

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, 2010

PRESIDENTS OF THE SOCIETY

1903–08	P.W.P. Carlyon-Britton, DL, FSA
1909	W.J. Andrew, FSA
1910–14	P.W.P. Carlyon-Britton, DL, FSA
1915–19	Lt-Col H.W. Morrieson, RA, FSA
1920–21	F.A. Walters, FSA
1922 (until 22 June)	J. Sanford Saltus
1922 (from 28 June)	G.R. Francis
1923–25	G.R. Francis, FSA
1926–27	Major W.J. Freer, VD, DL, FSA
1928 (until 20 February)	P.W.P. Carlyon-Britton, DL, FSA
1928 (from 22 February)	Lt-Col H.W. Morrieson, RA, FSA
1929–32	Lt-Col H.W. Morrieson, RA, FSA
1933–37	V.B. Crowther-Beynon, MBE, MA, FSA
1938–45	H.W. Taffs, MBE
1946–50	C.E. Blunt, OBE, FSA
1951–54	E.J. Winstanley, LDS
1955–58	H.H. King, MA
1959–63	D.F. Allen, BA, FBA, FSA
1964–65	C.W. Peck, FPS, FSA
1966–70	C.S.S. Lyon, MA, FIA
1971–75	S.E. Rigold, MA, FSA
1976–80	P. Woodhead, FSA
1981–83	J.D. Brand, MA, FCA
1984–88	H.E. Pagan, MA, FSA
1989–93	C.E. Challis, BA, PhD, FSA, FRHistS
1994–98	G.P. Dyer, BSc(Econ), DGA
1999–2003	D.W. Dykes, MA, PhD, FSA, FRHistS
2004–08	M.A.S. Blackburn, MA, LittD, FSA, FRHistS
2008–	R.J. Eaglen, MA, LL.M., PhD, FSA

JOHN SANFORD SALTUS MEDAL

This medal is awarded triennially to ‘the person, being a member of the Society or not, who shall receive the highest number of votes from the Members as having in their opinion made the scholarly contribution to British numismatics most deserving of public recognition, as evidenced by published work or works, whether in the *British Numismatic Journal* or elsewhere’, by ballot of all the members.

The medal was founded by the late John Sanford Saltus, Officer de la Légion d’Honneur, a President of the Society, by gift of £200 in the year 1910.

Medallists:

1910	P.W.P. Carlyon-Britton	1932	C. Winter
1911	Helen Farquhar	1935	R. Carlyon-Britton
1914	W.J. Andrew	1938	W.C. Wells
1917	L.A. Lawrence	1941	C.A. Whitton
1920	Lt-Col. H.W. Morrieson	1944	(not awarded)
1923	H.A. Parsons	1947	R.C. Lockett
1926	G.R. Francis	1950	C.E. Blunt
1929	J.S. Shirley-Fox	1953	D.F. Allen
		1956	F. Elmore Jones
		1959	R.H.M. Dolley
		1962	H.H. King
		1965	H. Schneider
		1968	E.J. Winstanley
		1968	C.W. Peck (posthumous award)
		1971	B.H.I.H. Stewart (later Lord Stewartby)
		1974	C.S.S. Lyon
		1978	S.E. Rigold
		1981	Marion M Archibald
		1984	D.M. Metcalf
		1987	Joan E.L. Murray
		1990	H.E. Pagan
		1993	C.E. Challis
		1996	J.J. North
		1997	P. Grierson (special award)

1999	R.H. Thompson
2002	E.M. Besly
2005	P. Woodhead
2008	M.A.S. Blackburn

BLUNT PRIZE

This prize was instituted in 1986 as the Council Prize but its name was changed in 2005 to mark the outstanding contribution to the Society and to British Numismatics made by Christopher Evelyn Blunt (1904–87). The prize takes the form of a triennial cash award to an individual, whether a member of the Society or not, who has made a recent significant contribution to the study of numismatics which falls within the Society's remit. Its purpose is principally to encourage younger scholars, and therefore preference is given to suitable candidates under 35 years of age.

Recipients:

1987	M.A.S. Blackburn
1990	E.M. Besly
1993	B.J. Cook
1996	M.R. Allen
1999	P. de Jersey
2002	K. Clancy
2005	S. Bhandare
2008	T. Crafter

NORTH BOOK PRIZE

The North Book Prize, established in 2006 with a generous donation by Jeffrey North, is awarded every two years for the best book on British Numismatics.

Books eligible for consideration for the prize are those published during the current or three preceding calendar years, copies of which have been received by the joint library of the British Numismatic Society and the Royal Numismatic Society for review.

Recipients:

2006	M.R. Allen for <i>The Durham Mint</i> (London, 2003)
2008	R.J. Eaglen for <i>The Abbey and Mint of Bury St Edmunds to 1279</i> (London, 2006)
2010	Lord Stewartby for <i>English Coins 1180–1551</i> (London, 2009)

JEFFREY NORTH MEDAL FOR SERVICES TO NUMISMATICS

The Jeffrey North Medal for exceptional services to British Numismatics was established with a generous gift from Jeffrey North in 2008. It is awarded by Council 'to members of the Society or others in recognition of outstanding services to British numismatics, whether in the UK or overseas'.

Recipients:

2008	J. Bispham
2008	M. Bonser
2008	C. Farthing
2008	A.J. Holmes
2010	K. Sugden
2010	P. and B.R. Withers

PROCEEDINGS 2010

All meetings during the year were held at the Warburg Institute and the President, Dr Robin Eaglen, was in the chair throughout.

(For Officers and Council for 2010, see Volume 80)

26 JANUARY 2010. Pawel Niemczyk and Roy Allan Norris were elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. The President announced that Mark Jones had been knighted in the New Year's Honours List. Dr Martin Allen then read a paper entitled *The exchanges in the City of London, 1344–1538*.

23 FEBRUARY 2010. Dr Frank Brady, Adam Jonathan Daubney, Dr James Andrew Findlow, Jonathan Edward Mann and Anja Christina Friedel Rohde were elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. The Institut für Numismatik, Universität Wien, was elected by Council to Institutional Membership. Council noted the deaths of Robert Cook (28 December 2009, aged 68), James O'Donald Mays (20 January 2010, aged 92) and John Weibel (28 December 2009, aged 95) with sadness. The President announced that Council had decided to award two Jeffrey North Medals for Services to Numismatics, to Keith Sugden and jointly to Bente and Paul Withers. Richard Abdy then read a paper entitled *Hadrian's coins: voyages, celebrations and commemorations*.

23 MARCH 2010. Max Garden was elected by Council to Junior Membership. Dr David Dykes then read a paper entitled '*J.B.*' of *'Foundling Fields'*.

27 APRIL 2010. Philip John Wise tendered his resignation to Council. Dr Peter Guest then read a paper entitled *Understanding ancient coins in Wales*.

25 MAY 2010. Henry Oliver Fairbairn was elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. Paul Eric Neupert tendered his resignation to Council. The President presented Jeffrey North Medals for Services to Numismatics to Keith Sugden, and jointly to Bente and Paul Withers. Dr Kristin Bornholdt Collins then read a paper entitled *A mixed bag from Man: the 2003 Glenfaba Hoard (c.1030) and the birth of Hiberno-Manx coinage*. The meeting was followed by the Spring Reception for members and their guests, sponsored by Mark Rasmussen.

22 JUNE 2010. Christopher Singer was elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. Richard Dennett, John Malcolm, Sarah Power and Ronald Searle tendered their resignations to Council. Council noted the death of Major Clement Lister (6 June 2010, aged 90),

with sadness. Tony Abramson then read a paper entitled *Sceats – how do we assess their success?*.

28 SEPTEMBER 2010. Joseph Angel Crespo, Jeffrey Charles Measmer and Gabriel Omassi were elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. The Niedersächsisches Münzkabinett, Hannover, tendered its resignation to Council. Professor Norman Biggs then read a paper entitled *Checking the current coins, 1344–1422*.

26 OCTOBER 2010. Benjamin James Burge, Mrs Patricia Reid Ferguson, Justin Charles Christian Moodie and Carl Edward Savage were elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. Joseph Edmond Cribb tendered his resignation to Council. Council noted the death of Ian Postlethwaite (21 July 2010, aged 68) with sadness. The President said that, no alternative nominations having been received, Council's list of Officers and Council members circulated during the month would be adopted at the AGM. Graham Dyer then read a paper entitled *Rationalisation or vandalism: Messrs Webster and the Royal Mint collection, 1871–1874*.

23 NOVEMBER 2010. Dennis Gilluley, Peter John Hewett, Timothy Medhurst, Terence John Read, James Ricks and Jason Stephen Sallam were elected by Council to Ordinary Membership. Colm Rooney and Dr Charles Wander tendered their resignations to Council. The Secretary declared that 22 members were amoved under By-Law IV.6 and one member was amoved under By-Law VIII.1. Emily Freeman and Tony Gilbert were appointed scrutators for the ballot. The following Officers and Council were declared elected for 2011:

President:	Dr Robin Eaglen
Vice-Presidents:	Graham Dyer, Dr David Dykes, Dr Stewart Lyon, Peter Mitchell, Hugh Pagan and Lord Stewartby
Director:	Ian Leins
Treasurer:	Philip Mernick
Secretary:	Peter Preston-Morley
Membership Secretary:	Philip Skingley
Librarian:	John Roberts-Lewis
Council:	Martin Allen (<i>Editor</i>), Prof. Norman Biggs, Dr Barrie Cook, Megan Gooch, Maj-Gen. Adrian Lyons, William MacKay (<i>Publicity Officer</i>), Dr Rory Naismith (<i>Website Officer</i>), Dr Elina Screen (<i>Editor</i>), Frances Simmons and Andrew Woods.

The Corresponding Members of Council were announced as Professor Peter Gaspar (North America) and Colin Pitchfork (Australasia).

Council's proposal that the subscription should remain unchanged at £32 for Ordinary Members and £15 for members under age 21 or in full-time education was approved. The President delivered the annual address, the first part being a Review of the Society's activities in 2010, followed by the second of two Presidential Addresses on coin illustration: *The illustration of coins: an historical survey (Part II)*. On completion and on behalf of the membership, Dr David Dykes thanked the President for his endeavours on behalf of the Society in the second year of his Presidency. The President invited members and their guests to attend a reception in the common room generously sponsored by the Classical Numismatic Group.

EXHIBITIONS

March:

By Peter Preston-Morley, on behalf of the executors of the late Robinson S. Brown Jr.

Two halfpenny tokens issued by James Burton, DH Middlesex 304 and 305.

September:

By Hugh Pagan.

1. An auction sale catalogue of 'the interesting collections, and other valuable property' of the late John Bluett, Haygrass House, Taunton (Eales White, Taunton, 13–19 April 1852), which included 237 lots of coins, medals and tokens.
2. A single volume of Denton and Prattent's *The Virtuoso's Companion*, from the library of Rev. Strickland Charles Edward Neville Rolfe (cf. Baldwin Auction, London, 4–5 May 2010).

SUMMER MEETING

The Summer Meeting of the Society, *Currencies and Creeds*, was held jointly with the Royal Numismatic Society at the Castle Museum, Norwich, on Saturday 3 July 2010. The meeting was opened by Prof. Nicholas Mayhew, President of the Royal Numismatic Society, and closed by the President. During the morning session, papers were read by Prof. Eric Kerridge, *Money and religion in England*; Prof. Lucia Travaini, *Byzantine coins in late medieval and modern Italy: from misinterpretation to salvation* and Richard Kelleher, *The sacred and the miraculous: reused later medieval coins*. In the afternoon, papers were read by Adrian Marsden, *Overtones of Olympus: emperors as Gods in the third century*; Dr Barrie Cook, *Enacting Ehipany: gold, frankincense and myrrh and English monarchs*; and Dr Shailendra Bhandare, *Like Rivers in Flow: religions reflected on money in India, c.1000–2000 A.D.*