

Horological Suppliers List

Introduction:

I drew up this list whilst on the West Dean Course. I needed to know where to go to solve common horological supply problems. In this case I wanted a list of suppliers that including hard-to-find horological products, which also captured recommendations.

Over time people showed an interest in obtaining copies, also providing further input. It has continued to grow and mature. If you have additions or comments on the content please let me know through the 'Contact' page on my website: www.gocolombo.com/contact.

Caveats:

- *The list was drawn up to be useful to me. [It is not exhaustive, nor definitive](#), just enough to support a solo clockmaker starting out.*
- *This is a list of products not services* - this list is for provision of horological products not services. It does not include industry bodies (e.g. BHI, Worshipful Company of Clockmakers), training (e.g West Dean, BHI, Steve Jackman), contact lists (e.g. www.modeleng.org or Antique-horology.org), nor clockmakers, unless they offer a product to the industry.
- *Suppliers Bias to South East* - the methodology used emphasises personal recommendation as a way of improving quality. However, most of the people asked live in the South East of Britain, thus creating a geographical bias in the suppliers selected.

Structure

- *Organisation* - in alphabetical order.
- *Notes* - generally splits into two parts within the cell:
 - A description of the products and services offered.
 - A commentary about how the supplier likes to engage with customers.
- *Source* - an indication of the recommendations received:
 - Multi - more than one person recommended a supplier.
 - Solo - one person recommended them.
 - Other - supplier found through a web search or similar.(It should be emphasised that a lack recommendations may reflect more on a supplier's profile than their capabilities.)
- *Contact*. Web, Address and Telephone number(s).

Organisation	Notes	Source	Contacts
AG Thomas	Suppliers of watch and clock Tools, material and jewellery findings. Range of parts mostly for 20th century and later clocks, specialist tools and consumables. The level of description on the web site implies a business to business (as opposed to retail) model. Online web store, or phone ordering.	Other	www.agtshop.co.uk Tompion House, Heaton Road, Bradford BD8 8RB. 01274497171
Advanced Alloys, Eastleigh	Supply difficult to get alloys and non-ferrous metals, and can deal with small quantities. As of 2015, web presence is token, but they are reputed to be very helpful on the phone.	Multi	www.advancedalloysltd.co.uk Unit 17, Parham Drive, Boyatt Wood Industrial Estate, Eastleigh. Hampshire SO50 4NU. 02380618891
Aldridge Glass and Antiques	Hand made and bevelled glass, including carriage clock glass. Came recommended as 'do a good job, but can be busy, so allow time'. Web-site is a single page, direction only one. Phone them.	Solo	aldridgeglass.com Unit 1, Shepperton House, 83-93 Shepperton Rd, London, N1 3DF. 02072263121
Anglo-Swiss Tools Ltd	New and used swiss lathes, accessories and other precision tooling, Schaublin and Aciera specialists. Web site is largely informational, direct contact was recommended.	Solo	anglo-swiss-tools.co.uk Dr David Samways, Anglo-Swiss Tools, Ipswich. 01473253232
Anvil	Comprehensive range of wire brushes available with a choice of either brass, steel, stainless steel or nylon fill, also some natural fibre. Source for brushes of a particular size/shape. They will also make bespoke wire brushes if required. Online store, web site gives phone-lines "if you would rather talk to a real person".		www.wire-brush.co.uk Anvil House, Beechcroft Road, Ipswich, IP1 6BB. 01473431226
AP Fitzpatrick	Fine art materials - came recommended for their range of furniture restoration products, in particular their Kremer glues. Their service was described as helpful and rapid. Online shop, physical shop, or phone ordering.	Solo	shop.apfitzpatrick.co.uk 142 Cambridge Heath Road, London, E1 5QJ. 0207790 0884
Arc Euro Trade	Retailers offer a full range of engineering supplies, machine tools, drilling, milling, model engineering with comprehensive online presence. Their web site describes the range as 'unbeatable value engineering products'.	Multi	www.arceurotrade.co.uk Arc Euro Trade Ltd, 10 Archdale Street, Syston, Leicester, LE7 1NA. 0116 269 5693
Axminster Power Tool Centre	Retailers of general tooling, workshop equipment etc. Branches across the country, also sell through their website.	Multi	www.axminster.co.uk (Stores across the UK - See store locator on their web-site). 03332406406
Bedford Dials	Design and manufacture printed instrument and clock dials, including one offs. Website states: "We have extensive records and designs in house stretching back over 50 years. We can restore and reprint original dials where we have the original or a similar design already in house. We can also make new designs and replacement dials where the original dial has been lost." Contact by email through the web site or call.	Solo	bedforddials.co.uk The Corn Exchange, Teme Street, Tenbury Wells, Worcestershire, WR15 8BB 01584810345 or 01584811036
Bernie Watler	Custom glass forming - offer a barometer and thermometer repair service. Web site focuses on ready-made gifts, jewellery etc. For barometer and thermometer repair the site suggests "please give us a call and talk to Bernie."	Solo	www.glass-forming.co.uk Glass Forming, Unit D, Manston Green Industries, Preston Road, Manston, Kent CT12 5BA. Land: 01843821758 M: 0814214993
Bow Brand International, Kings Lynn.	Good range of gut harp strings. ideal for long-case clocks. As of 2015, the web-site does not include an online shop, contact by phone.	Solo	www.bowbrand.co.uk Highgate, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 1PT. 01553 772943
Brunel	Supplier of binocular microscopes. Website states they aim to be the "UK One Stop Shop" for all items related to the many aspects of microscopy. Their web site offers a range of microscopes for sale with the option to buy online, but there are frequent suggestions that purchasers may be advised to call their helpline for advice.	Solo	www.brunelmicroscopes.co.uk Brunel Microscopes Ltd, Unit 2, Vincients Road, Bumpers Farm Industrial Estate, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN14 6NQ U.K 01249 445156
Burton Industrial Engraving	CNC engraving on brass e.g. for dials or chapter-rings. Can accept files in Autocad R12 or DXF or undertake the design and drawings. Call or email (through the web-site) to discuss requirements.	Solo	www.burtonindustrialengraving.co.uk 153 Thornley Street, Burton on Trent, Staffordshire, DE14 2QP 01283564457

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Chester Machine Tools	Model engineering suppliers, machine tools, drilling, milling, tooling etc. Substantive on-line presence including on-line shop. Several people recommended them.	Multi	www.chestermachinetools.com Clwyd Close, Hawarden Industrial Park, Hawarden, Chester, CH5 3PZ 01244 531631
Cheyne & Close Ltd	Silver and gold plating, repair and restoration. Cleaning and polishing of silver trophies, heirlooms, clocks, watches and jewellery. Their website is informative not an online shop. Whilst it provides an online enquiry form, it recommends phoning them.	Solo	www.silverpolishing.co.uk Unit 3, 14-16 Meredith Street, London. EC1R 0AE 020 7837 5957
Christopher Elton	Advertises in AHS journal: "Hand engraving. Clock dials made in the traditional style" No web presence found, so contact by mail.	Other	- P.O. Box 1812, Kingsnorth, Ashford, Kent TN23 9FX.
Chronos Ltd.	Model engineering suppliers, extensive range, tools and materials are relevant. My own experience is that they are efficient, preferring online interactions.	Multi	www.chronos.ltd.uk Unit 2 Southfields Rd, Dunstable LU6 3EJ. 01582 471900
Class Glass	Supply hand crafted bespoke bevelled clock and instrument glass, including convex glass up to 14 inches diameter. More than one person recommended them as being 'very useful for carriage clock glass, but have a waiting list' Web site is for information only, call.	Multi	www.weekendtoyz.s5.com/classglass 9 Martley Road, St John's, Worcester, WR2 6HG. 01905 422 616
Clarke & Jones	Wheel and pinion cutting (advertise in BHI's Horological Journal) 'escape wheels, arbors (rough and finished), motionwork etc. No web presence found.	Other	(No web presence) 5 Hall Farm Buildings, Hempnall, Norwich, NR15 2IJ. 01508498939. Mobile 07968259452
Clockspares Dereham	Advertise as "one of the country's largest manufacturers of replacement parts for antique clocks [...] spares for longcase, fusee, French, German & American clocks. [...] wheel & pinion cutting and hands sawn to pattern.[...] cast iron false-plates, lost wax castings, keys, springs, fluids, cast brass sheet and stick. [...] Turret clocks [...] glass fibre dials" etc. Mail order and counter sales, beyond ebay I cannot find a web presence.	Other	stores.shop.ebay.co.uk/CLOCKSPARES-OF-DEREHAM 12 Cedar Drive, Attleborough, Norfolk, NR17 2EX. 01953457198/ 01362860545
Clockparts-UK	Clock parts, quartz movements (including pendulum), mechanical movements, watch and clock tools. Online shop, also take orders over the phone.	Other	www.clockparts-uk.co.uk Units 11 & 12 Finchwell Close, Handsworth, Sheffield, S13 9DF. 01142438914
Cobb, Clive	Clock dial restoration, and chinoiserie. Suggested to me by an AHS member who had used him for fine work 'restores names on dials down to a brush with a single hair'. Contact by phone.	Solo	No web-site. 3 Pembroke Crescent, Hove, Sussex, BN3 5DH. 01273 772649
Cobb, Ian T	Horological materials (e.g. steels, brasses, blue pivot steel, invar rod, some springs etc.) in small quantities in custom sizes. His service was described to me as competitive, but emphasising quality over price - consistently good quality. Whilst the web site details the sizes and materials available and provides order forms and payment through paypal, it also states that prices may vary, possibly best to phone.	Multi	www.iantcobb.co.uk 8, Poplar Avenue, Birstall, Leicestershire, LE4 3DU. 0116 2676063
College Engineering Supplies	Materials and castings for model engineers. Will cut and supply small quantities of metal stock. Orders for the sizes shown can be made directly from the website, otherwise call.	Solo	www.collegeengineering.co.uk The College Engineering Supply, 2 Sandy Lane, Codsall, Wolverhampton, WV8 1EJ. 0845 166 2184
Collier Casting	Castings, casting service, patination, reputed to be happy to work with small quantities. They also offer a small range of clock specific castings. As of 2015 this is restricted to two French clock pendulum bobs, and a small range of spandrels - rococo and cherub. An extensive web site lists products, services and prices, but enquiries are best made by phone.	Solo	www.fineartcasting.co.uk or www.collierwebbfoundry.com Unit 2, Redward Business Park, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN23 6PW. 01323 643533
Comtoise-Uhren Museum (Morbier Clock Museum)	Manufacture and retail reproduction comtoise clocks and parts for antique ones - pendulums, iron brass and bronze bells, cast and saw decorations, brass and iron hands, dials etc. Parts can be ordered online (in English.) Separate sites for the museum and shop.	Solo	www.comtoise.com, www.comtoise.biz (Bernd Deckert) Suitbertusstr. 151, D-40223, Dusseldorf +49 21334545

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Conservation Resources Ltd	Specialist archive and conservation materials, useful for known-grade brushes, bags, detergents etc. Online shop, also phone ordering/advice.	Solo	www.conservation-resources.co.uk Unit 15 Blacklands way, Abingdon-On Thames,Oxon, OX14 1DY. 01235 553166
Conservation by design	Extensive range of conservation materials, some of which are of use to an horologist. e.g. Plastizote. Offer an on-line catalogue and stock-checker, orders are placed by telephone, fax or email.	Solo	www.conservation-by-design.com Conservation By Design, Timecare Works, 5 Singer Way, Kempston, Bedford, MK42 7AW. 01234 846 300
Cookson	Jewellery suppliers - solders, silversmithing, fluxes, bench equipment. Claim to be "UK's largest one-stop shop for the jewellery maker with over 17,000 products". Online shop, geared to both retail and wholesale customers.	Solo	www.cooksongold.com Cooksongold, 59-83 Vittoria Street, Birmingham, B1 3NZ. 0845 100 1122, 0121 200 2120
Cousins	Wholesale clockmakers and jewellery suppliers. Online shop, aimed at professional horologists - the purchase process includes a tick box confirming that you are buying it for trade purposes. They guarantee many of their prices as the lowest available, and my experience is that delivery is fast.	Multi	www.cousinsuk.com Cousins Material House Ltd , Unit J, Chesham Close, Romford, Essex, RM7 7PJ. 01708 757800
Cornelissen	Retailers of a wide range of specialist, quality artists materials. Some of these are of interest to the horologist. For example: Gilding and restoration materials, lacquers, varnishes, solvents, Paraloid B72 etc. Take both phone and online orders.	Solo	www.cornelissen.com 105 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3RY. 020 7636 1045
Craftmaster Paints	Specialist paint supplier to the Heritage market. Traditional paints, varnishes, sign-writing supplies etc. Reputed to be 'helpful and efficient'. Full online store with advice and product descriptions. Telephone for help, advice, colours not shown and orders.	Solo	www.craftmasterpaints.co.uk Academy Works, Norman Way Industrial Estate, Over, Cambridge. CB24 5QE. 01954231308
Cromwell Tools	General tool supplier "maintenance, repair and operations type products", branches across the UK. Fast delivery. Large online store, slightly unwieldy to browse, good for finding specifics.	Solo	www.cromwell.co.uk Chartwell Drive, Wigston, Leicester, LE18 2FS. 0116288 8000
Devon Metalcrafts	Castings and foundry craft. Their work was described to me as "nice brass colour, quality work, happy to do one offs." Web presence is high level descriptive only, contact by phone. They do offer a printed catalogue at £5 (refundable on order).	Solo	www.devonmetalcrafts.co.uk 2/3 Victoria Way, Exmouth, Devon, England EX8 1EW. 01395 272846
Dr Tillwich	Specialist manufacturer of clock and watch lubricants. Recommended to me for their high quality products and for their helpful service Contact for prices/purchasing.	Multi	www.dr-tillwich.com/index.php/en/ (English site) Murber Steige 26, D-72160 Horb-Ahldorf, Germany +49 (0) 7451/5386-0
Drill Service Horley Ltd	Specialists for drills and cutting tools, also silver steel and gauge plate, and as a source of technical documentation for these. More than one person suggested their service is good. Purchases can be made on the web site or by phone.	Multi	www.drill-service.co.uk 23 Albert Road, Horley, Surrey , RH6 7HR. 01293 774911
Eternal Tools	Retailers specialising in 'precision tools designed for hard materials'. Diamond files, carbide gravers, carbide drills (micro and spade), diamond pastes, diamond wheels etc. By reputation they focus on quality over price. Full web shop.	Multi	www.eternaltools.com Sales Office, 5a Westland Way, Oxon, OX20 1YQ. 01993 812252
Folkestone Engineering Supplies	Metals especially mild steel. small quantities not a problem. Also provide summary technical information about the different types of metals and their qualities. Not VAT registered, and have a minimum order of £10 excluding postage. Web site provides catalogues and prices, order by phone.	Solo	feskent.co.uk 62 Canterbury Road, Hawkinge, Kent, CT18 7BP. 01303 894611
G and M Tools	Machine tools, used, new, lathes, drilling, milling, metrology etc. They were described as 'good, not always the cheapest, but may be open to negotiation'. Purchases can be made through their web-site, but given the description, are possibly better made by phone or in person.	Multi	www.gandmtools.co.uk The Mill, Mill Lane, Ashington, West Sussex, RH20 3BX. 01903 892510

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Geoffrey Walker Clocks	Offers a pinion repair service using micro welding techniques. Web presence is minimal, phone for service.	Net	www.geoffreywalkerlocks.co.uk No Address available beyond "South of Manchester". 0161 225 6783.
G K Hadfield	Specialist horological booksellers. A good range of books, journals, prints, etc. on a simple-to-use website. (Also sell clocks.) Website provides comprehensive search facilities of stock - purchase over telephone.	Solo	www.gkhadfield-tilly.co.uk Old Post Office, Great Salkeld, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 9LW. 01768 870111
Harling Foundries Ltd	Cast brass in small quantities - will also cast in aluminium, bronze and iron. One recommender suggested that they 'are good, but can be busy so allow time'. Web site is information only, call them.	Multi	www.harlingfoundry.co.uk Units 6/8, Ivyhouse Lane Industrial Estate, Ivyhouse Lane, Hastings, East Sussex TN35 4NN. 01424443160
Hiscox	Insurance group, offer small business insurance suitable for solo horologists. Call to discuss your needs.	Multi	www.hiscoxgroup.com Branches across UK. 0207448 6000 (London enquiries)
H S Walsh & Sons Ltd	Retailers and wholesalers offering a wide range of clock repair (and jewellery) supplies - tools, abrasives, materials and parts etc. Showrooms in Biggin Hill, London (Hatton Garden) and Birmingham. Extensive web-shop, its size can be daunting and can require perseverance. Phone number connects to a sales line.	Multi	www.hswalsh.com Hunter House, Biggin Hill Airport, Churchill Way, Biggin Hill, Kent. TN16 3BN. 01959543660
J Malcolm Wild	Manufacturer/supplier of special and traditional horological tools, web site also shows some hand tools, clock components and castings, Good reputation for quality. Web-site shows a vast range of specific tools, but call to check availability.	Multi	www.j-m-w.co.uk 12 Norton Green Close, Sheffield, S8 8BP. 01142745693
Keatley John	Non-ferrous metals supply. Wide range of brass including (as of Q1 2015) 70/30 brass sheet. They state that they pride themselves on their service. Web site provides a catalogue. Call for stock levels and pricing.	Solo	www.johnkeatleymetals.com 33 - 35 Shadwell Street, Birmingham, B4 6HD. 01212364300 / 9386
Kemet	Precision lapping and polishing technology, including diamond lapping pastes and consumables, ultrasonic tanks and consumables, micro-welding equipment Web site details products and specifications, call for prices and sales.	Solo	www.kemet.co.uk Kemet International Ltd, Parkwood Trading Estate, Maidstone, Kent ME15 9NJ. 01622755287
Kremer Pigmente	Recommended by a furniture conservator as a good brand of historic pigments and glues. Available directly from the manufacturer in Germany, but can take time to arrive. Online shop (available in a range of languages, including English).	Solo	www.kremer-pigmente.com Hauptstr. 41 – 47, DE 88317, Aichstetten, Germany 0049 7565914480
Krysta Barrow	Web site states she "Specialises in the delicate restoration and conservation of antique clock dials." Web site is for information and background, call to discuss requirements.	Solo	dialkrysta.com 33 Cleveland Road, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7AD. 01243771287
Lorica Insurance	Insurance brokers offering small business insurance, including to solo horologists. Were recommended as being helpful. Phone, or branches.	Solo	www.loricainsurance.com (Multiple Branches) 03334000700
Manchester Rubber Stamp Co	Offer bespoke CNC driven engraving on brass e.g. including clock-dials, which can then be hand-finished. They accept a wide range of file-formats including "eps, pdf, dxf, plt". Phone or email through the contact page on their web site.	Solo	www.mrsengravers.co.uk 63 Red Bank, Manchester, M8 8RD 01618341988 / 01618341620
Marshall Brass	Wide range of brass castings for the antiques market. This includes an extensive range of clock spares - spandrels, finials, capitals, hinges, handles. Their web site states they use "a precise mix of copper, zinc and tin produces the authentic colour of "old" brass". Web site provides (black and white) illustrations of products - call or email to order.	Solo	marshall-brass.com Heckingham Hall, Heckingham, Norwich, Norfolk, NR14 6QU. 01508548403
Meadows and Passmore	Retail horological supplies. Large range of materials, parts, consumables, tools, even complete movements, they also develop and market their own branded products. For amateur and professional horologists. Full online shop and freephone automated sales line.	Multi	www.m-p.co.uk, www.medmaw.com 1, Ellen Street, Portslade, Brighton, East Sussex BN41 1EU. 01273421321, Sales: 08003289435

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Metal offcuts online	Source of small quantities of brass (as of 2015 only CZ108), mild steel and zinc sheeting. Their website states 'specialised in cutting sheet metal offcuts to customers sizes at competitive prices. [...] we can offer "No Minimum Charges", "No Minimum Sizes" and "No Job Too Small"'. Online website allows selection of sizes, but states that for other sizes call the telesales line.	Solo	metalloffcuts.co.uk, stores.ebay.co.uk/metaloffcuts Arcadia Works, 83 Sefton Lane, Maghull, Liverpool L31 8BU. 0151526 4777
MSC Industrial Supply	Sell tooling and related supplies to industry. Large catalogue, huge range, competitive pricing. Full online web site, large catalogues published and phone ordering.	Solo	www.msdirect.co.uk 7 Pacific Avenue, Wednesbury, West Midlands, WS10 7WP. 0800663355
Neil Robinson Blaxill	Advertises replacement hands as part of clock restoration business. Enquiries by email or phone.	Other	www.antiques-clocks.co.uk 21 St Johns Hill, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 3NX. 01732454179
NFU Mutual	Offer small business Insurance, including for workshops. Web site, phone or mail.	Solo	www.nfumutual.co.uk Tiddington Road, Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 7BJ. 0808 274 2633 (New Business)
Optimum Brass	Large catalogue (c100 pages) of standard castings, furniture finials, escutcheons etc. moulds taken from historic items. Within this are a small range of horological castings-spandrels, capitals, finials etc. Also offer custom service. Were recommended to me as 'nice to deal with'. Full catalogue and pricing online, ordering via email or phone.	Solo	www.optimumbrasses.co.uk Unit 1, Upstairs, Global Park, Station Road, Bampton, Devon EX16 9NG. 01398 331515
Original Marquetry	Marquetry, veneers, adhesives, tooling, brass inlay strips, kits, pre-made panels and motifs, including one panel designed for Long-case clocks. They also offer bespoke marquetry and marquetry restoration services and fretwork repair panels. Online store covers catalogue products, otherwise call.	Solo	www.originalmarquetry.co.uk 143 Bishopthorpe Road, Westbury-On-Trym, Bristol, BS10 5AF. 01179442640
Pennyfarthing Tools	Used tools, mostly machine tools, include clockmakers and watchmakers lathes, drills, gear-cutting machines etc. Web-site catalogues machines available, phone or email to purchase.	Solo	www.pennyfarthingtools.co.uk Pennyfarthing Tools Limited, 4 New Street, Marnhull, Dorset DT10 1PY. (Do not sell at this address.) 01235763987
Peter Holtby	Clock wheels and pinions, cut to requirements. Dial restoration service. Hand pierced frets, dials and hands. Also some specialist horological supplies, e.g. silvering powder, bronze wire for fusee movements, Recommended to me as a fast (including shipping from Malta) economical, good quality supplier. Online store, email and phone contacts available.	Solo	Skeletonclocks.eu.com 8 Saint Tobias, Triq Ramon Perellos, Saint Paul's Bay, SPB 3100 Malta no1.clockmaker@gmail.com 00356 79947489
Pewter Sheet Co	Suggested to me as a "first class source of non lead based casting alloys." Also Blacking solution for lead. Their web site states that they are the only UK based manufacturers of cast rolled pewter. Whilst their web site lists the products they provide, a phone call is suggested.	Solo	www.pewtersheet.co.uk Pewter Sheet Company Limited, River Lee Road, Tyseley, Birmingham, B11 2JG. 0121 706 2649
Preservation Equipment Ltd.	Range of conservation supplies (materials, tools, consumables) at competitive prices. Online web-store or catalogue ordering.	Solo	www.preservationequipment.com Vinces Road, Diss, Norfolk, IP22 4HQ. 01379 647400
Priory Cast Products, Oxfordshire	Bespoke castings. They were suggested as being a "source of 30/70 brass, hence able to match the colour of antique clocks, but can be busy, so allow for fulfilment delays." Web site is a contact page only, enquire by phone or email.	Solo	priorycastproducts.com Unit 14 Langston Priory Workshops, Station Road, Kingham, Oxon, OX7 6UP. 01608659001
Proops Bros	Tools, model engineering, jewellery, hobby craft, metal and woodworking. Wide range, competitive pricing. Full online store with phone-line backup.	Multi	www.proopsbrothers.com 24 Saddington Road, Fleckney, Leicestershire, LE8 8AW. 01162403400

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PP Thornton (Successors) Ltd.	One of very few suppliers of cutters for cycloidal gears. Not cheap, but high quality for the money. Web site is information only, order by phone.	Multi	ppthornton.com The Old Dairy, Prescote Manor Farm, Cropredy, Oxon OX17 1PF. Technical: 07754383750 Office & Orders: 01295279060
Quality Castings	Small company with experience of making a small number of horological brass castings from a model. They do not use 70/30 brass, but their 'bright yellow' is supposed to be close. (Note: Moulds provided to them should be 3-5% over-sized to allow for shrinkage.)	Solo	(No web site). Unit 7, Canal Side Sdutios, 2-4 Orsman Rd. London N1 5QJ, moving to: Victoria Park Industrial Centre, Rothbury Rd, E9 5HD. 02077 293041
R&N Horological	"Suppliers to Watchmakers, Clockmakers, Jewellers, Hobbyists & Related Trades". Broad range, tools, parts, replacement movements etc. mostly, but not exclusively, for watches and smaller clocks. Full online shop.	Other	www.mhorological.co.uk P O Box 1587, London N17 6QJ. 020 8376 9600
RDG Tools Ltd.	Model engineering suppliers, including some watchmakers lathes (Boley, Pultra), diamond grinding wheels and lapping paste. Competitive pricing and my experience is that delivery is fast. Full online shop as well as phone lines.	Multi	www.rdgtools.co.uk Grosvenor House, Caldene Business Park, Burnley Road, Mytholmroyd, nr Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire, HX75QJ. 01422 885 069, 01422 884 605
Red Rooster	"Value [...] tools & parts for watch/clock repair & jewellery/metal craft". Online shop and telephone order lines.	Other	redroosteruk.com Unit 80 The Base, Victoria Road, Dartford, Kent, DA1 5FS. 01322 314816/7
Repco Technology Ltd.	Source of brass and spring steel shim materials. Good range, but as of 2016 have a minimum order of £35. Online shop and telephone order lines.	Other	repco-tech.co.uk 3 Fairylands Park, Cannon Hill, Coventry, CV4 7DS 02476419808
Restoration Materials	Products for the restorer - metal finishing, gilding, clock and barometer parts, brassware, fittings etc. Online web store, or phone ordering.	Other	www.restoration-materials.co.uk 194 Wellington Road, Bury, Lancashire BL9 9AH. 0161 764 2741
Richards of Burton	Their website describes them as "Clockmakers who have branched out into supplying clock parts." These include: Castings - the usual spandrels, finials, capitals etc, and back-cocks, bridges and fly blanks - antique books, engraving, coil winding for electric clocks, bells, keys, pinion and wheel cutting. Prices reputed to be very competitive. Web site provides catalogue with pricing, phone, email or write with orders.	Solo	www.clock-works.clara.net 143 Parliament Street, Newhall, Swadlincote, Derbyshire. DE11 0SG. 01283219155
Richard White Clocks	Turret clock automation - design and manufacture automatic drives, pendulum regulators and strike control (Advertises in the BHI's Horological Journal).	Other	www.richardwhiteclocks.co.uk Smeeton Westerby, Leicestershire, LE8 0QJ. 01162404005
Ron Matthews	Second hand watch and clockmaking lathes, accessories and hand tools. As of 2015 he told me that his stock is becoming more limited. Phone or email enquiries.	Multi	No web presence, email at matthra@btinternet.com Chichester based. 01243641635
Rotagrip	Model engineering supplies - tooling, machine tools, collets, chucks, metrology, work-holding. Claim to be "the UK's largest stockist of lathe chucks and spares". New and used equipment. Online web store.	Solo	rotagriponline.com 16-20 Lodge Road, Hockley, Birmingham, B18 5PN. 01215511566, 5545177
Sciss Ltd	Bespoke water jet cutting. Has been used by horologists for accurate and economical cutting of fine wheels in small runs. Feedback was that 'they know their business, and the wheels come out with almost no finishing required'. Web is informational only. Contact directly.	Multi	www.sciss.co.uk Unit 9, Larkstore Park, Lodge Road, Staplehurst, Kent, TN12 0QY. 01580 890582
Screwmonger Ltd	UK supplier of "commercial and hard to find wood screws, machine screws" ... "also specialise in buying and selling old antique (Vintage Grade) wood screws in standard and non-standard sizes". Online Store, and sales line	Other	www.screwsline.co.uk Rufford Court, Wellow Road, Eakring, Newark, Notts NG22 0DF 01623 870 000

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Selva Technik	European clock movements, parts and supplies for repair. Large range of movements, hands, dials, chains, ornaments, springs and other parts - useful for repairing European clocks. Small range of horological tools. Online shop, translates to English.	Other	www.selva.de Christian-Messner-Str. 29, 78647 Trossingen. +49 7425 930 462 (Export)
Shesto	Retailers of precision tools, model engineering, jewellery, and hobby craft. Hand tools, lamps and magnifiers, polishing products, soldering and brazing, ultrasonics etc. Online store aimed at the consumer market, so detailed descriptions. Phone ordering also offered but with higher shipping charges.	Solo	www.shesto.co.uk Shesto Ltd, 3 Century Court, Tolpits Lane, Watford, WD18 9RS. 02084516188
Smiths Metal Centres Ltd	Metals supplier with depots across the UK. Large range of metals with specific qualities - the website lists 12 formulations of brass in stock, with others available on request. A typical commentary about them ran: 'they are not cheap, but do offcuts, where they score is in their rapid response.' Web site is informational including helpful metal specifications listings. The site implies that their preferred method of contact is by email.	Multi	www.smithmetal.com Branches across the country. See web-site for branch numbers.
Tilgear	Engineering tools and supplies, taps dies, files, plastics, brass, silver steel, pricing reputed to be competitive. Full online shop, and sales line.	Multi	www.tilgear.info Langley House, Station Road, Standon, Herts. SG11 1QN. 0845 099 0220
Time Restored Ltd, Pewsey Wilts.	Describe themselves as "antique clock restorers who also specialise in selling materials and replacement parts for antique clocks." Stock range of parts, including castings, cast brass rods/sheets, bells, wheels, french clock parts (hammers, click wheels, bell nuts, weights, pendulums) suspension springs, keys, hands, dials etc. Also offer pinion cutting and glass fitting services. Online store for catalogue items, contact for bespoke.	Multi	www.timerestored.co.uk 18 - 20 High Street, Pewsey Wiltshire, SN9 5AQ. 01672563544
Tiranti	Sculptors tools, materials and studio equipment. Useful for mould-making and casting materials and tools, including silicon rubbers, high temperature thermometer, plus a range of alloys. Online shop aimed at a specialist, non-horological, retail market. Showrooms in central London and Thatcham.	Multi	www.tiranti.co.uk 3 Pipers Court, Berkshire Drive, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 4ER. or 27 Warren Street, London, W1T 5NB. 0845 123 2100
Tracy Tools	Large range of specialist taps and dies, including esoteric ones. (e.g. Gas Cylinder taps, Schrader valve taps). Also good range of drills, including some slow spiral (brass) ones. Purchases can be made through the online shop, although as this appears to be aimed at engineering specialists it may be worth calling for advice.	Solo	www.tracytools.com Unit 1, Parkfield Units, Barton Hill Way, Torquay, TQ2 8JG. 01803 328 603
Veramy	Handmade glass domes and display cases from France. Web-site is information only, contact them.	Other	www.veramy.com Domaine du Lac Ferrand - D 536 07560 LE ROUX. 04 75 37 24 11
Warco	Manufacturer/retailer of machine tools, drilling machines, lathes and accessories. Full online shop, although product descriptions sometimes sparse. They have a showroom in Surrey.	Other	www.warco.co.uk Warco House, Fisher Lane, Chiddingfold, Surrey, GU8 4TD. 01428 682929
Wardle, John	Manufacturers and retailers of an extensive range of parts for traditional english clocks in both brass and steel. e.g. Bell-stands, bell hammers, chains/sprockets, bridges, flies, back-cocks, pendulum bobs, racks, click-wheels/springs, pendulum rods/suspension springs, case-fittings, ropes, lines, bells, weights, keys, etc. They also supply standard cut pinions and wheels. Reputed to be the source for other retailer's products. Full-function online store.	Solo	johnwardle.co.uk Unit 6, Albany Court Blenheim Road, Airfield Industrial Estate, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1HA. 01335347154
Weald Insurance Brokers	Advertise specialist insurance services in BHI's Horological Journal - 'Precious Time An insurance product for members of the BHI'. Suggested by several sources. They have a policy aimed at horology businesses, and basic cover can be updated, e.g. to reflect security measures, increased stock costs etc.	Multi	www.weald-insurance.co.uk (redirects to ppn.co.uk) (No address provided for Weald Insurance) 1959565678

Organisation	Notes	Source	Contacts
Whitechapel Bell Foundry.	<p>Manufacture and supply bells. A typical comment ran: "Have a limited range, with a web site that is not always up to date. However they really do understand horological requirements".</p> <p>Ring them to confirm quantities and other details.</p>	Multi	<p>www.whitechapelbellfoundry.co.uk 32/34 Whitechapel Rd, London E1 1DY. 020 7247 2599</p>
Yorkshire clock builders	<p>Import and distributing clock movements, clock parts and associated horological product lines. As of 2015 their range seems mostly aimed at repair of 20th century and later clocks. Some tools. Full online store.</p>	Other	<p>www.ycbclocks.co.uk Units 11 & 12 Finchwell Close, Handsworth, Sheffield,S13 9DF. 01142440749</p>