



COUNCIL NEWS

COIN COLLECTING

The Low Country Coin Club hosted a Coin Collecting merit badge class at their Summer Show in Ladson, SC on Saturday, July 29, 2023 at the Exchange Club of Charleston. Low Country Coin Club President Randy Clark mentioned that this is the first time the Club has offered the coin

collecting merit badge class in nearly a decade. "Initially we figured around ten Scouts, but then families started streaming in and the leadership rallied to make sure we had enough chairs for everyone."

With over forty-five (45) Coastal Carolina Council Scouts, leaders, and family members in attendance, instructors Bob Brenner, John Tormanen, and our very own Council President Chris Staubes put on a lively seminar. Participants were encouraged to discuss the various aspects of the hobby, including the technical requirements for coinage and currency, and the historic and current processes for designing and minting coins. Many Scouts brought their personal collections to the show and were able to display and explain their collections to the instructors. Those who needed to complete their sets were directed to the Club's Young

Numismatist (YN) table, where club members provided Scouts with coin albums and coins to assist with the requirements. Many families stayed hours beyond the actual class to make sure their Scout(s) completed their sets. Club member Maurice Snook hopes the class will introduce a new generation to the hobby. Low Country Coin Club Vice President Bob Brenner was ecstatic about the turnout, saying "the Low Country Coin Club has been around since 1960, and we are thrilled to be able to provide this valuable resource for our community." Past President Burnie Acuff says the Club "looks forward to offering the class again at future shows." At the end of the day, twenty-seven (27) Scouts earned the coin collecting merit badge.



The Low Country Coin Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm at 2429 Midland Park Road, North Charleston. You can learn more about the club at <https://lowcountrycoinclub.com>.