



THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

Club Charter No.18, July 29, 1921

President-Jack Bowen, Past President-Ron Trant

1st Vice-President-Georg Schuller

Secretary-Barry Walker, Treasurer-Larry Dobson

Directors- Bruce Foy, Jim Lepp, Sheldon Weatherby, Martin Marshall

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DECEMBER 2023

MERRY CHRISTMAS



BIRTHDAYS: *Sam Gruden on the 1st, Ron Ramsey on the 3rd, Larry Dobson on the 16th, Gary Campbell on the 17th and Chuck Gerhart on the 24th.*

No Wedding Anniversaries in December

Chuck Gerhart welcomed 53 Gyros, Gyrettes and guests to the **Annual Christmas Party** held at the Derrick Golf and Winter Club on December 5th.

Festivities began at 5:30 with sparkling wine and music by the **FABULOUS TWO, Warren Garbutt and Jack Brown.**



Warren

Jack

Ken Willan presented the Grace.

We were treated to Curry Butternut Squash & Maple Cream Soup, Roasted Turkey with apple sage stuffing, garlic mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, gravy, and cranberry sauce. Last but not least was a Chocolate Mousse and Caramel Christmas Tree with powdered sugar, and fresh berries.







Larry Dobson led the singing of Christmas Carols



“Santa” Dunc Mills with the help from an Elf at each table distributed wrapped gifts



with explicit instructions to only point and not touch the gift they wished to receive. Not all the gifts were as they seem!

Bottles of wine were presented to the Fabulous Two, **Warren Garbutt** and **Jack Brown**. **Janice Molofy**, **Dick Nichol’s daughter** was also presented with wine for her ongoing assistance and expertise in running the Gyro Hockey Pool computer system.

Thanks to **Chuck Gerhart, Dunc Mills, Larry Dobson, Warren Garbutt,** and **Jack Brown** for organizing and presenting a special **Christmas event!**



Governor Dunc Mills played an introductory note on the Xylophone and **President Jack Bowen** welcomed 21 Gyros to the December 19th luncheon meeting held at the Derrick Golf and Winter Club.

Ron Trant led the singing of Cheerio and **David Burnett** presented the Grace.

President Jack presented a summary of the discussion held at the November 29th Board Meeting.

- Our focus will be on the recruitment of new members in the age 55 plus category.
- A survey will be sent out to all Members to solicit their views on new member recruitment.
- The 2024 Meeting Calendar will reflect a revised approach to Club meetings. There will be three broad categories: **Guest Speakers, Life Story presentations by Club Members** and **outside/outdoor, activities.**
- We need to designate a Club Member who will report on the health of Club Members.

Governor Dunc reviewed our meeting arrangements for **January and February 2024 at the Mill Woods Golf Course, Woodvale Clubhouse.**

A three salads, soup and sandwich option will cost \$21 including tip and tax. We likely will charge \$25 to cover free lunches and guests.

A hot lunch buffet with two choices of entrees will cost \$27-30 including tip and tax.

A plated dinner for our Valentines mixed event with 8 menu selections would cost \$47.

There are no room rental fees if we book more than four meetings. We will be charged for the exact number of Members committed to attend.

A projector for audio-visual presentations is not available.

After our Valentines Party Event on February 14th, we will need to review our luncheon meeting requirements for the remainder of 2024 at either the Derrick Club or Woodvale/Millwoods.

Governor Dunc then reviewed the details for the **2024 District VIII Convention.** Since no Gyro Club has volunteered to host the 2024 Convention, the District VIII Executive Committee has made the decision to hold a **two-day** Convention in **Lacombe, Alberta** on **Wednesday, June 19th**, and **Thursday June 20th**. Golf would be played on Wednesday morning, registration would begin at 3:00pm, followed by hospitality and a **Dine Around Dinner.** Bocce and horseshoe tournaments could also be held. A **Gyro Summer Celebration** would be held on the first day of summer, June 20th.

Fred Schulte reviewed the Meeting Schedules for January to June and July to December 2024.

In accordance with the direction by the Executive and Board of Directors, **Outdoor Activities** will be scheduled for April, May, June, July, and September. Luncheon meetings will be held with a minimum of one per month in the Spring and Summer. These meetings will include guest speakers and presentations by Club Members.

Members were encouraged to step up and assist with the organization of guest speakers and outdoor events.

There were two Free Lunch Winners: **Len Evenson** and **Warren Garbutt**. There were also draws for Christmas gifts, the five winners were **Ken Willan, Bruce Foy, Jim Lepp, Dan Hasinoff** and **Doug Armstrong**.



Chuck Gerhart and **Dunc Mills** report on the [Hockey Pool Winners](#).

Game 4 November 28 Winners First Period Second Final

Oilers vs Knights

First Period	1 0	Gary Campbell	Gary Campbell	Gary Campbell
Second	4 2	Erik Braun	Cal Nichols	Cliff Nowry
Final	5 4	Allan Warrack	Jack Brown	Jack Brown

Game 5 December 10 Winners First Period Second Final

Oilers vs Devils

First Period	1 0	Myrna Slobodan	Rashid Kashani	Spencer Scornaienchi
Second	2 0	Ken Williamson	Brads Hinds	Nestor Slipchuk
Final	4 1	Warren Douglas	Walter Yakimets	Walter Yakimets

Game 6 December 19	Winners	First Period	Second	Final
Oilers vs Islanders				
First Period	1 0	Grace Burnett	Jack Little	Jack Little
Second	1 3	Gary Campbell	Al Gordon	Al Gordon
Final	1 3	Walter Yakimets	not sold	not sold

Fast Fred

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Mill Woods Golf Course, Woodvale Clubhouse, 44 Ave. West of 50th St., past Jackie Parker Park. January 16, 2024.

Speaker: Dr. Allan Offenberger

Topic: Fusion Technology

Time: 11:30, lunch 12 noon.

Team Leaders: Walter Yakimets/Fred Schulte

Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Mill Woods Golf Course, Woodvale Clubhouse, 44 Ave. West of 50 St., past Jackie Parker Park. February 6.

Speaker: Fernanda Dal Pizzol-Gyro Gerontology Scholarship Recipient.

Topic: Research on solutions to support older persons and their family caregivers.

Team Leaders: Fred Schulte/Marty Larson

Valentines Mixed Event, Woodvale Clubhouse, 44 Ave. West of 50 St., past Jackie Parker Park. Wednesday Evening, February 14th.