



# BRAMALEA GLASGOW RANGERS SUPPORTERS CLUB

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Next general meeting January 31st at 2.30pm SHARP.

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Happy New Year from Anne and myself. I sincerely hope everybody had a great hogmany. The New Year's Eve dance was brilliant, thanks to everybody involved. The British Connection was great, the hall was decorated to perfection, thanks mainly to Karen McDowall, Davie, Anne Chelsea, Shuggy, Kathy and Ally, and not forgetting the meal, Tony and Jane, Jim and Sandra Scott and, of course, all the people who attended and if I have missed anyone I apologize, thank you.

January is generally a quiet time at the club, not much happening, most people just relaxing after the hectic holidays, that is most Januarys but not this one, the new committee are hard at work, organizing our events for the coming year. As Ally has mentioned we have the Texas Hold'em Poker, followed by the Super Bowl. Everyone is welcome. We have Neil Diamond coming and a lot more acts to follow, but we need your involvement.

At the present time we are looking for a Treasurer. It is not an easy job but without a volunteer, we as a club will have to go outside of the club and pay for this service, so please if you can help in any way or if you know of someone please let me know ASAP. We have a busy year ahead and in order to fulfill our Agenda, we need your help. We are also in need of someone willing to organize the ticket allocation for the upcoming NARSA Convention in Las Vegas. This is to make sure that the "Bramalea Club Members are seated appropriately and not scattered all over the hall, again let me know

We seem to be not bad on the hall bookings, so if you know of anyone wanting to book the club, bring them in. It is probably the cheapest hall in the area and the nicest, so let us all make an effort and give us as good a year as last, because it all begins and ends with you the member. Last year we had 228 members, with our attendance at some games and functions you would think we were few in numbers; it seems to be the same individuals that are carrying the club so come out and enjoy your club.

To the members who are stuck in through illness we wish you a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you at the club in the near future. Sincere sympathy goes to Cindy Breen's family. Cindy used to come into the club every Friday with Gordon Kennedy and all his staff from Kennametal Her bright smile will be sadly missed.

Alex Morrison

President

### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Happy New Year to one and all on behalf of the executive and committee we wish you and your families all the very best for 2010.

Let me first finish with the business from 2009, the children's Christmas party which by all reports the outcome was positive there were some changes this year and you as the mums and dads along with granny and granddad seemed pleased. (Oh so were the kids) The Yule Tide Log draw went very well and our winners were Jim Morrison, Ray Murdock and Shug Gilmour, congratulations. The New Years Eve dinner and dance was nothing less than fantastic. The club was decorated like a high class restaurant the lay out to be proud of spearheaded by Karen McDowall and helpers Anne Morrison, Katherine Czerepok and Chelsey McDowall. As

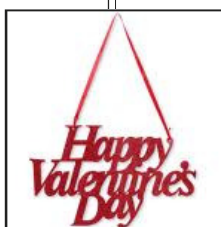
for the meal, not enough could be said about a first class feast but thank you Jayne and Tony Matthews, and also Sandra and Jim Scott with help from Annette Dawson. Our waitresses for the evening Chelsey McDowall and Ailsa Gilmour. When the music started from our own Jim Convery and the bairn Chris the dance floor was packed until the wee hours, thank you guys. New Years day was another great time, again Jim Convery was our entertainment and what a job he does. Dancing lessons this year will come from Kenny Cree as Michael Jackson will always be with us when Kenny is around. If I have missed any-one please accept my apologies in advance.

To the business at hand, it is with disappointment that I announce the resignation of two committee members Tony Matthews and David McDowall. Further details with regards to these resignations will be discussed at the upcoming members meeting Jan-31-10 2.30pm sharp.

Please note that all dues are to be paid by Jan-31-2010 which is also meeting day.

Alistair McFarlane:

Secretary.



## BRAMALEA GLASGOW RANGERS SUPPORTERS CLUB

### CLUB EVENTS:

#### DOUBLE HEADER EVENT

Sunday February 7th.



**FIRST....** event of the day is the very popular Texas hold'em charity poker game, the game will be starting at 1pm sharp, the cost of the poker is \$30.00 per person you can purchase your tickets for the poker game from Gordon Brown, either at the club or you can contact Gordon at 905 793-1902.



**SECOND....** event will be on after the poker is over; the annual super bowl classic game will be on. For each of the two events food will be available.

#### NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE SHOW

Saturday March 6th .... 8.00pm.

The club has lined up a great night of entertainment with Neil Diamond impersonator Joey Purpura singing your favorite Neil Diamond songs from the 60s, 70s and the 80s.

You can log onto <http://www.solitaryman.ca> for more info on Joey Purpura.

Tickets prices are \$10.00 per person and are available from Gordon Brown or David McKinney



### DOMINOES:

The league started back on January 2nd after the Christmas break and it was good to see a full turn out for the first game of the new year. Jan 30th will be the 13th game of the season and this will end the first half of the Domino season. At the half way point in the season there are several teams competing for first place and if the games keep going the way they have been in the first half of the season we are in for a very tight finish by the end of the season, at the other end of the league the Welsh/Irish team are just not picking up the right dominos to win games "so they say", but they are anticipating better results in the second half of the season.

For the first two weeks of February we are going to be missing a few players if you would like to have a game of non contact Dominoes please contact Alistair McFarlane, Tommy Scade or Donald Cameron.

Until then .....KEEP ON CHAPPING.

### NEWBORN:

Helen & Ronnie Jolly  
Are pleased to announce  
the birth of their first grandchild.

A healthy baby boy (Logan) was born 8lb  
11oz to the proud parents of Carole &  
Adam.



John & Mary Thompson

Are proud to announce the birth of their grandchild Alis-  
tair born Dec 10<sup>th</sup> weighting 8lb 6oz  
Parents Ken and Anna Thompson  
From the membership we pass on best wishes to all.

### St. Lucia

Two bedroom house for rent \$45.00 usd per  
night per couple (10% discount for club mem-  
bers)

Near beach, golf course, dining areas, and car rental

For more info on this contact Al McFarlane or Stuart Balbirnie.

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS:

The month of  
January has not  
been a good month for members and their spouses who have  
either been in hospital or sick at home.

We would like wish a speedy recovery to Helen and John Wilkinson,  
Margaret Evans, George Millar, Daniel Craigie, Bobby Jenkins, Jim  
Ritchie, Jim Scott, Jim Patchett, and Jack McAllister.

We hope your illness is a short one.

And to those who are undergoing treatment at hospital or at home "WE"  
are thinking of you during your period of treatment and recuperation.



### FRIDAY EUCHRE:

Euchre at the Club.

Euchre will be back at the club on Friday nights starting on Friday Jan. 29th.

The first game will start at 8:00 pm.

Please come out and support this new venture for the club.

Contact: Noel Fitzgerald @ 905-457-2233

### FACTS: Population of Scotland

Here you will find facts and information relating to the  
population of Scotland and a population density map of  
the Scottish Regions. Also included are population  
statistics for each Scottish city, life expectancy, birth  
rate and the literacy rate in Scotland

Population 5,168,500

Scotland's Cities – Populations

Glasgow 577,980

Edinburgh 446,110 (including Leith)

Aberdeen 179,950

Dundee 141,930

Inverness 42,400

Stirling 33,060

Birth rate 10.7 per 1,000 population

Death rate 11.0 per 1,000 population

Net migration rate: 4.1 migrant(s) per 1,000 popula-  
tion

Population growth rate: 0.4%

Life expectancy at birth:

male: 74.2 yrs

female: 79.3 yrs

Literacy 99%

There were 11,474 divorces in Scotland in 2008, 10%  
fewer than in 2007 but around 4% more than the average  
of the 3 years before divorce law changed in May  
2006.