



VMC magic newsletter

News and information for the members of the Victoria Magic Circle — Ernie Crockford Ring #183

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APRIL/MAY MEETINGS

The April 2003 meeting of the Victoria Magic Circle was held on April 1/03, at the Langford Fire Hall. There were 22 members and 1 guest present. The meeting got underway at 7:30pm sharp. The guest was: Kirklan Lum. This was his third visit.

An official welcome home was given to Bob Reilly by President Jennifer Burke. She also announced at this time, it was our Annual General meeting.

Eric Bedard produced some posters to promote Mirth and Magic, plus he distributed 300 tickets for the show/competition. Coordinator Ron Bell went through and finalized the Mirth and Magic agenda.

Bob Reilly announced that the Round

Table meeting will now return to the Malahat Lounge on Gorge Road.

President Jennifer Burke graciously offer her home once again for our Annual Picnic which is scheduled for July 11/03, starting at 3:00pm. Derek Johnston volunteered to be the Picnic Coordinator.

Ross Simms donated some history material for the Achives.

Eric Bedard spoke on some possible magic lectures in the near future. He even gave away that Dan Harlan will be returning to Victoria.

Yay! The dues will remain the same fee as last year.

Ed Silva-White spoke on behalf of Nominating Chairman, Michael Levy as he went through the process of selecting the slate of officers for 2003-2004.

The new executive

will be as follow:

President-Elect – Shayne King; Past President – Jennifer Burke; Vice-President Damien Carriere; Secretary – Tony Eng; Treasurer – David Kendall; Sgt. At Arms – Bob Reilly; Custodian – Wade Collins; Members at Large – Paul Kilshaw and Kerry Zado; Ring Reporter – Ron Bell.

Many thanks to President Jennifer Burke and her hard working executives from 2002/2003, for doing such a terrific job.

May 2003:

- TT – Jack Poulter
- ML – Handling Spectators with David Kendall
- FOCUS – TBA
- SA – Damien Carriere Your favourite Trick

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- The next magic meeting of our VMC will be held on Tuesday, May 6/03, at 7:30pm, at the Langford Fire Hall.
- May 14/03 – 2:00pm Central Care Home – Seniors
- Next Round Table – May 19/03 at the Malahat Lounge.
- Wansborough Comedy Competition will be held along with our Mirth & Magic Show on Saturday, May 3/03 at the Isabelle Reader Theatre.
- Stan Kramien's Magic Jamboree – May 23-24/03
- PCAM – July 31-August 3/03

MIRTH AND MAGIC . . . May 3rd/03

We're getting down to the nitty gritty! Barring the unexpected the final lineup for M&M is: Doug Poruchny will be our Master of Ceremonies. In PART 1 - Comedy Competition. The following entertainers have registered: Damien Carriere; Eric Bedard; Greg Ladret; Dave Attwood; Shayne King and Joy Kruger; and Masa. Right after this, we will have a 15 minute Intermission. Part 2 will feature our Showcase of: Aaron Jones; David Gifford; David Kendall; Ron Bell; the Presentation of the Wansborough and Farquhar Trophies and finishing with Tony Eng & Company.

The Theatre Manager is Roger Triviss; Stage Manager Mike Levy; Sound Tech Frank Sanz; Follow Spot Donald Dunphy. Stage Hands Paul Kilshaw, Bryan Garduno, Hal Weaver and our official Photographer Ed Silva-White.

The Ticket Collection and ballot count will be done by Thomas Millar and Bob Reilly. Usher is Harvey Davidson. We can use another Usher (does not have to come to Tech Rehearsal). Let Ron Bell know if you can help.

The **TECHNICAL REHEARSAL** starts at 2:00pm sharp on Saturday, MAY 3/03. All performers and stage support crew must be there. Performers will need their lighting and sound cue cards if used.

If you have special needs, please speak with Mike Levy (380-0584) **before** coming to the rehearsal. Rehearsal should finish about 4:00pm to 4:30pm. Make your eating plans accordingly. We will provide some light refreshments including plenty of cool drinks.

There are still some tickets available from Eric Bedard or Tony's Trick & Joke Shop. The tickets are only \$6.00 per person. This is an unbelievable price in this day and age for a live professional magic show.

The Competition/Show will be held at the Isabelle Reader Theater in Langford and will begin at 7:00pm SHARP!

Looks like a really good evening of fun and magic. Good luck.

See you there.

APRIL Round Table Meeting:

The April Round Table meeting will be held on Monday, April 21/03 at the **Malahat Lounge** on the Gorge Road, from 7pm to 10pm. The scheduled theme for the evening is **BALL MAGIC**. David Attwood is our guest speaker. Dave will be covering Multiplying Billiard Balls, shells, body loads, vanishes, production, holders, etc. David promises this to be a very informative lecture.

The next Round Table will be held on Monday, May 19th, 2003, from 7pm to 10pm, at the **Malahat Lounge**, on Gorge Road. **Contact Bob Reilly** by phone at 381-7496 (or you can email Bob at: rfreil@telus.net) for more information on the Round Table.

Welcome home Bob and Audrey. We've missed you!



Senior Shows . . .

The Senior Show at Luther Court on April 9/03 was a great success. There were about 35 adults and 20 pre school children. Ron Bell got things going with a "rope" routine and a trick built round the ancient art of silk screening. The Magic and Illusions of Donald and Shannon Dunphy followed. They were in great form and had the kids laughing and screaming with delight. Their show was aimed entirely to the kids much to the delight of the old folks. Flowers and silks appeared in abundance and there were

many cute stories and some delightful pieces with young helpers who could not get things to go right!

We are moving towards our 100th Senior Show which will take place at Resthaven Lodge, Sidney, at 2:30pm on Wed. Nov. 12, 2003. We are planning to make this a special show with as many of the "original" performers as possible. In the mean time we have other shows.

Wed May 14/03 - Central Care Home at 2:00pm.

Wed Jun 4/03 - Mount Edward's Court at 2:00pm
If anyone would like to perform let Ron Bell know.

Ron Bell and Bob Reilly are conducting a Project Magic/ Healing of Magic Therapy program at Gorge Road Hospital from Monday, May 14/03 to about Monday, June 9/03. These are one hour (1 to 2pm Mondays except Easter) sessions with about six patients, all suffering from forms of head trauma. If interested in attending one of the sessions or finding out more

Around & About Town...

Tony and Ann Eng are visiting with Julie and Suley Fattah in TO, then heading down to visit with Sandra in NY. Tony will also be attending the 4-F Convention in Batavia, NY. Glad to hear Anna Crockford is feeling much better after having a bout with pneumonia. Eric Bedard had a successful Trade Show in NY. Mike Brough continues to pack em' in at Blethering Place. Now Mike and his partner Eric are starting to work on Friday and Saturday evenings. David Wilson reports that the Vancouver Magic Circle is hosting their annual Children's Magic Show

Competition on Saturday, May 3/03. Derek Peach continues to teach English, in China. Bob (Mesmer) Buie is currently performing his Hypnotic Show in New Zealand. Michael Harrison is busy performing his Ventriloquism Act aboard the Disney Cruise Ships. Jack & Vi Calve (Mr. & Mrs. Jellyroll have been busy with their clown/magic shows. This month, they a couple of shows on Salt Spring Island. Shayne King can be seen performing his magic down on the Causeway. Congratulations to Aaron Jones. Aaron has been accepted into the JET Pro-

gram (Japan Exchange and Teaching Program). He will be leaving for Japan near the end of July 2003. He will be working in the Japanese School System as an assistant English Teacher. Shawn & Lori Farquhar are busy entertaining all over the world and as well as preparing for their PCAM convention in Port Coquitlam. If you could only attend one magic convention this year, we highly recommend this one! Shawn has it jammed packed with some outstanding magic talent. Donald Dunphy's email: professionalmagic@hotmail.com

A note from our President

Spring is here, and with it brings a bustling time of year for most of us; between work, home (retirement?). The Victoria Magic club is in a flurry with their activities as well. With one of the biggest events to be staged just at our door step. The Mirth and Magic show is shaping up to be the best yet. Thanks to Ron Bell for masterminding it and his dedicated and talented group of entertainers and stage hands. Make sure if you are needing tickets to either give Eric Bedard, or Tony's Trick and Joke Shop a call. Should be a full house.

I want to thank all last years slate of officers: Shayne King, Damien Carriere, Bob Reilly, Ron Bell, David Attwood, Wade Collins, Bob Britton, and especially for Frank Sanz who has served three years as Treasurer. Out with the old and in with the new! Congratulations are in order to this years executive: Shayne King as President, Damien Carrier, as Vice President. Tony Eng as Secretary, David Kendall, Treasurer, Bob Reilly as Sgt. At Arms, as well as Wade Collins maintaining his position as Custodian. Members at Large: Kerry

Zado and Paul Kilshaw. Signing off as Past President, a big thanks to all the clubs members for any and all the efforts made through the year making it the club that it is. You should all be proud.

And as a final note, don't forget about our annual picnic which will be held at (our home): 5033 Stag Road on July 11, 2003, starting at 3:00pm. We're looking for volunteers to help and other to borrow their Bar-B-Ques for the afternoon's festivities.

President Jennifer Burke

SYM – April 2003 Meeting

The next meeting of the Society for Young Magicians will be held at Tony's Trick & Joke Shop, 688 Broughton Street on Friday, April 18, 2003, from 7:00pm to 8:45pm. Many thanks to Shayne King for chairing this SYM meeting.

Thanks to Diana & Pete Ma-

check for providing the snacks and refreshments.

The next SYM meeting will be held on Friday, May 16/03. The theme will be your favourite trick or to perform something that you feel comfortable presenting.

If you would like to help with any of these SYM meetings,

please contact Tony Eng.

We highly recommend for you to attend one of these SYM sessions and to meet these kids. They will be the future magicians in our town. You should see some of these kids performing their sleights! Wow!



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2003/2004 Executive Officers Elect

President Shayne King
Past President Jennifer Burke
Vice President: Damien Carriere
Secretary: Tony Eng
Treasurer : David Kendall
Sgt. At Arms: Bob Reilly
Custodian: Wade Collins
Members at Large: Kerry Zado
 Paul Kilshaw
Ring Reporter: Ron Bell

Get ready for that special effect with some of our HOT specials for your magic shows...

If you need to special order something for the new year, contact ann@magictrick.com and allow at least a week to 10 DAYS for any special orders.

New MAGIC & OLD Favourites

Bottle Through Table.....
 29.00
 Sponge Dove.....
 10.00
 Dove Har-
 ness.....10.00
 Charge It
 13.00
 CC Paper Fold (Christmas Effect).....
 25.00
 Needle Through Bal-
 loon.....14.00

Paper Cut/Poker/Bicycle.....
 15.00

Paper Cut/Jumbo/
 Bicycle.....10.00

Escape Handcuffs
 10.00

Colouring Book.....
 11.00

Invisible Deck/Bicycle.....
 10.00

Nickels to Dimes/Brass.....
 6.00

Magic BOOKS

Bertram on Sleight of Hand..... 95.00
 Expert Card Technique..... 16.00
 Paper Engine/Aaron Fisher..... 49.00
 Aftercraft..... 49.00
 Focus 42.00

Photos of Fame:



SHAYNE KING
 President-Elect 2003-04



DAVID KENDALL



KERRY ZADO
 Member at Large

Victoria Magic Circle Ernie Crockford Ring #183

Minutes from the April 1/03 Meeting at the Langford Fire Hall

President Jennifer Burke called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. There were 22 members present and 1 Guest.

Guests: Kirklan Lum third visit.

Minutes/March Meeting. MOTION. No omissions or additions. Doug Poruchny proposed approval of March. Mins. 2nd by Aaron Jones. CARRIED.

Correspondence:

- A card was sent to Derek Johnston regarding his friend who was ill. Condolences were given at the meeting as Derek's friend has now passed away.
- A card was sent to Anna Crockford who is in hospital with pneumonia.
- Condolences given to Bob Reilly for the loss of his brother.

Officer Reports

President's Report:

Jennifer Burke welcomed back Bob Reilly. She also mentioned that this was the Annual General Meeting.

Vice President:

Shayne King reported on the correspondence.

Treasurer:

Frank Sanz gave an un-audited report on the annual income and expenses. He reported that the current balance was \$3767.76 MOTION by Ed Silva-White to accept the un-audited report SECONDED by Ron Bell and PASSED.

Secretary:

Damien Carriere mentioned the roster was finished. He also mentioned he was working on a program that would simplify and better manage the roster.

Librarian:

Ed Silva-White reported that he bought some lecture videos that he will put into the library.

He also discussed the taking out of material.

Unfinished Business:

- Eric Bedard showed 20 posters and 300 tickets that he had printed up and that he is donating to the club for the M&M show. He mentioned that the tickets are ready to sell and they were in bundles of 10 or 25.
 - Eric Bedard made a MOTION to have just the tickets sold at Tony's Trick and Joke shop for \$6 to make \$5 for the club and to allow Tony to keep \$1 from each ticket for the trouble of selling through his shop. SECONDED by Kerry Zado and PASSED.
 - Ron Bell went through the M&M show program and the different roles people will have at the show.
 - Damien Carriere spoke about the filming of the M&M show and made a MOTION that the club pay \$150 for the filming and reproducing of the M&M show SECONDED by Eric Bedard and PASSED.
 - Shayne King also spoke about his friend who would film for a different point of view and Shayne made a MOTION that his friend film in return for three tickets to the M&M show SECONDED by Eric Bedard and PASSED.
 - There was some discussion on possibilities to give back to the Langford Fire Hall for their generosity of the meeting space. Eric Bedard made a MOTION that \$200 be given by the club toward the Langford Firefighters Ride-along SECONDED by Bob Reilly and PASSED.
7. Round table:
Bob Reilly mentioned the round table meetings will be returning to the Malahat Lounge.
8. New Business:
- Eric Bedard spoke on lectures. He mentioned that Dan Harlen is coming in may and his lecture is \$300US but he will give us a lecture at \$200US and he will pay for his own hotel! MOTION made by Eric Bedard to have Dan Harlen lecture here in may SECONDED by David Attwood and PASSED.
 - Jennifer Burke mentioned that the annual picnic can be held at her place on July 11/03. Derek Johnston volunteered to take care of provisions for the picnic.
 - Ross Simms donated some material to place in the archives.
 - The proposed new dues of \$25 for members receiving newsletter by mail, \$20 for members receiving newsletter on email and \$15 for out of town members and friends were put forward to the club.
Jennifer Burke made a MOTION to accept the new dues SECONDED by David Attwood and ABORTED. The dues were discussed and Frank Sanz made a MOTION to keep the dues the same as the past year SECONDED by Doug Poruchny and CARRIED.
 - Jennifer Burke made a MOTION to send flowers to Anna Crockford who is in hospital SECONDED by Eric Bedard and CARRIED.
9. A MOTION was made by Ron Bell to keep the President's \$250 reserve fund to be kept the same for next years president SECONDED by Bob Reilly and CARRIED.
10. Bob Reilly made a MOTION to have up to \$150 for the Round Table expenses SECONDED by Harvey Davidson and PASSED.
11. Ed Silva-White spoke about the slate for next years executive. He then opened the floor for new nominations and David Attwood nominated Kerry Zado for treasurer. A motion was made by Eric Bedard that the uncontested positions be given to the nominees SECONDED by Jennifer Burke and CARRIED. After some discussion a vote was taken and David Kendall was voted in for treasurer.
Kerry Zado and Paul Kilshaw were voted in as members at large. The new executive will consist of Jennifer Burke as the Past President, Shayne King as the President, Damien Carriere as the Vice President, David Kendall as the Treasurer, Tony Eng as the Secretary, Bob Reilly as the Sergeant at Arms, Ron Bell as the Ring Reporter, Ed Silva-White as the Librarian, Kerry Zado as a member at large, Paul Kilshaw as a member at large and Wade Collins as the custodian.
12. Jennifer Burke said a big thank you to the past executive and welcomed in the new executive.
13. Club Draws:
Gift Certificate (TT&J) won by Patrick Monreuil.
Library gift won by Masahiro Nishigahara and the Linking Rings by Damien Carriere.
14. MOTION for adjournment by Jennifer Burke at 9:00pm SECONDED by Damien Carriere. CARRIED

Signed: Damien Carriere

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We held our Annual General Meeting in April 2003. Plenty of business and election of next year's Ring Officers (starting in September). President-Elect, SHAYNE KING: VP, DAMIEN CARRIERE: Secretary, TONY ENG: Treasurer, DAVID KENDALL: Sgt at Arms, BOB REILLY.

Of note our President welcomed Bob Reilly on his return from New Zealand and we all applauded when she informed him he was chosen, in absentia, as the winner of the Farquhar Magician of the Year Trophy for 2002.

ED SILVA-WHITE took care of Teach-a Trick focussing on rope with appearing and vanishing knots and a neat release of a wood block from the centre of a rope.

Our Mini Lecture, titled "Getting Laughs with Magic" was given by DAVID ATTWOOD. He did an excellent job taking us through such basic principles of comedy as Contrast, Indifference, Exaggeration, "magician in trouble", Repetition and Timing. He used video to reinforce his points and gave many practical examples where these principles apply. He made a strong point about injecting humour into even the most serious magic as a means of relieving tension and establishing rapport. David obviously did a lot of work putting his talk together and gave each of us a very nicely produced booklet covering the major points. Thank you David.

By now it was getting late but we had time for a few performers. TONY ENG did Gary Oulette's Portent. This is a real knockout. A card was freely chosen and I mean freely, from a well shuffled deck. An envelope was found attached beneath a spectator's seat. Inside there was a duplicate of the chosen card. This got our attention! AARON JONES followed with a nice variation of "out to lunch", well known by magicians but still an excellent piece of magic for layman. RON BELL did his take on the Four Ace Trick using a number of original ideas to make a perplexing routine. Our last performer WADE COLLINS always injects something different into his tricks. With his wrists well tied with a piece of rope behind his back he made us believe that he could not get free. We were feeling sorry for his dilemma when he suddenly brought his hands forward still tied, knots sealed, but with a very large die secured firmly in the middle of the rope! Quite a surprise.

Ron Bell

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