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MEETING AT The Crowne Plaza Hotel 33 Carlson Court Etobicoke – January 27 2019

## President's Message



Hi folks

Our last meeting of 2018 was held on November 25. Many thanks are due to Marie Bender who donated a fine Morbier clock to the club. We sold the clock at the meeting for \$100 and the proceeds will be used to provide prizes at the May meeting.



The mart was active and the display was truly interesting. Ron Metcalfe brought along a number of interesting automobile clocks and Nick Turnbull showed us a very valuable car rally calculator.



Our guest speaker, Lorne Shields brought along a fine display of bicycle accessories including a very rare combination lantern and cyclometer (a device to indicate the distance the bicycle had travelled). His display also included some bicycle watch holders.





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We were very fortunate that Lorne gave a well-received presentation on bicycles and their connections to timepieces. Not only did he note that some timepiece manufacturers were also bicycle manufacturers but he had illustrations showing the connections between bicycle and timepiece retailing. Thank you very much, Lorne!

Our next meeting will be on January 27 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 33 Carlson Court, Etobicoke.



Bob Pritzker will present our seminar at the meeting. He will give an illustrated talk on the incredible timepieces of James Cox. You may remember that some time ago an email link was sent to members about the Peacock clock in the Hermitage in Russia. This is but one of the fantastic clocks that are attributed to Cox.

Be sure to come out for Bob's talk where you will see more of these fantastic creations and hear the amazing story of this mostly unrecognized man.

In keeping with the seminar topic at our meeting, our display will be musical and automation clocks. Please bring your clocks and watches that have musical movements and / or motion type displays. Even cuckoo clocks qualify. It is always great to have members share items from their collections and remember that there is a prize drawn for members who bring items for the display.

If you have a suggestion to improve our meetings, the executives really want to hear from you. We believe that Chapter 33 offers an opportunity for clock and watch enthusiasts to share their knowledge as well as their clocks and watches.

We have had a number of guests who have indicated that they would like to join at each of our meetings this past fall.



50/50 WINNER David Ornelas



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There is room at the mart for you to sell your surplus and there are sellers eager to provide you with new acquisitions.

Make it a New Year's Resolution to come out to the meeting on January 27. I'm sure you won't be disappointed.

Wishing you the best of TIMES in the New Year

Ben

## Meeting Agenda

### The Chapter #33 November 25

**7:30** Dealer Setup

**8:00** Mart opens

Personalized Clinic "First Aid for Members"

- If you have something you need help with, or something you are looking for information on, be sure to bring it in to our First Aid Session. Put the knowledge of our Chapter members to use for you!

**10:30** Greeting and remarks

**10:40** Display Walk Through: Musical and Automation time pieces

- Please bring items that feature musical or automation components.

**11:00** 50/50 Draw for the Winning Ticket

**11:10** Presentation: Bob Pritzker **The Life and TIMES of James Cox**



## 2018 Chapter 33 Meeting dates

January 27th

March 24th

May 5th

Meetings begin at 8:00am  
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## CYCLING AND HOROLOGY

### Presented by Lorne Shields

We were very fortunate to have the opportunity to enjoy Lorne Shields present "Cycling and Horology" at our November 25 meeting.

Lorne, is a long-time member of our NAWCC (#20,047) and has collected many aspects of historic cycliana for over 51 years.

Some items from his collection have been on display at the Smithsonian Institution at Washington D.C., the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto, Canada's National Museum of Science & Technology in Ottawa and the Musée de Science et Industrie in St. Etienne France to name a few.

He has given presentations across Canada, the USA, England, France, Portugal, Germany and the Netherlands.

Everything illustrated and discussed related to Horology, with a direct link to Cycling all with original material from within Lorne's collection.



The first set of slides included contemporary 19th century photographs which showed Watch & Clock stores, Watches, Clocks, Fobs and horological objects associated with people or as used on bicycles.

Illustrations of important Patent Books, miscellaneous Ephemera, Catalogues and Trade Cards were included and referred to. Of particular interest to our members were correspondence and financial documents from Pequegnat of



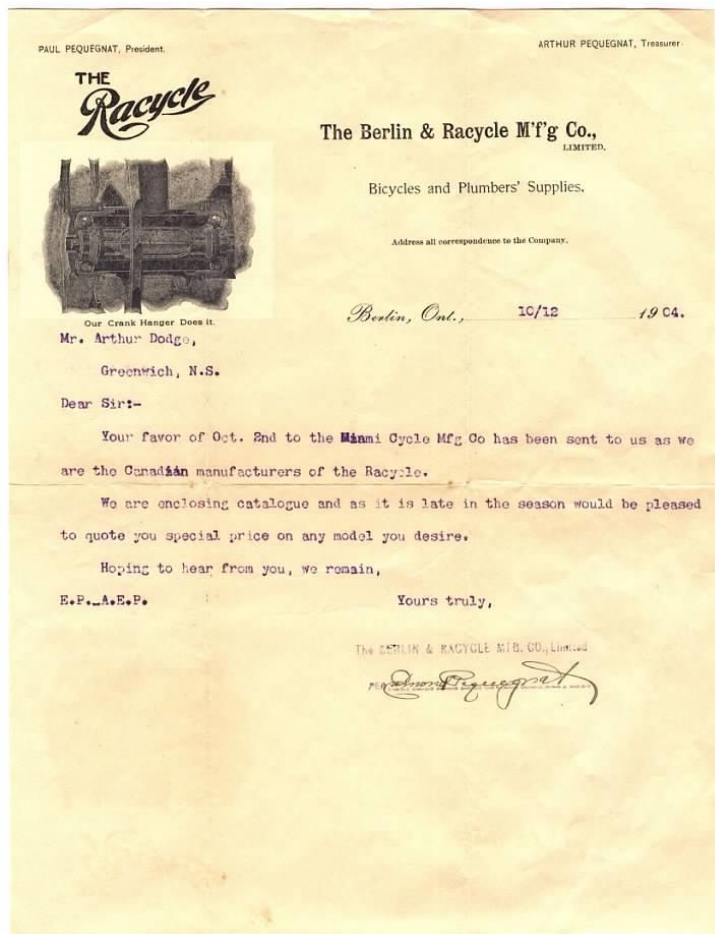


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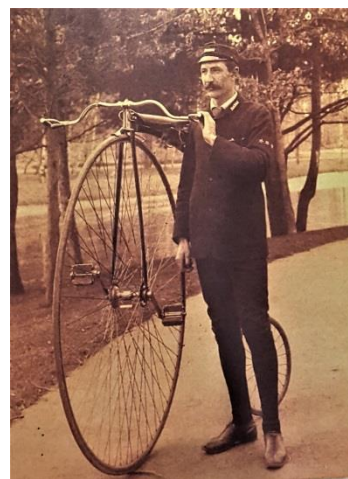
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Berlin ON who originally made bicycles in the 1890's and then started to produce clocks in 1904.



presentation were 5 of these cyclometers. All of these 5 cyclometers were different and they were shown in matching contemporary photos of them mounted on the front hub of High Wheel or "Ordinary" bicycles. Today we commonly call these bicycles Penny Farthings but that is a misnomer and the name did not come into usage until about five years after their obsolescence.



Watchmakers were the primary makers of distance measuring instruments. The machinery needed to produce these was the lifeblood of the watch making industry. Those mileage meters (aka odometers and cyclometers) of the high wheel era (mid-1870s to 1890) are rarely found. Used in the





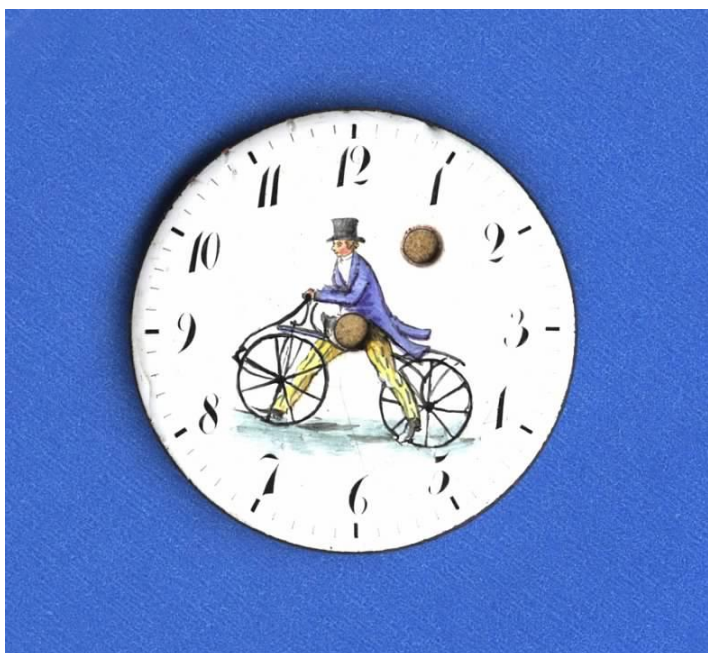
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Examples of mileage meters from the 1890s were on display. They were generally more compact than those of the high wheel era.

These were of particular interest as recognizable brands such as the American Clock Co., Ingersoll, New York Standard Watch Co., Seth Thomas, Trenton Watch Co. & Waltham were on display.



Two important objects worth noting were present. The first was a pocket watch dial ca 1820 with a Hobby-horse (a primitive and early cycle). The second was a pocket watch key ca 1869 with a figural Lady Velocipedist at the top.



Watch Fobs with figural cycling themes were both projected and presented. These ranged from ca 1875 to 1900.



Pocket watches were of interest to our members. The designs, materials, movements and styles varied. Worth noting were a high wheel era watch with enameling, another of niello in gold and silver, a hand engraved sterling silver example of an exceptionally rare Safety bicycle called a Quadrant, large sized examples, a gold Elgin full hunter case designed with a child riding on the front of a bicycle and another watch with an automaton movement having a Penny Farthing cyclist's knee going up and down as if pedaling away. A cyclist's handlebar mount watch holder with a Waltham watch was on display and projected in a contemporary photograph.



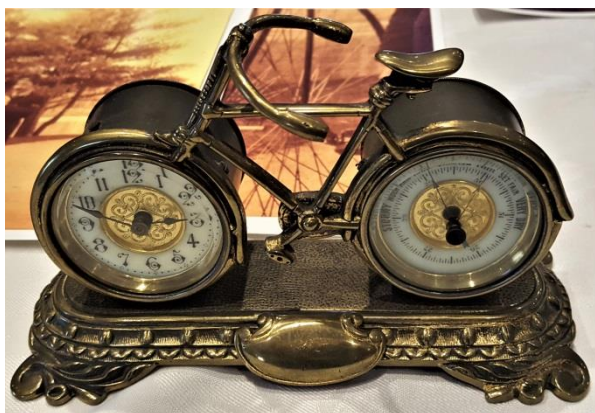


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Lastly, a selection of eight different 19th century clocks was presented. The earliest was a Clock & Barometer example in the form of a Penny Farthing bicycle ca 1879. Some others had full figural cyclists. The most important was an Automated Bronze and Marble clock of French manufacture produced in 1891. Two full figural bicycle clocks of the 1890s were displayed.



There were many questions and as many answers.

Our members were quite intrigued with the subject and Lorne was very pleased to have been able to share his collection with some of his friends and fellow members.



We want to thank Lorne for sharing his vast knowledge of a subject that is not well appreciated by many clock and watch enthusiasts.

Lorne's exceptional presentation provided wonderful relevance to both horology and Canadian interests. It was a real pleasure for all who attended.





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## Member Services

We are often approached by folks looking for someone who can help them fix a watch or a clock they have. At Chapter 33, we have a lot of talented folks who may be able to help you out. Do you provide a service? Buy or Sell? Drop us a note at [Chapter33toronto@gmail.com](mailto:Chapter33toronto@gmail.com) and tell us about it. We'll feature your ad in the Newsletter as well as our club Internet site: [www.TorontoChapter33.ca](http://www.TorontoChapter33.ca)

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**For Sale:** Dutch Clock Parts. Stoel and Staarklok parts available. Contact Jerit Vanderzwan 1 844 252 0177.

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## First Aid Mentoring Clinic for Members – Resource for All!

### Now running concurrently with the Mart!!

Chapter #33 will continue to run this part of the program in the Mart room during the same hours as the Mart. Each meeting we tend to have three or four “projects” show up that fellow members can inspect and discuss. The idea of this segment is to provide members with even more opportunities to learn and to get specific help geared directly to your needs. If you have something that you’d like to learn more about, or perhaps something you need a little help with, be sure to bring it along and benefit from the experience of your fellow members.

## 2018 – 2019 Membership Renewal

The next Toronto Chapter 33 Meeting will be Sunday January 27th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The Travelodge is still under construction... so we will be having our first 3 meetings of the new year at the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel at [33 Carlson Court Etobicoke](#) (Where the May Invitational was in the Spring!!)

Dues for 2018 – 2019 are \$35.00.

You can pay at the door or send your cheque to:

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