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NEXT MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date September 11, 2016

12:00 p.m. - Mart setup for items you wish to sell.
1:00 p.m. - Meeting

We have a show at Lang on September 4.

Location Parkwood Recreation Centre
119 Birch Street
Belleville, ON

Agenda Call to order
Report from Treasurer
Report from Secretary

New Business

- a) reflections on the Precoor auction
- b) reports on
 - i) Bobcaygeon show June 12
 - ii) Madoc show July 24
 - iii) Lang show September 4
- c) ideas for the November meeting
- d) in-house group presentation for the April meeting proposal
- e) other business

Presentation

Video: "What is so Unique about Canadian Clocks" by Jim Connell

Show and Tell

- a) recent acquisitions
- b) clock/watch stories
- c) tips, tools and techniques
- d) theme letter will be "V" for clocks/watches/etc.

50-50 Draw (Michael Gillespie)

Contest Question (Michael Gillespie)

Ray Churchyard will have this meeting's question

Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

(June 12, 2016)

Reports

The President called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present. He explained that the meeting coincided with our annual display of timepieces at the Bobcaygeon Settler's Days events. As a reflection of this, only 10 members were present at our June meeting. He explained that he had hoped to change our meeting date in Belleville, but the hall we hold our meetings in was totally booked and no other date was available in June.

Our new Treasurer gave his report on the number of paid members and our current bank balance. The minutes of the report were moved and adopted.

The Secretary gave his report of the last minutes. The minutes were moved and adopted.

New Business

The President further explained the difficulties involved in attempting to change the meeting date, as various other organizations have booked events to be held at the same location. He also mentioned that WIFI was not available at this location.

He also mentioned that at our next meeting on September 11, we will be having a video presentation produced by Jim Connell.

He also mentioned the auctions held on behalf of the late Wayne Precoor. On May 29, the auction was for watches and related items. The next auction was for clocks and accessories and was being held on June 19.

A reminder was given for our next two displays coming up. The first is at the O'Hara Mill in Madoc on July 24. The second being at Lang Pioneer Village on September 4, 2016.

He had received information from Skip Kerr and Ken Wilkes who are beginning to downsize their clock collections and have various clocks for sale. The website is www.skipkerr.com.

Show and Tell

Marjorie Wilson showed a picture of a French carriage clock with alarm. The picture was on her iPad. The clock had been purchased at a flea market in the Stirling area. The picture of the clock will be appearing in the July edition of the Wayback Times.

Jim Hartog continued with his story on getting bevelled glass for his New Haven "Thoreau" clock. He has ordered glass from Florida and is awaiting delivery. Also, a glass problem was involved with an Ansonia crystal regulator he has. Updates will be coming.

For tips and tools, Jim Hartog displayed a plate spreader he had made. It was basically an old flat screwdriver shank with the end being cut with a slot to fit over a clock post and push the plate away far enough to allow arbors to be removed and inserted to change wheel position.

The theme letter was “U” and Jim Hartog showed an Ingraham “Urania” that he had repaired. This was a steel plate movement and some pivots were badly worn. Fortunately, Jim had an other movement that he could use for parts and the clock is now up and running. Marjorie Wilson explained the term “Unadusted” which is found on many foreign timepieces. I appears that the term was used to avoid customs duties on shipments to the USA. She also talked about the **U**nion Electric Clock Company formed around 1905.

50 - 50 Draw

Due to the low turnout, the 50-50 draw was cancelled.

Contest Question

The contest question was put off until the next meeting.

Adjournment

A motion was then made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and all were in favour.

President	Jim Hartog
Vice President	
Treasurer	Ian Watson
Secretary	Jim Biggs
Directors	Tim Clarke (library) Hans Holterman (social) Bill Legere (shows) Michael Gillespie ((contests)