



## NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

**Next Meeting: Saturday, November 16th**  
**(The third Saturday of the month)**

**9 am - Mart, Silent Auction, and Social Hour**  
**10 am - Short Business Meeting, Show and Tell, and**  
**an Educational Presentation**

**Fountain Hills Community Center**  
**13001 N La Montana Drive**  
**Fountain Hills, AZ**  
**(480) 816-5200**

**Remember to bring some items for our**  
**Mini Mart, Show and Tell**  
**and**  
**Silent Auction**

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### President's Message

Our club president, Jim Powell, and his wife, Carol, are still recovering from their injuries, so I'll be hosting our November meeting. This is our last regular meeting of the year before our annual holiday dinner, and it will be your last chance to sign up for the dinner, which will be held again at the We-Ko-Pa Casino and Resort in Fort McDowell, AZ.

Please bring some extra items for our show-and-tell. Show-and-tell items can include clocks, watches, horological books, tools, or other items you feel the group might find interesting. And remember to bring some items for the silent auction. October's silent auction was fantastic, with lots of bargains.

We will discuss the March Sunshine Regional at this meeting, and we still need volunteers in all of the support categories.

Our annual election of officers is held every November. There were no new nominations for office at last month's meeting, so our slate of nominees remains unchanged. Please take a look below for the names of our current officers. At least one person expressed interest in the open secretary position at last month's meeting. We hope to have a recording device available and fill that position soon. This should be a stressless and anxiety-free election. Enjoy! I wish that they were all so.

See you on the 16th!

Pat Fitzgerald  
Vice-President, Chapter 112, NAWCC

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### Educational Presentation

#### The New World of Chinese Wristwatches

**By Henry Gostony & Paul Arutt (and possibly a guest!)**

Following Henry's short presentation on the new Tissot PRX watches a couple of months ago, we learned that some of the parts in the Tissot were manufactured in China but assembled in Switzerland. We then decided to investigate what was readily available from China on the internet from reputable sellers. We were amazed by the breadth of offerings, the high quality, and the similarities to the most famous branded watches. We will show you what we found, from the "homage"

to name brands, to the unknown brand look-alikes, to the Chinese “Swiss” offerings. We’ll share some examples and let you know where to look for these watches online if you’d like. Then, you can decide why someone would pay thousands for a “genuine” branded Swiss watch.

In addition, Henry will bring his Multifunction Timegraper to the meeting to allow attendees to check the accuracy of their mechanical wristwatches.



Above are examples of Chinese watches that are currently available for sale online.

### **Chapter Dues**

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Chapter 112

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### **Save These Dates For 2024**

Dec 14 Holiday Dinner  
We-Ko-Pa Casino and Resort  
Fort McDowell, AZ

Our **Chapter Website** contains past and present chapter newsletters and photos from past meetings.

**Chapter 112 Website**

### **2024 Chapter Officers**

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