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# ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20  
Meetings at Noon – Elks Club  
Jewell Street-Santa Cruz

**November 11 Meeting via Zoom!**

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| Hank Pierce      | 2009 |
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| Vern Lillehaugen | 2007 |
| Jack Roberts     | 2006 |
| Chuck Goddard    | 2004 |

## COMMITTEES FOR 2020

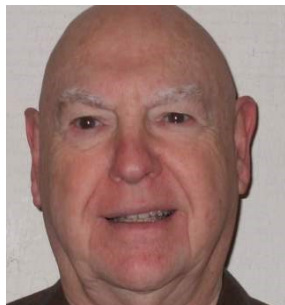
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## Program

On Veteran's day, November 11 our SIRs speaker on Zoom will be Major General (Ret.) Rob Rosenbewrg, who will chronicle his Army career from enlistment in 1969 through Officer Candidate School to commander of a Division in Vietnam of 14,000 troops.

SIRs Vietnam veterans are urged to attend using the Zoom link provided in this newsletter.

## OUR BIG SIR LES YEFFA SEZ:



November– the month of Thanksgiving– the month before Christmas. How we got here so fast, I don't know. I want to thank the 20+ SIRs who attended our Zoom meeting in October. We again had an excellent program thank to Sir Jim Healey. He has programs lined up through December.

We need to keep in touch, please attend our virtual meetings so that when we do convene again our members will want to attend.

The Elks Lodge has informed us that we can start meeting there now with a limitation of 67 people. This was discussed at our BEC and it was decided to wait until January. Too many feel it's best to stay "sheltered" for another short while. Mark your calendars that we ARE planning to meet in person in January.

The Bocce players, all 4 of us, did get out and finally were able to play. Sir Joe Mingione will be reminding everyone of our next match. It's outdoors with social distancing observed.

Please join us for our Zoom meeting on Nov. 11th. Yes, it's Veteran's Day, originally called Armistice Day for those to young to remember and we will be meeting.

Everyone have a Happy Thanksgiving. Stay safe, stay well.

## HOW TO JOIN THE ZOOM MEETING

There will be a regular meeting of Branch 20 SIRS on Wednesday November 11 at 12:00 A virtual lunch will be served. (That means bring your own). Please click on the link below and it should take you right to the meeting. Please join us!

<https://us02web.zoomus/j/83256891394>

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| Arrangements    | Ray Blute       | 464-7901     |
| Attendance      | Ken Maus        | 854-2303     |
| Bulletin Editor | Ken Jenkins     | 458-0478     |
| Chaplain        | Jim Baker       | 423-7429     |
| Golf            | Jerry Zanzinger | 423-1936     |
| Bocce Ball      | Ray Blute       | 464-7901     |
|                 | Joe Mingione    | 650-279-2830 |
| Historian       | Hank Pierce     | 429-5441     |
| Membership      | Don Hershberger | 227-4326     |
| Program         | James Healey    | 685-3829     |
| Poker           | JJ Justice      | 464-2387     |
| Publicity       | Joe Mingione    | 650-279-2830 |
| Recruitment     | Steve Tedesco   | 408-810-0578 |
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| Sunshine        | Open            |              |
| Travel          | Tom Duncanson   | 662-8605     |
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**GREETERS**

Chair: Mike Almgren & Jim Riss  
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**GOLF**

SIRs Golf came to a screeching halt when the pandemic arrived. However, when courses started to open a few months ago, Mike Banks and his helpers started to schedule tournaments for SIRs who wanted to play, sans SIRs sanction. The response was amazing and we are drawing almost the same number of players as pre-covid, cash awards and all. You just can't keep a good golfer down, but we all look forward to getting back to SIRs sponsored tournaments and live meetings! For more info.

**WHO WANTS TO PLAY BOCCÉ!**

Our Bocce venue, Felt Street Park, is open for play! It is available to us on a First come, First serve basis, but that's fine. It is how we've been playing anyway.

Our start-up game between our A and B teams was a mild success with only 4 of us showing. But that's OK too, the weather was kind, the courts were clean and we played 3 great games of bocce (faithfully obeying the Covid rules, of course).

We want to keep playing so we are scheduling more A vs B games as long as the weather allows. All games are scheduled for 11am at Felt Street Park.

A vs B: Wednesday, Nov. 4.

A vs B: Wednesday, Nov. 18.

Bring your set of Bocce balls if you have them— otherwise we will be using our SIR owned boulders. Further games will be scheduled as long as weather permits.

**Covid Rules will be in-play.**

- Each player must have his own hand sanitizer or spray.
- Players must wear masks.
- Players must maintain minimum 6 ft. distance from any other player.
- Players must wear gloves (provided)
- Only 1 player from non-throwing team will do measurements when needed.
- Score board updates will be assigned to 1 player for each lane.
- Gloves must be treated with hand sanitizer prior to play.

Hope to see you there! New players welcome!!

Felt Street Park is near the Simpkins Swim Center off 17th Ave. across from Shoreline Middle School. Turn onto Felt street at the stoplight.

**NOVEMBER  
 BIRTHDAYS**

64 Mike Fuson



150 Jim Healey

150 Ken Jenkins

31 Jeffrey Powell

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**STATE SIR LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

SIRs is the best kept secret...No more!

Join us to Converse, Connect, and Convey

With State Board Officers' training presentations:

November 16-20, M-F daily, 1-3 pm

Click on the link below to attend:

<http://bit.ly/3mkaKHU>

Meeting ID: 847 708104710

Passcode: 553379

**MESSAGE FROM LITTLE SIR STEVE TEDESCO:**

I hope you are all feeling well. Please let us know if you are aware of any of our members that might need support during these trying pandemic times, we will try and help out anyway we can.