, often made in a softer metal than that of the intended composition. It is also called a trial strike because it is stuck when the dies are first placed in a press and such an early impression is made. These first impression strikes are more likely to have imperfect die alignment, pressure and rotation. It lacks depth of relief as the pressman purposely starts with a light impression (not to break the dies). He increases the pressure with subsequent strikes until he is satisfied the correct pressure will form a completely struck up piece filling every die cavity. He will also rotate the obverse and reverse dies until the alignment is correct. See die alignment.

Loose Change

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Good wishes to our webmaster Bruce Ollis. He is undergoing a pretty severe operation and we wish him a speedy recovery. Bruce was telling me about posting onto the website and it all sounds time intensive. He will be posting the newsletter each month, so if you have not received yours yet and wish to look at it, it is on the webpages. Here is the address. <http://pbcc.anaclubs.org/>

You can also access the web site by putting Palm Beach Coin Club in your computer's browser and it will provide a link to the web site.

If you ever wanted to know about bee sting therapy for pain, talk to member Chris Norris who swears by that treatment.

Here is the new Shell Coin I got from Fiji. Amazing how lifelike the silver Fiji coin is.



Hoping our President, Tony Swicer is bright and chipper again. He was under the weather for our last meeting.

P.S. Dan Peccoraro would like to know if anyone has any Canadian Penny books to donate to his students. Dan runs a coin club for YN's at his school and encourages his students to learn about all facets of collecting coins. He is searching for Canadian Penny books, but if you have any other materials to donate to his students, it will be put to good use.

If the trial piece is not the same composition of the intended piece, it is termed an off-metal strike. Pieces intended to be struck in bronze would have tin, lead, white metal or aluminum trial strikes; silver or other precious metal pieces would have bronze, brass or other trial strikes. Should the piece be struck in the intended composition, obviously, it is not a trial strike but an early production piece.

The testing of dies before they go on a press is more correctly termed proving. The die can be examined at any stage of creation, as incomplete designs at an early stage of engraving the die, or of some element that will be sunk into the completed die. If the engraver makes this test piece at his workbench, he would press the die into clay or wax for a fast inspection, or make a hot tin impression or splasher, by pressing the die into a small mound of tin or lead poured on paper for this purpose.

In Europe the term is more apt to be called ESSAY. Trial pieces of one or both completed dies are often made in lead, called lead proofs. See proving.

History of trial pieces. The first use of the term occurred when Thomas Simon prepared his Petition Crown in 1663 with a revolutionary edge device (an edge die on spring steel that sprung out after the piece was struck). The edge lettering read: "Thomas Simon most humbly prays your Majesty to compare this his tryall piece with the Dutch and if more truly drawn & emboss'd more gracefully order'd and more accurately engraven to relieve him."

Experimental Piece. A trial piece in which some technological or innovative process is tested, such as: a new composition, a new piece of equipment, a new process of striking, or even a new process of finishing. It is not a die trial. An experimental piece must be a test of some new innovation. If a small trial run is made the struck piece may be termed test coin; the Canadian Royal Mint has made these testing an innovative bimetal composition. See die trial, trial piece.

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Featured WEB Site: ERROR-REF.COM

This week's Featured Web Site is the Error - Variety Ready Reference created by Mike Diamond, Fred Weinberg, Jon Sullivan and others.

Error-ref.com is a comprehensive illustrated glossary of every conceivable defect associated with the minting process. It will contain detailed illustrated descriptions of hundreds of basic error types, numerous subtypes, and assorted effects associated with them. It is not designed to cover compound errors and multiple errors, as these occur in an infinite number of combinations and permutations. It is also not intended to be a catalog of specific coins and dies.

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