Subject: Quadron mainspring

Posted by Timeticker on Mon, 05 Sep 2016 15:42:49 GMT

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Howdy Gruenites!

Looking for a mainspring for a Quadron 117-119. I prefer to keep my money in the forum. Please let me know if you can help!

Kind Regards, Tomas AKA Timeticker

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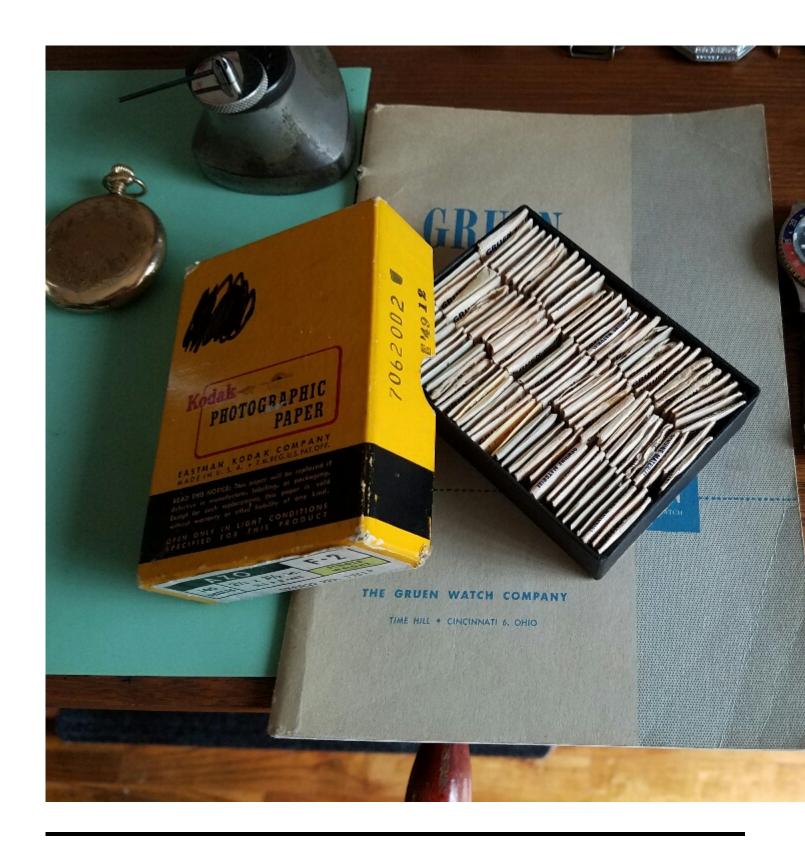
Posted by Gary on Tue, 06 Sep 2016 22:32:34 GMT

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I have some pretty obscure Gruen mainsprings but those Quadron springs are hens teeth. I do have a load of Gruen parts (including springs) due on dock here at the end of the month so I'm holding out to see if one shows up.

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Subject: Re: Quadron mainspring
Posted by Timeticker on Wed, 07 Sep 2016 13:45:35 GMT
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They are indeed Hen's teeth! Getting harder and harder to find. I just purchased a circus lot of

Gruen M/S, and hoping to get, wishing, drooling, praying, that a few 117-119 show up. I have not forgot about those watches either. I will eventually pay them off, and hopefully take care of the debt. Thanks again GaryM!!! The other problem is that I have this 119 that was dropped, and shattered the 3rd wheel jewel. (I didn't drop it) I replaced the bridge with a 117 and it worked like a charm. However, there seems to be a problem with end shake in the balance assembly, and trying to either shim under the base, or may have to re-staff it. This is a gorgeous watch, 18k, and near mint. This belongs to a customer, and I want nothing more that to return this watch completely healthy.

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Posted by Gary on Wed, 07 Sep 2016 21:57:04 GMT
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If worse comes to worse I dug into the movement drawer and found a 117 parts movement. Used mainsprings are not the best way to go but in a pinch... The balance assembly looks to be OK but I haven't looked closely at it.

I've been thinking since I had to make a couple of custom clock M/S(s). The 117-119 series would be a good one to try and duplicate. If successful then look at others to replicate.

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Subject: Re: Quadron mainspring Posted by JackW on Thu, 08 Sep 2016 02:19:51 GMT

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I'd think in a pinch, one of the parts houses... Borel or Twin Cities will have the springs.

Subject: Re: Quadron mainspring Posted by Thojil on Thu, 08 Sep 2016 10:51:11 GMT

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Agree with Jack. I prefer to fit new after market.

I have many Gruen original springs (unfortunately not for 117) but very often I find they have lost their capacity after so many years. I only fit old Gruen springs if that size is impossible to find new.

Subject: Re: Quadron mainspring

Posted by Timeticker on Sat, 10 Sep 2016 23:57:18 GMT

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Is Borel or Twin Cities cheaper than Cas-Ker?

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