Clockwork energy storage

Is clockwork a propulsive power?
Powered by Clockwork. Clockwork power,in the sense of energy storage by a coiled spring,is one of the oldest means of applying power known to man,being invented between 1500 and 1510 by Peter Henlein of Nuremberg. The most common use of clockwork was in,er,clocks,but this page restricts itself to its attempted use as a propulsive power.

What does a clockwork machine do?
A set of gears through which the spring's energy is released. The gears control how quickly (or slowly) a clockwork machine can do things, but they also control how much force it can produce (for climbing inclines, perhaps). A mechanism the gears drive that makes the device do useful or interesting things.

What is a clockwork mechanism?
The use of wheels, whether linked by friction or gear teeth, to redirect motion or gain speed or torque, is typical; many clockwork mechanisms have been constructed primarily to serve as visible or implicit tours de force of mechanical ingenuity in this area.

Are clockwork toys any good?
Clockwork toys aren't anything like as well made(or as impressive) and if you get more than a minute or two's entertainment for your thirty seconds or so of winding you're doing well. Generally,more interesting clockwork devices that run for longer have bigger and sturdier springs capable of storing much more energy.

How old is clockwork technology?
Clockwork has certainly stood the test of time: the earliest clockwork device,known as the Antikythera mechanism,dates from ancient Greece and is thought to be at least 2000 years old. Why has clockwork technology been such a firm favorite for so long? How exactly does it work? Let's take a closer look!

Can elastic energy storage technology be combined with other energy conversion approaches?
Elastic energy storage technology could also be combined with other energy conversion approachesbased on the electromagnetic,piezoelectric principle which can present unique advantages and realize the multidisciplinary integration ,,.

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How this energy density might be usefully exploited is discussed at the end of a Nature Nanotechnology paper describing this research: "Giant nanomechanical energy storage capacity in twisted single-walled carbon nanotube ropes". UMBC worked with Suwa University of Science (Chino, Japan), Shinshu University and the University of Johannesburg.

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