

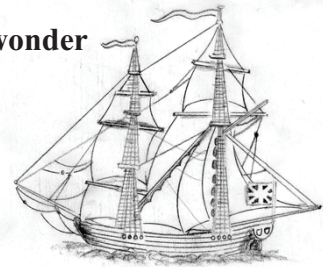
# THE “CONDER” TOKEN

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The Trail – An iron boat wonder



Updates on counterfeit Wilkinson’s

More on Iron Bridge tokens



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Wilkinson – Boulton – Hancock Connections

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## New Members

A warm welcome to our newest members:

606	Mr.	Michael Calloway	Madison, AL
607	Mr.	Troy Nelson	Ivins, UT

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AUGUST, 2016

Dear Friends,

Another summer moving along, and have found that this can be a good time of year to find that unusual token or even groups. The on-line experience can be worthwhile, even for an old dinosaur like me. We have had a major move in the money situation, not with the club, but with the British exit from the European market. (BREXIT) It has not actually happened yet, there is a lot of untangling to do if it does happen, but the one result that we can see is the loss in value of the British pound. Locally, within Britain, at least one dealer tells me that business is better, as the pound is lower. I cannot see that as a real reason in the long run, but possibly in the short one.

In America, prices have remained steady, the only time we notice anything is if we buy tokens from the UK, they are cheaper. Last I looked the Pound was at around \$1.33, and it was well more than that last year. \$1.60 was the norm for years.

But, that brings me to what is going on this year. There is a auction in September that will have some Conder tokens -- see ( [DNW.co.uk](http://DNW.co.uk) ) and look at the September 21-23 auction. It is not a large token sale--some singles and some group lots— on line now.

The big token auction is again this year at Baldwins, 4 October, and I understand that it is again “mostly singles”, which makes for an interesting sale. This is the Baldwin Basement Sale III, items from the basement vaults, as the last two have been. One word of caution, the material is sold just as it comes out of the vaults where it has been for 50-100 years, and it is up to the bidder to decide the condition. You should have eyes on the pieces you wish to buy, and if you cannot do so in person, find someone who will do it for you. This way you get a correct bid, and something you want.

The token congress will be in Northampton, at the Hilton this year, it is the third year I will have attended at that location. It is held 7,8,9 October, the host and organizer for this year is John Newman. Price is 190 pounds for two nights stay, 5 meals, and all the talks, an auction, and a bourse!! Really inexpensive!! [Johnnewman1@sky.com](mailto:Johnnewman1@sky.com) will help you get there, but be quick, it needs to be settled in the next month. If you wish to go I can help with the fund exchanges, please ask me.

And, the ANA will be in Los Angeles this year during August, you will find Baldwins and DNW will have booths, if you go be sure to stop and introduce yourselves to those manning it, if you buy tokens in London you will know most of them.

This is the last Journal until winter. We shall, I hope, have some interesting things to talk about then, lots of things in the works. Enjoy the journal, have a nice rest of the summer, and all the best to everyone.

Bill McKivor CTCC #3.

