

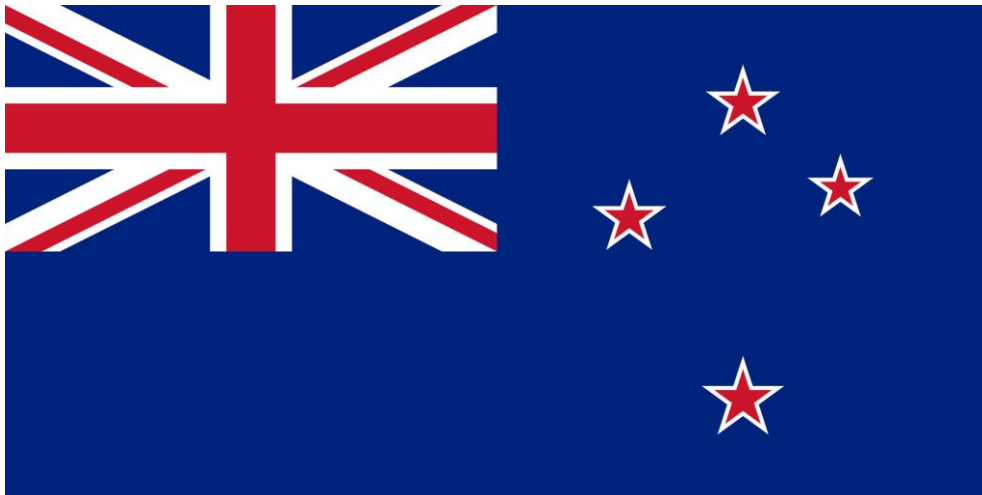


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# Introduction

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Since the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the MacMaster/Purdy catalogue of NZ commemorative medals was published in 2014, and to a lesser extent since the publication of the three updated chapters of the Morel catalogue covering the 1920-1940 period, numerous new discoveries have been made, in addition to new information that sheds additional light on, or corrects, details previously published.

The compilers have received numerous requests for a list of such updates while work continues on the definitive and fully illustrated chapters of the new editions of both Morel and MacMaster/Purdy.

The result is this stop-gap publication, which is intended to list, in the form of brief descriptions, all new NZ commemorative medal discoveries for the period 1920-2019 that are not already contained in the most recently published volumes of the Morel and MacMaster/Purdy catalogues, as well as any updates and corrections to existing listings that have come to light since publication.

It should be read in conjunction with the following publications accordingly:

- M. Purdy, J. Gray, R. Hall & H. MacMaster, *The Leon Morel Catalogue of Medallic Commemoratives of New Zealand up to 1940: The 1920s*, RNSNZ, 2022  
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- H. MacMaster, *Catalogue of New Zealand Commemorative Medals 1941-2007*, RNSNZ, 2009  
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- M. Purdy, J. Gray, R. Hall & H. MacMaster, *New Zealand Commemorative Medals Since 1940, The 2010s, New Series (2022), Version 1*, RNSNZ, 2022  
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Catalogue numbers in this volume refer to the above publications. A dash after the date (e.g. 1982/-) indicates that the item is new, and that a definitive number has not yet been assigned.

Because these publications are being released as searchable PDFs, the previous Index of Legends has now been dispensed with as unnecessary.

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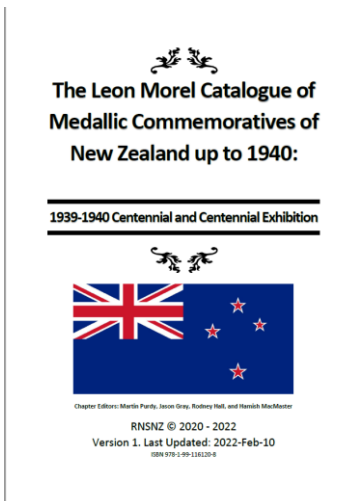
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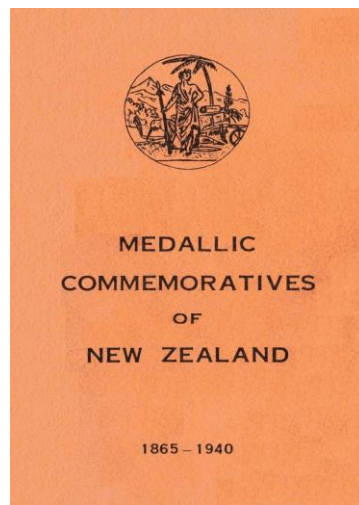
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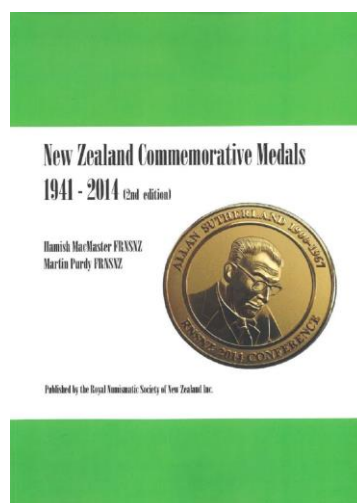
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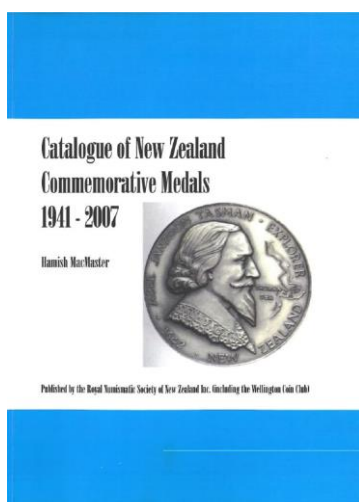


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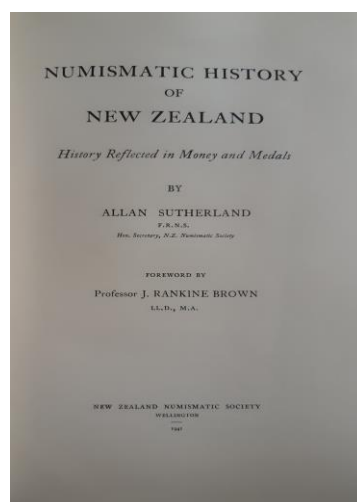


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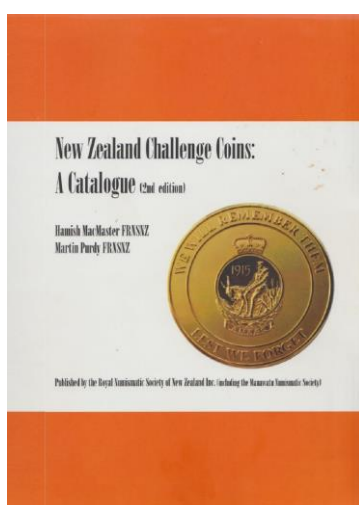


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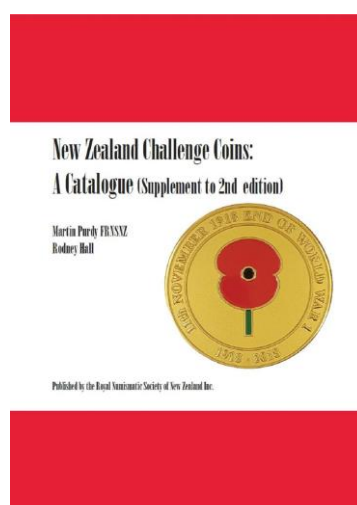


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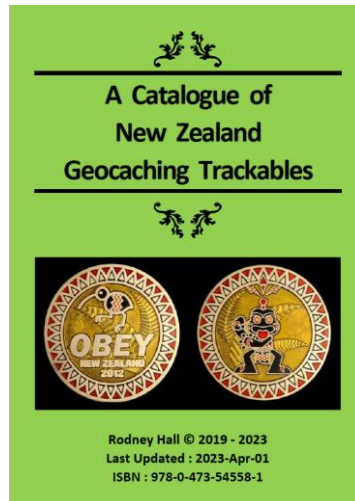
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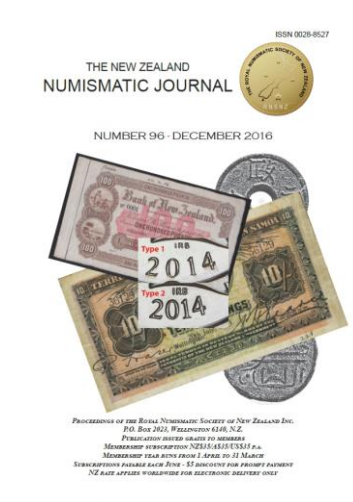


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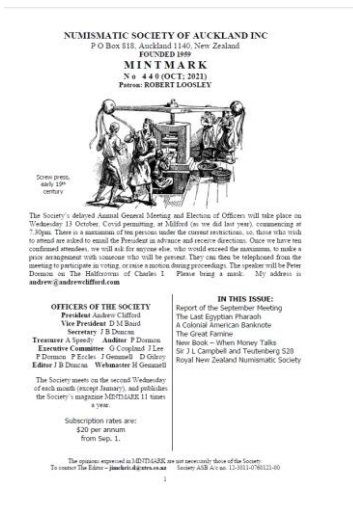
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# Corrections, Updates and New Additions

**TO:  
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1920 TO 1940  
THE MACMASTER CATALOGUE, 2009 AND 2014 EDITIONS, AND THE  
DIGITAL CHAPTER COVERING THE YEARS 2010 TO 2019**

## **The 1920s**

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|--------------------|--|
| 1925-26/1.2A, 1.3A | These may not exist as separate varieties. Individual examples have been found with different thicknesses depending on the angle at which they are measured, i.e. the flans themselves may be of uneven thickness, leading to different readings |
| 1925-26/1.3        | Add unpierced version  |
| 1925-26/1.4        | Copper version reported  |
| 1926/2             | Other years and metals noted for this medal type, e.g. 1914 in 18 ct gold, 23 mm, mounted in bronze surround 47.8 x 27.8 mm with susp loop; surround engraved to No 11 COY SENIOR CADETS SERGT R. S. ALFORD                                      |
| 1927/-             | NSW bowlers NZ tour badge (related item to 1925/2), 22.5 mm, by G.A. Miller & Sons, Sydney   |
| 1927/-             | Ornate shield with lyre; rev engr Presented to E. Jones by Members Auckland Municipal Band April 1927 (gold) 7.32 g  |
| 1928/2             | Rename as 1928/2.1 and add 1928/2.2 (bronze gilt version noted)  |
| 1928/-             | NZ Brass Band Contest, brass and enamel (as stud for clothing wear) by Mayer & Kean  |
| 1929/-             | NSW bowlers NZ tour badge (related item to 1925/2), as 1927 example with change of date  |

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**The 1930s**

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|-----------|--|
| 1935/4B   | Add previous reference number (K/2 in 2000 Supplement). Renumber as 1935/4B.1 and add new 1935/4B.2 in bronze                                  |
| 1937-38/- | British bowlers Antipodes tour badge (related item to 1925/2), trefoil shape, 32 x 27 mm; no maker, "Tour organized by Sports Travel Co. Ltd." |
| 1938/6A   | Amend registered design number from 3953 to 3963   |

**1939-1940 Centennial and Centennial Exhibition**

1940/CEN/7A	New Napier badge/brooch (tree in circle with NAPIER N.Z. / N.Z. CENTENARY 1940 on two ribbons below)
1940/CEN/10.2	Copper version confirmed
1940/CEN/13A	Warrior on wishbone (no “CENTENARY” ribbon but in matching style)
1940/CEN/15.1A	As 15.1 but with suspension loop, no pin
1940/CEN/18A.1A	Like 19A.1A (on tie clip) but gilt
1940/CEN/39A	New variety with ribbon reading N.Z. CENTENARY
1940/CEN/40A	New variety with ribbon reading N.Z. CENTENARY
1940/CEN/45J	New cellulose badge in 1940/CEN/45 series; NZ map between 1840 and 1940, dominant colour creamy yellow
1940/CEN/47	Stratton badge: Sailors on wishbone (no “CENTENARY” ribbon but in matching style)
1940/CEN/-	Stratton badge: Cartoon cat and kiwi, no legend; cat has green ribbon by neck
1940/CEN/-	Stratton badge: Cartoon cat and kiwi, ribbon with N.Z. CENTENARY below; cat has pale blue ribbon by neck
1940/CEN/-	Stratton badge: Liner similar to CEN/41 but taller masts and no kiwi; N.Z. CENTENARY on ribbon
1940/CEN/-	Stratton badge: Seaplane with N-40 on fuselage; N.Z. CENTENARY on red enamel on ribbon
1940/CEN/-	Stratton badge: Popeye with N.Z. CENTENARY on ribbon across chest
1940/CEN/-	Badge in style of CEN/31-33: TAHURANGI / NORTH MOUNT EGMONT N.Z. with N.Z. CENTENARY 1940 on ribbon
1940/EXH/5D.4	Green enamel on horseshoe
1940/EXH/6A	EXH/6 inserted in “lucky horseshoe” (chrome?) with pin back
1940/EXH/18	Cellulose badge like 1940/CEN/45 series, but Carillon and NZ.1940.NZ in blue and CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION in white below against red outer ring

**New Zealand Commemorative Medals since 1940**

**The 1940s**

1940/-	NZ Grand Lodge 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, 9 ct gold with suspender and ribbon. Presented to the 32 surviving foundation members from 1890 (see NZNJ 85, December 2006)
1940/-	Moller Fountain, Nelson, lead, with brass suspension loop. 79 mm, 7 mm thick, 385 g; to C.E. TONKIN / FOR LONG AND / FAITHFUL / SERVICE / TO THE / FOUNTAIN
1940/-	NZ Division 3 <sup>rd</sup> Maadi Pitch & Putt medal, bronze with suspension loop
1940/-	NZBBA (NZ Brass Band Association), Wellington, uniface, silver + gold 43 x 33 mm, by Mayer & Kean, ring top, ribbon and bar with pin-back suspension
1940/-	SABBU (South Auckland Brass Band Union, Te Aroha, uniface, silver, 35 x 28 mm, no maker, ring top and ribbon suspension
1941/-	British Forces in Egypt, N.Z.E. Rugby Championship engr. to L.B. Liddle 1941 (hallmarked Birmingham 1938)
1941/-	Another (presumed 1941) 2 <sup>nd</sup> NZEF to WO1 Mc Cormack 100 yards 1 <sup>st</sup> NZEF Final / 1 <sup>st</sup> (same hallmark as above)
1941/-	Manukau Yacht & Motor Boat Club Jubilee 1891-1941, uniface, silver, pin-back, 23 mm
1941/-	Similar, with ornate suspension loop, 28 x 23 mm
1943/1	Add new name: silver awarded to W.P. McHugh, 220 yds
1943/1	Also bronze (?) version to W.P. McHugh, Mile Invitation Relay
1944/1	Add new Football Freyberg Cup inscr to K.E. Dickson / Winning Team / 22 NZ Bn
1944/1	Add D. Edwards / Seven-A-Side / Hockey / Florence / 1945
1946/1	Silvered example noted, 13.53 g
1948/3	Add late die strike type with die clash on reverse (horizontal lines in field above ship's sails)
1948/5	Pollock 65 <sup>th</sup> Jubilee – restore from 2009 edition
1948/-	Otago Centenary pin-backs: included because of similarity with 1940 Centennial items produced by Stratton, Birmingham:
- (like 1940/CEN/12)	Māori Chief type; MAORI CHIEF / OTAGO 1848-1948 on two ribbons; black enamel
- (like 1940/CEN/14)	TIKI N.Z. / OTAGO 1848-1948 on two ribbons; black enamel
- (like 1940/CEN/18)	Kiwi type; NEW ZEALAND / OTAGO 1848-1948 on two ribbons; black enamel
- (like 1940/CEN/27)	Māori whare type; NEW ZEALAND / OTAGO 1848-1948 on two ribbons; black enamel
1949/1	Pin-back version noted
1949/2	Royal Visit - restore from 2009 edition
1949/3	Add version in aluminium, pierced with suspension loop and bar with leaf pattern
1949/3A	Add version in aluminium gilt, same obverse but NZ map and southern cross reverse
1949/3B	New, uniface: conjoined effigies to L; GVIR monogram in field at R. IN COMMEMORATION . ROYAL VISIT . NEW ZEALAND . 1949 around. Gilt, loop for suspension



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- 1949/- Gilt pin-back with conjoined effigies dividing 19-49; planchet includes shape of crown above and wreath below, inscr THE ROYAL VISIT; uniface
- 1949/- SABU (South Auckland Band Union) Contest, Cambridge, uniface, silver + gold, 30 x 27 mm, suspension ring (example noted with ring missing)

**The 1950s**

1950/1	Example observed with mechanical engraving CH-CH 1967 in obverse exergue
1950/4	Reverse description: Change (NZ) to (N.Z.). Delete note about the minor variety with no stop after the Z – this appears to relate only to 1950/4A (all examples observed)
1950/4	Note Bronze version given to 3 <sup>rd</sup> place getters at Centennial Games; Silver version (confirmed) given to 2 <sup>nd</sup> place getters; first place getters were awarded a silver and plastic engraved plaque containing a similar medal. Exact details uncertain but appears to be bright silver (unlike the matt versions of 1950/1 and 1950/4), and to lack the SILVER stamp Estimated mintage of silver version 100-150, most of which would have been engraved for awarding at the Centennial Games Examples seen with different dates engraved, e.g. NZ Water Polo Championships 1951
1950/4A	Reverse description: Change (NZ) to (N.Z).
1950/6	Charlotte Jane - restore from 2009 edition. Note also varieties: - “bicycle-shaped” badge backing - suspension bar with leaf design - wreath surround with enamelled thistles protruding at 90° intervals - in “life belt” surround with pin back - mounted on tie-pin and chain
1950/9	Add version without enamel
1950/-	British Empire Games, medal style planchet (26 mm) with Auckland arms, silvered copper and enamel, lapel pin attached
1950/-	Gilt version of above, with enamel
1950/-	Otago Provincial Pipe Band Contest, silver, uniface (31 mm) in quatrefoil shape, suspension loop, rev engraved 1950
1951/-	(Previously B/1 in 2009 edition) Māori Women’s Welfare League / Te Ropu Wahine Maori Toko I Te Ora) in different colours and styles. Note that 1951 is the date of foundation and not the date of issue: - early version with brass centre; strong serifs on 1’s in date; high 9; thin letters; red enamel in outer circle; by Mayer & Kean, Wellington, with maker’s mark; - variant of above (post-1963?) with no maker’s mark - late version; silver-coloured centre; no serifs on 1’s in date; digits in line; thick letters; red enamel in outer circle; maker’s mark Mayer & Toye / WGTN NZ
1953/-	RMTA/NZRMATA Tom Hodgson Memorial Medallion uniface bronze with raised enamelled design feature, 48 mm
1953/-	As above but no enamelled feature, 48 mm
1954/-	Crowned head R; ROYAL VISIT above; 9 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 1954 below; reverse open wreath, blank field, crown at top. Very light (coated plastic?); bronze and silver-coloured versions noted. 32 mm
1956/1	Note silver for presentation only; bronze in case sold at £1/1/- each (price quoted in sterling noted – for UK buyers?)
1956/2	Brass version also noted without SILVER stamp on rev (just M&K maker’s mark)

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- 1958/- New Zealand Temple, Dedicated 1958 (Note 1958 is date shown; much later manufacture), probably Cu-Ni, 38 mm
- 1959/- Auckland Harbour Bridge in lead, irregular circle 30.4 – 31 mm, approx. 11.5 g (note “f” of “of” is reversed on all examples seen)
- 1959/- Marlborough centennial, enamelled with suspension loop
- 1959/- Tiki; S. CANTY CENTENNIAL (obv); NZI / TEMUKA (rev) in porcelain, 28 mm

**The 1960s**

- 1960/- British Bowlers visit to NZ, brass and enamel on ribbon (related item to 1925/2 but no pin-back), 26.5 x 31 mm, no maker
- 1962/1 Revise dimensions to 43.2 x 36.7 mm
- 1962/2 Add aluminium + enamel version
- 1963/- Queenstown Catholic Church 1863-1963 / St Joseph Pray For Us
- 1963/- Royal Visit 13-2-63 (mechanical engr. on stock silver medal); 30.1 x 26.8 mm, 7.1 g
- 1964/2 Major weight variations noted: 6.8 g vs. 19.85 g. Second solid metal rather than plated plastic?
- 1965/2 Marlborough Walk – restore from 2009 edition
- 1966/6 Amend diameter to 70 mm. Additional details as follows: Metal Bronze; edge inscr MEDALLIC ART CO. N.Y. BRONZE; designer Ralph Menconi; weight 169 g
- 1966/- Tiki; Temuka School Centennial / NZI Temuka in porcelain 28 mm
- 1966/- Star Boating Club Wellington 1866-1966, 28 mm bronze with susp loop
- 1966/- Cromwell centennial 1866 1966 (oval, blue enamel)
- 1967/1 Note: Gold-plated copper example discovered in 2016. “Gold” versions should be treated with caution and tested if possible. Copper version weighs 34.4 g, gold-plated version 34.9 g. Presumed 9 ct gold version also reported at 20.2 g, though this sounds extremely light for its size
- 1967/2 Uniface trial strike known (Whakatane/1867 side)
- 1967/4 Actual copper mintage of 300 rather than 350 reported. Silver version weighs 50.7 g
- 1967/6 Listed in Carlisle as C1915/3. Originals made by Stokes; 16,591 for Australia and 4,000 for NZ.  
Numerous recent replica versions. There may be others in addition to those listed here.

Version	Obverse	Reverse
Original, struck (Stokes), 123 g	Ferns: 16 leaves at L Soldier’s left leg: 9 bands ANZAC against plain background	NZ outline good, Stewart Island clear; Recipient’s name often engraved in ribbon
Replica, cast, soapy appearance, 90 g	15 leaves at L Leg skinny, bands blurred ANZAC in plain ribbon	NZ outline poor, South Island rectangular, Stewart Island v. faint
Replica, cast, 72.1 g	14 leaves at L 6 bands, incomplete at R, 5 <sup>th</sup> diagonal ANZAC against dotted background	North Island like 4-pointed star, South Island rectangular, no Stewart Island

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Replica, cast, 74.1 g	13 leaves at L 6 bands, incomplete at R, 5 <sup>th</sup> diagonal ANZAC against dotted background	Similar to above but South Island more blobby; <b>Replica</b> in ribbon
Replica, struck, good quality (ELM, Robinson 2013), 102.5 g	15 leaves at L 9 bands ANZAC in plain ribbon	3 islands clear, Stewart Island rectangular and off to right

- 1967/6 Replica lapel pin versions also exist (incl. Clive Robinson c. 2013 in spun bronze over zinc; uncoated samples also known), 33 x 22 mm
- 1967/- Auckland Photographic Society, bronze; undated but engr. Spencer Cup / 1967 noted
- 1967/- RMTA/NZRMATA 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee, With the Compliments of the Feilding and Palmerston North Branches. Brass? Pierced. Similar enamelled feature to 1953/- Tom Hodgson Memorial Medal
- 1968/1 Examples noted not aluminium; faintly magnetic and too heavy (10 g). Presumably chromed steel
- 1968/2 Nickel-coated versions reported as being magnetic
- 1968/4 Conflicting reports as to official mintage of silver version: 50 vs 14
- 1969/1 In reverse description, amend “105 FEET” to “106 FEET”
- 1969/2 Note that 1969/2 relates to the second striking of these medals only (with four dots below the date 1769). The silver examples have the SILVER stamp offset to the right accordingly.
- 1969/3 Renumber as 1969/2A. These are the first striking (without dots below 1769). The silver examples have the SILVER stamp directly below the date. Although three of each metal were originally reported as having survived, more have surfaced since c. 2006 and appear to be “maker’s reserves”. Current estimates are that there may be 15-20 of each metal version in existence.
- 1969/3 (2A) Uniface lead die splashes of both sides known
- 1969/4 Gold examples are 24 ct. Silver issues are sterling (0.925)  
Bronze examples in resin paperweights are also noted
- 1969/5 Official silver mintage 10. Some or all of the 12 known are likely to be maker’s reserves
- 1969/5 Uniface lead splash known (obv only)
- 1969/6 Gold version is 22 ct. Silver issues sterling (0.925). 800 of the 1000 “nickel silver” proofs were supplied to NZ for use in souvenir stamp covers
- 1969/9 Designed by James Berry
- 1969/11 Published silver mintage was 6 (5 for presentation), but at least 16 are known. Some or all of these will be maker’s reserves.
- 1969/12 Published silver mintage was 10 for presentation; some or all of the 12 reported will be maker’s reserves
- 1969/- 5<sup>th</sup> National Jamboree, Canterbury N.Z. 1969, gilt white metal, 28 mm with suspension loop, uniface, no maker

**The 1970s**

- 1970/2 Gold-coloured version also seen in purple card with white field below, with text CARDIGAN BAY in red capitals
- 1970/3 Amend diameter to 38.2 mm. Gold composition .999, silver .999. Note that silver examples are not edge-numbered as previously suggested
- 1970/4 Official silver mintage 10; some or all of the 6 reported in NZNJ 81 (Dec. 2023) may be maker’s reserves
- 1970/5 Gold is 18 ct (67.2 g gross)
- 1970/6 Silver version noted with suspension loop and bar (not clear if this was an aftermarket add-on)
- 1970/- Expo '70 Osaka, NZ Pavilion, 38 mm, 23.3 g
- 1971/1 Gold is 18 ct
- 1971/2 Aluminium version with incomplete obverse noted (“blob” in place of city arms) – error or trial?
- 1971/7 Gross weight 197.865 g
- 1971/12 Add silver version (.7686 ozt ASW) marked STERLING on edge. Mintage 6277 silver, bronze 2725 according to packaging
- 1971/13 Silver version 0.7597 ozt ASW, marked STERLING on edge. Museum centennial appeal ran 1971-72 and “nickel-silver” medals are noted in a Nuphil FDC postmarked 18/1/72
- 1971/15A (New) – Rev as 1971/15 but obv shows a she-wolf with Romulus and Remus and a branch behind. Copper, holed
- 1972/1 Official gold quality is 9 ct but one example was XRF tested at 14 ct in 2022. Testing recommended accordingly
- 1972/2 Silver mintage 200, copper 275 (others unchanged)
- 1972/3 Gold 18 ct, silver .999. 1972/3A and 1972/3B as published were superseded by new descriptions in an “insert” made available shortly after publication of the 2014 edition and included with all subsequent sales, as below:
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| 1972/3A | Die I: Large wing flaps, extra strut, small letters, date digits in line. Outer ring on obv often frosted on Al and Ag versions. Al-Gilt versions have die-crack through second E of PEARSE. First A of AVIATOR to left of plane wheel |
| 1972/3B | Die II: As 1972/3A but without wing flaps, missing extra brace and extra panel. Lettering thicker and date above plane has low 3. First A of AVIATOR slightly to right of plane wheel  |
| 1972/3C | Die III: As 1972/3B but thinner lettering and date digits and high 3 in date. Poorer quality date digits overall. Usually with concentric marks on obv from die polishing  |
- 1972/3A-C Some examples (subtype unknown) issued with NAC/Air New Zealand/Mt Cook Airlines label for presentation by those three airlines to delegates at the 29<sup>th</sup> IATA Annual General Meeting in Auckland (November 1973) to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pearse’s presumed first flight
- 1972/6 Originally projected as a series of 20 but discontinued after 1972/6, 1973/5 and 1974/11. Note that letters KY in Tokyo show signs of being reengraved over YK (1972/6A)
- 1972/7 Renumber as 1972/6A
- 1972/9 Silver-gold version weights 39.08 g, stamped Silver + 9 ct on rev

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1972/-	Convention of International Numismatics (cf. 1979/2). Rev. map of Antarctica; surrounding flags incl. NZ; mintages 2000 bronze, fine silver 100, silver uniface 100
1972/-	Titirangi Primary School centenary, thin brass (35 mm dia, 0.4 mm thick, 1.3 g), uniface, pierced.
1973/6	Silver version exists, hallmarked on edge
1973/-	Large silver plate, uniface (bracteate) in “Steam Locomotives Designed and Built in NZ” series (cf. 1973/1-3); features locomotives Classes AB 1915-1926 and JB 1945-1956. Diameter “about 12 inches” (pers. comm. from George Hawkins). Descriptive label says not less than 98% pure solid silver, limited production run of 100, 50 actually made. Dies engraved by Bob Gillam, designed by G. Hawkins and marketed by Waikato Mint
1973/-	Kamo school centenary 1873-1973. Brass with suspension loop, 35 mm
1973-74/1 (new)	Centennial Open Day 1874-1974/Ellerslie Participant 23.12.73; bronze 41 mm with suspension loop
1973-74/1A (new)	Centennial Open Day 1874-1974/Ellerslie Participant 23.12.73; brass with enamelled monogram, 38 mm with suspension loop
1974/7	Amend diameter to 92.2 mm, convex not flat; paper label accompanying (attached to blank side?) headed MAORI & PAKEHA MEDALLION
1974/14	Amend diameter to 36 mm
1974/-	Commonwealth Games 57.7 mm cast bronze (?) with suspension loop; six stick figures holding hands around centre circle with Games legend; kowhaiwhai-type patterns around centre circle with enamelled NZ/ZN logo. 86.3 g; gilt version also noted
1974/-	Silver-coloured medal with Chch arms / CITY OF CHRISTCHURCH above encased in resin block; text on block Xth British / Commonwealth / Games 1974
1974/-	Bronze tiki with suspension loop (leather string noted for wearing). Reverse has Games logo NZ/ZN and CHRISTCHURCH / N.Z. / 1974
1974/-	Previously B/7: Ingot is part of the First International Bank Silver Ingot Collection, a series of 50 x 1000-grain sterling silver ingots issued by Franklin Mint commemorating banks around the world, marks for Franklin Mint and 1974 on rim
1975/3	Note upper/lower case on medal Mt JANNU 7715m (correction to existing description)
1975/-	Dry Valley Drilling Project, 30.2 mm with susp. Loop; 14.839 g, 3 mm thick
1975/-	H.R.D. Vincent Owner Club, 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary rally 1955-75; chrome and enamel, uniface, by Bock, Wellington (35 mm), pin-back
1975/-	Move 1976/5 here (John Walker first sub-3.50 mile)
1976/5	Event date 1975 not 1976. To be renumbered as a 1975 issue
1976/7	Add copper and aluminium versions, also trial strike in aluminium with no legends either side
1976/-	New Zealand Indoor Bowls Federation touring team 1976, uniface, Cu-Ni, 26.5 mm, 5.8 g
1977/2	Gold is 18 ct
1977/3	Final mintage numbers may be lower than recorded. Gold example numbered #36 and silver numbered #82 on edge noted; if the numbering is sequential, this suggests a gold mintage of c. 50.

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1977/8	Amend description: Master wax mould by Alan Gilderdale
1977/9	Silver weighs 35.8 g
1977/16	“Silver” more likely a Cu-Ni-Zn alloy
1977/18	Edge hallmarked for 1981 – to be renumbered accordingly
1977/-	Convention of International Numismatics (cf. 1979/2). Rev. outlines and flags of Australia and NZ; mintages 1800 bronze, fine silver 100, silver uniface 25
1977/-	NZ Hardtrack Cycling Championships 1877-1977 brass, 38.6 mm, 18.88 g, uniface
1978/-	QE2/The Great Pacific Cruise; Pacific Map including destinations Auckland and Wellington; 44.5 mm, 45.56 g, silver (?)
1978/-	World Rowing Championships, Karapiro. Brass, 57 mm dia, 5 mm thick, 114 g, estimated mintage 20
1979/1	Example still in surrounding aluminium plate noted; 36.1 x 33.6 mm, 3 mm thick, 8.7 g
1979/2	Mintages 1650 bronze, fine silver 100, silver uniface 35; aluminium reported
1979/-	Franklin Mint issue for International Council on Monuments and Sites / Waitomo Caves, NZ. Hallmarked 1979 and sterling silver, 31.9 mm, 2.1 mm thick, 13.49 g. In FDC with NZ stamp and postmark (Note FDC is postmarked 1981)
1979/-	John Pinches issue for Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norkey (sic) and the ascent of Everest in 1953. Hallmarked sterling silver, 38.5 mm, 2.3 mm thick, 22.36 g. In FDC with Nepalese stamp and postmark. Identified on FDC as “The Great Explorers Medals, Issue no. 47”
1979/-	Riverton Borough Centenary 1879-1979, Gilt Al? 38.1 mm, 2 mm thick, 5.04 g, uniface
1979/-	Franklin Mint series 1979-80, The Voyages of Captain Cook (sterling silver, gold on sterling silver), “Sighting the Coast of New Zealand”. Medal #4 of a series of 20 (only two mention NZ). Hallmarked sterling silver and 1979. 38.53 mm, silver version 20.95 g, 0.607 ozt ASW
1979/-	Takapuna Primary School Centenary, plated aluminium (gold-coloured), 50.4 mm, 5 mm thick, 25.6 g
1979/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> National Vintage & Post-Vintage Swapmeet, Pukekohe, 75 mm
1979/-	St Patrick’s College 1884-1979, 32 mm with suspension loop; 18.83 g. Silver-coloured



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- 1980/2 Version with silver finish reported but unconfirmed. Private plating?
- 1980/3 Pierced and unpierced versions noted. Add maker Broadlands Finance Limited
- 1980/7 Add bronze version, mintage 200 in numbered boxes. Silver weight 41.3 g, bronze 35.1 g
- 1980/- Franklin Mint series 1979-80, The Voyages of Captain Cook (sterling silver, gold on sterling silver), "Astronomical Observations at Dusky Bay". Medal #10 of a series of 20 (only two mention NZ). Hallmarked sterling silver and 1980. 38.53 mm, silver version 21.25 g, 0.632 ozt ASW
- 1980/- Christchurch WMC [Working Men's Club] & MSA centenary; enamelled with suspension loop and chain, 15.5 mm, 1.8 g
- 1980/- World Speed Roller Skating Championships, N.Z. 1980. Bronze, approx. 57 mm
- 1980/- Peter Stuyvesant Finn Gold Cup (sailing) 1980; engr. Auckland / New Zealand / In Appreciation, 63 mm
- 1980/- In'Gill Yacht NZ Club (Inc) Centennial Regatta 1980 (uniface), 63.8 mm, 4 mm thick, 97.45 g
- 1980/- Air New Zealand / April 30, 1940 / New Zealand, in shape of aircraft tail fin, Franklin Mint hallmarks for sterling silver and 1980 on edge
- 1981/- Move 1977/18 here (Franklin Mint, Nations of the World: New Zealand)
- 1981/- Franklin Mint "Greatest Landmarks" series, Waitomo Caves, 32 mm in FDC: See entry under 1979 above (postmark is 1981 but medal hallmark is 1979)
- 1981/- UK 1931 halfpenny gilded in presentation case; inscr inside lid 50<sup>th</sup> / Anniversary / HAWKES BAY EARTHQUAKE / 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1931 / 1931 1981
- 1981/- Silver ingot, TSB, \$100M 1981, .999 silver, 129.3 g, 53 x 22 x 10 mm, by Johnson Matthey; commemorating bank deposits reaching \$100 million
- 1982/1 Smaller version in silver noted (23 mm, 6.15 g); design differences: thicker lettering and field behind kiwi patterned like a football
- 1982/9 Example noted in 1982 Commonwealth Games box with NZ Games logo; all four edges of medal inscribed XII COMMONWEALTH GAMES 1982
- 1982/- Rev like 1982/8, bronze, 42 mm, 26.5 g, diamond-shaped, obv map of NZ with various destinations and box for engraving marked "Date of visit". In Commonwealth Games box with N/ Z Z / N logo
- 1982/- New Zealand Mint fine silver ingot 5 g .999+, Commonwealth Games Brisbane 1982 with N / Z Z / N logo. Rectangular, 31.2 x 15.2 mm, with suspension loop
- 1982/- The Sovereignty of New Zealand 1840, gold electroplate on sterling silver, 32 mm, JP (John Pinches – part of a series?)
- 1983/1 Several examples of a heavier, thicker, darker version in bronze noted. Not known to NSA. 23.2 g, 2.9 – 3.0 mm thick. For comparison, regular copper issue is 19.4 g and 2.6 mm thick; silver is 30.1 g, 3.3 mm thick

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1983/3	<p>Sterling silver and bronze only. Rename silver finish version 1983/3A.</p> <p>1983/3: Letters square in shape, W &amp; Z touch ground line and design figures are full, with a more 3-dimensional effect.</p> <p>1983/3A: Trial version, electroplated with sterling silver on 16-gauge gilding metal. An advance representation piece for showing at Wellington Coin Club Fair and to observe tarnishing. Issued in a blue card. Taller, thinner letters than 1983/3, and W &amp; Z do not touch the ground line. Design figures are in outline only</p>
1983/-	<p>“Wellington” in circle of crescents and dots; 1983 engraved on reverse, bronze 32 mm</p>
1983/-	<p>Pilkington/World Squash/New Zealand/1983, rev. player; bronze 38 mm, in AC&amp;B case of issue</p>
1983/-	<p>Karapiro Regatta, 58 mm brass, similar to 1979 issue but date in rectangle above logo; triangular suspension loop</p>
1984/1	<p>Silver 0.925 (sterling), weight 29 g, 0.862 ozt ASW</p>
1984/-	<p>New Zealand Olympic Team Major Sponsor – MARAC 1 oz gold</p>
1984/-	<p>Wrightson Bloodstock Sales 1984 – uniface, enamelled, suspension loop, 31 mm</p>
1984/-	<p>Upjohn NZ silver jubilee – 25 years of service to medicine &amp; agriculture. Enamelled medal in resin block</p>
1985/2	<p>Stampex 1985 – restore from 2009 edition</p>
1985/SP/1	<p>Heading was inadvertently omitted in the 2014 catalogue: 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Fletcher Challenge Marathon</p>
1985/-	<p>Newman’s Coach Lines North Island 50 years 1935-1985; enamelled, oval with ribbon across centre; suspension loop at RH end of ribbon</p>
1985/-	<p>United Fire Brigades Association. UFBA Conference and Competitions, Auckland, 39 mm, plated</p>
1986/2	<p>Amend mintage of nickel-silver version to 100, and add mintage of 250 to bronze. Ten nickel-silver examples mounted in lates for presentation purposes.</p> <p>A first run was reportedly dumped in the sea off Lyall Bay, recovered by a diver and subsequently destroyed. Assumed no examples survive</p>
1986/6	<p>Amend diameter to 101.5 mm</p>
1986/-	<p>National Party 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Congress (paperweight). Although this is mentioned in the 2014 catalogue (p. 132) it wasn’t numbered and it’s regularly described as “not in MacMaster”. To be given a number in the 1980s chapter update in the hope it will be noticed in future</p>
1986/11	<p>Note reverse is a K.G. Luke stock die (also noted for Num. Soc. of Auckland presentation medal in 1968, among others)</p>
1986/-	<p>NZ Aluminium Smelters, Maintenance-Engineering Group, 1971-1986. 55 mm, 4.9 mm thick, 31.1 g, printed or machine-engraved on uniface aluminium disc</p>
1986/-	<p>New Zealand Kennel Club centennial, silver gilt, 34.5 mm; also silver version</p>
1986/-	<p>New Zealand Synthetic Fuels Corporation Plant Opening. Sterling silver, 38 mm, 25.6 g</p>
1986/-	<p>Richard Hadlee benefit dinner, 21/2/1986; approx. 50 mm</p>
1986/-	<p>Lawrence Gold Rush 1861-1986. Clay, 121 mm dia, 16 mm thick, 183.1 g, uniface</p>

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1987/9	Also found with “plastic” images attached to reverse. Types noted: (a) pilot’s head with helmet and goggles; (b) “50” logo in shape of an aeroplane’s tail fin
1987/10	Silvered version reported but unconfirmed
1987/-	Convention of International Numismatics, 1987 (cf. 1979/2); features “British Commonwealth” with kangaroo, Australian, British and NZ flags
1987/-	Kiwanis, NZ District, 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary convention in Noumea (mixed French and English legends); 44.6 mm, 39.9 g, bronze, pierced
1987/-	NZ Ice Skating Association, 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary. 38.6 mm, 16.27 g, enamelled, uniface, with suspension loop
1987/-	P&O 150 years bronze 76.5 mm, 144.4 g, in case marked Presented with the Compliments of P&O – New Zealand
1988/1	Silver weight reported as 28.8 g
1988/2	Add Silver-Gold (vermeil) version with head gold-plated
1988/2A	New: Obv as 1988/2; rev mountain design; CENTENNIAL YEAR 1988 . FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO PHILATELY . Gilt?
1988/4	Note edge is bevelled: diameter is 65.8 mm (rev) and 64.5 mm (obv). Add “W.C. & L.V. Holdaway, Blenheim” to designer details.
1988/4A	New: larger version of 1988/4, 146 mm diameter, 6.8 mm thick, 238.52 g. FERRYMEAD / 125 <sup>TH</sup> coloured yellow; small label on rev reads TRU-SCALE DESIGNS / W.C. & L.V. HOLDAWAY / BLENHEIM
1988/-	South Port NZ 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary. Note that ‘1988’ is stated on the medal as the date of establishment, not the date of issue. Although it’s regularly noted as “unlisted”, it’s in its rightful place in the 2014 edition as <b>1998/5</b>
1988/-	Going For Gold / Government Life, Olympic rings 1988. Sterling silver, gold finish, edge numbered (no. 067 noted), 38 mm, 30.75 g. Maker Mayer & Toye
1988/-	Australian & New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science centenary; Centenary Congress in Sydney, Silvered bronze, 38 mm, by Amor
1988/-	State visit of President of Italian Republic to NZ, 17-19 Oct 1986. Silver, 56 mm, by the Italian State Mint
1989/6	Composition likely brass or bright bronze
1989/SP/1	Change metal to pewter, weight 100 g
1989/-	50 <sup>th</sup> Calf Club Jubilee, Glenbrook School 1989 / Sponsored by Slag Reduction; enamelled, 35.8 mm, 17.9 g, with suspension loop
1989/-	2 NZEF Cotignola 1989; NZ / Onward badge and arms of Cotignola; plaster, approx. 85-90 mm dia. (Online museum reference says 12-14 cm, but this conflicts with the ruler guide in their own photo). Maker’s label Stampo Plast, Bagnara, Italy
1989/-	Visit by Sir Robert Muldoon to Chile, October 1989. .999 silver, 55 mm, 102 g

**Gillam Series, 1989-91**

<i>1989-91</i>	<i>Gillam series: Note that “tourist dollars” also exist using many of the “scene” reverses of 1990/GIL/6-18 and 1990/GIL/21/33 but are not included here</i>
1989/GIL/2	Add version in gilt copper
1990/GIL/1	Pierced and unpierced versions noted
1990/GIL/10	Add version in gilt aluminium
1990/GIL/16	Add version in gilt aluminium
1990/GIL/17	Add version in gilt aluminium
1990/GIL/18	Add version in gilt aluminium
1990/GIL/44	Add 1990/GIL/44A, special presentation version in gilt copper without suspension loop, uniface (obv only), 45 mm, 49.18 g

**The 1990s**

1990/1	Brass: Note thick and thin versions exist (thick, 12.70 g; thin, 10.25 g)
1990/35	Antique silver is sterling, 71.28 g. Medals in VIP sets have different specs and should be classed as 1990/35A
1990/35A	The “VIP set” issues previously included under 1990/35. Like 1990/35 but a larger module (57 mm not 50 mm). Bronze 57 mm, 4 mm thick 78.73-79.93 g Bronze gilt 57 mm, 4 mm thick, 93.97-94.15 g Silvered finish 57 mm, 4 mm thick, 92.88 – 94.15 g
1990/39	Note that two examples were bronzed and 1-2 were gold plated
1990/-	Rectangular sterling pendant with “Kuki Kea” and New Zealand / 1990 (uniface except for STG on rev)
1990/-	Circular sterling pendant with Heron sesquicentennial logo and New Zealand / 1990 (uniface except for STG on rev)
1990/-	Official opening Aotea Centre Auckland; rectangular 57.6 x 32.1 mm with suspension loop, 16.03 g uniface
1990/-	Duke of Edinburgh Award, International Gold Award Training, New Zealand, brass, 45 mm
1990/-	Thirteenth World Orchid Conference 1990, Auckland, NZ. 3 medals – two silver-coloured, one gold-coloured
1990/-	NEW/ZEALAND/1990/MEDAL hand-engraved on brass medal with integral bar (48 x 36 mm), no maker, uniface, in case
1991/8	Silver (silvered?) version reported, with .950 below heads and Australian insignia below Australian trooper’s head. Weight 106 g
1991/-	SPORTS New Plymouth 150 <sup>th</sup> anniv marathon finishers’ medal (with susp loop as on 1991/9). 50.3 mm excl. loop, 3.3 mm thick, 54.105 g
1991/-	Battle of Crete 50 years (Eng on one side, Greek on other); crudely struck, uneven circle, with blue and white ribbon, 40 mm dia, 4 mm thick
1991/-	Swiss Society of NZ, 700 years of Confederation; WM + Enamel 55 x 36 mm w/ red-and-white striped ribbons above and below, and bar with SSNZ name. By R. Kramer, Neuchatel
1991/-	World Wide Fund for Nature 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary. WWF logo / tuatara (“Sphenodon punctatus”) 38.7 mm, 3.1 mm thick, 28.47 g; in FDC with NZ tuatara postage stamp and Wanganui postmark. Note: Envelope marked © 1986 but postmark is 17/4/1991; WWF was established 1961
1991/-	SPORTS New Zealand Winter Games 1991 (bronzed finish noted), 68.5 mm, with suspension loop
1991/-	SPORTS 4 <sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Wrestling Championships, Dunedin, with suspension mount, 46.4 mm
1992/7	Māori Fishing Agreement – restore from 2009 edition
1992/8	Larger (26 mm) version noted without date – add to Undated section
1992/-	Benson & Hedges World Cup Cricket 1992, brass, rev. fern and NEW ZEALAND/CRICKET; one of a set of nine with national emblems (AU, PK, NZ, UK, IN, SA, SL, ZW, WI), 31.5 mm, 14.7 g
1992/-	Benson & Hedges World Cup Cricket 1992, similar design to above but grey-coloured metal and speckled fields [ <i>Note specifications unknown: this may be the same as the next entry</i> ]

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1992/-	Benson & Hedges World Cup Cricket 1992, set of nine in sterling silver, 34 mm, 15.75 g, mintage 5,000 sets; also 18 sets in 18 ct gold
1992/-	Benson & Hedges World Cup Cricket 1992, rev. cricketer and names of participating countries. Three versions noted: Silver? 38.5 mm, 2.6 mm thick, 30.84 g Silver? With gilt highlighting on logo, 38.5 mm, 2.7 mm thick, 30.85 g Gilt? 38.5 mm, 3.1 mm thick, 30.79 g
1992/-	Supreme Grand Royal Arch. Chapter of New Zealand centenary, brass with ornate suspension loop, red ribbon, bar reading CENTENNIAL. By Mayer & Toye, 40.3 mm
1992/-	NZRFU centenary. 27 rugby ball-shaped medals hand-painted with club colours and dates of the local clubs joined the RFU, in wooden presentation box. 200 numbered sets produced. Medals gold-anodised, long dimension approx. 25 mm. Box also includes separate 25 mm round gold-anodised medal specifying set number.
1992/-	NZRFU Centennial, printed on silvered wood, 50 mm
1992/-	15 <sup>th</sup> National Vintage and Post-Vintage Swap Meet, Pukekohe. 75.6 mm, 5.5 mm thick, 114.77 g, uniface
1992/-	Ministry of Transport 1937-92 End of an Era, brass & enamel, 34.7 mm with suspension loop, 2.8 mm thick, 10.55 g
1992/-	America's Cup 1851-1992 with participating country names / America's Cup XXVIII San Diego Yacht Club, 63 mm brass with suspension loop, in Perspex paperweight
1992/-	Port of Tauranga, Sulphur Point 1992, chrome and enamel finish, 77 mm, 8 mm thick
1992/-	RNZAF Te Rapa, 1942-1992, bronze 50 mm, by A.J. Parkes; example with engraved edge noted
1992/-	NEW ZEALAND/ RUGBY / FOOTBALL / UNION / CENTENNIAL; rev fern/100/1892.1992, silvered wood, 50 mm
1992/-	SPORTS New Zealand Winter Games 1992 (gilt, silvered and bronzed finishes noted), 68.5 mm, with suspension loop
1993/-	Whakarewarewa, NZ Māori Arts & Crafts Institute. Like 1992/8 but aluminium, approx. 22 mm
1993/-	150 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of First Jewish Service in Wellington, bronze, 51 mm, no makers mark but by Mayer & Toye
1994/4	Pewter version has 23-12-1894 on edge and [number] of 50, weight 100.87 g
1994/-	Aoraki Polytechnic, Timaru, first decade, bronze 51 mm, 72.2 g
1994/-	SPORTS Fletcher Challenge 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary marathon, finisher's commemorative medal by A.J. Parkes, bronze, 60.2 mm, 96 g
1994/-	Cobb River Power Station Jubilee 1944-1994 / ECNZ Waitaki Hydro Group
1995/3	Note numbers 1-4 are pure silver (but legend still reads "STG SILVER"). Nos 5-29 are sterling. 33 examples also struck in bronze Nos. 2 & 3 given to Peter Blake and Russell Coutts
1995/4	2.5-ounce medal noted with frosting extending to left of "1995" and touching tops of letters on reverse
1995/6	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of WW2 – stud-back; restore from 2009 edition
1995/8	SPORTS National Highland Games – restore from 2009 edition

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- 1995/- STAMPEX 1995, stock medal engraved, 43 mm dia, 2 mm thick, with suspension loop. Given to exhibitors with ribbon, no ribbon for helpers. Event held Wellington Town Hall 1-2 July 1995
- 1995/- Postal History Society of NZ Inc, Post-x Stamp Exhibition, Downtown Convention Centre, Auckland, 3-6 Feb 1995. Medal gold plated over silver (?) 33 mm square, with separate award name plate 51 mm x 15 mm; name plate engraved with award type (“Large Vermeil”, etc.). Medal and plate mounted into cardboard folder 21.2 x 14.8 cm.
- 1995/- RNZAF Shelley Bay Warrant Officers’ and Senior NCO’s Mess 1946-1995 brass 46 mm, 4.5 mm thick, in plush case
- 1996/1 Also in silver, 51 mm, 5 mm thick, 100 g
- 1996/3 Add 1996/3B, version with bronze-coloured stamp; M&Y CH maker’s mark on reverse;  
Add 1996/3C, version entirely bronze-coloured (coated?); no maker’s mark on reverse
- 1996/- RNZEME 50<sup>th</sup> anniv and reunion, NZCC/AR/30b
- 1996/- Anchor Products/NZ Dairy Group of Companies, Opening of Lichfield Cheese Plant, 15/3/1996; also noted in Perspex block as paperweight (antique bronze)
- 1997/2 Produced by Clint McInnes
- 1997/- Rangitikei Club, Feilding, Centenary. Silver-coloured with enamel, 51.5 mm with suspension loop, 2.4 mm thick, 37.65 g, uniface
- 1998/6 Amend composition to zinc (not aluminium), 13.1 – 13.5 g. Also brass, 15 g  
Magnetic examples of brass version noted (coated/plated?)
- 1998/- Army cadets 50<sup>th</sup> reunion 6-8 Nov 1998 / Regular Force Cadet, 38 mm, with suspension ring
- 1998/- Broad Bay Celebrating 150 Years of Otago, rev engraved. By Bran/Moll Dunedin
- 1998/- Port Molyneux Caledonian Sports & Picnic / Otago 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1848-1998, with ribbon and numbered card xx/150, 41 mm
- 1998/- New Zealand Pamir Association, Congress Wellington 1998 (NZCC/NZO/6 in 2011 Challenge Coins catalogue). Bronze 44 mm
- 1998/- 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary Liberation of Le Quesnoy, 70 mm, 95% tin; unengraved example in South Canterbury Museum; engraved example presented to Helen Clark in 2003, images for future publication courtesy of the respective collections
- 1998/- SPORTS World Masters Swimming 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Wellington, brass, 50.95 mm uniface
- 1999/- SPORTS FIFA World Championship / New Zealand 99 brass
- 1999/- SPORTS Burnham Chevaliers Rugby League Club 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary, NZCC/AR/SP4a (like undated version w/o anniversary, B/8 in 2014 edition). Copper over zinc? 44 mm
- 1999/- Cricket World Cup with list of participating countries/Thank you for your contribution. Oval, 51.6 x 40.4 mm, 4.6 mm thick, 50.64 g
- 1999/- Netball World Championships, Christchurch, 60 mm, 118.6 g (metal unknown – pewter?)

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### The 2000s

2000/6	These have a seam around the edge and appear to be cast. Add second finish/composition: antique bronze or white metal
2000/7	These have a seam around the edge and appear to be cast.
2000/13	Amend diameter to 104 mm, 6 mm thick, 279.8 g. Claim noted on a TradeMe listing that most were destroyed
2000/-	Air New Zealand/Ansett / New Millennium – Looking Toward Our Future, brass, 38.3 mm with suspension loop, 4.8 mm thick, 33.435 g
2000/-	Tawa College, Presented to students enrolled in 2000 AD, bronze, uniface, 48.5 mm, 38.69 g, 2.6 mm thick
2000/-	Te Mata Peak / Peak 2000, brass/gilt, 38 mm, 2.3 mm thick, 19.55 g
2000/-	NZ Students’ Millennium / Riverina School, gilt, 30.1 mm, 3.5 mm thick, 16.78 g
2000/-	NZ Students’ Millennium / Patoka School, gilt, 30.2 mm, 2.6 mm thick, 12.27 g
2000/-	NZ Students’ Millennium / Farm Cove Intermediate, gilt, 30.3 mm
2000/-	NZ Students’ Millennium / Marton Junction School, gilt, 30 mm
2000/-	The Dawn Of The Third Millennium, New Zealand Students Millennium Medallion 2000AD, bronze, 32.3 mm, 3.7 mm thick, 22.47 g
2000/-	Millennium Year 2000, New Zealand – Aotearoa, greenstone medallion (map/kiwi). 42.5 mm, 6.9 mm thick,- 25.89 g
2000/-	Cub Day, silver coloured, 34.66 mm, faintly magnetic, uniface
2000/-	Endeavour Visit/The Press, Christchurch 2000, 31.0 mm with suspension loop, 16.72 g
2000/-	Miramar Links, The New Millennium Commemorative Medal 2000AD, brass, 50.4 mm with suspension loop, 2.7 mm thick, 43.61 g (“ANTIQUE BRASS” machine engraved on rev)
2000/-	Southland NZ 2000 / Murihiku, uniface, silver 38 mm
2000/-	One ounce .999 silver, map / kiwi + fern + date, issued through Downie’s; 39 mm, 3 mm thick, 31.28 g
2001/2	Illustration in 2014 catalogue is incorrect. Obverse as 2001/1 with UN IYV logo; reverse as “obverse” of 2001/2
2001/-	Fire Service Volunteers, like 2001/1 and 2001/2, with and w/o ribbon
2001/-	Civil Defence and Emergency Management, like 2001/1 and 2001/2
2001/-	75 Squadron RNZAF 1916-2001 End of an Era; base metal, miniature, approx. 20 mm on suspender bar (direct to medal, no ribbon)
2001/-	Buckland’s Beach Intermediate School 25 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, bright nickel finish, 40 mm, 28 g
2001/-	Second Manapouri Tailrace Tunnel Holethrough, bronze, 63 mm, 4 mm thick
2001/-	Motueka, Huia Rugby Football Club 1901-2001, arms under resin cap in stock 50 mm brass medal with wreath and suspension loop, engraved on reverse CENTENNIAL / YEAR.
2002/3	Add 24 ct gold-plated nickel version, limited edition of 1000.
2002-2003/-	Photographic Society of NZ Inc. 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, uniface, silver coloured, 41.8 mm, 2.7 mm thick, 28.61 g
2002-2003/-	Photographic Society of NZ Inc. 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, uniface, brass, 41.8 mm, 2.7 mm thick, 28.83 g



Commemorative Medals – Corrections, Updates and New Additions (2023)

2002/5	Re-number as 2002/4A
2003/2	Designer R.M. Conly
2003/3	Several versions: Gold .750 50 mm, 65 g Gold .750 28 mm, 11.6 g Gold .916 19 mm, 4.2 g Silver .925 50 mm, 60 g Bronze
2003/-	Bowls NZ Women's Nationals Bay of Plenty, porcelain 27 mm
2004/1	Not "silver" as described. Presumably a nickel/cupro-nickel alloy
2004/2	Add version for non-Jury awards engraved with name and class (2004/2A)
2004/-	Kihikihi Speedway 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, engr. 50 <sup>th</sup> anniv. Golden helmet meeting. 50 mm, 66.81 g, 4.4 mm thick, Brass (coated?) By A.J. Parkes
2005/-	90 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of ANZAC; Australian and NZ Embassies in Manila; see NZCC/WW1/1
2005/-	Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Chch, Awarded for Parish Services / 100 / 1905-2005; bronze, 34.6 mm with suspension loop, 3 mm thick, 24.813 g (incl. ribbon). Obv design based on M1911/1
2006/5	Exhibition winners and key personnel were awarded the medal framed with a named certificate; grade of award stated below medal; loose medals given to casual helpers
2006/6	<i>Delete (see Rodney Hall, A Catalogue of New Zealand Geocaching Trackables)</i>
2006/-	Set: Sands of Gallipoli (combined Aus/NZ set) – frosted silver-plated brass, 50.3 mm, 65.2 g x 6 medals, plus one enamelled
2007/2	<i>Delete (see Rodney Hall, A Catalogue of New Zealand Geocaching Trackables)</i>
2007/3	Amend compositions to read gold, silver and bronze finishes over base metal, possibly aluminium. Official mintages 30, 100 & 300. 1-5 additional, unauthorised examples of the gold-finish versions also exist
2007/-	Queen Mary 2 Maiden World Voyage - Auckland / Cunard. Silver and gold finishes, 38.7 mm, 2.7 mm thick - 20.085 g
2007/-	National Rugby League Warriors, 2007 Telstra Premiership Season
2007/-	Oceana Gold, Commissioning of Reefton Gold Project, silver, 39 mm, 3 mm thick, 31.23 g
2008/4	Add diameter 28.75 mm
2008/-	FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup NZ 2008, gold-plated base metal, 50 mm
2008/-	WWCT regiment 150 years (NZCC/AR/59). Zinc alloy, 43.5 mm with suspension loop. Mintage officially 150, but presumably 151 as individually dated 1858 to 2008. Maker CBS, Levin
2009/4	Maker Moller & Young. Distinctions between award types may refer only to the box (i.e. no other medal versions recorded to date)
2009/-	1939-2009 27 NZ MG & INF BN bronze with suspension loop 50 mm
2009/-	NZ Antique and Historical Arms Association 50 years, brass, 51.7 mm, 3.5 mm thick, 50.91 g

**The 2010s**

2010-19

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2015/-

SPORTS 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of inline hockey in NZ, brass + enamel, irregular shape, 52 x 54 mm

2018/-

New Zealand Medal of Philatelic Administration for Excellence (issued twice so far, in 2018 and 2020). Stamp outline and NZ map/reverse blank for engraving. Round, 50 mm, with suspension loop

**The 2020s**

2020-date

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**Undated: pre-1940**

- N/6A        SPORTS Souvenir from Returned Soldiers Association; silver with kiwi in blue enamelled circle; ornate suspension loop; Rev blank for engraving with SILVER below. Engraved example to Nam Thakar Singh for Indian Hockey Visit noted, undated but 1926; note that this is a finished version of N/6 (Morel, 2000 Supplement) with kiwi added

**Undated: post-1940**

- A/1        Add cross-reference to G#A4 in annual John Bertrand catalogue
- A/-        All Golds NZ Rugby League Centenary (ND, c. 2007), brass (gilt?) with suspension loop, 50 mm
- B/1        Delete – normally enamelled as teaspoon handle insert
- B/4        Restore J/1 from 2009 edition here (NZ Barefoot Water Ski Tournament)
- B/5        White metal and aluminium versions also reported
- B/7        Move to 1974: Ingot is part of the First International Bank Silver Ingot Collection, a series of 50 x 1000-grain sterling silver ingots issued by Franklin Mint commemorating banks around the world, marks for Franklin Mint and 1974 on rim
- B/-        Peter H. Buck / Te Rangi Hiroa 1880-1951 Memorial Medal, uniface, 49.23 mm, 4.5 mm thick, 57.35 g (possibly silver)
- D/-        Dulux / BENCHMARK / SILVERDALE, uniface, electroplate, 38 mm
- E/-        Elektrosila – New Zealand Embassy (Russia), brass 69 mm engraved
- H/-        Hastings Highland Games, silvered base metal and enamel 43 x 32 mm with ornate suspension loop, uniface
- M/-        Keven Mealamu, head in circle (facing), KEVEN MEALAMU above, MEDAL below, solid bronze 70 mm, 5 mm thick; rev unknown
- N/-        Eagle over M and globe logo, NEW ZEALAND below, rev open wreath; aluminium, 51 mm
- Q/1        The Queen Mary Centre was an alcohol rehabilitation facility
- R/-        Rotary International – Friendship Goodwill Aotearoa New Zealand, 49 mm, 3.5 mm thick, 48.62 g (brass/gilt)
- W/2        The Waikawa Boating Club (Picton) was established in 1950, which dates this item to 2000
- W/-        Larger version of 1992/8 (26 mm) without date

**Sporting Commemoratives**

The intention is to restore these to the correct date sequence in the body text in forthcoming chapters. Updates to the “SP” series are therefore included under the relevant year in the main text above.



# About the Authors ...

## Martin Purdy FRNSNZ



Martin arrived in New Zealand as a five-year-old in 1970 with a matchbox full of British coins that eventually formed the basis for his collection.

The discovery of coins with legends in foreign languages and different alphabets led him to a career as a translator, though he has remained an active collector and student of coins and medals for some 50 years.

A former President of both the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand (2003-2006) and the Wellington Coin Club (1989-1994), and Secretary of the RNSNZ (1990-1997), he was involved in editing and publishing the Society's Journal for over twenty-five years, becoming a Fellow of the Society in 2003.

Subsequently, he collaborated with Hamish MacMaster on larger-scale undertakings such as the two editions of the catalogue of post-1940 Commemorative Medals published in 2009 and 2014, and the first and second editions of the Catalogue of NZ Challenge Coins (2011, 2016). In collaboration with Rodney Hall, he compiled and published a supplement to the 2nd edition in May 2019.

A new initiative has been the start of a chapter-by-chapter electronic publication of a new edition of Leon Morel's catalogue of pre-1940 medallic commemoratives, with a new electronic edition of the "MacMaster" post-1940 catalogue being prepared in parallel.

A keen vintage car enthusiast, Martin also edits Sphinx-NZ, the magazine of the Armstrong Siddeley Car Club in NZ.

## Jason Gray



Jason started to take an interest in numismatics after being shown a 1993 kingfisher design \$2 coin by his grandfather as a teenager. But it was not until many years later that he started collecting coins himself, joining the Manawatu Numismatic Society in 2007. His interests extended to medals and tokens. However, his passion is in the small details of coin errors, and this is documented on his website [coinerrors.nz](http://coinerrors.nz).

Now Jason works on discovering, photographing, and cataloguing New Zealand coins, tokens, and commemorative medals, and has contributed to the medal and challenge coin catalogues in this series since 2014.

He is a keen kayak angler and loves going on adventures with the family.

## Rodney Hall



Rodney was born in an England still gripped by food rationing. At 18 months, he travelled by plane (BOAC Argonaut) via the Middle East and Ceylon to Singapore (a three-day trip with flying only during daylight hours).

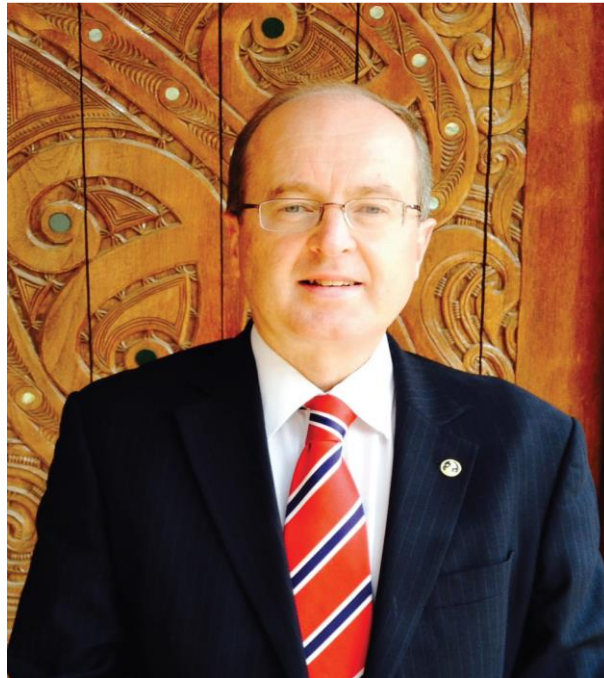
He spent the next 13 years overseas in Malaya, Singapore and finally on the island of Zanzibar in East Africa, and has fond memories of sea, sand, and sun on the beaches there, with boarding school just a plane, train, and bus ride away in Kenya.

It was during these years in East Africa that Rodney started collecting world coins, garnered by his father who travelled extensively around the world as a fisheries scientist.

After returning by ship (the P&O liner Chusan) via Cape Town to England, he could not wait to leave again, and in 1978 with a young family in tow emigrated to New Zealand.

Along with his interest in NZ challenge coins, Rodney also collects NZ Geocoins, NZ Pathtags and Philippine challenge coins, and is actively researching and gathering data for various electronic catalogues, including monthly online updates to the standard reference on NZ Challenge Coins.

## Hamish MacMaster FRNSNZ



Hamish was born in 1961 in Christchurch, where he developed an early and passionate interest in coins and medals.

Hamish has been a member of the Royal Numismatic Society of NZ for over twenty-five years, serving as its Assistant Secretary (2003) and Secretary (2009-2013, 2022-), and is currently a Vice President (2014-).

In addition to regular articles for the Society's Journal, he has written, in collaboration with Martin Purdy, the 2009 Catalogue of New Zealand Commemorative Medals 1941-2007, and its updated and expanded 2nd edition in 2014; and the 2011 New Zealand Challenge Coins: A Catalogue, and its second edition in 2016.

In 2010 he became a Fellow of the Society.

Pursuing a diplomatic career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hamish served as New Zealand's Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran accredited also to Afghanistan and Pakistan (2004-2009) and was subsequently Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (2015), resident in Riyadh and also accredited to Bahrain, Kuwait, and Oman. In 2016 his list of (non-resident) accreditations was expanded when he was appointed as New Zealand's first ever Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen. Hamish returned from serving again as Ambassador to Iran in 2021.



## NOTES







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