



VMC magic newsletter

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

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SEPTEMBER 2003 MEETING

We certainly hope that everyone had a terrific summer recess.

President Shayne King is “pumped” about getting our club off to a great start. On Monday, August 19/03, we had an executive meeting at the home of Shayne King, to outline an agenda for the new year. We worked on our Calendar of Activity for 2003-04. We have included the first half of the year’s agenda on page 5. Please check for your name under the Teaching Table, Mini Lecture, Focus or Refreshment and if you cannot make your commitment, please try to find suitable replacement otherwise contact President Shayne King.

The executive has already taken the liberty to start organizing some of the events in the new year. On September 15/03, we will be having our annual Round Table Open House. Coordinator Bob Reilly promises a fun night. On Wednesday, November

12/03, we will be celebrating our 100th Seniors Volunteer Show at the Resthaven Lodge in Sidney, at 2:30pm. We have set the date for Wacky Wednesday to be on Wednesday, November 19/03 at Blethering Place. The Tony competition for the most original effect or routine will be held at the January 2004 meeting. The date set for our annual dinner show will be on Saturday, 24th/04 at the Edelweiss Hall. We are trying to coordinate for Gene Anderson to entertain. In February, we will be having our Annual Auction with Mike Brough as auctioneer. The Mirth & Magic show will be in May 2004. Ron Bell will be the coordinator. Several magic lecturers are being considered for the new year.

During the summer, we had our annual VMC Picnic. Many thanks to Past President Jennifer and Ron Burke for their fantastic hospitality to hold this picnic at their home at 5033 Stag Road. Thanks to Derek Johnston for organizing the food for

the Bar-B-Que. Many thanks to Aaron and Ritsuko Jones for picking up and delivering the food. Thanks to Harvey Davidson and Tony Eng for bringing their respective Bar-B-Ques to cook on. The sun was out and Fork Lake was perfect for swimming. Those who didn’t want to swim, either traded magic routines on shore; or just sat around to converse or went fishing. Tony Eng and Bob Britton were fishing in a canoe and caught several “Cut Throats”.

The first magic meeting is on September 2/03, at the Langford Fire Hall, starting at 7:30pm. In anticipation of a lengthy first meeting, we will not be having a Mini Lecture. Paul Kilshaw will conduct the Teach a Trick; Focus will be on Shayne King; and Derek Johnston will MC the showtime activity.

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- The next magic meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 2/03, at 7:30pm, at the Langford Fire Hall.
- Seniors Show by the VMC – 2:30pm November 12/03 – Rest Haven Lodge in Sidney – 100th Seniors show
- September 15/03 – VMC Annual Round Table Open House at the Malahat Lounge on the Gorge.
- November 19/03 – Wacky Wednesday at Blethering Place

100th Senior Show by VMC!

In November 2003, our Ring #183 will put on its 100th magic show for senior citizens living in Care Homes in the Victoria area. The program called, "Seniors Volunteer Shows," was started in 1991 by Ron Bell with the aim of bringing a little "magic" to the lives of senior citizens living in institutions which provide various levels of supportive care. Over the past 13 years more than 30 Ring members have donated their time and talents free, for this worthy cause. Our Ernie Crockford Ring #183 has performed at more than a dozen different Care Homes in Victoria with at least three magicians at each show.

The 100th show will be given at Rest Haven Lodge in Sidney, the same location as the first show almost 13 years ago. We are expecting a good turnout of residents for this special occasion and plan to have a good number of the performers who have helped make the program a success. The staff at Rest Haven will do their best to make this a memorable event and are looking into getting some media attention.

We cannot guarantee space at the show but members of our Ring are welcome to attend. Note: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12/03: Resthaven Lodge, 2281 Mills Rd, Sidney. The show starts at 2:30pm.

JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER Round Tables

The July Round Table meeting was held on Monday, July 21st/03 at the **Malahat Lounge** on the Gorge Road, from 7pm to 10pm. The scheduled theme for the evening was **SILK MAGIC**. Tony Eng was our guest speaker. Tony covered various routines using silks... production; vanishes, and transpositions. He highly recommended the FOUR Volumes of Rice's Encyclopedia for reading and learning. The August Round Table was held on Monday, August 18, 2003,

from 7pm to 10pm, at the **Malahat Lounge**, on Gorge Road. The theme for the evening was an "**OPEN MAGIC FORUM**". The September 2003 Round Table meeting will be on September 15/03. The theme will be our **ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE**. Everyone is welcome! **Contact** Bob Reilly by phone at 381-7496 (or you can email Bob at: rfreil@telus.net) for more information on the Round Table meetings.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Shayne King for Winning the **Battle of the Wizards!**

Shayne attended the magic competition which was held in Qualicum Beach, on Saturday, July 26/03. Other VMC

members that participated in this "battle" were: Kirk-lan Lum and Ariel Morales.

The MC of this event was Martin A. Nash. The competition was sponsored by the Phil Taylor of the Razzle Dazzle Magic Shop from Nanaimo. Phil

informs us that this will be an annual event.

This magic competition was completely sold out and everyone that attended had a terrific time.



Around & About Town...

Aaron Jones is in Japan and is already teaching English. Tony and Ann Eng and Ed and Norma Silva-White have just returned home after going up to Keremeos, BC for their annual Peach Run. At the end of August, the Silva-Whites and Bill and Barb Farquhar will be going on a Cruise to Alaska. Guess who will be the feature entertainer...no, not Shawn and Lorie...none other than Hanna. Derek Johnston had a fantastic time at PCAM,

hanging out with all the legends in magic. Mike Brough is busy working on some cruiseships before heading to England in the Fall. Bob Buie has just returned from performing a series of Hypnotic Shows in New Zealand. Julie and Suley Fattah can be seen working with David Ben at the CNN. Ron and Raye Bell had a wonderful time visiting Perth, Ontario at a family reunion. Both Eric Bedard and Damien Carriere performed admirably at PCAM. The Vic-

toria Magic Circle had an excellent representation. Tickles the Clown could be seen performing aboard the BC Ferries over the summer. Wade Collins made a quick trip to Regina to visit with friends and magicians. Frank Sanz was seen catching his limit salt water fishing. Bob Britton and Tony Eng were doing equally as well with the catch and release on the lakes. Kerry Zado was called upon to help with the fires in the Okanagan.

A note from our President

The start of a new season for the VMC is upon us. We're all looking forward to a year full of magical fun and frolic.

On behalf of our club, I want to start by thanking last year's executive. They did a fantastic job of organizing and keeping things on track. Past President Jennifer Burke had a great team to work with.

Now, on to business. An executive meeting was held on the 19th of August where planning got

underway for the new year. Mirth and Magic was on the agenda and Ron Bell has graciously offered to coordinate the event again this year. Wacky Wednesdays were on the agenda as well. We will be looking for someone to coordinate these events so be prepared to help where you can. There are other topics that we will cover at our meeting on September 2^{nd/03} but the last thing I want to tell you about is our Annual Dinner Show event. We have a confirmed date

of January 24th 2004. It will be held at the Edelweiss Hall again this year. We have a wonderful entertainer Gene Anderson, tentatively lined up. We will be talking more about this subject at the meeting as well.

That's all for now friends, see you at the first meeting.

Shayne King, President

SYM – September 2003 Meeting

The last meeting of the Society for Young Magicians was held at Tony's Trick & Joke Shop, 688 Broughton Street on Friday, June 20, 2003, from 7:00pm to 8:45pm. Many thanks to Shayne King for chairing this SYM meeting. Thanks to Ann Eng for providing the

snacks & drinks.

The SYM has just taken a summer recess during the months of July and August.

The next SYM meeting will be held on Friday, September 19/03. 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. Maybe even teach them one or two effects.



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Custodian: Wade Collins
Members at Large: Kerry Zado
 Paul Kilshaw
Ring Reporter: Ron Bell

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Photos of Fame:



**SHAYNE KING
PRESIDENT-ELECT**



**DAVID KENDALL
TREASURER**



**JENNIFER BURKE
IMMEDIATE PAST-PRESIDENT**

VMC Calendar of Activity 2003-4

Victoria monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at the Langford Fire Hall unless otherwise shown. Meetings will start at 7:30pm and must finish by 10:15pm. Meeting format will be as follow:

Business Meeting - 7:30pm to 8:00pm

Teaching Table (TT) - 8:00pm to 8:15pm

Mini Lecture (ML) - 8:15pm to 8:45pm

Refreshments - 8:45pm to 9:00pm

Focus - 9:00pm to 9:10pm

Showtime Activity (SA) - 9:10pm to end...

September 2/03 - VMC Meeting

TT - Paul Kilshaw

F - Shayne King

SA - Derek Johnston

September 15/03 - ROUND TABLE OPEN HOUSE

Refreshments - Shayne King

October 7/03 - VMC Meeting

TT - Donald Dunphy

ML - Paul Kilshaw - Motivation & Magic

F - Bryan Garduno

SA - Shayne King

October 20/03 - Round Table

Refreshments - Bob Reilly

November 4/03 - VMC Meeting

TT - Eric Bedard

ML - David Attwood - Cards

F - Ron Bell

SA - Jennifer Burke

Refreshments - Che McNabb

November 17/03 - Round Table

November 19/03 - Wacky Wednesday

December 2/03 - VMC Meeting

TT - Harvey Davidson

ML - Donald Dunphy - Magic for Children

F - David Gifford

SA - David Kendall

Refreshments - Don McCulloch

December 15/03 - Round Table

January 6/04 - VMC Meeting

TT - Tony Eng

ML - Masa Nishigahara - Comedy Magic

F - Ed Silva-White

SA - TONY COMPETITION - Best Most Original Effect or Routine

Refreshments - Paul Kilshaw

January 19/04 - Round Table

January 23/04 - Magic Lecture by Gene Anderson

January 24/04 - Annual Dinner Show/Edelweiss Hall

February 3/04 - VMC Meeting

Annual Auction - Auctioneer Mike Brough
Refreshments - Frank Sanz

March 2/04 - VMC Meeting

TT - Ed Silva-White
ML - Eric Bedard - Showmanship
F - Ariel Morales
SA - Bob Reilly
Refreshments - Joy Kruger
March 15/04 - Round Table
March 17/04 - Wacky Wednesday

April 6/04 - VMC Meeting

TT - Shayne King
ML - Ron Bell - Coin Magic
F - Che McNabb
SA - Frank Sanz
Refreshments - David Gifford
April 19/04 - Round Table

May 4/04 - VMC Meeting

TT - Ariel Morales
ML - David Kendall - Platform Magic
F - Thomas Millar
SA - Don McCulloch
Refreshments - Wade Collins
May 17/04 - Round Table

June 1/04 - VMC Magic Meeting

TT - Ross Simms
ML - Hal Weaver - Mentalism
F - Kerry Zado
SA - Ed Silva-White
Refreshments - Michael Levy
June 21/04 - Round Table
June ?? (TBA) - Mirth & Magic

July 2004

Annual VMC Picnic - Time and Place - TBA
July 19/04 - Round Table

August 16, 2004 - Round Table

F“Focus”(10 Mins). Getting to know our members better. Talk about themselves, their background and how they got into magic.

SA "Showtime Activity"(60Mins). Member organizes the performing of magic with a suggested theme shown in this Calendar. Aim is to encourage members(and guests) to do some magic! Organizer can call members before the meeting or ask them at the meeting. The theme is just a suggestion. The point is to get people up to perform.

Round Table Note time and place. Accomplished Ring member teaches magic according to theme. First part of evening will be basic principles and moves, followed by a practice session. Second part will look at more advanced work related to theme. The success of our program depends on those involved. We know that there will be times when you cannot meet a commitment. If this is the case, please let Shayne King (381-1997) Shayne@crowndandlily.com know as soon as possible for general Calendar activities. For Round Table please let Bob Reilly know (381-7496 rfreil@telus.net).

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