



Transform Your Team – 7th August 2017 – To boldly go where no “coin” has gone before #The Essential News Story

Virtual currency, also known as **virtual** money, is a type of unregulated, digital money, which is issued and usually controlled by its developers, and used and accepted among the members of a specific **virtual** community. Bitcoin the new virtual currency has entered the market in the last week. It is a consensus network that enables a new payment system and a completely digital money. It is the first decentralized peer-to-peer payment network that is powered by its users with no central authority or middlemen. From a user perspective, Bitcoin is pretty much like cash for the Internet. From a user perspective, Bitcoin is nothing more than a mobile app or computer program that provides a personal Bitcoin wallet and allows a user to send and receive bitcoins with them. Forget cashless payments this seems very confusing or what!!!!

#Monday Cricket Fact - ECB confirms coin toss will no longer be mandatory in County Championship

Away teams in both divisions of the County Championship will be given the option to bowl first or have a traditional coin toss before the start of play in a season-long trial announced by the England and Wales Cricket Board. A coin less toss!!!

View from @PhilJBish

Believe it or not, there was once no money. It seems we are going full circle in life as well as sport. Coins have been around longer than you might think and they have always carried a bit of history or a message. The oldest coin we have is the ‘Lydian Lion’ – so called because it was minted in Lydia and has a lion on it. Made of electrum, a naturally occurring alloy of gold and silver, it was minted in 600 BC. There was a similar development of coinage in China about the same time.

On British coins, we have had some interesting images and words, for example, the Welsh words, “**Pleidol wyf I’m gwlad**”. Also, a few British coins have some clear Christian references. Domine Dirige Nos is Latin for “Lord, guide us” and Nisi Dominus Frustra means “In vain without the Lord”. Of course, Nemo Me Impune Lacessit (“No one will attack me with impunity”) a bit more confrontational.

Britannia, the female character who represents the ‘spirit of Britain’, has appeared on coins in the UK since the days of Emperor Hadrian. In more recent times, she has gone from standing on a two-bob bit to sitting on a 50p. She has also gained an olive branch of peace which is held out, while the trident is now behind her. The imagery has gone from warlike to peace loving. Enjoy checking the faces on your cash & coins in the next few weeks! While you still can. (By the way, “Pleidol wyf I’m gwlad” means “I am true to my country” in Welsh.)



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