Subject: Re: Wristwatch Era Over?

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Depends on how you look at the world and if you get out town and look around. Granted I own a pebble smart watch. Yes it's nice but reminds me of work when I wear it. Like wearing the old 90's era pagers. Definitely not a weekender watch by any means.

The homage Chinese mechanical revival is somewhat interesting. Sea-Gull rivals the Swiss in certain areas and it is slowly catching on. I've always lusted over the Gruen chronograph especially the mechanicals but all way out of my range. I did go with a Chinese homage 1963 chronograph special batch. I'm amazed of all the Chinese watch project watches being made. Seriously you could revive a Gruen homage here and have it made in no time.

Another reason this old fart sticks with mechanicals, especially the analogue dial, "the lume". When I'm camping or have a hectic on-call work period, my watch stays on my wrist 24 hours a day. Nice when I can stay under the warm covers and turn my wrist to see the time in a nice mild glow. No uncovering my head to the cold to look at a alarm clock or have to push a button on a smart watch to illuminate it and blinding you at the same time.

I think there are pockets where mechanicals are thriving and others where they are in a downward spiral. All in how you look at it.