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ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20
Meetings at Noon – Elks Club
 Jewell Street-Santa Cruz
May 11, 2016

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Assistant	Jim Bunker	427-2156
E-mail contact	Greg Horne	684-1834



Parmesan Crusted Tilapia

Green Salad
 Steamed Vegetables
 Assorted Deserts

Fruit Salad
 Rice Pilaf
 Tea and Coffee

Program

It Has Rained, Is the Drought Over?

In a “double bill”, Ron Duncan, General Manager of the Soquel Creek Water District, together with a representative from the Santa Cruz Water District, will give us an update on the current state of water supply in the County. Where do we stand, what can we expect this summer, and what steps are being taken for the future? Bring your toughest questions for what promises to be a lively session!

OUR BIG SIR NORM GRUCEZLAK SEZ:



During the last Board Executive Committee meeting it was decided to increase the number of our Board members from 6 to 9. This change is meant to increase the number of members who can contribute their skills and ideas to make Branch 20 an even better place to meet and have a good time. I'll let you know as these positions are filled.

In order to maintain the numbers necessary to support our activities, and to bring in new talents and interests, we need to continuously recruit new members. The best way to do this is to invite guests to join us at our monthly lunch meetings or at our many activities. Where else can you join a group of happy guys AND PAY NO DUES, while enjoying golf, bocce, travel, poker, fishing, photography, cribbage, day trips and more?

How many of you carry the small SIR card with your contact information in your wallet so you can give one to acquaintances who might be interested in joining us? This allows them to contact you later for more information. These cards and brochures are available as you check in for lunch at the table selling tickets for the drawing. Bring guests. They will thank you for it.

TELEPHONE CALLERS

Hank Christman, Chair 427-2084
Dick Doubrava 426-9701
Ron Graves 475-3567
Greg Horne 684-1834

GREETERS

Chair: Mike Almgren & Dick Dumiller
Norman Lund Rich Leonard
John Maloney Roger Kissinger

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Vern Lillehaugen

PAST BIG SIRS - LIVING

Greg Horne	2015
Don Little	2014
Jim Bunker	2013
Sterling Frost	2012
Bill Neary	2011
Rich Dean	2010
Hank Pierce	2009
John Ashworth	2008
Vern Lillehaugen	2007
Jack Roberts	2006
Bob Bush	2005
Chuck Goddard	2004
Jim Solden	2003
L.W. "Mac" McNeil	2001
William Hansen	1997
Richard Leonard	1995
Bill McBroom	1992
Cliff Houchin	1991

ACTIVITIES - Don Little

One of the great things about retirement is the opportunity to spend time doing our individual hobbies. One of our branch objectives in 2016 is to coordinate our activities and take advantage of sharing with fellow Sirs our like interests. Following are the current activities and contacts you can call to get involved in some fun things to do.

- Golf Mel Bowen 462-1885
- Poker Dick Bemis (408) 353-2829
- Wine Tasting Greg Horne 684-1834
- Cribbage Vern Lillehaugen 476-0455
- Bocci Ball Dick Doubrava 426-9701
- Joe Mingione 650-279-2830
- Cooking Greg Horne 684-1834
- Group Dining Greg Horne 684-1834
- Photography Dick Bemis (408) 353-2829
- Fishing Jim Bunker 427-2156

Thanks for listening. See you at Sirs.

FISHING

Jim Bunker has arranged a fishing outing to Lock Lomond on May 18th from 8am to 1pm plus or minus. Entry is \$6 per car, so you will want to car pool if possible. Lake is being stocked in the middle of May with trout for the first time in 3 years. A license is required, and can be purchased at Loch Lomond. Jim advises that he has at least six extra poles, reels and tackle, and will share and set up if requested. Bring lunch and a folding chair for bank fishing, or boats can be rented. Call Jim Bunker at 427-2156 for more detail or to arrange a ride.

GOLF

The SIR'S State Tournament qualifying round will be played at Spring Hills Monday July 25. Last year the qualifying round was played at Santa Clara Golf and Tennis Club. We hope you will participate in this once a year event and make our Area 10 group look good.

You will be competing against players of your own skill level for there will be seven flights. If you finish first or second in your flight your fee for the state championship at Laguna Seca in October will be free. There also will be closest to the pin prizes. The entry fee is \$46, \$11 of which goes to the state organization. The balance of \$35 covers your golf and the cart fee at Spring Hills.

State officials will conduct the state championship scheduled at Laguna Seca. You can pay your \$46 entry fee to Norm Haney or Mel Bowen prior to our weekly SIR'S tournament at Spring Hills May 16.

Jim Williamson says that it is still possible to join this year's Minden golf tournament, May 30 to June 2. This tournament is open to

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TO THE
TWO BUCK
BUCKET**



EARN A FREE LUNCH—BRING IN A NEW MEMBER

Next luncheon on Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Executive Committee (Board) Meeting will be held in the Committee Room at 10:30 AM on luncheon days.

SIR BRANCH 20 Membership Report - April 2016

Greg Horne, Chair

	<u>Activity</u>		<u>Summary</u>
New Members:	Tom Duncanson, #154 Samuel Stewart, #102		Active 127
Applications:	None		Applications on File 0
Resigned:	Bruce Bentley		Inactive 23
Change to Inactive:	Paul Cable, Marvin Delchiaro, Tim McGarvey		
Change to Active	None		

*****NOTICE***TO ALL MEMBERS*****

If your address, or phone # changed, notify SIR Ken Jenkins, 622 Miramar Drive , Santa Cruz, Ca. 95060, 458-0478

Finance Report - April

Beginning Balance	\$2409.57
Income (Receipts)	271.00
Disbursements	<u>291.16</u>
Ending Balance	2389.41
April Bucket	\$2.01 pp
April Meeting: 70 Members, 2 Guests	
56% Attendance	

Mason Morris, Treasurer

Sunshine Report

Bernie Bernosky is receiving chemotherapy treatments.

Jim Baker (Acting) 423-7429

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all Area 10 golfers as well as any other friends you would like to bring along. There is a women's tournament as well as the men's. Prices range from \$664 single to \$970 for two golfers. Call Jim at 831-229-0675 with to sign up.

TRAVEL

We still have four trips on tap for 2016.

- Kenya Safari Adventure, May 9th to 21st , this is a once in a lifetime experience that shouldn't be missed. Thirteen days, 28 meals, from \$3975.

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169 Dan Brewer
51 David Gayley
130 Jeff Hall
172 Ted Proudfit

BIRTHDAYS



96 John (Mike) Raether
157 Steve Redfield
17 Carl Schaarschmidt
80 John Wagner

171 Doug Greer, A Super Senior – 95!!

GOLF

May 2	MO	Salinas Fairways	8:00	543-Prog
May 9	MO	Monterey Pines	8:00	Sweeps
May 16	MO	Spring Hills	8:00	2-BB-4
May 23	MO	Crazy Horse	8:00	345-Prog
May 30	MINDEN TOURNAMENT			

FOR TEE TIMES: HOT LINE 457-6561
E-mail scsirs10@gmail.com

NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

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- American Empress Steamboat cruise from Clarkson Oregon to Portland. True scenic beauty through the Columbia River gorge. Five Star accommodations, nine days, all meals from \$4660.
- NCL Canada & New England Cruise, round trip Boston, September 8th to 23rd . Fifteen day cruise, all meals included on board from only \$2510.
- New Years in Nashville, December 30th through January 3rd , 7 meals, prices from \$2140 including estimated airfare of \$485.00
- Also, Scotts Valley, Branch 36 is now sponsoring an Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta trip in September of 2016.

Brochures are available at the meetings or on request for all of these travel opportunities. Next month we will report on the trips Branch 20 will be sponsoring in 2017. If you have questions contact Sterling Frost 458-9213

MEET THE NEW MEMBER

Tom Duncanson is a native Californian and graduated in engineering from Berkeley. He spent most of his working life with IBM, in the west, mid-west and England, including 17 years in San Jose. Post-IBM he worked for another 10 years in the valley doing some fun web stuff for several companies until it seemed his retirement savings should last longer than himself.

He lost his wife of 43 years to cancer in 2008. He remarried 3 years ago, to Doris, who introduced him to a wonderful new life in Santa Cruz. Together they have six grown children and eleven grandchildren, located mainly in the East Bay.

Tom enjoys travelling, bike riding, taking hikes, attending concerts and volunteering in a variety of roles.



NEW Email RSVP PROCESS

In April we initiated an e-mail-based system for checking on lunch attendance. Thanks to the 75% of active SIRs who responded to the invitation, and thanks also to our now-retiring Telephone Callers for your service in the past!

We'll be using the same process in May and looking for an even higher response rate. Here's how it will work:

On Monday, May 2nd, all SIRs who have email will get an electronic invitation from "SIR Santa Cruz". You'll need to click on the link in the email, which will open a browser window. Read the invitation, respond "YES" or "NO", add additional guests if applicable and optional comments, then hit the "Reply" button to complete the process. If you access email on your smartphone, it'll work there too.

SIRs without email will still receive a phone call. If you do have email but for some reason you don't see the invitation, please let me know.

Thanks!

Greg Horne 684-1834