



# Newsletter

November 1 , 2012

New members ..... who joined the Society in August and September are:

- John Bartlett, Woodruff, South Carolina
- Frederick Clegg, San Luis Obispo, California
- Gregory Hellen, Tucson, Arizona
- Richard Miller, Mermaid, Canada
- Andrew Ryder, Jamul, California
- Steve Seale, Nashville, Tennessee
- Marcello Soliven, Glendale, Arizona

Membership information provided by Clark McCoy, Roseville, California

Articles received for 2013 Journals .....16 articles, 8 of which are listed here. The other 8 appeared in the October Newsletter. Thanks for your many excellent articles. We still need articles. Please send to [david\\_for\\_os@att.net](mailto:david_for_os@att.net)

- Pickett C19-T Microwave Transmission Slide Rule, Richard Hughes
- Pocket-Watch Calculators Produced by Scientific Publishing Company, Tom Wyman
- MARC: A French Brand of Pocket Slide Rules, Panagiotis Venetsianos
- Using the Versed Sine Scale on the Gunter Rule, Otto van Poelje
- In Experiments, Where Sense is Judge -- Isaac Newton's Tonometer and Colorimeter, Charles R. Adams, Ph.D.
- French Slide Rule Makers in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century from Gravet-Lenoir to Tavernier-Gravet: A Family Story, Marc Thomas
- UNIS - France: A Collective Trade Mark, not a Manufacturer, Panagiotis Venetsianos
- Suggestions for Dating Pre-1920 Faber-Castell Slide Rules: an Update, Trevor Catlow

Article list supplied by David Sweetman, Dyer, Nevada

Five Journal articles ..... three from past issues as far back as 1998 and two from the current issue are newly added to the Oughtred Society website [Home](#) page under 'News'. Complete articles. Free for everyone to view.

Who's Who in the Oughtred Society ..... Clay Castleberry is a collector who enjoys sharing his collection in many ways. He has had more than 20 displays at museums, city and county libraries, historical societies, rotary clubs, and at about 20 jobs where he has worked. One library display lasted two years. He has an article in the current journal, one in line for the Spring 2013 edition, and another in the early planning stage. He is a civil engineer working as a county engineer, surveyor and director of public works. Retiring after 30 years, he enjoyed work so much that he worked another 28 years at 55 jobs filling in at those positions for 13 California counties and 23 cities as engineering administrator. He began collecting slide rules about 20 years ago and still has his K&E 4081 that he bought as a freshman in 1946 at Oregon State. Clay and Donna are still good friends after 57 years of marriage.

Biographical information furnished by Clay Castleberry, Oroville, California

All About Slide Rules ..... remains available on the **Oughtred Society website** as a free download. As the title suggests, it is virtually all the basic information that one might want to know about slide rules, 111 pages, 114 photos, a 54 MB PDF file.



Oughtred Society website additions ..... have been made in recent weeks:

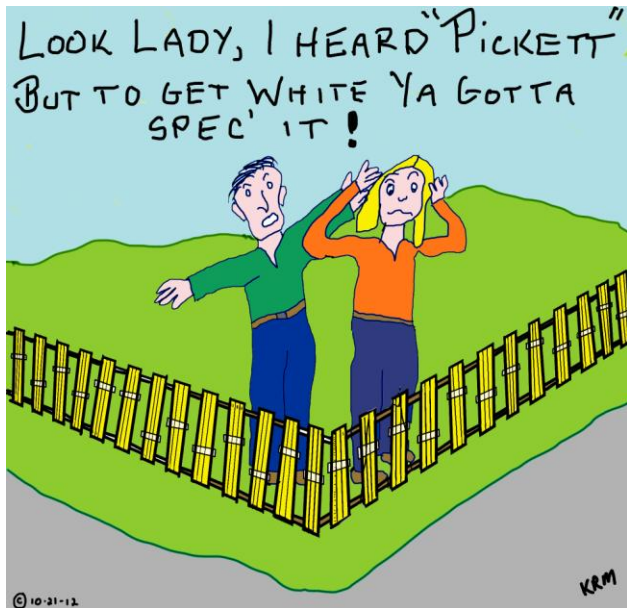
- **All About Slide Rules.** All website pages.
- Joe Pasquale's paper **Mathematical Foundations of the Slide Rule** that explains **why** slide rules work. **Resources** page.
- A references list of 75 books and manuals. **Resources** page
- IM2012 report from the United Kingdom. **Home** page / News
- ARC : Amigos de las Reglas de Cálculo. **Links Library** / Organizations
- IM2013 notice and request for papers by the German Rechenschieber Sammler Treffen. **Home** page / Calendar of Events

Information furnished by Richard, Davis, Las Vegas, Nevada

IM 2012 report ..... IM 2012 - 18th International Meeting of Slide Rule & Historic Calculating Instrument Collectors "Slide Rules for the Trades" was hosted by the UK Slide Rule Circle and was held September 21-23 at Bletchley Park, home of the wartime codebreakers. The meeting took place in the Library of the historic Victorian Mansion and was probably the most cosmopolitan IM ever held, with attendees from the UK, USA, Netherlands, Australia, France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Belgium and Israel. Many interesting talks were given including "Machine Gun Slide Rules" by John Hunt Snr., "Flight Navigation Computers" by Ronald van Riet, "People and Slide Rules in Film" by Prof. Karl Kleine, and "Engineering Slide Rules and the Evolution of Excise Rules" by Tom Wyman. A fascinating and rewarding experience.

Report by Rod Lovett, United Kingdom

On the lighter side .....



Cartoon by Kate Matthews, Sonora California

On the even lighter side .....

*What rule does a baseball player use when stealing second base?*

*The slide rule.*

Submitted by Tom Wyman

(Editor's note: "Groan!")

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