

Branch 35 web site: www.sirinc2.org/branch35/

September 2022

#### - NEXT MEETING -

3rd Wednesday, September 21, 2022 Social Time 11:30am Business 12:30pm, Speaker 12:45pm Zoom starting at 12:30pm

Zoom starting at 12:30pm Zoom instructions will be sent via email before the meeting.

#### **PROGRAM**

Speaker: Seth Shostak, Senior Astronomer
Topic: "Are Aliens Visiting Earth?"



Seth Shostak claims to have developed an interest in extraterrestrial life at the tender age of ten, when he first picked up a book about the Solar System. This innocent beginning eventually led to a degree in radio astronomy, and now, as Senior Astronomer, Seth is an enthusiastic participant in the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) Institute's research programs.

Since 2001, he has been the senior astronomer at the SETI Institute, a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to "explore, understand and explain the origin, nature and prevalence of life in the universe". SETI Institute, located in Mountain View, California, employs over 50 researchers that study all aspects of the search for life, its origins, the environment in which life develops, and its ultimate fate.

In addition, Seth is keen on outreach activities: interesting the public – and especially young people – in science in general, and astrobiology in particular. He's co-authored a college textbook on astrobiology and has written three trade books on SETI. In addition, he's published more than 400 popular articles on science including regular contributions to NBC News MACH, gives many dozens of talks annually, and is the host of the SETI Institute's weekly science radio show, "Big Picture Science."



# The Big Sir says... Good Vibes are Infectious

It's hard to believe how fast time flies when you get older. It seems just yesterday that I was starting my second tenure as Branch 35 Big Sir and now I am preparing to recommend a great slate of 2023 officers and directors for you to vote on at our next luncheon on September 21st.



Thanks goes to Stan Barkey, Director of Nominations, who brought together a group of members to help him review potential candidates and propose a slate to the Branch 35 Executive Committee. Look for the article about this slate on Page 3 of this issue and come to the next luncheon to vote for it.

The luncheon "vibes" at last Wednesday's gathering were personally rewarding. You have adapted to our new processes where pre-registration occurs online, badges are available for immediate pickup for those who have signed our Covid Waiver Form and the time to casually "meet and greet" has been increased. Particularly pleasing to me is how comfortable members are circulating in the ballroom and neighboring with old and new friends. The buzz is infectious (no pun intended). As Ron writes later on Page 4, luncheons are one of our greatest activities. It is where we enjoy our bonds of social friendship.

Robin Wedell, Director of Heartfit in Palo Alto, reminded us that taking care of our bodies and more specifically our hearts is worth the effort. When I asked for a show of hands, I was surprised by the number of members who have had heart issues. I also was surprised at the number who have had a variant of Covid 19 and are now coming to lunch.

A sign on my white board asks me "What have you done for yourself today!" I recommend we all become more disciplined and make time to maintain our health, spend time with our loved ones and nurture our friendships both within and outside of Branch 35.

And remember! - <u>attend</u>, <u>participate</u>, <u>support</u>, <u>and lead</u> an activity to make us even better!

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



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# \$30 SEPTEMBER HOT-PLATE MENU \$30 Bistro Salad with Ranch Dressing Chicken Cordon Bleu with Beurre Blanc Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Roasted Vegetables Cheesecake

To reserve this meal, please select it during the online reservation and payment process.

To reserve a vegetarian meal, contact Terry Barnhart at 408-960-6674 or terry.b2007@sbcglobal.net

## SEPTEMBER 2022 ROSTER

Active Members: 323 Net Monthly Change: -2

In Memoriam

Don Cameron

Bob Lindblom

Tom Slappendel

# **NEW MEMBER**

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		Realty Trust				
	Golf, Wine Group					

### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES: 10+ YEARS

Bob Simon	23	Mike Hurley	14
Peter Barba	21	Carl Clemm	13
Art Hammar	17	Ron Lau	13
Larry Dike	16	Neil Miotto	12
Jon Saxe	16	Pete Pierron	12
Wayne Dexter	15	Roger Potash	11

# SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Brian Beattie	Chris Goodman	Pete Pierron
Bob Booth	Tony Guichard, MD	Greg Ross
Eric Butte	Jim Harvey	Tom Taboada
Gerry Cooley	Bob Jones	John Tucker
Rick Crego	Harold Kaye	Van Van Hauser
Tom Dehaan	Stu Kennedy	Big Nick Vicari
Jim Dunaway	Ron Nakamoto	Jim White
Gil Eakins	Bill Patterson	James Yoshida
Mickey Ellingson	Herb Petersen	

# **BOOK SWAP**

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

# **DINING IN**

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Dining In is designed to have fun and meet new couples (to become friends). We have potluck dinners at member's homes. We currently have three groups. I need 4 or 5 couples to start a new group and have a number of members on the interested list but have not set a dinner date. Let me know if you are interested or want more information.

# \$30 SEPTEMBER COLD-PLATE MENU \$30 Turkey, Ham, & Roast Beef Sandwiches Green Salad, Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Fruit Salad Cheesecake

To reserve this meal, please select it during the online reservation and payment process. You may also make a permanent reservation for cold plates.

## Wine Finders

ALAN GAUDIE 650-575-4332 alangaudie@yahoo.com

This activity includes couples meeting at someone's home to blind taste and grade wines and share appetizers. We have had eight 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@gbeldenltc.com



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

For August we read "Cutting for Stone" by Abraham Verghese. It is the story of twin brothers born in Ethiopia to an Indian Catholic nun and an English surgeon. It is very much about family bonds and random chance happenings impacting one's life. It is also a story about the practice of surgery as passion, and life in an impoverished African country going through a revolution. Our group thoroughly enjoyed the beautiful writing and most rated it 4.5/5, even though the book was a bit long (672 pages).

Our next book is "Skinny Dip" (F) by Carl Hiassen

# **BIKING**

GORDON TONG 408-242-0557 gordy6850@gmail.com



2nd Thursday— September 8, 2022, 11:00 AM 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

San Lorenzo Bay Trail Ride: The ride starts from San Lorenzo passing by the Oakland International Airport to Bay Farm Island in Alameda. It is a very scenic, bay front trail that's paved and level (including 1-2 miles of quiet residential streets and 2-3 miles of Alameda city streets securely barricaded from traffic, about 22 miles round trip. We will stop in Alameda for lunch and then ride back to our starting point. The trail can get a bay breeze so bring light windbreaker or vest. This ride is much like the Oracle Redwood Shores ride, but on the East Bay.

**Driving Directions:** From Silicon Valley take I-880 heading North, exit on Hesperian Blvd (about 20 miles from Mt View/Palo Alto) turning left onto Hesperian Blvd, then right on Grant Avenue and turn right into the trail parking lot (near the end of Grant Avenue). Plug Into your car GPS: 2561 Grant Road, San Lorenzo. This will direct you to the building next to the trail parking lot.

Please open the link below to see Maps #8 and #9 which show the trail we'll be riding. At the top of Map #8 it shows where the paved trail starts at Grant Avenue in San Lorenzo.

https://mtc.ca.gov/operations/regional-trails-parks/san-francisco-bay-trail/map-numbers

If you plan to ride or have questions, please contact Gordon Tong at 408- 242-0557 or <a href="mailto:gordy6850@gmail.com">gordy6850@gmail.com</a> or Hank Bottino at (650) 207-4320 or <a href="mailto:bottinoh@comcast.net">bottinoh@comcast.net</a>.

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# Nomination of 2023 SIR Branch 35 Officers and Directors

The Branch 35 Nomination Committee is formed by the Director of Nominations to develop a succession plan for the officers, directors, activity chairmen and support staff of the branch. The near-term goal is to recommend a slate of officers and directors to the current year's Branch Executive Committee for their approval. When approved, this slate of officers and directors is brought before the branch membership for their vote of approval. Members of the branch may send in alternative candidates in advance of the vote.

The longer-term goal is to develop a multi-year succession. The importance of these 37 positions to the smooth running of Branch 35 is critical and all members should volunteer and become active members of branch committees to keep Branch 35 healthy and efficient.

#### 2023 Officers

**Big Sir: Ron Nakamoto.** Ron has been an active member of Branch 35 for 12 years. He has previously served on the BEC as Membership Director. Notably he has written 80 profiles of members which were published in Trail Tips and are available on our website. He's an active golfer and bowler.

<u>Little Sir: Peter Wong.</u> Peter has been a member of Branch 35 since 2016. He brings new blood to the Branch Executive Committee. He has been active in other community activities in support of his children and is an active Branch 35 golfer.

<u>Secretary: Bob Booth</u>. The past two years Bob has served as Little Sir and headed up his committee to review, select and introduce luncheon speakers to the Branch. This has been particularly challenging given the Covid Pandemic and the need to collaborate with speakers over Zoom. Congrats to Bob for a great job and move to the position of secretary.

Assist Secretary: Dave Squellati. Dave has been an active member of Branch 35 for 15 years and been a supporting member of the BEC for several years including backing up our retiring secretary Jim Quillinan. He is best known for being in charge of distributing Branch 35 golf Winnings.

BOCCE BALL

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

<u>Location:</u> 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

The interest in and appreciation for the new courts at the Los Altos Community Center was demonstrated on August 19, when 17 SIR members and several guests played—the most ever at Los Altos. One new member of SIR, who had just joined two days before at our Luncheon meeting, was playing with us and learning the game. We encourage guests who attend to become new members of our SIR Branch.

Treasurer: Jim Narva. Jim has been our Treasure for the past few years and helped us evolve from a check and cash-based organization to a more efficient online one. He is familiar with SIR's required forms and processes to keep Branch 35 running as an independent 501 (c) (4) non-profit. He has been a member of Branch 35 for 7 years and an avid golfer.

Assist Secretary: Larry Low. Larry joined the BEC earlier this year when Gerry Feeney our assist treasurer took over a major accounting function for the golf activity. Larry joined Branch 35 in 2019. As a new branch member, he brings new insights to the BEC as he supports Jim in the treasure's position.

#### 2023 Directors

All directors will remain in their 2022 positions except for the rotation of the Director of Nominations. The previous year's Big Sir traditionally takes over the nomination position. Stan Barkey who is the current Director of Nominations has served SIR well since 2004. He has twice been Big and Little Sir and once served as the Area Governor. He has asked to retire from the BEC to become "just a member and golfer, again."

#### **Proposed Directors for 2023 are:**

Activities – Jerry Belden Communications – Bruce Karney Membership – Paul Schutz Nominations – Andy Danver Special Events – Ben Gikis Technology – Richard Blackborow

#### **Voting for 2023 Officers and Directors**

Voting on the Branch 35 officers and directors will occur at the September 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon meeting. As a Branch 35 member you also may submit the name of any other member to be considered for a Branch 35 officer or director position. Please send the name of your proposed candidate and the recommended position to Andy Danver at <a href="mailto:adanver@ix.netcom.com">adanver@ix.netcom.com</a> by Monday, September 12.

If you wish to vote and do not plan to attend the September 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon, you may vote by sending me an email with your vote at <a href="mailto:adanver@ix.netcom.com">adanver@ix.netcom.com</a>.

At the start of play at 10 am, the court surfaces had been freshly brushed smooth. Len Abrams took the wide brush on the Center's wall after several games had been played on one court and re-brushed the court surface by dragging the brush in two passes on the court. This was much appreciated by the players on that court, was simple and quick to do, and what we will be doing regularly to assist in court maintenance. The City will also assist in court maintenance twice a month.

Norm Pass, with the assistance of Ed Austin, assigns players to teams at the start of each Friday's play.

Importantly, Wayne Dexter has seen the process of these courts being brought into existence and advised the City on what was needed to do that. He also has insured that we could retain our two-hour playing time on Friday mornings, continuing a long tradition of SIR Branch 35 playing Bocce at this time each week at the Community Center.

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# Is it Time to Come Back? A Word About Our Luncheons

By Ron Nakamoto, 2nd Little Sir

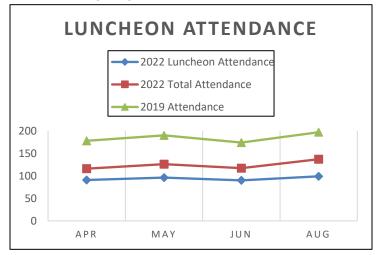


Our luncheons serve as one of the Crown Jewels of our branch activities. Making plans, looking for that outdated Hawaiian shirt, and getting out of the house to attend our luncheon is what we do on the third Wednesday of the month.

We look to attend because of the interesting topics presented by often dynamic speakers with their mounds of data which we take home to share at the dinner table. Most importantly, we attend to visit with our fellow members, meet new ones, and generally take in the experience of guys, getting together enjoying themselves.

Key members of the branch have worked hard to plan and conduct this organized, social activity. From all that is involved with finding and securing, dynamic speakers, hosting a hybrid presentation, coordinating the luncheon menu and attendance, to conducting the gathering in an orderly and efficient manner are some of the tasks your fellow members do to make this event happen.

While we continue to plan to provide a hybrid environment for those that feel uncomfortable with physically attending the luncheons, we hope that there will be a time when you do feel comfortable enough to come back as "Zoom" just does not equal the ad hoc ambience of seeing and chatting it up with your fellow members. We want you back in the chair. As you can see from our attendance graph below, since we restarted live luncheon attendance in April, we have been averaging 50% of what we seated in 2019. This average has been consistent through August.



The Branch has been diligent about your HEALTH and has instituted a number of SAFETY policies and practices to keep you SAFE, as we are "...all in the same boat". These include verifying that ALL members are COVID vaccinated which is done prior to each meeting and verified at the entrance of the building. Your badge is only issued after you have been verified to be vaccinated, so your badge is your passport to enter a safe environment. We reduced the total number of luncheon tables, spread the remaining further apart, and reduced the number of seats around a table to six. We monitor and follow our State SIR Organization's COVID guidelines and our meeting facility hosts (Elks Lodge) follows all county guidelines on this matter. In addition, we have a member (Dave Ogle) who serves as coordinator for any medical on-site issues. With that said, Big Sir Andy can say after four in-person meetings, we have had Zero incidents.



We know that the decision to attend again is a personal one, as who better to give yourself medical advice than you? I personally weighed the risks given my preexisting conditions and concluded that the value of socializing with friends, fellow golf and bowling buddies, and meeting fellow members outweighed the risks. I concluded that this group is safer than most out of their own interest to keep themselves safe. Is it more rewarding to attend the luncheons to catch up with friends, experience the situational dynamics at the meeting, and the post banter as we leave? You betcha! We hope to see you soon and when you do choose to attend, please let us know by responding to the advance notices from Andy Danver and Richard Blackborow. We hope to see you soon.

Cheers. Ron



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 <u>here</u>.

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### A Cool hike in the Redwoods





Sam McDonald redwoods

and hiker's hut

On August 26<sup>th</sup> twenty-nine SIR hikers took a cool hike in the redwoods in the Sam McDonald Park near La Honda. Eight woman guests joined the hike as our SIR hiking activity continues to attract more women hikers.

We started our hike in the redwoods along Alpine Creek, and then we climbed up the switchbacks to the Sierra Club Hiker's Hut where we had a trail lunch.

Next, we enjoyed the views of Mindego Hill in the Russian Ridge Preserve and the ocean from a visit point above the hut. We returned through the grasslands and then back into the redwoods. Afterwards we enjoyed a debrief of the hike at Alice's Restaurant on Skyline Boulevard.

#### Branch 35 Monthly Hikes on 4th Friday

Our monthly hikes, on the 4th Friday of the month, are designed to encourage spouse and guest participation. There will be many opportunities to socialize and to get 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 out along the bluffs above the ocean on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. This is a new SIR hike on the Cowell-Purisima Trail, out-and-back to the Cowell Ranch Beach.

To join our hiking group, and to get the details, send an email to Peter Thurston, <a href="mailto:peterethurston@gmail.com">peterethurston@gmail.com</a>.



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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 is one-third completed and NO Covid problems. New bowlers are always welcome to start on any week. This invitation also extends to your wife or your significant other. Call either Bob or Doug if you have questions.

STANDINGS – WEEK#5 - SUMMER 2022
1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE – John Ahn, Bob Taggart, Perry Brown
2 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE – Les Fisher, Alan Gaudie, Jay Jonekait
3 <sup>RD</sup> PLACE - Doug Anderson, Arnie Satterlee, Jerry Ososkie
4 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Harold Kaye, Marc Haberman, Larry Low
5 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Tim Eastman, Rick McColloch, Don Haythronewhite
6 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Gerry Cooley, Jim Holman, Darryl Walker
7 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE – Ranney Thayer, Ron Nakamoto, Joe Enos
8TH PLACE - Fred Emmenegger, Peter Wong, Bob Garten

SEASON HIGH SCORES					
HIGH SERIES – SCRATCH	HIGH GAME - SCRATCH				
1st – Don Haythronewhite: 605	1st - Perry Brown: 236				
2nd – Bob Taggart: 547	2nd – Arnie Satterlee: 204				
3rd – Larry Low: 535	3rd – Ron Nakamoto: 199				
HIGH HANDICAP SERIES	HIGH HANDICAP GAME				
1st - Darryl Walker: 674	1st - Mark Haberman: 254				
2nd – Jerry Ososkie: 668	2nd – John Ahn: 251				
3rd – Tim Eastman: 650	3rd – Alan Gaudie: 249				
LAST WEEK'S	S TOP SCORES				
HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH	HIGH GAME - SCRATCH				
1st - Perry Brown: 569	1st - Marc Haberman: 205				
2nd – Ron Nakamoto: 496	2nd – Jay Jonekait: 191				
3rd – Joe Enos: 493	3rd – Arnie Satterlee: 172				
HIGH HANDICAP SERIES	HIGH HANDICAP GAME				
1st - Darryl Walker: 674	1st – Jerry Ososkie: 244				
2nd – Rick McColloch: 633	2nd – Doug Anderson: 223				
3rd – Harold Kaye: 623	3rd – Alan Gaudie: 216				

#### MOST IMPROVED AVERAGE LAST SESSION:

Peter Wong: 128 to 146 Rick McColloch: 127 to 143



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SIGN-UP with John Gerich k	y Sept 16				
Moffett Field (MFD)		Mon Oct 3	9:30	\$45	
	Garte	n 408-253-5860	xonon1(at)com	ast.net / O'Brien	
Chuck Corica South (CCS)		Thu Oct 6	10:00	\$75	
	Rittw	eger 650-740-3	156 olygolfjr(at)a	ol.com / Newton	
Seascape (SCP) (Cart)		Mon Oct 10	10:05	\$63	
	Barke	408-996-3133	stanbarkey(at)gn	nail.com / Wilson	
Crystal Springs (CSP) (Cart)		Thu Oct 13	9:30	\$60	
		Cioni 650-39	3-5711 jacioni(at)	yahoo.com / Hall	
Bayview (Cart,Range)		Mon Oct 17	10:00	\$60	
Scramble			** Need TC *	* / ** Need ATC **	
San Jose Muni (SJM)		Thu Oct 20	10:00	\$47	
			** Need	TC ** / Metheany	
Baylands (BAY) (Range)		Mon Oct 24	9:00	\$64	
Club Championship DBL PTS	Ci	oni 650-393-571	l1 jacioni(at)yaho	o.com / Newton	
Baylands (BAY) (Range)		Thu Oct 27	9:00	\$64	
Club Championship DBL PTS	Cioni 65	0-393-5711 jaci	oni(at)yahoo.com	1 / ** Need ATC **	
Baylands (BAY) (Range)		Mon Oct 31	9:00	\$64	
Club Championship DBL PTS	Cioni 650-393-5711 jacioni(at)yahoo.com / ** Need ATC **				

#### More August Results Will Appear Next Month

*Trail Tips* Editor **Del Fillmore** and Golf Columnist **Bruce Karney** were both traveling in late August, and so the August 18 tournament is the last one included in this issue's results. The next issue of *Trail Tips* will include subsequent results.

#### Why are Some Names Printed in Red?

Not surprisingly, achievements in red are outstanding efforts that should be known to all Branch 35 golfers. There are four ways to join the red brigade: (1) if your "over/under" is -2.0 or better; (2) if your tee shot on a Par 3 is within a putter length of the hole; (3) if you eagle a hole; or (4) if you shoot your age or better. The first three achievements are shown in the Excel results sheet for the round, but if you shoot your age let **Bruce Karney** (bkarney@comcast.net) know so he can give you the credit you deserve.

#### The Rules Corner

This feature will help us learn what rules apply in common and notso-common situations. **Bruce Karney** provides the questions and **Joe Cioni** provides the answers.

**The situation:** The 17<sup>th</sup> at Shoreline is a par 3 requiring a shot over a ravine, and the afternoon wind often blows strongly toward the tee. There is a circular drop zone about 40 yards from the green. A player

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hit his tee shot straight toward the pin but under-clubbed it. The ball was seen to land on the far side of the ravine before it rolled backwards into the penalty area and could not be found. Must the golfer play his next shot from the drop zone, or can he drop the ball near where it entered the penalty area (which he would prefer)? If so, exactly where can he drop?

The ruling: This situation is probably one of the most misunderstood rules of golf. First, we need to determine where the ball <code>is</code>, not where it landed. Because it is in the penalty area, relief cannot be taken closer to the hole (where the ball initially landed). In a <code>yellow-staked</code> penalty area like this one the player has several options. He can take stroke and distance, that is re-tee hitting three. He can take back-of-the-line relief, that is drop a ball on a line between the flagstick and where the ball crossed into the penalty area (not where it is in the penalty area -- another misunderstood rule), hitting three. If the ball had been found another option would be to play it from the penalty area.

When there is a marked drop zone, the final option is to drop – not place – a ball there, lying two. (Joe notes: I have an issue with the drop zone on the 17th hole at Shoreline since it is just short and right of the green and really doesn't present much of a challenge.)

If this were a **red-staked** penalty area (as is usually the case for what used to be called lateral hazards), another option is available: dropping two club lengths from the point of entry into the penalty area, no closer to the hole, hitting three. If the ravine had been red-staked the golfer might have been able to play his third shot from the green side of the penalty area, but because it is yellow-staked that option is not available.

#### Hall Shoots the Round of the Month

**Bill Hall** was 7.7 strokes "under" on Aug. 15 at Corica Park South. Congratulations, Bill!

#### **But Can He Putt?**

On Aug. 22 at the 9<sup>th</sup> hole at Moffett Field, new member **Paul Lesti** sank a sand wedge shot from the greenside bunker for a birdie. On the very next hole he used a pitching wedge from the fairway to hole out from about 40 yards for another birdie.

#### **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	Round Course Match Score Priz								
Semi	ni Callippe Miles & Garten def. Feeney & Squellati 1 up								
	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								
2	Laguna Seca	Bill Hall def. Tim O'Meara	4 & 3	\$10					
2	2 Dublin Ranch Richard McGrath def. Bob Garten (playoff) 3 & 2 \$20								
2 Moffett Field Marc Haberman def. Kerry McConnell 4 & 2 \$10									
3	Moffett Field	Bill Hall tied Les Miles	Even	N/A					

Laguna Seca			Par 71	July 28, 2022		
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize Nicklaus Flig		Net	Prize	
Les Miles	71	26 GC	Larry Wall	73	18 GC	
Richard McGrath	75	22 GC	Don Mattson	76	15 GC	
Kerry McConnell	75	17 GC	Fred Shigemoto	78	12 GC	
Ron Nakamoto	75	\$10	Jim Narva	78	\$6	
Inside Putter Length	: None	50	-	-	-	
Low Gross: Richard	McGrath 83	3				

Dublin Ranch		Par 63	Aug. 1, 2022			
Palmer Flight	lmer Flight Net Prize Nicklaus F		Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize	
Chris Weberg	59	\$22	Larry Wall	58	\$22	
Les Miles	60	\$16	Ben Gikis	61	\$16	
Alan Pye	60	\$12	Peter Wong	62	\$12	
Herb Petersen	63	\$7	Balbir Kalsi	63	\$7	
Inside Putter Lengt	h: Bob Garte	n on the 4	h (\$25)			
Low Gross: Chris W	lebera 72 (R	ichard McC	Grath shot 71 in match	play)		

Callippe Preserve			Par 7	2	Aug. 4	, 202	2	
Palmer Flt. 1	Net	\$	Palmer Flt. 2	Net	\$	Nicklaus Flt.	Net	\$
K. McConnell	67	\$21	Ron Grace	72	\$21	Dave Ogle	67	\$18
Walt Joyce	67	\$16	Ken Jones	72	\$16	Ben Gikis	75	\$14
Joe Cioni	71	\$10	Ron Lau	77	\$10	Campbell Scott	77	\$10
Alex Bush	72	\$5	Paul Schutz	79	\$5	Larry Wall	78	\$5
Shot his age: Joe Cioni (age 82, shot 80)								
Eagle: Kerry M	cConne	ll on th	ne Par 4 12th (\$8)	I.				

Eagle: Kerry McConnell on the Par 4 12th (\$8)
Eagle: Kerry McConnell on the Par 4 12th (\$8) Inside Putter Length: Dave Squellati on the 4th (\$8) Low Gross: Kerry McConnell 78
Low Gross: Kerry McConnell 78

Santa Teresa			Par 7	1	Aug. 8	Aug. 8, 2022		
Palmer Flt. 1	Net	\$	Palmer Flt. 2	Net	\$	Nicklaus Flt.	Net	\$
Ron Lau	70	\$18	Larry Baugher	65	\$18	Ben Gikis	67	\$22
Chris Weberg	71	\$14	Ron Grace	68	\$14	Jim Narva	68	\$16
Dick Heiman	73	\$10	Andy Danver	70	\$10	Milt Wehrman	70	\$12
Mack Asrat	73	\$5	Bruce Karney	73	\$5	Dave Ogle	70	\$7
Inside Putter Length: None								
Low Gross: Ro	Low Gross: Ron Lau 82							

The Bridges			Par 72	Aug. 11, 2022	
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize	Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize
Bob Garten	70	\$25	Balbir Kalsi	77	\$18
Joe Cioni	72	\$19	Jim Narva	77	\$12
Ken Jones	77	\$14	Joe Enos	84	\$7
Ron Nakamoto	77	\$9			
Richard McGrath	78	\$5	100		
Shot his age: Joe Cid	oni (age 82,	shot 80)	*		
Inside Putter Length	ı: Chris Web	erg on the	13th (\$15)		
Low Gross: Joe Cior	ni 82	(A) (A)	tild via		

Corica Park South			Par 72	Aug. 15, 2022		
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize	Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize	
Bill Hall	64	\$25	Joe Enos	65	\$17	
Ron Nakamoto	72	\$19	Ben Gikis	71	\$10	
Jay Jonekait	73	\$14	Gerry Feeney	74	\$5	
John Rittweger	75	\$9				
Ron Grace	76	\$5	(1)		(2) (3)	
Inside Putter Lengt	h: None		•			
Low Gross: Bill Hall	and Jay Jon	ekait tied a	nt 85			

Moffett Field				Par 72		Aug. 18, 2022		22	
Palmer Flt. 1	Net	\$	Palmer Flt. 2	Net	\$	Nicklaus Flt.	Net	\$	
Jim Thorne	73	\$20	Tom Taboada	69	\$20	William Nix	70	\$25	
Dick Wilson	75	\$15	Bruce Karney	70	\$15	John Ray	74	\$20	
Bob Garten	76	\$10	Jerry Ososkie	74	\$10	Balbir Kalsi	76	\$15	
Ron Lau	77	\$5	R. Nakamoto	74	\$5	D. Squellati 77 S		\$10	
9			No.			Jim Narva	80	\$7	
Inside Putter Length: None									
Low Gross: Jir	n Thorr	ne 82							

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The Phantom of the Open. If you like golf or a good story or a successful underdog or a lot of British droll wit, this is the movie for you. If you like all four, you are in for a special treat. Maurice Flitcroft operates a crane in a British shipyard. He becomes infatuated with the game of golf. Despite never having played he is able to enter the 1976 British Open. He posts the worst score (121) ever in the Open. He becomes quite a folk hero and is celebrated around the world for his chutzpah. The powers that be change the rules to thwart him from entering again; yet he is still able to enter again using aliases and disguises. The story is true, very funny and heartening. Mark Rylance brings Maurice alive with a big dose of humanity. Maurice even has twin sons who are exceptional disco dancers. They add to the texture of the film as do all of the supporting characters. Rated PG-13 for some strong language and smoking. Available on Amazon Prime. It is a Peggy's Pick.

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		SIR Bran	ch 35 Activities - Septer	mber 2022		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				Golf- DeLaveaga 9:40 a.m.	Bocce Ball Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.	
					Los Altos Community Center	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Golf- Shoreline	Bowling		Golf- Hiddenbrooke	Bocce Ball	
	9:00 a.m.	Homestead Lanes		Jim Schlatter Invitational	Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.	
		1:00 p.m.		10:00 a.m.	Los Altos Community Center	
				Biking		
				San Lorenzo Bay Trail 11:00 a.m.		
11	12	13	14	11:00 a.m.	16	17
''	Golf- Eagle Ridge	Bowling	14	Golf- Spring Valley	Bocce Ball	''
	Scramble	Homestead Lanes		10:37 a.m.	Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.	
	10:00 a.m.	1:00 p.m.		10101 2	Los Altos Community Center	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Golf- Poplar Creek	Bowling	MONTHLY MEETING	Golf- Silver Creek	Bocce Ball	
	10:00 a.m.	Homestead Lanes	In-Person at Elks Lodge	9:30 a.m.	Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.	
		1:00 p.m.	Doors Open 11:00 a.m.		Los Altos Community Center	
			Lunch 11:30 a.m.		Hiking	
			Business 12:30 - Speaker 12:45		Cowell-Purisima Trail	
			Zoom at 11:30		10:00 a.m.	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	Golf- Coyote Creek	Bowling		Golf- Callippe Preserve	Bocce Ball	
	9:35 a.m.	Homestead Lanes		10:00 a.m.	Bocce Courts - 10:00 a.m.	
		1:00 p.m.			Los Altos Community Center	[