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Subject: Gruen Ristside Falcon

Posted by [jamesaustx1](#) on Fri, 08 Jun 2018 20:41:08 GMT

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I have a watch that belonged to my grandfather. I am trying to find out a couple of things;

Exactly what it is....name, style...etc.

Is it worth cleaning up & servicing? (it still runs, but could use a good service)

How much should it be worth (insurance purposes)

Thanks!!

Model name : Not sure....but 'Batwing' keeps popping up in my searches.

Type : Ristside?

Period/date : 40's/50's

Gender : Mens

Case Maker : Apex

Case Material : 10K Gold Filled

Case Serial : V24166

Case Style no :

Caliber : 440

Movement Maker : Gruen

Movement Serial: 5270? Not sure...hard to read....but has 'B' marking as well.

Bracelet : Cromwell +1/20 12K gold filled (not the original, I'm sure)

Other info :

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## File Attachments

1) [Case Inside.jpg](#), downloaded 720 times



2) [Front.jpg](#), downloaded 692 times



3) [Movement.jpg](#), downloaded 703 times



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Subject: Re: Grandfather's Gruen  
Posted by [Barney Green](#) on Fri, 08 Jun 2018 22:51:36 GMT  
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Hi and welcome to the forum.

The nice watch which you are showing us here is called the "Ristside Falcon".

It is a so called "drivers watch" which could be worn at the side of the wrist as you have most likely have found out.

These models are highly sought after, so some people may pay \$500 for it.

It was introduced probably late 1949 / early 1950.

Barney

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Subject: Re: Grandfather's Gruen  
Posted by [jamesaustx1](#) on Mon, 11 Jun 2018 17:40:26 GMT  
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Thank you for the information. It is nice knowing more about his watch.

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