



June 15, 2004

President

Dick Nichols
Res. 476-3221

President Dick gave a warm welcome to 28 Gyros and 3 guests at the last meeting for June. One month down **Dick**, only eleven more to go!

1st Vice-President

Walter Yakimets
Res. 438-1406

Marty Larson introduced **John Read's** guest Ron Newman. **Val Pohl** introduced his friend Bill Clark. We also enjoyed the company of our friend **Red Laychuk** from the St. Albert Gyro Club. The last Gyrolog was printed before I obtained the last name of **Allan Warrack's** guest, he was Dick French from Calgary.

2nd Vice-President

Fred Schulte
Res. 434-0925

Imm. Past President

Roy Bennett
Res. 987-2403

Val Pohl led us in Cheerio and **David Burnett** asked the blessing.

Secretary

Barry Walker
Res. 475-0983

Barry Walker reported that the Prostate Cancer Golf Tournament held on June 9th was very successful and approximately \$60,000 was raised at the event.

Treasurer

Mike Matei
Res. 930-1780

President Dick presented **Al McClure** with his 25 year pin in this his 25th year as a member of the Edmonton Gyro Club.

Directors

Bruce Foy
Res.436-7142
Win Kirkwood
Res. 436-2300
Gordon Robertson
Res. 486-1240
John Stroppa
Res. 469-6133

Gerry Glassford introduced our guest speaker who was Ray Block from the Alberta Mental Health Board. The responsibility for the delivery of mental health services has been transferred from the Board to the Regional Health Authorities and Ray was responsible for that transformation. He reported that 20% of Canadians will experience mental health issues, 3% are severe and persistent.

Gyrolog

Editor-In -Chief

Gordon Rennie
Res. 488-2856

He also worked with a committee to prepare a provincial mental health plan and a priority now is to develop the regional mental health plans that are consistent with it. With the aging workforce there is a growing demand on mental health services and areas of concern include aboriginal and children's mental health as well as addictions. Work is also being done on a provincial suicide prevention strategy. Efforts are being made to increase awareness of mental illness through public education with an emphasis on addressing the stigma associated with this form of illness.

Editor

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Bruce Foy thanked the speaker for us. Ray drew a number of cards before **Roger Russell** was the popular winner of a free lunch.

Gerry Glassford informed us that **Joan** and **Keith Lowing** are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. In our club, **Maureen** and **Win Kirkwood** are celebrating their 35th anniversary on June 28th.

Mort Morter reported on the health of the club and we were pleased to learn that **Andy Friderichsen** is undergoing therapy and is doing well with his new hip.

SECOND POSTING. **John Plunkett** has recommended his friend, Jack Brown, for membership in our Club. Jack's spouse is Joyce and they reside at 1334-119B St. NW, (City of Champions) T6J 7H5. Home phone 434-0392. Jack is a retired physician whose special interests are golf, bridge and playing keyboard. Thanks **John** for recommending your friend for membership. We look forward to having Jack join our merry throng!

UPCOMING EVENTS

The meeting on July 6, 2004 will feature a report on the International Gyro Convention.

The Gyro and Gyrette 9 hole golf scramble has been booked for the Legends Golf & Country Club for Tuesday, July 20, 2004 at 1:00 P.M. with a BBQ to follow. Cost is \$45.00 including golf, dinner and wine or \$25.00 for dinner if you prefer not to golf. Golfers are required to pay for their own cart. Please contact **Barry Walker** for more details and signing up.

Lethbridge's 2004 District VIII Convention will be at Waterton Lakes National Park August 5 – 8 and includes a boat trip and breakfast at the Prince of Wales Hotel. Application forms are in the current issue of the Gyroscope.

The Quad Club golf tournament is being run by the Edmonton Gyro Club this year and will be held at the Legends Golf & Country Club on Thursday, August 26, 2004 at 1:00 P.M. with a BBQ to follow. Cost is \$65.00 including golf, cart, dinner and wine or \$25.00 for dinner if you prefer not to golf. The funds must be received by Monday, August 23, 2004 to secure your spot. Please contact **Barry Walker** for more details and signing up.

John Stroppa reports that he and his team of **Harry Nash** and **Val Pohl** have arranged an afternoon of thoroughbred racing on Sunday September 26, 2004. **John** has reserved the Upper Sky Suite on the 4th floor of the Spectrum at Northlands Park with its balcony access. Take elevator from main floor - left side. Limited free parking if grounds entered from Borden Park Road. The package includes a lunch buffet, private bar or cocktail service, racing program, convenient access to pari-mutual windows, and a group hostess to assist during the function. The buffet will be served approximately 12:30 pm. Post time is 1:00 pm. The cost to the Edmonton Gyro Club members and Gyrettes is \$24 per

person. For guests the cost is \$28. Please make all cheques payable to Gyro Club of Edmonton. To register please contact **John** 469-6133, **Harry** 482-1012 or **Val** 462-0511

Same Old Bull

Allan

