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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

No one is more aware of the great responsibilities I have taken upon myself when I accepted the honour of becoming your President for 1971-72 than I am. I fully realize that the decisions taken over the next two years could affect the progress of our association and the great hobby it represents. I am reminded that we must forge ahead if we are to keep up with the times, keeping in mind the fact that I and my executive are responsible to you, our members, and as such must account for our actions. It is my hope, shared by your executive, to heal some of the rifts that have taken place - hoping to promote harmony among our members rather than resentment and bitterness. Here I would ask that any member who feels he has a complaint against the Association or a fellow member, to please write to me to give me a chance to clear matters up.

In conclusion I will ask each and every member to feel free to write to me, whether it is in criticism or praise, helpful hints or constructive suggestions or offers of help in any capacity. You will be doing me a good turn and, of course, your Association also.

Finally may I say that with the promised help of my executive, I am hoping that this next two years will see us growing in numbers and in numismatic knowledge so that when I hand over the reins of office to my successor our members will feel that I have tried to do a good job.

Yours sincerely,

Charlie Laister  
President.

COIN PRESERVATION

By Paul Johnson, Peterborough

The importance of collecting coins in the finest possible condition cannot be stressed enough. Everyone prefers Uncirculated coins to the lower grades, mainly due to their beauty, and, secondly, their value. True, you cannot acquire every coin in new condition because we all have a limited budget but I would rather upgrade a set of coins than start on another set of a different type.

Preserving new coins is very important and good judgment should be used when storing your collection. Coins, no matter how well preserved, are susceptible to oxidation and tarnish when exposed to normal atmospheric conditions. Collectors who live in a community with air pollution by factories, salt water or excessive humidity, must be constantly aware that their coins are protected from these harmful conditions.

In this day and age, there is a wide variety of plastic holders and storage containers that are suitable for protecting coins. The popular 2" x 2" plastic coin holder with an airtight seal is probably the most practical container for a single coin. The attractiveness of these holders makes them suitable for display purposes, they are of a convenient storage size, and coins may be easily removed when desired. For less valuable coins, many collectors use a 2" x 2" paper coin envelope. The major advantage is that information regarding the coin may be recorded on the outside of each envelope.

The collector who wishes to house his coins in complete sets or series has many holders and albums to choose from. Plastic pages, that accommodate twenty 2" x 2" coin holders are available for complete coin sets and are by far the most attractive and protective. Polystyrene coin holders for proof sets or mint sets are also available and offer a convenient method of storing all coins of a single year. Be sure to select one that is as nearly airtight as possible to prevent tarnishing.

Another way to hold coins is the popular Whitman Bookshelf Album consisting of pressed board pages with openings for one date or mint of each coin in every series. Both sides of the coin are visible and offers excellent protection to the coin. A less expensive Whitman folder is available for all sets of coins but is not nearly as attractive as the Bookshelf album. There is no covering for the coins when the pages are opened, unlike the Bookshelf Album.

Plastic coin tubes are used to keep rolls of coins for future trading purposes or whatever and should be sealed with tape, There are also many other types of coin holders which I'm sure you have seen. But buy the type that suits and protects your coins best. As I mentioned before, be particular and choosy about the way you store your coins - after all, one would be very unusual as a collector if he didn't enjoy looking at his coins from time to time.

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WHY CANADIAN SHINPLASTERS? - AN ANSWER.

By J. A. Peddie, F.R.N.S., LM# 1, C.P.M.S.

While reading a book entitled SIXTY YEARS IN CANADA by Wm. Weir, I noticed a reference to the reason for the issuance of TWENTY-FIVE CENT notes of the Dominion of Canada in 1870. This is quoted here in full as it appears on page 152 and 153 of the above book:-

In order to supply the void which will be caused by the removal of the American Silver, it has been determined that a new Canadian coinage should be struck at the Royal Mint and application has already been made for the coinage of Fifty and Twenty-Five cent pieces to the extent of One Million Dollars.

As, however, it is undesirable to order more silver than is necessary to supply the requirements of the public and as it is difficult to estimate the extent of these requirements, as moreover the coin cannot be delivered for a considerable time. I propose recommending the temporary issue of Dominion Fractional notes of Twenty-Five cents, which, of course, will be redeemable like other Dominion notes, in Gold, when presented in sums of \$5.00. No effort will be used to force these notes into circulation, but ample facilities will be given to the public for obtaining them, and equally ample facilities will be given for replacing them with the fractional silver coins, whenever these shall have been received from England. End of Quote.

Instead of being a temporary measure, these "Shinplasters" were issued not only in 1870 but also a very large issue in 1900 and again in 1923 and were placed in circulation up to 1934.

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NEW MEMBERS

The applications which appeared in the July-August issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following new applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the October issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

#817 Donald G. Killen, Box 602, 76 Wellington Street,  
Bracebridge, Ontario.

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Vancouver 13, B.C.

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DID YOU KNOW

That BUNGTOWN is a humorous American name originally applied to imitations of British halfpence which were minted and circulated in America during the 1784-89 period, some bearing fictitious dates. The name continued to be used in New England during the first half of the nineteenth century, referring to any copper coin of depreciated or insignificant value.

CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION  
or  
"THE EX" - 1971

I am not sure where our summer has gone - but I guess it has went with a vengeance. Here it is "The Ex" time once again - starting Thursday, August 19th and ending on Labour Day, Sept. 6th. In past years our Association has contributed much to its success by exhibiting many cases of our prize collections. This year is no exception. We are again asking our members to exhibit, and Sunday, August 15th has been suggested by Chairman, Albert Fuller and his committee, as the day we should start putting up our exhibits. If you have any queries ask Albert by writing to him at P.O. Box 4, Waterloo, Ontario. Be sure to list your collection's value and give it to Albert when you arrive for insurance purposes.

This year we are inviting all the Ontario Clubs to participate by sending material to be used to advertise the many clubs throughout Ontario. This idea is the brain-child of Frank Lieshout and the Central Coin Club, Toronto, who will be manning the exhibits during the show. Medals will again be on sale - so if you want to keep your "Ex" medal collection completely to date, pick up one there.

See you all at Toronto on Sunday, August 15th. Bring your Club advertising and your exhibits and make this our biggest show yet, and just as important, let us give every help to Frank Lieshout and the Central Coin Club in their efforts on our behalf. Albert needs help. Won't you give him some?

Your Executive.

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NEWS AROUND THE COIN CLUBS

GALT AREA COIN CLUB

The President, Bill Wellsman, gave information on the hobby show being held Sept. 18 and 19 in the Public Library where the club will set up displays and hope to show the slides, "The Ultimate Achievement". It was announced that Mr. Bill MacDonald of Whitman Golden Publishing is donating a complete set of coin books to the club library.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The feature of the last meeting was the O.N.A. Audio-Visual set by T. Robinson, entitled "The Coins of Newfoundland". Information was also given on the new system of judging to be used at the upcoming show in which each display must have a theme.

CITY OF OTTAWA

At the last meeting a vote was taken whether to change the name of the club but when the vote was taken the majority ruled that the name remain "The City of Ottawa Coin Club". It was decided to buy a coin finder and have groups go out on weekends.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB

At the last meeting a letter was received from the Toronto Coin Club announcing their Anniversary Show Sept. 25th. The O.N.A. slides on the coins of Newfoundland from the 1¢ to the \$2.00 gold pieces was presented by Diane Kosiba and Pat Lambert. The meeting closed with the usual auction.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

At the last meeting the Junior Chapter of the Club had a 100% attendance. Quite a record. The program consisted of the O.N.A. presentation on the 5¢ Candian large nickel and also a vest-pocket bourse. Each member could set up a table or snack tray and bargain for his coins.

WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB

At the last meeting before the summer recess Charlie Laister gave a very interesting talk on the function of the O.N.A. in conjunction with the local clubs which was very much enjoyed. A rousing Dutch auction and a good lunch concluded an excellent meeting.

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O.N.A. AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICE

Recently our Audio-visual service was the fortunate recipient of an exciting new set of slides on "Medals of Israel" by Art Leff. Art must have spent many hours of hard work and diligent study to come up with such an excellent set of slides. We wish to convey our thanks to Art for his generous gesture. We know they will prove very interesting and in big demand by our clubs all over the Province. Those clubs interested should write to Charlie Laister, No. 3 Highway, Tillsonburg, who will book them out on a first come, first served basis. Some time ago the Executive of your Association decided to try to recompense kind people like Art (and many others like him who devote so much time and talents to give us the benefit of their knowledge) by donating a small sum to help defray expenses. So we are sending Art \$25.00 to help pay some of the high costs incurred. Thank's, Art, for a job well-done, and again thanks to so many who have made this service possible over the years - pioneers like Rod Rekofsi, Lloyd Smith, Bill English, among many others who thought up this excellent idea of promoting knowledge for our members. Any budding photographers who would like to donate are cordially invited to do so. How about it, you guys?

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FLORINS OF QUEEN VICTORIA

Silver florins were not coined in Britain until 1849 when they were introduced as a result of a proposal to convert our currency to the decimal system. This is the reason that the value is expressed until 1887 as "ONE FLORIN - ONE TENTH OF A POUND". The first issue - "Godless and Graceless" - was withdrawn on account of popular indignation at the omission of "DEI GRATIA" (by the Grace of God) and "FIDEI DEFENSOR" (Defender of the Faith) from the Queen's titles, and was replaced by the extremely common "Gothic" florin.

The inscription is in the black letter script, and around the head reads "VICTORIA D.G. BRIT.(or BRITT) REG. F.D." followed by the date in Roman numerals, often so worn that it is difficult to decipher. A typical example would be "MDCCCLXXVII" (1877).

Between 1887 and 1890 was coined the double florin, or four shilling piece, the only time this denomination has been minted. Nevertheless, it was coined in great numbers and is still of very common occurrence.

(From a British Museum information pamphlet)

Thanks to Hamilton Coin Club

PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

Listed below are the proposed coin club annual show dates and banquets. Check, please, to see if they conflict with your club's forthcoming show dates.

- Sept. 18 - Huronian Numismatic Society 11th Annual Show and Banquet at the Continental Inn, Highway 90 and 400, Barrie, Ont. For details re bourse, etc. contact Ken Prophet, P.O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont.
- Sept. 19 - London Numismatic Society Coin Show from noon to 7.00 p.m. at the Carousel Motor Hotel, Wellington Road South near Highway 401. For information re bourse, etc. write Lloyd Smith, 123 Arundell St., London 41, Ont.
- Sept. 25 - Toronto Coin Club 35th Anniversary Coin Show and Banquet. For details contact Robert Aaron, 80 King St. West, 4th Floor, Toronto 1, Ont. or Fred Jewett, 26 Davean Drive, Bayview Hills, Willowdale, Ont.
- Oct. 3 - The Bluewater International Coin Show, sponsored by the Sarnia Numismatic Society, will be held at the Village Inn Motor Hotel, 751 N. Christina St., Sarnia. Anyone wishing to display write to Robert Sargent, P.O. Box 89, Corunna, Ont. for exhibit rules and time of placing displays.
- Oct. 9-10 - Kitchener Coin Club annual Show and Banquet in the Walper Hotel, Kitchener.
- Oct. 17 - Stratford Coin Club Annual Show at the Legion Hall, 207 St. Patrick St., Stratford. Details re bourse, etc. to Stratford Coin Club, P.O. Box 262, Stratford, Ont.
- Oct. 23 - St. Catharines Coin Club Annual Show and Banquet in Westminster United Church Hall, Queenston St., St. Catharines. Details re bourse, etc. contact President, Howard Hill, 1 Hayes Avenue, St. Catharines, Ont.
- Oct. 24 - Tillsonburg 9th Annual Coin Show and Hobby Show at the Orange Hall, Brock St. East, Tillsonburg, Ont. For details re bourse, etc. contact Charlie Laister, No. 3 Highway, Tillsonburg, Ont.
- Oct. 30 - Hamilton Coin Club Annual Show - 125th Anniversary - at the Hindoo Koosh Grotto, 121 Hughson St. N., Hamilton. For information contact Show Chairman, P.O. Box 325, Station "B", Hamilton, Ont.
- Nov. 13-14 - Windsor Coin Club Annual Show at the Norton Palmer Hotel, Park St. at Pelissier. Details re bourse, etc. to Windsor Coin Club, Box 173, Sandwich P.O., Windsor 10, Ontario. Please make reservations early.

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- Mar. 25 - 26 - Waterloo Coin Society Annual Show at the Holiday Inn, No. 8 Highway, Kitchener, Ont. Further details in future bulletins. Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario.

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Avoid loud and aggressive persons, they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.

THE BREAD TOKENS OF ONTARIO - continued from July issueEGANVILLE

From/Lisk's Bakery/Eganville,/Ont.

Good for/1/loaf

A-Oc-27

Good for/2/loaves

A-R-30

ELMIRA

C. Schwindt/Baker/Elmira,Ont.

Good for/1/loaf of bread

A-R-25

ELORA

Jas. Christie/Scotch/Bakery.

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf/of/bread.

A-R-24

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf/of/bread.

B-R-24

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf/of/bread

C-R-24

Good for/1/loaf/of/bread.

A-R-28

Good for/1/loaf/of/bread

B-R-28

Good for/1/loaf/of/bread.

C-R-28

D. Massie,/Baker/Elora,Ont.

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of breadA-Sc4-28 $\frac{1}{2}$ Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of breadB-Sc4-28 $\frac{1}{2}$ Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of breadC-Sc4-28 $\frac{1}{2}$ Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of breadW-Sc4-28 $\frac{1}{2}$ 

Good for/1/loaf of bread

A-R-25

Good for/1/loaf of bread

B-R-25

Good for/1/loaf of bread

C-R-25

Good for/1/loaf of bread

W-R-25

ESPANOLA

Chas. Gouge/Bakery/Espanola

Good for/1/loaf of bread

A-RE-32x19

G. Tasso/Baker/Espanola

Good for/one/loaf

A-S-24

EXETER

Statham's/Bakery/Exeter, Ont.

Good for one/5¢/loaf/of/bread

A-Oc-27

FERGUS

A.H. Foote/Baker/Fergus

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of/bread.

A-R-25

Good for/ $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf/of bread

A-Sc4-29

FOREST

D.C. Jamieson/Baker/Forest,Ont.

Good for/1/loaf of bread

A-Sc8-29

FT. ERIE

H. Paulus/Baker/Fort Erie,Ont.

Good for/5/in/merchandise

B-R-20

FORT WILLIAMItalian Bakery/&/Grocery/Louis Belluz/Prop,/  
Good for/1/loaf of bread

A-S-23

Peter Bellus/Baker/&amp;/Grocer/Fort William, Ont.

Good for/1/loaf

A-Sc8-30

GALT

Golden Bakery/Galt  
1/loaf bread A-Sc9-27  
(Gold-C.H.)

J. Graham/Galt, Ont.  
Good for  $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf A-R-27  
Good for  $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf/of bread A-R-26  
Good for 1/loaf A-R-29

W.A. Hunter/Baker/and/Confectioner/Phone 237/  
Dicson St., Galt.  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Ov-31x22

W.A. Hunter/Baker &/Confectioner/Phone 237/  
Dickson St., Galt  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Ov-30X21

David Smith/Baker/North Water St./Galt, Ont.  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Sc8-29

GANANOQUE

W.S. Yle/Baker/Gananoque.  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-R-25

GEORGETOWN

J.J. Gibbens/City Bakery/Georgetown.  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Ov-30 $\frac{1}{2}$ X22

GLENCOE

McLachlan & Vair/Bakers/Glencoe, Ont.  
Good for one loaf/of bread A-R-25

GORE BAY

G. Peters/Baker/Gore Bay/ont.  
C. Landreville/Good for  $2\frac{1}{2}$ /cents/1897 - - - - -C-R-16  
(Alum. "L" Insert)  
Good for one/5/cent/loaf bread - - - - - A-R-16  
(Blank) - - - - - C-R-16  
(Alum. "L" Insert)

GUELPH

Thos. Cleghorn/Baker/McDonald Str./Guelph  
Good for  $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of bread A-Re-32X19

Gordon St. Bakery/R. Johnston/Guelph.  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Sc4-28

Gordon St. Bakery, /R. Johnston, /Guelph  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-Sc4-28

Model Bakery/Powell & Co./Guelph  
Good for  $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of bread A-O-25

At/Geo. Williams/Guelph, /Ont.  
Good for half/loaf of bread A-R-25

George Searle/Guelph, Ont.  
Good for  $\frac{1}{2}$ /loaf of bread A-Sc8-29  
Good for 1/loaf of bread A-R-30

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THIS 'N THAT

I am sure most of our readers have heard the old adage "Time flies" -- well, I figure time, like the Apollo 15 Crew, has sure flown -- Here it is Exhibition time again (which to us older folks usually spelled the end of summer) and once more those of us who put in our exhibit at the C.N.E. wonder what we can do this year -- Which reminds me, this year we are hoping many, and I stress many, of our clubs will participate in the C.N.E. exhibit -- Let the public from all over the province and the bordering United States know where your club is -- when it meets -- time -- Your new Secretary's name and address -- your new president, etc. -- and while you're at it, would all Ontario clubs send ME their addresses for enquiries -- their meeting place, time of meeting and the date of such meetings -- I do get so many notes asking me details of the various coin club meetings all over the Province, and so often I cannot answer because either your bulletins do not give it, or give the old addresses -- so will you please bring me up-to-date so I, too, can publicise your club in the October issue by giving a complete Club Directory -- If you want publicity send me your information. September and October see many new Coin Shows and it is our hope that we will meet many old friends again -- this, to me and my wife, make our job all the more interesting -- meeting old friends of a few months or in many cases 10 - 12 years standing -- So if you see me or my trouble and strife (wife to the uninitiated) around the coin shows, please do make yourself known to us -- old friends, like jewels, become more valuable as the years roll on - Gee, Ye Ed is getting sentimental in his old age!!-- By the time this is in the mail the A.N.A. and the C.N.A. shows will be over -- We of the O.N.A. wish them both a successful show this year -- with much accomplished and a fresh attack on the many problems we all have to face -- When one considers that, in the past ten years our hobby has increased its members by 400% to 500%, we can be thankful for the greater need for "Cool Minds - Cool Thinking" of the Executives who guide your local clubs, Your Provincial and State Associations and your National and Federal Associations -- And here I leave you with a thought -- If it were not for the unselfish actions of the executives of these home clubs, Provincial and Federal Associations, how far would we have got these past ten years? -- To those of our fellow collectors, past and present, who helped build the hobby to what it is to-day, we humbly say "Thank You", for the time, money, patience and numismatic knowledge you have given to us out of your generosity. So ----

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LATE, LATE COIN CLUB NEWS

ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB are holding a Coin Show this year on Nov. 4th, 1971. A banquet is to be held at 6.30 p.m. sharp (so they tell me!). No price per ticket quoted. Any enquiries to Gordon Horne or Bill Irvine (no address given) - (An example where an up-to-date Club Directory would help - Send us the information please).

CENTRAL COIN CLUB-Toronto- Tells me they are to be at the C.N.E. this year manning a special "Courtesy Table", and with members of the O.N.A. will be showing their collections - Your support is needed to man the table - exhibit your collection, etc. Information from Frank Lieshout phone 483-6221

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TO TRY TO KEEP THE ASSOCIATIONS DUES TO A MINIMUM THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT BY BECOMING INVOLVED IN THE CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION HOBBY EXHIBIT AND THE WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY AND THE KITCHENER COIN CLUB IT HAS SOME EXCITING MEDALS TO OFFER. ALL PROFITS FROM THE SALE OF THE MEDALS WILL GO INTO THE ASSOCIATIONS TREASURY. WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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Ninth Annual Convention Medals  
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2.	10 K Gold Plated	\$15.00
3.	Sterling Silver	\$ 5.00
4.	Bronze	\$ 3.00
5.	Nickel	\$ 3.00
Set	A - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 - All	\$64.00
*	B - 1, 2, 3, 4 - Sets	\$60.00
	C - 1, 3, 4, 5 - Encased	\$54.00
*	D - 1, 3, 4 - In	\$50.00
	E - 2, 3, 4, 5 - Three	\$24.00
*	F - 2, 3, 4 - Piece	\$20.00
	G - 3, 4, 5 - Gold	\$14.00
*	H - 3, 4 - Inscribed	\$10.00
*	J - 3 - Custom	\$ 6.50
*	K - 4 - Plastic	\$ 4.50
	L - 5 - Holders	\$ 4.50
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### CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION SERIES

	Silver (.999)	Bronze	Nickel Silver
1963, 1½"	\$10.00	\$1.50	\$----
'63, 1¼"	----	1.50	----
'64, 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50
'65, 1½"	10.00	1.50	----
'66, 1½"	10.00	1.50	----
'67, 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50
'68, 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50
'69, 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50
'70, 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50
71 1½"	10.00	1.50	1.50

### Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest

	Bronze	Aluminum	Pendant Only
1970, 1½"	\$2.00	.50	\$1.50
1970, Pendant	3.50	2.00	
1971, 1½"	2.00	.50	\$1.50
1971, Pendant	3.50	2.00	
1971, in special display card	2.00	.75	
1971, Plastic stand to hold display card with medal	3.50	2.00	Plastic Stand \$1.50

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## KITCHENER-WATERLOO OKTOBERFEST

Many mouth-watering delights of Germany await visitors to Kitchener-Waterloo during Oktoberfest.

There you will find succulent weinerschnitzel, Sauerbraten, Kohrloladen, Oktoberfest sausage and tantalizing strudel — all cooked to perfection by expert German hausfraus.

Complimentary membership to all visitors is offered by the area's four major German clubs which have a combined membership of over 6,000.

Then again, there is beer. Beer flowing in rivers as beaming tapmen fill thousands of mugs to lubricate the throats of revellers, dry from singing and dancing.

Admission to most beer halls is nominal and food and accommodation is well within reach of most people's pocketbooks.

There's fun for young and old during Kitchener-Waterloo's annual Oktoberfest.

The warm hospitality proffered here is pronounced "Gemütlichkeit", a German word meaning everything from 'fellowship' to 'eat, drink and enjoy'.

Because of Waterloo County's predominantly German heritage, the K-W Oktoberfest has all the atmosphere and flavour of the original Munich Oktoberfest.

During K-W's Oktoberfest, revellers sing and dance in banner-bedecked beer halls to the brassy strains of German oompah bands. Waiters in lederhosen serve frothy pitchers of beer while buxom waitresses in dirndls carry trays of tantalizing sausages.

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