



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

Atlanta Chapter 24

October 2017

OCTOBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be on

October 1, 2017, from 9:30am—1:00pm.

Our presentation in October will be by Tom McCaleb on clock case restoration. Among other topics, he will talk about the age-old problem of “alligatoring”! Dick Johnston will bring a guest to discuss the development of a Boy Scout Clock-Collecting Merit Badge!

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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Meeting on Aug. 6, 2017

President Jae Martin and Vice-President Brooks Coleman displayed the original NAWCC Chapter 24 Charter, which had been hanging in Bernie Tekippe's shop in Atlanta. Members were asked to sign the back of the frame to celebrate our 60th Anniversary! The Charter will now reside in Jae Martin's clock shop. There was a beautiful Birthday Cake to celebrate the chapter's 60th birthday, and Brooks led everyone in singing Happy Birthday to the chapter!

Brooks led the auction and the proceeds from a number of items were donated to the club.



Brooks has made copies of the Chapter History from its beginnings until 1986, and he is working to bring it up to date. He asked everyone to help fill in the history for the intervening years, and for all of the past presidents to write several events that took place during their term. Please call him at 770-490-0502 for more information. A short break followed.

Upon reconvening, the minutes from the June meeting were approved as published.

George Waterhouse gave a report of his and Chris Brown's visit to the Governor's Mansion this past week. A number of clocks needed



attention, especially the French Verderie clock with had a problem with the strike side mainspring. Chris took it home to discover that the mainspring had broken at the barrel end.

Brooks Coleman discussed the history of Chapter 24 and for all of the members attending provided a printed copy of "History of Atlanta Chapter 24 National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors 1957-1986", compiled and written by Ethel M. Furlong in 1986. Going forward, the current president becomes the steward of the framed charter.

Brooks Coleman and George Waterhouse related information on a trip by them, Chris Brown, Dan Butt, and Randy Grunwell to J. W. Self's house to make recommendations to J. W. 's son, Jim, on possible options in selling parts of J. W.'s clock collection not being retained by the family. The chapter discussed procuring a worthy clock, or clocks, to loan for display in Atlanta at a museum, History Center, Governor's Mansion, or Capitol, in memory of J. W. A motion was made and approved for the officers and board to expend up to \$1000 if the appropriate clock comes up for auction.

Randy Grunwell discussed the Maker Faire in Atlanta (non-profit), taking place at the historic Georgia Freight Depot in late October. Randy would like to sponsor a booth to encourage interest in clock repair, Chapter 24, and increasing our membership. The fee for the booth is \$100, which was approved. From the Maker Faire website, "Makers range from tech enthusiasts to crafters to homesteaders to scientists to garage tinkerers."

George Waterhouse gave a report of a visit to the Coleman Middle School by him, Brooks Coleman, and Chris Brown. A technology of eighth graders is editing the DVD's containing the raw footage from Georgia Public Broadcasting's filming of the above mentioned performing a walk-through of the Governor's Mansion with Mrs. Deal and discussing the history of each of the ten clocks. The goal is to have the editing done by October and to have the class present the project to parents, students, chapter members, and perhaps Governor and Mrs. Deal.

Dan Butt gave the Treasurer's Report, please see below. Jim Coulson announced the need for more volunteers for the Mid-South Regional. George Waterhouse is in charge of the miniature clock display and the acceptance of new additions.

GROANERS

Courtesy of George Waterhouse

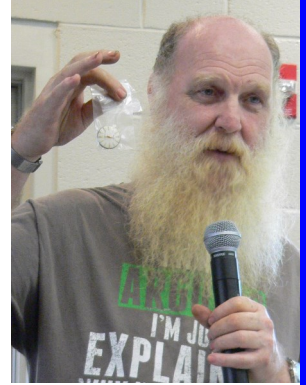
In one hospital's Intensive Care Unit, patients in one bed mysteriously died at about 11am on Sunday mornings. A worldwide team of experts was assembled to investigate. On Sunday, they waited outside the ward to see what the terrible phenomenon was all about. Some prayed or held holy objects to ward off evil spirits. As the clock struck 11am, Pookie Johnson, the part-time Sunday cleaning person, entered the ward. He unplugged the life support system to plug in the vacuum!

AUGUST PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The August program was led by Brooks Coleman, with Bill Knaak and Bill Lincoln, entitled, "To Bush or Not to Bush, to Jewel or Not to Jewel". It took place in celebration of our Sixtieth Anniversary! Bill Lincoln's presentation included that the hardness of a jewel can be identified by its color; a 65 jewel Waltham watch, and a small

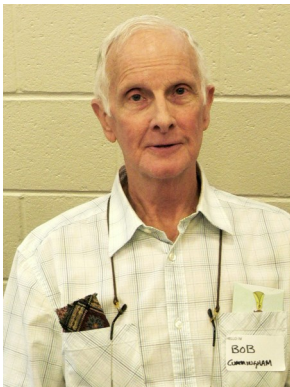


plastic case containing 10,000 jewels was passed around for show-and-tell, along with a jewel installation tool. Balance staff measurements and the determination of end-play via jewel positioning were also discussed.



Bill Knaak discussed the determination of bushing or not bushing a clock, accompanied by a slide show. Staking a worn bushing was also given the thumbs down, due to the ineffectiveness of the repair. Bill employed his KWM bushing tool, accessories and bushings in the presentation. An arbor lean of 5% is considered a good repair. Pivot polishing methods were also discussed. Bill Lincoln also informed the group on the merits of a 3000 grit ruby (purchased on Ebay) that is useful in polishing. A lively Q&A followed the presentations.

GUESTS FROM THE AUGUST MEETING



Bob Cunningham



Darrell Clock-Lover



Graham Cross



Extra-Special
Mystery Guest!

Treasurer's Report

By Dan Butt

Dan Butt gave the Treasurer's Report. Forty-three were present at the meeting, including one new member and three guests. We started out this month with a checking and cash balance from Chapter 24 and Mid-South Regional of \$17,037.83, with income of \$416.00 from Chapter 24 and \$6,302.00 from Mid-South, with expenses of \$111.77 from Chapter 24 and \$105.00 from Mid-South, we finished out this month with \$23,539.06. Donna Kalinkiewicz was the winner of the 50/50.



AN OPEN INVITATION FROM THE SOUTH ATLANTA CLOCK CLUB



A group of clock enthusiasts in the south metro area meet at 11:00 on the 4th Thursday of each month at Tim's Country Kitchen in Fayetteville. The topic of discussion at their last meeting was spring winders. Chapter 24 members are invited to attend and can get more information by calling Gene Baker (770-251-2588) or Billy Johnson (678-622-9970). The restaurant address is 175 Banks Crossing, Fayetteville GA 30214.

TWO IMPORTANT COMMENTS

Brooks Coleman would like to remind all the past presidents to bring please the information sheets he gave them at the last meeting, filled out with all of the information he requested, so that he can complete the History of the Club. If you are not sure what he needs, please call him at 770-490-0502. Thank you!

A great big thank you goes out to George Waterhouse and Michael Linz for taking the notes at the August meeting for the secretary, who was out of town that day. Your work is most appreciated! Any mistakes herein are the fault of the secretary and not the note-takers!

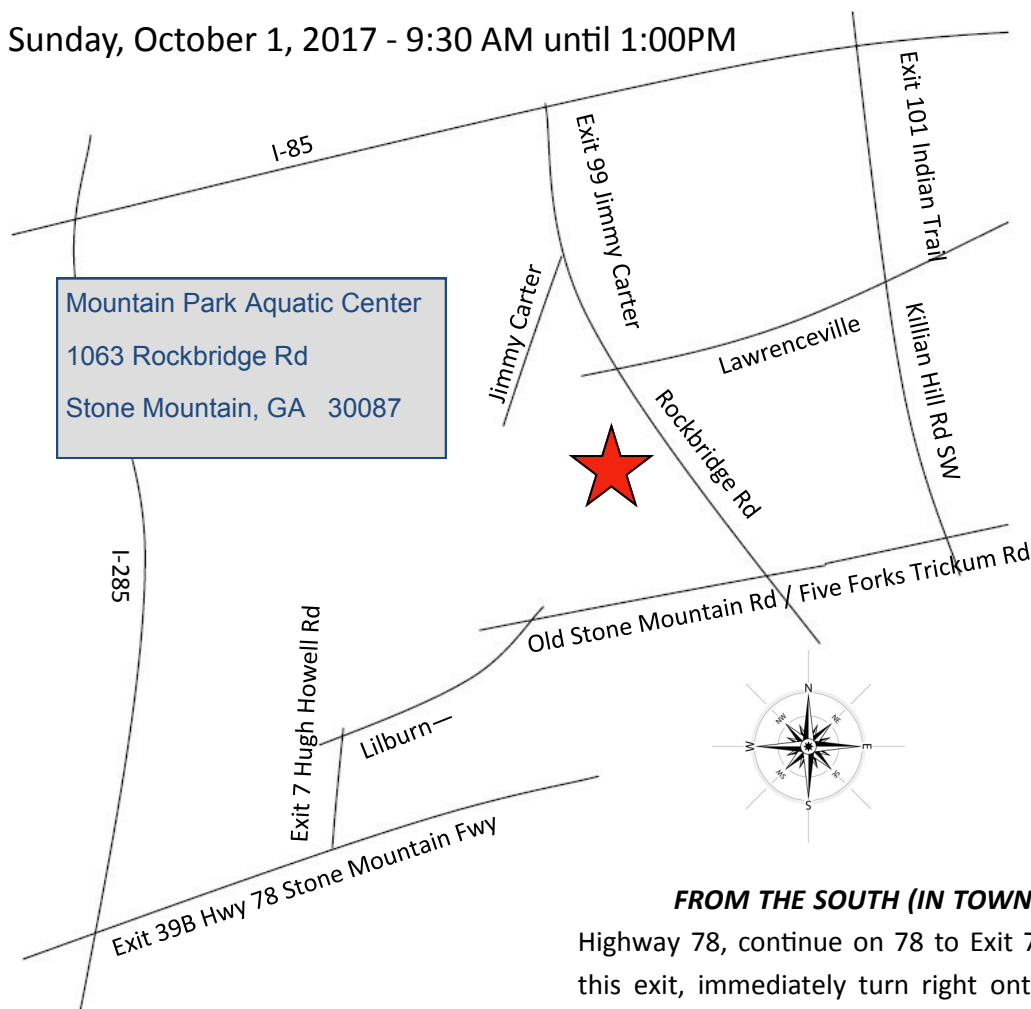
LAST MONTH'S PUZZLER

Solution: Amazingly, it turns out that there are 143(!) different hand arrangements that can be switched! Eleven of which are those where the hands overlap, which were discussed in the very first clock puzzler! If you would like a list of all of them, please let me know and I'll send you a file with them. Some of the possibilities are 12:00:00 (of course), 12:05:02 14/143 which switches to 01:00:25 25/143, 12:10:04 28/143 which switches to 02:00:50 50/143, 12:15:06 42/143 which switches to 03:01:15 75/143. As a matter of fact, a "switchable" hand position occurs every 5 minutes, 2 and 14/143 seconds! The time that confused Dr. John Watchson in our story could have been exactly 07:23:04 88/143 which switches to 04:36:55 55/143. Please note that the fractions, such as 14/143, are the fractions of a second that are added on to the time.

The Atlanta Chapter of the NAWCC 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

Sunday, October 1, 2017 - 9:30 AM until 1:00PM



FROM THE NORTHWEST: Take the I-85 east exit from I-285. Exit 99 and turn right on Jimmy Carter (Hwy 140). Continue and bear left onto Rockbridge Rd. Aquatic Center will be on right—two blocks before Five Forks Trickum Rd.

FROM CUMMING / HALL COUNTY: Take Exit 101 Indian Trail / Lilburn Rd NW off southbound I-85. As you cross Hwy 29 Lawrenceville Rd, Indian Trail becomes Killian Hill Rd. Turn right onto Five Forks Trickum Rd. Turn right onto Rockbridge Rd. Aquatic Center is two blocks north on left.

FROM THE SOUTH (IN TOWN): Take I-285 to Exit 39B which is Highway 78, continue on 78 to Exit 7 onto Hugh Howell Road. After this exit, immediately turn right onto Lilburn-Stone Mountain Road. After 0.2 mile, turn right onto Old Stone Mountain Road. Continue to the intersection of Rockbridge and Five Forks Trickum. Turn left on Rockbridge Rd. The Aquatic Center is two blocks north on left.

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