

# THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
— EDMONTON — ALBERTA

9 February 1993

OUR LAST MEETING - was held on 2 February - same time, same place, where we were cheerfully welcomed by that happy achiever President John Ross, who chaired the proceedings in his usual upbeat way.

BIRTHDAYS - greetings were given to Ed Edlund in person, and to Bryce Van Dusen in absentia, (he is toughing things out in Yuma!). Both Ed and Bruce share the same birth date of February 5th, but with a few years in-between.

One of our non resident associate members, Dave Webber, who lives in Brentwood Bay, B.C., will be celebrating on February 11th. Our best wishes to all.

HEALTH - we were pleased to learn from Bert Boren that Ellen's health continues to improve. Stewart Graham and Bert, recently visited John Boychuk who is still in the Grandview Auxiliary Hospital and using a wheel chair. He would welcome a visit.

VISITATION - John & Helen Ross and David & Marlene Burnett were recently in the Toronto area and were able to have a visit with our good friends Neil & Ann Sheidow. They had a great time and the Sheidows send their best regards to all.

VALENTINE PARTY Ed Edlund reported that everything is all set for this special Valentine Dinner Party on Friday February 12th, at the Celebrations Theatre, 102 - 13103 Fort Road. To date we have a total of 41 people who will be attending. Ed reminded us that it is important for all to be punctual, because all patrons MUST BE SEATED BY 6.30 p.m. with the performance to begin at 7.00 p.m. Please note there will be a table at the entrance where you will meet - and whether you have paid for your tickets or not, please report to this table, where the ladies will receive a gift!

DON'T FORGET BE ON TIME!!   Roses are red and violets are blue,  
Just don't be late - whatever you do!

ANNUAL SKI-TRIP - this proposed trip has not been arranged to date. An organizer is needed to head up this mixed event. If you wish to take this on or be of help, please call John Ross at 435.7478.

GYRO DISTRICT 8 INTERIM MEETING - as previously reported, this Gyro event will be held at the Fairmont Hot Springs, B.C. on 19-21 March 1993. Registration \$100.00 per couple. Hotel \$60.00. Mail your registration form to Mr. Derm Jackson, D-8 Secretary-Treasurer. 735 Columbia Avenue, Castlegar, B.C. V1N 1H1. Please make your cheque or money order payable to Gyro District 8. Registration forms must be filled in and sent to Fairmont Hot Springs by 19 February 1993.

Todd Verhaghe, Governor of D-8 suggests that you telephone first to their reservations line at 1-800-663-4979, then immediately mail your deposit for your room reservation to the resort. Please be sure to advise them that you are a Gyro.

Your \$100.00 registration includes the following:- (a) Cocktail receptions, (b) Ladies Brunch; (c) Banquet & Dance - 4 drink tickets, (d) Buffet breakfast.

This Interim meeting is like a mini-convention - a great way to share a week-end of Gyro friendship.

MEMBERSHIP - FIRST POSTING - John Plunkett, 4831 - 143 Street, Edmonton, AB Phone 435-7011 wife's name Georgina. Sponsored by Jack Ellis, seconded by Bill Agnew.

ON THE HORIZON - it was reported by Ed Edlund that arrangements are being made for the annual Bridge Wind-up, to take place on Friday 2 April 1993, at the Victoria Golf Course Club House, 12130 River Road.

More details to follow in subsequent Gyrologs. Non bridge players are welcome to this party. Meantime please mark the date on your calendar.

INTER-CLUB - we understand that our Vice President John Stroppa, will be the key-note speaker at the next meeting of the St. Albert Gyro Club, to be held on Monday February 15th.

It is an opportunity for you to visit with the St. Albert bunch and to listen to "The Enforcer" tell it like it is.

If you plan on going it is suggested that you call Wayne Knight at 469-3581 and let him know.

CASH DRAW - the winner at our last meeting was our newest Gyro member Pat Millard. Congratulations Pat, what a way to start!

OUR SPEAKER on February 2nd was Mr. Hugh McColeman, a Lifetime member of the Edmonton Soaring Club. He was introduced by a long time friend and flying companion, Gyro Owen Cornish, who described these soaring people as a breed all their own - like birds and glider pilots.

Mr. McColeman attended the University of Alberta where he graduated in Engineering in 1936. He joined Alcan in 1940 until 1978.

He has been a member of the Flying Club for 25 years and he gave us a most interesting talk about his experiences, and the many thrills you encounter in motorless flight, when a member of the Edmonton Soaring Club. This club is located north of the town of Chipman, Alberta

The only 1000k+ flights in Canada originated from the Edmonton Soaring Club and flights in excess of 250km are not uncommon during the soaring season. The joy of motorless flight, is something special to experience and it is available to the beginner up to and including advanced cross country training.

Mr. McColeman was formally thanked and presented with a token of appreciation from our club by Mel Snihurowych.

HOCKEY POOL WINNERS were reported by Al McClure as follows:-

23 January 1st period \$10.00 Lorraine Getzinger: Dan Ostry: Kevin Higa.

2nd " 15.00 Sharon Shaw: Larry Murray.

Final score 25.00 Yvette Stroppa: Dan Lawton.

30 January 1st period 10.00 Karen Nielsen: Mike Matei.

2nd " 15.00 Darren Agnew: Gil Biolodeau.

Final score 25.00 Lorraine Getzinger: Harry Gaffney.

Note: The Hockey Pool scores for the game dated 6 February have been transferred to an extra game on 10 April 1933. The reason for the change is there was no regular game on February 6th.

#### VOX POP

One way to keep a conversation from being boring is to say the wrong thing. (Gunner Anderson)

The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother. (John Pedden)

One thing a speaker should remember for sure, the mind can only absorb what the seat can endure. (Marty Larson)

The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our blessings. (Padre Bill (Graham))

The dream of the older generation was to pay off the mortgage. Today's young family dreams about getting one. (Mel Snihurowych).

SMILES & CHUCKLES - a teacher had just welcomed a new student, a little Japanese boy who had just come to the United States. He spoke very good English and it soon became evident that he would fit right into the class.

"Now I am going to ask you some questions about history:", said the teacher, "and if you know the answer just raise your hand". The first question is, "who said give me liberty or give me death". The little Japanese boy was the only one to raise his hand, so the teacher called on him and he said, "Patrick Henry 1775".

The next question was, "who gave the Gettysburg Address?". Again the only hand raised was that of the Japanese boy. "Abraham Lincoln in 1863" he said.

Very good said the teacher, then as an aside to the rest of the class she expressed her disappointment that someone so new to their country was showing them up. As she turned back to the blackboard, she heard someone say, "damned Japanese". She whirled around and cried, "who said that?" Lee Iacocca in 1992" said the Japanese boy.

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OUR NEXT MEETING

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Will be held at the mayfair golf Club at 12.00 noon on Tuesday February 16th, 1993.

Our speaker on this occasion will be our own Gyro Gerry Glassford, whose talk will be about NAGASAKI - The Second Atomic Bomb - one of the days the world changed.

He is going to show some pictures and also speak about the ethical issues involved.

This, I am sure will be a program to remember and one you certainly don't want to miss.

Your attendance with a friend to share Gyro with us will be appreciated.

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