Subject: Re: Strap 17

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I bought this watch in pieces, and the pieces were bent. The back cover was warped and the bezel had some complex bends in it. I felt sorry for the watch; what can I say. I knew it would be scrapped if I didn't intervene.

I spent a lot of time straightening out the bezel and case back, and now they snap on and off quite nicely. The fit could still have been better (or so I thought at the time), but I eventually decided that discretion was the better part of valour. So I put the watch in a drawer and forgot about it...

It needs a crystal, case screws, and a sweep-seconds support spring to be whole again. At the moment, it only runs for a minute at a time before the sweep seconds assembly becomes misaligned.

Looking back at it now, I'm quite proud of how well the case repair went. I would never have thought it was bent at all! I should have taken some "before" pictures.