



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
August, 2009

Jackson's Brass Cleaning Formula

Spray it on and Rinse it off – That's exactly what Donald Jackson did in front of over 50 members of the NAWCC at the Atlanta Chapter 24 regular meeting this past June. If you weren't there, you would not have believed it. A brass cleaning product and process that works in less than three minutes!



Donald began his presentation on solutions for cleaning brass by telling the membership that the dryer system he would use during his presentation would be auctioned off afterwards and the proceeds will be donated to our Chapter.

Donald has been ceaselessly studying and researching a variety of brass cleaning solutions to find one that is effective and environmentally safe. That is, the repair person doing the

cleaning will not be required to wear a respirator mask and protective clothing in order to use the product safely. When Jackson was unable to find an Environmentally Friendly and Homo Sapiens Safe brass cleaning solution, he began experimenting with chemicals to develop his own formulation. The only thing that Donald could share at this time was that the solution he was demonstrating contained no ammonia.

As the members watched, Donald sprayed his secret formula onto what appeared to be the frame portion of a brass railroad lunch



box. He used a paint brush to evenly coat the piece and then simply dipped and swished the box in water to rinse off the chemical solution. And, in less than three minutes, Voila! The brass was clean and bright. In a recent interview Donald said he will share his brass cleaning formula with the membership once he has completed all of the testing. Stay tuned!

Cleaning Black Slate Cases

For cleaning black slate, Henry Newman has been successful by brushing the case with 0000 steel wool soaked with mineral spirits. Once the slate is clean, Henry applies a Satin or Semi-Gloss Min-wax Polyurethane using the spray can.

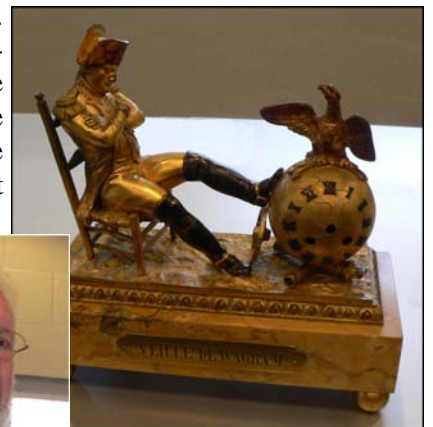


Cleaning a Wood Clock Movement

George Waterhouse explained his method for cleaning wooden clock movements. Using a toothbrush, George spreads Murphy Oil Soap on the parts. He then rinses the movement with cold water and dries it with a paper towel.

Show & Tell - Napoleon Clock

Frank Lindauer presented his Napoleon clock. He explained how he came to own it and how it may have run for only a single day since then. One potential clock repair person took the time to document all the tasks that needed to be done to the movement for it to work properly but declined to do any of the work himself...



Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Meeting: June 7, 2009

- President Chris Brown called the meeting to order following a lively auction led by Brooks Coleman.
- Chris Brown asked for introductions of new attendees. Guests Barry Brown of Lawrenceville, Jeff Yost of Lilburn and Brigitta Schulte of Woodstock introduced themselves.
- Donna Kalinkiewicz, in the absence of Tom Noesges, read the Minutes of the April 5th meeting. Chris Brown called for approval of the Minutes. A motion to approve the Minutes was made and seconded and the Minutes were unanimously approved as read.
- Donna Kalinkiewicz gave the Treasurer's Report, including our account's beginning balance, receipts, expenses paid and ending balance.
- Old Business
 - ◆ Donna Kalinkiewicz, in the absence of Tom Noesges, reported on the Field Suitcase Workshop status. She stated the availability of "F200 Lathe Preparation" and "F201 Beginning Lathe" September 11th and December 4th 2009 respectively. Donna passed out class registration forms for these two workshops. Additionally, she said that Tom Noesges is surveying club interest in setting up an Escapement class.
 - ◆ George Waterhouse discussed the status of the NAWCC Mid-South Regional Convention (see article in this publication).
- New Business
 - ◆ Donna Kalinkiewicz passed out a Field Suitcase Workshop Interest Survey to the membership and requested that it be completed and returned to her.
- Program
 - ◆ Chris Brown introduced Frank Lindauer and his Show & Tell Napoleon clock (see article in this publication).
 - ◆ Henry Newman gave a presentation on Cleaning Slate Clock Cases (see article in this publication).
 - ◆ George Waterhouse introduced Donald Jackson and his second installment of Cleaning Brass (see article in this publication).

2009 NAWCC MID-SOUTH REGIONAL CONVENTION NEWS

Labor Day Weekend: Friday, September 4, 2009 through Sunday, September 6, 2009

George Waterhouse mentioned the Mid-South Regional Business Planning Meeting that took place at Wally's Restaurant in Chattanooga, TN on Saturday, May 2, 2009. The meeting was attended by about 35 people from the host chapter (Alabama Chapter 54) and four co-host chapters. In 2008, attendance at the Mid-South Convention was 505 people. The auction will be limited to about 50 horological items – so come early. Novelty Clocks & Watches is the theme for this year's convention. A form is available for loaning your novelty clock or watch for the exhibit. You can obtain a copy of the Mid-South Convention Registration Form at:

www.nawcc.org/images/stories/regionals/Regional_MidSouth.pdf

Chairperson: Dr. Merrill Compton
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Registration Chair: Richard Wright 205-884-7664 richardwright537@centurytel.net

Location of the convention is the Chattanooga Marriott/Convention Center, 2 Center Place, Chattanooga, TN 37402. Phone numbers are 800-841-1674 or 423-756-0002.

Hotel discounts will be available at: Days Inn until 8/3/09, Marriot Center until 8/12/09 and the Staybridge Suites until 8/14/09.

Convention Agenda

Friday, September 6, 2009

8:30AM	Registration Opens
10:30AM	Mart Opens (225 tables)
12:00PM	Exhibits Open (Novelty Clocks & Watches)
1:30PM	P. Hopkins "Western Union Self-Winding Clocks"
3:30PM	D. Devane "Trends in the High End Wrist Watch Market"
5:30PM	Cash Bar
6:30PM	Banquet
8:00PM	Live Auction

Saturday, September 7, 2009

9:00AM	Road Show (public clock appraisals)
9:00AM	Mart Opens (225 tables)
9:30AM	P. Morris "Wood Work Tall Clocks - Variances & Deviations"
11:00AM	W. Wilson "A Tiny Town and the Seth Thomas they would not let die"

Sunday, September 8, 2009

8:00AM	Breakfast
9:00AM	Convention Review

Treasurer's Report

By Donna Kalinkiewicz, Treasurer, Chapter 24

Fifty one members, including our newest member, Roger Kellogg, attended the June meeting - not bad, since several regulars were at the National Convention. Three guests were also in attendance: Jeff Yost of Lilburn, Barry Brown, of Lawrenceville, and Bob Schulte's wife, Brigitta.

Donald Jackson put the clock drying box, which he made, up for auction after finishing his demonstration. It sold for \$45.00 to Mike Rosenberg. Donald donated the money to our Chapter 24.

Twenty members have not yet renewed for 2009. Donna has sent an email reminder and asks that all members check the year on the Newsletter address label. If it still shows 2008, it's time to renew. Any members unsure of their Dues Status should call Donna at 770-321-1057 or email Donna at dmktimes2@comcast.net.

Up-Coming Programs & Presentations

AUGUST

Precision Simple Regulator - Bernie Tekippe will present his precision 'Simple Regulator.' You can count on Bernie to keep making refinements in his design to reach for the ultimate mechanical timekeeper.

Show & Tell - Early Bird Finds - Warren Brook does not sleep-in on weekends. He is up and in line at various estate and sundries sales at 8:00AM. Sometimes - not too often, but sometimes - he finds a jewel that fits his horological tastes. On Sunday, August 2nd, Warren will give our members some background information on two of his finds. He will bring a circa 1862 E. Ingraham "The Grecian" along with his Brewster & Ingraham Beehive circa 1845. Can a clock actually work with brass springs? Come and see. The "early bird does indeed get the worm."

OCTOBER

Glass Painting - Rick Mangum, Blue Ribbon winner of two consecutive Nationals for reverse painting and a Blue Ribbon winner for stenciling, will show some of his beautiful work and how he puts it all down on glass!

FREE STUFF

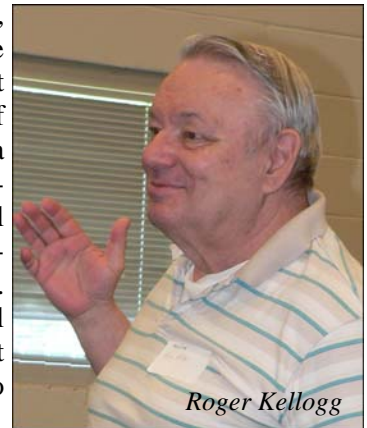
Our regular meeting Door Prize at our June 7th meeting was won by Mike Rosenberg. Mike received Tran Duy Ly's book American Clocks -Volume 1. Enjoy Mike!

Each member and guest will have a chance to win another Tran Duy Ly book during our August meeting. Be there to win.



New Members & Guests

During our June meeting, we were honored by the presence of guests: Jeff Yost of Lilburn, Barry Brown of Lawrenceville and Brigitta Schulte of Woodstock. Having been a guest at our April 2009 meeting, Roger Kellogg has joined our club. Please make these folks feel welcome and find out just how you can be of help to them.



Roger Kellogg

Members Only - Chapter 24 Mart

FOR SALE: Seth Thomas Sonora Chime #211 - This is an 8 bell chime circa 1914 in Tran Duy Ly's third edition, page 165. Mahogany case with a 6-inch etched silvered dial, expertly restored by The Dial House. Whittington and Westminster quarter-hour chime on 8 bells, can alternate melody each hour. Both movements have been overhauled. \$3,250.00 or best offer.



Email Donna Kalinkiewicz at dmktimes2@comcast.net or call 770-321-1057.

Field Suitcase Workshops (education)

Scheduled Workshops - The following classes still have room. We can accommodate a maximum of 14 students for our F200 class. If you are interested in these classes, email Thomas@Noesges.com or call Tom at (770) 262-0883.

CLASS DESCRIPTION	DATE
F200 - Fundamental Skills for Clock Repair & Lathe Preparation Course Instructor: Joel Dunipace	Sep 11 - Sep 14
F201 - Lathe I Skills for Clock Repair Course Instructor: Joel Dunipace	Dec 4 - Dec 7

Interest Survey Results - The recent poll taken of our membership during our June 2009 meeting indicates significant interest in:

- F301 Introduction to Basic Watch Repair...The American Pocket Watch
- F401 Reverse Glass Painting

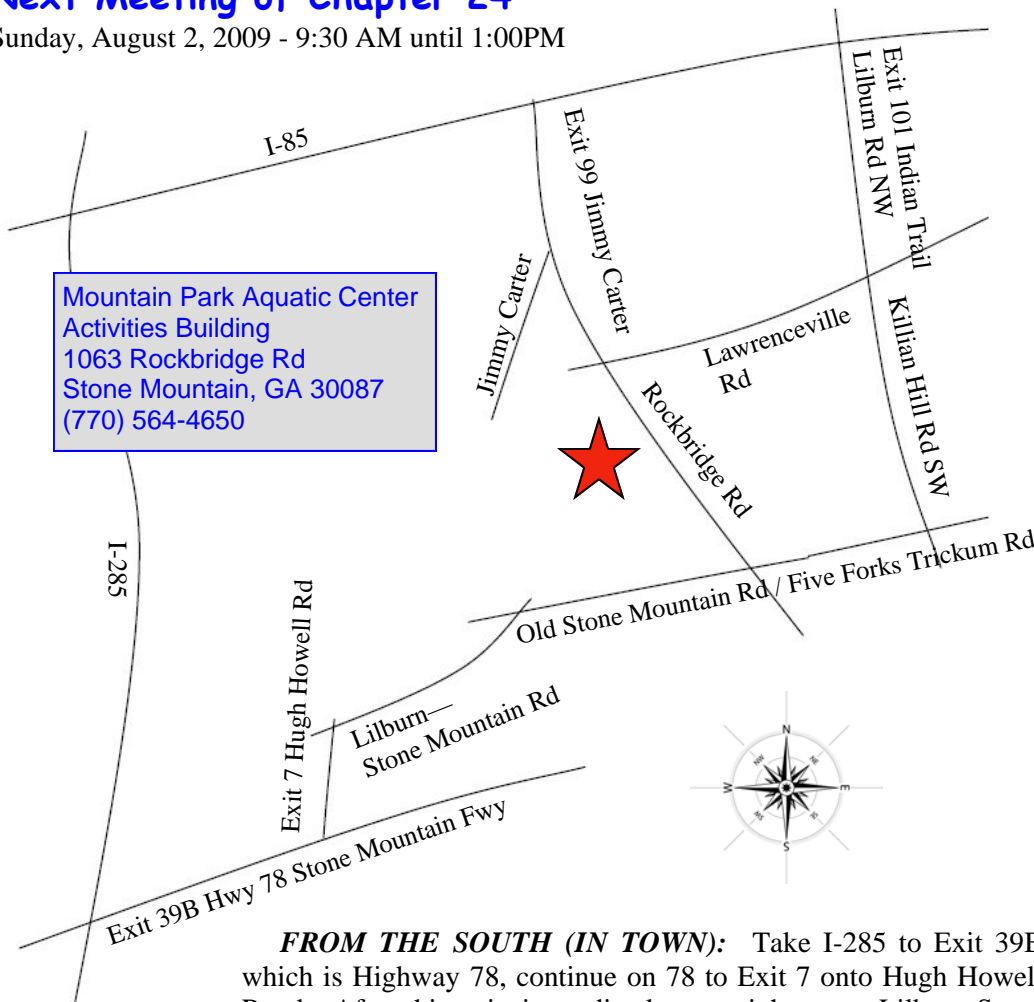
Based upon these results, these two workshops will be scheduled for January and February 2010.

Mr. David L. McMichael (Obituary)

A member of NAWCC Chapter 24, Mr. David L. McMichael, 68, passed away on Saturday, May 23, 2009 at his home in Newnan. He was born Aug. 13, 1940 to the late Ottice and Mattie Lizzie Wilson McMichael.

Next Meeting of Chapter 24

Sunday, August 2, 2009 - 9:30 AM until 1:00PM



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 on to 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.

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.

FROM THE NORTH-WEST: 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.

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