Subject: Autowind Triumph Posted by stan the man on Tue, 07 Oct 2014 23:24:02 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Model name :Triumph Type :Autowind Period/date :1948-1950 Gender :Gents

Case Maker :Wadsworth Case Material :10K GF Case Serial :L152772 Case Style no :611

Caliber :470SS Movement Maker :Gruen Movement Serial:1G 15505

Bracelet :

Would this be considered rare, super rare ?? I've not seen one before in the Gruen line. Case is 10K GF 470ss/611 Mvt.#1G 15505 Any and all input is appreciated. Obviously I'm no photographer...

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If you are talking about the movement: No. The cal 470 is pretty common. For rare you'd have to go back to the 1910s or for a cased watch, notch it up to 14K or platnium. Wadsworth would do some one-offs for Gruen; they had a pretty good working relationship. Every so often, an an exec from Gruen (or just an employee) would request a case of fine metal rather than just goldfilled. Charley Cleves has documented this pretty well.

Subject: Re: Gruen 470SS Swiss "Bumper" Posted by Barney Green on Wed, 08 Oct 2014 09:40:49 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

From what I can see I believe this is the "Autowind Triumph".

This watch was built from 1948 to 1950, the style number would date your watch to a 1948 release date, the Wadsworth serial number indicates a 1950 production. Lugs, dial and overall shape should support my guess. Originally priced at \$71.50 it is a mid range watch and should have had a good run rate. It was advertised in daily newspapers and even the Life magazine, so it for sure is not a rare model. Of cause all this is only valid if my model assumption is correct...

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Subject: Re: Gruen 470SS Swiss "Bumper" Posted by mikey on Wed, 08 Oct 2014 14:29:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

What they said.

Subject: Re: Gruen 470SS Swiss "Bumper" Posted by MikeTheWatchGuy on Wed, 08 Oct 2014 18:04:13 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Did I miss the picture of the watch put together? Can you post one of just the watch?

What's rare is to ask for a picture of the watch instead of asking for tall the great stuff you have provided

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I also missed the normal front view picture so I made my assumptions based on the dial and the back view. At least one can imagine the round shape and the form of the lugs

Subject: Re: Gruen 470SS Swiss "Bumper" Posted by stan the man on Fri, 10 Oct 2014 11:23:03 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Barney Green wrote on Wed, 08 October 2014 15:36I also missed the normal front view picture so I made my assumptions based on the dial and the back view. At least one can imagine the round shape and the form of the lugs

Pic has been posted and your assumption is correct. I thought that it being a "BUMPER" auto made it somewhat rare but I was wrong....again...