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Terry Pepperell 1935 – 2013

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Syllabus 2014

No.	Date	Topic	Speaker
1,010	21 st March	The Work of James Berry, Designer	Len Henderson
1,011	11 th April*	ANZAC Orations: Sir John Monash & Tender Sale	Alan Flint
1,012	16 th May	Royal Photographic Society Medal 1863-1963	David Likar
1,013	20 th June	Femininity in Numismatics & Tender Sale	Bill Xynos
1,014	18 th July	Ray Jewell Memorial Meeting: National Treasury of Brazil Cruzeiro Notes	Frank Robinson

* Meeting moved to 2nd Friday of the month to avoid clashing with Good Friday.

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NAVigator

Not long after the publication of the last issue of this newsletter we received the sad news of the passing of one of our most influential members, Terry Pepperell. Terry's displays at the Melbourne ANDA shows were nothing short of legendary and he almost always ended up taking top prize voted by both judges and the public. He will be sorely missed by all of his friends both at the NAV and the Melbourne Numismatic Society, where he was treasurer, and our thoughts and best wishes go out to his family.

The 2013 Journal is off to the printers (thanks to Frank for all his hard work) and should be out shortly. It will be the last of our annual journals, however don't despair as we'll take the content of what would usually go in to the journal and use it to expand this newsletter.

To this end you'll notice a few changes from the next issue of the newsletter, which I hope you'll approve of and feedback is always most welcome. These changes will see an increase in size of the newsletter, which means of course we'll need articles both big and small to fill it and urge members to contribute in any way they can.

As you will see from the syllabus April's meeting has been moved to the second Friday (11th) to avoid clashing with Good Friday, so please make a note in your calendars. Also worth noting is this year's Melbourne ANDA coin, note and stamp show, which will be held on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th August at the Dallas Brookes Centre, a different venue to our usual digs. I certainly hope to see many of you there and urge all members to consider putting on a display.

Darren Burgess –President

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Terry Pepperell



When the NAV was preparing to celebrate its 500th meeting in 1977, Terry Pepperell prepared the “showbags” (and helped collate their contents) that were given out at that meeting; for this effort he was presented with the Presidents Prize in 1978. He was already a member of the Melbourne Numismatic Society (MNS), but he decided that he should also join the NAV; this he did and was elected a member at meeting No 524 on 19 May 1978 as member No 920.



The Invite to the NAV's 500th Meeting an example of Terry's design work

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Terry soon became involved in the NAV and, in due course, presented many papers at meetings and was a regular exhibitor at shows. He also served on the Council of the NAV from 1981 to 1996 and again from 1999 to 2005 – a total of 23 years, including an unbroken run of 16 years. He served as President in 1983 & 1984 and again from 2003 to 2005 and as Vice President from 1993 to 1996. He was the Editor of the Australian Numismatist from 1992 to 1995.



Terry presenting awards at the 1994 Christmas Meeting

Terry received many awards from the NAV, including the Award of Merit in 1990 – this is the NAV's highest award and also bestows Honorary Life Membership.



Terry presenting awards at the 2005 Christmas Meeting

Terry gave over 40 talks at the NAV meetings, including 18 main talks as well as many short talks at theme nights. Terry won the Max Stern Trophy four times – in 1981 ("Coinage of Ireland"), 1990 ("ANZAC"), 1993

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("On the Designing of Medals"), and in 2007 ("Mallee Children's Holiday and Medals from Melbourne City Council"). Unfortunately, only four of his papers were published in the NAV Journal.

Terry won the Council Award in 1998 and 2008 (he was ineligible most years as this award cannot be given to a serving member of Council).

Terry was a calligrapher by profession, and this came to the fore when he prepared numismatic displays and designed medallions.



Terry's Award Winning Display from the 2013 Melbourne ANDA Fair

In 1999, the ANDA – NAV Perpetual Shield was first awarded for the best numismatic display at the annual ANDA Melbourne Coin and Banknote Fairs. In the 15 years since then, Terry has won it outright five times (2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, and 2012) and shared it on another four occasions (1999, 2001, 2009, and 2013)!

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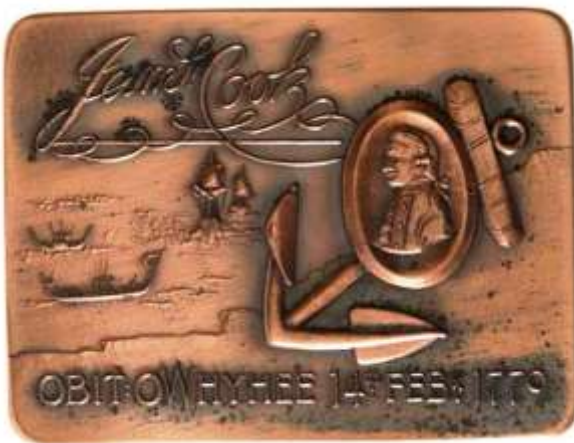


Terry receives the Tom May Award at the 2012 Melbourne ANDA Show

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On seven occasions, he also won the award for the “Most Popular Display” (since 2011 named the “Tom May Award”) as voted by the public. Terry’s displays also won many prizes at Victorian Council of Numismatic Societies, and later, at the MNS Coin Shows. He even went interstate and his displays won prizes there as well.

Terry was also the designer of the eleven NAV medallions issued from 1979 (Captain Cook plaque – 200th anniversary of his death) through to 2008 (centenary of Scouting), as well as designing a number of other proposed medallions that were never struck.



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Examples of Terry's medallic designs for the NAV

Terry had joined the MNS in 1971 and had served that organisation in similar ways as he did the NAV. He was also an Honorary Life Member of the MNS.

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In 1991, Terry was awarded the Paul Simon Memorial Award. This Award was established to recognize the outstanding contribution by any person in promoting numismatics within organized numismatic organizations in Australia. In the two decades since, Terry had continued in this work in both the NAV and the MNS.

A few years ago, fire destroyed the Pepperell home and much of his collection. Undaunted, he started again.

Terry died on 18 December 2013. To Lorna, his widow, and all their family, we offer our sincere condolences.

- Frank Robinson, February 2014



Terry's final display of the caps and badges of Scottish Regiments at the Morwell Christmas meeting 2013

Minutes of General Meeting No. 1,007

15th November 2013

Location Celtic Club, Second Floor, 320 Queen Street, Melbourne
Chair President, Darren Burgess **Secretary** Bill Xynos
Present: 11 members **Apologies:** 3 members **Visitor:** Michael Wade

The President opened the meeting at 8:00pm by welcoming all present.

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Minutes of General Meeting No. 1,006 – October 2013

Tabled and motion for their approval by Bill Xynos was seconded by Ross Wilkinson and accepted by membership.

Reports from Council

Finance and Membership – David Likar

As of 30th September 2013 the NAB No.2 Account stands at \$3,291

The 3 remaining outstanding subscriptions will be marked as non-financial as of this meeting.

Website – Frank Robinson & Darren Burgess

Website redesign is undergoing evaluation by the council.

Newsletter - Darren Burgess

The Summer Newsletter is likely to be ready for the first week of December.

Syllabus & Journal – Frank Robinson

Speakers invited to fill the syllabus for 2014

Journal 2013 - Articles are invited for the 2013 Journal.

NAA – Ross Wilkinson & Darren Burgess

Correspondence from Peter Lane regarding the set up of crowd funding for Kilwa & Dutch coin expedition.

Walter Bloom, president of the NAA, is requesting copies of the NAV Journal to complete his Survey of Numismatic Research: 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2012

President Darren Burgess attended the NAA's Brisbane Conference where he delivered a speech on the Centenary of the Sydney City Council medal. Darren's impression of this event was evident by his brief report to the members: he had an amazing experience, the variety of the talks was wide and the knowledge gained from the Conference was enormous. Darren met with many collectors, academics, historians and numismatists. Future conferences will be the RNSNZ-NAA Joint Conference in July 2014. In 2015, there will be a Conference in South

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Australia and Darren is suggesting that Melbourne should be hosting the next NAA Conference in the future with assistance from all Victorian clubs and societies, to which member Joan Henderson added her best hopes. Darren closed the subject by adding that organisational issues will be looked at the right time by our Council.

ANDA

President Darren Burgess and Secretary Bill Xynos thanked all members and volunteers who contributed to the success of our part at the ANDA October International Show. Special thanks to our member Terry Pepperell in contributing top quality exhibits and to the Melbourne Numismatic Society and IBNS-Melb Chapter for their volunteering and exhibits.

Correspondence – Bill Xynos

- ANDA sponsorship letters (July & October),
- Letter of visit from Mr Ashworth
- ANS Qld Branch News Bulletin (Nov 13)
- IBNS-Melb Chapter Newsletter (Nov 13)
- Newcastle Numismatic Society Bulletin (Oct 13)
- NSSA Newsletter No 106 (Sept 13)
- QNS Monthly Magazine (Oct 13).

In addition to that listed in the Council report, a letter of invitation from the Morwell Numismatic Society (Christmas meeting on Monday, 2nd December 2013), re-tabling of advertising brochures about Mr McNeice publications of “Colonial Coins of Tasmania” and “The Jubilee of Tasmania and the Cessation of Transportation Medal”, the Tasmanian Numismatist (Nov-Dec 13), RNSNZ-NAA 2014 Conference & Fair (Wellington, NZ, 3-6 July 2014) and the Bank statement.

New Member

President Darren Burgess announced to the members of the Council’s recommendation to accept the membership application of Mr. David Briggs. With no objections arisen, the President declared that Mr. Briggs has been elected as NAV Member No. 1,154.

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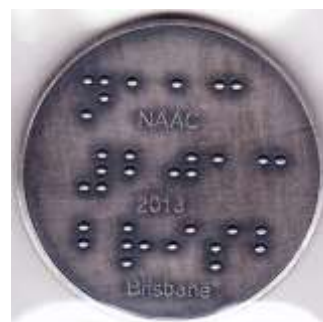
New Acquisitions

Member John Chapman commented on the recent 'Long-eared Hedgehog' Mongolian 2012 wildlife protection 500 Togrog coin.

Member Ross Wilkinson showed a 1 Gulden 'short snorter' note dated July 1945 that related to the politics of US demanding on invading Philippines, leaving the Australian forces choosing North Borneo Campaign with the 9th and 7th Division. Ross showed a Norwich Loyal Military Association 1797 penny token, possibly minted at the Soho Mint due to its physical appearance.

Vice-President Frank Robinson showed some banknotes from German States (Dresden-Neustadt District Association 100m mark [26/9/1923], Freital City Council 100m mark [24/9/1923] and Bielefeld City Savings Bank 25 mark [15/7/1921]), one from Transcaucasia's Armenian Socialist Soviet Republic 1m rubles [d.1922] and one from Brazil of 2 mil reis [estampa 9A (1900)]. Also, Frank showed a couple of souvenir coins from the Big Merino (Gouldburn) and the Dog on the Tuckerbox (Gundagai).

President Darren Burgess showed his acquisitions from the NAA Conference: a bronze medal with Braille inscriptions signifying the numismatic contribution of Graeme Stevens, who served at various times as the President and Treasurer of the ANS Queensland Branch. Graeme became visually impaired at the age of 21 but he never allowed this to affect his collecting habits. Darren was a speaker at the event and thus, received the same medal in silver.



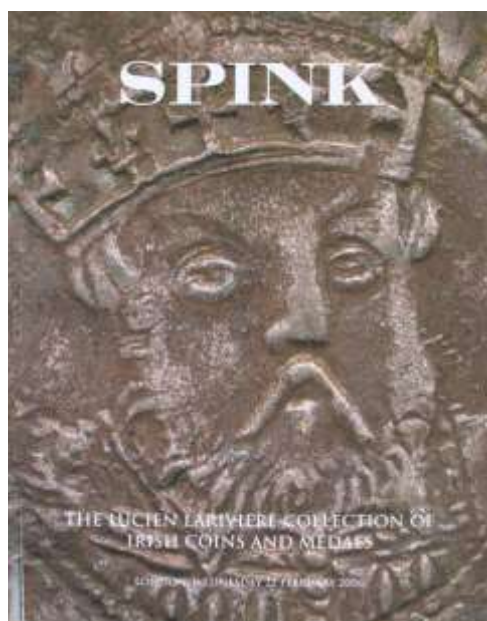
Finally, Darren managed to repatriate a couple of NAV medals (Charles Sturt dual-medal set).

Syllabus – Irish Coinage by Michael Wade

The President invited the President of the Melbourne Numismatic Society, Mr Michael Wade for his presentation tonight, "Coinage of Ireland". Michael started the presentation with his view of the

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numismatic auction market today. Outstanding coin collections come to the market regularly across the world, some noted for rarity, condition and beauty, while others for completeness of a special area. Few collections can claim to represent the entire coinage of a country over a thousand year history. One such collection was sold on 22 February 2006 by Spink in London - the Lucien La Riviere collection of Irish coins.



Michael gave a brief biography about Lucien LaRiviere, an avid American collector who initially started collecting US gold coins but soon found a fascination with coins of Scotland and Ireland. This collection illustrated some fascinating parts of the Irish coinage and its hammered series, and contained some unique and rare varieties.

Ireland, located to the west of England and on the edge of Europe, has a relatively poor history compared with the big cousin England. During the Celtic period from 1300-100BC, ring money was used as a means of exchange. The Dublin Museum houses an enormous archaeological material from of the Celtic period. The Romans didn't settle there and for a brief period, it became a centre of enlightenment with monasteries and wonders created such as the Book of Kells. Through its history the economy of Ireland has been poorer and less sophisticated than much of Europe and Britain in particular. Barter was the usual economic transaction, reflecting the state of coinage that was intermittently issued, poorly made and often lighter (more base) than the contemporary English coinage. The location of mints show most activity was associated with the ports and trade. The circulating medieval coinage was often base and clipped. Full weight and fine silver coins were often exported.

Ireland did not produce a native currency until around 1000AD, issued from the main centres of Norse/Viking settlement. It is known as the Hiberno-Norse period and it lasted for about 150 years. It shows a steady degeneration in style (portrait/blundered/unintelligible legends).

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Fineness and weight also deteriorated, eventually being so light and thin that the coins had to be struck as bracteates. The series has been divided into 7 phases. Here are some examples from the collection.

Phase 1 (~995 to 1020) - The initial coinage shows a strong imitation of the contemporary English coinage that the Vikings were so adept at extorting from the English. A few even had English mint and moneyer names. One shown is of the Aethelred II's CRUX type, with a clear obverse legend ZITIR DYFLI. Sihtric was King of Dublin. This coin weighs 1.64g.



Phase 2 (1015-1035) - Coinage was still well made and showed the legend SIHTRC RE+ DYFLIN. The reverse also indicated Dublin was the mint. The decline in the coinage is illustrated by the 24 examples in collection. There are crude resemblances to some contemporary coins.

Phase 3 – Commonest coinage, fine but small. They feature a long cross on the reverse like the Aethelred II issue but with pellets in the angles.

Phase 4 – Coinage becomes crude in the making.

Phase 5 – Coinage imitates Saxon, Norman and European coins from 1065 to 1095. Some resemble Harold of England.

Phase 6 – (ed) The further degradation in coinage design and composition allows for this phase to exist.

Phase 7 - Bracteate –The design is on one side, appearing incuse on the other. Extremely rare items date from 1110-1150. One shown weighs 0.62 g about 1/3 of original standard.

Early Medieval

This period c1190-1305 showed 4 intermittent issues that were well struck and in fine silver. They all suffered from the problem of being exported. The 2 issues of John I'll talk about here. Extensive coinages struck over a short period were also issued by Henry III and Edward I

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Norman England became interested in Ireland in late 1100's and invaded it from about 1170. When the youngest son of Henry II of England, Prince John (known as John Lackland) was made Lord of Ireland it was certainly the consolation prize. His coinage was initially of Halfpence (Lot29). These have a round moon face and together with the legend IOHANNES DOMIN John, Lord of Ireland. Several mints were used - Dublin, Kilkenny, Waterford, Limerick, Downpatrick and Carrick Fergus.



When John became king he issued the interesting design with a Sun, Moon and stars on the reverse and the facing bust in a triangle on the obverse (Lot31). The title changed to Iohannes Rex. The Irish coins of John are

the only ones bearing his name as the English short cross coin type was immobilised bearing the name Henry for nearly 90 years.

Yorkist Symbolism

From about 1302 to 1460 there were virtually no coins struck in Ireland.

Ireland was an important base for the Yorkist cause in the 1450's, the early years of the Wars of the Roses. Edward IV, when he won the throne in 1461 ordered the issue of Irish coins. The coins issued in Ireland over the next 10 years showed an artistic merit rarely seen in medieval coins. It featured large suns and roses – Yorkist symbols. Various designs and weight were tried so there was eventually a distinctly Irish currency based on a groat weighing significantly less than the contemporary English groat. This meant that there would be no incentive to export them. All are rare and highly sought after.

A shown example of a Crown Groat from early part of reign 1460-3 does not name the monarch in case fortunes reversed (Dublin mint). A second issue Crown Groat from 1463-5 shows king's name and titles.



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A 'Rose/Sun' coinage of 1465-7 has some spectacular symbols. The Double Groat has 45 grains in weight, about same as the English Groat – nominally 48 grains throughout this period.

Eventually, the weight settled down during 1470's with lighter coins looking much like English coins. Initially of 41 grains, reduced to 32 grains to a Groat.

The '3 Crowns' issue was introduced during reign of Richard III (1483 -5) and continued by the Tudor Henry 7. These coins were struck at Dublin and Waterford and feature English arms on the obverse and 3 crowns on reverse (Dominus Hybernicae legend). This is a challenging area with lots of stories associated with the various issues.

Tudor Coins

(Jane Seymour Groat) - The first 26 years of Henry VIII saw no Irish coins issued. Then coins were made in London. Harp coinage is interesting as earlier examples feature the initial of the current queen.

(Anne Boleyn Halfgroat) - These were initially in silver slightly debased from the English coinage and import back to England was prohibited. Reference to the queen ceased after Katherine Howard. Into the 1540's the issue was further debased to keep it worse than the deteriorating English coinage and also rated at sixpence – economic management Henry VIII style.

A debased issue, from end of reign, was minted in Bristol with a regnal year 38 = 1546 and W mark of Bristol minmaster. Although all reigns issued coins they were often intermittent with many years between issues.

Early in the reign of Edward VI Dublin mint was briefly reopened and debased portrait groats were issued.

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It has been considered that an issue of rare Edward VI base shillings from London with the harp mintmark and dated 1552 were specifically for Ireland. Lot 095 of the Le Riviere Collection is a strong example.

Mary was Queen of England from 1553-1558 and married Philip of Spain in 1554. It was during this period the English crown extended its powerbase "beyond the Pale". A small issue of base Irish shillings in Mary's name with the harp reverse was made in 1553 and 1554. It was again minted in London in 50% silver. It was followed by very base 25% silver shillings and groats dated 1555-8 in the name of Phillip and Mary in the same style as contemporary English coins. This shilling, issued only in 1555, is once more particularly fine for the issue.

During the reign of Elizabeth there was some minting activity at the start of her reign where initial base issues were followed in 1561 by an attractive issue of Irish shillings and groats in sterling silver.

Although there were once more intermittent issues of Irish coins at the end of Elizabeth's reign and early in that of James I the next interesting period is that of the Great Rebellion.

This started in 1641 and went for nearly 10 years. Catholic rebels, consisting of native Irish and those of Norman descent rose up against the Protestant settlers who as a result of English policy had occupied Ulster during the previous 30 years. Large numbers – estimated at 12000 out of a total Protestant population of 40000 – were massacred. Among the many reasons for this sudden revolt was the rise of Puritanism in England that portended religious persecution for the Catholics in Ireland. In 1646 the rebels defeated the main Protestant army but failed to press home the advantage due to differences between the main groups. When armies of Oliver Cromwell invaded Ireland in 1649 they wrought equal havoc among the Catholic rebels and crushed the rebellion. The hatred developed during this period still reverberates in sections of Irish society today.

The La Riviere Collection brought together an amazing group of the emergency issues from both sides of the conflict including one of the few extant examples of the only Irish gold issue in its long history. Many of

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the emergency issues are extremely rare in any condition – the collection must have contained a number of “finest known” items.

The protestant Lords Justices in Dublin (who represented the English government and King Charles) produced a number of emergency issues. Here are some. In 1642 they issued irregular polygon pieces of silver plate called “Inchiquin Money”. There were 6 denominations (although not indicated), each with the weight in pennyweight and grains stamped in a circle on both sides. The 3 highest denominations, crown 19dwt. 8gr., half-crown 9dwt. 16 gr., shilling 3dwt. 21gr. are represented in the collection and brought £4000, £3800 and £4200 hammer respectively.

Another issue that took place in the same year was the Annulets Issue. It produced 9d, 6d, 4d, 3d. In this case the weight was on the obverse as previously, but the denomination was shown by the number of annulets on the reverse.

In 1643 a similar issue of stamped plate was made called Dublin Money. It was similar to Inchiquin money except the value (crown or half-crown) replaced the weight. The La Riviere collection boasted both denominations each bringing around £6000 hammer.

The Lords Justices at Dublin issued the main emergency coinage in 1643-4. This acknowledged allegiance to Charles I with a crowned CR on the obverse and the value on the reverse in shillings and pence. This is known as Ormonde Money - named after the Earl of Ormonde who was appointed Lieutenant of Ireland in 1643. The denominations were crown, half-crown, shilling, sixpence, groat, threepence and twopence.

Then followed the star of this collection: In 1646 the Lords Justices issued a gold coinage - the only in Ireland's history. It consisted of coins equivalent to the French Pistole (Louis Dór') and its double. It was another "weight issue", an irregular polygon showing the weight 4dwt 7grains on both sides of the pistole and 8dwt 14grains on the double pistole. There are 12 pistoles known and the double is even rarer with only 2 known. The La Riviere example was the finer of the 2 examples of the pistole in private hands. It realised £67500 hammer price.

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The Earl of Ormonde returned to Ireland in 1648 to lead a more united Protestant royalist alliance. After the execution of Charles I he issued crowns and half crowns in the name of Charles II. These now very rare coins showed CAR.II.D.G.MAG.BRIT around a large crown on the obv. and FRA.ET.HIB.REX.F.D around the value in roman numerals on the rev. Note the use of F.D as defender of the faith. The collection included examples of denominations, realising £8800 and £5000 pounds.

All the issues described above were from Protestant administrators. The Catholic rebels also issued copper halfpence and farthings from their stronghold at Kilkenny in 1642-3. The most recognisable was the Blacksmith's Half-crown which was a crude copy of the corresponding London half-crowns. They have a harp initial mark in the reverse legend.

The Catholic rebels also issued "Rebel Money" in 1643-4. These crowns and half-crowns featured a large cross on the obverse and the value on the reverse. There were also a number of towns where Parliamentary forces were besieged during the conflict. These "Cities of Refuge" also issued emergency coinage perhaps mimicking what was going on in Newark and Pontefract in the English Civil War. There are a number of examples in the La Riviere collection. A couple of examples are the octagonal shilling and sixpence issued for Cork in 1647.

Probably a token issue from around 1674, the St Patricks copper halfpence and farthings have a kneeling figure of St David on the obverse and St Patrick on the reverse preaching to the multitude on the halfpenny and driving the snakes away on the farthing. The brass plug in the edge was presumably to deter forgers. After being called in around 1680 a large quantity were taken to America by Mark Newby where they circulated as legal tender in the state of New Jersey. They are as a result of this use popular with collectors of early US currency and mostly found in much worn condition.

The topic of Gun-money would take a talk by itself. These still quite common brass tokens were issued during 1689 to 1690 support the attempts of James II to regain the English throne through Ireland. The venture ended with James defeat at the Battle of the Boyne. La Riviere had numerous examples in outstanding condition including rare silver

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proofs. The intermittent issue of base metal halfpence and farthings continued until the early 1800's.

Michael's presentation was accompanied by a series of coin images from the La Riviera Collection and on display, some coins from his collection.

Questions from members were followed by the Vote of Thanks from member Joan Henderson who praised Michal on this fascinating insight into the Irish Coinage and with all attending members, congratulated him for a well-researched subject. The Door Prizes were drawn and the President closed the meeting at 9:30pm. Light refreshments were provided courtesy of the Celtic Club.

Coin shares the spirit of a Century of Anzac

The Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC, Senator the Hon. Michael Ronaldson, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer, The Hon. Steven Ciobo MP, today unveiled a new \$1 circulating 2014 coin featuring the Centenary of Anzac logo and produced by the Royal Australian Mint.

The special commemorative 2014 \$1 circulating coin features the official logo of the Anzac Centenary, including the image of an Australian soldier, head bowed and rifle reversed in solemn reflection and the words '100 Years of Anzac - The Spirit Lives.' The coin is rimmed with a motif reflecting the sun's rays as captured on the Australian Army's Rising Sun badge.



Senator Ronaldson said the Anzac Centenary would be one of the most important commemorations in Australia's history and it was fitting that the Royal Australian Mint had created this coin.

"The Centenary of Anzac will be one of the most defining moments in our nations' story and the creation of a coin is a permanent way to reflect on and remember this commemorative period," Senator Ronaldson said.

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"I am delighted that the Mint has chosen to feature the Centenary of Anzac logo on the 2014 circulating coin."

Mr Ciobo said introducing this coin into circulation would mean that for many years to come these coins would pass through the hands of thousands of Australians.

"Every time someone looks at this coin it will remind them of the service and sacrifice of our past and present Australian Defence Force members. In particular, of those who died in the First World War," Mr Ciobo said.

Students from St Andrew's Primary School in Werribee attended the launch and were presented with coins by the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary.

Royal Australian Mint CEO, Ross MacDiarmid, said the Mint had a proud tradition of commemorating Australian military history with the production of a coin and the 2014 \$1 '100 Years of Anzac - The Spirit Lives' circulating coin would add to that.

"The Anzac Spirit has long been invoked as part of the essence of what it is to be Australian. The Anzac Centenary reminds us all that it is a living spirit and this coin captures aspects of that spirit in a permanent form," Mr MacDiarmid said.

As Australia's official coin producer, the Royal Australian Mint has developed a comprehensive coin program to be released over the coming Centenary period, marking significant events and dates from 1914-1918. The 2014 \$1 Century of Service circulating coin will be a reminder for all Australians of the courage and selflessness of those who've served in Australia's Defence Force for many years to come.

- Royal Australian Mint Media Release, 13th February 2013

Minutes of General Meeting No. 1,008

13th December 2013

Location	Celtic Club, Second Floor, 320 Queen Street, Melbourne		
Chair	President, Darren Burgess	Secretary	Bill Xynos
Present:	12 members	Apologies:	4 members
			Visitors: 2

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The President opened the meeting at 8:00pm by welcoming all present. Members were reminded to sign the Celtic Club's visitor's book as per requirements.

Preliminary

Minutes of the November, 2013 Meeting (No. 1,007)

Tabled and motion for their approval by Len Henderson, seconded by Ross Wilkinson and carried. There were two items arising from the minutes: a) Facebook account has been created for the Association, and b) the Newsletter is late but will be out very soon.

Reports from Council

Finance and Membership - David Likar

As of 29th November, balance of No.2 Account stands at \$3,706.85.

Term Deposit of \$28,187.41 matures on 20th December 2013, gaining an interest of \$529.97.

ANDA Sponsorship correspondence arrived.

Website – Frank Robinson & Darren Burgess

No update.

Newsletter – Darren Burgess

There has been a slight delay to the Summer Newsletter and aim to have it printed and distributed early next week.

Syllabus and Journal – Frank Robinson

Speakers are invited to fill the Syllabus for 2014.

Articles are invited for the 2013 Journal.

ANDA Show (18-20 Oct 2013) – Bill Xynos

ANDA Subscription correspondence sent out.

NAV Council for 2014 – Bill Xynos

Nominations closed.

NAA Matters – Ross Wilkinson

None.

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Tender Sales & Donation Auction – Ross Wilkinson

No update.

Correspondence – Bill Xynos

Inwards:

- Bank Account Statement
- Bank Term Deposit Statement
- Newcastle Numismatic Society Bulletin (Nov 2013)
- ANS Qld Branch News Bulletin (Dec 2013)
- QNS Inc Monthly Magazine (Nov 2013)
- IBNS-Melbourne Chapter Newsletter (Dec 2013)

Matters Arising from Council Report

Syllabus: Tonight, members Len Henderson, Joan Henderson, Frank Robinson, Ross Wilkinson and John Chapman give a short presentation about their non-numismatic interests. It was suggested that Chris Haymes could be invited for a presentation on archaeology-related topic next year and Frank Robinson will look into this.

General Business

President Darren Burgess gave a quick report on the Morwell Numismatic Society's Christmas meeting.

New Acquisitions

Ross Wilkinson showed a lovely example of Edward 7th Coronation Medal and proudly showed his awarded Police Overseas Service Medal for his services.

Awards

The president and vice-president took great pleasure in presenting deserving members with this year's awards as follows.

Certificate of Appreciation	Ken Downie for his generous support and assistance to the NAV's 1000th meeting
Award of Merit	(no award)
President's Award	Len Henderson for contributions to the NAV Newsletter

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Council Award	John Chapman for constant assistance at ANDA Fairs
Stan Church Award (best written paper)	(no award)
Max Stern Trophy (best presentation)	"ANZAC Oration – A Remarkable Sailor" by Ross Wilkinson

Syllabus

The President invited the members to present their short talks.

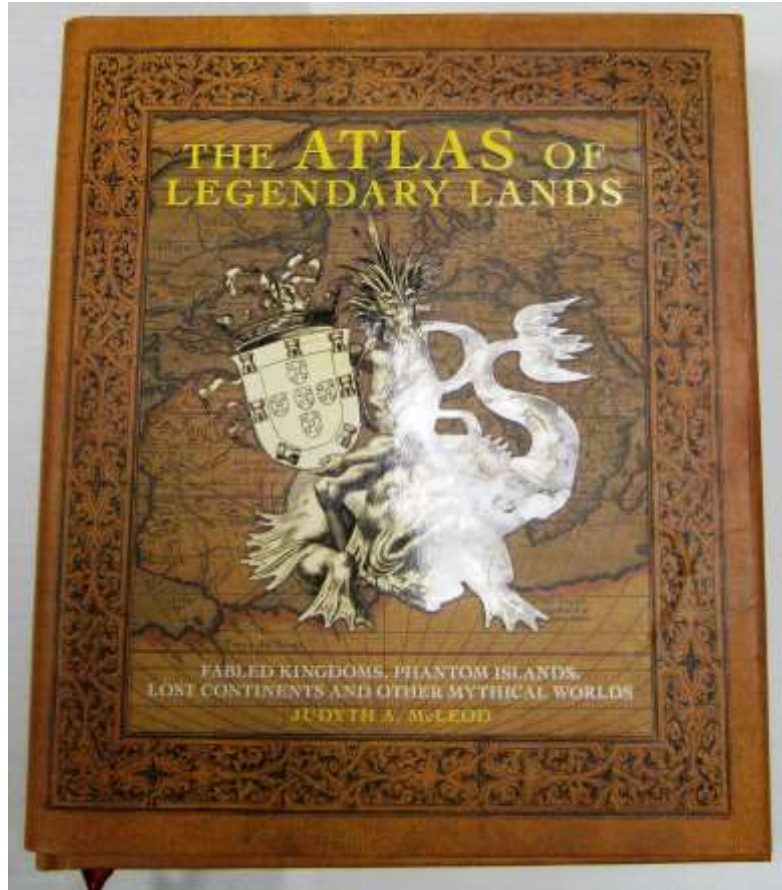
Firstly invited, member Len Henderson was recovering some family items recently and thought of these being a great subject for tonight. He proudly showed his grandfather's documents relating to his maritime services. Born in Scotland, his grandfather went to sea at the age of 14

by travelling on steamships. Living up to the ethos of the Henderson family, he reached the position of senior navigation officer and captained a merchant ship. Len gave a brief biography of his grandfather and displayed some of his documents and treasured possessions.



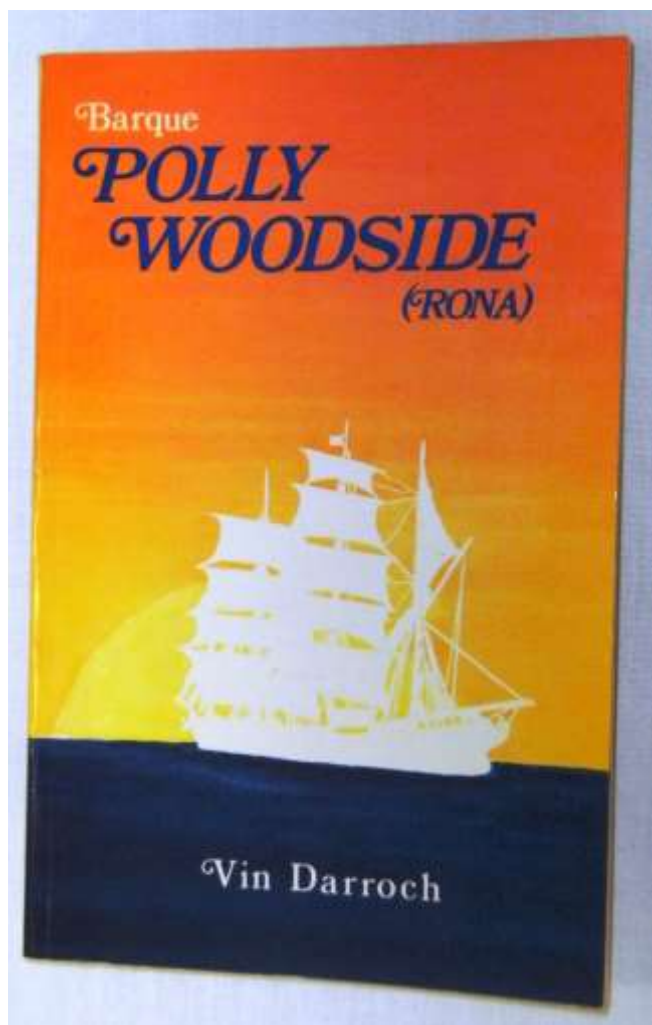
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Member Joan Henderson had in recent times developed a passion for books on the subject of maps. She presented a book, *The Atlas of Legendary Lands*, showing a map from the early 1600's of California that its peninsula was drawn as an island! Joan gave a brief detail about the story behind the famous American area. When the Spanish arrived in America in 1536, California was believed to be an island but a navigator reported it as a peninsula. Since then, explorers, missionaries and cartographers had a fascination with California, but never settled on the question of being an island or a peninsula.



Member Frank Robinson gave a short talk about the biography of his father and grandfather, who were horticulturists and lived outside Mildura. Frank showed some specially-made stencils that were used for painting markings on the fruit boxes. Frank gave an interesting insight on the harsh life of his ancestors and of the special care they took to ensure that their farm produce were of the best quality for selling it to the Melbourne markets. His father was a farmer for 50 years and retired at the age of 86.

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Member Ross Wilkinson had a fascination with books, especially signed books and tonight, he showed a signed 'Polly Woodside' book. This book was bought at the ceremony on 4/3/1978 and was signed by the first Master of Restoration, Captain G. H. Heyen. Polly Woodside's chief rigger for 27 years of restoration was Tor Lindqvist, a former able seaman and sail maker.

Member John Chapman revealed to us the world of plastics by showing a matchbox-sized lovely souvenir case for a 1911 KGV Coronation medal. The case was made exceptionally well.

Following some questions from members, the Door Prizes were drawn. The President congratulated all for their contributions, wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and declared the Meeting closed at 8:55pm. Dinner arrangements were organised by the Celtic Club management and all present had a very pleasant evening.



Century old Melbourne counterfeit press turns up in PNG



A CONTENDER for the Pacific region's oldest operating press is in a small print shop in Milne Bay, some 82 years after it is said to have been printing counterfeit banknotes in Melbourne.

Milne Bay Printing Services owner, Delsie Chariton, says the pedal-powered letter press was bought by Methodist missionary John Dixon in 1932 from Melbourne, and spent the next 71 years printing Bibles and other religious documents in numerous mission stations around Milne Bay and East New Britain.

A page in *Papuan Islands Pilgrimage* by the Dixon's son Jonathan recounts how the press fell into the church's hands.

"It had a particularly dubious past. It had been used to produce counterfeit banknotes. But it looked alright to this purchaser," young Dixon wrote.

"While the former owners were on their way to jail, the printing press was headed for Papua to print books of the Bible, hymns, church magazines, and all the educational needs of the theological training institution."

In 2003 the church sold its printing service, Trinity Press, to commercial printers who retained the old machine and renamed the business, printing invoice books, delivery dockets and some screen printing – mostly for their fishing business, Nako Fisheries.

Delsie Chariton, who was a school principal for 30 years, bought the business in 2007 and still occasionally uses the antique letter press to

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number and perforate as part of her offset and screen printing business, offering services including business forms, carbonless forms, corporate images, flyers brochures, programs, booklets and posters.

She says she bought the printing business as a challenge to do something out of her comfort zone and after getting over a steep learning curve she is seeking a mentor to take the printer to the next level.

“The staff who work for me now were already in the business so I have drawn from their experiences as well as through research,” she says.

“The screen printing side has been the most rewarding and I see a lot of potential in this area. On the other hand, offset printing is our bread and butter and we have reached a point where we need to expand and embrace new technology and more efficient operating systems.”

Chariton is now looking for a mentor to help her develop the business. She says, “We would like to do this as smoothly and cost effectively as possible and believe a mentor will enable us to make the transition.”

– Keith Jackson & Friends: PNG Attitude, 24th February 2014

NAV Secretary's Report 2013

This year has been remarked by our collective best in celebrating and promoting the noble hobby of numismatics, but was shadowed by the loss of three of our members, John Hope (8/2013), John O'Riley (9/2013) and Terry Pepperell (12/2013). Their presence, contribution and dedication in the Association's history have been remarkable and inspirational, monumental and unique. By including Tom May (5/2011), the Association has lost four great members within a few years, a great loss indeed.

While we cannot escape from the process of ageing, many of us have had the privilege to work with them on many NAV activities and official duties, while most of us build great friendships with them, to be treasured for many years to come. Their numismatic insight, knowledge, experience and passion were so much given to us unquestionably, making this Association a unique group of people – a great family. From now on, every time we delve into a numismatic subject that touched their hearts and souls, we shall always remember them.

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Also, this year has been highlighted by two ANDA events in Melbourne, one in July and another in October. The focus of these events was the exhibition of numismatics, for which the Association engaged many of its members for supporting this concept. In addition, contribution from the Melbourne Numismatic Society has been significant, while that from the Melbourne Chapter of the IBNS has been solid. The profiles of all Victorian-based clubs have been raised and for the NAV, new members have joined us. My appreciation goes to all NAV members who volunteered and exhibited at both shows. Well done!

In recent years, the Council has been operating under reduced capacity and the acknowledgement of membership volunteering and contribution is here to remain. Our President, Mr Darren Burgess, has led his new team exceptionally well and handled our operations with new vigour and energy. In my view, Darren has added a fresh profile to the NAV and he should be commended for his hard work.

For 2014, your Council will again need to prioritise its tasks and streamlining processes for efficiency. For example, the Council reporting has been documented monthly, trimming business reporting to a minimum. The yearly Journal will cease to exist and articles will supplement the contents of our quarterly newsletter, adding more meaningful value to the distant-based members throughout the year.

The NAV will embark towards the streamlining of its Library to a manageable level, and making it more accessible to members. With other ongoing tasks awaiting completion, your Council will work hard over the next twelve months and your support must be maintained.

Finally, after 68 years, the Association reached its 1,000th meeting, a unique achievement for a numismatic body against overwhelming and conflicting modern interests we are faced today. The NAV does not only continue to promote numismatics, it preserves and nurtures different perceptions of history through the study of unique objects. The future is uncertain but the membership will unite again and your contribution will be the compass to achieve the best we can.

In closing this report, I thank you for your support and wish you a Healthy and Happy New Year.

Bill Xynos, February 2014

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NAV Treasurer's Report, 2012-13

The 2012 - 2013 NAV Accounting year has recorded a surplus of \$1,112 against an estimated budget deficit of \$1,550. The main contributing factors for the budget variance are:

1. The NAV 1000th Meeting Dinner making a profit \$820 largely thru the very generous donation of NAV Member No. 468 Mr Ken Downie.
2. Nil NAA Journals issued during the financial period.

Summary Expenditure / Revenue

The total expenditure for 2012/2013 was \$5,380.32. The main items being:

NAV 1000th Meeting Dinner	\$ 1,170
Postage/ Stationary	\$ 595
NAA Journal	\$ 638
NAV Newsletters	\$ 378
Venue Rental (2011/12)	\$ 360
Catering Xmas Dinner	\$ 437
Monthly Meetings Refreshments	\$ 910
NAV Web site	\$ 355
Trophies	\$ 235
Club Promotion (NAV Flyer)	\$ 300

Total income for 2012/2013 was \$6,492.41. The main incomes were:

Bank Interest	\$1,186
Subscriptions 2012/13/14	\$1,540
Donations/Donation Auctions	\$ 2,207
1000th Meeting Dinner (Profit)	\$ 820

Our total combined bank balances as of 30th of Sept '13 stand at \$28,186.97 including the Stan Church Account at \$2,154.97.

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2013 - 2014 Budget

Expenditure		Income	
Catering - Christmas	\$310	Subscriptions	\$1,600
Annual Journal	\$750	Donation Auctions	\$500
Quarterly Australian Numismatist	\$1,500	Tender Sales	\$50
NAA Journal (3)	\$1,200	Medallion Sales	\$350
Postage / Box Rental	\$700	ANDA Fairs (2013/14)	\$600
Trophies	\$150	Bank Interest (Term Deposit)	\$1,100
Venue Rental (2013/14)	\$360		
Website	\$250		
Meeting Refreshments	\$700		
Promotion	\$300		
Total	\$6,220		\$4,200

Deficit **(\$2,020)**

The estimated budget for 2013 / 2014 has a projected operating loss (deficit) of \$ 2,020.

The major change in the budget is the increase from \$550 to \$1,500 for printing of the NAV quarterly publication, The Australian Numismatist. This has come about from unavoidable shift from private printing of the journal by member/s at minimal cost to the NAV to commercial printing.

The increase cost of printing the quarterly publication will be in future be largely off set by the annual NAV Journal ceasing to be issued after 2013.

In closing, I would like to once again to sincerely thank Mr Noel Lodge for being kind enough to audit the NAV accounts.

- David Likar, February 2014

NAV President's Report 2013

Can it really be only a year since I was privileged enough to be nominated for President of the NAV? So much has happened in the last twelve months it's amazing to think what we've been through. As with any year there have been highs and lows, but we certainly started the year with a high back in April with the thousandth meeting, which I feel was a real success. It was fantastic to meet so many members and share an evening celebrating the association's long list of achievements in good company.

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We also had not one but two ANDA shows in Melbourne this year, with the usual high standard of numismatic displays on show as well as great participation from members in manning the information tables and performing other key duties. I am particularly pleased with the closer ties we have made with other clubs, especially the Melbourne Numismatic Society (MNS). Their presence at both of the ANDA shows this year was invaluable and the exchange of guest speakers between the two clubs is certainly something I would like to see continue. We enrolled a number of new members, mainly as a result of the shows, which goes to show how important they are for the ongoing existence of the association.

Sadly we also lost a number of valuable and highly regarded members this year. On a personal note I will very much miss the presence Terry Pepperell. What can you say of a man, who despite failing health, managed to put on displays at both fairs in 2013 and walked away with yet another award for his already very well stocked trophy cabinet. The last time I saw him was giving him a lift to the Morwell Numismatic Society Christmas meeting, where he put on a wonderful display of badges from Scottish regiments. His background in calligraphy, combined with his numismatic passion, always meant you were hard pressed to compete with his displays and his absence at shows and meetings of both the NAV and the MNS, where he was treasurer, will be keenly felt.

Meeting attendances continue to dwindle and one of my aims as president has been to attempt to attract new members and I feel this is best done through advertising the club at fairs and using the internet. In line with this we introduced a new flyer that was distributed at local fairs and given to dealers and we've prepared an updated webpage, which I'm hoping we'll adopt shortly with the council's backing. We have also created a page on the ubiquitous Facebook (at <https://www.facebook.com/numisvic> if you're interested). While existing members may not use this method of communication I firmly believe it is essential that we have an online presence to attract new members.

Finally I'd like to thank my fellow councillors and other key members for their support throughout the year. David Likar continues to keep the books balances, Bill Xynos continues to write copious minutes as well as

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organising our ANDA fairs and Frank Robinon's guidance as Vice President has been invaluable. I should also like to thank Ross Wilkinson for his continued involvement in liaising with the Numismatic Association of Australia (NAA), preparing our tender sales (almost one every other month last year) and the very successful Donation Auction as well as drafting a revised constitution! Of course thanks too to Pat Shields, who continues his sterling work as our auctioneer as well as looking after our library. Finally to all the other members, especially those who have contributed in some way to the association this year, I thank you all very much, we'll take all the support you can give.

Darren Burgess, February 2014

2013 Summary

Syllabus Program and Members Attendance

Date	Meeting No., Member & Presentation	Present	Visitors	Apologies
15 Feb	Annual General Meeting #65 & General Meeting #998	9	-	5
22 Mar	#999 – Ross Wilkinson: ANZAC Oration – A Remarkable Sailor	12	-	4
19 Apr	#1000 – Celebratory Dinner	28	14	6
17 May	#1001 – Steele Waterman: 1923 Victorian Police Strike	13	1	3
21 Jun	#1002 - Alan Flint : 100 th Anniversary of Australia's First Distinctive Note	10	1	6
19 Jul	#1003 - Ray Jewell Memorial Meeting Frank Robinson: Victorian Tradesmen's Tokens	11	-	6
16 Aug	#1004 – Donation Auction	10	-	3
20 Sep	#1005 – Bill Xynos: Moroccan Delights	10	2	4
18 Oct	#1006 – Darren Burgess: Bridgnorth Revisited	10	1	5
15 Nov	#1007 – Michael Wade: Coinage of Ireland	11	1	3
15 Dec	#1008 - Christmas Meeting : Awards presentation and Various Speakers on non-numismatic items of interest	12	2	4
Average for 2013 [2012 Average: 12 present, 1 visitor, 6 apologies]		April included	12	2
		April excluded	11	1

Council Attendance

President	Vice Presidents		Councillors			Treasurer	Secretary
D Burgess (4/4)	F Robinson (4/4)	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	D Likar (4/4)	B Xynos (4/4)

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Voluntary Assistance on assigned Special Duties

Darren Burgess	Quarterly Newsletter Editor
David Likar	NAV Medals, Tender Sales & Donation Auctions
Terry Pepperell	Consultant – Medallions Projects, Awards & Trophies
Frank Robinson	<i>Australian Numismatist</i> Editor, Webmaster (navic.org.au).
Pat Shields	Auctioneer of Tender Sales & Donation Auctions, Custodianship - Library and Display Cases (assist).
Ross Wilkinson	Special Duties
Bill Xynos	Secretary, Emailmaster, Exhibitions, Custodianship - Medals & Display Cases (assist), NAV Assets registry.

Membership Changes

Membership Status: 65
New members elected on 19-7-2013: John Glover (NAV 1150), Master Duncan James (NAV 1151), Ms Susan Hacker (NAV 1152) and Dr Ralph Godau (NAV 1153); elected on 15-11-2013: David Briggs (NAV 1154)
Members passed away: John Hope (NAV 749), elected on 4-6-1969; P Webster (NAV 525), elected on 20-11-1964; Terry Pepperell (NAV 920), elected on 19-05-1978

Long-Term Membership Awards

Long-Term Membership Awards presented at the April 2013's 1000 th NAV Meeting	
15 Year Award	Bill Xynos (NAV 1112)
25 Year Award	Peter Goldsmith (NAV 1023)
40 Year Award	Pat Batchelor (NAV 824), Ken Marshall (NAV 797)
50 Year Award	Len Henderson (NAV 409)

Exhibition Awards

NAV – ANDA Numismatic Competition & Exhibition (July 2013)	
Best Judged Exhibit	"The Tichborne Claimant" by Terry Pepperell & "Dutch & German Carnival Medals in Australia" by Monica de Knecht
Most Popular Exhibit	"The Disappearing Dollar" by Ian Yarde & "Dutch & German Carnival Medals in Australia" by Monica de Knecht
ANDA Numismatic Competition & Exhibition (October 2013)	
Most Popular Exhibit	"Ancient Coins of the Greek Civilization" by Bill Xynos

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2013 Christmas Meeting

