

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC)

Chapter 154 – Daytona Beach, Florida

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March 2017 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING & MART

March 19, 2017 (Sunday)

(Doors Open at 9:00 am)

Meeting Includes:

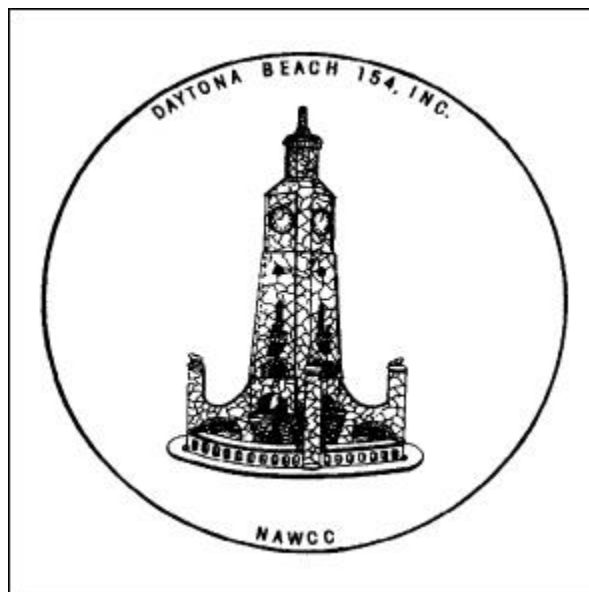
- * Mart Table is included (bring your items to sell or trade.)
- * Silent Auction.
- * Full Buffet Lunch.

Meeting Agenda

Speaker: Ed O'Brien

Program Title: "A-B-C of Perpetual Motion Clocks"

Show and Tell: Any member or guest can bring a horological or related item to the meeting and show it off and tell about it. We have had some very interesting items and stories in the past and the sky is the limit.



MEETING PLACE

****** NEW LOCATION ******

**Duff's Original Buffet
(Banquet Room)**

**2667 N. Atlantic Ave.
Daytona Beach, FL 32118
(In the Bellair Plaza)
(386) 492-7380**

REGISTRATION AND DUES

The Mart, Meeting, with a **Full Course Buffet Lunch included** is \$15.00 per person. Also included is a **Free Mart Table.**

Annual Chapter Dues are \$8.00 per year

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NAWCC Chapter 154 News

Chapter 154 has moved to a new meeting location!

Due to Duff's closing their South Daytona restaurant we will now be meeting at their Daytona Beach location.

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February 2017 Meeting Recap

Chapter 154's February 2017 Meeting featured local author and historian Bill Ryan as our guest speaker. Everyone in attendance enjoyed Bill's presentation. In fact, Bill will be doing another presentation for us at our June 10, 2017 Chapter Picnic in Tomoka State Park.



Bill Ryan discussing the history of photography.

* Chapter 154 Public Project

The impressive 1895 Theodore B. Starr retailed Walter H. Durfee 9 tubular bell hall clock at the Flagler County Historical Society in Bunnell, FL is still a work-in-process as far as its restoration and servicing. The case's restoration is now completed and has had a coat of protective wax applied. The silver work on the dial has been re-plated and re-waxed. We will be scheduling an Open-House at the Holden House Museum to view the clock once its service work is completed. Afterwards, lunch at Highjackers Restaurant next to the Flagler Executive Airport will follow.

* Chapter 154's FREE Silent Auction:

A **FREE** Silent Auction is now regular event at all Chapter 154 meetings. Bring your items to sell or maybe you can find something to buy. You never know what is going to wind up on the Silent Auction table.

Upcoming Chapter 154 Events

-- April 4, 2017 (Tuesday)

* **Tour of the Flagler Executive Airport**
201 Airport Road
Palm Coast, FL 32164
(386) 437-0401

(Meet at 9:30 am) - Reservations are Required.

* **Lunch afterwards at Highjackers Restaurant (right next to the airport)**

** **Tour is free -- you pay for your lunch.**

-- June 10, 2017 (Saturday)

* **Chapter Picnic**
Tomoka State Park (Rec. Hall)
2099 N Beach St.
Ormond Beach, FL 32174
(386) 676-4050

(Meet at 11:00 am)

** **Free for all Chapter 154 members.**

-- September 17, 2017 (Sunday)

* **Speaker: Ken Rockwell**
Program: To Be Announced

-- October 15, 2017 (Sunday)

* **Speaker: "Jay" Dutton**
Program: To Be Announced

-- November 19, 2017 (Sunday)

* **Speaker: Randy Jaye**
Program: "The History of the Grandfather Clock"

-- December 3, 2017 (Sunday)

Holiday Party: at Duff's Original Buffet in Daytona Beach, FL - (our annual Holiday Party is always a lot of fun with Holiday goodies & drinks, raffles, gift exchanges, and the always great Duff's Buffet Lunch - everyone is welcome!)

Eterna KonTiki Bronze Manufacture Watch

By Zach Pina

<http://www.ablogtowatch.com/eterna-kontiki-bronze-manufacture-watch/>

As we creep ever-closer to Baselworld 2017 (March 23-30, 2017), the numbers of brands without a bronze watch in their catalog continue to dwindle. The latest to lose its bronze virginity is [Eterna](#), whose KonTiki Bronze Manufacture watch celebrates the 70th anniversary of Norwegian adventurer Thor Heyerdahl's 5,000-mile trek across the Pacific Ocean in 1947 aboard a handbuilt raft named the "KonTiki." On his wrist? An Eterna watch.



As the story goes, Heyerdahl and his crew were equipped with a radio and six Eterna watches – everything else on the expedition was to be fully handmade by the explorers themselves to prove the theory that Polynesia could have been colonized by early aboriginal travelers who sailed from South America. Though the new Eterna KonTiki Bronze Manufacture shares only the seafaring spirit of those original Eterna watches, it's still a pretty neat story, commemorated by an equally interesting 3-handed diver – if you can look past the “me-too” adoption of the bronze trend in watchmaking.



But thankfully, the Eterna KonTiki Bronze Manufacture is more than just a trendy case that'll develop the now-familiar weathered patina, unique to its wearer over time. The 44mm- by 14mm-thick watch is powered by the in-house produced Calibre 3902A, a 30-jewel, 28,800vph automatic movement with a generous 65-hour power reserve. And if you remember, Eterna cut its teeth as a leading movement supplier to the rest of the Swiss watch industry long before the quartz crisis – a success story that would lead the brand to create its own ébauche division, called ETA, whose original innovations and movements have formed the backbone of the hobby we continue to enjoy to this day.



The dial of the Eterna KonTiki Bronze Manufacture follows the signature capability and design cues of the KonTiki, which include 200 meters of water resistance and a clean symmetrical presentation in its no-date layout. Set against a textured granite-patterned dial, the luminous triangular “pizza slice” indices are likely to be divisive for some, but they're [a signature for the KonTiki](#) through the years, and work especially well here when applied in an alloy that matches the bronze case. The dial is capped by its 12:00 indice with Eterna's ball bearing logo which represents the brand's 1948 innovation called the Eterna-Matic – an automatic movement powered by a rotor that turned on five ball bearings. Eterna caps this KonTiki off with a ceramic bezel that carries a simple decompression scale for divers – rudimentary by even DOXA's standards, but neat nonetheless.



The Eterna KonTiki Bronze Manufacture watch will be fitted with a brown, waterproof leather strap and produced in a limited run of only 300 pieces, each carrying a price of **\$2,650**.

eterna.com

Chapter 154 - Daytona Beach, of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc. (NAWCC)¹ is dedicated to preserving the history, art and science of timekeeping (horology). NAWCC is a nonprofit scientific organization that serves as a unique educational, cultural, and social resource for its membership and the public at large.

Our members include hobbyists, students, educators, casual collectors, clock makers, watch makers, jewelers and professionals in related retail and manufacturing trades.

¹ The National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC) is an American non-profit organization with about 14,000 members. The NAWCC was founded in 1943 by members of the *Horological Society of New York* and the *Philadelphia Watchmakers' Guild* who wished to create a national organization. The membership is now divided into over 175 "Chapters" which can be based on a locality or a special interest. The vast majority of chapters are US location based, a number are also in Canada and Australia (which do not have national horological collectors associations) and a handful are elsewhere. Special interest chapters range from "Tower Clocks" to "Horological Science".

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The Ayer Mill Clock Tower

The Ayer Mill Clock Tower is the world's largest mill clock. Its four big glass faces are only 6 inches smaller than Big Ben in London. It is the treasured icon and landmark of Lawrence, Massachusetts and its endowment and maintenance is managed by ECCF.

After 36 years, the community rallied in 1991 to restore the clock. Over \$1 million was raised and artisans were called in to bring it back to life. Clemente Abascal, a realtor and community activist working on the effort, saw the restoration as a harbinger of hope. "Once the economy starts turning around, the city of Lawrence will come back stronger than ever. That clock symbolizes people at work", he said. The original bell that had called thousands of people to and from work throughout the city, had been lost for years and was replaced by a beautiful, sonorous replica.

