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President Roy welcomed us on a bright and beautiful October day at the Mayfair. **Mike Matei** led us in Cheerio and had 24 Gyros singing like canaries, and then **David Burnett** asked the blessing.

John Ross introduced his guest, Val Pohl, who was out at the last meeting and joined us at the races. Our friend **John Stroppa** did a fantastic job of organizing nice warm weather for the races and we had a great meal and a lot of fun. Thanks **John**.

Al McClure introduced our guest speaker and while he tried to conceal the identity we soon guessed that we were to hear from our own **Ernie Siegel**. **Ernie** presented an interesting and humorous chronicle from his early days in Saskatchewan, starting with living in a sod house. He regaled us with stories of his childhood and the characters with whom he grew up. It was a very entertaining presentation, thank you **Ernie**.

In October **Gord Robertson** leads the parade of birthdays, followed by **Roger Russell** and **Mike Matei**.

Marty Larson advises that most of the hockey pool tickets are out but that if anyone wants to get some he can provide them. Get in touch with him soon.

We are getting close to the end of the golf season so I need to squeeze in a couple more definitions. A 'fairway wood' is a club with a medium loft that is used to get a ball out of a good lie on the fairway and into position for a shot from a slope, a bunker, a water hazard or the back of a tree. 'Follow-through' is the part of the swing that takes place after the ball has been hit and before the club has been thrown.

John Ross reports that **Del Salls** surgery went well and he is recovering at home and looks forward to being able to rejoin us soon. On Sept 21st, **Bill Graham** was released from the Misericordia Hospital after being treated for pneumonia. He is now at home recovering.

To help speed **Bill's** recovery, give him a call at 416-4634 and share some "Gyro Friendship" with him. Also, **Harry Nash** is rapidly recovering from his prostate surgery, as was evidenced by his presence at the "Races", and our most recent luncheon meeting. Good on ya' **Harry**.

To Edmonton Club Gyros and Gyrettes, As I look through all the cards and letters I received while on my cycling journey this summer, I feel VERY privileged and fortunate. All your support and encouragement was very much appreciated. Thank you. Your friendship is valued. **John Ross**

Ernie Siegel drew the cards and **Bryce Van Dusen** opted for a free lunch.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

For our 21 October meeting, fellow club member **Fred Schulte** will be providing a slide presentation and talk "*An Arctic Adventure on the Burnside River*", a vacation that he and **John Ross** shared in the Summer 2001. Bring a friend and learn about this remote region of our beautiful and vast country.

Mike Matei wishes to advise that this year's Banff Curl-A-Rama is scheduled for Oct 31, Nov 1-2 in Banff. For those of you who are not familiar with this event, it is organized by the Calgary Gyro Club and includes all of the clubs in District VIII. It is a Gyro Fun Spiel held in Banff where about 24 teams play a minimum of 3, 6-end games against other Gyros. For most of those attending, this is the only time of the year when they might curl, so you do not have to be a seasoned curler to enjoy the weekend.

Yet to be confirmed, the cost for the weekend is about \$165.00 and includes two nights accommodations, Friday night cocktails and light lunch, 2 breakfasts and a full prime rib dinner on Saturday night. This year, the Edmonton Club is responsible for the "Wake Up", so we need a few able bodies to help us get everyone out of bed. Please let **Mike Matei** know ASAP if you are interested in participating.

The November 4th luncheon meeting will be a mixed event at the Royal Glenora Club beginning at 11:45 Cost \$10.00 per person. The featured speaker will be Dr. Katherine Moore from the University of Alberta. Dr Moore will speak on prostate cancer. She is Associate Professor at the Faculty of Nursing and has held such titles as Research Coordinator of the Northern Alberta Urology Foundation. She has been very involved in urological research together with Dr. James Metcalfe She is a member of the Society of Urological Nurses and Associates (among numerous other memberships) She has completed research into post-operative needs of men undergoing radical prostatectomy She is involved in continuing research into a number of urological subjects, including various phases of prostate cancer. She has lectured all over the world on this subject

Her talk will be followed by a review of our club's sponsorship of the June 9, 2004 Prostate Cancer Golf Tournament at the Links, co-hosted by the Canadian Cancer Society.

The St. Albert Club has already booked the Faculty Club for **Founders Night** on October 22, 2003. The speaker will be Mark Nuttal a climatologist from Aberdeen University who will be talking about Global Warming and Climate Change. Sparkling wine will be served at 6:30 with dinner at 7:00/

The Christmas Party is booked for December 2, 2003.

THE GYRO PROSTATE CANCER TOURNAMENT sponsored by the Edmonton Gyro Club and the Canadian Cancer Society is scheduled for June 9, 2004 at the Links Golf Course in Spruce Grove.

The District VIII Interim Convention will be held in Fairmont Hot Springs and Resort March 26 to 28, 2004.

Lethbridge's 2004 District VIII Convention will be at Waterton Lakes National Park August 5 – 8 and includes a boat trip and breakfast at the Prince of Wales Hotel.

Same Old Bull

Allan

