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Due to the Bocci Night, we did not have a regular noon meeting on March 10, 1998. However, the Bocci Night was a great success. Thanks to **Gord Robertson** for the following report.

28 members from the Edmonton and St. Albert Gyro Clubs sat down to dinner. Cherrio was led by golden voiced **Marty Larson** and Grace was given by **Gerry Glassford**. There were great conversations and jokes while everyone enjoyed an excellent dinner and wine.

After wine, Bocci was the event of the evening. Six teams competed and after much shouting, taunts and kibitzing, team six from St. Albert, captained by Angelo Baptista, came out the winners of the **Gordon Rennie Trophy** as well as the playoffs for bragging rights.

There were a few new players out this year and now they are confirmed bocci players after realizing what a great evening of Gyro fellowship and fun it was. Now let's make next year even better. So you can compare notes, here are the names of the participants..

**Edmonton Club:** Bill Agnew, Jack Ellis, Andy Friderichsen, Gerry Glassford, Marty Larson, Dan Lawton, Haig Lewis, Mike Matei, Art Meidinger, Gord Robertson, John Ross, Fred Schulte, John Stroppa, Allan Ursulak.

**St. Albert Club:** Angelo Baptista, Blair Bashaw, Larry Duchesne, Ken Foster, Gerry Hood, Joe Jackson, David Jones, Wayne Knight, Ron Lamontagne, Stuart Loomis, Phill Prato, Jim Ross, Larry Waye.

Staying with the theme of well honed athletic skill, here are the most recent hockey pool winners. Game 16 was played on February 28<sup>th</sup>, with the Montreal Canadians visiting the Toronto Maple Leafs. After the first period it was a 0:0 tie and the winners were **Norma Treacy** and **Jean Warrack**. After two it was 1:0 for the home team

and our winners were **Marg Ogilvie** and Terry Noble. The final score was 4:0 for the Leafs and **Bette McClure** and Casandra Russell each pocketed \$25.00. Game 17 on March 7<sup>th</sup>, saw Toronto at home to Edmonton and at the end of the first period the Oilers were down 2:0. The money winners were Dorothy Burke and **Allan Warrack**. After two the Oilers had rallied a bit and the score was 2:1 with two of our members benefitting, **Gunnar Anderson** and **Haig Lewis**. In period three, the Oilers returned to their period one playing ability and the final score was 4:1. Ella Wilson and Denis Vachon got the major prize.

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, **Barrie Walker** has lined up a very interesting program for us. As he said there will not be Irish Whiskey or Green Beer but the speaker will be interesting. **Barrie** has arranged for his partner, Douglas Peterson, to tell us about his experiences on a world relief mission to Bolivia last fall. He will discuss the agricultural methods, cottage industries and culture of that country. This should be interesting for all so please make it a priority.

Regretably, **Mike Matei** has informed us that there was not sufficient interest in the Curling Funspiel for it to proceed. Therefore the event proposed for March 14<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.

**President Gerry** reminded us that the **District VIII Interim Convention** will be held at Fairmont from March 20 to 22, 1998. At the present time it appears that five or six couples from our club will attend.

Our annual elections night will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup> at Kelly's Saloon at Fort Edmonton Park. This is an important event so please try to attend. The costs will be available later.

The annual **Quad Club Installation** and dance will be held on Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, and is being organized by Don Greig of the Sherwood Park Club. This is a must event for all Gyros. It will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Centre which is a recently renovated version of the former Highway Hotel at 4520 76 Avenue. Cocktail will be at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 7:00, Installation Ceremonies at 8:00 and dancing from 9:30 onwards. The cost is \$60.00 per couple. This includes the Float Away breakfast hosted by the Sherwood Park Club on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1998. Lets have a great turnout from the Edmonton Club.

Basketball is the preferred sport of those who say the dumbest things this time. A sports announcer calling a game said on air, "and referee Richie Powers called the loose bowel foul on Johnson". David Thompson, a Denver Nugget player stated "Ball handling and dribbling are my strongest weaknesses".