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Newsletter



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Big SIR Sez'

Can you believe we are approaching the mid way point of the year already? It's amazing just how quickly the days and weeks pass as we get older. I can remember as a boy the last week of school took forever before summer vacations started. There is a way to slow things down for all of us...we can embrace a new and more active lifestyle that will enrich our lives. Taking part in our activities, getting out of the house and finding other ways to be active with family and friends is a proven way to improve your health and reverse those signs of aging. Take advantage of the few things we do each month and discover the benefits of friendship and exercise. We've started Bocce up again, the 9 and 18 hole golf events are in full swing, and there are a couple Colt 45 games scheduled for June. Some of you have not made it out to a Luncheon in a few months! Come join us next week. This past month has been a busy one for me. Almost nightly weeknight trips to the ball fields watching little league games has been on the agenda. In addition, weekends watching grandsons play baseball and basketball in various locations in the north state has been keeping me going. I also spent a couple days in the gold country in the foothills east of Stockton for a working meeting with the State Board. We are exploring ways to grow our organization and to discover how to bring in younger members. That is and will continue to be a challenge. Finding folks who show an interest in volunteering to keep branches viable and engaged is so important. You've all heard me asking for others to step up and lead. It's really not real time consuming when we share the load and get...*(Continued on next page)*

Monthly MeetingFirst Thursday of the monthElks Lodge

Meeting/Speaker: 11:00 - 12:00

*Nov/Dec subject to change for holidays

Attendance is Important

Guest
Speaker:

Josh Barker

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...more individuals involved in forging a path forward for the branch. I am excited going into 2025 as we will see some changes to our Branch Executive Committee.

As always, our expectations of our members are few: be a friendly and sociable guy, participate, **volunteer** as your time and interest allows, **spread the word** about SIR by **inviting guests** and help encourage them to join, **grow our organization** and share in the fun.

State Officers

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Guest Speaker - Josh Barker

Josh Barker is a Redding native. A United States Marine veteran and has been married to his lovely wife Nikole for over 25 years. Together they share four amazing children, one of which has joined the family business. Josh can often be found with his family exploring all the beauty the outdoors of our area has to offer. Josh supports many local activities in the Shasta County area each year. In November 2024 he donned his Marine Dress Blues and helped with the local Marine Corps Ball. Josh has over 20 years of experience and more than 6,000 properties sold. Josh strives to provide the absolute best service to buyers and sellers navigating the real estate landscape. Josh has personal and professional experience with investment property acquisition, land development, commercial and residential construction as well as 1031 tax-deferred exchanges. Josh heads up a large and diversified team of real estate agents as part of his team.

Lunch Bunch

by Duane Nelson



Come out and join us on June 15th at 11:30am and enjoy the Buffet at GoodTimes Pizza in Palo Cedro. If you have questions or suggestions please contact me (email bandan@msn.com or call 530-547-5157).



Treasurer Report by Rix Callaway

Ah, what nice weather we have been having. Been great for all those outside activities we enjoy. Get out and enjoy the SIR events you can and bring a friend. There are a few of you that have committed for the year and have not paid. The BEC approved holding your spot so get them paid ASAP. The bills are paid and the account is balanced.

June/July Calendar of Events

Activity	Date/Time	Meeting Forum
9 Hole Golf	June 4th, 9:00am	Lake Redding
BEC Meeting	June 6th, 9:30am	Elks Lodge
General Membership Luncheon	June 6th, 11:00am	Elks Lodge
Bocce	June 7th, 10:00am	South City Park
18 Hole Golf	June 12th, 9:30am	Wilcox Oaks (\$55+ optional skins \$3)
Colt 45's Game	June 15th, 7:00pm	Tiger Field
Lunch Bunch	June 19th, 11:30am	Goodtimes Pizza, Palo Cedro
Bocce	June 21st, 10:00am	South City Park
9 Hole Golf	June 26th, 9:00am	Allens
Colt 45's Game	June 27th, 7:00pm	Tiger Field
18 Hole Golf	July 1st, 9:00am	Mt Shasta (\$45 + optional skins)
Bocce	July 5th, 10:00am	South City Park
BEC Meeting	no meeting this month	
General Membership Luncheon	no luncheon this month	
9 Hole Golf	July 9th, 9:00am	Lake Redding
18 Hole Golf	July 17th, 9:30am	Lake Shastina (\$58+optional skins \$3)
Lunch Bunch	July 17th, 11:30am	Goodtimes Pizza, Palo Cedro
Bocce	July 19th, 10:00am	South City Park
9 Hole Golf	July 23rd, 8:30am	Tucker Oaks

Birthdays in June

Cris Andrews	June 8th	Joe Marvin	June 28th
Tom Breedlove	June 15th	Eric Measles	June 24th
Brad Bunnell	June 28th	Ron Miller	June 10th
Gerry Dodge	June 21st	Greg Pearson	June 16th
Mike Hurley	June 3rd	Chuck Spafford	June 17th
Mel Jenson	June 9th		



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 State SIR Newsletter "Happenings".
<https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>



ATTENTION: June 6th, 2024 is the General Membership Luncheon

Activities I'm certain that there are some types of activities that we can consider to fill other days during the month. When thinking about what SIR is, I think of the fellowship we offer and coming together to remain engaged and active. Whether it be engaging our brains with board games or card games, finding a trail to hike that is easy for some or another trail to hike that may offer a challenge. Remaining active keeps us healthy. All it takes is one person with an idea.

Sunshine Report By Len Napoli

June was always my favorite time of year while growing up. It meant summer vacation from school till the day after Labor Day. It meant playing baseball, swimming, warmer weather, sleeping in, longer days to stay out and play, beach parties and having more freedom to fool around. Those memories now remind me how life has been so good to all of us, and during this Memorial Day Month, I thank God for having been born in such a wonderful country. I also thank God for the service men & women who have put their lives at risk to protect that freedom we so enjoy.

I wish everyone a wonderful summer to fill with new and exciting memories. Try to get out of your comfort zone and do something that you were afraid of as at our age, time is slipping by.



9 Hole Golf Report by Bob Goetz

We played two 9-Hole events in May, Allen's Golf Course on the 1st and Tucker Oaks on the 21st. We had a great turnout at both events. Thank you for supporting our 9-Hole Golf activity.

HOW TO SIGN UP TO PLAY

I send out an invitation to play the 9-Hole events about 5 days before the playing date. If you are not on my distribution list please contact me to have your name added. I also have sign-up sheets at the SIRs monthly meetings. You can also contact me by calling or texting me at (530-213-3850). When texting, please include your name in the text. You can also email me at sirs9holegolf@gmail.com.

The next two events on the schedule are June 4th (Tuesday) at Lake Redding and June 26th (Wednesday) at Allen's. To get the latest information on golf as well as other activities you can go to the SIRs web site is at

<https://sirinc2.org/branch129/>

As always you can invite a spouse, son, daughter, grandchild or friends to play with you.

Hope to see you at a future event.



Richard Chapman and Larry Welch waiting to tee off at Tucker Oaks. Looking good guys!



Fishing Report by Morgan Akin

We will continue to work on improving and expanding our new fishing group. Fishing in our area continues to improve with the warm weather and longer days. There are changes in our lakes that happen every year. As the influx of more tourists our lakes will not be what we local fisherman are used to experiencing on the waters. It will mean changes in our fishing methods. The hot weather will also mean changes in how we fish. For most of us it will mean getting out on the lakes before daybreak and returning to the boat ramp around 10:00 am. This way we can hopefully avoid the house boats, skiers, and the younger kids going too fast to make fishing comfortable.

Shasta Lake is currently 7.84 feet from the crest. The depth at the dam is 509.16 feet. Shasta Dam discharge is 9,487 cfs.

Trinity Lake is currently 20.92 feet from the crest. The depth at the dam is 445.08 feet. Trinity Dam discharge is 3,413 cfs.

So get out there and catch the big one!

Evenings with the Colt 45's by Lee Lamp

Last week our local collegiate level ball team opened their season (Memorial Day Weekend). Our first outing to enjoy some baseball is tonight (May 31st). There are two other dates booked for this. June 15th and June 27th wrap up the event schedule for the games. First pitch each night is 7:15pm. The cost is a whopping \$4 for us old guys. Of course we encourage you to bring your wife/partner/date. Or bring a guest. If you've never gone to the games you are missing out. Tiger Field is a great venue.

Computer Group

While there is no computer meeting, it does not mean there is no help....call Big Sir and maybe, just maybe he can help.



18 Hole Golf Report By Lee Lamp

Tierra Oaks was the first of two events in May. We had 19 players make it out for a very nice day on the course and time with friends.

First Flight	Second Flight	Third Flight
John Crowley	Jim Girt	Phil Perry
Brad Bunnell	Mike Deay	Rick Grozenski
Steve Renier	John McCue	Gene Pepper

There were 6 skins awarded (John Crowley, Brad Bunnell, Rick Grozenski x2, Steve Hollingsworth, Rix Callaway)

The second event was Bidwell. 12 Players made the trip south to the Chico. Phil Perry had a great day on the course. He tells me a new set of eyes and new clubs fitted to him made all the difference in the world. Nice job Phil!

First Flight	Second Flight
Mike Deay +3	Phil Perry -12
Jim Girt +6	Rix Callaway +6
John Crowley +8	John McCue +8

There were 10 (yes, 10!) skins awarded. Jim Girt x4, Mike Deay, John Crowley, Brad Bunnell, Gene Pepper, John McCue, Greg Ephland

Next up is Wilcox Oaks on Jun 12th. Signups are open now. After that is Mount Shasta on July 1st. Signups are open now. Please remember that normally checks are easier to manage for me. They can be mailed to me at: 4355 Singing Wind Ct, Redding, CA 96001. **You need to let me know if you plan to play!** **Courses ask for the number of players several days in advance.**

Inviting a guest to play golf with us is a great way to grow our membership. It's easier than ever to fill out an application. Share this QR code or send them to our webs site: <https://sirinc2.org/branch129/>



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Bocce by Dennis Compomizzo

It looks like summer is right around the corner. The bocce courts are pretty smooth and rolling rather quickly. The City of Redding Recreation Bocce League is in full swing and is a big success.

Thank you to all that signed up. Our next bocce play dates for the month of June will be the 7th and the 21st at 10:00. A Constant Contact announcement will be sent out advising everyone about the dates and times of play. If you haven't tried playing bocce, you are missing out! Bring your family and friends and enjoy some fun times and a little competition. See you at the next SIR's meeting and luncheon.



If you have any questions, call, text, or email. 530-356-9966
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NASCAR/INDY CAR Report by Barrie Lee

May 5th

We find ourselves in Kansas City with Nascar this week. It's a good track that the drivers seem to really enjoy. The race started three plus hours late due to weather conditions. That worked for me since I was able to watch the Formula One race in Miami, Fl. It was nice to see McLaren win over the Honda Team, Red Bull. So I turned back to the Nascar race and was able to watch the best race I've seen in ages. The initial challenge of Ross Chastain's lead by Kyle Larson was an amazing sight. For many laps the two battled for the lead with neither one willing to give it up. Then Denny Hamlin got involved and even won one of the first two stages. But that wasn't all that happened. Many close racing situations took place throughout the entire race. Kyle Larson won the race with a last lap pass of Chris Buescher for the closest finish in Nascar history. It was .001 second between the two cars. At first everyone thought Chris had won, but Kyles crew kept full attention on the Nascar officials and were shocked when they were given the win. Most of May I'll be spending more time on IndyCars than Nascar, since it's a big month for Indy/Car with the Indy Grand Prix on the 11th, and qualifying for the 500 on the following weekend. The 108th running of the Indy 500 will be on May 26th.

5/11

The Indy Grand Prix took place today and it was a good race. Santino Ferrucci who drives for AJ Foyt Racing in the #14 Dalara had his continuing battle with Romain Grosjean in his #77 car. He drives for Juncos Hollinger Racing who you probably never heard of but he is a great driver and very aggressive. However, he is prone to crashing. They banged each other on more than one occasion and pushed each other off the track at time. Several other drivers touched but avoided wrecking. Colton Herta (#26) was pushed into a gravel pit by his teammate, Marcus Ericsson (#28) who just joined the Andretti Global team this year. Ericsson thinks he's special since he won the Indy 500 a couple of years ago driving for Chip Ganassi Racing. Colton will straighten him out on the team pecking order. I believe Chip Ganassi had three of the top five drivers at the end of the

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race, but his #10 driver Alex Palou won the race with Will Power of Team Penske finishing second. Christian Lundgard (#45) driving for Rahal, Letterman, Lanigan Racing was third. Marcus Armstrong (#11) came in fourth and Scott Dixon of Chip Ganassi Racing (#9) rounded out the top five. Ganassi Racing is running five cars and the Rahal team is running four cars. Andretti Global also uses four cars in their efforts. Qualifying is next weekend!

5/12

I wasn't going to say much about today's Nascar race in Darlington, SC. but it was too exciting not to explain. Tyler Reddick in the #45 Toyota for 23/XI Racing Team was the clear choice to win. However, since Ford has not won a race so far this year, RFK Racing had both cars running up front. Penske had some luck as did Front Row and Stewart Haas. Brad Keselowski stayed with Tyler until the very end with Brad's teammate, Chris Buescher passing both Tyler and Brad with a couple of laps remaining. Tyler went after Chris and slid up the track slamming Chris into the wall and knocking both out of contention. Brad won for the first time in 110 races. Everyone was cheering for him since he took a big risk leaving Team Penske and joining Rousch/Fenway racing a couple of years ago as a part owner of RFK Racing. Great outcome for the throwback weekend.

5/19

I hadn't heard a lot about speeds this past week at Indy, but I knew Chip Ganassi Racing had five cars entered and they've been very fast this year. And I knew Arrow McLaren has good drivers and fast cars. But I was happy to see today's final results of qualifying for next Sunday's 500. I believed Kyle Larson would be in the #6 McLaren, since it is one of three cars they use during the series. But they put him in his own numbered car, #17, and he qualified in the middle of the second row. In fact, Alexander Rossi also is on the inside of the second row in his #7 McLaren Chevy. Quite an accomplishment for Team Arrow McLaren. Two surprises for me today with Graham Rahal barely making the race again this year in the final hour of qualifying for the last three spots. I believe Graham is in the 33rd starting position, which doesn't show well for Team Rahal, Letterman, Lanigan. I like Graham who is married to one of John Force's daughters, from the drag racing scene. However, I really don't like David Letterman, so there you go. But, to my total surprise, Team Penske has all three of their entries on the front row, including Scott McLaughlin in the #3 Pennzoil machine, Will Power in the #12 Verizon Dallara, and Josef Newgarden in his Shell sponsored #2 Dallara Chevy. All three of the Penske cars qualified over 234 mph average over four laps. And Scott set the all time top speed in his attempt for the pole, which he won. The four fastest laps in Indy history. Quite a feat for Team Penske.

5/27

Lee asked me to give the results of Indy in this month's column, so here we go! Josef Newgarden won the race while trading the lead with Pato O'Ward during the final 20 laps. Scott Dixon was 3rd, Alexander Rossi 4th and Alex Palou 5th. Kyle Kirkwood finished 7th, right behind the pole sitter Scott McLaughlin in 6th. Santino Ferruci was 8th for AJ Foyt Racing, Rinus VeeKay 9th for Ed Carpenter Racing and Conor Daly was 10th. Team Penske was fast, but Chip Ganassi Racing had Dixon and Palou in the hunt all day, to say nothing about the Arrow McLaren boys had two in the top ten, and Kyle Larson should have been another top ten finisher, but a rookie mistake of speeding in the pits took his McLaren entry out of the running. He did the double, but I have no results from Charlotte at this time. I'd give this event an "A" for excitement, and pleasure to watch.