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Who we are, our aim, and our purpose:

The **Chapter Relations Committee (CRC)** was formed in October of 2008 to focus on the relationship between the Chapters and the National Organization. Its primary objectives are to strengthen the NAWCC Chapters; establish confidence, trust, and accountability between all the parties through timely and open communications; and give guidance and support to the Chapters.

Greetings to all our Chapter Officers and Members

We survived another six months of dealing with the COVID-19 situation. Over the past year and a half most Chapters had Zoom meetings to stay connected. In the past six months, restrictions were lifted and things opened. Most of the Chapters have had live meetings. There were several Regionals, and the National Convention in Hampton, VA, was held.

It appears that more live meetings will be taking place. Since Zoom meetings were successful, we believe they will continue to occur in between live meetings, giving a Chapter more opportunities to have meetings more often. We now have a larger library of presentations and presenters to choose from, including some recordings of Zoom meetings.

In this issue there is a summary of the combined joint meeting with the Chapter Relations and Membership Committees that was held at the National Convention in Hampton, VA, in July.

Your comments, any ideas, or suggestions are welcome. We would like to keep this dialogue going all year and not just once a year at the National Convention.

We now have new members on the Board of Directors who are working extremely hard to improve the operations and functions of the NAWCC. Every two years they evaluate all the Committees and the Chairs. They have decided that most Committees should have two chairs and at least one would be on the Board. Bob Burton, who joined as a member of the CRC in May 2020, was appointed as my co-chair. The Committee will still work hard for the Chapters and be here to guide and advise you. We are hoping to provide new ideas to help the Chapters grow and find more ways to attract new members and keep them involved. We are also looking for a new members to be on the Committee. If you are interested, please contact us.

Please share this newsletter with all your members and be sure to give us your feedback. We are open to sharing all suggestions and comments with the Chapters to help them grow and become stronger.

Our sincere wishes,

Lu Sadowski (lbsadowski@aol.com) and Bob Burton (pacrrat2345@twc.com)
Chapter Relations Committee Chairs

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Get Ready for America's Largest Watch & Clock Show!

Head to Dayton, OH, next summer to buy, sell, trade, learn, teach, share, and socialize in grand NAWCC style. Join us at the 2022 National Convention on June 23-26!

Mart, Meetings & More!

Gather with old and new friends in Dayton as you participate in auctions, enjoy lectures on watches and clocks, and attend Chapter and Committee meetings. Stroll through the huge mart room and find the perfect gifts for family, great books for the kids, and maybe even a little something for you. Highlights of any Convention always include the Awards Banquet, Old Timers & Fellows luncheon, and the Crafts Competition.



Location Is Everything

The Dayton Convention Center is in the heart of the city, just minutes from the Dayton International Airport and major highways. The host hotel, Radisson Hotel Dayton, is connected to the Convention Center by an enclosed skywalk over the street. The hotel has a free airport shuttle, and parking at the hotel is free.



Sightseeing at Its Best!

Dayton's historic Oregon District is only 1.5 blocks from the Convention Center and offers many options for dining, shopping, and entertainment. The nearby Packard Museum is in the original Packard Motor Car Company building and has a wonderful collection of early 20th-century cars. The Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park includes the Huffman Prairie Flying Field, Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center, Wright Cycle Company building, Paul Laurence Dunbar House Historic Site, and the Carillon Historical Park. To the northeast of downtown Dayton is the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, home of the world-renowned National Museum of the US Air Force.



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**NATIONAL
CONVENTION**
DAYTON, OH
June 23-26, 2022





A Message from our new and incoming Executive Director



Dear Officers and Members,

I recently came across this short description in Rees's *Cyclopaedia*:

[I]f we wish to be introduced to the workman who has the greatest share in the construction of our best clocks, we must often submit to be conducted up some narrow passage of our metropolis, and to mount into a dirty attic, where we find illiterate ingenuity closely employed in earning a mere pittance, compared with the price which is put on the finished machine by the vendor of more easy circumstances, though the latter has had little more trouble in the construction than to order his name to be inserted before it is placed for public notice in his bow-window.

Written in the early 19th-century, it did not paint a rosy picture of the clock and watch trade in London, but it piqued my interest and reminded me of an account of the Lancashire watchmaking industry that described the work of one person, whose job was to make the screws for bridges on watch movements. They were so well practiced, they could cut to shape, tap, round, part off, and burnish a screw in around 15 seconds.

This highlights the stark difference between the role of the clock repairer today and that of the people who contributed to making the components of these timepieces. Today's repairer increasingly needs to be competent in all aspects of the object in order to successfully restore an antique clock into good health, whereas the makers in the 19th-century were often highly specialized in only a few elements. And this led me to think of one of the principal elements of the NAWCC's mission: the promotion and provision of horological education. Chapters across the globe enable members to come together to share ideas, debate, and pass on skills and knowledge. We all have different levels of experience and, of course, varying avenues of interest. With such a broad subject, no single person can ever know it all, and it is this that makes clocks and watches such an interesting hobby or field of study.

I am particularly delighted to be able to say that members have come forward to resurrect the education programs in Columbia. Progress is going to be slow but steady as we rebuild and improve our educational offering at the school. Likewise, as we emerge from the experience of the last 18 months or so, and begin to enjoy meeting up again, it is a great time to be thinking about passing on our skills and know-how again through suitcase workshops and Chapter meetings. You will have received an invitation to complete a short online survey relating to your experience of NAWCC classes. If you have responded, thank you. With your feedback we are better equipped to develop a better educational offer. If you did not have a chance to respond, please watch for news in the *Bulletin* or on the Forums, as there will undoubtedly be opportunities to help develop the NAWCC education program further down the line.

Collectively, we have the skills and knowledge to make, repair, and piece together histories of all manner of clocks and watches. As individuals, we can only achieve this through mutual support and encouragement. This is why I strongly believe the activities of the NAWCC as a whole are so important to the proliferation of the art and science of clock and watch making.

Wishing you all the very best,
Rory McEvoy Incoming Director

Message from the Board Chair



I am honored and humbled to have been selected as the Chairman of the Board of Directors. For the past two years I have had the pleasure to work with the rest of the Directors and the outstanding staff at headquarters, and I am so proud of the work we have done on behalf of the NAWCC. Through the support of generous donors, we have been able to replace the roof to stop leaks in the building and rework the website to improve our members' online experience. We passed a balanced budget for the first time in a long time. We also hired an incoming Executive Director, Rory McEvoy. An On-Boarding Team of Directors are talking with him weekly to educate him on the NAWCC, its fantastic membership, and our outstanding staff at HQ.

I would like to thank Rich Newman, outgoing Board Chair, for his leadership for the past four years. Rich set the expectation that the Board would work together respectfully and as a team to set a strategic path for the future of the NAWCC. This included cleaning up outdated processes and policies, improving our financial position, updating our web presence, and improving our overall membership experience.

In October 2019 the Board was faced with the resignation of the Executive Director. Rich created the Oversight and Advancement Committee (O&AC) to oversee operations at the Museum and headquarters and advance the strategic objectives of the NAWCC. A second team was also formed with several NAWCC members and Board Directors to take on the project of updating the website and Forums. This resulted in the launch of the remodeled website in May 2020 and the updated Forums shortly thereafter.

In early 2020, the pandemic forced the Board to shut down the Museum and Library while headquarters staff worked from home. This made it difficult to serve the membership and caused financial impact. With hands-on leadership from Rich, the O&AC was able to work with headquarters staff to ensure that vital operations and member services were maintained. Rich has guided the NAWCC through some difficult times. His positive attitude, ability to keep team members focused on the end goal, and passion for the NAWCC made him an excellent Board Chair. We are extremely fortunate to have benefited from his efforts. Thank you, Rich!

I want to acknowledge National Convention Co-Chairs Judy Draucker (VA) and Rich Newman (IL) and the Host Chapter—Old Dominion Chapter 34—as well as the many volunteers from all across the country for their efforts in putting together a wonderful gathering in July. It has been two years since we had a National Convention. Planning a large event during the constant changes of the pandemic was not an easy task, but they created an event that certainly made it worth coming to Virginia! They lined up excellent speakers, including a virtual keynote address by our incoming Executive Director, Rory McEvoy. It is great to gather again after more than a year of pandemic isolation. I hope you join other NAWCC members and friends at the Symposium, at Regionals, and at your local Chapter meetings. Here's to enjoying the upcoming events, meetings, programs, and marts together and in person!

James C. Price
NAWCC Chairman of the Board
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NAWCC Special Interest Chapters

The NAWCC has sixteen special interest chapters that focus their interest around a single or similar horological item. Many of these chapters meet at least 3 times a year at particular NAWCC regionals and National meetings. Some of the chapters publish newsletters and Journals for their members.

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Chapter Relations Committee News

Chapter Relations Committee/Membership Committee Meeting



National Convention July 16, 2021

We had our 3rd Annual “Joint Meeting” of the Chapter Relations and Membership Committees with members and representatives of the Board.

This meeting took place on Friday, July 16, 2021, at the National Convention in Hampton, VA. Many issues were discussed and several ideas were suggested.

[Click here to read the 2021 Chapter Relations Committee Report](#)

To view past issues of our Chapter Relations Committee Newsletter:

NAWCC STAFF DIRECTORY

Click the image below to display the
NAWCC Staff Directory



The NAWCC Public Time Gallery!

We have a new Gallery in the Museum
for visitors to see!

Click the image below
for an online tour!



Upcoming Zoom Event Not to Be Missed!

By Laura Taylor

Join a live Zoom presentation on Thursday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m. EST to learn about the complex astronomical skeleton clock commissioned by Mark Frank and built by Buchanan of Chelmsford, Australia. This machine has nearly 8,000 parts, including about 500 wheels, four remontoire, dual Harrison grasshopper escapements, compound and epicyclic governor fly fans, Janvier-style slant wheel variable differentials, quarter repeating Grande and petite sonnerie striking, and depending on how one counts, about 71 complications. It is the most complex skeleton clock made for its size: 34"w x 34"h x 22"d. After years of work, the clock is now fully built. As Mark has stated, this machine was "born of a happy convergence of artist and artisan, exuberant creativity, and exquisite craftsmanship" and is "a work of art in which mechanics, visual fantasy, and fun converge."



Photo by Buchanan,
courtesy of Buchanan Clocks of Chelmsford

[Click here for information on how to view this Zoom presentation.](#)

A three-part article on the final stages of building this complex clock is in the works as well, with the first part being published in the November/December 2021 issue of the *Watch & Clock Bulletin*.

Frank Del Greco: Recipient of the 2021 Bryson and Mary Lou Moore Museum Service Award

The NAWCC Museum Collections Committee nominated and the NAWCC Board of Directors approved the nomination of Frank Del Greco for the 2021 Bryson and Mary Lou Moore Museum Service Award.

In late 2019, Frank approached some Board members with his idea of installing a Public Time Gallery at the Museum to replace the 20+ year old Stonehenge exhibit. This new gallery would feature large public clocks such as tower clocks as well as street clocks, including the large Ansonia example that has been partially restored. Frank envisioned that the majority of the clocks in this gallery would be in running condition so that visitors would have both visual and auditory enjoyment. After touring the Museum with some Board members, it was agreed that the creation of the Public Time Gallery would enhance the Museum.

Frank assembled a small team of volunteers and NAWCC employees to remove the old exhibit, prepare the space for new flooring, and paint the new walls. Frank designed and presented a layout for the gallery that created different exhibit areas or sections designed to highlight different groupings of tower and street clocks. Over a period of months, Frank designed and built stands, restored clocks and engineered plans to arrange the weights to power the clocks, prepared descriptions to accompany the exhibit as well as moved clocks into the exhibit.

The NAWCC Museum now has a beautiful new gallery highlighting our collection of public clocks that is appealing to both collectors and the public. This gallery would not have come to fruition without the vision and hard work from Frank. Without a doubt, Frank is a worthy recipient for the Bryson and Mary Lou Museum Service Award.



Development Committee Report

Submitted by John Cote, Committee Co-Chair

The NAWCC Development Committee can report that, despite all of us being somewhat cooped up last fiscal year (April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021), we did fairly well in bringing in donations. The Annual Appeal brought in more than \$160,000 in both restricted and unrestricted donations, and more than \$118,000 was donated to the For All Time Endowment. We also received several very nice donations of artifacts, including some clocks and watches that will help our Museum tell the story of horology. These donations included two rare account books that Chapters 60 (Florida Gold Coast), 176 (Big Bend Timekeepers), and 23 (Buckeye) helped purchase.

You should also know that at our National Convention in Virginia in July, Chapter 60 (Florida Gold Coast) was named the Donor Chapter of the Year. Many Chapters have been very generous with their support of our organization, but Chapter 60 has really stepped up.

In Development Committee news, Rich Newman has joined the committee as co-chair. We have a new member, Eliel Garcia. Eliel lives near HQ in Lancaster, PA, and works for one of our great business partners, Brent L. Miller Jewelers and Goldsmiths. He is very well connected in the business and not-for-profit scenes in the local area and will be a great help with both our local and national development efforts.

Our Annual Appeal letter will be going out to the membership and to Chapters very soon. We have a great new Executive Director coming in soon, and we need to show him how dedicated our members and Chapters are to our mission of education and preservation of the story of horology.

[December 2019 to March 2020](#)

[April 2020 to August 2020](#)

[September 2020 to January 2021](#)

[April 2021 to August 2021](#)



Did you know that you ALREADY belong to the Association of Science and Technology Centers Passport Program?

Click on the ASTC image above to find out more.

Please Note:

If you are planning on going to a National Convention, or to any upcoming Regional, you will not be admitted if your NAWCC membership is not up to date. Be sure to renew it before you attend. You may also renew it at a regional or the convention.

2021 NAWCC National Convention Hampton, VA

Submitted by Judy Draucker, Co-Chair

The 2021 NAWCC National Convention was held on July 15-18 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center and the Embassy Suites Hotel in Hampton, VA.

“What should we do?” “Is it going to happen?” “Will anyone come?” Those questions are typical of the sentiments voiced almost daily by Co-Chair Rich Newman, Jim Price, and me in the months leading up to the Convention. Certainly, all of our lives have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic since March 2020. Planning an NAWCC National Convention is no small task under normal conditions. Imagine how this was compounded with the unknown and the restrictions mandated by the pandemic.

With the 2020 NAWCC National Convention in Dayton cancelled, and subsequently most regional meetings cancelled until late May 2021, a primary means of promotion was eliminated. In the fall of 2020, the decision was made to proceed with plans for the 2021 National Convention. We were able to favorably renegotiate the terms of our contract with the convention center and hotel. Committee chairs were finalized. Zoom meetings were held on a regular basis beginning in early 2021.

The results were positive: the National Convention did happen and people did come. Total attendance was 738. In view of the circumstances, we are pleased to declare it a great success.

The event opened on Thursday evening with a video presentation featuring Incoming Executive Director Rory McEvoy. The exhibit featured an outstanding private collection of carefully curated and historically documented Chelsea clocks – the finest collection of Chelsea clocks ever assembled. A second display of historic marine chronometers rounded out the nautical theme. Thirteen programs were offered, and five demonstration workshops were held. The Mart featured 331 vendor tables as well as the NAWCC Gift Shop, specialty Chapter tables, and the Silent Auction tables. A spirited auction was held on Friday evening with 100 items, including approximately 20 surplus items from the National Watch & Clock Museum. Two collectible wristwatches were auctioned with proceeds given as a donation to the NAWCC. Silent auctions were held throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday, culminating in a Super Silent Auction on Sunday at the close of the Mart. The Awards Banquet on Saturday evening had an attendance of 135. Several Fellow and Star Fellow awards were presented. The Old Timers and Fellows luncheon had 57 in attendance.

The Mariners' Museum in nearby Newport News hosted two small groups of NAWCC members for a “behind the scenes” tour of selected items from their collection of marine chronometers. The pieces are not normally on public display, and all attendees relished the rare opportunity for a close-up look. Participation was 28 on Thursday and 15 on Sunday.

The number of volunteers necessary to organize and execute an event of this size and scope is astronomical. Volunteers were recruited from the host Chapter, Old Dominion Chapter 34, and from throughout the NAWCC membership. All performed their duties with eagerness and enthusiasm. Conservative estimates are that a minimum of 100 served as volunteers, many in multiple capacities. The NAWCC is truly an association of dedicated volunteers, ready and willing to meet the demands of the tasks before them.

Words cannot express the deep gratitude extended to the committee chairs and volunteer members for their generous contributions of time and expertise. Rich and Jim join me in saying, “thank you, all!”

Kudos are extended to the staff of the Hampton Roads Convention Center and the Embassy Suites Hotel. This was their first big event since the onset of COVID-19. They were as anxious as the NAWCC team to make sure that everything went well. The staff rose to the occasion and were most cooperative in handling last-minute changes, additions, etc. The banquet attendees showed their appreciation with a standing ovation for the staff. And the staff loved our group! Often in walking by, they offered the comment, “Judy, we love your clock watchers. They’re such nice people.”

So . . . thank you for being nice, and thank you for attending and supporting the 2021 NAWCC National Convention in Hampton, VA. We look forward to seeing you at the 2022 NAWCC National Convention in Dayton, OH, on June 23–26.

Using ZOOM to access NAWCC existing Electronic Programs

The electronic meeting software “ZOOM” has opened the possibility for members to meet via the internet to conduct their meetings. ZOOM has quickly established itself as a tool to hold electronic business and cities. The company offers a free version for \$ 150/yr. fee it will work for a variety of organizations.



Check out their website. It is relatively easy to be the moderator for the meetings. Several chapters have already begun holding Zoom chapter meetings.

site: [ZOOM.COM](https://zoom.us) for details. setup and one person acts as the moderator for meetings. Several chapters holding Zoom chapter meetings.

While holding a ZOOM meeting the moderator can also select a video from their PC or off the Internet to play for all the attendees. The NAWCC has a numerous videos on Vimeo to select from with links from the NAWCC website that chapters can access for Zoom chapter meetings.

Webinars – programs recorded and available to be accessed at the [nawcc.org website](https://nawcc.org), click “Research” tab, then “Digital Video Archive” tab, and click [“View NAWCC Webinars”](#), and all 52 webinars are available along with run time of each one

NAWCC Symposiums

Go to nawcc.org website, click “Research” tab, then “Digital Video Archive” tab, and listing of NAWCC Symposiums 2013-2018 are available. Select the Symposium and a listing of each of various programs is displayed along with run time of each one

Programs at 75th Anniversary National in 2018

Go to nawcc.org website, click “Research” tab, then “Digital Video Archive” tab, and click [“View NAWCC 75th Anniversary Lectures”](#) and a listing of each of various lectures is displayed along with run time of each one

The Updated Speaker’s Bureau can also be consulted to contact speakers to present. Go to nawcc.org website, click “About” tab, then “Chapter Support” tab, and [Speaker’s Bureau list](#) can be downloaded

These are four suggestions to locate digital content for chapter meetings.

By Andy Dervan

NAWCC Chapter Websites

Many chapters have websites with information on their chapter (history, activities, and chapter contacts). It is a great benefit particularly for new members to find a local chapter or special interest chapter.

This has been moved to a new server and many of the websites updated. Click [HERE](#) to view a list of all the Chapters.

If your chapter has a website, check it out, you can find it under the [Local Chapters](#) link at the top of the NAWCC website homepage.

If your chapter needs updating contact Seth Huber at shuber@nawcc.org or telephone him at 717-684-8261 ext 232, and provide him the necessary updates.

If your chapter does not have website and officers are thinking about setting one up, contact Seth Huber at shuber@nawcc.org or telephone him at 717-684-8261 ext 232, and provide him the necessary information and he can create one for your chapter.

Andy Dervan

Help Amazon donate to the NAWCC!

If you shop on Amazon, why not donate to the NAWCC?

Be sure to choose **National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc., Columbia, PA**, as your charity of choice.



You shop, AmazonSmile donates.

Shop at smile.amazon.com to support the NAWCC at no extra cost, or to donate items from AmazonSmile Charity Lists.

[Select a charity](#) | [Activate in the app](#) | [Donate items](#)

New NAWCC Specialty Chapter

We are pleased to announce the formation of a new Chapter: the NAWCC Museum Chapter. It was officially chartered a few months ago by an action of the Board of Directors upon recommendation by the Chapter Relations Committee. The NAWCC Museum Chapter exists to support the National Watch & Clock Museum, and the officers hope to organize the first meeting and/or event later this year.



The idea for this new Chapter originated with a number of long-time members and supporters of the Museum during the pandemic shutdown. They want to improve the stories we tell at our wonderful National Watch & Clock Museum.

That concept was refined into the following mission statement:

To provide resources (including financial resources, intellectual resources, human resources/volunteers, and physical assets) to the National Watch & Clock Museum to:

Identify and organize members who will provide financial, intellectual, and human resources (volunteer) in support of the NAWCC Watch & Clock Museum's mission.

Enhance the experience for Museum visitors, educators, and researchers.

Conserve the Museum's collections, including historically important ephemera, primary source materials, and other printed matter and documents that may reside in the Fortunat Mueller-Maerki Library & Research Center's collection.

Conduct educational lectures and programs based upon, or inspired by, artifacts in the Museum.

Raise funds to support the Museum's capital and operational needs.

If the objectives of this Chapter appeal to you, *and* you are willing and able to actively participate to achieve one or more of these objectives, we would be happy to add you to our email distribution list. Email us at MuseumChapter@gmail.com.

Museum Chapter Officers:

John Cote, Jay Dutton, Rhett Lucke, Philip Morris, Rich Newman
MuseumChapter@gmail.com

Chapter Bi-Monthly

Attention Chapter Presidents and Secretaries! Please be on the look for the chapter bi-monthly via email or USPS. This helpful report can be used to update your records, welcome new members to your chapter, remind past-due members to renew their NAWCC membership dues, plus finding out when we have lost important members of our organization. The report also includes the current contact information we have on file to reach out to the members of your chapter. If you need help with the information provided in these reports please call Marlo Davis: 1-877-255-1849 ext. 210 or email mdavis@nawcc.org.

In addition to the chapter bi-monthly, Member Services will begin sending an email on a bi-weekly basis to all Chapter Presidents and Secretaries with new members to NAWCC. It is important for us to get that information to the local level in a timely fashion. This gives you the opportunity to contact a new member sooner and get them involved. Please reach out to them, invite them into your chapter and make them feel welcomed to NAWCC. If you have questions on this email please contact Marlo Davis at 1-877-255-1849 option 5 for member services or email rlau@nawcc.org or mdavis@nawcc.org.

[Click here for information about the Deductibility of NAWCC Individual Memberships](#)

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UPDATING YOUR CHAPTER INFORMATION

Chapter Presidents and Officers:

Each time you receive a new Bulletin/Mart Highlights, email blasts or any other correspondence please check the listings for your Chapter and the Committees you are on. Check that all the information is correct and up to date. If there are any changes that need to be updated please contact Marlo in Member Services at Mdavis@nawcc.org This also applies to any members who read this Newsletter.

Thank you,
Marlo Davis
NAWCC Member Services

DONATE TO OUR *FOR ALL TIME* ENDOWMENT

Please consider supporting the NAWCC as we move forward.

Donations to the *For All Time* Campaign are invested to provide long-term funding for the NAWCC.

NAWCC Auction Email Blasts

Want to promote your upcoming auction or online store?
Email Mart@nawcc.org to order your spot in the next eBlast.


On about the first and fifteenth of every month, the NAWCC sends out an email blast. This email informs subscribers about upcoming auctions and online stores with sales that include watches, clocks, and other horological items. Auction Emails are an opportunity for members to advertise their auctions effectively and economically.

The NAWCC Auction Emails reap much success, with a fifty-one percent open rate. The Eblasts boast a high click rate as well, at an average of twenty-six percent.

Any NAWCC Member can sign up to receive the Auction Emails.

Looking for gift ideas for the Holidays?

Click on the image below to see what's available at the NAWCC Museum Store!

Shop & Save at the  National Watch & Clock **MUSEUM** *Store*

Find all the timely books, gifts, and gear you want—and support your NAWCC
AT A 10% MEMBER DISCOUNT!

Items shown include: a large mechanical clock movement, a book titled "There Was an Old Giant Who Swallowed A Clock", a book titled "Wonder Women of Science", and a photograph of Big Ben.

VISIT OUR STORE IN COLUMBIA, PA, OR CALL TO ORDER: (717) 684-8261 EXT. 211

NAWCC Watch & Clock Podcast

Episode 5: The Chess Master & His Watch

Submitted by Keith Lehman



In this podcast, we discuss the first US chess master, Paul Morphy, and the pocket watch he received after his triumphant return to the United States after defeating Europe's greatest players. We interview chess historian Lucas Anderson about the fascinating life and chess of Morphy. We also chat with Roland Murphy, watchmaker and owner of RGM Watch Co., about the wristwatch he made that was inspired by the dial of Morphy's watch, which is now part of the collection at the National Watch & Clock Museum.

iTunes: <https://apple.co/3k58AxN>

Spotify: <https://spoti.fi/3k4XV6g>

To view past issues of our Chapter Relations Committee Newsletter:

Click [this link](#) and scroll down to the Committee Documents Section and click on Chapter Relations Committee.

Recent Additions to the Library & Research Center

Submitted by James D. Campbell, MWM, MCM, Research Library Supervisor & Acting Museum Curator

Research material and slides that belonged to the late Snowden Taylor, donated by Mary Jane Dapkus.

New books:

John Harrison and the Quest for Longitude by Jonathan Betts, donated by Jim Price.

Troubadour on the Road to Gold is William B. Lorton's 1849 journal recording his journey to California, edited by Leroy Johnson and Jean Johnson, donated by Lee Davis and Horological Art Chapter 120. It is a fascinating book on Lorton's travels across the United States by wagon to the California gold fields in 1849. Lorton holds several US patents for cast iron front clocks.

***Ken De Lucca our new NAWCC Education Director
will be teaching Introduction to Antique Clocks this December.***

Sign up on the NAWCC Events page.



School of HOROLOGY

Introduction to Antique Clocks

Date: Sat., 12/4/21 & Sun., 12/5/21

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: NAWCC School of Horology,
454 Poplar Street, Columbia, PA 17512

Instructor: Ken De Lucca (kdelucca@nawcc.org)

Scope: Basic functions of a time-only mechanical clock movement; take the movement apart, reassemble it, put it in beat & lubricate it

Tools: Hand tools & movements provided; bring your own binocular magnifier or similar device

Cost: \$695

Visit nawcc.org > Events to sign up today!

There's Always Something New to Learn!

As an NAWCC member for over 20 years and a graduate of the NAWCC School of Horology (2007), my primary goal is to reestablish our education outreach commitment to our members and those interested in clockmaking. It's time to refocus and revitalize by starting with beginners' classes at the School of Horology. My plan is to start with introductory classes and build upon them to reach more technical and complex offerings in Columbia. I also hope to develop our online educational video library for those who cannot attend in-person classes. It's an exciting time to be a part of this undertaking and an exciting time to be a member of the NAWCC!

—Ken De Lucca, NAWCC Director of Education



Has Your Chapter Complied with Annual Reporting to the IRS?



Nearly all organizations registered to do business in the United States are required to file a yearly tax return with the IRS; however, certain nonprofits are afforded an easy method of reporting.

At the time of formation, each nonprofit should obtain a “tax determination letter” from the IRS qualifying the newly formed entity as a nontaxable entity. This is best practice. Nearly all Chapters of the NAWCC, and also the NAWCC itself, are each considered a qualified nonprofit under a 501(c)(3) tax exemption. Essentially, this tax exemption applies to entities that are “organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes.”

However, there is still a yearly reporting requirement. A tax-exempt organization is required to file a return with the IRS. This form is known as a 990. For NAWCC, Inc., it is a rather lengthy return. For Chapters that have less than \$50,000 in receipts during a year, a simpler 990-N may be filed. The filing of this return is important, since it preserves the nontaxable qualification of the entity. If this return requirement is not fulfilled in a three-year period, the entity will lose its nontaxable qualification.

Do you know your Chapter’s EIN (employer identification number)? You can check whether or not you are in compliance by entering your number on this website: <https://apps.irs.gov/app/eos/>.

If you are not in compliance, you can go to this website to reinstate a tax-exempt status that is going through automatic revocation: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations/automatic-revocation-how-to-have-your-tax-exempt-status-reinstated>.

It is important that as officers of the Chapters change, this requirement to report on a 990-N is accomplished. Even if the Chapter has no activity during the year but maintains a bank account, this requirement must be accomplished.

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There are 316 videos available for viewing including [NAWCC Webinars](#), 6 years worth of NAWCC Ward Francillon Symposiums and over [100 NAWCC Library Videos](#).

You can also sit in on an extended talk and demonstration of the [Monumental Engle Clock](#) and view The Atlanta Chapter 24 production of the [Clocks of the Georgia Governors Mansion](#).

There are also videos from the Gala, the National Convention and more.

As time and opportunity permits we will be adding videos to the Vimeo site so check back often.

COVID-19 DOCUMENTS

In order to protect each other from the Coronavirus the NAWCC has drawn up Disclaimer and Indemnification Statements for Chapter Meetings and Regionals. You may download and customize to your meeting.

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EASTERN STATES REGIONAL, August 19–21, 2021, Liverpool, NY



Another Successful Event!

Submitted by ESR Co-Chair Russ Oechsle

With deference to all of the current health concerns, careful planning for the 2021 ESR was key, and we can report that based on all evidence to date that it was an unqualified success. It was wonderful to see everyone again and talk about the topics we like the best: clocks and watches. A total of 358 individuals attended, including 22 members of the public, perhaps a total of 25% less than "normal." We expected attendance to be down due to health concerns, and indeed a number of long-time attendees called to give their regrets that they would not be able to attend. In addition, the failure of the U.S. government to allow vaccinated Canadians to cross the border meant that the large group of attendees, volunteers, and workshop demonstrators who usually attend from Chapter 33 were unable to attend, a big loss and disappointment.

All of our 174 tables were sold, although perhaps five remained empty when the doors opened after several registrants chose not to attend, which we anticipated under the circumstances. While upstate New York remains "better" than many other areas, Central New York was nonetheless under an indoor mask advisory for all participants, and compliance was very good. The Mart was extremely busy, and virtually all comments were to the effect that both buying and selling were very active.

We were honored to have researchers and experts Paul Foley and John A. Delaney curate and present our outstanding exhibit entitled "Ingenious Artist: Simon Willard and his Patent Time Pieces." Thirty important and rare timepieces, more commonly called "banjo clocks," were featured, and the history of Willard and these clocks was presented by John Delaney in the main lecture and through two separate walk-through sessions in the exhibit room. On Saturday morning, seven 1.5-hour workshops covering watch and clock repair, gold leafing, and reverse glass tablet reproduction were presented, with over 75 participants.

Three Special Interest Chapters—Electrical Horology Chapter 78, International 400 Day Clock Chapter 168, and Tower & Street Clock Chapter 134—held group meetings on Friday afternoon, and the Chapter 134 meeting featured a program by Phil D'Avanza entitled "Restoration of a Reeve & Co. Tower Clock, South Church, St. Johnsbury, VT." Two evening programs for participants were offered, including Joel Warren on case work projects and techniques, including a Seth Thomas Office Calendar #11, which had won the NAWCC National Convention People's Choice Award previously, and Jonathan Rowe, who gave a great presentation on the current state of the market for wrist watches titled "Purchasing Wrist Watches: The Black & White and Grey (Market)."

Cog Counters, Chapter 194
“The Wooden Movement Clock Group”
Patrick Hagans, Chairman



Cog Counters was founded as an independent organization by Ward Francillon in 1974 and is focused on studying and preserving wooden movement clocks. In 2011 the membership voted to become an NAWCC Special Interest Chapter. For the last 10 years our membership has remained relatively constant at approximately 200.

When Ward started the group, he instituted a yearly publication titled the *Cog Counter's Journal* that contains both articles and seen and heard examples contributed by its members. Examples of the cover page and table of contents of recent issues can be viewed on our website (cogcounters.org) under the Journals tab. All of the Journal's back issues are available to members in PDF format on our website thanks to Troy Livingston. The Journal's table of contents subjects are all searchable thanks to Ted Orban. Today the Journals are approximately 80 to 100 pages in length with all photos in full color.

The Chapter officers are: Patrick Hagans, Chairman; Peter Nunes, Vice Chairman; Michael Arthur, Secretary/Treasurer; and Andrew Dervan, Journal Editor.

We also have a Facebook group maintained by Chris Loders and Jim DuBois. The group is titled “Cog Counters: Chapter #194 of the NAWCC.”

Our Chapter holds three meetings per year. Our first meeting, usually in early April, is always held at the Southern Ohio Regional in Wilmington, OH. Our second meeting is during the National Convention, wherever it is held. Our third meeting is the annual Cog Counter's Picnic at Dwyer Park, Little York, NY (near Cortland). It is always held the day before the Eastern States Regional begins in Liverpool, NY. At our first two meetings, we always have a guest speaker while the picnic is a show-and-tell event where members bring unusual examples related to weight-driven clocks for display and discussion.

The speaker for our first meeting held on June 4 this year was Chris Klingemier, well-known expert on early Ohio clockmakers. He led us in a discussion of the wood shelf clock movement design's origin. We also discussed the focus of the Ohio clock display for the upcoming 2022 National Meeting in Dayton, OH.

At our July 16th meeting at the NAWCC National Convention, James Campbell, head of the NAWCC Library & Research Center, spoke to us about a recent NAWCC acquisition from an eBay auction, the David Winship ledger book (1827–64). He brought the ledger book for all to see (but not touch).

Our picnic was held on August 19 with 56 people in attendance. Normal picnic attendance is around 90 to 100, but as expected COVID-19 concerns reduced attendance. Even though attendance was lower, discussions were plentiful and lively as many members brought examples for show-and-tell. I have included two photos taken from the event. [Click Here for the photos!](#) Many photos from previous events can be found on our website as well as information for joining Cog Counters.