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NEXT MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date September 9, 2018

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

1:00 p.m. - Meeting

Location Parkdale Recreation Centre, 119 Birch Street, Belleville, ON

Agenda Call to order

Report from the Treasurer Report from the Secretary

New Business

- a) Madoc: July 22
- b) Jim Wilson
- c) Maynard Dokken's book
- d) November presentation
- e) Lang Pioneer Village: September 30
- f) 200 Pequegnats for sale on eBay (Cobourg Clocks)
- g) next meeting: November 4
- h) other business

Presentation

Ian Watson will be doing a presentation on watch jewels.

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Show and Tell

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

50-50 Draw (Michael Gillespie)

Contest Question (Michael Gillespie)

Last meeting's winner was Bill Legere so he will have the contest question.

Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

(June 24th, 2018)

Reports

The second meeting of the year was opened by our President. Twenty-six members were in attendance and he welcomed our newest member, Clayton Duff. The outline of the agenda was also presented.

The treasurer reported on our finances and our paid up memberships. This report was moved and adopted.

The Secretary reported on the previous minutes and correspondence received. These minutes were moved and adopted.

New Business

The President, as mentioned in the last meeting, was updating our membership list and he made a new contact list with all current members. These were made available at this meeting. Also, he made available an updated kitchen clock evolution handout as per his presentation at the last meeting.

The President also reported on the Bobcaygeon exhibits. Also in attendance at this show were the Blanchards, the Legeres, Bruce Dyer and Michael Gillespie. By all reports, it was well attended and some showed an interest in becoming a member of the club.

He also mentioned the upcoming Settler Days at the O'Hara Mill in Madoc. This will be held on the 22nd of July. Bev Davis and Marjorie Wilson will be there with clock displays and general information.

For our September presentation, Ian Watson will be talking about watch jewels.

It was with sadness that he announced the passing of Harold Bain. Harold was a long time moderator on the message board of the NAWCC. He was always ready to help and give a hand or, if you needed something, he was the man to ask or he would know of someone who knew what you wanted. He was a long-time member of the Toronto Chapter.

Bruce Dyer explained about the benefits of attending the NAWCC National, celebrating their 75th anniversary. He had available, application forms, lectures available, hotel accommodation and all other information. He highly recommended attending if at all possible.

At the last meeting, Marjorie Wilson told us how her son, David, was working on electrifying a slave clock to work alone. She had a hand out from her son on how to achieve this goal.

Our next meeting of the Quinte Timekeepers is set for September 9th, 2018.

Presentation

Bill Legere showed a video on the construction of the Mecca tower clock in Saudi Arabia. It was a fascinating engineering project.

Show and Tell

Michael Gillespie brought a General Post Office clock he had acquired. It was a fusee driven movement that ran very quietly and was also quite accurate.

Bruce Dyer showed a Bulova watch with a precisionist movement. The watch had a sweep second hand and was said to be accurate to within ten seconds a year.

Maurice Blanchard told a story about how he acquired a fake Rolex watch while on a trip to China. The back and forth chasing and pointing at the sellers cell phone for the price made for a good story.

Jim Hartog showed a "bullfoot file", which is used for flush filing. He showed one made of aluminum and another made of wood.

50 - 50 Draw

The 50-50 draw was won by Dave Riley. He won \$27.50 and the remaining amount went to the Treasurer.

Contest Question

The question was asked by Jim Hartog. On an eBay listing you see a large, time only, weight-driven, porcelain dial clock with a centred second hand. From this information, what is likely the type of escapement? The winner was Bill Legere with the answer, pin wheel escapement. Bill gets to ask the contest question for the next meeting.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was moved and adopted.

President Jim Hartog

Vice President Treasurer

Secretary

Ian Watson Jim Biggs

Directors Tim Clarke (library)

Hans Holterman (social) Bill Legere (shows)

Michael Gillespie (contests)