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# Redwood Empire Coin Club

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## SHOW TIME!

Most of the February RECC meeting was devoted to preparing for our coin show. Even before the meeting started, over 20 members set up for the show inside Finley Hall at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. Many thanks to those who helped— the set up was quick and easy.

Only one person spoke about the topic for the February meeting. Rich Wright talked about looking for early Liberty Walking halves.

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The topic for our **March** meeting will be: **What I Bought/Sold, and What I Am Still Looking For.** This is a great way to network with club members to further help with your collecting needs.

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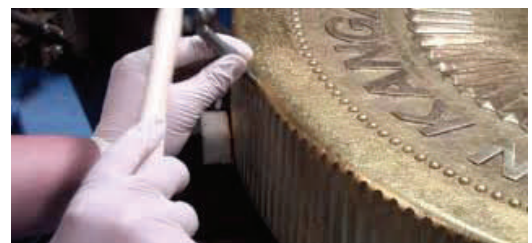
Also, March will be our annual **Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner!** In honor of St. Patrick, and for a mere **\$5**, we will have delicious corned beef and cabbage, cooked to perfection by the crew at G&G Market. ***Please bring a side dish or a green dessert*** to share with the club.

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Coin Dealer Scott Griffin joined the meeting, and briefly talked about the upcoming show at the Old San Francisco Mint. There will be a dinner on February 22 at the end of the show, and they will be remembering Willie Quarante at the time. Scott also mentions that he now collects holey coins, an interest he picked up from Willie.

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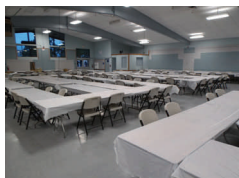
Joe McC also gave a talk on the world's largest gold coins. For a while, the record was held by the Perth, Australia Mint with a 10 kg (**22 pound**) coin. Then the Austria Mint came up with a 31 kg (**70 pound**) coin. Canada then came up with a 0.99999 pure gold 100 kg (**220 pound**) coin. 5 were minted, available for double the value in gold at the time. Not to be outdone, the Perth Mint poured an 80 cm (31.5") wide, 8 cm (3-1/4") wide 'planchet' and engraved a single coin— a Kangaroo weighing **1 metric ton** worth \$50 million in gold alone! I'll stick with coins I can still carry in my pocket.





## ON WITH THE SHOW

2 cooperative days of weather  
48+ dealers  
124 tables  
325 chairs  
949 show attendees  
14 PCGS MS63 Morgan Dollars  
9 gold coins  
= 1 great show and countless smiles.



We had lots of help setting up for the show on Wednesday. And everyone was treated to pizza when it was finished, to celebrate a good start for our show.



Thanks to all the club members who helped throughout the show. Many helped with admission and coin drawing sales like those pictured above. Others helped in other ways— Mike M kept the coffee pots going and kitchen clean, Rich W ran the Junior Club table, Lee G was always glad to talk about his error interests. Thanks especially to Lee and Merle for ALL the prep work that went into making this yet another great show.





Business was usually quite steady throughout both days of the show. There were far more kids on Saturday, as expected. Occasionally the aisles were a bit crowded to get through, but never so much as to limit access to any of the dealers. Merle will give a review of the show at the March meeting.

At the end of the first day, the dealers put their displays to sleep for the night. Armed security was available 24/7 from start to finish, and there were no problems during the entire show.







Boy Scout Troop 32 members earned merit badges in Coin Collecting with the help of club members Guy S and Christina S



Rich W was kept busy on Saturday with lots of Junior members. Over 31 visited, signed in, and picked out free items.



The Junior table *before* the show



### COIN DRAWINGS

There were several coin drawings at the show. Every hour there was a PCGS MS 63 Morgan dollar given away, thanks to a generous donation by Don Rinkor.

We had a very nice Coin Show Dinner at Fou Zhou "Super Buffet", and had the club's 6 month annual Gold Coin Membership Drawing.

Winners were: 1/20th ounce gold Panda: Glenn C  
2-1/2 Peso Mexican gold: Scott McL  
1/10th ounce American gold Eagle: Jack H  
\$2-1/2 Indian Head gold: Claude F



Finally, we had the gold coin drawing at the end of the show. Lots of people hung around to find out who won. And the winners were.....

Mexican gold 2-1/2 Peso: 08979 Michael S. Turrini, 09881 Rene Flores, 09996 Connie Peterson, 11624 Burgess, 02459 Edwin Hoffmark, 09563 Connie Peterson, and 03699 Jane George

\$5 Liberty Head Gold: Rick Petteford

\$20 St. Gaudens Gold: Rick Petteford. That is correct– we had two kids alternate pulling, and the tickets were mixed up each time in between draws. And Rick's numbers were both pulled! Congratulations.

## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

Classified ads may be placed by any club member, up to 2 per month. They run for two months. Buy—Sell—Trade—Want Lists OK. Notify Charlie at each meeting (or mail to club P.O. Box, or even call) to get your ad in.

No recent ads.



### **WHAT I GOT AT THE SHOW**

Well, I am going to get the March RECC meeting off with the two items I found at the show. The first, on the left, is from England's King John, who ruled 1199-1216 and is famous for signing the Magna Carta, then reneging on it later. This coin is in such good shape you can even see the whiskers of his beard.

The other is a silver denarius of Vespasian from the year 69. For the first time ever I was able to bring in a very nice sample I owned and trade up for an even nicer one (paying a little bit extra). I was happy, the dealer was happy, and it was fun looking through all the coins. It will be nice to see what everyone else found at the show when we meet next month.

## **KIDS KORNER**

At the February meeting we discussed preparing for our club's coin show at the fairgrounds. At the show, there was a constant stream of juniors visiting the Junior Club Table, where they all participated in starting or adding to collections. In addition, boy scouts from Troop 32 attended to work on their Coin Collecting Merit Badge.

I want our parents to know that we have many bright and polite juniors that come to our show and meetings.

In March we will continue to discuss ways of obtaining and building some very nice collections. I'll see you at 6:15 pm sharp—Rich W

## **DRAWING WINNERS:**

**Membership:** Bob A, Dan C, Carson K, Irene C, Robert T, Rod M

**50:50** pot of \$ 144 was split with a stamp collector!

**Raffle:** Scott G, Jack H, Connie P (twice), Glenn M (twice), Jon Maria M, Jerry St.G, Andy O, Joel M (twice), and David V

**November Members Present:** 62+

**New Members:** Andy O, #885, and Robert T, #886— **WELCOME!**

Also, Joshua L #887J joined at the show!

**Guests:** Carson (a junior collector who just started collecting Mercury Dimes— at the meeting); Andy, Cory, Wendell, Karen, and Steve

**Auction: 35 exciting items**

**Adjournment was at 9:00 p.m. sharp!**

Volunteers for **refreshments** for March are **all of you** bringing a side dish or a green dessert to go with the corned beef and cabbage. Thanks!

The Redwood Empire Coin Club meets on the second Wednesday of every month. The Club's meeting location is the **Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa** (opposite the County Fairgrounds across from highway 12), in the **"Dinner Room"** on the east side of the building, at 7:00 PM sharp.



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## UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS

### **March 21-23, 2014. Western States Token**

**Society (WESTS) Annual Show.** Clarion Hotel (formerly Red Lion), 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento

### **May 2-3, 2014. Sacramento Valley Coin Club**

**Annual Spring Show.** Four Points by Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Drive, Sacramento

### **May 4, 2014. Vallejo Numismatic Society 42nd**

**Annual Show.** Veteran's Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane, Vallejo

### **March 14-15, 2014. South Bay / Sunnyvale Coin**

**Show.** The Domain Hotel, 1085 East El Camino Real, Sunnyvale.

### **June 27-28, 2014. East Bay / Concord Coin**

**Show.** The Clarion Hotel, 1050 Burnett Avenue, Concord.

### **July 12-13, 2014. California State Numismatic**

**Association (CSNA) 132nd Convention and Coin Show.** Veteran's Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Way, Vallejo

### **July 26-27, 2014. Fremont Coin Club's 42nd**

**Annual Show.** Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont

### **August 10, 2014. Fairfield Coin Club 25th**

**Annual Coin Show.** Willow Room, Fairfield Community Center, 1000 East Kentucky (off Pennsylvania), Fairfield

### **September 26-27. North Bay / Santa Rosa Coin**

**Show.** Flamingo Resort Hotel, 2777 Fourth Street, Santa Rosa.

### **May 2-3, 2014. Sacramento Valley Coin Club**

**Annual Fall Show.** Four Points by Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Drive, Sacramento

### **October 18-19, 2014. Delta Coin Club's 50th**

**Annual Coin Show.** Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street, Stockton

### **November 2, 2014. Peninsula Coin Club's 35th**

**Annual Coins and Collectibles Show.** Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose

### **November 14-15, 2014. South Bay / Sunnyvale**

**Coin Show.** The Domain Hotel, 1085 East El Camino Real, Sunnyvale.

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See you March 12— Charlie

