



— RING 92 —
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October 2016

VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE

the Charles Howard Ring

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND STAGE COMPETITION



NOVEMBER 17, 2016

DOORS OPEN @ 5:00 P.M.

POT LUCK, BRING SOMETHING SCRUMPTIOUS

The next meeting of the IBM Ring #92, The Vancouver Magic Circle, takes place on November 17th, 2016 and coincides with our annual Christmas Dinner and Stage Competition.

If you are planning on attending the dinner please contact Graham Kita or Dennis Chan and register in advance. Be sure to ask about Secret Santa and to see about helping decorate the hall for the big party!

If you are planning on participating in the stage competition please contact Competition Chairman Bryn Williams at least 24 hours in advance. The effect or routine must be visible for a large audience. No close up effects are permitted in the competition. The spirit of this competition is to encourage growth in the fields of assembly, banquet, club, review, and cruise ship style magic.

You will be competing for the W.C. Shelly (Adult) and Percy Poole (Junior) trophies. These will be awarded for recognition of excellence in stage magic.

This is one of the three opportunities available for Junior Members to join the competition floor. Make sure you make it out and join in on the fun!

Please refer to the back of your VMC Roster book for both general competition rules and individual competition rules.

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PRESIDENT'S

Hello Fellow Members!

I'm hoping those who attended Jeff Prace's lecture on October 14th gained a lot of new creative insight. It was probably one of the best lectures I have seen in a while! Thank you to those who came out and supported the lecture! We as a club made a good, strong, and lasting impression, I'm sure Jeff will be back in town again :)



A couple announcements:

Some of you know that **NEXT YEAR** is our **75th Anniversary!** We have some fun things planned: special give aways, some cool public events, and lots of fun stuff! Please keep an eye out for such reveals! We want this to be big, but in order for that to happen, we need your help!

We have partnered with Warner Brothers to run some promotional campaigns for the new release of J.K Rowling's new movie "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them" on November 18th. We will be running a Facebook contest; so please if you see the post, share it, and like it for a chance to win **ADVANCE SCREENING PASSES!**

The October Meeting is coming up, we will feature the Tiptop Tootsie Competition, Costume Contest, Fantastic Food by Wiley Allen, and Teach a Trick Session! Doors open at 6:30pm on October 27th! See you all there!

The 3 of Clubs Convention is coming up QUICK! We have less than 10 spots available, all our talent has been released, the schedule is out as well! We have a few more announcements left! Come join us for a weekend of fun and magic; with **4 AMAZING Gala Shows, 4 SUPER Lectures, 3 Entertaining Extra Events, and 2 OUTSTANDING Workshops.** All Leading into **1 FABULOUS Convention!** So get your registrations in before we are all sold out!

www.3ofClubsConvention.com

The VMC Christmas Potluck is coming up on November 17th, please let Graham or Dennis know if you are coming, and what you will be bringing! Lets celebrate a merry VMC Christmas together :) The night will feature, Prize Draws, Secret Santa, AMAZING Food (lots of it too), as well as the Stage Contest! I hope to see you there!

Last but not least, keep an eye out for news on the Installation Banquet in February, it will be coming out very shortly! ;)

Magical Best

Billy Hsueh
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Billy Hsueh". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.



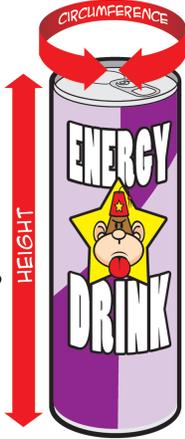
WHILE I NEVER ENCOURAGE FOLKS TO GAMBLE, I FIGURE IT'S NOT REALLY GAMBLING IF YOU'RE GUARANTEED TO WIN. SO, GRAB ONE OF THOSE TALL, SKINNY ENERGY DRINK CANS AND I'LL SHOW YOU A BET THAT YOU'LL WIN EVERY TIME.

SIMPLY BET A FRIEND THAT THE DISTANCE AROUND THE CAN (ITS CIRCUMFERENCE) IS GREATER THAN THE HEIGHT OF THE CAN. THIS WILL APPEAR IMPOSSIBLE, SO THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE YOUR FRIEND WILL TAKE THE BET.

THEN ROLL THE CAN UP IN A PIECE OF PAPER. MARK THE PAPER WITH A PEN AT THE EXACT POINT WHERE THE EDGE OF THE PAPER COMPLETELY WRAPS AROUND THE CAN. THIS WILL GIVE YOU THE CAN'S CIRCUMFERENCE.



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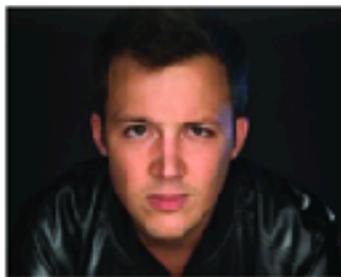
Shawn Farquhar



Tony Chris



Bill Cook



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Boris Wild



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Dennis Bauyon



Mike Norden



Two Brothers, One Mind

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September Report By: Dennis Chan

After a busy summer of magic conventions, things went back to "normal." The September meeting is the Vancouver Magic Circle's annual auction. This is the night where members auction off some of their magic equipment that they don't want or use anymore. Some items were brand new and some items were "collector's items." Some members were selling items that they bought at last year's auction that they haven't even used yet. Items such as box magic, silks, DVDs, children's magic, books, close-up effects and some stage magic.



Alex Seaman and Stephen Braybrooke took turns doing the auctioneering. The auction is always a fun filled event. "Hagglese," the official language of auctioneers could be heard throughout the hall as buyers and sellers tried to get the best prices for the items. The bidding was fast, furious and hilarious.

Karen Eskilson was on the computer and was ably assisted by Wiley Allen. They were making sure that all items bought and sold were properly recorded in order to avoid any mix-ups or missing items and that all costs matched the items.

There were plenty of "bargain basement deals" for everyone. After seeing many auctions, I could swear that a lot of buyers spent their month's grocery bill buying "magic stuff."

In the past, DVDs were the hottest items on the auction block. This year magic books, including several sets of Tarbells, were the most popular items by far. A new feature at this year's auction was the addition of a silent auction suggested by Karen Eskilson, our auction chairperson. The silent auction was a huge success, thanks Karen.

Graham Kita and Dennis Chan sorted out the rest of the late Munro MacKenzie's magic collection. There were plenty of cards, books, and other magical items too numerous to mention. The items were sold at "grab bag prices." Dale Brown donated some books and VHS tapes to the library. Thanks Dale.

Members were informed of:

- 1) The **Jeff Prace lecture** on **Friday, October 14th,**
- 2) The **Three of Clubs convention** commencing on the **Friday November 11th long weekend,**
- 3) The **Christmas pot luck dinner** on **Thursday, November 17.**

Dennis Chan and Graham Kita are once again in charge of this annual fun filled event.

- 4) Long time member *Bruce Pan* will be leaving the club and moving back to China.
- 5) *Dennis Chan* sold 50/50 tickets.
- 6) *Chris Estrada* was the winner of the 50/50 draw.
- 7) *Dennis Chan* and *Karen Eskilson* provided the refreshments.
- 8) There were about three dozen cookies left over from the refreshment table, which *Stephen Braybrooke* bought to donate to the homeless. Thanks Stephen.
- 9) There was a total of 27 members and two guests in attendance.
- 10) **Reminder** there is **no December meeting.** Hope you all have a wonderful Christmas Holiday. We look forward to seeing **YOU** next year.

MAGIC TRIVIA QUESTIONS

- 1) The comic book hero character Mandrake the Magician was known for having what super hero ability
 - a) Master Magician
 - b) Extended Lifespan
 - c) Genius-Level Intellect

- 2) Sesame Street resident, Mumford the Magician used what magical phrase
 - a) Abra Kadabra
 - b) M is for Magic
 - c) A La Peanut Butter Sandwiches

- 3) If you're duelling with Dumbledore and he casts "expelliarmus" on you, what will you do?
 - a) Pee your pants
 - b) Change Colour
 - c) Drop your Wand

- 4) Name the Magician that was also a childhood girlfriend of Batman

- 5) What is the name of our most recent new member to the Vancouver Magic Ring 92

- 6) I'm thinking of a famous Magician's who's birthday is in June. What is his name?

- 7) In what year was the Vancouver Magic Circle started?

- 8) Who is our oldest member?

- 9) Who is our youngest member?

- 10) Which of our members is also a Paramedic

Bonus Questions:

What member is responsible for all the hard work it takes to create and maintain our VMC web site?

A big "Thank You!" to everyone that helps out in making The Vancouver Magic Circle what it is. Whether it is being the president or bringing a plate of cookies to an event, everything matters and everything helps the club be that much better. Thank you to all who put the effort into creating an environment full of friends, suitable of being called a second home.

Birthdays!

On September 29, 2016 our very own Dennis, "The Bulldog" Chan turned seventy-four. Dennis was born in 1942, which coincides with the year that the VMC itself was born. All that time and none of us know how he makes his cookies so delicious. Thanks for all the hard work you put into the club Dennis, it does not go unnoticed nor does it go unappreciated.



Dennis "The Bulldog" Chan

In Other News:

In two weeks Brian Cook will be debuting at the Magic Castle. He will be performing November 7th-13th.

Eric "Cool Magic Dude" Bedard was performing with the three tenors in Phoenix, Arizona this past Saturday October 22nd.

Upcoming Birthdays:

Make sure you say "Happy Birthday!" to all the following people on their special day.

Paul Romhany October 25th - 48 years
Leif David October 29th - 31 years
Richard Piamonte November 5th
Peter Deluise November 6th - 50 years
Errol Lipschitz November 11th
Steve Dickson November 11th
Murray Sawchuck November 25th
Andrew Yeo November 26th
Dustin Anderson December 2nd - 46 years
Michael Cade December 5th
Dale Hopkins December 10th - 54 years