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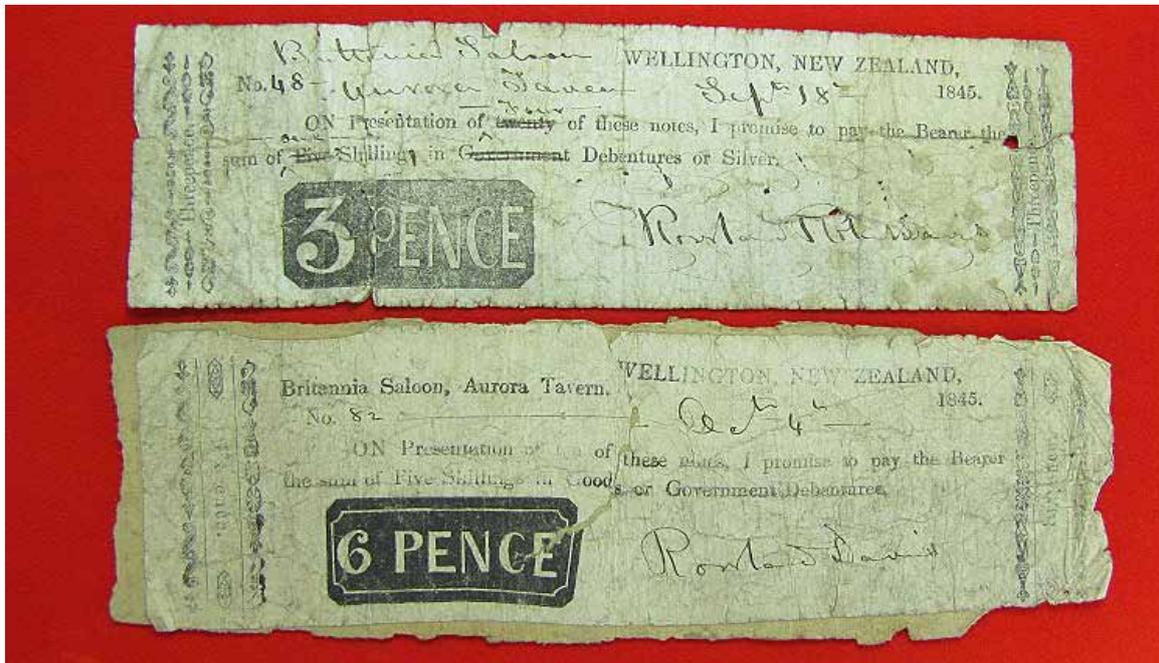
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Welcome to the first Journal in a slightly revised format, combining key elements of the traditional annual Journal and the January issue of the Society's Newsletter. This reflects a change from sole editorship to a joint effort between Martin Purdy (left) and David Galt (right), who have looked after these two publications separately for a good number of years now. The two issues of the Newsletter scheduled for later in the year will continue in their customary format.



In this issue Jason Gray identifies a new and exciting mule, Andrew Clifford presents a very early piece of NZ paper money, we farewell a couple of long-standing members and present a round-up of recent numismatic news from within NZ and around the world, as well as giving an outline of forthcoming Society events.

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## 2004 10 CENTS/\$1 MULE IDENTIFIED

Jason Gray

Shortly before the changeover to our new “smaller coins” in 2006, a number of collectors noted that some 2004 10c coins had a “double rim”. The opportunity to examine these more closely appears to have been missed when they were first discovered, probably because of all the fuss over the 2004 5-cent coins at the time. It has been a surprise to find that the double-rim 10-cent coin was overlooked and passed off as a simple misaligned coin. It is a lot more interesting than that, however.



First we have to look at the double-rim coin (above left) compared to a normal 10-cent coin (above right). The most obvious thing we see is two full rim lines around the coin, although they are narrower at the top of the planchet. This is different to what is normally seen if a coin is struck slightly off-centre with a normal die. The other thing is that the Queen’s effigy is slightly smaller. I have taken measurements of both “normal” and “double-rim” coins and found they were both 23.63 mm in diameter. One of the least noticeable differences at first involved the designer’s initials. On the standard circulating coin there is always a clear gap between the R and B whereas on the “double-rim” coin the R and B are linked together toward the bottom by a small bar (die crack?) that runs through the legs of the R and across to the right. More on this later.



The next comparison was against the 2004 10-cent coin made for collector sets. Those who have followed the updates on differences between circulating coins and “collector set” coins in the RNSNZ Newsletters will know that the design of the numbers and the positioning of the designer’s initials are almost always different. The collector set coins still have the gap between the letters R and B.

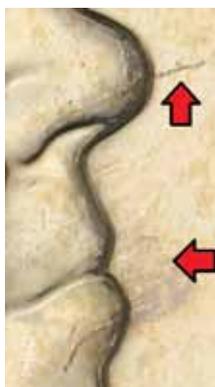


The next step was to look at the only other New Zealand coin of a similar size. The \$1 coin has a diameter of 23 mm so was a perfect suspect. First of all we can rule out the 2004 \$1 coin that was issued in collector sets, as both this and the 10-cent coin in the sets have a larger 4 than the circulating version in each case, so this could not be responsible.



This leaves us with the 2004 circulating \$1 coin. The first thing I looked at was the designer's initials to see if these matched the design on the double-rim coin. To my amazement, all the \$1 coins had a join between the R and B. It turns out that both circulating and NCLT \$1 in 2004 have a join between these letters, and so does the double-rim 10 cents. When you look even closer at the designer's initials, you can tell that the \$1 coins and double-rim 10c have oval (elongated) holes in the R and B, whereas the normal 10-cent coins have round holes. Additional to this, the 4 is slightly longer on both the double-rim coin and 2004 circulating \$1 than that of the normal 2004 10 cents.

Measurements were taken with digital callipers of the innermost part of the rim on the double-rim coin, and after scratching a few coins I found that the \$1 coin and the double-rim 10 cents both had the same inner diameter. The last thing to check was to confirm that both \$1 & 10-cent coins were both minted at the same mint in 2004 and after looking back at some of the RNSNZ Journals it was confirmed that all NZ coins except those in sets were struck at the Royal Mint. In my opinion this leaves no doubt that the 2004 double-rim 10-cent coin is actually a mule struck using the obverse die for the 2004 \$1 coin.



Further to the doubled rim in all the examples I have seen there is also a small spike from the Queen's nose and small die lines in front of her mouth and behind the lower point of her hair. As all the examples seen so far have these markings it would suggest that they were all produced from the same die. 6.5 million 10-cent coins were struck in 2004 but we will probably never know how many were struck using this die pairing.

The value for these coins has yet to be seen, as we did not previously understand what they really were, but it is important to note that this is not the first time in the world that this has happened. In fact, it was because of a similar error on Australian coins that I decided to look into this possibility. The muled Australian \$1 coin produced in 2000 had the opposite of this error with the die from a 10-cent coin used on a small number of \$1 coins produced. These coins are very popular amongst collectors and have often sold extremely well. Prices noted at [noble.com.au](http://noble.com.au) for the Australian mule include Sale 109: Lot 87 \$580, Lot 98 (slabbed MS62) \$1700; Sale 108: Lot 83 \$420; Sale 98: Lot 114 EF \$1900.

Are the New Zealand mules worth as much as the Australian version? This will be influenced by a few factors. As this was one of the last years they were released, it is still not obvious how many 2004 10-cent coins are out there, and in my experience 2004 can be a harder year to find anyway, especially compared to the larger mintages from 1981 to 2003. People have also been collecting and removing these from bulk lots as a double-rim variety. For a number of years sales have been reported on TradeMe for these double-rim coins before we could prove what they really were, with prices ranging between \$10 and \$20 in average condition.

Special thanks to Martin Purdy for being a sounding board and taking photos for me to look at some of his examples during this process.



Normal 10c (top); mule (bottom)



Circulation \$1 (top); mule (bottom)



Comparison of designer's initials (left) and initials/ date area (right) as per photos. The detail in examples 1 & 3 matches in each case.

1. 2004 \$1 circulating coin
2. 2004 \$1 coin from set
3. 2004 10c Mule
4. 2004 10c circulating coin
5. 2004 10c coin from set



## THE “QUEEN CHARLOTTE’S SOUND” ONE POUND NOTE OF 1837 NEW ZEALAND’S EARLIEST KNOWN PAPER CURRENCY

Andrew Clifford

In the Auckland Public Library’s 19<sup>th</sup> Century Paper Ephemera Collection is a hitherto mysterious one pound note, proudly for issue at “Queen Charlotte’s Sound” (*see map*). Identification of the printer finally led to the name of the whaler who commissioned it, and the unfolding of a fascinating story within the backdrop of early New Zealand in its wildest days.

George Thomas Clayton was born in 1791 in London and apprenticed as a mariner before marrying Elizabeth Funge. The commission which took them permanently from England was his skippering of the 450-ton convict ship *Camden*. It sailed from Sheerness, Kent, in September 1832, with 200 male convicts aboard, arriving at Sydney five months later. Captain Clayton remained at Sydney where he saw opportunity in the whaling industry, but not in ocean whaling. He chartered the *Dublin Packet* for shore whaling, outfitting stations on the New Zealand coast. Men would contract for a “lay”, a portion of the gang’s overall profits after the costs of being equipped with whaleboats, flensing knives, chains, try-pots, and necessary supplies. Gangs usually left Australia in the autumn, returning in late spring, while their whale-oil was collected at intervals. Whales migrated during that time and females came shoreward to calve, though the males stayed in deeper waters. The final trip of the season would bring the gang home. Meanwhile, they were left in very rough conditions, sleeping in empty oil barrels, and drinking such quantities of Batavia arrack rum that its fumes could permeate a station, overpowering even the stench of rotting whale flesh. Relations between the whalers and the Maori were rarely easy, and while trade for fresh food occurred, events sometimes turned confrontational.

Within a few years Clayton was active along the eastern seaboard of New Zealand with interests in whaling stations at Hawke’s Bay, Cloudy Bay, Queen Charlotte Sound and Banks Peninsula. In 1837 there were only two significant centres of European settlement: Kororareka and nearby in the Bay of Islands, and Eastern Marlborough, i.e. Queen Charlotte Sound, Tory Channel, and Cloudy Bay (Port Underwood).

In March 1837 Clayton purchased land at Piraki Bay, Banks Peninsula, from the Maori chief Tuauau, to establish a station which he financed and rented to the Prussian-born George Hempleman (1799-1880). It was to become the first permanent European settlement in Canterbury, as the Hempleman family stayed on with a small workforce.

Circumstantial evidence holds that In September 1837 Clayton took to New Zealand a parcel of £1 promissory notes from Sydney for use at his whaling stations in the Marlborough region. This also coincides exactly with Hempleman’s decision to settle permanently. On Saturday 9 September 1837 the Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser reported in editorial news:

*We have seen a £1 note, intended by Captain Clayton for circulation at his establishment at Queen Charlotte’s Sound, New Zealand. The note is a neat specimen of workmanship, and reflects credit on Mr. R. Clint, of George Street, who executed it. We perceive by his advertisement of “Help! help! help!” that he is much in want of the assistance of workmen in his business, and we understand that free labour is not to be procured in the Colony!*

The Queen Charlotte Sound £1 demand note is remarkable in that it is the earliest example of paper currency domiciled at New Zealand, predating the first Union Bank and New Zealand Banking Company issues by about three years. While Church Mission Society payment orders were contemporaneous, crucially, they lacked a printed denomination and a promise to pay sterling on demand.

It was printed by Hereford-born Raphael (Ralph) Clint (1797-1849), located opposite the Bank of Australasia at George Street, Sydney. Clint specialized in maps and charts, being a skilled engraver,

*M. B. M.*

*1790*



ONE

*In Demand. I promise to pay*  
*to Bearer ONE POUND Sterling*  
*into the hands of George B. M. Esq.*  
*Queen Charlotte's Sound.*

ONE

Payable at



but specially hired assistants for this commission, probably expecting future work on promissory notes. He ran three copies of the advertisement below in the Sydney Herald during August:

HELP! HELP!! HELP!!!

WANTED, Plain Draftsmen, Lithographic and Copperplate Printers, Engravers and Herald Printers, to whom good Wages will be given and constant employment.

R. CLINT

George-Street, Sydney.

August 10, 1837.

Captain Clayton must have ordered the work before last departing to New Zealand, which was in May, as he arrived back on 22 August. Clint was clearly making slow progress and running out of time. His advertisements are almost unique in their urgency. Nevertheless, the final result was as good as any English provincial banknote of the day, but unusual with its exotic vignette of a shore whaleboat and spouting whales. The horizontal borders have "NZ" while an "NSW" monogram at top left probably represents "New South Wales". These initials do not match any known whaling company.

Unfortunately, the only surviving note is pasted to card so the reverse is unseen. Its handwritten ink has faded so the serial number and year are all but invisible and may not have been entered. Perhaps unnecessarily, a blank area for payee was included in the design, though "one pound" has been written in to make it purely a bearer note. The signature at bottom right can be safely interpreted as "George Clayton". Above that is a name, problematic to decipher, but is possibly "Te Awaiti" (also spelt "Teawaiti" at the time).

John (Jacky) Guard was the first whaler to establish a shore station in the Marlborough region, about 1827, at Te Awaiti on Arapawa Island near the entrance to Queen Charlotte Sound. It was a hub of whaling activity in the 1830s, with many gangs working and ocean whalers passing. Guard moved to Port Underwood, Cloudy Bay, in 1836, where Clayton bought five acres from him for a station in that year. Perhaps Clayton sold goods to the whalers at Cloudy Bay and this was a "store note". The entered or counter-signature is barely decipherable but resembles "Leathart", which was the name of the captain hired by Clayton to run his vessel, the *Dublin Packet*.

Clint was in a hurry to print the notes as Clayton was bound for New Zealand on 10 September 1837. He was returning to two gangs which he had taken out in February when accompanied by Hempleman and one of the Ward brothers who worked at Hawke's Bay. The season's outward trip was recorded in the Sydney Gazette:

*For New Zealand, same day, the schooner Dublin Packet, Captain Leathart, with sundries. Passenger — Captain Clayton, Captain Templeman, Mrs Templeman, Mr Ward, and two whaling gangs. [7th February 1837]*

Clayton was back in Sydney in April and returned to New Zealand in May. His voyage back to Sydney in August 1837 was eventful and reported in two newspapers:

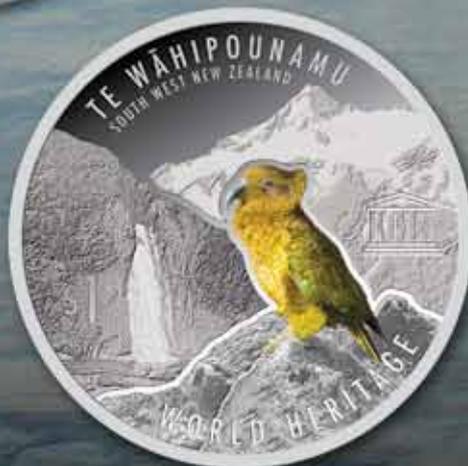
*August 22nd The Schooner Dublin Packet, Leathart, master, from New Zealand, with oil, &c. Passenger — Mr. Clayton. [The Australian, Friday 25 August 1837]*

Note that it was standard for captains of British ships to share news or at least record vessel names as they passed each other on the high seas.

*The Dublin Packet.-By the arrival of this vessel we have not received any fresh information to lay before the public. The intelligence from New Zealand having been published when received by the Black Warrior and Harlequin. Captain Clayton the owner of the Dublin Packet, informs us that four American vessels were fishing at the Bay of Islands at his departure;: the Governor Bourke from this port was those in a sad plight, nearly the*

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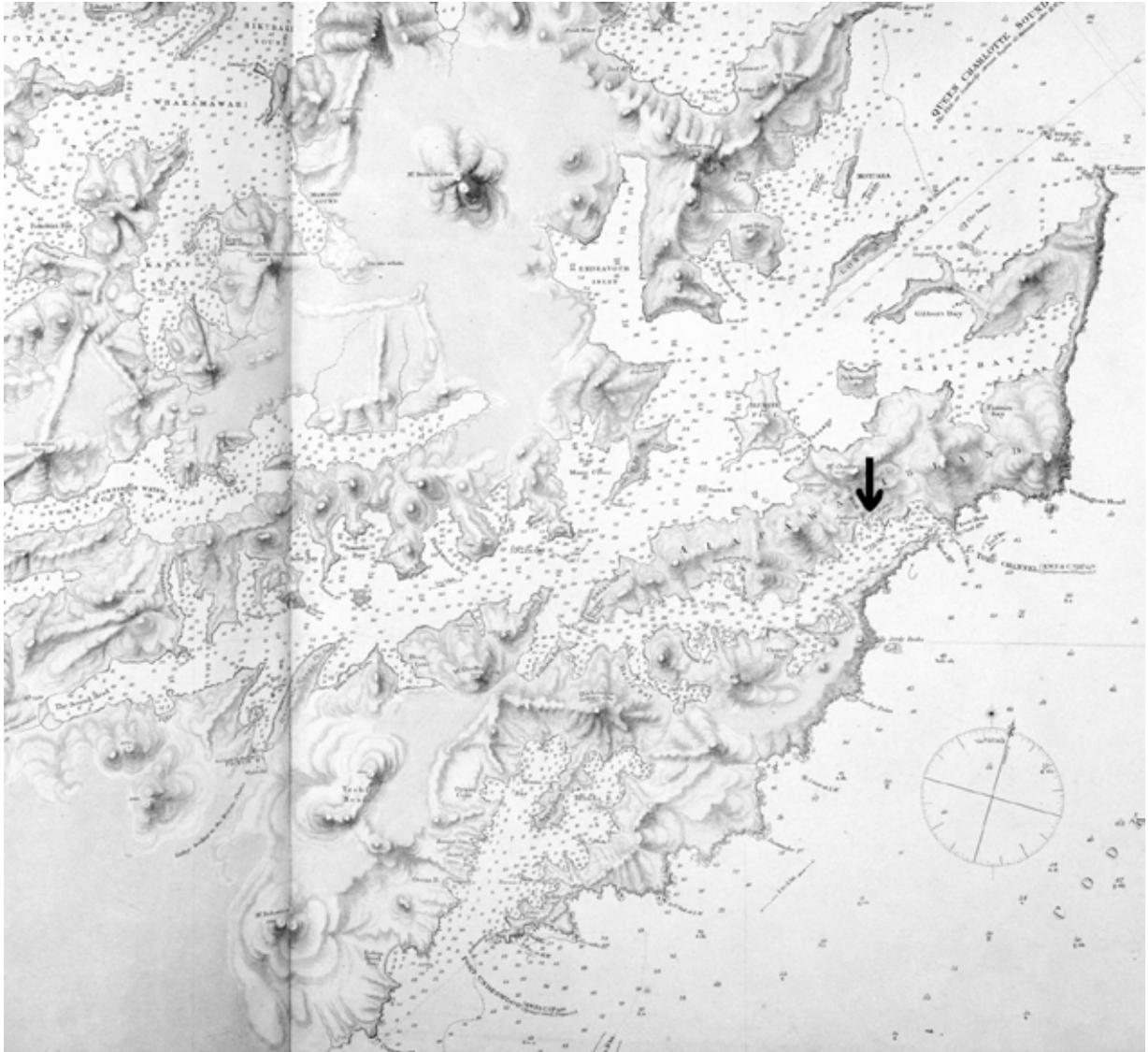
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*Detail from an 1859 British Navy hydrological chart with depths and anchorages showing Queen Charlotte Sound (entrance at top-right leading toward and through the centre) with Te Awaiti arrowed on the south-side of Arapawa Island. Port Underwood on Cloudy Bay is at bottom centre. (New Zealand National Archives)*

*whole of her crew having deserted her; the Denmark Hill, from Sydney was there clean, and the Mary Ann from Hobart Town, with 180 tons of oil. Captain Clayton spoke no vessels on his voyage up or down. She had a long run coming up, being 21 days and experienced tempestuous weather, which did his vessel some trifling damage. [Sydney Gazette Thursday 24 August 1837]*

The news which is most crucial to this story of early paper currency in New Zealand's numismatic history is the return voyage when the notes were freshly printed:

*The Dublin Packet, Captain Leathart, sailed on Sunday for New Zealand. She will return with all despatch with another cargo of oil from Captain Clayton's establishment. [Sydney Gazette Tuesday 12 September 1837]*

There was one more trip of the season reported:

*The Dublin Packet, from Captain Clayton's establishment, was loading and may be looked for shortly. [Sydney Gazette Thursday 14 December 1837]*

So, the pound note coincides near to the end of a season.

Whalers did expect progress payments and paper money would be useful during the season if there was a general store which accepted them. It is not known for certain that any truly circulated. Observations have been made, however, that this is very likely. Allan Sutherland concurs with Dr. H. D. Bedford who wrote:

*"Adjustment of liabilities took place at the end of the whaling season when the Sydney merchants sent to New Zealand a ship laden with various kinds of produce, chiefly spirits and tobacco, and to the extent to which the men had transferred their credit with their employers to the local storekeepers, their payment was reduced. On the arrival of the ship the storekeepers and others would claim against the men in the form of I.O.U.s, and promissory notes. The wages were paid, and trade conducted almost entirely without the use of metallic money."*

Ray Hargreaves adds:

*"Edward Jerningham Wakefield found in 1839 that the Cloudy Bay whalers were charged between five shillings (50 cents) and seven shillings and sixpence (75 cents) for a pound of tobacco worth only one shilling and threepence (12 cents) in Sydney, with other goods priced in the same proportion. The men were encouraged to purchase freely so that at the end of the whaling season, when wages were due, the men were either in debt or received only a very small cash payment."*

Were some notes also intended for Hempleman's permanent establishment at Piraki Bay? Possibly, and further, Clayton might have issued these notes in Hawke's Bay, at the Waikokopu station where the Ward brothers operated. He purchased at least one whaling station there, but before he could supply it with a gang, in April 1839, the Maori raided it, taking what they could and burning anything left flammable.

That year saw the peak of the Australasian whaling industry, which then comprised 40% of Sydney's economy. However, within ten years this fell to barely 1% as the whale herds were being decimated through indiscriminate hunting.

Clayton became known in Sydney as a New Zealander, and so it proved as he moved his family to Kororareka, opening a general store at Turner's Row, the south side of Pitt Street. After the colony of New Zealand was officially founded in February 1840 he became senior in the community as the postmaster, and expanded his enthusiasm for paper money to banking services. Clayton became a member of the provisional committee, a chairman, and also a trustee for shareholder's funds during the incorporation of the New Zealand Banking Company.

He bought land at Okiato from James Clendon where the colony's first capital was made and bought yet more land, this time on the Waitemata when the capital moved to Auckland. He reportedly supplied the kauri timbers for the first government house. The new government required all earlier land claims to be ratified but, unfortunately for Clayton, in 1841, most of his land transactions failed the required standard, including at Banks Peninsula where he reportedly then owned all of it!

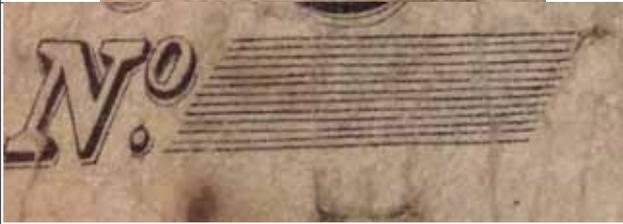
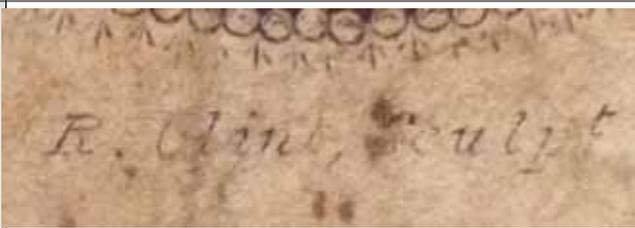
There, Hempleman had paid further money to the Maori for a block about 15 miles (24 km) square surrounding Piraki Bay, but his claim was also never ratified even though he pursued it for the rest of his life.

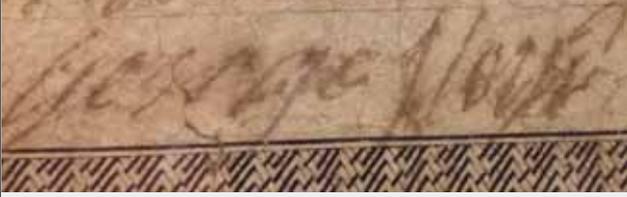
Clayton spent 1843 in Fiji setting up a coffee and citrus plantation, becoming a friend of the king.

On 11 March 1845 Hone Heke sacked Kororareka. Clayton was forewarned and he drew a picture of the town just before the attack. His family sailed to Auckland, losing their last New Zealand property. He attended a Sydney public meeting in April to petition Sir George Gipps, Governor of New South Wales, to send troops. However, the writing was on the wall. The decline in whaling and loss of properties led to Clayton's bankruptcy. In 1847 he gave up on New Zealand and travelled to the recently founded port of Hong Kong. News of the Californian gold rush then took him to San Francisco in January 1849, which he described as a "land of gold". He first worked at the port but later moved his family to Yountville, Napa Valley, by the Sierra Nevada foothills. He and Elizabeth started building the "White House Hotel", but she had to complete it on her own. Captain Clayton's experiment with his own paper money was already a distant memory when he died in 1856.

Further study is warranted on the Queen Charlotte's Sound note, to decipher the handwritten text in full (perhaps requiring spectroscopy), and to see whether any more primary sources mention whaling notes or store notes in circulation before 1840. A table (below) has close-up images of the areas in question and provisional interpretations.

How the note came to its present location is speculation. An informed guess is by way of Governor Sir George Grey, as he collected paper ephemera while travelling the country, donating generously to the Auckland Public Library. Separately, he received correspondence directly from George Hempleman regarding his land claim at Banks Peninsula, who perhaps sent the note in an attempt to provide supporting evidence of legitimate land occupation before 1840.

Queen Charlotte's Sound One Pound (Sept. 1837)		
Monogram		New South Wales?
Serial Number		Blank or faded?
Imprint		"R. Clint, Sculpt"

Queen Charlotte's Sound One Pound (Sept. 1837)		
Payee		"one pound" (bearer note)
Entered by		Leathart?
Date		October 1st? Year blank or faded?
Payable at		"Teawaiti"? Piraki or Ikoraki?
Signature		"George Clayton"

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## COMING SOCIETY MEETINGS 2016

27 Jan, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30 pm	Gregor Macaulay, Dunedin, RNSNZ, Calendar Editor, University of Otago: "Heraldry and New Zealand Coins and Decorations". A rare opportunity to hear about the topic in our programme and some of the controversies involved – a must to attend!
13 Feb, Sat	Red Cross Hall, Queen St, Levin 9 am – 4 pm	Levin Inter-Club Meeting, led by Manawatu members of RNSNZ (see programme elsewhere). Join the expected 30+ members and dealers. Start preparing your 2-minute talks, displays and wares for your free table space now!
24 Feb, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30 pm	Andrew Clifford: "Trading Banks and Early Paper Currency". Andrew is one of New Zealand's leading experts on trading banknotes and author of a forthcoming book on the subject.
4 Mar, Fri	West Plaza Hotel, Wakefield St, Wellington	Drinks after the Mowbray International auction at approximately 5:30 pm. (Those registering for the auction will receive a voucher for a drink.)
5 Mar, Sat	Loaves and Fishes, 10 am to 4 pm	Numismatic Fair - Bill Leggett organising with RNSNZ support
30 Mar, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30pm	Michael Humble: "The Treaty of Waitangi". Hear about the numismatic treatment of the Treaty.
27 Apr, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30pm	Mark Stocker: either "Downsizing of the coinage" or "Do numismatists like art?"
25 May, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30pm	Annual General Meeting
29 Jun, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30pm	Members' short talks
27 Jul, Wed	Karori RSA, 27A Campbell St, Karori, 7.30 pm	Numismatic Library visit – Theme: Numismatic Literature
31 Aug, Wed	St Andrew's 7.30pm	Jared Thornton: "Tasteful Decorations" (Uses of coins in beautiful objects)
28 Sep, Wed	Netherlands Society Rooms, 61 Taita Drive, Avalon, Lower Hutt	Manawatu Numismatic Society Collection – an opportunity to view and hear about this interesting material which has been acquired by the RNSNZ as part of the merger of the two societies.
14 Oct, Fri	West Plaza Hotel, Wakefield St, Wellington, 4.30 pm	RNSNZ function after Mowbray International Auction
26 Oct, Wed	TBA, 7 pm	Annual Dinner
29 Nov, Tue	Karori RSA, 27A Campbell St, Karori, 6 pm	RNSNZ Auction viewing
30 Nov, Wed	St Andrew's, 6.30 pm for 7 pm start	RNSNZ Annual Auction (Clint Libby and Flemming Sorensen)

Please check your meeting notice and further Newsletters in case any details have changed, as venues can vary. Visitors are always welcome. Members are encouraged to bring a small number of "show and tell" items to meetings.

**St Andrew's on the Terrace, 30 the Terrace, at 7.30 pm on the last Wednesday of the month**, is our normal meeting venue and time, but we often range elsewhere. We meet in the St Andrew's Centre, down a path to the right of the Church and upstairs (or in the lift) to the second floor to their **Common Room**. If the venue is locked, there is a code to access the building which is punched in: 8499\*. We set up the room for ourselves at 7.15 pm. Chairs are generally available but we may need to bring in tables.

Limited car parking is available at the back of the Church but on-street parking is usually available, including on the Terrace, Bolton St and Bowen St. St Andrew's is close to the Railway Station. The St Andrew's office staff and Custodian (022-610-2910) are happy to answer questions during office hours.

## SOCIETY NEWS

### Council News

The 14 October meeting of the RNSNZ Council covered the following matters:

- Welcomed Graeme Hancock to his first meeting following amalgamation with the Manawatu Numismatic Society
- Agreed on support arrangements for the Saturday 5 March 2016 Wellington Fair to be held at the Loaves and Fishes Hall, Hill St, at Wellington Cathedral's site.
- Appointed David Galt and Wayne Newman to the Committee organising the Auckland numismatic conference for 2017. David and Wayne have subsequently met in Auckland with Jim Duncan, David Baird and Jim Johnson of the Numismatic Society of Auckland to discuss arrangements for the conference. The first steps are to confirm a venue and dates. At this stage, Friday 14 to Monday 17 July 2017 look the most likely dates, still to be confirmed. These allow for visits to interesting Auckland sites on the Friday plus a reception, a Fair on the Saturday and two conference days on Sunday 16 and Monday 17 July. The timing is to capitalise on expected publicity about the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of decimal currency, while avoiding a clash with the date of the Numismatic Association of Victoria Conference in November 2017. Unfortunately, the All Blacks have pre-empted the weekend of 10 July, reducing available accommodation options.

*We suggest pencilling 14 to 17 July 2017 in your diaries now pending confirmation of arrangements later.*

- Heard about progress with creating official UNC NZ coin sets to replace those previously issued by NZ Post up until 2013. The Society continues to work on this with NZ Post's support. Watch this space.
  - Heard about progress developing the Reserve Bank Museum's World War I display which is being supported by members of RNSNZ
  - Agreed to purchase of a dehumidifier for the Numismatic Library.
  - Discussed progress with expected new publications. The revised Challenge Coins catalogue is making good progress.
  - Next Council meeting is scheduled for 7.30 pm on Wednesday 23 March 2016.
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## WALLER CUP

David Russell

The annual Waller Cup challenge took place on Tuesday night, 27 October.

There was a heated battle between the Wanganui Numismatic Society and Manawatu Numismatic Society members. It was a close run numismatic quiz presented by Gerry O'Mahony and hosted by Ray Staal.

The final result was a win to Wanganui by 27 to 14.

The Waller cup challenge between Manawatu and Wanganui has been contested every year since 1968 and it was decided this should continue.

## COIN FAIR, LOAVES AND FISHES, HILL ST, WELLINGTON CATHEDRAL, SATURDAY 5 MARCH 2016

The Society is co-sponsoring this event with Bill Leggett who is organising it with New Zealand dealers. Members are warmly encouraged to attend.

It's easy to get there – there is good parking outside the Loaves and Fishes and it's a short walk from Wellington Railway station the local transport hub for buses and trains, just across Hill Street from Parliament.

It will cover all numismatic categories, i.e. banknotes, tokens and medals as well as coins.

We expect to have a recently refurbished display of ancient coins available for viewing. This is a superb display of replicas from Alistair Robb. There will be a Society table as well as the dealers' tables, including both local dealers John Eccles and Bill Leggett and Auckland dealers Peter Eccles, Howard Mitchell and Geoff Oldham. There may yet be others too. The Fair should be a bigger affair than in recent years as it will follow the Mowbray international numismatic auction on Friday 4 March at the West Plaza Hotel at 1 pm and the drinks at approximately 5 pm following the auction, for which those registering for the auction will receive a free drink voucher.

This should make it a numismatic weekend to remember – worth a trip from elsewhere in New Zealand too! We suggest booking accommodation now – there is a lot on in Wellington, which also can help make for a worthwhile trip.

For inquiries, email Bill Leggett [blcollect@xtra.co.nz](mailto:blcollect@xtra.co.nz)

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### NOTICE OF AUCTION NOVEMBER 2016

The Society will hold another auction in 2016 at St Andrew's on the Terrace. This year it will be on Wednesday 30 November at 6.30 p.m. for a 7.00 p.m. start. Viewing will be from 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday 29 November at the Karori RSA, 27A Campbell St (down a pathway from the street). Members are invited to provide numismatic items for this auction.

The guidelines are as follows:

1. Any member can provide a maximum of 20 items for sale.
2. The member is to provide a description of each item in writing (preferably emailed), including the grading of the item and the reserve price required.
3. The member submitting the items for sale is to provide his/her name, address, telephone number and email address.
4. The items can be delivered personally to either of the two organisers (Flemming Sorensen and Clint Libby) or posted to the RNSNZ, P O Box 2023, Wellington 6140.
5. Numismatic items will be sent at the seller's risk.
6. Acknowledgement will be given when the items have been received.
7. Items cannot be listed for sale in the catalogue until they are received with the descriptive list by the organisers.
8. A 10% auction fee will be charged by the Society on the successful sale of an item.
9. The auction is not subject to GST.
10. All unsold items will be returned to the member.

**If you would like to sell numismatic items in this auction would you please send them, with the list and your details, to the organisers no later than Tuesday 1 March 2016.**

The organisers can be contacted through the Society's address or through their personal email address or telephone number:

Flemming Sorensen – [flsor@xtra.co.nz](mailto:flsor@xtra.co.nz) (Telephone: 04 478-5649)

Clint Libby – [cjlibby@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cjlibby@xtra.co.nz) (Telephone: 04 476-8576)

## LIBRARY DEVELOPMENTS

Paul Bicknell, RNSNZ Librarian

A lot has happened with the Library recently, located at the Karori RSA building.

- The latest RNSNZ Library Catalogue Update has been prepared for inclusion on the Society's Website. At present the Library Catalogue is 135 pages long – we have a lot there!
- I have extended the RNSNZ Catalogue to now include Magazines, Newsletters and Journals under a new Periodical section. Some items within this Periodical Catalogue have been highlighted as containing New Zealand content and all of these highlighted New Zealand content items have been scanned, making these research items available to members within New Zealand and overseas via email. I have also scanned over 1000 Newspaper items with New Zealand content from the RNSNZ Library Collection which are under 42 sub-headings such as Decimal Currency, Error coins and Notes and people, for example, Alistair Robb.
- I have also scanned a large number of RNSNZ Archives created by various people such as Alistair Robb and Harry Hughan under different sub-headings.
- I have gifted 20 of Hamish MacMaster's first edition Catalogue of NZ Commemorative Medals 1941-2007 books with stickers on the backs [drawing attention to the Society and the existence of an updated 2<sup>nd</sup> edition – Ed.] to Charity Shops such as Salvation Army Shops, Mary Potter etc and Retirement Homes in the Johnsonville, Khandallah Karori and Newlands areas because the Wellington and Hutt Library services will not accept Second Hand books. There are still about 30 of these older books left in the RNSNZ Library. By gifting these spare books, it is possible people reading them may become interested in the Society.
- The library is now accessible by contacting Paul Bicknell, David Galt or Clint Libby.
- We have purchased a dehumidifier to protect the Library material. (Thanks to Clint Libby for organising this and managing it.)

Thanks to all who have helped get the Library on a more accessible basis again.

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## ADVERTISING IN THE NZ NUMISMATIC JOURNAL AND NEWSLETTERS

The Journal is published annually while the Newsletters are published two or three times a year. They are both circulated nationally and internationally to members, coin and banknote dealers and a range of museums and mint institutions. Appropriate advertising is accepted.

The rates for advertising, in New Zealand dollars, are as follows:

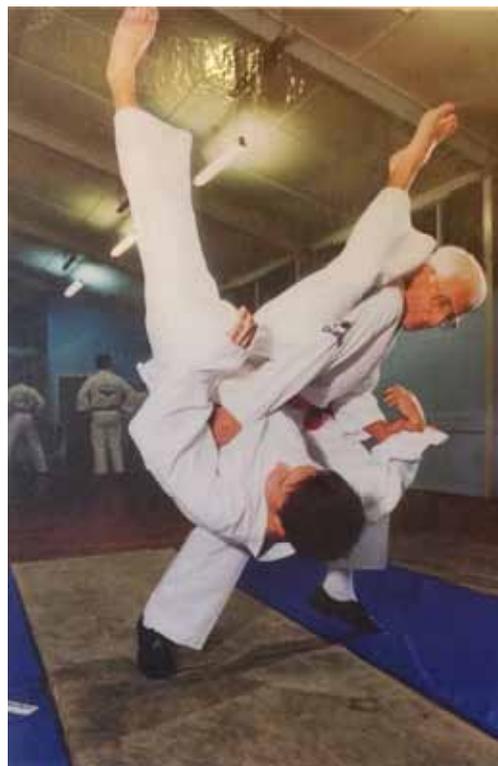
Journal:	Quarter page \$50	Newsletter:	Half page only \$60
	Half page \$80		
	Full page \$150		
	Inside back cover (colour) \$220		
	Outside back cover (colour) \$250		

## JIM WRAY 1916-2015

Ollis “Jim” Wray died in December 2015, just four months shy of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. He will be well known to members of both the Wellington Coin Club, of which he was President for ten years (1979-89) and subsequently an honorary Life Member, and the RNSNZ following the merger of the two societies. Besides Jim’s numismatic interests, which progressed over the years from investment mainly in gold to a broader enjoyment of collecting for its own sake, he is remembered by many for his extraordinary fitness. Having kept supple with ballroom dancing for many years, he progressed to Hapkido at an age when most would be thinking of taking things a little easier, acquiring his Black Belt at 79, a feat recorded in our Newsletter at the time.

David Galt recalls that the Wellington Coin Club “was a fun body to belong to under Jim’s leadership. He had lots of stories for people about dancing, business, martial arts and lots of other things besides coins. The Club did well over that time.”

Jim is survived by his wife Bubba, after an outstanding 76 years of marriage, and their sons, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Congratulations from the Queen, Governor-General and Prime Minister on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary were on display at his service.



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## DONALD ION 1935-2015

Prominent Rotorua coin dealer Don Ion died in October 2015 following surgery for bowel cancer. The operation was described as “textbook” but he succumbed to vital organ failure shortly afterwards.

Don originally intended to follow his father into teaching but, as his family noted at his service, an active social life and wide sporting interests changed those plans. Deciding not to go to university he became a stock agent in New Plymouth and subsequently worked in Kawerau at the Tasman Pulp and Paper Mill. While there, he developed a sideline based on the passion for stamp collecting he had had since childhood and built up a postal stamp business. In 1969 he took the plunge and changed careers, buying an existing stamp and coin business on Arawa Street in Rotorua. Three of his four children were working in the family business by the 1980s, and daughter Lois still continues the tradition.



Don will be remembered, and missed, as an active, indeed vocal, member of the philatelic community in particular, with strong views on the directions the hobbies and associated markets were taking.

*[As an aside, Don’s shop in Arawa St was the first “real coin shop” I ever visited, back in January 1975, and it was a pleasure to resume contact with him by e-mail and on on-line numismatic forums in more recent years – M.P.]*

## COLLECTOR ISSUES BY NZ POST 2014 – 2015 (mid-year to mid-year)

### 2014 – Aotearoa New Zealand Coin Set (2 coin set)

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
Aotearoa New Zealand Coin Set (x2)	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Dutch Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	62.2g (2x 31.1g)	38.70mm	\$2.00 (2x \$1)	Wooden box	500	\$299.00

### 2014 – 1914 For King & Empire

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
1914 King & Empire Gold Coin	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Gold – 0.9999	Proof	7.78g	21.69	\$10	Metal Tin Box	500	\$799.00
1914 King & Empire Silver Coin	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Metal Tin Box	2,500	\$139.00
5 Year Silver Proof coin Set – Coin 1 The Mounted Rifles Brigade	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Metal Tin Box	1,000	\$139.00

### 2015 Kiwi Coin w/Glow in the dark Kiwi

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
2015 Kiwi Treasures Gold Proof Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Dutch Mint	Gold – 0.9999	Proof	7.78g	26.0mm	\$10.00	Jewellery Box	500	\$845.00
2015 Kiwi Treasures Silver Proof Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Dutch Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.0mm	\$1.00	Jewellery Box	2,500	\$139.00
2015 Kiwi Treasures Silver Specimen Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Dutch Mint	Silver – 0.999	Reverse proof-like	31.1g	40.0mm	\$1.00	Card with images	7,500	\$79.00

### 2014 The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
Premium Gold Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Gold – 0.9999	Proof	31.1g	38.94mm	\$10.00	Wooden box	500	\$3,395.00
Premium Gold Coin Set (x3 coins)	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Gold – 0.9999	Proof	93.3g	38.94mm	\$10.00	Wooden box	250	\$9,995.00
Silver Coin with Gold Plating	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999, Gold plating – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Jewellery Box	20,000	\$149.00
Silver Coin Set (x5 coins)	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	155.5g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Wooden box	1,000	\$695.00
Bag End Silver Coin w/wooden door	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Wooden box	10,000	\$169.00
Brilliant Uncirculated Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Al/Zn/Br (gold colour)	Brilliant Uncirculated	20g	39.00mm	\$1.00	Card with images	Unlimited	\$29.90
Brilliant Uncirculated Coin Set (x2 coins)	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	Royal Australian Mint	Al/Zn/Br (gold colour)	Brilliant Uncirculated	20g	39.00mm	\$1.00	Card with images	Unlimited	\$54.90

### 2015 Annual Coin: Huia – produced by Royal Dutch Mint

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
Huia Silver Proof Coin	Dave Burke Designs	Royal Dutch Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40mm	\$5.00	Jewellery Box	1,500	\$129.00

2015 ICC Cricket World Cup Coin

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
ICC Silver Proof Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	BH Mayer's Kunstprägestalt GmbH	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40mm	\$1.00	Cricket Ball shaped Box	2015	\$149.00

2015 – 1915 The Spirit of ANZAC - produced by Royal Australian Mint, designed by: Strategy New Zealand; 1915 The Spirit of ANZAC Premium Silver Coin, designed by: David Burke

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
1915 The Spirit of ANZAC Gold Coin	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Gold – 0.9999	Proof	7.78g	21.69	\$10	Metal Tin Box	500	\$799.00
1915 The Spirit of ANZAC Silver Coin	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Metal Tin Box	5,500	\$139.00
5 Year Silver Proof coin Set – Coin 2	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Metal Tin Box	1,000	\$139.00
1915 The Spirit of ANZAC Premium Silver Coin	Dave Burke Designs	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$0.50	Jewellery Box	10,000	\$139.00
2015 The Spirit of ANZAC collectable coin pack	Dave Burke Designs	Royal Canadian Mint	Nickel-plated steel	Uncirculated	5g	24.75mm	\$0.50	Card with images	15,000 (final)	\$9.90

2015 Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing: Coin Set

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
2015 Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing: Coin 1	Strategy Design & Advertising	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00 NZD	Wooden Box	5,500	\$529.00
2015 Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing: Coin 2	Royal Australian Mint	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$5.00 AUD	Wooden Box	10,000	
2015 Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing: Coin 3	The Royal Mint	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.925	Proof	28.28g	38.61mm	£5.00 GBP	Wooden Box	5,000	
2015 Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing: Coin 4	Turkish State Mint	Royal Australian Mint	Silver – 0.925	Proof	31.1g	38.61mm	₺20.00 TRY	Wooden Box	5,000	

2015 ANZAC New Zealand & Australia Joint Issue Silver Coin Set (2x coin set)

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
2015 ANZAC New Zealand & Australia Coin Set (2x coins)	Australia Post Design Studio	Perth Mint	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g (2x 15.55g)	26.6mm x 37.6mm (rectangular)	\$2.00 NZD \$0.70 AUD	Clear Display frame	2,500	\$199.00

2015 Royal Baby Coin

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
2015 Royal Baby - Silver Proof coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	BH Mayer's Kunstprägestalt GmbH	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Jewellery Box	1,000	\$139.00

2015 Kiwi Silhouette Coin

Name	Designed by	Produced by	Alloy	Finish	Weight	Diameter	Denomination	Case	Mintage	Price
2015 Kiwi Silhouette Coin	New Zealand Post Stamps & Coins	BH Mayer's Kunstprägestalt GmbH	Silver – 0.999	Proof	31.1g	40.00mm	\$1.00	Wooden Box	2,000	\$210.00

\*Note differences in the “Collector set” coins compared to circulation strikes (circulation specifications in parentheses):

\$2 Brass 1.25g (Aluminium Bronze 10.00g); \$1 Brass 8.60g (Aluminium Bronze 8.00g); 50c Copper Nickel 5.59g (Nickel plated steel 5.00g); 20c Copper Nickel 4.45g (Nickel plated steel 4.00g); 10c Copper 3.73g (Copper plated steel 3.30g)

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## RECENT 2015 RNSNZ MEETINGS

The last two meetings for the Society in 2015 were the 28 October meeting and 25 November annual dinner meeting, this year held at Valentines restaurant again in Petone. The major business was the presentation of awards for contributions to the Society – see the separate item below for details. Twenty-nine members, partners and friends attended.

The 28 October meeting was also held out of Wellington at Taita at the NZ Netherlands Society premises, for the purpose of seeing that some meetings are held out of Wellington, sharing travel requirements between members in different parts of the Wellington region.

The theme was market developments, with a dealer panel including Peter Eccles from Auckland and Wellington dealer John Eccles. Peter commented on the recent Mowbray auction; notable Trade Me developments, including the use of Pay Now for online trading; litigation in overseas trading; and sellers having liability if items go astray in delivery. He noted that NZ Post's latest swivel coin had been advertised for sale by one vendor at \$300 even though the coins had not yet been delivered to purchasers by NZ Post.

John commented that the new \$5 note had been well received overseas at the Berlin coin show. There is a possibility that the NZ Philatelic and Numismatic Dealers' associations might merge – still under discussion.

David Galt provided a report on the recent NAA Adelaide Conference.

Members reported on new acquisitions as usual including Vadim Lukyanovich who showed some recent Russian coin issues, including some commemorating Crimea.

## 2015 SERVICE MEDAL AWARDS



Congratulations to all who received a 2015 medal award, featuring a portrait of Alistair Robb, for their contribution to the Society during the calendar year.

All these people have been presented with a Bronze service medal at the Society's 2015 end of year dinner or have received a medal by post. The main activities that merited an award this year included:

- Very active participation and contribution in Society or Council activities
- Speaker at an event
- Significant contributor to Journal or Newsletter
- Assistance with work behind the scenes (e.g. mail-outs)
- Active participation in activities such as Facebook

Those receiving the medals included:

Andrew Clifford	Anne Lampard
Brett Delahunt	Clint Libby
Craig Kitchen	David Galt
David Russell	Flemming Sorensen
Graeme Hancock	Hamish MacMaster
Ian Fenn	Jason Gray
John Eccles	John Irvine
Kevin George	Lois Ion
Malcolm Bain	Martin Purdy
Patrick Cordue	Paul Bicknell
Peter Eccles	Ray Hargreaves
Rodney Hall	Scott de Young
Terry Roker	Tony Grant
Wayne Newman	

The Society produced gold and silver medals as a fundraiser when these medals were produced earlier. All gold medals have been sold but a few silver medals remain. Please advise the Secretary if you would like to acquire one at \$40 each.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Recent Publications Acquired

These publications have been received since the previous Newsletter was sent out in October 2015.

- Mintmark, October, November, December 2015
- Numismatic Society of South Australia Newsletter, September 2015
- Leon Morel, Coin and banknote lists 9 – 12 2015
- Numismatic Association of Victoria “The Australian Numismatist” 2015, No 3
- ANS Queensland Newsletters October, November, December 2015
- Tauranga Numismatic Society Newsletters November, December 2015
- NZ Armorer Spring 2015
- Universitat Wien Mitteilungsblatt 51 2015/16
- Perth Numismatic Journal November 2015
- Australasian Coin and Banknote magazine December/January 2016

### Books

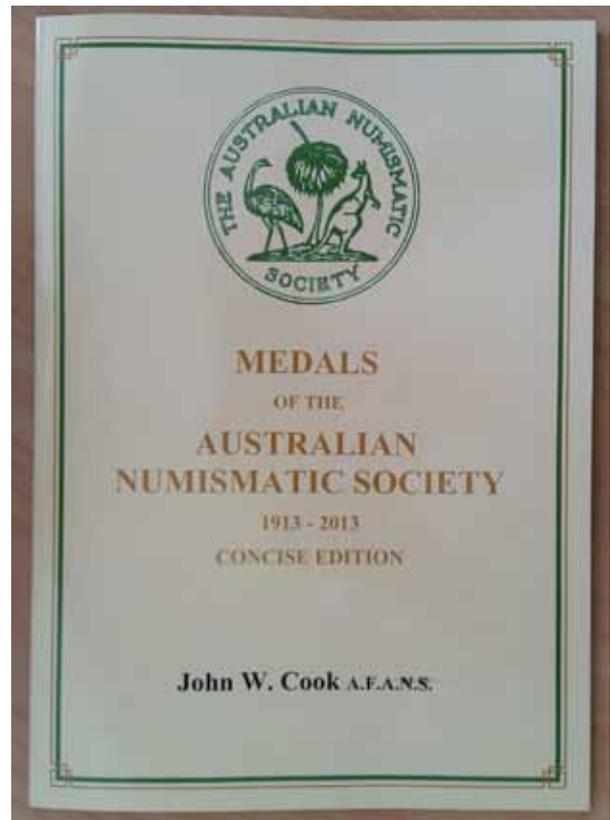
Medal Artists of New Zealand, “25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition **Medal Artists of New Zealand** Regroup Reflect Regenerate” 21 July – 20 September 2015

This significant book was acquired through Mark Stocker drawing it to our attention. It covers an important exhibition of art medals in Auckland. While it covers a wide range of art medals, some are of particular interest. One example is material about Professor Paul Beadle’s work, including one of his decimal coin designs from the 1960’s featuring a rifleman, turned into a medal, with the Latin name for the bird included on the medal: Acanthissita, done in 1989. The actual spelling should have one s and two t’s!

The book shows a vibrant scene in art medal designs – perhaps a source of future inspiration for numismatic medals?

John W Cook, 2015, "Medals of the Australian Numismatic Society 1913-2013 Concise edition", ANS Queensland.

The ANS has also published a full illustrated version of 168 pages for A\$65 – available to interested buyers from the ANS through [cook.john9942@gmail.com](mailto:cook.john9942@gmail.com).



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## NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE 2015

The biennial Numismatic Association of Australia conference was held in Adelaide over New Zealand's Labour weekend – a good choice with great Spring weather in Adelaide. The venue was the rather quaint but interesting Naval, Military and Air Force Club of South Australia, with strict dress requirements such as ties for men still in operation – although mainly observed in the breach except on the occasion of the excellent Saturday night dinner.

Two New Zealanders attended – David Galt and Mark Stocker. David spoke on the 2007 "Society Pair" numismatic society membership promotion and was able to say that even after eight years, the benefits of the promotion are still very evident in the RNSNZ, with members who joined that year still active in the Society, including in leadership roles, and a disproportionate number of members having joined that year. Mark spoke on the Te Pahi medal acquired by Te Papa in 2014, highlighting the need for further research into its provenance through the period from 1809 after the burning of the 'Boyd' through until the twentieth century.

Approximately 40 delegates attended an excellent event, with much content of interest to RNSNZ amongst the papers presented. Mike Carter presented a paper on the Tail Waggers' Club – founded in Britain in the 1920's and reaching a membership of over a million people keen to promote responsible management of dogs. The tokens issued by the Society include one issued in New Zealand, listed in the Bertrand catalogue, of which there are at least two varieties. It is relatively scarce compared to overseas examples. The Society folded as competing post World War II activities emerged. The token is also listed and illustrated in Terry Roker's "New Zealand Checks, Discount & Special Purpose Tokens" book, published earlier in 2015.

Other papers highlighted the common heritage of New Zealand and Australia, such as one on the activities and medals of Scottish ethnic societies by Richard O'Hair and another by Darren Burgess on the city medal collection in Melbourne – suggesting yet more collections in New Zealand that local numismatists could investigate. Another, by Gerry McGinley, covered numismatic material of

the Boer War, especially the South Australian connection. The granddaughter of famous designer Andor Meszaros, Anna Meszaros, spoke on her experience of the art of engraving – and it turned out that she was the engraver of the 2015 New Zealand commemorative ANZAC 50 cent piece, as distinct from the designer.



A distinctive feature of the conference was a closed bourse before the conference began, allowing any delegate a free small table space to sell or publicise material to other delegates – an easy opportunity for anyone to take up with a good variety of material available.

Peter Lane also hosted a viewing opportunity at the Art Gallery of South Australia for small groups of delegates of the superb collections held there. The public numismatic displays are small but worthwhile, including the very first Victoria Cross awarded at Crimea which subsequently made its way to Adelaide. Behind closed doors and comprehensive security checks, Peter was able to arrange for delegates to see a range of Australian rarities – including the Adelaide pound of 1852, a uniface 1937 Threepence, square nickel halfpennies and pennies, the 1930 penny, Australian Commonwealth proofs, and an excellent token collection including New Zealand as well as Australian tokens. Trading banknotes held were fascinating too. A curator during the First World War period had written to banks throughout Australia and New Zealand seeking specimens for the collection, so a good representative range of trading bank notes is now held.

Another interesting feature was to see the NAA handing out free past Journals. Their Journal is going entirely online and so will be more readily available in future and the stock of paper copies will not need to be held.

The next NAA event will be held in Melbourne in late 2017 – well worth keeping an eye out for.

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### Erratum: Newsletter 70, October 2015

Thanks to James Heegeman for pointing out that the reference in my article (Newsletter 70, p. 20) mentioning New Zealand proofs in British Museums incorrectly referred to an article in the ANA "Numismatist" as being from November 1983. It was in fact December 1983. (D.G.)

## TAURANGA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The Tauranga Numismatic Society celebrated its 50th anniversary on Saturday 21 November with a superb dinner. David Galt offered congratulations on behalf of the RNSNZ at the dinner, which was also attended by Jim Duncan (NSA) and Martin Purdy, with many of our Bay of Plenty RNSNZ members present.

The Tauranga Numismatic Society produced two medals showing their founder, Colleen Shand, and Patron, Ray Richards, who were both present and interviewed about their experiences. The medals also show the Society's swordfish logo, as does an overprint one-dollar banknote.



Medals produced by ELM in Singapore: left, gold finish medal featuring Colleen Shand; centre, common obverse; right, rhodium finish medal featuring Ray Richards.



The two medals are available at \$20 each plus postage and the banknote at \$10 each. (Contact TNS Secretary Leon Vincent, 07 571-1942)

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## INTERESTING AUSTRALIAN BLOG SITE

Kathryn Harris, of the husband and wife numismatic dealer team who run “The Purple Penny” in Australia, also runs a great blog site. We were recently delighted to be able to elect Kathryn as a member of RNSNZ.

You can find the site at

<http://www.australian-coins.com/>

The good news is it also contains New Zealand material – such as this item on the Bahamas Mule:

<http://www.australian-coins.com/coin-news/1967-new-zealand-2c-bahama-islands-5c-mule/>

## NEW ZEALAND NEWS BRIEFS

- New Zealand's new \$5 and \$10 notes were released on schedule as planned on Monday 12 October 2015 by the Reserve Bank. Distribution was through normal distributors who require banks to pay fees for handing the notes rather than on a widespread basis across banks so the new notes were hard to find initially. Initially, just 345,000 notes were distributed to meet orders. They have appeared in dribs and drabs across New Zealand, having been first most easily found at BNZ branches. This provided easy sales opportunities for dealers – if they could find them. The enterprising Eccles brothers did so and were consequently able to provide them to buyers at the Berlin Coin Show. Now a few are starting to appear in change. Banks report that collectors have been actively looking for them as popular items.
- It was reported that there was controversy over the tukutuku design on the new ten-dollar note. The panels are used in meeting house walls, with the design taken from the Te Hau ki Turanga wharehau at Te Papa. The custodian of the meeting house sought legal advice, accusing the RBNZ of taking it without permission. It turned out the panel was not from the meeting house – but another from the meeting house is to be included on the \$20 note, to be released later. The Reserve Bank apologised for incorrect attribution on its website.
- There was a report of the new banknotes being rejected by Dunedin parking ticket machines.
- Noble Numismatics' 17 to 19 November 2015 sale again featured interesting New Zealand material. This included a Waitangi Crown described as "mirror-like fields, good extremely fine" with an estimate of A\$5000, sold for A\$5500. Lot 2048, a specimen set of 1, 5, 10, 20 and 50 pound BNZ third series notes from around the beginning of the 20th century, described as virtually uncirculated, did not sell. All had discordant serial numbers except the 10-pound note. Overall, though, the sale was successful, realising A\$2.55 million.
- Thanks to Ian Fenn for advising on Facebook of an auction of a pattern New Zealand 50 cent piece dated 1986 by Baldwins. Thanks also to Baldwins for permission to show details of the item here, the pattern shown uppermost (see image and text overleaf). Finally, thanks also to Paul Bicknell for pointing out that the coin was "James Berry's first 50 cent coin design approved by the New Zealand Decimal Currency Board for the 1967 50 cent coin. A plaster prototype coin with this first design is now held at Archives New Zealand, Wellington and another prototype 50 cent coin is on a Wooden Shield presented to the RNSNZ, a photograph of which I posted on our Facebook site on 3 September 2012."

***Journals now available on CD:*** All of the Society's Journals from 1947 to 2008, and reprints of the "Transactions" - the proceedings of the New Zealand Numismatic Society (as it was then) from 1931 to 1947 - have been scanned and are available in PDF format on CD. The files are about 80% machine-readable (most recent editions 100%, earlier ones less so in some cases because of quality of print (or typescript in the case of the Transactions), and make a useful searchable record of the Society and NZ Numismatic topics in general. See page 39, under "Publications Available", for price details.



**WORLD COINS, NEW ZEALAND, Elizabeth II (1952- ). Cupro-nickel Pattern 50-Cents, 1986, 13.54g, struck at the Royal Mint. Crowned bust right. Rev. HMS *Endeavour* (KM 63 for type, pattern unlisted), together with a currency piece for comparison. The Pattern with some light marks, otherwise mint state. *Very rare*. (2) The Pattern differs from the currency coin, having no rigging to topsails and with water ripples below ENDEAVOUR. \$1,500**

(Baldwin's - The New York Sale – [www.baldwin.co.uk](http://www.baldwin.co.uk))

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### CHALLENGE COIN BOOKS ALL SOLD

The Society has had a tremendous result with the sales of the publication produced by Martin Purdy and Hamish MacMaster – all copies produced have now been sold. Congratulations to Hamish and Martin on achieving this result.

Who can feel a further edition coming on to fill the gap?

[Hopefully the wait won't be a long one – the second and much expanded edition is not far off completion - M.P.]

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

- It is reported that cash is rapidly on the way out in Sweden. There notes and coins are just 2% of the economy compared with 8% in the USA and 10% in the Euro area. Only 20% of Swedish consumer payments are in cash compared to an average of 75% elsewhere in the world, according to Euromonitor. Even churchgoers make contributions using their cellphones – when the bank account number of the Church flashes up on a screen.
- Ursula Kampmann's Germany-based Coins Weekly News is rapidly becoming one of the most significant sources of numismatic news globally. You can find it at [coinsweekly.com](http://coinsweekly.com)
- A good example of its content was a report in November 2015 on the "Coin Conference" in Madrid in October 2015, which reported that the amount of circulating coins globally is actually increasing. 13% of all coins consist of a ring and core now and galvanised coins have reached 38% of all denominations globally. 49 billion coins are being produced for circulation each year, often by small, inefficient mints which struggle to be competitive. The Newsletter is well worth subscribing to.
- The Royal Mint in Britain has announced an extensive coin programme of commemoratives in 2016. It will include three 2-pound coins for Shakespeare on the 400th anniversary of his death, including one with a skull design. The centenary of World War One continues to be commemorated and the 350th anniversary of the Great Fire of London will also feature, as will the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings on a 50 pence piece. The 150th anniversary of the birth of Beatrix Potter will be commemorated with a 50 pence coin featuring Peter Rabbit. One wonders what happened to round number anniversaries!
- The last of the old one pound coins have been minted and (at least the official ones as the 3 to 4% produced by forgers in circulation may be harder to stop) prior to new harder to forge coins entering circulation in 2017.

### NZ Historical Medals

From 1968 to 1971, the "Historical Medal Society of Australia and New Zealand" struck a series of crown-sized (38 mm) commemorative medals on a range of themes including the Wahine, James Cook (NZ Bicentenary), 1970 Royal Visit and the Auckland City and Harbour Board centenaries.

Only **500** each of the bronze versions were struck.

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## LEVIN INTERCLUB MEETING 2016

### Invitation from Manawatu Numismatic Members of the Society

Keith Wrigley writes:

An invitation is extended to all members to attend the interclub meeting at Levin, on Saturday, 13 February 2016. The meeting will be held in the Red Cross Hall, Queen Street, Levin. The invitation is extended to all members and friends of the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand, Wanganui Coin Club, and the Manawatu Numismatic Members and the New Zealand Numismatic Dealers Association.

Prizes will be awarded for the Best Displays exhibited, so feel free to bring a display.

An entry fee of \$5.00 will cover a door prize, lunch, & all tea breaks.

***Members of the RNSNZ in other areas are strongly encouraged to come and lend their support to Manawatu members.***

#### PROGRAMME.

- 9-00 a.m. Hall open for exhibitors & Dealers to set up their displays.
- 9-30 a.m. Morning Tea.
- 10-30 a.m. Welcome, Apologies, Personal introductions, brief reports and highlights since last meeting by one member of each club.
- 11-00 a.m. Open forum on Numismatics... Show and tell of interesting items or new information (Two minute talks)
- 11-30 a.m. Sales & Swap tables open.
- 12-00 noon Lunch.
- 1-30 p.m. Quiz, for the Inter – club Trophy.
- 2-15 p.m. Door prize, & display prize.  
Afternoon Tea.  
Last chance for swaps and Sales Tables.
- 3-00 p.m. Have a safe trip Home

More details are available from [GRAEME.HANCOCK@nzdf.mil.nz](mailto:GRAEME.HANCOCK@nzdf.mil.nz)

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The Society still has a number of enamelled silver membership pins in stock. These were produced in the 1960s and are still in the original sealed plastic packets as received from the manufacturer.

\$10 each, post-paid within NZ.  
Orders to the RNSNZ at PO Box 2023, Wellington 6140.



# RNSNZ Annual Report 2015

David Galt FRNSNZ

The year has generally been an excellent one for the RNSNZ. Features have included:

- The 2014 International Conference, held over 4 days from 4 to 7 July at the West Plaza Hotel in Wellington. There were 127 registered attendees, including many from Australia and beyond Wellington within New Zealand. Our two keynote Speakers, Philip Attwood of the British Museum and Scott Douglas of the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association, added greatly to the success of the conference together with many other New Zealand and Australian speakers. The addition of a walking tour of numismatic sites, a commercially successful fair with 13 stands and an extra lecture by Philip Attwood to the Friends of Te Papa all helped to make for a memorable event. The Conference ran at a small surplus, thanks to the generosity of participants' additional donations and sponsors. Many hours of work went into preparing for the conference. I would like to record thanks to all who worked hard to make it a success, including committee members Clint Libby, Flemming Sorensen, Wayne Newman, Paul Bicknell and the late Gary Weston-Webb.
- The Alistair Robb Numismatic Fund was established by Alistair and Nikau Foundation in consultation with the Society. Launched at the Conference, it will allow for future support for New Zealand numismatic purposes, with advice to the administering Nikau Foundation from the RNSNZ Council.
- Publication of a revised, 1941 to 2014 Medallion Commemoratives catalogue by Hamish MacMaster and Martin Purdy. This greatly enlarged catalogue has sold well and helped to stimulate more interest in the field. We are aware of other planned special publications in the pipeline that will provide great support to New Zealand numismatics and will look to support these where we can.
- The Society continued to publish a Journal and three Newsletters. Many thanks to Martin Purdy for skilful editing of the New Zealand Numismatic Journal. I continue to enjoy editing the Newsletter and both of us particularly enjoy the support of authors of articles. The support of advertisers in the Journal is greatly appreciated.
- Distribution of Allan Sutherland Junior's booklet about his father, Allan Sutherland, founder of the RNSNZ in 1931.
- Launch of a circulating commemorative coin on 10 March 2015 by the Reserve Bank – for which we've campaigned for many years. The ANZAC commemorative, coloured 50 cent piece has proven to be a hit with both the numismatic community and the public.
- Consultation with the Department of Internal Affairs, Reserve Bank and New Zealand Post about matters of interest to members. We have discussed with the Reserve Bank the types of commemorative products that would be appropriate with the launch of new note designs in 2015 for example. With New Zealand Post, we have discussed arrangements for the launch of the ANZAC circulating commemorative 50 cent piece to ensure it was readily available to members of the Society and wider numismatic community at launch date, as well as encouraging placement of a quantity directly into circulation. At this stage it appears that relatively few have gone directly into circulation. Relationships with both the Reserve Bank and Simon Allison and his team managing commemorative coin releases at New Zealand Post are excellent.
- Much less satisfactory are our dealings about postal regulatory matters at New Zealand Post. We faced the sudden withdrawal in March 2015 of the exemption from the prohibition of numismatic international mailings for our members. Discussions with

New Zealand Post about this matter are continuing as we seek a solution to allow legal exchange of numismatic material through the postal system – the only economic means for many small transactions.

- Establishment of the Reproduction coins category on TradeMe in response to discussions with the Society – to help clarify which coins are copies. This provides a partial solution to the problem of copies of coins being sold into the New Zealand market and causing future confusion. It at least ensures that anyone selling on TradeMe is required to identify material as copies when selling it, with the ability to advise TradeMe that material is inappropriately listed if found in other categories. Members had lively, direct discussions with TradeMe's manager of Trust and Safety at our February meeting about how to treat such material, as the risk of misleading material undermining trust in the wider market remains. Further consideration of how to deal with this issue is needed.
- We are considering means of reinstating annual uncirculated coin sets following New Zealand Post withdrawing from issuing them on commercial grounds and now issuing only proof sets.
- Updating of the Numismatic Library with new catalogues – Spink's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary 2014 English catalogues, and the new Krause stable banknote and coin catalogues which have been brought up to date. Many new and older acquisitions have been made, including through donations of surplus material by Te Papa, The Reserve Bank and others. The Society also received a large amount of library material from Alistair Robb's estate which will allow members to access further publications. The Library is now held in a locked room at the Karori RSA. Shelving remains to be installed. Clint Libby, David Galt and Paul Bicknell can assist with access if required.
- We relocated to good, new premises at the St Andrews on the Terrace conference centre for ordinary monthly meetings. These are readily accessible from transport hubs with bus routes, the motorway and the Railway Station nearby.
- A large, successful auction was held. A huge thank-you is owed to members who contribute to putting catalogues together, especially Clint Libby, Flemming Sorensen and Martin Purdy, who put in many hours for the benefit of members and the Society.
- The financial position of the Society improved with better collection of subscriptions and large tax refunds claimed from IRD. Many thanks are owed to Malcolm Bain, a qualified accountant and our new Treasurer, for his excellent work, together with Martin Purdy for helping manage membership records and billing.
- Supporting members who want to order NZ Post coin issues to get those at wholesale prices.
- Total membership at 31 March 2015 was 259, including 18 life members, 7 junior members, 41 overseas members, 76 from the Wellington region. We had 15 Fellows and 2 Honorary Fellows. It is a pleasure to record the award of Life Membership to Dr Ray Hargreaves, FRNSNZ, for outstanding contributions.
- Craig Kitchen continues to manage our electronic correspondence as well as his Secretarial duties and deserves our thanks. Patrick Cordue updates the website while Martin Purdy moderates the active group on our Facebook pages.
- The Table below records the meetings held throughout the year.

RNSNZ Meetings 2014/15		
30 Apr, Wed	Te Puni Kokiri	Auction
28 May, Wed	St Andrew's	AGM
3-6 Jul, Thu-Sun	West Plaza Hotel	Conference No ordinary June meeting was held
30 Jul, Wed	Parliament	New Zealand Parliamentary Numismatic collection, hosted by Paul Foster-Bell MP
27 Aug, Wed	St Andrew's	Members' short talks
24 Sep, Wed	St Andrew's	Hamish MacMaster: Talk by Skype from Saudi Arabia, "From Nabatea to the Gulf Cooperation Council – Currencies of the Arabian Peninsula, Past and Present"
10 Oct, Fri	West Plaza Hotel Wellington	Mowbray post-auction function
29 Oct, Wed	Netherlands Society, Avalon	John Eccles, Banknote market developments and issues
3 Dec, Wed	James Cook Hotel, Whitby's	End of Year Dinner
<b>2015</b>		
28 Jan, Wed	St Andrew's	David Galt, Coins and Banknotes of the Balkans
21 Feb, Sat	Red Cross Hall, Queen St, Levin	The RNSNZ hosted the annual meeting with the Manawatu and Wanganui Numismatic Societies.
25 Feb, Wed	St Andrew's	Jon Duffy, TradeMe, Head of Trust and Safety at TradeMe.
25 Mar, Wed	Reserve Bank Museum	Lois Ion talked about Pukaki, whose image is shown on the New Zealand 20 cent and \$10 commemorative.

Sadly, we lost two outstanding contributors to the Society over the year – Alistair Robb and Gary Weston-Webb. Obituaries for both have been included in the New Zealand Numismatic Journal. Alistair served in many roles including President, friend and benefactor, for instance supporting the service medals the Society has struck and awarded each year. It is fitting that the 2015 to 2017 medals will show Alistair's portrait. Particular thanks are due to Hamish MacMaster for arranging the design and production of the medals. Gary Weston-Webb's sudden death in April 2014 meant the Society lost its Treasurer, the storage of its Library and the excellent meeting venue at Te Puni Kokiri which Gary had organised, but above all a supportive and hard-working colleague.

Thanks are due to many other people who have contributed to the Society's 2014/15 year, especially members of the Society's Council, speakers and those who have supported our events.

We greatly appreciated the support of the Numismatic Association of Australia for our conference and the attendance by many Australian numismatists and speakers, the support of the Numismatic Society of Auckland as a co-sponsoring society, and the support of other Societies.

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**ALL Pacific Island banknotes.**

**ROYAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Subscriptions	9,324.90	7,813.36	Catalogue	5,774.41	0.00
NAA	105.94	48.00	Relocation Costs/Shelving	108.00	122.50
Gross Interest Income	13,829.80	2,978.17	Journal Expenses	1,546.59	287.50
Catalogues	3,512.54	270.00	Newsletter	1,716.70	1,184.00
Donations	1,253.00		Postage	1,604.78	1,303.88
Journal Advertising	1,616.79	2,050.39	Functions	428.90	400.00
Book Sales	580.36	146.35	Rents, Rooms & Postbox	1,780.00	385.00
Auction	11,761.00	4,595.34	Books	136.07	77.00
Tax Rebates			Honoraria	1,400.00	1,000.00
Sundries	29.40	14.42	Sundry	720.41	40.00
Functions	226.00	200.00	Web Site	317.90	582.40
Other	43.00		Medal Expenses	1,773.38	
Medals	814.40	70.00	Advertising	747.50	373.74
Conference Surplus	4,993.32		Auction Costs	10,851.54	4,896.37
			NAA Journal costs		114.67
			Research	74.48	200.71
			RWT Tax		521.16
			<b>Conference</b>		
			Medals		2,070.00
			O'print banknote printing		524.40
			Surplus (- = Deficit)	19,109.79	4,102.70
	<b>\$48,090.45</b>	<b>\$18,186.03</b>		<b>\$48,090.45</b>	<b>\$18,186.03</b>

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 31 MARCH 2015**

<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Current Liabilities			BNZ Current Account	6,576.86	19,170.90
			Westpac Moray Place		1,090.92
			BNZ Term Deposit (1)	-	54,083.75
Conference Prepayments		7,149.16	BNZ Term Deposit (2)	11,985.56	11,489.55
			BNZ Term Deposit (3)	30,982.42	
			BNZ Term Deposit (4)	31,020.25	
			BNZ Term Deposit (5)	15,000.00	
			BNZ Rapid Save	6,024.42	
<b>Members' Funds</b>			ASB Term deposit	50,000.00	50,000.00
Opening Balance	133,061.08	127,867.56			
Otago Branch Funds		1,090.82			
Plus Surplus	19,109.79	4,102.70	Petty Cash	30.00	30.00
			Resident W/H Tax	2,420.14	
Accrued Tax Refund					603.59
Tax Refunds	6,214.00				
Less Accrued Tax Refund	(-) 603.59		Fixed Assets	3,741.63	3,741.63
	157,781.28	133,061.08			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$157,781.28</b>	<b>\$140,210.24</b>		<b>\$157,781.28</b>	<b>\$140,210.24</b>

## NOTES 2014-15

1. Auction income includes sales receipts and postage costs charged to bidders. Donated auction items sold are shown under Subs and Donations.

2. Fixed Assets include Catalogues, Books, Journals, Medals, Coins, Banknotes, Slides, Projector, Screen, Chairs, Display, Shelving and Cases.

3. Investments	Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity	Invested
BNZ Term Deposit (2) 01008	\$11,985.56	5.15%	27 Apr 2015	27 Apr 2012
BNZ Term Deposit (3) 01009	\$30,982.42	5.25%	19 Jun 2016	23 Jun 2014
BNZ Term Deposit (4) 01010	\$31,020.25	5.45%	19 Jun 2017	23 Jun 2014
BNZ Term Deposit (5) 01011	\$15,000.00	4.50%	29 Feb 2016	29 Aug 2014
BNZ Rapid Save	\$6,024.42	Variable		29 Aug 2014
ASB Term Deposit	\$50,000.00	4.75%	26 Aug 2015	26 Aug 2012

4. Tax refunds for 2008/9 to 2013/14 were received during the 2014/15 year.

5. Medals, other commemoratives produced, catalogues and publications are expensed when purchased. Sales revenue is recognised as income when sales are made.

6. All payments received in 2013/14 for the 3-6 July 2014 Conference were treated as prepayments, to be recognised as income at the time of the Conference.

7. Subscriptions are higher in 2014/15 because of payments of arrears by members.

8. Gross interest income is higher in 2014/15 as a large BNZ term deposit matured after three years.

9. Donations include members' donations, auction lots and Alistair Robb estate catalogues all donated to the Society.

10. The Conference surplus shown is larger during 2014/15 because some expenses were recognised in 2013/14. Total surplus across both years was \$2,398.92.

11. Catalogue expense mainly results from production of the MacMaster and Purdy 2014 edition Commemorative Medals catalogue.

12. Medal expenditure in 2014/15 is for 2015-2017 service medals commemorating Alistair Robb.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand Inc and am satisfied that the above Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet correctly set out the financial results and position of the Society.

A W Grant

(Signed)

Hon Auditor

J M Bain

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Treasurer

D A Galt

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The Numismatic Society of Auckland, mailing address PO Box 818, Shortland St, Auckland 1140. Meets at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday (**Note the change from Tuesday**) of every month except January in 'Discovery 4', a room within the MoTaT complex. Anyone wishing to attend a meeting should contact either Jim Duncan (09-422-3525) or David Baird (09-846-7463) for directions. All welcome.

Tauranga Numismatic Society, PO Box 202, Seventh Avenue, Tauranga 3140. Meets Wesley Church Centre, first Wednesday of month, 100 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 7.30 pm. Phone (07) 533-1881.

Waikato Numismatic Society: meets 3rd Wednesday of each month (Feb-Nov) at 7:30 p.m. Contact Secretary for venue details: [etheredge@xtra.co.nz](mailto:etheredge@xtra.co.nz) or call 07 846 1904 or 07 825 9888.

Wanganui Numismatic Society, PO Box 123, Wanganui Mail Centre, Wanganui 4540. Meets 7.30 pm last Tuesday of every month except December. Contact (06) 345-6587 for details.

Manawatu Numismatic Society: now part of the RNSNZ. Contact for local members/enthusiasts: Keith Wrigley, [t221360ret@gmail.com](mailto:t221360ret@gmail.com).

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