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# VMC Newsletter

## UPCOMING DATES:

- **Bob Miller Lecture**  
Thursday, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> at  
the Malahat Lounge
- **Next Monthly Meeting,**  
Tuesday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>  
2007, 7:30 at The  
Langford Fire Hall
- **Daryl Lecture** Friday,  
Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at the  
Malahat Lounge
- **Round Table Open**  
**House** Monday, Sept.  
17<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 The Malahat  
Lounge
- **Magic Youth**  
**International Meeting**  
Friday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>  
7:00, Murray's Trick &  
Joke Shop

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## Victoria Magic Circle – Ernie Crockford Ring #183

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

Bag-o-Tricks Fun Contest:

Hosted by ROB BROWN

Judges: JOY KRUGER and  
ROB BROWN

Show Time: JUSTIN LOUIE

Refreshments: PAUL KILSHAW



## Walk-Around Magic That Kills ~

by Bob Miller

*A Lecture for Magicians of All Skill Levels*

**THURSDAY AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup>, 7:00**  
at the Malahat Lounge



Bob Miller, creator of magic routines including Wild Hand, Total Recoil and The Relentless Ring & String Routine, is a highly-regarded full time close-up and stage magic performer in Rochester, Minnesota. He is in-house weekly magician at Dos Amigos and the Good Sport Bar & Grill, and magic has been his full-time vocation for the past 15 years. Join us as Bob brings his best kept secrets into the magic lecture world!

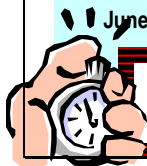
The Lecture Includes:

- The Relentless Ring & String Routine\* – The Award-Winning Classic. Great for walk-around.
- Wild Hand\* – In the hands Wild-Card type of trick. Perfect for Walk-Around.
- Slo-Mo Coins Across – 5 coins appear; then pass from hand to hand in the fairest possible way
- Out of Frame - A simply deceptive way to remove and replace three coins from a purse frame
- The 2x3 Switch - Two cards transpose in increasingly amazing ways.
- The Ghost Tent – An object seems to materialize under a hanky and then disappear.
- Unique Card on Ceiling Variations
- Three MemDeck Tricks
- and more! (time permitting)

**Plus, don't miss Daryl on September 14<sup>th</sup>, see the VMC website OR page FIVE for more details!:**

*The First of  
Two Fantastic Lectures!*

**MINUTES?** Minutes from our last meeting (June 2007) on-line at [www.victoriamagiccircle.com/minutes](http://www.victoriamagiccircle.com/minutes)





Greetings,

As we say good bye to the past year and enter the 2007/2008 Year Of Magic I am very excited about all the up 'n' coming events! I would first like to acknowledge our past executive and thank them very very much for all their hard work and dedication to our club, especially Joy Kruger our past president... who paved the way for an equally exciting year, by clearing up many grey areas in the Clubs C&B's (Constitution and Bylaws).

My proposed VMC Year Calendar stays pretty much in the same format ... as past years, with a few changes: Focus will now be "What's My Style!". This will be combined with the teach a trick, where members are asked to give a small performance of their show and a presentation of their motivation to perform in such a style, and then subsequently teach a trick. We will still feature awesome mini lectures and stellar "Show time Activities".

For the first meeting on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007, we have a great lot of Fun Planned. After the business portion our Vice Pres Rob Brown will be Hosting a Bag o Tricks Competition. This is a great way to kick off the year - put your thinking caps on now. We will Have two categories: a singles act and a duos act, Rules will be published on the Club web site.

Also start thinking of tricks that can be performed with a brand new deck of cards (opened and into the routine). Later this year we will feature a NEW competition and trophy... Ray Parker's Unopened Deck Award... rules and date to follow.

Looking forward to working with each and everyone in "The Best Magic Club In The Great White North".

Sincerely, Paul Kilshaw

## Round Table Open House Invitation



*Invite your friends and come on out to our September Open House held at the spectacular Malahat Lounge at 7:00, Monday September 17th! This lovely penthouse suite is located in Bob Reilly's condo building at 105 Gorge Road East, just buzz 80 - we will let you in and you can 'board the elevator, press PH, follow the signs, climb the stairs and follow the sound of conversation and laughter and you will find us.*

*The is an **OPEN EVENT** because we want spouses, interested friends and potential new members to see what the club has to offer, to meet our members, and to have a good time, so don't be bashful about bringing the people in your life to the 'the Hat' to bring them into our magical world and enjoy what we get to enjoy year-round...*

*We promise a great magic show featuring the talent within our club, as well as a bountiful table of refreshments and goodies to share.... Hope to see you there!*

## VMC Travel Mugs for Sale!

Magic Circle travel mugs, which will be **for sale at our first meeting** in September. The cost for these useful collectables is **\$10**, which covers the cost of production plus a bit of change. There were **only 36 of these mugs** ordered, so if you'd like one (or two!) bring your \$10 (along with your VMC dues) to the first meeting of the year. Should this item prove to be so popular that we run out, we will consider getting more... and as the year progresses, we may have other items available too.

Over the summer We procured a small Number of Victoria



The Attractive VMC Travel Mug



## THE ANNUAL DUES POLICE!

They're gonna getcha!

**Yes it's only late August, and we're already seeing them approach... THE ANNUAL DUES POLICE!**

Well, in all seriousness, the **club dues are officially DUE on September 1<sup>st</sup>**, the technical beginning of our club year, but in actual fact we are really happy when everyone shows up at the first club meeting (this year September 4<sup>th</sup>) with cash or chequebook in hand; it means we don't have to spend time & energy sending out 'reminders' or chasing folks down!

This year, we have a \$5 savings incentive for paying dues on time: **if you pay by the Sept 4<sup>th</sup> meeting date (or if you cannot come if you are able to get your dues into treasurer Kerry Zado's hands by September 15<sup>th</sup>) you pay only \$20!!** Yes, that's right, a five dollars savings, as dues this year are indeed \$25.00 (for both in-town and out-of-town members).

**PLEASE show support for the VMC by paying your member dues on time.** This really helps to reduce our workload -- and this effort on your part is one of the things that makes for a smooth-running year! ...and don't forget, aside from the \$5 savings mentioned above your paid up membership entitles you to:

- a 10% discount at Murray's Trick and Joke Shop
- discounted lecture prices
- library use
- the right to attend all monthly and round table meetings
- voting rights

If you cannot attend the September meeting PLEASE **send your dues a.s.a.p. via cheque** to:

Kerry Zado  
969 Glen Willow Place  
Victoria, BC  
V9B 4W3

**Once you pay your dues, you will receive your membership card, your 07/08 VMC roster, AND a collectable VMC pin!** NOTE that **Member dues must be received by Kerry by September 15<sup>th</sup> in order for you to qualify for the \$5 discount, to reap the member benefits listed above, and to remain in good standing with the Club.** In addition your IBM membership dues must be paid up in order to be an Active VMC member. Interim members you are in good standing (all privileges except voting rights) for a maximum of 9 months before you must become Active with IBM Membership).

Everyone, when your **IBM dues** are due, please know Treasurer Kerry Zado has offered to help process your IBM dues by accepting your payment in the equivalent Canadian funds and then forwarding a USD cheque to IBM Head Office on your behalf.

As an Executive we look forward to another year of making magic happen with all of you, we have lots of learning, performing and volunteerism to share, and we look forward to participating with you in another thriving Club year.

*Note, Friends of the Club pay a smaller fee of \$10 this year and will receive pertinent info and our monthly newsletter via email (no snail-mail), and to further keep in the loop are welcome to join us up to 3 times a year at our monthly meetings.*



# Annual Summer Barbeque

at the Selkirk Guest House, Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2 to 6:00 p.m.

Thank you **George Pruden** for coordinating a successful picnic this year, and for putting in hours of shopping, cooking and cleanup to make this all happen! The spread was great and the 30+ people who came enjoyed.

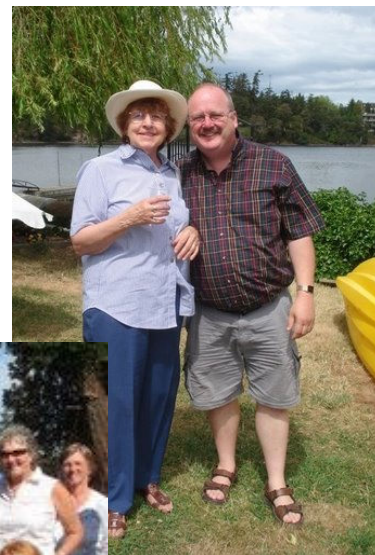
We were so into summer relax mode we didn't put on an extremely formal magic show, however we did witness a joint effort comedy card routine presented by **Lucas Kavanagh** and **Cory Landels**, as well as magic and laughs from **Shayne King** and **Ray Parker**, and it was a great pleasure to see **Barb Farquhar**, **Dave Wilson** and **Dave Watters** at the picnic!



Ben L'Heureux and Surinder



Chef George Pruden



Above, Barb Farquhar & Dave Watters



Everybody, including such folks as Carolyn Sadowska, Joy Kruger & daughter Taryn, Shayne King & mom Frankie, Harvey & Elinor Davidson, Ray Parker, Steve Hignett, Justin Louie, Bryan Garduno & girlfriend, Surinder's son Ryan, MYler Jon Cownden & his mom, and Ron Keller from the London, ON, magic club!



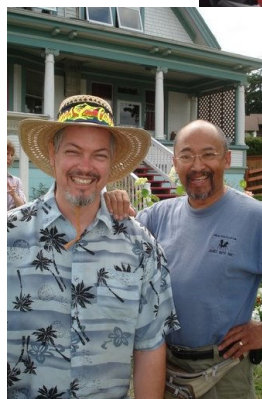
Above: Beverly Brookman and Derek Peach



Above Lucas Kavanagh & Cory Landels work out their spontaneous duo card magic act, while MYler Jon Cownden looks on.



Right: Ryan Stanley and Ed Silva-White



TVP Dave Wilson & Past TVP Tony Eng



# Daryl

Will be here to

# LECTURE

## The Second of Two Fantastic Lectures!

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On Friday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at the Malahat Lounge



Daryl - The Magician's Magician has earned his title by representing the best of the best in the world of close up magic. Daryl is a Gold Medal F.I.S.M. winner, a top Magic Castle academy award winner and a seven-year featured performer at Caesars Magical Empire at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. Daryl has enthusiastically shared his magic in over 250 cities in 25 different countries and his audiences have included everyone from witch doctors on the South Pacific island of Vanuatu to the movers and shakers of the political world at the Presidential Inaugural Candlelight dinner in Washington, D.C.

Daryl's award-winning lectures have always featured an excellent variety of clean and practical magic. Close up and stand up magic, impromptu and "prop" magic, and mysteries that are easy to perform as well as one or two that are more technically challenging. His lectures are always an excellent value and we can assure you that there is something for everyone!

Daryl's latest and greatest magic lecture is titled "**Fooler Droolers**". It contains a great personalized trick that you can perform for anyone's birthday, a new handling for the classic "Gun" card trick, an impromptu burnt and restored borrowed handkerchief routine, a beautiful "no threads" rising cards routine with a surprise finish, a great and 100% impromptu "sympathetic objects" effect (using virtually any small objects), a baffling and clean card miracle that can be performed for 1,000 people or more, Daryl's handling of a Jim Ryan's stand up classic (as popularized by Charlie Miller) using a borrowed ring, a piece of rope and a stick, and more!

So, if you are looking for clean, practical, angle-proof, commercial magic that you can perform under virtually any conditions, attend Daryl's Fooler Droolers lecture. You'll be glad you did!

**Lecture to be held at, 7:00 p.m. at the beautiful Malahat Lounge Penthouse Suite in building 105 Gorge Road East. Cost is \$15 for VMC Members, and \$30 for all others, see you there!**



**Rob Brown ~  
Lecture  
Coordinator &  
Vice-President**



**Paul Kilshaw ~  
Lecture  
Coordinator &  
President**

## August 20th Round Table Report

The Round Table continued during the summer break with **John Graham, Rob Brown, George Pruden, Bob Reilly and myself** attending the last session on Aug 20th. The theme of the night: Open Jam. The effects shown during the 2 1/2 hour session were fired fast and furious. I started off with a brief explanation of *Bob Sheet's* impromptu dice routine, "*It's the Rules*" which was followed by a card prediction using "*sympathetic ink*" by John and ended with a rough/smooth card effect, Rob called "*Second Sight*". A couple of utility moves were shown next where I explained the *Curry Turnover* taught to me by *John Gilliland* at an earlier meeting (Thanks, John!) and Rob explained the *Rhumba Count*, another way to reveal cards. John then broke out the hardware and showed us "*The Mint*" and "*Silver Extraction*" wrapped up into a single routine and followed by some *fork bending/liquid metal*. Lots of fun there. Not to be outdone, Rob wowed us with his latest acquisition: *Wow!* And if you don't know what "*Wow!*" is, you simply must see it performed. John then showed us his skills at *second dealing* (or lack thereof) and fooled us with his "*Royal Flush Poker Deal*" (from Card College?). To end the night, John performed various effects using Rob's Bank of Denmark credit card.

The next Round Table session will be held at 7:00pm, Monday, September 17th at the Malahat Lounge ~ Building #105-106 Gorge Road East. Buzz #80 to be let in to the building and head up to the Penthouse. The September theme? WHO KNOWS? We hope Dave does! Yours,

Justin Louie (for the absent, Sparky)

## Senior's Shows



Members of the Victoria Magic Circle will be putting on a special magic show in honour of Ross Simms a Life Member of the Circle and his wife Hazel on **Wednesday SEP 19**, starting at **7 pm.** and finishing close to **8 pm.**

Over the past 12 years our has put on well over 100 shows at Care Homes in Victoria using volunteer magicians.

**Performers for the Lions Cove Show (residence of Ross & Hazel) will be:**

**Mike Brough MC** Comedy and magic  
**Ron Bell** A Senior Sorcerer with old style magic  
**Eric Bedard** The Cool Magic Dude  
**Ray Parker** The Mad Hatter of Magic  
**Shayne King** Gold Medal winner at an International Magic Contest  
**Tony Eng & Ann** Victoria's Ambassadors of Magic

*Ron Bell*

**VANCOUVER  
WEEKEND  
OF  
MAGIC**  
Oct. 19th & 20th

News from our brothers (and sisters) of the Vancouver Magic Circle! There are still registrations available for the Vancouver Weekend of Magic! This friendly convention is guaranteed fun; an extremely affordable foray into the world of professional magicians and comradery all wrapped into a getaway weekend to Vancouver. The event is at the Best Western Sands Hotel downtown, and features Michael Finney, Stan Kramien, Murray Sawchuk, Bruce Myers, Woody Pitman, and Clinton W Gray. Visit [www.ibmring92.com](http://www.ibmring92.com) for registration & full details.

## **P.C.A.M. 2007** *Special Report submitted by Lucas Kavanagh*

On August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 a large group of magicians converged at a hotel in Calgary, Alberta for the 74<sup>th</sup> annual Pacific Cost Association of Magician's Convention. Things started on Thursday night with a number of magicians teaching one or two effects in a "quick tricks" lecture, one thing quickly became apparent; the video quality in the lecture theatre was outstanding! The convention really got started on Friday with a lecture on magic sets and comics by **Mark Horowitz (Lee Asher's dad)**, an all-star close-up show, the general stage contests and a hilarious lecture from **Stephen Bargatze**. That night 5 competitors took the stage in the professional challenge with Shu-Yan Yu (who performed a quick-change act called "The Monkey King in 71 Faces") taking the gold. The show was closed with **The Great Thomsoni and Co.** who received a standing ovation and the evening ended with a superb lecture from **J.C. Wagner**. Saturday morning started off with **Stephen Forrester** giving a lecture on *The Discovery of Witchcraft* (he even brought a copy of the first edition). **Mike Caveney** then took the stage followed by the close-up contest and **Dean Hankey** sharing his marketing secrets. "Jawdroppers", the main public show featured some of the best magic acts in the world including illusionists **Mark Kalin and Jinger**. Sunday began with improv. and mime guru **Shawn Kinley** who gave a high-energy workshop that got everyone out of their seats. Next, **Lee Asher** taught a hands-on lecture, **Johnny Thompson** shared the secrets of his close-up magic and for the second time ever; **Kalin and Jinger** gave their lecture (created by Jim Steinmeyer). Finally as per P.C.A.M. tradition 10 people competed in the Bag O' Tricks competition with **Sheldon Casavant** taking first place.

Overall it was another very successful PCAM! See you all next year in Monterey, California,

*Lucas Kavanagh*



**Did you see in the Saanich News (see picture, right) and A Channel? Member Hugh Livingstone won Gold AND Silver in the PCAM General Contests!**

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# Around, About & Out-of-Town

Nanaimo member **Greg Ladret** just finished his 7th summer of teaching magic at camp in New York city and has come back home to perform at the VIEX in Nanaimo, Coombs, Port Alberni and at Victoria's Hillside Mall, and also to coach figure skating and hockey camp. Apart from keeping extremely busy with magic shows and some RVing, **Tony and Ann Eng** celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary on August 17th! The IBM has sent member **Bob Reilly** his 10 year pin for continuous membership. After an post-heart attack 'Okay' from his doctor, **Ray Parker** has returned to performing, including the UVIC Relay for Life, Canada Day Festivities (with **Shayne King** and **Joy Kruger**, **Paul Kilshaw** and **Dave Attwood**), and the Nanaimo Bathtub Races.



Guess Who is Doing What?

From August 10th to September 9th **Ray & wife Nora** will holiday in England, including a week in Paris to cheer their son Raymond on is his attempt to complete the 1,200 K cycle marathon, <http://www.paris-brest-paris.org:80/EN/index.php>. **David Mohr** has produced two magic shows this Spring/Summer to benefit breast cancer research, the first with tech support from **Justin Louie, Frank Sanz, Charles Morgan**, and performers **Paul Kilshaw, Shayne King & Joyce Yeo, Carolyn Sadowska & David Gifford**, and the second with performers **Ben L'Heureux** and **London Bobby (Bob Smith)**. They did not raise thousands, however every bit helps, and David extends his thanks for to Club volunteers for making this happen. **Jack and Vi Calve** have been performing and balloon twisting in Shirly (way out past Sooke), courtesy of Saunders Subaru. They have also taken their balloons to two family weddings this summer.

**Murray Hatfield** and **Teresa Midbo** appeared at the IBM Convention in Reno, then at the Melfort Exhibition in Saskatchewan. Following this, they produced a new version of *ILLUSIONS & BEYOND* for their 34 show run at P.N.E. in Vancouver. Following the P.N.E. they will close the final show at the British IBM and then do a big public show for one of Britain's top variety producers. Then its back home to get ready for *Halloween at the shop!* **Shayne King** attended the PCAM 2007 in Calgary and came home with a whole bunch of new magic. He performed his PCAM 2007 Pro-Challenge Rope Routine, sharing the stage with the *Great Tomsoni, Johnny Thompson*. **Ed and Norma Silva-White** are off to the Mediterranean for a week and the two weeks in Germany August 18th through September 11th. **Steve Hignett and Heather** 'got hitched' on 7-7-7 in Los Vegas! See above photo!

## Magic Youth International

~ By Cory Landels, MYI Reporter

The MYI's most recent meeting was on June 15<sup>th</sup>, at Murray's Trick and Joke Shop. We had a great attendance, with a few new faces in the crowd. Our special guest this month was David Atwood, who performed and taught some really great magic! He shared with us some classic magic, such as the Miser's Dream – and even a comedy routine with mouth coils. The meeting lasted around 2 hours, and was a fun experience for everyone there.



Cory in action at the April 07 MYI competition

Our next meeting will be on **September 21<sup>st</sup>**. If you're under 16 and want to attend, just show up at Murray's Trick and Joke Shop at 7:00. See you there!



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I hope this finds all of you enjoying a wonderful summer full of good weather, good friends and good magic. The IBM in Reno was great fun but we're happy to be home and enjoying things in Victoria. We've got several new items in this month that I think will be very popular.

First up are a few items from the one and only Tom Burgoon. Anyone who saw him on our tour last winter knows that he's a funny guy. All of his items are geared for comedy and having seen them in action I can verify – they work!

**Snake Eyes** will be one of the most shocking

effects you will ever perform. Always ready to go and easy to do. It's the perfect comedy effect for walk around or table to table magic. The women will scream and the men will jump back. What more do you want from a gag!

**Die Focals** is one of the most amazing card prediction effects ever. Your audience does all the work and you get the applause! A complete sellout at both the IBM and SAM conventions! Comes complete with Bicycle Deck and Mind Reading Dice.

Also new this month is **SympathetInk**. This incredible utility device will allow you to perform

miracles that previously you could only dream about. Imagine setting a business card on the table with a prediction on it. Have someone select a card. The prediction is turned over...and it's *wrong*. The magician isn't concerned. He simply touches a lighter's flame to the prediction and it **VISIBLY** changes to the correct card. A multitude of effects are possible – limited only by your own imagination. Be sure to come in and check this one out.

Have a great month and we'll see you at the shop...

Murray

## June '07 Monthly Meeting Pics



Above: This year's Round Table Award was presented to Justin Louie. Presented by RT Coordinator Dave Attwood. The photogenic Rob Brown looks on with certain delight (?)

Below, newly voted in Interim Members Josh McGlaughlin and Richard Herbert get the presidential handshake.



Past President Joy Kruger conducts the Active Member Ceremony, initiating Justin Louie, Ryan Stanley, Charles Morgan, Steve Hignett, Rob Brown, Lucas Kavanagh & John Gilliland into Active Membership.

