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If you must miss a meeting, phone Chris Manack, Attendance Chair, at 650 355-5742 or, email him at chrismamack@gmail.com by the Monday before the lunch date.



Jim Veit (714) 803-9151 jdveit@aol.com Big Sir 2019/25, SIR Branch 142

Happy Holidays to all, and to all a good night and day!

See you at our Ladies Luncheon on Wednesday, December 10th at the Italian American Club, downtown San Mateo.

The New Year means dues are due. Only \$50! (We are fighting inflation.) Please pay by the end of January.

The next Maverick Jack's Lunch is Wednesday, January 14th. Our Little Sir, Joe Rickson is setting up some great speakers. See you there.

Take care of yourself and your families. Stay active and joyous.





TREASURER'S NOVEMBER 2025 REPORT

Chris Manack 650-355-5742

 Beginning Balance
 \$ 7,779.25

 Income
 \$ 0.00

 Expenses
 \$ 600.00

 Ending Bank Balance
 \$ 7179.25

 Petty Cash Fund
 \$ 100.00

 Total Funds
 \$ 7,279.25

All receipts collected have been deposited.
All annual dues collected so far have been deposited.
All expenses have been previewed and paid.

Members: 88 total members paid to date for 2025



DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS

Art Andrews

Edward Bruzzone

Robert Butler

Peter Grech

Joe Hirschmann

Alec Keit

Arlie Lamb

John Mangiante

Ken Masry

Joe Sheehan

Wilson Silva

Joseph Voltattorni

Erric White

SUNSHINE REPORT

If you know of any Sir or their family that is ill or passed please call

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BOCCE (The Little Balls)
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We welcome all members of SIR Branch 142 to come and join in play with our activity group. It is a very easy game to learn and play. Coffee is served at 9:30AM with play commencing at 10AM each Thursday of the month, weather permitting, and concluding at 12 Noon. We play at Beresford Park in San Mateo. The bocce courts are adjacent to the tennis courts located on the 28th Avenue side of the park.

Thu Nov. 6	Team # 1	Team # 2				
	Art Andrews	John Clemens				
Games 1, 2 & 3	Gary Fry	John Ringer				
	Chris Manack	Dan Scannell				
	Rick Merriam	Sallie Scannell				
	Yvonne Merriam	Larry Scaley				
	Jim Yeomans					
Game 1 Score	12	3				
Game 2 Score	12	1				
Game 3 Score	1	3				

Thu Nov. 20	Team # 1	Team # 2			
	John Clemens	Art Andrews			
Games 1 & 2	Rick Merriam	Gary Fry			
	Christal Rickson	Yvonne Merriam			
	John Ringer	Joe Rickson			
	Larry Scaley	Nancy Ringer			
	Jim Yeomans				
Game 1 Score	7	12			
Game 2 Score	6	3			

Thu. - Nov. 13: Bocce cancelled due to weather.

Thu. - Nov. 27: Bocce cancelled due to holiday.

SIR Computer/Technology Group

SIR members in the local area (any branch) get together on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Redwood Shores Library. Doors open at 10:00 AM and the meeting starts at 10:30 AM. The group discusses current events about computers, software and all kinds of other electronic devices.

Ralph Riviello (r.riviello@comcast.net) chairs the meetings. Beginners to experts are welcome. Bring any questions you may be having with your computer or cell phone.

https://sirinc2.org/branch1/sir-activities/sir-group-computers/ \$5 to cover coffee & doughnuts is charged.

NOTE: There will be on Computer Group meeting for the month of December.





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GOLF (*The wee small balls*)

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Our final full month of golf for 2025 went well despite the rains and we got all of our tournaments in – though with lower turnouts at a couple. Our major event for December will be our Annual Luncheon and Awards ceremony. All Branch 142 members are welcome especially if you have an interest in golf and want to learn more about us.

Results in November featured some excellent play by **Wes Matsuura and Greg Skinner** as both were consistently in the 70's continuing the fine golf game both have shown all year. In Flight 2 the leadership was shared between **Bob Chang, Marty Mintz, and John Moodie. George Smith and Ken Mantoani** proved to be the stars in Flight 3. The other result of note during November the near holes in one by **John Najac and Greg Skinner** at Shoreline Golf Club.

Our only remaining tournament for 2025 is: **Spring Valley December 2.** Additionally we will have our **Yearend Luncheon and Awards ceremony at Harry's Hofbrau on December 16.** If you'd like to attend the luncheon, call me at 650-703-2342 or email me at coachchang@sbcglobal.net.

COURSE:	Baylands		DATE:	11/4											
	•								CLOSEST TO						
FLIGHT 1	SCORE	PTS.	FLIGHT 2	SCORE		FLIGHT 3	SCORE	PTS.	PIN	HOLE	DISTANCE	PTS	BIRDIES	HOLE	PTS
Thomas	74	5	Chang	76	5	Mantoani	75	5	Skinner	4	18' 2"	2	Matsuura	1, 7, 18	6
Matsuura	74	5	Moodie	77		Veit	76	4	Mintz	8	50' 0"	3	Coleman	15	4
Skinner	74	5	Mintz	78		Karlsen	84	3	Skinner	12	8' 11"	2	Mintz	15	4
Pierce	76	2	Smith	79		Day	85	2	Keit	15	13' 4"	2			
Mayta Low Gross	78	1	Brink	82		Garrubba	88	1							
			Charles	82	1										
	Matsuura	76				Low Gross	Mantoani	98							
	Skinner	76	Low Gross	Chang	91										
COURSE:	Moffett		DATE:	11/11											
									CLOSEST TO						
FLIGHT 1	SCORE	PTS.	FLIGHT 2	SCORE	PTS.				PIN:	HOLE	DISTANCE	PTS	BIRDIES	HOLE	PTS
Moodie	65	5	Mantoani	72	5				None	5			Skinner	3 & 5	4
Skinner	69	4	Day	72	5				None	7					
Chang	70	3	Veit	73	3				Moodie	13	13' 1"	3			
Keit	72	2	Charles	76	2				None	15					
Mintz	73	1	Najac	81	1										
Low Gross	Skinner	75	Low Gross	Moodie	90										
COURSE:	Shoreline		DATE:	11/18											
COURSE.	SHOTEHINE		DATE.	11/10					CLOSEST TO						
FLIGHT 1	SCORE	PTS.	FLIGHT 2	SCORE	PTS.				PIN:	HOLE	DISTANCE	PTS	BIRDIES	HOLE	PTS
Matsuura	71	5	Charles	79	5				Skinner	4	2' 0"	2	Skinner	4	2
Skinner	71	5	Coleman	81	4				Najac	8	1' 6"	3	Thomas	8	2
Pierce	72	3	Chang	82	3				Matsuura	11	23' 8"	2	Najac	8	4
Keit	76	2	Mantoani	84					Matsuura	17	13' 7"	2			
			Najac	87	1										
Low Gross	Matsuura	76	Low Gross	Chang	101										
	Skinner	76													
COURSE	Metropolita	n	DATE:	11/25											
OCOITOL.	mou oponta		DATE.	11/20					CLOSEST TO						
FLIGHT 1	SCORE	PTS.	FLIGHT 2	SCORE		FLIGHT 3	SCORE	PTS.	PIN:	HOLE	DISTANCE	PTS	BIRDIES	HOLE	PTS
Matsuura	72	5	Mintz	73	5	Smith	71	5	Mintz	5		3	Fong	7 & 13	
Fong	72	5	Halliday	75		Veit	73	4	Fong	7	6' 2"	2	Smith	1	
Skinner	73	3	Zarate	75	4	Karlsen	75	3	Chang	12	13' 5"	3	Halliday	7	
Keit	76	2	Chang	76	2	Najac	78	2	Mantoanl	15	26' 0"	4	Skinner	17	2
Thomas	76	2	Charles	78	1	Mantoani	80	1							
Low Gross	Matsuura	77	Low Gross	Mintz	93	Low Gross	Smith	96							





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NOVEMBER BOWLING NEWS



On behalf of both the Thursday and Friday bowling leagues I would like to thank the Branch 142 Executive Committee for contributing \$200.00 to our prize fund. The funds were immediately applied to our ongoing Gold Pin Strikes and Strike in the 5th frame games. So, thank you once again BEC we really appreciate your contribution and it couldn't have come at a better time.

Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving with family and friends.

With only 3 weeks of bowling remaining we still have very close races in both the Thursday and Friday leagues. Hopefully the December 11th and 12th position rounds will give us a better picture.

Just a reminder that our last day of bowling for 2025 will be December 18th for the Thursday league and the 19th for Friday. This will include Sweepers, playoffs, and prize fund distribution.

Another reminder for the Friday league. On December 12th we will start 30 minutes earlier. Bel Mateo will open at 9:30 and we need to get started by 9:45 due to a large party immediately following our league. Please be there by 9:30.

November provided some outstanding bowling, here are the top performances for the month. Nice shooting everyone, hope December is even better.

The top performances for November

Thursday League

Group A

High Game: Jim Carden-218 High Series: Jim Carden-592

Group B

High Game: Mike Smith-189 High Series: Mike Smith-510

Group C

High Game: Paul Hohl-160 High Series: Paul Hohl-462

Friday League

Group A

High Game: Dave Gluck-225 High Series: Dave Gluck-611

Group B

High Game: Bradley Paterson-205 High Series: Bradley Paterson-546

Group C

High Game: Mike Garoutte-188 High Series: Harry Ewing-502

Strike in the 5th Frame: Les Deman/John Mangiante, Erric White/ John Mangiante, Ken Braband/Chuck Waller, John Nardi, Ruth Swanson/ Pete Grech, Les Deman/Allan Leader.





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Gold Pin Strike \$5.00 Winners: Doug Moffitt, Roger Harrison, John Mangiante, Dave Rivera, Lamonte Lovering, Jim Carden-2, Ruth Swanson, Bud Dougherty.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Our condolences go out to Mike Stiegler and Nick Grasso on the recent loss of their wives.

Sending good thoughts to Nathan McDowell who is having a knee replacement December 1st. Also, Joe Gibson who is still recovering from surgery. Looking forward to your return guys.

Tournaments: I just received the Sir tournament schedule for 2026. The first tournament will be in Napa on January 20 & 21 then followed by 14 more throughout Northern California and Nevada during 2026. See Chuck for a schedule.

Dues: Good news/ Bad news. First the bad news. January 31,2026 is the deadline for Sirs dues. Please make checks payable to Sir Branch 142 and give to Chuck. I really don't want to be chasing down dues all January so please let's get it done as soon as possible.

Now the good news. The Branch 142 Executive Committee has voted to reduce our dues from \$60.00 down to \$50.00 for 2026. We bowl for 48 weeks for the year so that works out to be \$1.04 per week or .35 game. If you bowl in both leagues it's only .52 a week or .17 per game. Thank you again BEC.

Tuesday Hi-Low Pot Games: Come join us for some no pressure fun games. We start at noon every Tuesday and usually have between 12 and 16 bowlers. We get a special bowling rate of \$3.00 per game and \$1.00 for the prize fund. We pay 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Everyone is welcome.

Guess that's it for now.

- "I would love to get paid to sleep. That'd be my dream job"
- "My wife asked me if I'd seen the dog bowl. I said I never knew he could."

Sir Bowlsalot