



# **THE GYROLOG** THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

June 21, 2005

## **President**

Walter Yakimets  
Res. 438-1406

**President Walter** was able to welcome 28 Gyros plus their guests to another beautiful day in paradise! **Victor Jagoldas** led us in Cheerio and **John Plunkett** asked the blessing.

## **1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President**

Fred Schulte  
Res. 434-0925

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President**

Jack Brown  
Res. 434-0392

**Jack Brown** introduced his guests Ron Ramsay and member waiting to be installed Warren Garbutt. **Val Pohl** introduced his friend Phil Anselmo, **John Ross** and **Marty Larson** welcomed Bill Taylor, **President Walter** had a special guest Roger Goulet and **Bryce Van Dusen** welcomed back Barry Benz.

## **Imm. Past President**

Dick Nichols  
Res. 476-3221

## **Secretary**

Barry Walker  
Res. 475-0983

**Mort Morter** reported that **Bob Lippe** fell on Monday and was not feeling well enough to be out. However, he had no breaks and is recovering.

## **Treasurer**

Mike Matei  
Res. 930-1780

Roger Goulet informed us that the Edmonton/Red Deer RCMP Veterans Associations are sponsoring a performance at Rexall Place on Wednesday August 31, 2005 at 7:30 PM. It will include the R.C.M.P. Musical Ride, Lord Strathcona Horse, the R.C.M.P. dog section, the R.C.M.P. Pipe and Drum Band and the R.C.M.P. Drill Team. The cost is \$10 for open seating. After the 2.5 hour performance people will be allowed to enter the rink area for a "petting" session. Tickets are expected to go fast. Contact Roger at 483-0222 for tickets. All proceeds go the Police support groups such as the Victims of Crime, Drug Awareness, and Rural Crime Watch.

## **Directors**

Gordon Robertson  
Res. 486-1240

John Stroppa  
Res. 469-6133

David McNaughton  
Res. 481-3612

Alan Rusler  
Res. 435-1129

**President Walter** announced that we need a volunteer to coordinate the hockey pool this year. The task involved distributing the tickets and collecting the money. **PIP Marty Larson** will provide back up support for this transition year. **Dave Duchak** said that he and **Bob Lippe** will continue in their roles for another year. If you are willing to volunteer, let **President Walter** know.

## **Gyrolog**

### **Editor-In -Chief**

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Res. 488-2856

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There is difficulty contacting the hotel for the International Convention and one way to get a Hilton Hotel reservation is to phone the Hotel directly at 414-271-7250.

Our Treasurer **Mike Matei** outlined last year's budget and presented the proposed budget for the upcoming year. **David Burnett** moved that the budget be adopted and **John Plunkett** seconded the motion which was subsequently passed.

**Mike** also reported that there were 40 participants at the Red Deer Golf Event and our own star **Roger PYS Russell** won the low net.

**Larry Dobson** introduced our guest speaker, Joan Greabeiel, Director of marketing for the WORLD MASTERS GAMES. Joan was a musician before assuming her present role. She will be participating in the half marathon, the 10 kilometer run, and in soccer. Between July 22 and 31 there will be 27 sports taking place in Edmonton and the surrounding area. There will be 21,000 athletes, including 5000 Edmontonians, from 84 countries. The number of participants is second only to Melbourne in 2002 where there were 25,000 athletes.

There will also be social events after 6:00 PM and all but two are free. The opening of the games on Friday July 22 at Commonwealth Stadium will cost \$20 for adults and will feature the snowbirds. On Friday July 29, there will be a Semi-Formal event at the Shaw Conference Centre that will include a dinner and dance. The games are a significant economic boost to Alberta and Edmonton because the participants pay their own way and have booked 55 hotels as well as campgrounds etc.

**Allan Warrack** thanked the speaker on behalf of **Bob Berube** who could not attend.

**Allan** also thanked the volunteers from the Prostate Golf Tournament which will net about \$75,000. **Bruce Foy** passed this along. "On Friday morning after the bag drop was finished and I was in the Club House, Doug Baker of the CCS asked me if everyone had shown up. I, naturally thought that he was talking about the golfers and I replied that, to the best of my knowledge, six had not. It turned out that he was talking about the volunteers and not the golfers. I then explained to him that when members of our Club say they will do something, you can be assured that they will do it without question and further more they never say "no" when asked to do something. It's a great Club whose members are super to do things with."

**John Plunkett** won a free lunch.

**John Ross** brings to our attention some wedding anniversaries this and next month.

- 45 years! **Roger and Janet Russell**, 11 June (1960)
- 38 years! **Larry and Carol Dobson**, 17 June (1967)
- 65 years !!! **Bryce and Florrie Van Dusen**, 13 July (1940)
- 56 years !! **Gordon and Eleanor Robertson**, 9 July (1949)
- 44 years ! **Don and Lorraine Assheton-Smith**, 28 July (1961)
- 35 years **Barry and Valerie Walker**, 11 July (1960)
- 05 years (relative newlyweds!) **Jack and Joyce Brown**, 15 July (2000)

**John** also advises that so far, club members have contributed a stack of Canadian Tire money measuring one and one-quarter inches high, that will be donated to Habitat for Humanity. What's the value? \$38.00! Thank you. Should any of the rest of you, still have a stash you would like to contribute, there will be a donation box on Treasurer **Mike's** table, at each regular luncheon meeting.

**Al** and **Bette McClure** have returned to the City of Champions. They are residing at #420, 17103 - 94a Ave T5T 6V8 Ph. 489-1967 Welcome back!

Here are some more examples of English from **John Ross**. 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert. 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present. 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum. 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes. 10) I did not object to the object.

Secretary **Barry Walker** is working on an update to the roster. If you have any changes you would like to make contact him at 428-8530 or [walkerb@petersonwalker.ab.ca](mailto:walkerb@petersonwalker.ab.ca)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Our next regular meeting will be at the Mayfield on July 5, 2005. **David McNaughton** has invited Karen Philips from the Autism Society for what should be a very interesting presentation.

**Barry Walker** advises that the Gyro/Gyrette golf scramble will be at the Legends on July 12-05, golf will start at 1:00 PM with the traditional BBQ to follow. More details to follow, and we are in need of prizes.

On July 19<sup>th</sup> **Eric Spink** has invited a veteran of the Edmonton Police Service to discuss some of the current issues at EPS.

**Jack Brown** has invited Ray Turchansky from the Edmonton Journal to talk about financial strategies for people who are retired.

There will be a mixed evening meeting on September 6, 2005 at Fort Edmonton to celebrate the centennial of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

**Val Pohl** advises that the horse races at Northlands will be on Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> The cost will be \$28 for members and guests.

**John Stroppa** is planning for a Gyro/Gyrette luncheon to celebrate Thanksgiving. The date is Tuesday, October 4, 2005 at 12:00 noon. It will be at the Santa Maria Goretti Italian Community Centre, 11050 – 90 Street. There is ample free parking available behind the centre, on the front street, or across 90<sup>th</sup> Street in the Commonwealth Stadium parking lot. Further information to follow.

Founder's Night is scheduled for Tuesday October 18, 2005 at the Mayfair.

The Gyro Prostate Cancer Sponsorship Appreciation Dinner will be held at the Faculty Club on Wednesday November 16, 2005.

**Walter Yakimets** has booked the Riverview room at the Shaw Conference Centre for our Christmas party on December 6, 2005.

**Barry Walker** informed us that we will be hosting the District VIII Convention in 2007 from August 9 to 12. It will be at the Delta City Centre Hotel and the room rates will be about \$100.

Same Old Bull

Allan

