

Free Web Site for ANA Member Clubs

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) now is providing web sites and E-mailboxes to member clubs at no charge.

"This new benefit includes a user I.D. and password for placing the club's web site on a secure computer, running the market-leading Apache web server on the UNIX operating system," says Information Technology Department Director Susie Nulty. "All files are backed up daily, and E-mail aliases are available."

For those interested in the technical aspects, Nulty adds that E-mail may be read "with a browser or other reader using 'POP3' or 'IMAP.' Additionally, complex E-mail routing may be set up using 'Procmail.' Use of the standard 'Perl,' 'PHP' and 'C' language packages is included, as well as the 'analog' program developed at Cambridge University for statistical analysis of web usage."

Two ANA-member organizations already are taking advantage of the service: Edmonton Numismatic Society (edmontoncoinclub.com) and Central States Numismatic Society (centralstates.info). Two other clubs are in the process of setting up their sites: New England Numismatic Association (nenacoin.org), Crescent City Coin Club (crescentcitycoinclub.org)

Dan Gosling, a member of the Edmonton Numismatic Society, says, "I am really pleased and very thankful for the ANA's generosity and the staff's hard work in helping us set this up. Membership in the ANA definitely has its rewards."

Before it can participate, a club must have a registered domain name, available for as little as \$25 per year from a variety of providers (such as netsol.com.)

The ANA will continue to offer clubs free web-page hosting under its money.org domain. To view examples, visit: - The Washington Numismatic Society (www.money.org/clubs/wns/wns_index.html) - The Maryland Token and Medal Society (www.money.org/clubs/mdtams/mdtams.html)

For more information about how an ANA member club can take advantage of the new web service, contact IT Director Susie Nulty at 800/367-9723 (ext. 110), or E-mail kiick@money.org.

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