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# SNOWLINE BRANCH # 113

MAY 2023



## Big SIR Report

### CHANGE IN DATE FOR MAY LUNCHEON.

Due to the Sutter Creek Bowling Tournament scheduled for Thursday May 11, the luncheon date is rescheduled to Thursday May 4th.

The Board is exploring options to reduce the \$30 cost of the luncheon. I will give an update on our progress at the May meeting.



Friday April 21, our SIR group walked the paths of the Sherwood Demonstration Gardens. Jan Sherwood and two docents spoke to us about the 16 different gardens and the many species that we can grow in our climate and region. If you happen to visit the garden once a month, you will awe at the seasonal changes. The 15 attendees could not have asked for better weather or company.

The speaker at our May luncheon meeting will be SIR Ken Maher from Branch 95 in El Dorado Hills. Ken and his wife Jessica are photographers and avid world travelers. Last year they did an expedition to Antarctica. Ken will share stories and photographs of their beautiful Antarctic trip. This is truly a presentation not to be missed!

May 5,6,7 brings the Home and Garden Show to Placerville. Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>, seniors get free admission. If anyone is interested in going as a group on Friday, contact Sam Griffis or Ray DiBasilio.

## Little SIR Report

At our last meeting Carl Romanic gave us a glimpse of what we could see in the evening sky from the Placerville Observatory. Stargazing is a great activity to get into here in Northern California. After all, our region typically experiences crystal-clear nighttime skies—great for seeing all those stars! Whether you're a hardcore stargazing enthusiast or a complete newbie, everybody's welcome to visit the observatory and peek through the telescopes. I am planning an evening at the Observatory for SIRs and guests, be sure to take that after noon nap









# Striking up Friendships



Despite the bizarre weather conditions that the “atmospheric river” imposed on our California and Nevada bowlers, several Branch 113 members made the trip to Carson City. Gold Dust West welcomed 36 teams for the competition. The oil pattern was friendly for most bowlers and NO lane equipment breakdowns. There were no 300 games rolled but a few came close. A goodtime was had by all. The beauty of Gold Dust West is that all your entertainment is under one roof. Tim Hall has already arranged for room blocks for the week of April 14, 2024 for next year’s tournament.

This year’s SIR Annual State Tournament will be held May16-17 at Fireside Lanes in Citrus Heights. Rancho Cordova Branch 112 will be our host. Our State Tournament is the only one that does not allow guest bowlers to compete. This year will be a singles/doubles active-SIR members only. The State Bowling Committee has again added \$500 to the prize fund. We’re looking forward to a big turnout for this one.

Exciting news – we’ve recently confirmed we will be heading back to the National Bowling Stadium in August. Room blocks will be at the Silver Legacy, contact information and a SIR code will be sent out soon.

## Upcoming tournaments:

May 16-17	Fireside Lanes	Citrus Heights
June 8-9	Gold Country Lanes	Sutter Creek
June 19-20	Earl Anthony’s Dublin Bowl	Dublin
July 6-7	Foothills Bowl	Auburn
July 25-26	Clayton Valley Bowl	Concord

Applications and results of all tournaments are available online:

<http://www.sirinc3.org/sirBowling/index.html>

## Horseshoes

League play has begun with our first competition on April 20. We pitch each Thursday 6-8 p.m. at the Bill Harris Memorial Horseshoe Park on Forebay Rd. Beginners are always welcome. Lessons and loaner horseshoes are available. The Program ends in August

## River Cats

Members go on scheduled days with pre-sold tickets & usually carpool to the park.

Planner position is open and if you volunteer training on purchasing group tickets will be provided.

## Live – Theatre

Live theatre events planned well in advance, bulletin flyers announce the plays. Event planner position is open. Training provided.





### Nineteen Reasons Why Fishing is a Socially Acceptable Activity

- #19 - No matter how much whiskey you've had, you can still Fish.
- #18 - You don't have to hide your Fishing magazines.
- #17 - It is perfectly acceptable to pay a professional to Fish with you once in a while.
- #16 - The Ten Commandments don't say anything against Fishing.
- #15 - If your partner takes pictures or videotapes of you Fishing, you don't have to worry about them showing up on the Internet if you become famous.
- #14 - Your Fishing partner doesn't get upset about people you fished with long ago.
- #13 - It's perfectly respectable to Fish with a total stranger.
- #12 - When you see a really good Fishing person, you don't have to feel guilty about imagining the two of you Fishing together.
- #11 - If your regular Fishing partner isn't available, he/she won't object if you Fish with someone else.
- #10 - Nobody will ever tell you that you will go blind if you Fish by yourself.
- #9 - When dealing with a Fishing pro, you never have to wonder if they are really an undercover cop.
- #8 - You don't have to go to a sleazy shop in a seedy neighborhood to buy Fishing stuff.
- #7 - You can have a Fishing calendar on your wall at the office, tell Fishing jokes, and invite coworkers to Fish with you without getting sued for Fishing harassment.
- #6 - There are no Fishing-transmitted diseases.
- #5 - If you want to watch Fishing on television, it does not cost extra, like when you have to subscribe to the Playboy channel.
- #4 - Nobody expects you to Fish with the same partner for the rest of your life.
- #3 - Nobody expects you to give up Fishing if your partner loses interest in it.
- #2 - You don't have to be a newlywed to plan a vacation primarily to enjoy your favorite activity.
- #1 - Your Fishing partner will never say, "Not again? We just Fished last week! Is Fishing all you ever think about?"

**SIR Caller List** - Updated 2022

<b>Attendance Chairman</b>		
Caller for badges 1 to 10	<b>Ron Boschee</b>	<b>530-644-7572</b>
Caller for badges 11 to 20	<i>Open position</i>	
Caller for badges 21 to 30	Al Earl	530-644-3208
Caller for badges 31 to 40	<i>Open position</i>	
Caller for badges 41 to 50	<i>Open position</i>	
Caller for badges 41 to 50	Lowell Thoreson	530-647-0588
Caller for badges 51 to 60	Ron Boschee	530-644-7572
Caller for badges 61 to 70	Eric Jack	530-644-7405
Caller for badges 71 to 80	<i>Open position</i>	
Caller for badges 81 to 90	Moose Brown	530-647-2168
Caller for badges 91 to 100	Don Uelmen	530-306-1920
Caller for badges 101 to 110	<i>Open position</i>	
Caller for badges 111 to 120	<i>Open Position</i>	
Caller for badges 121 to 130	Al Muckerheide	530-644-4692
Caller for badges 131 to 140	Jim Cooper	530-644-2212
Caller for badges 141 to 150	Lee Anderson	530-647-0215
Caller for badges 151 to 160	Greg Pease	209-914-6734

**Membership Roster Changes**

Please report any additions or necessary changes to the Membership Roster directly to Dall Neeley at (916) 826-1657

Let folks know you're proud to be a SIR.

**SHOW YOUR COLORS!**

**Jackets, Vests, Golf Shirts, Bowling Shirts, Baseball caps, Bucket hats (all with custom embroidered SIR Rooster logo), Lapel Pins, Bolo Ties, Business Cards, Pens, Embroidery Services too and much more....**



**MAY 4, MEETING**  
Sportsman's Hall

Menu - Patty Melt, Potato Salad, Tomato Soup dessert, coffee or drink. Entrée can be swapped out for Chefs Salad.

Speaker - SIR Ken Maher from Branch 95, El Dorado Hills. Galapagos Islands and an expedition to Antarctica

**MAY Birthdays**

Chris Crowley  
Al Earl  
Mike Johnson  
Gary Lentz  
John Marino  
Ted Rytel  
Lowell Thoreson



**SIR SNOWLINE BRANCH 113**

A non-profit public service organization for retired men. Dues Are \$15 per year. Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Sportsman's Hall restaurant, 5620 Pony Express Trail in Pollock Pines. Social Hour begins at 11:00am and Lunch at Noon. Cost is \$30.00 (rate is current but can change)

**Travel Non-Responsibility Declaration**

Travel activities arranged or sponsored by SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC. and its Branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests. SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC. and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well-being and/or safety of participants or their property in any matters pertaining to said activities.

About the coupon below: Oftentimes a member misses our luncheon meeting because something occurs which prevents him from attending. **A call to his caller or attendance chairman should be made to explain.** Usually, this results in an EXCUSED absence. If no acceptable reason is given, it's an Unexcused absence. In other cases a member says he will attend, but he doesn't and no explanation is given. This also is an Unexcused absence. Unexcused absences are costly to the Branch and to other members who attend regularly and contribute to Branch expenses. **Attendance at the luncheon meetings is a SIR requirement.** The coupon is here for you to use if you are so inclined. Thank you; from your executive committee.

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TO: SIR BRANCH #113  
 c/o SIR Ken Brown, Treasurer  
 3687 Wamego Road, Placerville, CA 95667

I'm enclosing my donation in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. For ( ) Missed meetings  
 ( ) Just because

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Badge # \_\_\_\_\_

**Snowline Branch #113----2023 Officers**

Big SIR ----- Ron Fenech----- 415-518-6063  
 Little SIR ----- Ray DiBasilio----- 530-558-9727  
 Secretary----- Chris Crowley ----- 510-742-1024  
 Asst. Sec. ----- Rich McMahan----- 510-719-5411  
 Treasurer ----- Moose Brown----- 530-240-5160  
 Asst. Treas. ----- Jeff Pease----- 510-757-8741

**Directors**

Sam Griffis, Greg Pease, Ron Bochee,  
 Vanja Illich, Lou Gagne, Richard Stading

**Past Big SIR's**

1983-4	Harold Cobb	2001	Ed Andrews
1985	Matt Engs	2002	Bob Kipp
1986	Bob Johnson	2003	Ed Cutter
1987	Bob Rath	2004	Cecil French
1988	Bill Campau	2005	Bill Harris
1989	Emil Kibasa	2006-7	Bill Reed
1990	Reg Warrick	2008	Larry Leibnitz
1991	Andy Anderson	2009-10	Tim Hall
1992	Al King	2011	Chuck Wilson
1993	Ed Merrill	2012-13	Russ Salazar
1994	Woody Harvey	2014-15	Don Uelmen
1995	Elmer Jacob	2016	Paul Ricci
1996	Jack Hansen	2017	Paul Kramer
1998	Ron dePass	2018 & 22	Lou Gagne
1997	Cecil French	2019	Dennis Staller
1999	Bill Short	2020-21	Ken Brown
2000	Conrad Kellor		

**HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS**

Branch- Russ Salazar  
 Ray DiBasilio  
 State - Ron dePass

**SIR State Officers**

President	David Gonzales	916-587-3538
Region 2 Director	Dale Decker	209-533-0455
Area Governor	Gary Johnson	530-333-4814

**Bulletin/Newsletter changes call Don Uelmen  
 530-306-1920 or email [tspdon@cwo.com](mailto:tspdon@cwo.com)**

**Committee Chairmen**

Attendance/Badges	Ron Boschee	530-644-7572
Chaplain	Don Uelmen	530-306-1920
Sunshine	Moose Brown	530-240-5160
Bulletin Editor	Don Uelmen	530-306-1920
Membership	Dall Neely	916-826-1657
SIR Bowling	Ray DiBasilio	530-558-9727
Bocce Ball	Chris Crowley	530-742-1024
Fishing	(Open Position)	
Horseshoes	Ted Rytel	530-647-0138
Photographer	Bert Abrahamzon	707-365-5186
Picnic/Christmas Party	Moose Brown	530-240-5160
Flea Market	(Open Position)	
Parades	Chris Crowley	530-742-1024
River Cats	(Open Position)	
Live Theatre	(Open Position)	
Nominating	(Open Position)	
Audit Committee	Larry Leibnitz	530-644-1803



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