# Nickel Belt Coin Club 

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March 2024
Newsletter
Meeting \# 746 on Sunday Mardh 17, 2024
will be held at
The Calvin Presbyterian Church,
1114 Auger Ave, Sudbury,
Doors will be open at 12:00 with the formal part of the meeting starting at 1:00
Trading Session to follow at about 1:30 and we should be finished by 3:00

President's Message:
Hello all members, we hope to see you all at the meeting.

Don't forget our show Saturday. Drop in if you are free.
NBCC Paper Money and Coin Display

| Location | New Sudbury Library |
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| Date | Saturday March 16,2024 |
| Time | $10: 30 \mathrm{am}-3: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Roger | Canadian Paper Money |
| Richard | Royal Canadian Mint Coins \& Cased Sets |
| Keith | Silver Maple Leafs and Haweater Tokens |

Call Meeting to order
Executive reports
New Business
50/50 Draw
Attendance Draw
Trade Session

Regards, Richard.

## Silver Bug Report:

Greetings fellow Numismatists and Coin Collectors. The weather is heating up and so is the precious metals market. As most of you know gold and silver are similar in numerous ways, both are "Noble Metals", and have been recognized as stores of value for thousands of years. However, many might argue that the long term fundamentals for silver is stronger than the yellow metal because of the tremendous demand on silver for it's industrial applications with the introduction of the "green revolution" which is getting stronger by the day. Example: silver is a thinly traded market and very expensive to mine and is generally only produced these days as a by-product. While silver has many qualities as a monetary metal, more than $50 \%$ of all silver production is currently being used in industrial applications, and a further $20 \%$ in jewellery, the remaining $30 \%$ is used in the production of silver bars, coins and tokens. The current gold to silver mine ratio is just 8:1, yet gold prices are eighty times higher than silver prices, which are far above their historical average. Adding fuel to the fire, with all the labour problems across South America and with lower silver grades at "key mines" it is no wonder that the output is on the decline.

A pound of silver or a British one-pound note?
Indeed, one of silver's most interesting properties has been and will continue to be a store of wealth for many years to come. The fact that the French use the same word "argent" for silver and money illustrates its multi millenia history as money... not fiat currency. We must point out, that the British pound, one of the world's most stable currencies has it's origins in the fact that it was backed by silver, hence a British pound. Today a pound of silver is worth well over 200 British pounds, l'm very sure we can all relate to this travesty on all currency across the world. To drive this point even further, the pound that the Bank of England claims is a store of value has actually plummeted more than $99.5 \%$,welcome to the real world of fiat currency.
Remember this, that fiat currency for it's part, is the currency of politicians, and I'm quite sure that it's not too hard which to trust.

Looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces at the next regular monthly meeting of the north's premier coin club on Sunday March 17th ... St. Patrick's Day, make sure to wear something green, if you don't wear green, you'll miss out on a chance to win a prize, don't know what the prize will be at the time of writing this article, don't you just love surprises. Cheers from the Silver Bug.

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## Up coming shows

New Sudbury Library March 16th from 10:30-3:30

South End library September 7th from 10:30 - 3:30

Sudbury Libraries contact Keith

## We are looking for volunteers for the Following shows

Stamp \& Coin Show @ Parkside Adult Centre April 27th 10 am - 4pm
To help @ NBCC table contact Richard

Coin \& Stamp Show @ Northbury September 28th
Coin and Stamp Show contact Jerome
Let us help you find what you are looking for l

Here are some items that members are looking for in our trading list
If you have any of these items for trade contact us and we can list them for the next trading session.


| Feb 18/24 Trading results 45 lots listed \& 31.1\% Sold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1. | \$5.00 | 11. | Pass | 21. | \$4.00 | 31 - | Pass | 41. | Pass | 51. | N/A | 61. | N/A |
| 2. | \$6.00 | 12. | Pass | 22. | Pass | 32- | Pass | 42. | Pass | 52. | N/A | 62. | N/A |
| 3. | \$4.00 | 13. | Pass | 23. | Pass | $33-$ | Pass | 43. | Pass | 53. | N/A | 63. | N/A |
| 4. | \$11.00 | 14. | Pass | 24. | Pass | $34-$ | Pass | 44- | Pass | 54. | N/A | 64. | N/A |
| 5. | \$4.00 | $15-$ | Pass | $25-$ | Pass | 35- | Pass | 45- | Pass | 55. | N/A | $65-$ | N/A |
| 6 - | \$13.00 | 16. | Pass |  | Pass | 36- | Pass | 46- | N/A | 56. | N/A | 66 - | N/A |
| 7. | \$9.00 | 17. | Pass | 27. | Pass | 37. | Pass | 47. | N/A | 57. | N/A | 67. | N/A |
| 8. | \$6.00 | 18. | Pass | 28. | \$6.00 | 38. | Pass | 48. | N/A | 58. | N/A | 68. | N/A |
| 9. | \$4.00 | 19. | Pass | 29. | \$4.00 | 39. | Pass | 49. | N/A | 59. | N/A | 69. | N/A |
| $10-$ | \$12.00 | 20. | Pass | 30- | \$4.00 | 40- | Pass | 50- | N/A | $60-$ | N/A | $70-$ | N/A |
| Congratulations to all winning bidders! |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Joke of the month

1. Why was the dime so lazy? Because it never made much "cents" to work harder!
2. What's a coin's favorite dance move? The "cent-sational" spin!
3. Why did the quarter go to therapy? It had too much change going on in its life!
4. Why did the penny feel left out? Because it didn't "count" as much as the other coins!
5. What did the nickel say to the penny? "You're a little 'cents-itive,' aren't you?"

## 2023/2024 Executive team

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Member at large - Barry Stone
Webmaster - Jean Belanger
Special Mention
Auctioneer - Dave Bruce

