



This is Volume 1 of the 24+ intended volumes (14 currently available), most specifically about each major manufacturer of slide rules. The volumes are available on Amazon (\$27.95 per hardback or \$19.95 per paperback). A portion of each sale is donated to the ISRM (International Slide Rule Museum). Each volume is ~550 printed pages. In addition to the slide rule instructions, each volume contains some history about the inventors and the respective design and manufacturing facilities.

Each volume will be available on Kindle (\$7.95 per volume) in digital format for those of us too disabled to handle a book. I have already downloaded and started to read Volume 1 (for my ~14 Hemmi slide rules). I am looking forward to the Kindle volumes on Pickett, K&E, and Dietzgen that are the bulk of my collection of 500+ linear slide rules, in addition to 100's of circular, and 2 cylindrical slide rules. 100's of slide charts (some with A/B or other logarithmic scales) are of interest.

Printed volumes on manufacturers currently available include: Hemmi, Pickett, Keuffel & Esser (K&E), Post, Dietzgen, Japanese OEM, Aristo, Nestler, Española, Deutsche, American, British, Faber-Castell, and Pocket-Watch.

The reprints of slide rule instructions are for the use of collectors, educators, and students. All ephemera is currently archived in the International Slide Rule Museum Library. Instruction manuals, for the most part, are no longer available, Slide rule production ended in the mid 1970's and instruction manuals have deteriorated and are rapidly disappearing over time. The slide rule models themselves, now considered vintage math instruments, are still in abundance, and in the hands of private collections, museums, and many family homes. These volumes provide instructions for the most popular models, as well as some special designs. The scans from the faded and wrinkled manuals, have been "restored" digitally in order improve their clarity to provide decent black printing on white pages. All "noise", speckles, staple marks, etc., have been cleaned off the original scans in order to improve the reader's experience. Where required, permissions have been obtained from manufacturers that are still in existence.

About the author:

Michael (Mike) V. Konshak was born on an Air Force base and raised in a military family, surrounded by a mother and three sisters, while his father was serving in dangerous places. Michael enlisted in the Navy Reserves while still in his senior year of high school. After graduation, with six months as a reservist, he enlisted in the regular Navy and did another four years with two tours in Vietnam 1967-1969. Michael rode and raced motorcycles off and on since he was fourteen years old. His first long distance road trip was when he received order to deploy to Vietnam, and road his 1967 Norton P-11 Scrambler from Key West to Colorado Springs, to be stored there. He would retrieve the Norton after being discharged and then raced in SoCal. Now in his seventies he travels with his Australian Shepherd, Deacon Telerover, on a KTM 690 Enduro. Deacon is the inspiration for writing the Adventures With Deacon Series and is the reason to keep riding motorcycles. Michael has been married for over forty years to Rebecca who chases him out of the house every now and then to explore North America with Deacon.

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