At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 25 January, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, the President announced the deaths of Lady Stenton, and of Dr. E. A. Johnstone, a member since 1944. The President also announced that our member Dr. Robinson had received a Knighthood in the New Year's Honours List. Mr. Christopher Heal Bennett, and Major-General E. S. Cole were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. Chown, Major-General Cole, and Mr. Garside were admitted to Ordinary Membership. Mr. Blunt read a paper on the Sevington, North Wiltshire hoard, found in 1834. Mrs. Murray gave a short account of the Mauchline (Ayrshire) hoard. Miss Archibald read a short paper on the Willesborough (near Ashford) hoard, found in 1970.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 22 February, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. J. F. Pritchard was elected to Ordinary Membership, and Mr. Alexander M. Marks and Mr. Jonathan J. Marks were elected to Junior Membership. Mr. Brand read a paper on Kentish Hop Tokens.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 28 March, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. G. Berry, Miss J. I. Vecchi, Mr. R. E. Vecchi, The Reference Department, The Library, Chertsey, The Library, The Polytechnic, Queensgate, Huddersfield, and the National Lending Library for Science and Technology, Walton, Boston Spa, Yorkshire were elected to Ordinary Membership. The meeting was devoted to a general discussion and exhibits relating to the period 1816 to 1971.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 25 April, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. W. T. Cowley, Mr. W. A. D. Freeman, and Mr. A. J. H. Gunstone were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. G. Berry was admitted to Ordinary Membership. A joint paper entitled 'English Pewter Tokens of the 13th Century', by Mr. W. A. Seaby and Mr. Michael Dolley was read by Mr. Seaby.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 23 May, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. Ivor Raleigh and Mr. Christopher John Wood were elected to Ordinary Membership, and Mr. Peter Evans was elected to Junior Membership. The President presented the Sanford Saltus Medal for 1971 to Mr. Ian Stewart. Mr. Edmunds read a paper entitled 'English Numismatics before 1836'.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 27 June, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, the President announced the death of our Royal Member The Duke of Windsor. Mr. George B. Alden, Mr. William Buick Ferguson, Mr. Christopher J. Martin, and Mr. John Richard Wallace were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. Thompson read a paper entitled "Farthing-Maker in the Tower", the signed work of David Ramage (died 1662).
At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 26 September, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. H. J. Bamforth, Mr. A. Jarvis, and Dr. Niels Lund were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. Dolley read a paper entitled ‘The First Coinages in Ireland, and the Chronology of the Second Hand and Crux types of Ethelred II’.

At an Ordinary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 24 October, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Dr. Christopher Challis, Mr. William G. L. Chee, Mr. W. P. White, and the Kyoyobu Library, University of Kobe, Japan were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. Seaman read a paper entitled ‘The First Issue of Stephen’, and Mr. Stewart read a paper entitled ‘Stephanus R’.

At the Anniversary Meeting held at the Warburg Institute on Tuesday, 28 November, Mr. Rigold, President, in the chair, Mr. J. L. Garwood, Dr. John Knowles, The Numismatic Society, Kingston-upon-Thames, and The Alderman Library, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, were elected to Ordinary Membership. Mr. West, Dr. Challis, and Mr. Moore were admitted to Ordinary Membership.

The following Officers and Council were elected for 1973:

President: S. E. Rigold, M.A., F.S.A.
Treasurer: Clifford H. Allen, F.C.A.
Secretary: W. Slayter.
Librarian: R. H. Thompson, A.L.A.

Mr. Rigold delivered his Presidential Address.

EXHIBITIONS

January

By Mr. Blunt

A fragment of a penny of Æthelwulf, King of Wessex, 839–858. The obverse bears a head in the style of coins of the contemporary King of Mercia, Berhtwulf: the reverse a cross with two arms moline. BMC type XV.

Only the second half of the moneyer’s name remains, ... HEARD, but it can be confidently reconstructed as WELHEARD, as this moneyer struck a coin (perhaps unique) with the same reverse type but with a cross pattée over a cross saltire on the obverse, instead of the head of the king (BMC 90). With the exception of an untraced specimen by WELHEARD from the Sevington hoard, the other six known specimens of BMC type XV are all by the moneyer Ethelhere.
By Mrs. Murray and Mr. Stewart

A selection of English and Scottish coins from the Mauchline Hoard, deposited c. 1520.

By Mr. Mitchell

Edward III coins from the collection of Mr. G. V. Doubleday.

Early Post-Treaty nobles reading FRA of Treaty style, with Treaty reverse showing both Calais group dies listed by Lawrence as with London reverses.

1. Calais
2. Calais
3. London
4. Calais
5. Calais
6. London

Same obverse die. The reverse die of the London die of very careless work.

Lawrence illustrates this coin under London (Pl. XIX/1), and Calais (Pl. XX/1), but lists the coins wrongly in the index.

February

By Mr. Brand

A typescript copy of the catalogue of Kentish Hop Tokens by the Revd. Mr. Ackworth.

March

By Mr. Brunel

Two medals, one silver, one brass, commemorating the first General Secretary of the National Society of Amalgamated Brassworkers, William John Davis, a distinguished numismatist who wrote a number of works on tokens.

By Mr. Hawkins

Two passes.

1. A reservoir pass from Greenock.
2. A shipbuilding pass, issued by the New Shipbuilding Yard, at Bow Creek, on the River Thames.

By Mr. Sealy

Modern British rarities and varieties.

1. 1888 4 shillings, ‘inverted 1’.
2. 1887 6 pence, R over v; 1826 2 pence, Tritannia.
3 and 4. 1946 shilling, English reverse, two types.
5. 1952 Sixpence, proof; 1822 three pence, small head.
6. 1903 penny, open 3.
7 and 8. 1922 pennies, normal type, and type with the reverse of 1927.
9–12. 1908 pennies, the 4 types, No. 2 is RRR.
14. Mis-strike sixpence.
15–16. 3 pence pieces on light blanks, one with Hong Kong edge.
17–20. 1956 halfpennies, the four types.
17. 1+c Common.
18. 1+D RR.
19. 2+c RRR, less than 6 known.
20. 2+D R.

By Mr. Slayter
1. Three letters written by W. J. Andrew, one of the founders of the British Numismatic Society.
2. An early railway medal, in white metal, issued for the opening of the Liverpool to Manchester Railway in 1830.

By Mr. Stewart
Brass (?) counterfeits of 1816 shilling and sixpence. The former struck (?), the latter cast (?).

By Mr. R. H. Thompson

Obv. J, GOLLEDGE / GROCER / bust of Chinaman to left.
Rev. N°. 1 QUEEN STREET / CARDIFF / scales above chest labelled FINE / TEA.
Diam.: 22 mm.
Die-axis: Upright.

Two specimens in the National Museum of Wales are from the same dies with the same axis, as is another in the British Museum.
The distribution of the name Golledge in a set of telephone directories for the British Isles would suggest a North Somerset origin. The piece is well made, and of similar workmanship to that of Samuel King, Dale End, dated 1838 (Batty, Farthings, 904; Davis, Warwickshire, 993), which would suggest that Golledge’s was made in Birmingham c. 1840. In view of the rarity of the issuer’s surname, he was perhaps the John Golledge listed in Cardiff directories of 1855 and 1858, and in the list of burgesses of 1858, as beer retailer at the Scandinavian Tavern, 2 Bute Street; the presence of other grocers at no. 3 and no. 18 Queen Street in 1855 might point to the cause of his removal.

April
By Mrs. Delmé-Radcliffe, unrecorded variants of the coinage of Edward IV.
1. Groat Type Xa I.M. Long Cross Fitchy/Sun showing the obverse I.M. Long Cross Fitchy with pellet in one, or possibly both, of the upper angles.
2. Groat Type XIII I.M. Large Annulet/Trefoil showing trefoils on cusps above crown previously noted only on a mule with Type XII reverse.
3. Groat Mule XIV/XII I.M. Small Annulet/Short Cross Fitchy. Previously unknown, although a reverse mule XII/XIV has been recorded.
4. Canterbury Half-Groat Type V I.M. Pall/Pall showing trefoils at neck (not recorded)—usually quatrefoils, or nothing.
5. Canterbury Half-Groat Type VIb/VII I.M. Pall/—showing the obverse I.M. struck over Sun.
6. Canterbury Half-Groat I.M. Pall/—. True Ecclesiastical Type VII, previously on record only as a mule VI/VII or VII/VI.
7. York Penny Type XIV I.M. Annulet. No marks on obverse, no quatrefoil on reverse. An unrecorded obverse of this rare coin.

By Mr. Davis, on behalf of Mr. Osment, Chairman of Reading Coin Club.
A lead token, thirteenth century (?), found at Henley-on-Thames.

By Mr. J. D. Brand, on behalf of Maidstone Museum.
Three thirteenth-century tokens of the ‘London Wall’ type.

By Mr. W. A. Seaby, on behalf of the Ulster Museum, Belfast.
Eighteen of the Winetavern Street, Dublin, thirteenth-century Pewter Tokens, showing all the designs discovered.

By Mrs. Bussell
Thirty Lead Tokens.

By Mr. Rigold
A. Casts of a lead token (?), from St. Mary Port, Bristol.
B. A pewter token from Greyfriars, Boston, Lincs., of the same series as those described by Mr. Seaby.

May
By Mrs. Delmé-Radcliffe
Edward IV first reign halfpenny, Ecclesiastical Issue. I.M. Pall, Trefoils at neck, Trefoil stops, no knot on breast, ? Spur under CAN. Obverse legend EDWARD’.·.DI.’.GRA.’. REX, reverse legend CIVITAS CANTOR

By Mr. Derek Allen
Two original drawings on vellum by Thomas Simon, of his Petition Crown.

By Mr. Clayton
Three medals of the antiquaries William Camden and Martin Folkes.

By Mr. Edmunds, in illustration of his paper.
Several important numismatic books. Also a number of numismatic documents and letters, of which the most important was a letter written by John Evelyn.

By Mr. Sealy
A set of new Maltese decimal coins.
June

By Mr. Thompson, in illustration of his paper.

I.

1–6. Bristol Farthings, 1660 (BW Glos. 17). Note mullet initial marks.

4. Obv. C, note flaws below H, (ME)s, Rev. 3.
6. Obv. D, Rev. 3.

7–19. Gloucester Farthings, 1657 [–62]. (BW Glos. 77–9). Note mullet initial marks; signature .R. below G on reverses 1, 2, 4 (also 5), below C on reverses 6 (an extraordinary error die with G punched in upside down) and 7 (copied from the last ?); no signature on reverses 3, 8, 9. A complete set of the die-pairings, with the exception of Obv. D, Rev. 5.

7. Obv. A (FOR NECESSARY CHANGE), Rev. 1 (LUKE NOURSE MAIOR) [1657?].
19. Obv. H, Rev. 9. [June 1662?]

II.

1–2. Bristol Farthings, undated [1651?] (BW Glos. 11). Attributed to Ramage by H. W. Henfrey. No. 2 provides a second reverse die.

3–8. Bristol Farthings, 1652 (BW Glos. 12). Note signature .R. below date; coarse toothed beading on Nos. 3–4; different punch for ship and castle on No. 3; segment cut from No. 8 along arc of circle the same size as another blank; mullett initial mark.

9–14. Bristol Farthings, 1662 (BW Glos. 18–19). Note signature R below date, except on No. 14; rosette or cinquefoil initial mark; a fleur-de-lis above the c b on No. 9 (and is there an r also below the ship and castle ??); the different die-axes of Nos. 11–12, which are die-duplicates.

15. Mayor of Oxford tokens, 1652 (BW Oxon. 111). Note signature .R. below date; legends continuous from side bearing arms to side bearing initials.

17. Reading: George and Dragon: Taylor, William and M., token 1658 (BW Berks. 118). Note R below the initials.


III.

1. ‘Peace or War’ medal of Charles I (M.I. 134). Note signature .R. below bust.

2. Pattern farthing of the Commonwealth (Protectorate). Tooled, but hitherto unrecorded in silver. Same obverse die as Peck 387. Note signature .R. below the three pillars, and mullet i.m. By courtesy of Mr. J. Child, Newbury.

3. Pattern farthing of Cromwell (Peck 390). Obverse also occurs with a die signed .R.

4. Pattern farthing (?) of Charles II (Peck 473). Obverse (TRUTH AND PEACE) also occurs with the same signed die as No. 3.


6. Medalet commemorating Charles I, 1660 (unknown to Peck). Same obverse die as Peck 483, same reverse die as Peck 476 (No. 5 above). Note signature R below the bust, which is a Briot punch.


September

By Mr. R. N. P. Hawkins

Counterfeit shillings of the last issue of George III.

Nos. 1 to 6 Date set (1816 to 1820), one with two widths of date. From close to regal dies.

Nos. 7 and 8 from cruder dies.

All have copper or brass cores, with thin silver coating, often entirely absent, leaving, if superficially viewed, copper strikings capable of being mistaken for patterns.

October

By Mr. Robert Seaman

Pennies of Henry I and Stephen.

1. Henry I: Type XV of London with usual lettering.

2. Stephen: Type I of London STIFNE REX with usual lettering.

3. Stephen: Type I of Hereford STIFNE RE: same size lettering as No. 2.

4. Stephen: Type I of Winchester STIFNE R: with larger lettering.

5. Stephen: Type I of London STIFNE: with inner circle, small lettering.

6. Stephen: Type I of Lincoln STIFNE with no inner circle, large lettering.

7. Stephen: Type I of Lincoln STIFNE, no inner circle, very large lettering.
8. Stephen: Type I of Colchester STIEFNE, inner circle, very large lettering.

By Mr. D. L. F. Sealy
A Watford Type penny of Stephen, Lincoln Mint. Moneyer Siward.

By Mr. B. H. I. H. Stewart
A Stephen penny Type 1, Newcastle Mint.

By Mr. J. D. Brand
Short Cross pennies of the moneyer STIVENE of London, showing variant spellings of the name.
1. Plaster Cast (British Museum) ESTIVENE.
2. STEVENE.
3. STIEVENE.
4. STIVEN.

By Mr. F. Elmore Jones
Two pennies of Stephen Type I.
This unpublished coin is of interest because of the light it throws upon what Mr. Stewart has rightly called 'a coin which ought not to exist'. This coin was struck at Carlisle by the moneyer Erebald and is from the same obverse die as the famous (and unique) coin in the British Museum, of the same moneyer (Erebald) but with Edinburgh mint signature (Mack 281). It is also from the same obverse die as another unique coin of Carlisle of the moneyer Odard ex the Sheldon Find (Mack 282). The emergence of this further coin and one with this particular reverse reading seems to prove that the obverse die which struck all three coins never left the Carlisle workshop and that Mr. Stewart is absolutely right in his contention that the 'Eden' coin in Stephen's name resulted from a mix-up of the dies. Perhaps a coin of David of Scotland from the same reverse die as the Stephen coin will eventually appear to finally clinch the matter.

2. Bury St. Edmunds—Gillebert.
A coin of unusual style and seemingly not from London engraved dies.
Obv. Unusually large bust of quite good style.
Rev. Of normal type but with 'roundels' in the centre of the cross and at the end of each of the four limbs. These have the appearance of forming part of the original design and not to be superimposed after the die had been engraved as seems to have been the case with all the 'roundels' coins listed by Mack, all of which are peculiar to East Anglian mints, viz. Ipswich (7 varieties), Sudbury (1), and Bury (1). It is just possible, however, that the large single roundel in the centre of the cross on the latter may be also part of the original design. Certainly these 'roundels' must have some significance but whether they are associated with the bezants of the arms of the house of Boulogne and thus associated with Queen Matilda must remain an open question.
November

By Mr. R. A. Merson


2–3. Anglo-Gallic. Denier of Poitou in the name of Richard. Hewlett Types 9 and 10 (?), below obverse legend ‘straight line terminating in a point to left’ or ‘——right’ (in fact simply a wedge). These two varieties do not appear to be common.


5. Nantes.


7. Rennes.