Subject: Unknown Wristlet with enamel

Posted by Jenneke on Wed, 03 Nov 2021 22:02:30 GMT

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Model name: unknown

Type: wristlet

Period/date: 1915-1925?

Gender: Ladies

Case Maker: Wadsworth

Case Material: Gruen Ultra Quality white gold filled (W inside case) with black enamel

Case Serial: 746300 Case Style no: none

Caliber: gruen guild 819? 15 jewels 4 adjts —> case mentions 819 1/2

Movement Maker: Aegler (Gruen Guild)

Movement Serial: none

Bracelet: ribbon strap with 18K clasp

Other: it looks like the fifteen and four texts were later added on the movement. Hands probably replaced.

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Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel Posted by Case on Thu, 04 Nov 2021 02:37:31 GMT

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That's an interesting inlay pattern, new to me. I like!

Definitely an 819, seldom seen also. I'd guess 1923 for the year.

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by afire on Thu, 04 Nov 2021 17:09:13 GMT

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Do we know what the "W" is for? I know you see "G" and "W" for green and white on solid gold cases around this time, but I don't recall noticing the same for gold filled cases, though it's something I could easily have overlooked.

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by Barney Green on Thu, 04 Nov 2021 17:15:13 GMT

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It's appears also to have been used for gold filled cases. W = white...

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by Jenneke on Thu, 04 Nov 2021 17:59:22 GMT

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Following the info on car 37, the wadsworth case is from before the end of 1923.

And I noticed that liz has an 819 cushion with the same hands. So maybe they are original! https://vintagegruen.org/vgforum/index.php?t=msg&goto=18 83&&srch=819#msg_1883

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by Case on Mon, 08 Nov 2021 02:47:19 GMT

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I've owned the sister—an 819 1/2 "G" with green gold case & dial. Also seen an 819 in a "9 3/4 G" gf case from this time: green gold case and dial. 3 different styles of hands seen. Circa 1925, the G/W disappears, and they are all white gf ("819")

Interestingly, the 819s (sub seconds) seems to coexist but be only in cases marked "127".

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by Ephemerald on Tue, 27 Sep 2022 05:18:46 GMT

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I received a Cartouche recently with these hands, I believe they are original, based off these examples on forum and this ad I found.

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10068 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton Watchmakers and Jewelers Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel Posted by afire on Tue, 27 Sep 2022 17:51:07 GMT

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Interesting. I've encountered those hands and assumed them to be replacements. They have an Elginesque look about them. I replaced them on one watch with a more conventional spade and plume set, but now I'm thinking maybe they were original. That said, I'd have probably replaced them anyway. They're very hard to read. The minute hand is barely any longer than the hour hand and they look pretty much the same.

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by Jenneke on Tue, 27 Sep 2022 20:58:26 GMT

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How was this style called?

Great they could be original. Wont change them anyway although I am not fond off them.

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by timeliz on Sun, 18 Dec 2022 19:42:07 GMT

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Jenneke,

Take a look at pg. 219 in Ehrhardts master model ID. Your case style is listed as "WR 60", although with a different dial. But the dial on the case right above yours has your matching dial.

Subject: Re: Unknown wristlet with enamel

Posted by timeliz on Sun, 18 Dec 2022 20:16:05 GMT

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To each, his own.