



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON — EDMONTON — ALBERTA

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At our last meeting on 1 May, we had 34 members plus two guests, who were welcomed by First Vice-President Merrill Morstad who chaired the meeting and did a good job of attaining a modicum of attention and a degree of silence, when required.

Our guests were David Burnett's friend Tony Shepherd, and a visitor from the Dawson Creek Gyro Club in the person of Allan Clark, who was introduced by Gord Rennie.

Allan came with a special invitation to attend the Dawson Creek Gyro Club's 50th Anniversary celebration being held on 2 & 3 June 1990.

Plans are underway to provide tours of the City and surrounding area on the Saturday afternoon. The Installation Banquet & Dance will take place on Saturday evening at the Royal Canadian Legion.

On Sunday everyone will gather at Allan Clark's Pouce Coupe Ranch for brunch and Gyro fun. Cost for the week-end will be \$25.00 per person. Please make your cheques payable to Allan M. Clark, Box 69 Pouce Coupe, BC. VOC 2CO. Registration will be at the Peace Villa Motel on Friday and Saturday.

Make plans to attend and celebrate with our northern Gyro neighbors and renew old friendships. They need to know as soon as possible (like right away) how many will be attending so they can complete arrangements for dinner, etc., on our behalf. Let Gord Rennie know if you plan on going.

Our guest speaker was one of our newer young members, Rick Newcombe, who was introduced by his good friend Neil Sheidow.

Rick, who is Sales Manager for the Edmonton Convention Centre, gave us a very interesting, informative talk on the subject of Conventions. This was a very timely topic because our club will be hosting the Gyro International Convention here in 1996; and although it is s few years away, now is the time for advance planning.

Rick pointed out that while holding a convention may be considered a matter of routine, much attention to many details is essential for success.

Conventions have an economic impact on the City, with the monetary expenditures having a "trickle down" effect on many businesses and people from many walks of life.

With regard to the 1996 convention, Rick offered some very sound planning advice and direction, covering many very important items for consideration by the Convention Planning Committee. Assistance for conventions in various forms from the City of Edmonton, the Edmonton Convention Centre and the Edmonton Convention and Tourism Authority. The ECTA has recently published a book captioned, "Destination Edmonton" which contains a wealth of information regarding our City and conventions.

The thanks of our members and guests were nicely expressed by Mort Morter to Rick, for his fine presentation.

COMING EVENTS - Dawson Creek Gyro Club's 50th Anniversary - 2-3 June 1990. (see above)

ANNUAL RED DEER GOLF- Bill Agnew reminded us that this event will take place in Red Deer on 7 June at the Riverbend Golf Course - 8.30 a.m. start. Cost is \$40.00 which includes your golf and dinner. Bill needs a "head count" by May 15th, so you can give him your name plus a cheque at our next luncheon meeting on May 15th at Mayfair - or simply mail a cheque to W.E.(Bill) Agnew, 11118 - 55 Street Edmonton, AB. T5W 3P3.

STAMPEDE CITY INSTALLATION will take place on Saturday June 9 at the Garrison Officers Mess, Mewata Armouries, 8th Ave & 11th Street, Calgary. Cocktails at 6.30 dinner at 7.30 and dancing to follow. Cost is \$70.00 per couple which includes dinner wines, liqueur, and breakfast on Sunday morning, at the home of incoming President Jack Williamson. They are limited to a maximum number who can attend, so get your name in early to one of the Committee members: John Harding 289-4648: Len Cary 282-7565: or Al Clark 281-3321.

DISTRICT VIII CONVENTION - 9,10,11,12 August 1990 at the Terrace Inn, Edmonton - hosts Sherwood Park Gyro Club. By this time everyone will have received a letter of invitation, together with the convention agenda and registration form for this convention. Remember, to be eligible for the early bird draw (one free registration) your registration must be received before 1 June. Mail early - you could be the lucky winner!

BIRTHDAYS - greetings were given to the ever youthful Allan Ursulak for his big day on May 10th, and (in absentia) to Andy Friderichsen (he's cruising again) for his celebration on the 13th May.

HEALTH & WELFARE - Bert Boren is home from hospital, but will have to mark time for a while before getting back to golf.

Paul Green is home again. Please call Enid at 437-1505 before visiting.

LUCKY DRAW - there were two draw prizes last meeting. (1) John Pedden won the money and (2) Ken McKenzie won a prize donated by the Edmonton Convention Centre, courtesy Rick Newcombe.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS - our good friend, Past International President Russ Carter is now living in Central Park Lodge, 5905 - 112 Street, Edmonton, AB. T6H 3J4 - telephone 435-1306.

SMILES & CHUCKLES - Once during a visit to London, Mark Twain was invited to a dinner by a group who subscribed to the theory, that William Shakespeare's plays were written by Francis Bacon.

When one of his hosts asked Twain who he thought the author was, he answered, "I'll wait until I get to heaven and ask Shakespeare." "I don't think, sir, that you will find Shakespeare in heaven," said the Baconian, nose in the air. "Then you ask him," replied Mark Twain.

The following is borrowed from the Gyroper(the Stampede City Bulletin)

This is the story of the bee Whose sex is very hard to see; You cannot tell the he from she But she can tell and so can he. The little bee is never still She has no time to take the pill, And that is why in times like these There are so many sons of bees.

- DEFINITIONS Golf a sport in which many impressive scores are attained by a lead pencil. Golf a game that begins with a golfball and ends with a highball.
 - Garbage the verbal kind is usually found in daily newspapers.
 - Adolescence that period when the young feel their parents should be told the facts of life.
 - Politics It has been said that politics was the second oldest profession, but we have come to know that it bears a gross similarity to the first.

VOX POP - Some workers are like a callous. They always show up when the work is finished. (Roger R)

Live your life so you don't have to hide your diary. (Stan Smith)

One should never spoil a good theory by explaining it. (Mel Snihurowych)

The time for retirement should be reorganized & renamed. It is time for embarking on a new career. (Norm Williams)

Never judge a book by a motion picture with the same title. (Jack Ellis)

Too many people who pride themselves on their good memories, remember things that are best forgotten. (John Ross).

The perfect solution isn't always the best answer. (Roy Bennett)

Love is a priceless commodity. It is the only thing you can give away & still keep. (Mike Matei)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY — Golf is a lot like taxes. You drive hard to get to the green and then wind up in the hole.



REMEMBER OUR NEXT MEETING

Date: 15 May 1990
Place: Mayfair Golf Club
Time: 12.00 noon

The speaker: Past President Al McClure Your obligation: To be with your Gyro friends

Your privilege: Just being a Gyro

