# **TYMELY TOPICS**

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## **NEXT MEETING**

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date September 8, 2024

12 noon- Mart 1 p.m.- Meeting

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

Agenda Call to order

Report from Treasurer Report from Secretary

#### **New Business**

- a) Bill Trudeau: NAWCC website social media
- b) Applefest, Lang Pioneer Village, Sunday, October 6
- c) looking for a November presentation
- d) next meeting November 10, 2024
- e) other business

#### **Presentation**

Jim Hartog will demonstrate how to make a modern, shiny fastener look old.

#### **Show and Tell**

- a) recent acquisitions
- b) clock/watch stories
- c) tips, tools and techniques
- d) theme letter is "U"

## **50-50 Draw** (Michael Gillespie)

Buy your tickets from Michael Gillespie.

## **Contest Question** (Michael Gillespie)

Last meeting's winner, Ian Watson, will provide the question.

## **Adjournment**

## MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

(June 23, 2024)

## **Reports**

The President called the meeting to order and outlined the agenda for the day. There were 12 people in attendance and he welcomed our newest member, Bill Trudeau (no relation).

The Treasurer reported on our current financial position and, at this time, the balance of our account is \$1858.80. The number of paid members, at this time, was not available.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was accepted with no changes.

## **New Business**

The President provided the members present with the latest update of our contact list.

He also reported on the clock display location at the Bobcaygeon Settler's Day event. The location was reasonable, however, attendance was generally down from previous years.

He also talked about how to make an email list using gmail. This allows you to contact everyone on the list without keyboarding in individual email addresses. Jim has the details on how to do it and, if you are interested, he will send the instructions to you.

Also, he mentioned the Chapter 33 Invitational held in Toronto on the 28th of April. Attending that event were our members, Bruce Dyer and Ian Watson.

At the next meeting, which is September 8th, Jim Hartog is going to show us how to antique shiny fasteners so that they blend in with the original features of what you are repairing.

#### Other business

The club had received an inquiry from the O'Hara's Mill in Madoc wondering if we would be displaying clocks at the Mill. The event is being held July 13th. No hands went up at the meeting. Contact information can be obtained from Jim Hartog if you are interested.

The President also reported that H&W Perrin in Toronto has been sold and will be moving to Vancouver as of July 1st, 2024. It will take longer and cost more to get parts to Ontario.

#### **Presentation**

There was no presentation.

#### Show and Tell

Jim Hartog showed a Seth Thomas Regulator No. 2 in mahogany that he had acquired through an online auction. He pointed out some of the work needed to restore it. There was paint loss on the dial, the weight was falling apart, there was veneer chipped off the "bowtie". I'm sure that we will see the finished product at a later meeting.

Michael Gillespie presented a 1934 electric fan made by Gilbert that rotated and moved up and down. He pointed out the large spaces in the fan shroud. He acknowledged that this wasn't horological but maybe if one finds other older items of interest, they could be displayed. This could be discussed at a later meeting. Dalton Nyberg talked about an Atmos clock that he had picked up at a Re-use Centre.

Gord Gibbins mentioned that he knows of someone who would like to sell an 1810 Savage and Son tall case clock. If you need more information, contact Gord.

Bruce Dyer attended the NAWCC National held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. It seems that there were less attending the event and that there were lots of vendors but few buyers.

The theme letter was "T" and Michael Gillespie showed a clock that he had bought for Three dollars.

## 50 - 50 Draw

The 50-50 draw was won by Jim Biggs and the amount was \$17.50.

## **Contest Question**

Since Peter Betts was absent, the question was asked by Michael Gillespie. "What was the first battery wrist watch to be approved for railroad time?" Ian Watson had the right answer and won \$17.50. The watch was the Bulova "Accutron". This watch used a tuning fork that vibrates 360 times a second using a transistorized electronic circuit powered by a battery.

# **Adjournment**

The meeting was then adjourned

President Jim Hartog Vice President

Treasurer Ian Watson Secretary Jim Biggs

**Directors** Tim Clarke (library)
Bill Legere (shows)

Michael Gillespie (contests)