

# THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
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27 October 1994

**President**  
*Barry Walker*

Once again, **Owen Cornish**, one of our Gyrolog reporters, took over for "Retread" and submitted the following fine report of our club meeting of 18 October 1994.

**1st V/President**  
*Mike Matei*

Your "roving reporter" lived up to his name when he and **Dick Ogilvie** raced from the Mayfair Club to the City of Edmonton Archives, located in the old Prince of Wales Armoury for our luncheon meeting on 18 October 1994. We joined 30 other members of our club for a most enjoyable and informative meeting in the spacious armouries; whose "face lift" cost between five and six million dollars. Former Military types who had used the P.O.W. facilities, wouldn't recognize the old haunt now.

**2nd V/President**  
*Allan Douglas*

**Secretary**  
*Dick Ogilvie*

**President Barry** brought the meeting to order; **Harry Mills** led us in Cheerio and **Rev. Bill Graham** hit us with a "quickie" that bears repeating. "Lord, in these trying times, may we keep trying." **John Ross** had arranged a delicious luncheon. Thank you for that effort - "Big Red."

**Treasurer**  
*Jack Ellis*

**Tony Sheppard** introduced his guest **Frank Smith** as his 'friendly landlord.'

**Directors**  
*Owen Cornish*  
*Gordon Robertson*  
*Russ Shepherd*  
*Tony Sheppard*

It was noted that postings for our new members, **Fred Schulte** and **Peter Rausch** had been completed. (More about Fred and Peter to follow).

Health & Welfare - **Bert Boren** reported that Retread after a seven week bout, was still battling the shingles. Hang in there, Gord.

**Bert** also predicted that our **Mike Matei** out with a damaged Achilles tendon, the Eskimos probably wouldn't win the Grey Cup again this year.

**John Ross** introduced our host **Bruce Ibsen**, a very personable young man who has been with the City of Edmonton for ten years, after receiving his education at the University of Alberta. As City Archivist, Bruce heads up a talented staff including full time research personnel. One of their present projects deals with the Hawrelak years. One Gyro secretary, who shall remain nameless, opined that we could use another like him at this time in our civic affairs. His view was not unanimous.

It was interesting to see the archives environmentally controlled storage areas, which among other documents, contain 40,000 catalogued photos and a like number not catalogued. Our own Edmonton Gyro Historical Records (thanks to Retread's efforts) are now stored in the private material section. However it, and most other material is available for public scrutiny, just like a public library. Our Gyro records can be obtained on loan by any of our members, who may wish to take some home for a limited time for perusal.

It was also interesting to learn that in spite of the advent of micro-film and compact discs; paper in an acid free environment is still the archivist's choice. Water soaked material from the fire sprinkler system would be dried by freezing, with minimal damage.

People using the archives include Government employees, private citizens researching family trees, engineers studying arial photos which date back to 1924; students from NAIT and U of A doing historical studies, and media people digging up dirt.

After a tour of the facilities, **Dan Lawton** thanked Bruce for his presentation and a job well done.

Curl-a-Rama - At this writing two rinks will represent our club in Banff on November 4-5-&6.

Our next meeting will be a regular luncheon meeting at the Mayfair Club on Tuesday 1 November 1994.

Mark your calendare now for a mixed Gyro/Gyrette function on Tuesday 15 November at the CITADEL THEATRE. For \$15.00 per couple, \$7.50 per person, we shall be treated to a 3/4 hour back stage tour, including set designs and costumes. Lunch will follow in the Tucker Amphitheatre. During our lunch we plan to induct Fred Schulte and Peter Rausch into Gyro. Hopefully the complete program shouldn't require more than an hour and a half of your time. Let's be on hand to make welcome our newest Gyro friends.

The shocker of the day (18 Oct) came as we were leaving the archives, when "Big Red" declined having a beer next door at the I.O.O.F.. Hold onto your hats - you can become a member in good standing for 20 bucks - a bonafide member of the International Order of Old Farts. Nuff Sed. (Owen)



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From the Desk of the Editor. My sincere thanks to Owen Cornish for coming to my rescue and writing the foregoing report of our last meeting. It is much appreciated by all.

Coming Events - as noted in our District 8 Govern nor Ken Wiegele's recent newsletter.

November 19, 1994 Lethbridge Gyro Club Installation  
December 3, " Coeur d'Alene Gyro Club Installation

January 24--29, 1995 - International Interim - San Diego.  
March 17 - 19, 1995 - District VIII Interim - Fairmont

Laughter is the best medicine - Victor Borge, the famous pianist and comedian once told a friend he could tell time by his piano. His friend was incredulous, so Borge volunteered to demonstrate. He pounded out a crashing march on his piano. Immediately there came a banging on the wall and a shrill voice screamed, "stop that noise, don't you know it is 1.30 in the morning?"

A priest who had spent a fruitless day fishing, picked out three fat fish in the market. "Before you wrap them," he said to the store manager, "please toss them to me one by one. That way I'll be able to tell the monsignor I caught them - and I'll be speaking the truth."

The posters on an office wall were designed to inspire employees to greater efforts. One of them readm "You can - if you will." Beneath it some wag had scrawled - "and you're canned if you don't."

Daffynitions - **Alimony** - billing without the cooing, or the high cost of leaving.

**Adolescence** - that period when the young feel their parents should be told the facts of life,

**Marriage** - that relation between a man and a woman in which independence is equal, the dependence mutual and the obligation reciprocal.

**Blonde** - the cross between a brunette and a drug store.

**Cocktail party** - a gathering at which drinks mix people.

Vox Pop - The highest award for a persons toil is not what they get for it, but what they become by it. (Mort Morter)

Hear no evil, see no evil and speak no evil - and you'll never get to be an anchor man on the daily news. (Dick Ogilvie)

Diplomacy is the art of letting someone else have your way. (John Pedden)

Good listeners are not only popular everywhere, but after a while they know something. (John Plunkett)

Advertising may be described as the science of arresting human intelligence long enough to get money from it. (Keith Bradley, Sherwood Park)

Birthdays - before our next regular meeting two of our members will have celebrated another birthday. They are Bert Boren on 23 October and Mike Matei on 25 October. Our congratulations and best wishes - have a great day.



Bert Boren



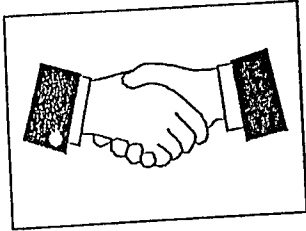
Michael Matei

That's about it for this issue of the Gyrolog. We are running low on material under the caption of "Laughter is the best medicine>" If any one has some chuckle items to share, Ye Editor would appreciate getting them from you. Thanks.

OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER AT 12.00 NOON AT THE MAYFAIR GOLF CLUB.

WE LEARNED THAT WE WILL NOT HAVE A GUEST SPEAKER. HOWEVER WE WILL BE HAVING AN OPEN DISCUSSION CONCERNING SOME UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS. THIS SHOULD BE OF INTEREST TO US ALL, SO COME OUT AND TAKE PART VOCALLY IN OUR CLUB PLANS.

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