# **TYMELY TOPICS**

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# **NEXT MEETING**

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date November 9, 2025

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) latest member contact list, again
- b) report on Applefest exhibit
- c) mid-winter virtual meeting
- d) other business

## **Presentation**

Jeff Crouch will be giving a presentation on the Pequegnat clock variations that did not make it to the published catalogues. Members are asked to bring examples of such clocks.

#### **Show and Tell**

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

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

Buy your tickets from Michael Gillespie.

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

Gord Gibbins will be asking the contest question at the November meeting.

# Adjournment

# MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

(June 22, 2025)

# Reports

The President called the meeting to order. There were 14 members in attendance.

As both the Treasurer and the Secretary were absent the last meeting, the President introduced the reports that were completed. The reports as presented were approved and carried.

#### **New Business**

The updated membership list was distributed and it was discovered that the emails of the members had not been included. A revised membership list with all information will be distributed at the next meeting.

The passing of long-time member, Sam Bowers, was announced and our condolences go to the Bowers family. The NAWCC was informed and Sam's passing may make it to the Bulletin.

The Jeff Crouch presentation on Pequegnat variants is slated for the next meeting (Nov 9) and is being arranged by Bruce Dyer. Members were asked to bring Pequegnat clocks that they think have features that did not show up in the published Pequegnat catalogues.

"Applefest" at the Lang Pioneer Village is on the 5th of October and those displaying are asked to enter through the north gate between 9 and 10 to set up. The display is in the Duoro town hall. Once unloaded, you are asked to park your vehicle in the north parking lot.

Bruce Dyer attended the NAWCC National Convention in Pennsylvania and gave his view of the convention. He gave us a layout of the museum and where the displays are located. He also went to the York Expo Centre in York PA where part of the convention was being held. There were various displays and lectures, one being from the Bulova Watch Company who was one of the official sponsors of the convention.

## **Presentation**

There was no official presentation at this meeting.

## **Show and Tell**

In Recent Aquisitions, Jim Hartog displayed an Ingraham "Landau" wall clock. It was 32 inches tall with an advertising glass and two dial papers. He also bought a Kroeber iron case clock at

the meeting. Andy Soper displayed a pair of junk store wrist watches and a pocket watch with a broken mainspring. Peter Betts told us about a \$24 Atmos that he had picked up and then resold at a large profit. Bruce Dyer told us about a ST regulator #62 from Montreal and a Howard regulator #1 from Ottawa.

In Tips/Tools/Techniques, Andy Soper described various methods to try to remove the back of a screw on pocket watch. One method was to let a penetrating oil do its work for a while.

For theme letter, "A", Andy Soper showed an anaeroid barometer that doubles as an altimeter. He also showed a Smiths automobile clock. Jim Hartog showed an Ansonia "Gallatin" kitchen clock. Michael Gillespie showed an Ansonia "Turkey" cabinet clock. and an Adams (American Wringer Machines of Erie, PA) clock called the "Sovereign" with Ingraham mechanicals.

# 50 - 50 Draw

The draw was won by Jim Hartog who received \$17.

#### **Contest Question**

The contest question was asked by Michael Gillespie and the question was: What product saved the Waterbury Company from bankruptcy in 1923? The answer was the Mickey Mouse watch. The winner was Gord Gibbins who got the other \$17,

# Adjournment

The meeting was then adjourned