



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
June 2019 Meeting Minutes

AUGUST MEETING

Our next meeting will be Sunday

August 4, 2019 from 9:30 AM—1:00 PM.

Donald Jackson will continue his discussion of
clock animations.

Also, if anyone has an interesting Antique or Vintage Repair
Tools, please tell us about them and in the “Show and Tell”.

Guests are very welcome. We’ll see you there!

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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Chapter 24 Meeting of June 2, 2019



Minnie's Watermelon Basket



Forty four members of Chapter 24 were on hand for the June 2 Meeting. We welcomed three visitors including Todd Marcus from Alaska who was visiting family in Georgia and clock collectors Wayne Dougdale and Karen Thomas from Loganville Georgia.

Brooks Coleman started us off with another lively auction including 16 clocks from Robert Bannon's father-in-law collection and 6 pocket watches.

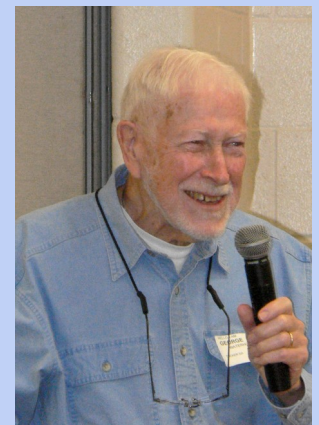
President Dan Butt conducted the business meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were approved by the membership, as published in the newsletter. Dan noted that he had received a notice from the NAWCC congratulating Robert Bartow for 10 years of membership and that Rodney Girod and Brenda Wiggins each for 20 years.

Charles Carrol then presented the Treasurer's report. The details of the Treasurer's Report are at the conclusion of this Newsletter.

George Waterhouse gave an update on the Governor's Mansion clocks. Chapter 24 members Chris Brown, Bill Knaak and George Waterhouse visited the mansion last month and met with First Lady Marty Kemp and Mansion Manager Cat Satterfield. The team was informed that Mrs. Kemp wishes to not hear striking and so the staff was instructed to not wind the strike trains. The Aide de Camp room has been converted into a gathering place for the three daughters and their friends. Antique furnishings have been removed and comfortable contemporary furniture installed. The Waterbury Banjo Clock was taken down by Bill and Chris and reinstalled in a front bedroom on the main floor in place of the Ocre tole clock which was relocated to the family sitting room.

The team informed Cat about the eight clock videos. Cat is now interested in adding the videos into the Mansion's website. George is evaluating potential copyright issues with Chris. National will be putting the eight videos on Vimeo once the final minor changes are made in July.

George is writing an article for an NAWCC Bulletin on the William Markham Southern label steeple clock from the JW Self collection that Chapter 24 presented to the mansion. The as-manufactured steeple clock was a wagon spring by Birge and Fuller.



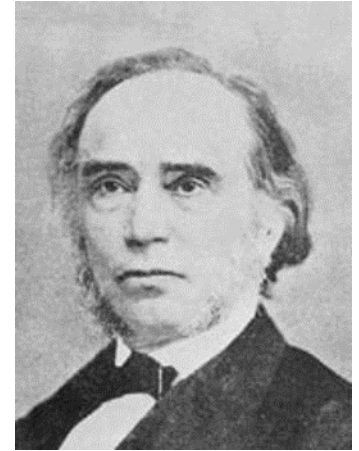
JUNE MINUTES and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The June Program

Using computer generated animations projected on an overhead screen, Donald Jackson presented a very interesting program on electrical and/or magnetically driven or corrected escape mechanisms patented in the 19th and 20th century.

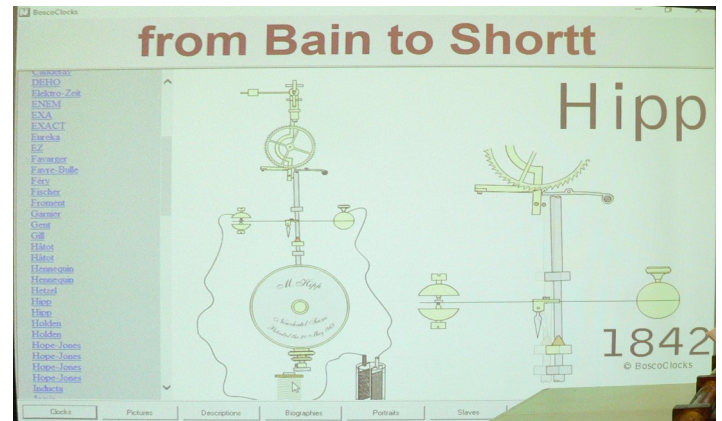


Narrations for each design described the movement and its patent, operation of the movement and information on the inventors and their contributions to timekeeping. The index of the software (From Bain to Shortt) was displayed during the presentation and members requested to see animations by maker of mechanisms they were familiar with. One of these animations was an invention of Matthäus Hipp of Reutlingen, Germany. He invented the Hipp toggle or butterfly escapement in 1842 and applied for a USA patent in 1869.



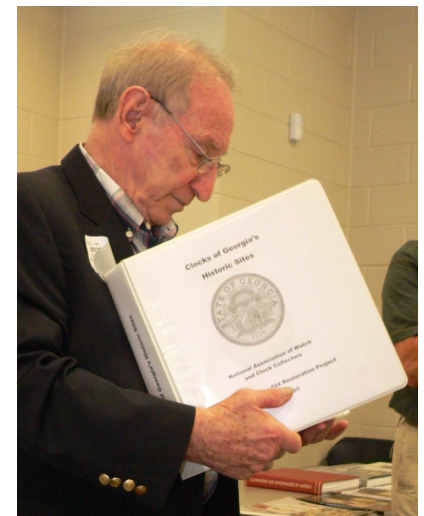
Matthäus Hipp
(1815-1893)

Other animations presented included works by Steinheil, Bain (Wheatstone) Jones and more.



Show and Tell

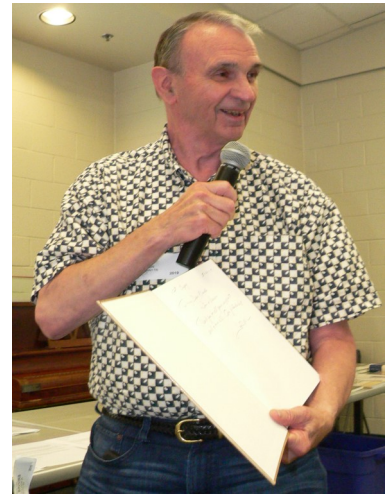
Brookes Coleman presented two binders that were assembled to first inventory and then assess a set of clocks in the possession of the State of Georgia. He recognized Chris Martin as the individual who initiated the State's relationship and mission with Chapter 24 to preserve these timepieces. He explained that in 1998, Chris approached the Chapter as a Georgia Wildlife Resources Division employee and requested assistance. Together with Ward Francillion they identified several desirable clocks that were not being run and a collaborative effort to restore the clocks was undertaken. In the binders, spreadsheets list the clocks and notes their as-found conditions and extents of restoration. The Georgia Parks and Historic Sites Division now maintains the clocks and these documents with technical assistance from Chapter 24. Brooks Coleman then emphasized how Chapter 24 members have stepped-up specifically Chris Martin, Ward Francillion, George Waterhouse, Pete Schreiner, Bernie Tekippe, Chris Brown, Bill Knaak, Donna Kalinkiewicz, and Jae Martin as key contributors.



JUNE MINUTES and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Show and Tell Continued

Jim Coulson displayed a copy of Joel Warren's book; Ithaca's Clock Makers. Copies are now on sale for \$95 plus \$5 shipping. Joel will be one of the speakers at the 2019 Mid South Regional where he will discuss calendar clock movements. Jim has order forms.



Danny Lambert showed his Savannah Georgia M&W Dyer labeled triple decker. It has a strap brass Birge and Mallory movement and a see-through glass slide crescent window at the top of the dial between 10 and 2.

Danny also spoke for a moment about other services Chapter 24 has performed for the community including restorations of the Gwinnett County Courthouse tower clock and the Newton County tower clock.



Gary Walton presented a model 212 International Time Recorder clock dated by its serial number (221667) to 1920. It was in service somewhere in Atlanta as evidenced by a service tag from the Latham Time Recording

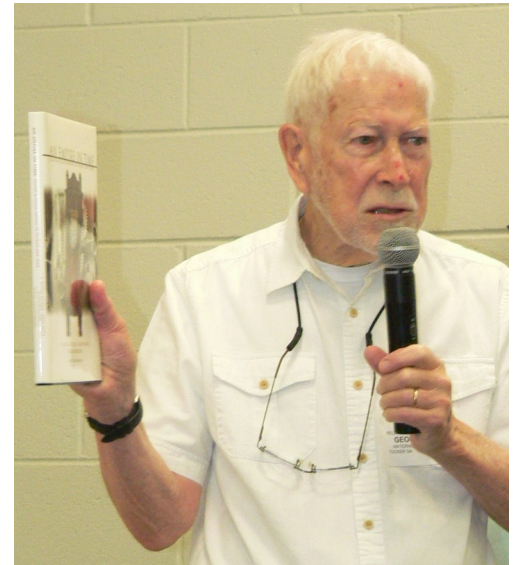


Company on Third Street in Atlanta. Latham Time Recording may also have originally sold the clock since they have been in business since 1919 and continue today in Marietta GA. Gary spoke with the current CEO Bill Latham to attempt to trace the service tag to an original owner but service records have not been maintained. This model is a Job Timer. Unlike the usual ITR time card clock, Job timers were used to assign time to specific tasks. Job Timer cards include time in and out, employee number, job rates and identifies the customer. The oak case used no glue in its construction and each case piece is numbered (1656). The top, bottom and sides are nailed tongue and groove. The door is assembled with large dowels and the back is screwed on with all trim nailed. The movement appears to be an unsigned Seth Thomas and has a 2 ½ pound pendulum. After an apparent main spring or wheel failure that left tell-tale damage, the movement was converted to electric by Latham installing a 1 RPM synchron motor directly to the escape wheel and removing the double tandem springs with the first and second wheels. The stamping mechanism weighs 13 pounds and the complete clock weighs 47 pounds.

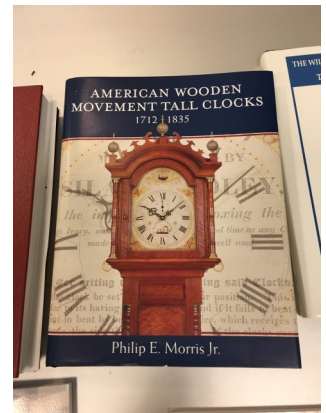
JUNE PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED

Show and Tell Continued

Instead of a timepiece, George Waterhouse brought in a collection of books on clocks. He encouraged members to build their own library and research clocks. The first book he discussed is entitled American Wooden Movement Tall Clocks 1712-1835 by Phillip Morris. In the process of putting this book together Phillip traveled to Atlanta to photograph examples from Ward Francillion's collection of early American wood movement tall clocks. Ward was the founder of the Cog Counters (devoted to wood movement clocks) and a former President of the NAWCC. A number of Atlanta Chapter Members assisted Phillip in moving and positioning each clock, movements and dials from rooms throughout the house.



George then presented two books by Paul Foley; Willard's Patent Time Pieces and another focused on lighthouse clocks; Simon Willard Patent Alarm Time Pieces. An example of a Willard lighthouse clock is found in the White House. Other titles included An Introduction to American Clocks by Tom Spittler, An Empire in Time by G. Russell Oechsle and Helen Boyce (clocks and makers from upstate New York), Antebellum Shelf Clock Makers by Snowden Taylor and Mary Jane Dapkus (Connecticut makers of the period) and a recent Skinner Auction House catalog.



THE 50:50

The Cash Winner (ticket 0964254) was David Wayne with a \$50 purse.



In keeping with his Show and Tell discussion on building a library, George Waterhouse donated a book entitled American Clockmakers & Watchmakers by Sonya and Thomas Spittler and Chris Bailey for the drawing. It went to the second winner (ticket 0964281), Henry Newman.



Treasurer's Report

By Charles Carrol

Charles Carrol presented the Treasurer's Report. The opening balance for this period was \$19,316.63. There was Income from Dues and the 50:50 of \$576 and Expenses for office supplies, refreshments, seed money and repairs of \$366.22 resulting in an Ending Balance was \$19,576.41.



Tuesday Night Clock Group

Paul Milliken from Fox 5 Atlanta TV visited a special meeting of the Tuesday night group, Thursday and video taped a segment for his show on Good Morning Atlanta. The segment should air Tuesday morning July 23rd. We are hoping that this presentation will spur some interest and awareness in our club and even help to increase membership.

For information on the Tuesday Night Clock Group, contact Randy Grunwell through email at

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or call 770-309-3735.



George Waterhouse discusses a wooden movement with Paul Milliken on camera

GROANER (Encore!)

Courtesy of George Waterhouse

The Groaner(s):

- ◇ why did the scientist drop a watch into a flask? Answer: He was looking for a timely solution.
- ◇ why didn't the Cuckoo come out of his door? Answer: He had stage fright.

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 and participates in 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 August 4, 2019 - 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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