

TYMELY TOPICS

Quinte Timekeepers - Chapter 119

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NEXT MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date: **September 20, 2015**

11:00 am -- Fifth of many kitchen clock movement workshops

12:00 pm – Mart setup for items you wish to sell (WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE LOTS OF STUFF AT THE MART)

1:00 pm – Meeting

Location: Parkwood Recreation Centre
119 Birch Street
Belleville, ON

Agenda: Call to order
Report from Treasurer
Report from Secretary

New Business – Business to be discussed at the meeting

- a) Report on the fifth kitchen clock movement workshop
- b) Report on the June 14 Bobcaygeon Settler's Village show
- c) Report on the July 26 Madoc O'Hara Mill show
- d) Report on the August 30 Lang Pioneer Village show
- e) Presentation ideas: i) movement cleaning (several presenters describing how they clean a movement), ii) construction of a Joe Collins type mainspring winder (J. Hartog can do this one), iii) sundials (we'd need a presenter), iv) some clock type (M. Gillespie has suggested electric clocks)
- f) 50-50 Draw proceeds re-visited
- g) pamphlet handout for shows (Michael Gillespie)
- h) other business

Show and Tell

- a) Recent acquisitions
- b) Clock/watch stories
- c) Tips, tools and techniques
- d) Theme letter will be "R" for clocks/watches/etc.

50-50 Draw (Michael Gillespie)

Contest Question Peter Betts (Michael Gillespie)

Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

May 31, 2015 – Jim Hartog presiding

Reports

Our second meeting of the year was held at the Parkdale Recreation Centre in Belleville with 18 people in attendance. The President welcomed all and laid out the agenda for the meeting.

The Treasurer gave his report stating we had, at this time, 25 paid up members and a bank balance of \$1,168.32 and the rental fees for the building had been paid until June of 2016. The Treasurer's report was approved and adopted.

The Secretary presented the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved and adopted.

New Business

The President reported on the progress of the kitchen clock workshop, with the next workshop concerning the synchronization of the movement.

The Terry and Sons wood works clock has been returned to the Lang Pioneer Village and the work done was much appreciated by the Village.

The dates for our exhibits at various events for this year are:

Bobcaygeon: Sunday, June 14

O'Hara Mill: Sunday, July 26

Lang Pioneer Village: Sunday, August 30

The President mentioned that we are still looking for a volunteer to do a club history update.

He reported on the Jantzi auction held on May 18th. There were 16-20 Pequegnat clocks on auction the the prices were reasonable.

He mentioned the dates for the future meetings which have been confirmed. The dates are: September 20, 2015; November 8, 2015; April 10, 2016, and June 12; 2016.

We had been looking for someone to manage our 50-50 Draws and Contest. Michael Gillespie offered his services and is now our Contest Director. A motion was put forward and all present were in favour. Thank you Michael.

After some discussion regarding the proceeds of the 50-50 Draw a motion was put forward that the remaining balance of each draw be given to the Treasurer for deposit in our bank account. The motion as put forward was moved and adopted.

The President opened a discussion on other ideas that could be used in our presentations. Members identified some subjects as sundials, methods of clock cleaning, use of or how to make a spring winder. If you wish to make a presentation on anything, let us know.

The President also welcomed our new member, Jon Cross. We hope you enjoy belonging to the club.

Show and Tell

Marjorie Wilson displayed a locket that looked like a ladies pocket watch, but inside was a place for a photo. This was dated to 1840-1860 and was so made that you would have a positive or negative image.

Tim English presented a cardboard box that had a Sessions clock case and various parts. Thanks to his wife for this find, now he has his work cut out.

Michael Gillespie showed a pocket watch he acquired while buying some other items at an auction.

Jim Hartog displayed another let down tool he had made. This one is based on a crank which allows good control in clockwise and counter clockwise directions.

50-50 Draw

Jim Hartog won the 50-50 draw to the tune of \$25.

Contest Question

Jim Hartog was asking the question: If a tall case clock takes 2 seconds to strike 2 o'clock, how long will it take to strike 4 o'clock? He also wanted the logic and not guesswork. The answer was 6 seconds because each interval takes 2 seconds and there are 3 intervals

between 1 and 4 (1-2, 2-3, 3-4). The winner was Peter Betts.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, all were in favour.

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