

# TYMELY TOPICS

## Quinte Timekeepers - Chapter 119

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## NEXT MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME

**Date** Sunday, June 14, 2026  
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) Dyer's poem found
- b) Tymely Topics corrected (Dan Murphy)
- c) reason for meeting date change
- d) ideas for future in-house presentations
- e) Marjorie Wilson's sale (June 20?)
- f) Fountaine's auction results
- g) other business

### Presentation

Jeff Crouch (Chap 33) will give a presentation entitled "Pequegnat Clocks: Quandary or Opportunity".

Members are asked to bring Pequegnat examples that are at variance to the various Pequegnat catalogue entries be it case, movement, or hardware.

## **Show and Tell**

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

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

Buy your tickets from Michael Gillespie.

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

Michael Gillespie will be asking the contest question at the June meeting.

## **Adjournment**

# **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

(April 19, 2026)

The President called the meeting to order. There were 17 members in attendance for the first meeting of the year. Also, at this time, he mentioned that dues (\$25) were payable for the year.

The Treasurer gave his report on our account balance and mentioned the rising costs involved with the operations.

There were no minutes for the last meeting as it had been cancelled due to the Nov 8 snow storm.

### **New Business**

The President had the latest updated members list available for anyone who wanted it.

He also mentioned that the Applefest exhibit was very successful and it appeared that there was a record crowd and the weather was clear. Eight members of the Quinte Timekeepers were at the show.

Our virtual, mid-winter meeting had five members participating.

Chapter 119 was mentioned in past NAWCC Bulletins. There was an obituary mention for Sam Bowers, a long time member of our club and the NAWCC. Bruce Dyer had a poem published in the Bulletin.

At the next meeting on June 14th, we will be having a presentation by Jeff Crouch. It will be on variations of Pequegnat clocks, their works, and case that really are not like the catalogue listings. If you have what you think is different, please bring them along.

The hall rental costs have increased by approximately 18 per cent. There is also a new \$20 insurance charge.

The meeting dates for the rest of the year are June 14, Sept. 20 and Nov. 8.

It was also mentioned that Merritt's, a supplier of horological parts and equipment has been sold and will be moving to a new location but still in Pennsylvania.

#### Show and Tell

Jim Hartog described his work on an Ansonia "Capitol" wall clock. Gord Gibbins talked about his purchase of a clock from the United States. Ray Churchyard showed a street clock movement he had purchased from an estate sale. It was a Seth Thomas #5 and it was believed to have the original hands. Some of the motion works was missing and it would be very difficult in getting someone to manufacture the parts to make it fully functional.

#### 50-50 Draw

The winner of the draw was Peter Betts, who won \$22.

#### Contest Question

Gord Gibbins' question was "What is the model name of the rarest Hamilton Clock Co. clock?" After a couple of hints (named after the President, starts with an "S"), Michael Gillespie came up with the right answer which was "Simpson". Michael got \$22 and the next meeting's question.

The meeting was then adjourned.