

THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON
— EDMONTON — ALBERTA

15 APRIL 1992

WELCOME BACK RETREAD!!! Is it ever a pleasure to hand back the ropes. But Gord, why did you have to bring winter with you? Goordon was telling me that on the drive home he saw alot of geese flying north for the winter as well. He pointed out that invariably when they flew in formation one side of the V was longer than the other and he wondered if I knew why. When I said I didn't have a clue, he explained that it was because there were more of them in it:

HOCKEY POOL: Ruby Mills reported that the following were the final hockey pool winners for the year. Since we won't have to pay out for the last couple of games, the Gyros are probably the only party who will benefit from the hockey strike.

March 21, 1992

\$10.00	Chris Walberg, Wayne Flecher
\$15.00	Jan Morter, Rick Beaudoin, Bob Pringle
\$25.00	J.D. Partidge, John Devaney

March 28, 1992

\$10.00	Natalie Ilkiw, G. Acheson
\$15.00	Mrs. M. McClure, Keri Skebinski
\$25.00	Gail Christensen, C.M. Wood, Tony Sheppard

BIRTHDAYS: For the first half of the month celebrants are Mel Snihurowych of April 2, and Honorary Member Wes Van Dusen on April 12, 1992.

THANKS Allan (same old bull) DOUGLAS for your welcome back, but - while we'll go along with your story about the geese, the snow was not our idea!

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Our return was one of mixed emotions when we learned of the untimely passing of three good Gyro friends. Our Club President and active leader Merrill Morstad (25 Feb); Ray Gelinas of the Sherwood Park Club (4 Mar), and the much travelled Ted Fraser of the Calgary Gyro Club (25 Mar).

On behalf of those of us who were away on these sad occasions, we extend our belated but deepest sympathy to Marion Morstad, Margaret Gelinas and Teddy Fraser and their respective families.

These good Gyro friends will be sadly missed - but long remembered.

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AT OUR LAST MEETING: the election of Officers for the coming year were held at Fort Edmonton Park, at Kelly's Saloon, an appropriate location for a relaxed evening and a railroad vote! (Not true)).

Roger (PYS) Russell, as Returning Officer, introduced the nominees and later directed the balloting procedure etc., in the usual sombre Gyro fashion.

After the scrutineers had completed their responsibilities, the following Gyros were declared elected as follows, for the ensuing Gyro year:-

- PRESIDENT - JOHN ROSS
- First Vice President - JOHN STROPPA
- Second " President - BARRY WALKER
- Secretary - DICK OGILVIE
- Treasurer - BARRY WALKER (only until a replacement if named)

Following the election of Officers, a Primary Ballot for Directors was taken, with the following five members being declared candidates for election as follows: BELL AGNEW, GERRY GLASSFORD, RUSS SHEPHERD, and LARRY DOBSON.

The election of Directors will take place at our annual meeting at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 21 April at the Mayfair Golf Club. At that time the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes, shall be declared our new Directors for a two year term.

District 8 Interim Meeting held on 20/23 March 1992, was reported as being a real success with a total of 18 clubs being represented. Our club's contingent was represented by John and Helen Ross, Roger & Janet Russell and Marty & Shirley Larson. Both Edmonton Crossroads and the Sherwood Park Clubs were well represented, with the Crossroads group just missing out on winning the Man Mile Award.

The Ski Week-end at Jasper, Alberta was another happy event even though the numbers who attended were less than expected. Our thanks to the organizers such as Larry Dobson, Ed Edlund and others.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS are sent to Bud and Miriam Mitchell, who will be celebrating their big day on Saturday 25th April 1992. Bud Mitchell is a Past President of Gyro International, who suffered a near fatal accident following his term as President. He remains a patient in the St. Cloud V.A. Hospital in Minneapolis. Despite his total incapacitation he enjoys visitors and he continues to maintain a very keen interest in all things Gyro. To Bud & Miriam we join with Gyros from everywhere in sending our best wishes and heartiest congratulations on your anniversary. We hope you have a great day with your family and friends.

At our meeting on April 7th, Allan Warrack introduced his guest Dr. Larry Wang, whom we have had the pleasure of meeting before. You will remember Dr. Wang was our keynote speaker a few months ago, when he told about his research at the University of Alberta, which has resulted in the production of the "Canadian Cold Buster Chocolate Bar!" which has been accepted and on the market. We congratulate Dr. Wang and his associates on their success of this product which can delay or prevent the onset of hypothermia.

NEW GYRO CLUB CHARTERED AT ST. ALBERTA, ALBERTA. The attached very complete and detailed report was compiled by International 1st VP Marty Larson, who was good enough to let us have a copy for our Gyrolog. Many thanks Marty it is most appreciated.

I would like to add one thought in connection with your report. To organize a new Gyro Club takes a lot of hard work, dedication and organization to successfully complete such an undertaking. Consequently we acknowledge those "three men of merit" who brought about the establishment of the new Gyro Club of St. Albert. We refer of course to Rick Little (Crossroads) Keith Bradley (Sherwood Park) and Marty Larson (Edmonton). We thank and congratulate them and others, for their achievement on behalf of all Gyros.

HOCKEY POOL WINNERS: 12 April. \$10.00 Chris Walberg: Dale Mandriusiek.
\$15.00 Rick Beaudoin: Tony Sheppard: \$25.00 Dean Rempel; Allan Warrack.

HEALTH & WELFARE: Our club members send their deepest sympathy to Allan & Joan Ursulak .
Joan's mother passed away recently. And to Larry & Carol Dobson. Carol's mother recently
died also.

It was reported that Vern Sadd is now out of hospital. We trust he will regain his good
health and that we will see him at Gyro.

BIRTHDAYS - under the sign of Taurus - two Gyros will be celebrating on April 24th They
ar Mort Morter(the younger) and Gord Rennie(the older). Remember - age is just a number -
and if you don't mind, it doesn't matter!

TUESDAY 21 APRIL

OUR NEXT MEETING: will be held at the Mayfair Golf Club at 12.00 noon under the gavel of
John Ross. THIS IS OUR ANNUAL MEETING at which time the various Committee Chairman present
their (written) reports of the year's activities. Also reports from our Executive Officers,
who will remind you of the great year we have had under their direction.

There may be some unfinished business and some new business and of course the FINAL BALLOT
for two new Directors. Just to remind you the five candidates running for office are:-
BILL AGNEW: GERRY GLASSFORD: RUSS SHEPHERD: ROY BENNETT and LARRY DOBSON. We hope that
each candidate will have a campaign manager, so that they can give us all the reasons why
(or why not!) you should vote for their man! It is fun to hear about the amazing, even
unbelievable personality traits this candidates possess. So - campaign managers, don't
be afraid to "tell all"

Remember your vote for Directors is important = so a good attendance is requested -
starting with YOU!!!.

See you there.

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NEWSLETTER OF THE GYRO CLUB OF ST. ALBERT

It's now history! Our Charter Night was attended by some 190 Gyros, Gyrettes and friends at the St. Albert Legion on Saturday April 11th, 1992. Guests came from as far away as Bellingham, Washington, as well as the three Western Provinces.

Master of Ceremonies Bob McGinn did a skilful job of keeping the evening running smoothly. Virtually everyone in the place was introduced through the evening, and, considering the number of presentations, the program went very quickly.

International Vice President Marty Larson presented club president Wayne Knight with the official Charter to begin the formal part of the program. Then Past Governor Keith Bradley (Sherwood Park) and Rick Little (Edmonton Crossroads) introduced the new members of our club. Keith gave a brief comment before installing the members into the Gyro organization. Then our Gyrettes were asked to place the Gyro membership pin on our lapels. It was an exciting ceremony.

District VIII 2nd Lt. Governor Len Cary then installed our officers, beginning with President Wayne. Vice-President Jim Ross was next, followed by Secretary-Treasurer Don Corrigan. Then our directors, Butch Perfect, Dave Ebbesen, Rick Nadeau and Gary Isralson took the oath of office.

The 3 sponsoring clubs then made several presentations. John Ross, incoming President of the Gyro Club of Edmonton, acted as spokesman. He was assisted by Glen Butters, President of Sherwood Park Club, and Bob Pringle, President of the Edmonton Crossroads Club. The gifts consisted of the official Gyro Gong, in the form of a Gyroscope, suitably engraved, along with a hand-crafted podium.

Following these presentations, Past Governor Art Stavenjord of Grand Forks, B.C., presented a briefcase to Secretary-Treasurer Don Corrigan. Past International Present Keith Lowings of Lethbridge, then presented President Wayne with an engraved briefcase. Both briefcases will be passed on to the office holders in future years.

The two Calgary area clubs then made us a gift of a set of flags. (USA, Canada & Alberta). District Secretary Treasurer Peter Wrangham of Calgary gave Wayne a special inauguration book from Governor Norm Billington who was unable to attend because of ill health. Past International President Jim Parker of Wenatchee made a presentation of a beautiful chain to our first lady Anne Knight. Two other guests from District IV, Jack Loepp of Wenatchee, and International 2nd VP Emil Baijot of Bellingham also presented special gifts.

After Int'l VP Marty gave Wayne his official gavel, Wayne made his acceptance speech, giving particular thanks to Marty, Keith and Rick for their assistance, and to the 3 Edmonton area clubs for their support. Wayne spoke enthusiastically about the future for the St. Albert Gyro Club.

At this time the program concluded, and the dancing began. Most members and guests stayed until well into the wee hours, as a very successful evening came to a close.