



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
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NAWCC Field Suitcase Workshops & 63rd National Convention in Springfield, Missouri - June 2008 By Tom Noesges

The NAWCC workshop “Time & Strike Clocks with Spring Barrels” (FSW 102) in June this year was the second Field Suitcase Workshop I attended. The first was “Introduction to Basic Time & Strike ... The American Kitchen Clock” (FSW 101) a year ago. It seems I must enjoy a good challenge because I went back again. Last year’s workshop reinforced my confidence in my ability to solve puzzles as I learned the process of reassembling a movement the NAWCC way. The high-light of this class was to rebuild teeth broken off of a mainspring barrel and recreate the pin in the barrel. In terms of actual application and cost effectiveness, it may be cheaper to buy a barrel than to repair one, but I know now, should the situation arise, I can repair teeth as well as anyone can. The class content is way more than this space will permit to describe. With only seven of us in the class (maximum class size is nine) Fred Tischler (our instructor) provided excellent one-on-one. The fellowship was great as I met new folks and saw some familiar faces from last year’s class. Some of the more talented clocksmith students even helped out us newcomers; well ... okay, slower learners. The workshop was a very pleasant and technically rewarding four days.



Of course, every structured event has its unplanned moments. Ours occurred while we were watching Fred demonstrate how to anneal the end of a ruined mainspring in preparation for punching a new hole. The bright red-hot heat sink that Fred was using for this process, flipped off of the spring plummeting to the plastic floor mat, endangering the hotel carpeting. As I frantically looked for the fire extinguisher, I saw some of our heroic classmates actually reaching for the red hot metal with, believe it or not, their bare hands. After a bit of scrambling about, we did successfully pick it up with pliers and plop it into Andy’s steel meat loaf pan. Andy had brought the loaf pan to class to hold disassembled clock parts, little guessing it was destined to save the hotel from burning to the ground. It was nice that we didn’t burn down the University Plaza Hotel as I’m pretty sure the NAWCC plans to use it again someday.

Concurrently with our class, Field Suitcase Workshops were in progress for Introduction to Pocket Watch Repair and Introduction to Basic Time & Strike. According to Pam Tischler, our Field Suitcase Administrator, we broke the record for class attendance at a National Convention with a total of 32 students in the combined three workshops.

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MINUTES OF NAWCC MEETING for June, 2008

We started with a exceptionally large auction. Some wonderful pieces exchanged hands, including a fabulous little Chelsea ships bell.

President, Carol Tekippe opened the meeting and recognized new members and guests.

George Waterhouse spoke about his trip to the National Museum and reminded us about the wonderful library for research.

Richard Rogers needs relief. He's been bringing the refreshments for quite some time and needs to pass the baton. Any volunteers?

Tom Noesges is coordinating with NAWCC to bring the Field Suitcase Workshops to Atlanta. See page 3.

Robert Smucker brought the beautiful clock that he built for the Craft Contest at the National Convention. It is an 8 day clock, with an extra dial for Greenwich Mean Time, maintaining power, stop works, Graham dead beat escapement and compensating pendulum.

Bernie Tekippe spoke to us about comparing clocks, which is the best timekeeper and how to figure out which is best.

➡ **DON'T MISS THE AUGUST MEETING. DONALD E. JACKSON WILL BE TALKING ABOUT 'VINTAGE CLOCK PARTS CLEANERS'** ⬅

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Over 900 tables in the Mart, a sold-out banquet with 500+ in attendance and seemingly thousands of folks everywhere all provided an electric atmosphere at the 63rd NAWCC National Convention in Springfield, Missouri.

The breakout sessions and lectures were all well attended and to get a good seat I arrived 20 minutes early. The Members Breakfast had about 250 members present and served continental breakfast and, as usual, door prizes donated by many generous vendors and members. The discussion at the Members Breakfast was lively as our members were given the opportunity to present questions to our board using a microphone setup in the center of the facility.

I personally attended John Hubby's presentation on Dating Gustav Becker clocks and the Lenzkirch Lecture by George Everett. Admittedly, I am very much the newcomer to collecting, but if you've ever wondered just how an expert determines the authenticity of an unmarked clock, you would have to have listened to George Everett describe his process related to the Lenzkirch clocks. Mr. Everett's lecture was my personal favorite because of his presentation skills and the organization of his materials. Additionally, I attended the Ithaca Lecture by Joel Warren who did a fabulous job describing the history of this great company. When I visited the Crafts Exhibit I was proud to see that 2 members from Chapter 24 placed in the Crafts Contest. Robert Smucker won second place with his very first custom made clock and Rick Mangum won first place for his reverse painted glass.

I have been an eBay buyer for over seven years and I can say nothing, absolutely nothing at all, compares to hearing a clock's chime in person or giving the headstock of a jewelers lathe a spin just before you hand over your cash for your purchase in the Mart. I know I learned a lot just talking to the folks selling in the Mart. My prize purchase this year was my very first French clock for \$90.00. In addition to a French clock, my friend Mike Rosenberg bought one of everything [SMILE].



TREASURER'S REPORT

The "Great Meeting" started at 9:30, our New Opening Hour, with More Time to talk and Look. 62 Members and Guests were present. **Brooks Coleman**, auctioneer, put on a really Great Show, and the Auction moved a LOT of Dollars.

Bernie Tekippe's fine presentation on the History of Time Accuracy, as related to his Clock was most interesting.

A very fine NAWCC Show - the Eastern States Regional is August 15-16 at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool (Syracuse NY), with many side events for Cog Counters, and visits with special people by your Treasurer will keep me moving for some 14 days, and near 3,000 miles. Great Event!

See you all at 9:30 on August 3rd.
Bob Booth, Treasurer

Has your email address changed? Have you moved?

We are working on an updated roster. Please contact Bob Booth. His email is boose2@aol.com or phone 770-889-0076 with changes to your information.

Why wait for the mail? Check out the newest information through the national NAWCC web site at www.nawcc.org. Go to Chapter Links then to Chapter 24 to see our local chapter site.

Get yours before everyone else.

If you would like to receive your newsletter via email, send an email to dmktimes2@comcast.net. It saves the chapter money, in copies and postage. Also, the pictures will be in color. The newsletter will come as an attached PDF file.

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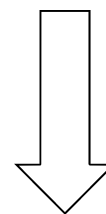
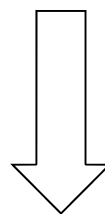
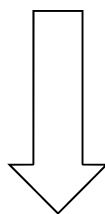
At the end of 2008, a new slate of officers will be elected. If you are interested in serving in one of the positions, please contact one of the existing officers.

DON'T MISS THIS MEETING

HUGE, HUGE AUCTION

CLOCKS, CLOCKS AND WATCHES AND MUCH MORE

BRING YOUR CHECKBOOK, AND AN EMPTY TRUNK.



NAWCC Field Suitcase Workshops in Georgia - October, January and March

Chapter 24 will be sponsoring three Field Suitcase Workshops:

F101 - Introduction to Basic Time & Strike...The American Kitchen Clock – 10/31-11/3/2008,

F102 - Time & Strike Clocks with Spring Barrels – January 2009,

F103 - Introduction to Chime Clocks – March 2009

For information about these and other NAWCC workshops, please contact Tom Noesges (Ness'Kiss) 770-262-0883.

NEWSLETTER MART

Anne Camp needs 4 #1 x 1/4" brass round head phillips screws for the restoration of a Hamilton Chronometer. If you know if a source or have these email anniemac444@gmail.com or phone 770-921-9266.

Frank Lindauer is looking for a glass dome for a Barr battery clock, or a commercial source. It is a nonstandard size, 9-1/2" h. x 5-1/2 w. Email at cad49@bellsouth.net.

William Smart--wsmart2@windstream.net or 706-782-1939 is looking to purchase parts, or complete clocks made by the Pequenat clock company of Canada.

If you have a Seth Thomas crystal regulator Empire #0, contact Lindsay Rasberry at 770-410-9195.

If you are looking for something, whole clocks, watches, parts or ideas, this is the place. It's for members only. Send email to: dmktimes2@comcast.net or snail mail at the address on the back of your newsletter and it will appear in the next issue, space permitting. The cut off for the next printing is Sept. 06, 2008.

The Atlanta Chapter of the NAWCC typically meets the first Sunday of February, April, June, August, October and December. As part of the Mid-South group, it also sponsors the regional meeting in Chattanooga on Labor Day weekend each year, in rotation with the Alabama and Tennessee chapters.

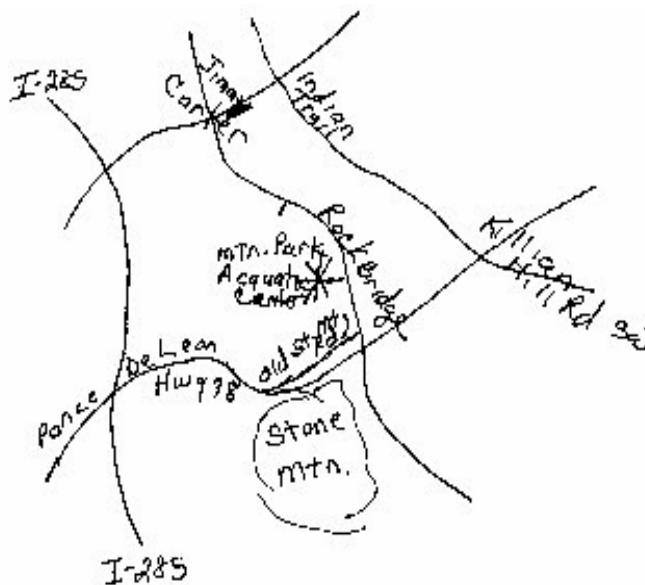
NEXT MEETING OF CHAPTER 24

When: Sunday, August 3, 2008
9:30 AM to 1:00 PM *(note the new time come earlier for more social time)*

Where: Mountain Park Aquatic Center
Activities Building
1063 Rockbridge Rd.
Lilburn, GA 30087
770-564-4650

From in town: Take Ponce De Leon/78 past I-285 about 6 miles; exit on Hugh Howell Rd. At Chevron station, turn right on the Lilburn-Stone Mtn. Rd. After 0.2 mile, turn right on Old Stone Mtn. Rd. At the Rockbridge intersection, turn left and the Aquatic Center is 2 Blocks N. of intersection on left hand side. You'll see Gregg's Nursery across the street.

From the northwest: Take I-85 east at I-285 Exit to your right at Hwy. 140, Jimmy Carter Blvd. Go 1.3 miles to Rockbridge & turn left. 2 blocks before you get to Five Forks Trickum, the Aquatic Center will be on your right.



From Cumming or Hall County: Exit off I-85 at Indian Trail, turn left. At Hwy 29, Indian Trail becomes Killian Hill Rd. At Five Forks-Trickum Rd. turn right and follow past the Depot to Rockbridge Rd and turn right. The Aquatic Center is 2 blocks N. on left.

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