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July 2022

**SIR Branch 35 Annual Picnic**  
**Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00 to 2:30 (BBQ 11:30-1:00)**  
**Blackberry Farm, Cupertino**



- BBQ'd Ribs, Chicken, Sausages, Hamburger, Hot Dog, Salads,
- Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks
- Music, Corn Hole, Horseshoes, Bocce Ball, Tomato Tasting, lunch under the canopy
- A great location – Only 10 miles from the Palo Alto Elks Lodge
- Level terrain – A short walk from the parking lot
- Cart rides from the parking lot to the site for those requesting it in advance

**All you can eat and drink  
for \$20/Person**

READ THE FLYER ON PAGE 3  
AND  
**REGISTER NOW!!**

*The Big Sir says...  
Don't miss the picnic!*



**Our Branch 35 Annual Picnic is just three weeks away on Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup> at the Blackberry Farm in Cupertino.**

Again, it's an old-fashioned picnic staffed by our own Branch 35 volunteers. **Please call Ben Gikis (408) 802-0794 and find out how you can help!!**

**Your Branch 35 Executive Committee wants you to feel safe and relaxed with your friends.**

Just like last year when 200 members and guests attended, no one crosses the bridge to the picnic area without having signed the Branch 35 Covid-19 Waiver Form. For those who have been vaccinated, but not yet signed the form, one will be available with your name badge.

We have 121 members already registered to attend. **If you haven't**, fill out and send me the form on page 3 in this Trail Tips or **better yet**, respond to the email with the subject **\*\*\*REGISTER NOW\*\* for the July Picnic at Blackberry Farm** and register using your credit card like when you renewed your membership – **Read Directions.**

**Leadership is always key for an organization's success!** As past managers in your fields of expertise, you know that the willingness of members to step up into leadership positions and volunteer their experience and limited time for the good of all is key to good results.

At the June luncheon I briefly reviewed the 37 volunteer positions which help make Branch 35 the biggest and best branch in SIR. I listed the names of the 6 officers and the 6 directors who act as committee chairs, the 12 staff support members and the 13 activity leaders who have served us well through the pandemic in 2022.

I am happy to announce that Stan Barkey, our Nominations Committee Chair, has filled all 37 positions for 2023. **Way to go Stan!!** Members will get to review that list, suggest additions, and then vote on the final slate of 2023 Officers and Directors in the next couple of months.

**You are the Champions – See you at the picnic to celebrate!**

Andy  
650-906-3747 (I do Texting, Too)

## JULY 2022 ROSTER

**Active Members: 323**

**Net Monthly Change: +1**

### NEW MEMBER



|  |  |
|--|--|
| Mike Su (Xiaoli)   | 650-704-2409   |
| 996 Clark Avenue   | <a href="mailto:minggong996@gmail.com">minggong996@gmail.com</a> |
| Mountain View, CA 94040  | Molecular Devices, SRI International                             |
| Bowling, Golf, Travel, Hiking, Bicycling, Book Club, Wine Group, Dining In, Investments, Trail Birds |  |

### JULY ANNIVERSARIES: 10+ YEARS

|                 |    |                |    |
|-----------------|----|----------------|----|
| Ron Grace       | 22 | Klaus Jaeger   | 21 |
| Arnie Satterlee | 22 | Fred Shigemoto | 20 |

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

|              |                   |                |
|--------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Ken Allen    | Keith Howell      | Rich Pattisson |
| Hank Bottino | Armond King       | Art Rinsky     |
| John Brown   | Chris Leach       | Skip Ross      |
| Al Bush      | Mike McHenry      | Jon Saxe       |
| Bob Caldwell | Brad Metheany III | Fred Shigemoto |
| Joe Cioni    | Jody Michael      | Tom Smith      |
| Carl Clemm   | Bill Monroe       | Man Tran       |
| Jim Davis    | Carl Moyer        | Ian Wall       |
| Ben Director | Jim Narva         | Peter Wong     |
| Justin Go    | Bart Nelson       | Bill Young     |
| Joe Hauser   | Ken Newton Jr.    |                |

**Don Linz was the June Birthday prize winner.**

### BOOK SWAP

TIM TOPOLE 650-793-0838  
[topole@yahoo.com](mailto:topole@yahoo.com)

The book swap has resumed with in-person meeting. After two years, we hope that everybody has books to share!

### DINING IN

ALAN GAUDIE 650-575-4332  
[alanguddie@yahoo.com](mailto:alanguddie@yahoo.com)

Dining In is designed to have fun and meet new couples (to become friends). We have potluck dinner at member's homes. We currently have three groups going back about five years ago when this activity started. I need 4 or 5 couples to start a new group and have 2 on the waiting list. Let me know if you are interested or want more information.

### WINE FINDERS

ALAN GAUDIE 650-575-4332  
[alanguddie@yahoo.com](mailto:alanguddie@yahoo.com)

This activity includes couples meeting at someone's home to blind taste and grade wines and share appetizers. We have had six very successful events since starting last fall. There are now 18 people on the interested list, some who have not yet attended. Contact me (email above) to join or for more information.

### BOOK CLUB

JERRY BELDEN 650-207-6280  
[jerry@qbeldenlinc.com](mailto:jerry@qbeldenlinc.com)



The Book Club is an activity where the members read books and then meet to discuss the content.

For our June meeting, we read "Lands of Lost Borders: A Journey on the Silk Road" by Kate Harris. This book describes a 6000-mile bicycle journey from Turkey to China that the author, a 27-year-old endurance athlete and scholar with advanced degrees from MIT and

Oxford, took with her best friend in 2011. Kate had a childhood dream of becoming an astronaut and going to Mars. But since that wasn't feasible, she explored other continents instead. The book not only describes the arduous trip and the harsh high-altitude terrain along the way, but also Kate's experiences in grad school, the meanings of exploration, and the unexpected kindnesses of strangers encountered in the poorest countries. Our club members all enjoyed the book to varying degrees and all agreed that Kate Harris is a remarkably intelligent, adventurous, and courageous woman. And of course we were glad she and her friend made and described this difficult journey so that we wouldn't have to. The following YouTube video will give you a bit of the story. [Lands of Lost Borders Highlights Reel - YouTube](#)

Our next book is "The Perfect Weapon" by David Sanger.

### BIKING

GORDON TONG 408-242-0557  
[gordy6850@gmail.com](mailto:gordy6850@gmail.com)



**2nd Tuesday— July 14th, 2022, 11:00 AM**

**Special Note:** For the months of July through October 2022, SIR Branch 35 monthly bicycling rides will REVERT back to the SECOND THURSDAY. The following are the planned rides:

Thursday, 14th July 2022. Foster City Bay Trail

Thursday, 11th August 2022. Los Gatos Creek Trail

Thursday, 8th Sept 2022. San Lorenzo to Bay Farm Island

Thursday, 13th Oct 2022. Sawyer Camp Trail

**Wives and guests welcomed; helmets required and face masks optional but read latest CDC guidance below:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

### Foster City Bay Trail

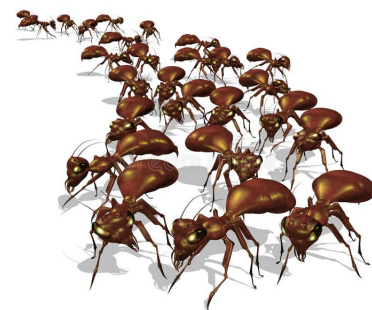
**Ride:** We will ride the scenic and picturesque Foster City Bay Trail from the Oracle Corporate Headquarters to the Poplar Creek Golf Course at Coyote Point. There is another 4-mile extension that would take us to the very southern edge of the SF International Airport for a total round trip of 22 miles. The trail is paved and level but there is some on-going construction that will detour us onto some city streets that have well designated/marked bike lanes. We can decide to ride the 4-mile extension on the day of the ride. There are lunch options along the trail. It might be windy, so bring a jacket or windbreaker.

**Directions:** Take US101 North towards SF and exit at Marine Parkway/ Ralston. Turn right on Marine Parkway, then an immediate left onto Oracle Parkway. The meeting point is a tree-shaded parking lot with restrooms to the left of this intersection. If the parking lot is full, backtrack over the creek to 401-501 Island Parkway and park in the Oracle lot. Ride your bike across the pedestrian bridge to the meeting point.

If you plan to ride or have questions, please contact Gordon Tong at 408-242-0557 or [gordy6850@gmail.com](mailto:gordy6850@gmail.com). Hank Bottino at (650) 207-4320 or [bottinoh@comcast.net](mailto:bottinoh@comcast.net) will be my biking group co-leader.

**The ants have  
registered for the  
picnic!!**

**Have You?**



# **\*\*\*Time to Register\*\*\***

## **SIR Branch 35 Annual Picnic**

**Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00 to 2:30 (BBQ 11:30-1:00)**

**Blackberry Farm, Cupertino**



Our 2022 Annual Summer Picnic at nearby Blackberry Farm is a real old-fashioned outdoor picnic staffed by our own Branch 35 volunteers. Signed Branch 35 Covid-19 Waiver Forms are required and will be available for those who have not yet signed and are vaccinated.

- BBQ'd Ribs, Chicken, Sausages, Hamburger, Hot Dog, Salads, Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks
- Music, Corn Hole, Horseshoes, Bocce Ball, Tomato Tasting, lunch under the canopy
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**All you can eat and drink for \$20/Person**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner/Guest Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate number of people for each entrée desired (VegiBurger on request only)

Ribs \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Sausages \_\_\_\_\_ Hamburger \_\_\_\_\_ Hot Dog \_\_\_\_\_ VegiBurger \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate here if your health requires a cart ride from parking lot \_\_\_\_\_

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**Register and Pay on-Line (see Your eMail)**

**Or**

**Send This Page and Check (SIR Branch35) to**



Andy Danver  
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## BOCCE BALL

NORM PASS – SCHEDULE/  
CANCELLATIONS 408-737-7639;  
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JOHN RICHARDSON - SUPPORT  
650-996-7787; [jlr@rcgc.com](mailto:jlr@rcgc.com)

**Every Friday, 10:00 a.m. to noon. Guests are welcome.**

**Location:** Bocce Ball Courts (2) at the Los Altos Community Center, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos (off San Antonio Road), 650-947-2790. Ample parking in front. The Bocce courts are in the left rear of the site as you face the front entrance of the Center.

On Tuesday, July 5th, an outside vendor, trained in bocce ball surfaces, will be installing the new oyster shell material and tamping, etc., the courts. So, we are getting very close to having more proper surfaces than we have had. Court conditions at the Los Altos Community Center on Hillview Ave. are now fully acceptable, and we have space for additional players—friends or guests, spouses, etc. If not a SIR member, then the standard Waiver form must be signed and can be obtained from Stan Barkey (408-472-7353, [stanbarkey1@gmail.com](mailto:stanbarkey1@gmail.com)) or Andy Daver (650-906-3747, [adanver@ix.netcom.com](mailto:adanver@ix.netcom.com)).

We have a good time playing, with the weather cooperating, and it is always a pleasure to socialize with those at the courts. We encourage you to join us in this popular and much appreciated activity.

## HIKING

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### Cool hike in the redwoods



### SIR hikers crossing El Corte de Madera Creek

On June 24<sup>th</sup> 18 SIR hikers took a cool hike on a hot day in the redwoods in El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve. Five new hikers and five women hikers joined the hike, as our hiking activity participation continues to grow. We were able to form two hiking groups. Four hikers took a shorter 3-mile loop, and fourteen hikers took the longer 6-mile loop. We all managed to meet for a trail lunch at a scenic spot in the shade with a view out to a foggy coastline.

Highlights included hiking in the shady redwoods, a visit to the Tafari Sandstone formation, and a visit to the Resolution airplane memorial. Some hikers stopped at Alice's Restaurant for debriefing after the hike.

### Branch 35 Monthly Hikes on 4<sup>th</sup> Friday

Our monthly hikes, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at 10:00am, are designed to encourage spouse and guest participation. There will be many opportunities to socialize and to make new friends. Pack a lunch and we will stop at a scenic spot to eat and enjoy nature.

Branch 35 members, spouses, or friends who have signed the Covid-19 Waiver and can enjoy a moderate hike of up to 5 miles and up to 1,000 feet elevation gain are invited to join us.

**Save the date for our next cool hike on a hot day along the coast on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.** To join our hiking group, and to get the details, send an email to Peter Thurston, [peterethurston@gmail.com](mailto:peterethurston@gmail.com).

## BOWLING

BOB TAGGART 650-321-2654  
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DOUG ANDERSON 415-407-4000  
[marktinti@aol.com](mailto:marktinti@aol.com) Prizes: Alan Gaudie



**Every Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. (for a couple hours), at Homestead Lanes, Homestead & Stelling, in Cupertino.** The 'Summer Session' of handicap league starts on July 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have thoughts about joining, this would be the perfect time. This invitation also extends to your wife or your significant other. Call either Bob or Doug if you have questions.

### STANDINGS – SPRING 2022 WEEK 13

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|---|
| 1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE – Doug Anderson, Jim Holman, Joe Enos                       |
| 2 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE – Peter Wong, Bob Taggart, Jay Jonekait                     |
| 3 <sup>RD</sup> PLACE – Ranney Thayer, Gerry Cooley, Don Haythronewhite           |
| 4 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – John Ahn, Darryl Walker, Marc Haberman                    |
| 5 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – TIE - Brian Lin, Rick McColloch, Alan Gaudie, Perry Brown |
| 5 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – TIE - Jerry Ososkie, Ron Nakamoto                         |
| 7 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Les Fisher, Stan Barkey, Tim Eastham, Bob Garten          |
| 8 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Fred Emmenegger, Arnie Satterlee, Larry Low               |

### SEASON HIGH SCORES

| HIGH SERIES – SCRATCH     | HIGH GAME – SCRATCH           |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1st – Bob Garten: 591     | 1st – Larry Low: 224          |
| 2nd – Perry Brown: 571    | 2nd – Jay Jonekait: 210       |
| 3rd – Joe Enos: 530       | 3rd – Don Haythronewhite: 206 |
| HIGH HANDICAP SERIES      | HIGH HANDICAP GAME            |
| 1st – Bob Taggart: 692    | 1st – Brian Lin: 264          |
| 2nd – Rick McColloch: 659 | 2nd – Jim Holman: 255         |
| 3rd – Darryl Walker: 644  | 3rd – Peter Wong: 248         |

### LAST WEEK'S TOP SCORES

| HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH      | HIGH GAME - SCRATCH            |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1st – Larry Low: 536       | 1st – Bob Garten: 214          |
| 2nd – Jay Jonekait: 491    | 2nd – Arnie Satterlee: 172     |
| 3rd – Bob Taggart: 453     | 3rd – Peter Wong: 167          |
| HIGH HANDICAP SERIES       | HIGH HANDICAP GAME             |
| 1st – Les Fisher: 636      | 1st – Joe Enos: 206            |
| 2nd – Tim Eastham: 616     | 2nd – John Ahn: 225            |
| 3rd – Fred Emmenegger: 585 | 3rd – TIE - Jim Holman: 212    |
|                            | 3rd – TIE – Doug Anderson: 212 |

## GOLF

JOE CIONI, GOLF CHAIRMAN  
516-448-6721, [jacioni@yahoo.com](mailto:jacioni@yahoo.com)



| SIGN-UP with John Gerich by Friday, July 15 |   |                      |      |
|---|---|----------------------|------|
| Dublin Ranch (DRN) (Cart)                   | Mon Aug 1   | 9:30                 | \$40 |
| Shuffle the Deck                            |   | **Need TC** / Newton |      |
| Callippe Preserve (CPR)                     | Thu Aug 4   | 10:10                | \$38 |
|   |   | **Need TC** / Wilson |      |
| Santa Teresa (SNT) (Cart)                   | Mon Aug 8   | 10:00                | \$70 |
|   | Lau 408-730-9115 ronwjlaui(at)gmail.com / Ososkie                   |                      |      |
| Bridges (BRI) (Cart)                        | Thu Aug 11  | 10:00                | \$64 |
|   | McGrath 408-307-8056 richard.mcgrath(at)yahoo.com / ** Need ATC **  |                      |      |
| Corica Park South (CCS)                     | Mon Aug 15  | 10:00                | \$75 |
|   | Rittweger 650-740-3156 olygolfjr(at)aol.com / Enos                  |                      |      |
| Moffett Field (MFD)                         | Thu Aug 18  | 9:30                 | \$45 |
| Double Points                               |   | **Need TC** / Wilson |      |
| Cinnabar Hills (CBH) (Cart, Prize)          | Mon Aug 22  | 8:40                 | \$86 |
|   | Nakamoto 408-440-2330 Ronandela(at)comcast.net / Barnhart           |                      |      |
| The Villages (VLG) (Cart)                   | Thu Aug 25  | 11:30                | \$73 |
|   | Barnhart 408-960-6674 terry.b2007(at)sbcglobal.net / ** Need ATC ** |                      |      |
| Crystal Springs (CSP) (Cart)                | Mon Aug 29  | 9:30                 | \$61 |
|   | Cioni 650-393-5711 jacioni(at)yahoo.com / ** Need ATC **            |                      |      |

## The Rules Corner

This new feature will help us learn what rules apply in common and not-so-common situations. **Bruce Karney** provides the questions and **Joe Cioni** provides the answers.

### The situation:

On a Par 4, two Palmer players' second shots each landed a few yards short of the green. One ball was two inches directly behind the other one, making it difficult or impossible for either golfer to hit their ball toward the flag without contacting the other player's ball. Nicklaus players could have easily coped with the situation using the "6-inch bump, no closer to the hole" option for one or both balls. But what options did the Palmer players have to deal with this unusual situation?

### The ruling:

The player who is further from the hole can request the other player to mark his ball (even though it isn't on the green), since it will interfere with his shot. After the shot, the ball is replaced. The player marking and lifting may neither clean the ball nor substitute it. Also, he may not refuse the request to mark it.

### Stymied?:

During the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, in singles match play when one player's ball blocked the path of another player's ball on the green, and the balls were more than six inches apart, the obstructing ball was **not** lifted and marked. This was called "a stymie."

The player further from the hole could try chipping over the obstructing ball or putting around it. If his ball struck the opponent's ball, his next shot would have to be played from where his ball came to rest. His opponent, when it was his turn to play, had the choice to putt from his ball's original position or its new one. If the first player's ball knocked the obstructing ball into the cup his opponent was considered to have holed out on the previous shot. Many scorecards were six inches in length to eliminate arguments about how far apart the balls were.

The stymie was eliminated in 1952. Off the golf course "stymie" means to hinder, block or thwart.

### Garten Cards the Round of the Month

**Bob Garten** shot June's best round when his score at Seascap on June 9 was 4.6 strokes "under." Well done, Bob!

## GOLF RESULTS

### 2022 Team Match Play Tournament Results

(If a name is in red it means the player's "over/under" score was -2.0 or better.)

| Round | Course   | Match                              | Score | Prize |
|-------|----------|------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 2     | Seascape | Garten & Miles def. Lau & Jonekait | 5 & 4 | \$10@ |

### 2022 Individual Match Play Tournament Results

(If a name is in red it means the player's "over/under" score was -2.0 or better.)

| Round | Course       | Match                                     | Score | Prize |
|-------|--------------|---|-------|-------|
| 1     | Seascape     | Alex Bush def. Don Mattson                | 2 up  | \$10  |
| 1     | Metropolitan | Ron Nakamoto def. Paul Schutz             | 5 & 4 | \$10  |
| 1     | Metropolitan | Ben Gikis and Bob Garten tied             | Even  | --    |
| 1     | Sunnyvale    | Bob Garten def. Ben Gikis in a tiebreaker | 7 & 6 | \$10  |
| 1     | Sunnyvale    | Bill Hall def. Rich Pattisson             | 2 up  | \$10  |
| 1     | Sunnyvale    | Marc Haberman def. Dave Squellati         | 3 & 2 | \$10  |

| Poppy Ridge (Zinfandel/Merlot)   |     |       | Par 72          | June 1, 2022 |       |
|--|-----|-------|-----------------|--------------|-------|
| Palmer Flight  | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net          | Prize |
| Andy Danver  | 68  | \$25  | Balbir Kalsi    | 71           | \$18  |
| Les Miles  | 69  | \$19  | Peter Wong      | 73           | \$12  |
| Ron Lau  | 73  | \$14  | Jim Narva       | 74           | \$7   |
| Ron Nakamoto   | 74  | \$9   |                 |              |       |
| Inside Putter Length: Ken Jones (\$25) on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> hole of Merlot |     |       |                 |              |       |
| Low Gross: Alex Bush 79  |     |       |                 |              |       |

| Sharp Park                 |     |       | Par 72          |     | June 2, 2022 |  |
|----------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------|-----|--------------|--|
| Palmer Flight              | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net | Prize        |  |
| John Gerich                | 71  | \$17  | Ken Newton      | 71  | \$18         |  |
| Chris Weberg               | 77  | \$10  | Tim O'Meara     | 73  | \$14         |  |
|                            |     |       | Jim Narva       | 74  | \$10         |  |
|                            |     |       | Andy Jurian     | 75  | \$5          |  |
| Inside Putter Length: None |     |       |                 |     |              |  |
| Low Gross: Larry Low 92    |     |       |                 |     |              |  |

| Boulder Ridge              |     |       | Par 72          |     | June 6, 2022 |  |
|----------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------|-----|--------------|--|
| Palmer Flight              | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net | Prize        |  |
| Joe Cioni                  | 71  | \$25  | Jim Narva       | 72  | \$18         |  |
| Chris Weberg               | 71  | \$20  | Gerry Feeney    | 74  | \$14         |  |
| Les Miles                  | 73  | \$15  | Larry Wall      | 75  | \$10         |  |
| Larry Low                  | 74  | \$10  | Don Mattson     | 75  | \$5          |  |
| Richard McGrath            | 74  | \$7   |                 |     |              |  |
| Inside Putter Length: None |     |       |                 |     |              |  |
| Low Gross: Joe Cioni 82    |     |       |                 |     |              |  |

| Seascape  |     |       | Par 71          |     | June 9, 2022 |  |
|---|-----|-------|-----------------|-----|--------------|--|
| Palmer Flight   | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net | Prize        |  |
| Ron Grace   | 69  | \$18  | Ken Newton      | 71  | \$18         |  |
| Richard McGrath   | 71  | \$14  | Jim Narva       | 73  | \$14         |  |
| Bill Hall   | 79  | \$10  | Ben Gikis       | 78  | \$10         |  |
|   |     |       | Dave Ogle       | 80  | \$5          |  |
| Inside Putter Length: Richard McGrath (\$25) on the 16 <sup>th</sup> hole |     |       |                 |     |              |  |
| Low Gross: Richard McGrath 80   |     |       |                 |     |              |  |

| Presidio                   |     |       | Par 72BI. 70Red | June 13, 2022 |       |
|----------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| Palmer Flight              | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net           | Prize |
| Bill Hall                  | 71  | \$24  | Ben Gikis       | 69            | \$18  |
| Ron Nakamoto               | 71  | \$18  | Tim O'Meara     | 71            | \$14  |
| Alex Bush                  | 72  | \$12  | Ken Newton      | 72            | \$10  |
| Chris Weberg               | 72  | \$8   | Don Mattson     | 75            | \$5   |
| Inside Putter Length: None |     |       |                 |               |       |
| Low Gross: Alex Bush 81    |     |       |                 |               |       |

| Lake Chabot                   |     |       | Par 71Wh 70Rd   | June 16, 2022 |       |
|-------------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| Palmer Flight                 | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net           | Prize |
| John Gerich                   | 66  | \$17  | Don Mattson     | 70            | \$18  |
| Richard McGrath               | 68  | \$10  | Joe Enos        | 72            | \$14  |
| Chris Weberg                  | 71  | \$5   | Peter Wong      | 72            | \$10  |
| Inside Putter Length: None    |     |       |                 |               |       |
| Low Gross: Richard McGrath 74 |     |       |                 |               |       |

### Fellow Golfers,

Attached on the last page of this issue of Trail Tips is the announcement for the final State golf event of the year which will be held at the Blue Rock Springs golf courses in Vallejo. The event will be held on September 14th and 15th. This is a 2-day event but if a golfer wants, they can play either of the days or both. Take a look at the attached flyer for additional information as well as the State golf website at [www.sirgolf.org](http://www.sirgolf.org). This event is open to all SIR members, their wives or significant other, and invited guests.

Many Thanks,

Mark Stuart, 2022 SIR State Golf Committee Chair



| Metropolitan               |     |       | Par 72          |     | June 20, 2022 |  |
|----------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------|-----|---------------|--|
| Palmer Flight              | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net | Prize         |  |
| Larry Low                  | 68  | \$25  | Don Mattson     | 73  | \$18          |  |
| Stan Scardino              | 70  | \$19  | Peter Lau       | 73  | \$14          |  |
| Walt Joyce                 | 71  | \$14  | Jim Narva       | 73  | \$10          |  |
| Ron Lau                    | 72  | \$9   | Tim O'Meara     | 74  | \$5           |  |
| Inside Putter Length: None |     |       |                 |     |               |  |
| Low Gross: Larry Low 80    |     |       |                 |     |               |  |

| Sunnyvale  |     |       | Par 70          |     | June 23, 2022 |  |
|--|-----|-------|-----------------|-----|---------------|--|
| Palmer Flight  | Net | Prize | Nicklaus Flight | Net | Prize         |  |
| Larry Low  | 70  | \$24  | Peter Wong      | 68  | \$25          |  |
| Jerry Ososkie  | 70  | \$18  | Peter Lau       | 68  | \$19          |  |
| Ken Jones  | 71  | \$12  | William Nix     | 70  | \$14          |  |
| Andy Danver  | 72  | \$8   | Don Mattson     | 71  | \$9           |  |
|  |     |       | Tim O'Meara     | 73  | \$5           |  |
| Inside Putter Length: Larry Low (\$25) on the 4 <sup>th</sup> hole |     |       |                 |     |               |  |
| Low Gross: Larry Low 82  |     |       |                 |     |               |  |

Our State Organization publishes a quarterly bulletin highlighting SIR events, branch activities and state-wide activities. It's called **SIR Happenings**, and you can read the latest issue [here](#).

## SIR HAPPENINGS



### TOMATO TASTING CONTEST

Don't forget to bring your prized tomatoes to the Picnic at Blackberry Farms. We will have the spirited tasting event this year at the picnic. Dave Ogle, Bob Garten and Ben Gikis, among others, will be challenging each other for 2022 bragging rights. Let's see who can produce the best tasting beefsteak, classic salad and/or cherry tomatoes. If you are interested in entering the contest or you or your significant other would like to be a judge, please contact Jerry Ososkie at [jcososkie@SBCglobal.net](mailto:jcososkie@SBCglobal.net).

## MOVIES

Jim Quillinan, Movies Activity, [jvquill@pacbell.net](mailto:jvquill@pacbell.net)

**The Lincoln Lawyer.** This is a ten-episode legal/crime drama on Netflix. It is based on the bestselling novels of Michael Connelly. Mickey Haller (Manuel Garcia-Rulfo) is a LA lawyer who bends the rules to achieve just results. He runs his law practice out of the back seat of his Lincoln Town Car. His 1963 blue Lincoln Continental Convertible is used on special occasions. Each episode has Mickey using his courtroom skill to achieve a seemingly impossible result. All of the smaller stories contribute to a larger story of the defense of an unlikable computer guru who stands accused of murdering his wife. Mickey balances all of his legal issues with two ex-wives (Neve Campbell and Becki Newton), a daughter, and his addiction recovery. To make it worse, he and his family are targets of a hitman. The legal presentations are sometimes preposterous but also sometimes right on. The plots are interesting as are the characters, so worth watching. They will grab you and lead to binge watching. Check this out on Netflix. Rated TV MA for language and sexual content. It is a Peggy's Pick.

**Hustle.** Fans of Professional Basketball will love this tribute to the game and its players. Adam Sandler (Big Time NBA Fan) plays Stanley Sugerman, an over the hill basketball scout for the 76ers. While in Spain scouting the European League, he discovers an incredible street ball player, Bo Cruz (Juancho Hernangomez). Bo is Stanley's ticket to get back into the good graces of the NBA. There are plenty of basketball scenes with Bo and a host of NBA star players from the past. Stanley has all sorts of problems getting Bo into shape for the challenges of the NBA and to qualify for a tryout. They work hard and Bo gets his shot and makes the grade. Stanley has a devoted wife (Queen Latifah) who can hold her own on the basketball court and keeps Stanley focused on what's important. The film is loads of fun with trash talk in English and Spanish. Rated R for language and rudeness. Currently in theatres but moving to Netflix streaming soon. It is a Peggy's Pick.

**Benediction.** This is the best film I have seen in quite a while. Lovers of the English language and poetry will be ecstatic to see an erudite and poetic performance. The film explores the dark side of war with the Great War as a backdrop. It is based on the real-life experiences of Siegfried Sassoon, a well-known British poet. Writer/director Terence Davies creates a distinctive atmosphere with long pauses, period sets and costumes and photos of the carnage of World War I. Sassoon was a complicated man who was troubled by his homosexuality, was a decorated war hero who used his language skills to sharply criticize His Majesty's Government's conduct of the war. He even married so he could have children. His personal journey for salvation is at the core of the film. This is a movie you must see. It will be hard to find, but it is now in theatres. Rated PG-13 for disturbing war images, some sexual material and thematic elements. It is a Peggy's Pick.

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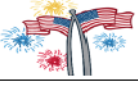
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**SIR Branch 35 Activities - July 2022**

| Sunday | Monday   | Tuesday                                       | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday |
|--------|--|---|---|---|--|----------|
|        |  |   |   |   | 1<br>Bocce Ball<br>Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.<br>Los Altos Community Center                                 | 2        |
| 3      | 4<br> | 5<br>Bowling<br>Homestead Lanes<br>1:00 p.m.  | 6<br>Golf- Moffett Field<br>SIR INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIER<br>9:30 a.m.                                       | 7<br>Los Lagos<br>9:27 a.m.   | 8<br>Bocce Ball<br>Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.<br>Los Altos Community Center                                 | 9        |
| 10     | 11<br>Golf- Corica Park South<br>10:00 a.m.  | 12<br>Bowling<br>Homestead Lanes<br>1:00 p.m. |   | 14<br>Golf- Coyote Creek<br>10:10 a.m.<br>Biking<br>Foster City Bay Trail<br>11:00 a.m. | 15<br>Bocce Ball<br>Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.<br>Los Altos Community Center                                | 16       |
| 17     | 18<br>Golf- Lake Chabot<br>9:30 a.m.   | 19<br>Bowling<br>Homestead Lanes<br>1:00 p.m. | 20<br>SIR Branch 35<br>ANNUAL PICNIC<br>11:00 to 2:30<br>BBQ 11:30 - 1:00<br>Blackberry Farm, Cupertino | 21<br>Golf- Baylands<br>9:00 a.m.   | 22<br>Bocce Ball<br>Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.<br>Los Altos Community Center<br>Hiking<br>TBD<br>10:00 a.m. | 23       |
| 24     | 25<br>Golf- Las Positas<br>9:30 a.m.   | 26<br>Bowling<br>Homestead Lanes<br>1:00 p.m. | 27  | 28<br>Golf- Laguna Seca<br>10:00 a.m.   | 29<br>Bocce Ball<br>Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.<br>Los Altos Community Center                                | 30       |
| 31     |  |   |   |   |  |          |

PLAY ONE DAY OR BOTH,

DAY 1 - \$ 60, DAY 2 - \$60, BOTH DAYS - \$120

# 2022 SIR Fall Golf Classic

**MEMBER & GUEST TOURNAMENT  
LADIES - NO HANDICAP REQUIRED!**

**Blue Rock Springs West  
Blue Rock Springs East  
Vallejo, CA**

**Wednesday & Thursday  
September 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

**"PLAY ONE OR BOTH DAYS"**

**8:00AM shotgun start both  
days**

**Entry fee includes green fee, cart, range  
balls & prize fund both days**

**Have a non-golfing spouse?  
Check out all the nearby  
activities [Click Here!](#)**

**Applications at [www.sirgolf.org](http://www.sirgolf.org)**

**Your Hosts: Jim Gurke, John  
Harrison, Pete Morelli, Mark Stuart**

**SIR members and men guests must  
have an established NCGA index.**

## **Men's Program**

**Day 1 – 4 Men's Team - 2  
Best Ball (net) Play with a  
foursome of your choice  
or we place you on a  
team**

**Day 2 – Men's Scramble  
Play with a foursome of  
your choice or we will  
place you on a team**

**Closest to pin contests on  
both days! Front & Back  
nines.**

## **Women's Program**

**Day 1 – 4 Women Team - 2  
Best Ball (net) Play with a  
foursome of your choice or  
we will place you on a team**

**Day 2 – Women's Scramble  
Play with a foursome of your  
choice or we will place you  
on a team**

**Closest to pin contests on  
both days! Front & Back nines.**