

*Two years ago became year Zero for Concord.
As the revolution continues QP takes a
quick look at the audacious C1 Quantum Gravity.*

Quantum Gravity

Concord's C1 Quantum Gravity is nothing if not provocative. One glance at the proposition is enough to raise a cloud questions covering cost, brand value, purpose and other, real world, prosaic concerns. Will it actually work? Will it be the brand ambassador that Concord hopes? Could an average sized man wear one without risk of injury? These and other probing questions are not about to be considered here. Instead we are showing exclusive images of a concept watch that Concord hope to unveil in working order at Baselworld as this Issue is published.



As regular QP readers will know, gear wheels need precise alignment, a requirement that accounts, in theory, for the cables that brace the bridge separating the main movement block from the tourbillon.



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The cylinder that rises out from the dial is a power reserve that will be filled with gaseous Tritium

QP is also going to ignore a rap-list that includes wilful disrespect for, inter alia, watchmaking tradition, the English language, the economy, common sense and the science of Quantum Physics. Why? Because, as an object shorn of troublesome associations and questions, the C1 Quantum Gravity is simply fabulous. It is intriguing, handsome if not beautiful, commanding of attention and playful. What are those struts and cables? What is the silo in the middle of the dial? Can the gear train really work through the extra steps? That I wanted to know the answers was enough for me to set aside common sense and concentrate on working out whether it would be more appealing set in its case or loose.

The answers will be revealed, all being well, at Baselworld, a scarcely credible less than four months since the idea was sketched out at BNB Concept. Assuming it works, and quite possibly even if it doesn't, orders will be taken for the 10 examples they plan to make and that will be that for one of the most incandescently strange watch designs to emerge from the studios of BNB - a company that prides itself on not just thinking outside the box but applying petrol and matches to it for good measure. ☺

