



THE GYROLOG THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

President

Fred Schulte
Res. 434-0925

January 28, 2007

1st Vice-President

Jack Brown
Res. 434-0392

Sorry about the delay in the publishing of this issue of **GYROLOG**, due to two reasons:

1. A sick computer, it required hospitalization, now fully recovered.
2. A sick Editor bad bout with my old "friend" Asthma, not yet out of the woods.

2nd Vice-President

Bob Berube
Res. 436-4896

Anyway here goes.

Imm. Past President

Walter Yakimets
Res. 438-1406

A regular Luncheon Meeting was held on January 16, 2007 with 30 members and guests in attendance.

President Fred Schulte opened the meeting, welcoming all to another great day in Edmonton

Secretary

Barry Walker
Res. 475-0983

Cheerio was led by **Larry Dobson**, *Grace* was then offered by **Bruce Foy**.

Treasurer

Mike Matei
Res. 930-1780

Guests: **Roger Russell** introduced the Guest Speaker **John McDougall** and **Aurelio Fernandes** was recognized and welcomed as a member in waiting.

The members responded with a hearty round of applause.

Directors

Gordon Robertson
Res. 486-1240
Alan Rusler
Res. 435-1129
Bill Taylor
Res. 430-0330
Eric Spink
Res. 436-5242

Hockey Pool: recent Club winners:

Game# 7

January 05 Oilers Vs Canucks

First **0** **0**

Second **1** **1**

Final **2** **3**

Winners First Period

John Ross

David McNaughton

Robert McKinnon

Gyrolog Editor

Peter Fairbridge
Phone 435-5629

Winners Second Period

Brian Scranton

Laura Travis

Kristen Scott

Winners Final

Lorraine Assheton-Smith

Perry Majeau

Gordon Rennie

Game# 8

January 12 Oilers Vs Wild

First 0 0

Second 2 2

Final 2 4

Winners First Period

Leslie Duchak

Jennifer Foy

Ernie Siegel

Winners Second Period

Marilyn Nichols

Marcia Kashani

Ron Harris

Winners Final

Michele Gagnier

Laura McNaughton

Fred Schulte

[Charitable Donation:](#)

President Fred announced that (4) Groups were presently being considered by the Executive for a Donation of \$500.00 each,

- Developmental Disabilities.
- KidSport Edmonton.
- Dreams Take Flight.
- Salvation Army.

This matter is to receive further study and input before a decision being made.

[Club Funds:](#)

The Club Treasurer **Mike Matei** gave a report on the following *Club funds*:

- ***General Fund.*** Current Balance \$20,000.00

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- ***Benevolence Fund.*** Current Balance \$17,000.00 Mike stated that a long-term plan needs to be developed for the management of this fund.
- ***Convention Fund.*** Current Balance \$26,500.00.

A number of questions were asked relative the various funds, pertaining generally as to how the funds were raised, and a few suggestions were made as to possibilities for usage, no firm decisions were reached.

Mike closed by suggesting that we all think on issues raised and send any ideas to the **President** and or **himself** and raised the possibility of a Committee being struck to consider and bring back recommendations to the Club on any issues pertaining.

Guest Speaker:

The Guest Speaker **Mr. John McDougall** was formally introduced by Roger Russell, as being a native Edmontonian, an engineer, President & CEO of the Alberta Research Council Inc.

His *Power Point* presentation was based on the theme “**The Journey to a Sustainable Alberta Economy**”

The **ARC** was established in 1921 by the Government of Alberta and was the first of its kind in Canada; its prime aim was to facilitate the U of A to enter into research.

The ARC currently employs 500 people. One third PhD holders, one third Engineers and one third Support personnel

Has a budget of \$91 million one third of which comes from Government.

It provides “Technical Services”, “Strategic R & D” & “Technology Commercialization”

Examples of Work in Progress:

- ARC & FORINTEK the primary innovation of turning “Aspen” into a multi billion dollar value added resource.
- ARC helped CERAMIC PROTECTION CORPORATION in the development of:
 1. Ballistic ceramic plates used in personal, vehicle and structural armour systems.
 2. Revenues grew from \$4M in 1999 to \$33M in 2004
 3. Employ 40 people in Calgary.
 4. 95% of sales are exports.

The content of the Power Point presentation is included with this GYROLOG as an attachment!

Many interesting questions were fielded and it would appear that the Club found the presentation to be of extreme interest.

Mr John McDougall was thanked by **Bruce Foy** who also presented him with the Clubs token of thanks, he the asked **John** to draw the card for the free lunch and **Larry Dobson** was the lucky recipient.

Upcoming Meetings:

February 06th, Mixed Valentines Event, as previously promoted in successive GYROLOGS, Any one requiring further details should contact **Larry Dobson** at 444-5111.

February 20th, Our speaker, **Neil Shelly**, is **Executive Director of the Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA)**, AFPA is the Industry Association which represents interests of the Forest Products Industry operating in the Province. AFPA takes a long-term view of managing and sustaining our renewable natural resources. In 2006 AFPA issued a policy discussion document entitled '**Integrated Landscape Management: A Win-Win Solution**'. The document is posted on the AFPA website {www.albertaforestproducts.ca}. "GYRO is fortunate to have Mr. Shelly speak to this document and other major concerns of the Alberta Forestry sector."

March 06th, Bocce Ball, **Victor Jagoldas** 434-2438 is the organizer of this event and further information will be published at a later date.

Second Posting:

Aurelio Fernandes has applied for membership in our Club. **Aurelio** and his wife **Allison** live at 13915-96 Street in Edmonton and their postal code is T5E 5Z1. Their telephone number is 476-0073 and their e-mail address is aurelio@interbaun.com **Aurelio** is the **Honorary Consul for Portugal in Edmonton** and is proposed by Walter Yakimets and seconded by Peter Fairbridge.

Official Club Notice:

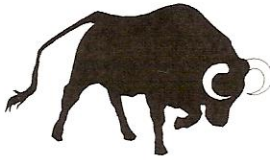
**The Gyro Club of Edmonton
Constitution and By-Laws**

**Pursuant to Article X111-Amendments,
Notice is hereby given that proposed amendments to the November 2, 1999
Constitution and By-Laws will be discussed with members on March 20, 2007.**

**Copies of the proposed amended Constitution dated January 15, 2007 will be provided to
all members prior to the March 20th meeting.**

Dated January 28th, 2007
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Same Old Bull



Peter