Subject: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Tue, 30 Jan 2018 05:25:53 GMT
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Anyone have one?

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by kastner on Tue, 30 Jan 2018 14:48:36 GMT
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I do indeed have one. Need anything else from the parts box?

Send me a PM with your address please.

File Attachments
1) V4 parts.jpg, downloaded 3547 times



Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Wed, 31 Jan 2018 02:21:15 GMT
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WOW! That is a vintage parts set.

PM coming your way.

THANKYOU!

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by Timeticker on Sat, 10 Feb 2018 02:36:45 GMT
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Hmmmm, I may have that same box! I sold JackW one of those a few
years ago.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Sat, 10 Feb 2018 23:24:41 GMT
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Timeticker wrote on Sat, 10 February 2018 02:36Hmmmm, I may have that same box! I sold JackW one of those a few
years ago.
You did? Wonder what I did with it. It isn't every day that a V4 in on the bench in my house.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by Timeticker on Mon, 12 Feb 2018 21:21:20 GMT
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Sold it to you for $25.00

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by kastner on Tue, 13 Feb 2018 00:43:20 GMT
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Did the stem fit ok Jack?

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Tue, 13 Feb 2018 01:55:42 GMT

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Timeticker wrote on Mon, 12 February 2018 21:21Sold it to you for $25.00
I think I'd remember paying that much.

kastner wrote on Tue, 13 February 2018 00:43Did the stem fit ok Jack?
Actually... ah, no. These apparently come in a positive and negative set flavor.

If you'd like me to return it, let me know.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by kastner on Tue, 13 Feb 2018 12:15:38 GMT
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How disappointing. I'm on a trip but when I get home I'll check the bottle to see if there were any other stems. No need to return that one.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by Timeticker on Fri, 16 Feb 2018 02:41:38 GMT
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I'll look in my final box, too

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Fri, 16 Feb 2018 18:30:26 GMT
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Tomas and Jason,

Thank you for the offers. But don't worry about it....

Now I'm going tell you about a noob-level mistake in diagnosing an issue. Think it boils down to not working on enough pocket watches.

See the bend in the stem in that photo above? I thought that was the issue... but it isn't. That is a feature, not a flaw. The stem is two parts and that pivots. It was rusty and wasn't pivoting. I did not realize this until I pulled out the stem to replace it with the one from Jason. Cleaning the existing stem and improving the depth of the stem sleeve solved the winding issue as to why is was skipping. The second thing on this was that I needed to tighten the canon pinon too. That I did today. Soooooo..... I figure my story will help others.

Thanks again!

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by kastner on Fri, 16 Feb 2018 18:33:23 GMT
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No luck, sorry Jack.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by Timeticker on Mon, 19 Feb 2018 15:08:24 GMT
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Great story.....been there done that! So, I had the same stem Jason did. Sorry, but glad you got that fixed!

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by JackW on Mon, 19 Feb 2018 15:56:15 GMT
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Learning.... that is what I'm doing still.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4
Posted by Thojil on Wed, 21 Feb 2018 16:31:29 GMT
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JackW wrote on Tue, 13 February 2018 02:55
Actually... ah, no. These apparently come in a positive and negative set flavor.

What I have found is that the V4 had the same negative setting they fitted to the Precision grades V3/V2/V1/VE at the start of production (serial 450,000).

Then around serial number 470k (earliest I have 472,370) positive setting appears, but negative setting was continued in parallel until at least serial number 522,170.
With at least 50k production between them, running out stock of the negative setting parts looks strange as an explanation.

My assumption why the V4 changed from negative to positive setting is that Gruen took the decision to commonize parts with the V2.5 and V1.5 that were introduced in 1910. A single piece stem is I guess cheaper to produce than a split stem solution.

Subject: Re: WTB/WFT - winding stem for a V4

Posted by JackW on Thu, 22 Feb 2018 03:43:12 GMT
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I was curious about this. It seems like there was some overlap, but I couldn't put anything empirical to that gut feeling. I'm going to move your comment over to the V4 thread in the caliber database. Unless you object to that...

Cheers!