

CHAPTER 92 SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS  
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME:

The name shall be Chapter 92, Southwestern Ontario, of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, and shall subsequently be referred to as the Chapter.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES:

- a. To stimulate interest in timepieces of all kinds.
- b. To foster interest in the collecting and preservation of timepieces.
- c. To facilitate the sale or purchase of timepieces by members.
- d. To co-operate with individuals, or with other organizations, in exhibiting timepieces.
- e. To collect and preserve horological data and material for posterity.
- f. To disseminate full information regarding the mechanism of timepieces and the repair thereof.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP:

- a. Only those members in good standing in the National Association shall be eligible for membership in the Chapter. When a member ceases to be a member in the National Association, he shall cease to be a member of the Chapter.
- b. A roster of Chapter Members shall be kept up to date by the Secretary, or a designated Membership Secretary.
- c. Membership dues are payable in advance, on the date of the Annual Meeting. If a member has not paid his dues on or before the date of the second General Meeting of the year, after having been sent notices of these meetings, his Chapter membership shall become suspended automatically, and his name removed from the Chapter mailing list.
- d. Immediate family members (spouse and children under 18 years) of a Chapter member shall be afforded all the benefits of membership, except that they are not entitled to vote or hold office, unless registered with the NAWCC under a family membership.
- e. Members are prohibited from using their Chapter affiliation as an endorsement for their business endeavours, and shall not imply such in any advertising or promotion, nor shall endorsement of any member by the Chapter be permitted in any way. Members are welcome to link to the Chapter web site through their own web site(s).

## ARTICLE IV

### GUESTS:

- a. Guests shall be defined as non-members of Chapter #92, who are not also immediate family of a member, or invitees of the Chapter.
- b. Guests may attend any Chapter meeting or dinner provided they are vouched for and accompanied by a member in good standing.
- c. Guests may not buy or sell articles at a Chapter meeting, unless they are members of the NAWCC in good standing.
- d. Guests will be restricted to attendance at one meeting per year, prior to joining the Chapter.

## ARTICLE V

### REMUNERATION:

This Chapter shall be a non-profit organization. No officer or member of this Chapter shall receive any compensation for his services, with the exception of the Secretary. The executive shall determine, annually, the amount of honorarium which may be paid to the Secretary.

## ARTICLE VI

### OFFICERS:

- a. The Officers of this Chapter shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
- b. There shall be elected Directors, and these, with the Officers, shall constitute the Executive of this Chapter.
- c. Officers and Directors shall hold office for one year, at the end of which they may be eligible for re-election.
- d. The immediate Past President shall be a member of the Executive.

## ARTICLE VII

### COMMITTEES:

- a. The executive shall have the power to set up, from time to time, such committees as it is deemed necessary to transact and conduct the business and projects of the organization.
- b. The Chairman of each committee shall report back to the Executive.
- c. Nominating Committee:
  - (i) The Nominating Committee, to be appointed by the Executive, shall be composed of a Director and two members, not taking office.
  - (ii) The Nominating Committee shall prepare a list of nominees for the election of officers and Directors of the Chapter.
  - (iii) The Nominating Committee shall supervise the election of the officers and Directors of the Chapter.

## ARTICLE VIII

### MEETINGS:

- a. Meetings shall be classified as Annual, General or Executive meetings.
- b. The Annual Meeting shall be the last meeting of the year, usually the June meeting. At this meeting the Financial Report and Auditors Report, if conducted, shall be presented and necessary elections shall be held.
- c. General Meetings shall be held as regularly as required by the Executive. A possible schedule could be the first Sunday of October, December, February, April, & June.
- d. An Executive Meeting may be called by the President or Secretary at any time, by providing at least seven days advance notice to the Executive members.
- e. A quorum, at an Executive Meeting will be four members of the Executive.
- f. A quorum for the transaction of business at a General or Annual Meeting will be 50% + 1 of the total membership of the Chapter.
- g. Business arising from an Executive Meeting shall be included in the agenda of the next general meeting. At this time it will be acted upon and become part of the Chapter business.

## ARTICLE IX

### ELECTIONS:

- a. The election of Officers and Directors shall be held in connection with the regular Annual Meeting.
- b. At the last General Meeting prior to the Annual Meeting, the names of the Auditors and of the Nominating Committee shall be announced. A call for nominations to be presented at the Annual Meeting shall be announced to the members.
- c. Nominations, signed by at least two members in good standing, must be presented in writing to the Secretary at least 10 days before the announced date of the Annual Meeting.
- d. At the Annual Meeting the Nominating Committee shall present the Official Ballot which shall include:
  - (i) all persons eligible for re-election
  - (ii) all persons who receive a nomination and accept the nomination
  - (iii) the names of persons selected by the nominating committee
- e. If a vacancy occurs in the Executive, a majority of the quorum of the remaining Executive members present at a meeting duly called for that purpose, may elect a member to fill the vacancy until the next Annual Meeting.

## ARTICLE X

### EXPENDITURES:

- a. Operating expenses such as postage, stationary and typing, workshops, hall rental, etc., may be made by the Treasurer and payment confirmed at the next Executive Meeting.
- b. Expenditures of more than \$300 must first be authorized by the Executive.

## ARTICLE XI

### AMENDMENTS:

Notice of motion advising of proposed amendments to the Constitution must be given in writing to the Executive prior to the Annual Meeting. A two-thirds majority of the votes cast by the general membership is required to carry an amendment.

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