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Subject: The rules

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Welcome to the Vintage Gruen Forums. This forum is intended to be a home for ideas, thoughts and serious research as much as a place for people to share a recently acquired addition to a collection or someone curious about a family heirloom found in a box.

Gruen lovers seem to be a special breed amongst watch collectors. We contend with a lack of records from the company and the many questions the remaining documentation has left. We seem to have realized that although we are individuals with personal areas of interest, it is the community and the sharing of information and knowledge which furthers our hobby and the enjoyment of collecting. There is a strong bond of community that I believe stems from the mystery of the watches we admire so much. ...that and befuddlement is often best shared with like-minded individuals.

So with this said, those that might be new to Gruen or long-term members of the solid but small community of committed Gruen watch aficionados we present some basic rules:

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#8 - Rule promulgation. Administrators reserve the right to edit, modify, append or amend any of the above or new rules.

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