



Affiliate Chapter Annual Report

Affiliate Chapter Name: **Horological Association of Virginia**

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Current Chapter Officers

President: **George Cosier**

Vice President: **John Polk**

Secretary: **Robert Stone**

Treasurer: **Stan Palen**

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Other

Type of Chapter: State Chapter Local Chapter Theme Chapter

How many guilds? **3** Are you incorporated? Yes No

Number of members: **90** Number of regularly scheduled meetings per year: **5**

Programs Presented*

Number of AWCI Bench Courses: **2**

Number of AWCI Video Programs:

Number of AWCI Speakers: **2**

Number of Technical Programs from Industry:

Number of Technical Programs by Members: **4** Number of Programs Related to Horology*: **all above**

Number of Programs **NOT** Related to Horology*: **2**

***Please Describe These Programs:**

2012 Fall Seminar.

Harry Lee's Presentation on incredible wooden clocks he built.

He has since passed away. (I have his presentation and have given it several times) Picture Attached.

2 Member presentations on vintage pocket watches

May 2013 Convention

Tom Schomaker - Power Cells and Counterfit Watches

Tips and Techniques for lowering your Delta

Bob Ockenden - Chelsea Clock - The next 100 years

Platform Escapements

2013 Fall Seminar

Stan Stocker - Tool Making (some economical ways)

Dean Sarnelle - Polishing, Restoration, and Re-blueing

May 2014 Convention

Tom Schomaker - Modern Methods of Estimation & Water Testing

Bob Ockenden - Mainspring and Barrel Work

A tour of the Chelsea Clock Movement

Fred White - Restoration of an Erotic Repeater

Each Saturday of our conventions we also have a program for spouses

Our Northern Virginia Guild provides an evening Clock Repair Class two nights a week during the school year. We get several new members as a result of this.

Annual Convention

Do you hold an annual convention? Yes No Date Usually Held: **1 May**

Annual Dues

Regular Member \$ **35**

Associate Member \$ **5**

Student Member \$

Other \$

Election Policy

Members Elect Directors

Members Elect Officers

Directors Elect Officers

Other

Newsletter

Do you produce a newsletter? Yes No If yes, how often? **4**

Paid ads? Yes No How do you distribute your newsletter? Mail Email Both

Social Activities (please describe): **Convention banquet and Auction**

Civic Contributions: **\$450**

Future Plans: **Continue Seminars and Conventions**

Most Successful Projects: **Seminars and Convention**

Comments:

Proposals for the AWCI Board of Directors:

1. Watchmakers are running out of parts. The board voted not to accept Generic part ads for HT, but they are CW21's. It would increase HT income if they accepted these ads and let folks know alternate sources.

1. We propose that Horological Times begin to accept ads for generic parts.

2. AWCI used to support Affiliate Chapters with speakers at a nominal fee. The chapters cannot afford the current pricing structure. AWCI needs to show more support for the chapters, otherwise we may cease to exist.

2 We propose that AWCI find the funds to support at least one speaker a year to each Affiliate Chapter at a nominal cost of \$1000.

3. AWCI is not a secret society.

NAWCC used to be run in a similar manner to the current operation of AWCI. Members knew nothing about their board meetings etc. A board member started publishing unofficial minutes days after their meetings. This led to a number of changes that seemed to greatly improve membership. Right now you have to really dig into the files on the AWCI web page to find these documents posted months after an event and it is not publicized that they are available.

3. We propose that draft minutes of any meeting of AWCI be made available to all members within 7 days. This would include handouts at said meetings such as budgets and committee reports. This could be in a members only area of the AWCI web page.

4. We understand that at the last board meeting the treasurer proposed paying off the mortgage. It was defeated by a margin of one. The endowment fund has been doing well lately due the the market's recent climb in value. Markets also have a tendency to go down.

4. We propose that the mortgage be paid off with procedes of the recent rise in value of the endowment fund.

Report prepared by: **Stan Palen**

Title: **Treasurer**

Affiliate Chapter Convention Questionnaire

Because the sharing of experience is one of the real values of AWCI Affiliate Chapters, we ask that you please complete this questionnaire on your annual convention. Each chapter can draw upon the information on this form to help make its convention better, and those chapters which don't hold such a convention may be inspired to begin planning their own.

Please answer as fully as possible. A copy of your last convention booklet for each chapter would be a useful adjunct to this report.

PLANNING

1. Convention is planned by:
 - Executive officers and directors
 - Permanent convention committee
 - Temporary convention committee
 - Other, please specify
2. How long before the convention are:

- A. Dates and location confirmed? **Usually 1 year**
 - B. Speakers and program confirmed? **3 -6 Months**
 - C. Publicity activities begun? **3months**
 - D. Registration forms sent? **online 2 months, hard copy 1 month**
 - E. Exhibitors invited? **6 months**
3. When and where was your last convention held? **Williamsburg, VA**
 4. How many days does your convention last? **3**
 5. How many conventions have you held to date? **40 plus**

FUNDING

1. Your convention is funded by:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration fees | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all | <input type="checkbox"/> part* | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Association treasury | <input type="checkbox"/> all | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> part* | As required no set amount |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Convention booklet ads | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all | <input type="checkbox"/> part* | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitors' fees | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all | <input type="checkbox"/> part* | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | |

*Please give approximate percentage

2. Are guest speakers charged for:

- A. Registration fees? Yes No
- B. Meals? Yes No
- C. Rooms? Yes No
- D. Other activities?

3. What was the registration fee for your last convention?

PROGRAM

1. What types of activities and programs are usually included in your typical convention?

- Annual business meeting
- AWCI speakers
- Industry speakers
- AWCI bench courses
- Other related activities
- Banquet
- Tours
- Other social activities

ATTENDANCE

1. Those invited to attend are: Members Non-members Family

2. What was the attendance at your last convention? **50**

3. What percentage of members attends your convention? **40%**
4. Do you provide for registration for certain programs only? Yes No
5. What is your policy on advance registration, i.e., is it required? Yes No
- A. Are incentives offered? Yes No
- B. If so, what are they? Advance registration discount

CONVENTION BOOKLET

1. Do you publish a convention booklet? Yes No
2. Do you plan for booklet ads to: Show a profit Cover production costs only
3. Are any profits applied to other convention costs? Yes No
4. What is your latest fee for a full-page ad? **\$175**
5. How many copies of your last convention booklet were circulated? **100**
6. These were given to:
 Attendees only All members Others, describe

PUBLICITY

1. We use the following forms of publicity:
 Descriptive brochure with registration blank
 Association newsletter
 Trade ads
 Signs
 Cooperative mailings by AWCI/by material houses
 Other (describe if not covered below)
2. Do you arrange for:
 TV coverage Radio coverage Local press coverage Trade publication coverage

EXHIBITORS

1. Do you invite members of our industry to set up exhibits? Yes No
2. Do you make space arrangements for them? Yes No
- A. If so, do you charge rent to: Cover cost Make a profit
3. Do you schedule time for exhibit viewing? Yes No

COMMENTS

Affiliate Chapter: HAV

Prepared by: Stan Palen Title: Treasurer and Affiliate Chapter rep.