

*JOHN There is a meeting on Tuesday 4 July at noon at my office*  
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# THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
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Here I go having to apologize again for missing another meeting, this time on 13 June, but once again another good Gyro came to my rescue. My thanks to Allan Douglas for making notes and submitting the following:-

Meeting of 13 June 1989 - President Jon welcomed 34 people in attendance, including Bryce Van Dusen's guest, Rick Newcombe, and Marty Larsons guest, Don Popowich. Harry Mills led us in cheerio and Reverend Bill Graham asked the blessing. President John then called for a minutes silence in respect for Howard Wilson's sister, Lottie-Hanna, who passed away while visiting in Edmonton from Regina.

Birthdays - Since our last 'log, Ron Holmes, who now resides in Vancouver, celebrated his 45th year on June 7th, while our youngest octogenarian Howard Wilson, reached that number on June 10th. Our belated best wishes to you both.

Correspondence - cards were read and circulated from some of our travelling Gyros, including Dan Lawton, Marty Larson and Andy Friderichsen. President John read a card from Eva Humphries, expressing her gratitude for the donation our club made in Jim's memory.

WBOBC - Harry Mills, a member of this committee, reported on a meeting with the Children's Section of the U of A Hospital. The hospital serves children from tots to teens, some of whom are in for extended periods. The hospital plan on making a roof area of the hospital available to the children as a park and playground, and is approaching the Edmonton Gyro Club to provide some playground equipment. They will be developing a proposal and we will be hearing more from Harry on the subject.

Change of address - everybody's friend P.I.P. Russ Carter, is now residing in Canterbury Court. If any Gyros are available to drop in for a visit they are welcome. His new address is: Room 262, Canterbury Court, 8403 - 142 Street, Edmonton, AB. T5R 4L3. Phone 486-2282.

Upcoming events - On 26 June the Crossroads Gyro Club is having a golf tournament at the Sherwood Park Golf Course. If you are interested, call Don Birmingham at 465-4848.

The BBQ planned for Fort Edmonton by Crossroads on 30 June has been cancelled, since there was no interest in a bus tour that had been planned following the convention in Kelowna.

Gyroette Golf Scramble - this popular event will be held on Tuesday 8 August 1989 at the Devon Golf Course. Tournament Director Ernie Siegel asked for prizes and noted the attractive rates - \$18.00 for golf and \$15.00 for dinner. He noted that 10 years ago the rates were \$14 and \$13 so the price is right. Let Ernie know if you want a power cart.

Guest Speaker on 13 June was Mr. Al Lemiski, who was introduced by Roger Russell, whom he has known for some 25 years. Mr. Lemiski retired last Christmas after 36 years in Air Traffic Control. He explained that the purpose of Air Traffic Control is to maintain an orderly and safe flow of air traffic - in other words keeping aircraft separated. He explained that VFR aircraft have to see and be seen and separate themselves. The Air Traffic Control is controlled by a tower and there is control for a five mile radius and 3000 feet above ground. VFR is controlled by 7 control centres in Canada, with Edmonton being one. The Edmonton Centre controls Alberta and most of Northern Canada. The volume of flights is very high because all flights from Western Canada and Northwestern United States flying to and from Europe, go through this auspice.

Mr. Lemiski offered to arrange a tour of the Flight Centre at Edmonton International, if there is any interest. If you would like to participate, let Roger know.

President John closed the meeting by presenting David Burnett with his Past President's Certificate.

Our last regular meeting was held on 20 June at the Mayfair Golf Club (27) at which ye olde editor managed to put in an appearance for at least part of the session. (Sorry President John, I will try to improve my attendance in the future).

We were pleased to welcome again, Rick Newcombe, who was Bryce Van Dusen's guest, also Marty Larson's guest, Don Popowich. Both Rick & Don are interested in becoming members of Gyro. These two applicants were "commercially introduced" by their respective sponsors, by information about their respective business pursuits! Following their introduction, Harry Mills led us in cheerio, and Howard Wilson asked the blessing.

Then taking a leaf from P.I. P. Dave Burnett's routine, President John provided us with some political advice in the form of a story about open range policy. Not bad at all John - some laughs and no groans!

#### Ways & Means, Objective & Benevolence Committee (WBOBC)

Chairman Allan Warrack gave a report on this committee's work in relation to possible club projects, which included:-

- (a) Support for a children's playground (equipment) within the University Hospital.
- (b) A recognition program of former Gyro playgrounds for children (e.g. Gyro Park No.1.).
- (c) Support for the Centre for Gerontology at the University of Alberta.

With regard to project (a) Harry Mills reported that further information on this proposed indoor playground is required, before a recommendation can be brought before the club.

Concerning item (b) Gord Rennie advised that this suggestion is being explored and a report will be submitted in due course.

On item (c) a motion was made by Allan Warrack, seconded by Ivan Ivankovich, that the Edmonton Gyro Club provide the sum of \$10,000.00 in the form of a Gyro Endowment Fund for Gerontology at the University of Alberta.

Following some discussion and further explanation by Allan Warrack, the motion was carried.

#### Club Finances

President John reported on the Director's meeting of 13 June 1989, at which the club's finances were reviewed, which shows a small surplus at present. However the projected budget for 1989-90 indicates we will incur a small deficit, mainly due to an increase in District and International dues.

As a result, our Treasurer Barry Walker, brought forward the following Notice of Motion:- "That our annual club dues be increased from \$250.00 to \$260.00 effective 1 July 1989 to 30 June 1990." This motion will be voted on by the membership at a meeting in September 1989.

#### Convention Funds

Roger Russell spoke on the need to augment the Convention Account by \$1000.00 for the 1990 Convention. It was moved by Roger Russell, seconded by Allan McClure, that \$1000.00 be transferred from the Convention Fund to the General Fund to augment what is normally set aside for International Conventions. Motion carried.

#### Membership

Past Governor Marty Larson, in his usual excellent manner, formally inducted two members into our club in the persons of Gunnar Anderson and John Simpson. Our congratulations to Gunnar and John, may you enjoy a long and happy association in Gyro. Our thanks to their sponsors, David Burnett and Marty Larson for adding to our family of friends.

### First Posting

Rick Newcombe, 9527 - 190 Street Edmonton, T5L 4K1  
Sales Representative, Ocean Food Sales Ltd. 200, 17303 - 103 Ave Edmonton T5S 1J4  
Proposed by Bryce Van Dusen, seconded by Marty Larson.

Donald William Popowich, 363 Lessard Drive, Edmonton, T6M 1A6  
V.P. & Financial Consultant, Merrill Lynch, Canada. 1780, 10180-101 St. Edmonton T5J 3S4  
Proposed by Marty Larson, seconded by Mort Morter.

Cash Draw - President John asked Boyd Slavik to make the draw. Boyd promptly obliged and drew his own name. Nice work if you can get it!

### Smiles & chuckles & things.

Allan Douglas - A bachelor fed these requirements for the perfect partner into a dating computer: " I want a companion who is small and attractive, loves water sports, is fond of seafood and enjoys group activities." The reply: "Marry a penguin!"

Bert Boren - when you give, forget it; when you take, remember.

David Castell - Humility is like underwear. Everyone should have it, but it shouldn't show.

Gordon Robertson - Most people believe that it would benefit them if they could get a little from those who have none. How much more would it benefit them if they would learn a little from those who know more.

Al McClure - Life is like a trumpet. If you don't put anything into it, you don't get anything out.

Stan Smith - Old age is like everything else. To make a success of it, you've got to start young.

Gunnar Anderson - A fellow lost his job and was asked what happened. "Well you know how foreman are", said the fellow, "they stand around with their hands in their pockets, watching everyone else work." But why did he fire you", asked his acquaintance, "jealousy", said the man, "all the other people in the shop thought I was the foreman".

John Simpson - The fellow who can smile when things go wrong is probably just going off shift.

Vern Sadd - In spite of the cost of living, it is still popular.

Retread - the following was passed along to me as a Chinese proverb. We're skeptical about that, but we like it anyway. "Man who say it cannot be done, should not interrupt man doing it'."

That's it for this time - be seeing you, Retread.

