



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

Atlanta Chapter 24

October 2019 Meeting Minutes

DECEMBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be Sunday
December 1, 2019 from 9:30 AM—1:00 PM.

Please Join us for the
Annual Christmas Holiday Lunch.

There will not be a Program or “Show and Tell” in December
Please bring a dish to pass. Dan Butt will be providing turkey
and ham. Guests are very welcome. We’ll see you there!

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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Chapter 24 Meeting of October 6, 2019

The pre-meeting auction was conducted again by our resident illustrious auctioneer Brooks Coleman. Auction items consisted of another batch of clocks from Robert Brannon, about twelve from Al Orendorff who is beginning a move and some watches.

Dan Butt opened the business meeting and welcomed four new members including Eric Crawford, Jeff Whitfield (and his dad) Larry Whitfield and Judy Dyer. Judy formerly worked in Governor Deal's office.



The Minutes were accepted and seconded.

Dan made an appeal for more Watch Program presentations and Show and Tell participation to increase content for watch enthusiasts.

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

Ideas for regenerating interest in Chapter attendance were reviewed as a follow-up to the August discussion. In summary Dan stated that he would invite members who had not continued membership at the start of 2019 to our December Christmas celebration meeting.



Cuthbert Dial

George reported on the clocks at the Chief Vann house in Chatsworth GA:

On Thursday four chapter members went to visit the two clocks at the Chief Vann house including Dan Butt, Mary Jones, Chris Brown and George Waterhouse. The Eli Terry Pillar and Scroll strikes but not running well. The team recommended for now that the house staff not attempt to run it. The John Cuthbert tall case (circa 1790-1795) clock's movement was repaired by Pete Schriener a long time ago. At that time, George also restored the case. On this visit, the movement was removed and oiled and the clock was left running.



All eight Mansion Clock Videos were completed and are now on-line on the NAWCC website.

Brooks continues his search for original April 1999 (issue 319) NAWCC Bulletins. This was the issue with the article on the E. Howard 22 residing in the Georgia State Capitol building. If anyone has that issue and you are willing to donate it please contact Brooks.



GA State Capitol's
E Howard 22

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Randy Grunwell spoke about the Makers Faire where on September 28 and 29th he represented the Tuesday Night Clock Group at the Georgia State Stadium. The Maker's Faire is a venue for the curious who enjoy learning and sharing what they do. The "Makers" display their hobbies, experiments and projects. One of about seventy-six booths and displays, the Tuesday Night Clock group instructed participants on how to put together movements (without springs) using seven rather large and easy to handle time-only movements provided by Bill Knaak. Randy Grunwell, Dan Butt and Doug Brown instructed about one hundred participants Saturday and another eighty on Sunday. Invitations were extended to those interested in exploring clocks to attend the (free of charge) Tuesday Night Clock Group. It is hoped that new attendees there eventually become interested in joining Chapter 24.



Randy Grunwell (far left) and Doug Brown (far right)
instruct the next generation of clock "Makers"



One participant was a teacher at Sandy Springs STEM school who arranged for Randy to take this show to their classroom. Randy responded and conducted a class explaining the physics of pendulum motion and conducted hands-on movement assembly to again inspire interest in horology.



Randy mentioned that there were eighteen members present at the Tuesday night clock group and that the attendance of the Tuesday night group is climbing. Two members were attracted by the Chapter sponsored "Meet up" web page.



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Show and Tell

Chris Martin found an article in the Horological Times on a helical spring winding tool and a jig for chime lever. The article for the winding tool will be scanned and circulated. There is also an article on how to restore tips on small screw drivers.

Rod Girod presented a shelf Ingraham spring clock with a Cuckoo on top. The cuckoo chime mechanism has an old leather bellows. It is an unusual and apparent well-done marriage. Has anyone seen anything like this before?



Warren Brooks brought a Howard 00 street clock from a Philadelphia auction where he found it listed as a “Rube Goldberg special”. Warren drove to Pennsylvania to take delivery of the clock and was surprised to see that it came with an original (however unmarked) Howard packing box. The clock included the Howard cast iron stand, 3 original pulleys and pulley hooks, motion works, pendulum bob, and an impressive original key. The stand and movement have what appears to be original paint but have no striping. There are no serial numbers stamped or painted anywhere. The wheels are also not match stamped. Warren asked the auction house to request information about the clock’s provenance from the consignor. He was told that it came from an estate on Long Island in the Hamptons. It runs on 15 pounds but both winding arbor bushings are worn badly most likely due to running with too much weight. Dan Jefferies is making new bushings for Warren. Warren stated that this model was produced between 1900 and 1935 intended for small tower clocks or street clocks with up to four dials. Other than the obvious appearance, the pilot dial is the only place marked identifying it as an E. Howard product.



John Moore presented a wall hanging electric postal telegraph clock made by the Hammond Clock company. The brand name was changed from the Hammond Clock Company to the Hammond Instrument Company when they started production of iconic high-quality instruments (organs). There is a little wheel on the back of the clock to start the synchronous motor. A similar “kick start” wheel is found on the motors for Hammond organs. Dan Butt pointed out that he has played a pre 70s Hammond organ and that these models have a two-step start process. Bernie Tekippe pointed out that these synchronous motors will run in either direction.



Doug Brown presented an unusual two train Westminster Chime Sessions clock. The chime mechanism shifts between chime and strike. Typically, Westminster or other chiming clocks have separate chime and strike trains.



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Additional Meeting Information

After thirty years in business, Bernie Tekippe announced that he is closing his shop. His son is moving the shop to a new location and he will host an "open house" during the next two Saturdays to sell among other things 200 books on clocks and an automatic gear cutting machine. His shop is located at 857 Collier Road one block south of Hollow Mill on the lower level of the mall near Publix. He is open from 10 to 2. Byron will open a new shop on Ellsworth Industrial to do mostly house calls.

Several members stood up and acknowledged Bernie's contributions, accomplishments and leadership over the years.

Brooks mentioned that Bernie started the first class at Norcross High School; he taught and inspired everyone.

George Waterhouse reminisced about attending a class building one of Bernie's first designs which was displayed in the 1995 Regional. He recalled how they had worked on the state's clocks in Bernie's shop and repeated how much everyone appreciated all that Bernie had taught us.

Chris Brown also thanked Bernie for his mentorship.

Warren Brooks told a story about when he found Classic Clocks in the yellow pages and took one of his first clocks to Bernie. Bernie instructed Warren on winding and thus began a several years instructional process with a great mentor.

Everyone expressed thanks.



2019 Regional Report

The results of the Regional were reported by Co-Chairs Bob and Fran Geier.

Most notable of all, Randy Grunwell and Chris Brown were recognized as NAWCC Fellows at this event.



THE 50:50

Holding winning ticket number 0964434, Austin Jones collected the \$56 jackpot.



Treasurer's Report

By Charles Carroll

Treasurer's Report

The beginning balance for the period of August through October was \$18,749. Total income was \$153 with expenses of \$262.31 for a closing balance of \$18,620.55.



Tuesday Night Clock Group

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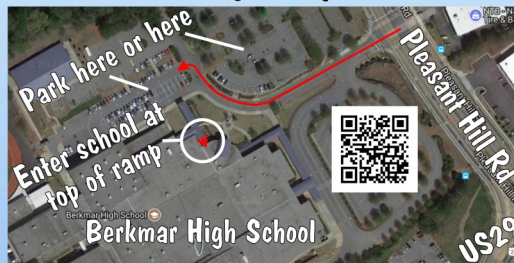
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at the

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GROANER (Encore!)

George stated that it is becoming harder and harder to find good horology groaners. Given that:

- What kind of bugs live on clocks?

(Answer) ticks

- What's the difference between love and marriage?

(Answer) Love is the long sweet dream and marriage is the alarm clock

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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