

Bellaire Coin Club
Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order by the club president Garth Clark.

Treasurer's Report – The club is in sound financial condition.

Show Report – All tables are sold, and a waiting list exists. Several usual dealers will not make the show due to health issues. We wish them a speedy recovery. A Temporary Food Handler's Permit was obtained, so the snack bar will be able to operate. Sign permits are in place.

Effective for the August show, Ed S. announced that Tom B. will be the new Show Chairman. Tom has helped Ed for the past several years, so he already has much of the experience needed for the job. Ed stated he will be available as mentor and guide until Tom gets his sea legs. A straw vote supported the change.

Tom C. announced that items had been purchased for the Kid's Auction. He was able to get good material from US Coins and Collector's Coins. Jeff Todd donated a considerable amount of additional material over and above the purchased items. Both shops provided great deals for the purchased items, and they have our thanks for helping get new collectors interested in the hobby.

TNA Report – Jim B. said that the TNA Show had great press coverage. They were able to get front-page coverage with the BEP "Billion Dollar Bailout" exhibit. Jim brought a "Best Club Newsletter in Texas" trophy awarded to John B for his exceptional efforts on the GHCC newsletter *The Double Shift*, and an exhibitor's certificate for Sebastian F. Jim also brought a large number of bags of shredded currency that he suggested be used for the Kid's Auction at the upcoming Bellaire Coin Show.

Show & Tell:

- John B showed 3 British coins: a 1746 crown, a 1745 half crown, and 1745 shilling, each with LIMA below the bust. While the Admiral Anson story is quite interesting, and the "in-your-face" to the Spanish is quite charming, there seems to be little historic documentation to support that the silver used for these coins came from raids on ships leaving Peru.
- Ricardo T showed an Hermosillo mint 4 reales from 1867. The coin has a prominent over-date as well as an over-assayer.
- Ginger B showed a weird looking 1985 nickel and wanted to know if anyone knew why it looked as weird as it does.
- John T showed a Native American reverse Sacagawea dollar, and the pamphlet from the first GSA sale of Carson City Morgan dollars.
- Sebastian F showed a trio of recently obtained 2 reales coins from Mexico. They were the three coins missing in his type set of Spanish Colonial 2 reales.
- Gene M showed 3 Roman Imperial coins, and briefly showed how he records them and identifies them in the reference catalogs.

- Garth C showed a Roman coin celebrating twin victories by Magnentius. He did this to help celebrate the birthday of his own twins.

The club auction followed after a brief viewing. There were a total of 64 auction lots.

The meeting ended at approximately 7:50 PM, and the Usual Suspects reconvened at Jax.