

# THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
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IN REVIEW — our last meeting was held on 3 July at the Mayfair Club with President Roger (PYS) "chiming" us to order at 12.00 noon. Cheerio leader, "Poppa Bear" Mills was in good voice, then Gord Rennie substituted for Padre Bill Graham, with the blessing.

BIRTHDAYS — 6 July John Boychuk; 10 July Don Popowich. We hope you have a great day. Sorry we couldn't have rendered "happy birthday" to you at the meeting.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER — was Inspector Russell Foerger of the Edmonton Fire Department, who was introduced by Allan Douglas, from whom we learned that "Rusty" as the Inspector is known, was born in Wainwright, Alberta; and that he completed his education at the University of Alberta.

His talk was on Fire Prevention and Safety which was very interesting and informative, from which we soon realized just how little the average person knows about fire problems, and what little attention we pay to fire safety. One small example is the Home Smoke Alarm which we take for granted once installed, but which should be tested periodically to ensure that they are still working.

Leading causes of fires:— children with matches: cooking fires: smoking: faulty electric wiring: over-use of extension cords, etc. As a guide in case of fire the Inspector used the word REACT as follows:— Remove those in immediate danger — Ensure room door is shut — Activate fire alarm. Call 911 or 421-1222 annexed area.— Try to extinguish or control fire.

If fire threatens your home, does your family know how to escape? Design your own family escape plan and practice it. Plan to get out alive. The thanks of our club were nicely expressed to our speaker by Ed Edlund.

HEALTH & WELFARE — John Boychuk has not been well and was recently admitted to the Royal Alex Hospital for tests and rehabilitation. His wife Regina, advised that he can have visitors and would welcome Gyro friends.

We also learned that Amy Wilson is also in the Royal Alex for observation and check-up. Suggest you call Howard before planning a visit to Amy as she may be home soon.

COMING EVENTS — BARBECUE at Roger & Janet Russell's home at 4908 — 114 Street on Saturday 14 July at 4.00 p.m. for bocci ball, then dinner at 5.00. If you haven't accepted this kind invitation you will be missing a real treat.

GYROETTE GOLF SCRAMBLE — to be played at the Devon Golf Course on Tuesday 14 August. Chairman Ernie Siegel reports there are still quite a few people who usually attend this fun day, who haven't sent in their entry money. Get your cheques to Ernie right away (\$33.00 per person) so that he can finalize arrangements. Ernie needs our co-operation in order to do his job, and while he is flexible — the golf club isn't — so don't wait any longer — mail a cheque to Ernie at 14, 500 Lessard Drive, Edmonton, AB. T6M 1G1.

CROSSROADS AND SHERWOOD PARK CLUBS PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE AND LET'S HEAR FROM YOU!!

LUNCHEON MEETING — 7 AUGUST — will be held at noon at the Mayfair Golf Club, when our very special guest will be our Gyro International President John Monroe, who is travelling to our city to attend the District 8 Convention.

It is not often that one gets to meet with our number one Gyro at a regular club meeting; nor is it often that new members are inducted into Gyro by the "head man". So be sure you circle the date (7 August) on your calendar, and come out to welcome President John, as well as our three new members, Norm Williams: Dick Mandlis and Tony Sheppard; whom we hope will enjoy a long, happy relationship in our Gyro family.

DISTRICT 8 CONVENTION - to fully appreciate and understand our Gyro organization, one must attend a Gyro Convention. This year, with Sherwood Park Gyro Club as hosts, 9-12 August, it will give you the opportunity of attending a D-8 Convention, right here "in your own back yard" so to speak.

The Gyros & Gyrettes of Sherwood Park are working hard on our behalf, planning, organizing and preparing for a great convention, which can only be a success by your attendance. This will be Gyro at it's best, so don't miss out. Get your registration forms in right away so that our hosts can complete plans. If you have mislaid your convention registration form and agenda, call me at 488-2856.

If you are unable to attend the entire convention, but would like to go to the Governor's Ball on the Saturday evening, we understand that tickets for that evening are available at \$30.00 per person. Contact Richard Dickinson of the Sherwood Park Club at 464-6715 for tickets.

Our club will have a hospitality room at the convention. Remember to let President Roger know you will be attending, so that your name can go on the duty roster as host and hostess.

GYRO BRIDGE - this year. arrangements for this annual activity are in the capable hands of John and Bernice Pedden, who advise that the bridge season starts in September. John would appreciate you calling him at 466-6691 so that they can get things organized for the coming season.

HARNESS RACING - it was reported that John Stroppa is arranging for us to attend the Harness Races on 2 October, at a cost of \$13.00 per person; which includes dinner, program, a betting instruction session, etc. We require a minimum of 24 in order to make arrangements, but surely we can do that (and more) without any trouble. It's a fun deal - your Gyrette gets to pick the horses and you pay for the tickets - it's called a 50-50 proposition! Let John Stroppa know if you plan on going.

SPECIAL GREETINGS - it was great to see our good friend, P.I.P. Russ Carter at our last meeting. We hope to see more of you Russ, and please bring that special book with all those great stories in it! Our thanks to Tommy Douglas for bringing Russ to the meeting.

Among the missing of late are:- David Castell: Barry Bentz: Louis Tremblay: Don Millar: Don Popowich and Gordon Robertson. Perhaps you have been away, or business interferred, or you were playing golf or at the races - or you might have been unwell. Whatever the reason your Gyro friends miss you and hope to see you soon. I could also mention John Simpson - but I think he may be mad at me for always referring to him as Bill. Sorry about that Mr. JOHN!

OBITUARY :- it has recently come to our attention, that Mrs. Gertrude Miller recently passed away at the age of 92 years. Her late husband, Roy W. Miller, was a long time member of our Club where he served as Secretary for many years.

Among his many contributions to our club and to Gyro in general, he was responsible for compiling the Historical Records of our club from 1921, when the club was chartered, until 1960 when ill health prevented him from continuing his great work. He died in 1976.

He was a very dedicated Gyro who epitomized the meaning of friend. His work was duly recognized when he was presented with the highest honor that Gyro can bestow, the Gyro Honor Key in 1950. The belated condolences of our club's membership are extended to Mrs. Miller's family.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

There's a season for beginnings,  
When the world is fresh and new,  
When we shape our dreams of all the things  
we plan and hope to do.

There's a season for maturing,  
When we think and work and grow...  
There's a reason for the harvesting  
of all we've come to know.

And each successive season  
grows richer than the last,  
As treasures of the present  
add to memories of the past.

SMILES & CHUCKLES - It's called poetic justice. He would sooner play golf than eat. She would sooner play bridge than cook.

A doctor and his wife were having a big row. "You know" he screamed, "you are the worst cook, the worst lover, in fact the worst wife a man could have!" He then stomped out of the house and went to work. That night he returned home very late and found the remnants of a gourmet dinner on the table, and his wife in a passionate embrace with another man. "What in the world are you doing?" shrieked the outraged husband. "Getting a second opinion" replied his wife.

VOX POP - Better to fail in doing something, than to succeed in doing nothing. (John Halford)

The future is coming. Only you can decide where it is going. (Don Millar)

~~Scientists say that man is the only creature that can reason. That's because he is the only one who needs the excuses. (Louis Tremblay)~~

One never finds life worth living. One has to make it worth living. (Vern Sadd)

Don't laugh at old age, some folks never make it. (Wes Van Dusen)

A closed mouth keeps your foot out. (David Burnett)

OUR NEXT MEETING - 17 July - 12.00 noon at the Mayfair Golf Club. Program Team No.17, under Captain Ed Edlund, have arranged for someone special for you to meet. For several years you watched him play outstanding football for the Edmonton Eskimos, where he became one of the CFL all-time great pass catchers.

By now I'm sure you know we refer to Brian Kelly, who is now President of Southern Hyundai Ltd.

Brian will reminisce about his career in sports and his time with the Edmonton Eskimos including 5 Grey Cups.

③ This will be a very interesting meeting and your attendance with a friend will be rewarding.

Yours in Gyro - Retread

