





## Big SIR - Max Hartley Forward, March!

SIRS 49er members, I understand we had a great February meeting with a very informative speaker, Byron Wong with the CHP. Big shout out to our very own Little Sir Roland Kleinman

for taking over the reins in February.

I understand that the February lunch was great and a big thanks to Joe Artim our food purveyor for arranging that. For those of you who did not see the February newsletter here is the break down for the cost of the lunch is as follows:

Lunch is \$23.50. Gratuity is \$2.00. Cost of the hall rental is \$6.00. For a total of \$31.50 (rounded up to \$32).

We are still looking at a change of venue for our meetings which will save each member \$5.00 for lunch. The venue we are looking at is the Robert H. Miller III Rotary Clubhouse located at 7150 Baldwin Dam Rd. in Folsom. This transition will all depend on the approval of the BEC and our members.

### New Club Events:

I'm thinking of adding a Breakfast/Walking activity once a month to start and if it's a popular activity we could increase it. We would have breakfast somewhere and then those of you who want to walk could do so and I think we could include our dogs if everyone agrees. Please let me know if you would be willing to chair this event.

I also understand that it was mentioned that we should start meeting for Happy Hours at various locations or one location once a week or whenever. So we'll be talking about this at our meeting this month.

Don't forget to tell your friends/etc. about our Branch and the fun we have.

Guest Speakers: If you have a suggestion for an informative guest speaker please contact Roland Kleinman—his contact info is in the newsletter.

This month we will be introducing our new lunch sign up which Kim Hammon has put together. We hope to have it up and running for our April meeting.

Thank you

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## LITTLE SIR - Roland Kleinman It's a tradeoff . . .

Well, we've moved our clocks ahead an hour, giving us less sleep, but more sunlight. I don't know about you, but I think it's worth it!

Also, Spring and St Patrick's Day are right around the corner!

We're having some great weather, finally! The golf club has moved into the 2024 Spring/Summer season, and the courses are drying out and opening up their fairways for carts. I'm looking forward to wearing lighter clothing and clear skies!

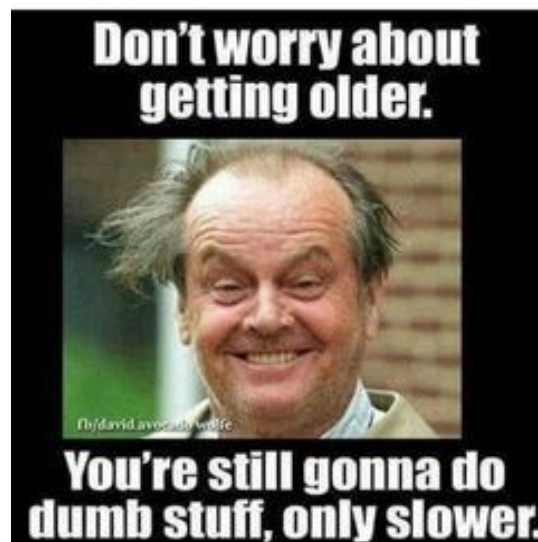
Our guest speaker last month was Byron Wong from CHP, and he talked about their Threat Assessment role / activities. It went well, and prompted some good Q&A.

The March speaker will be from the US Bureau of Reclamation, talking about Folsom Lake and Dam operations. They also are responsible for several other lakes & reservoirs in the valley, as well as coordinating on the flow of water into the delta.

The following month's topic is planned to be on fishing in the American River – guest speaker from California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Have a great St Patrick's day!

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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Thanks to everyone for bringing in new members. Please continue to recruit your friends and neighbors.

### CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

Active: 91

Inducted in Feb: 0

Drops in Feb: 1

Jack Dubé

Applications for Induction for Mar: 1

Dean Hunt

### Anniversaries for Mar:

Steve ALFONSO

Tom BAKER

Bob COLLINS

Tony GANE

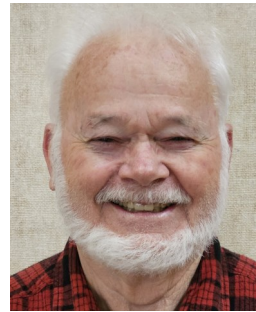
Rich GERBER

Bob HEDGES

Mike McCORMACK

Jim MILLER

Chuck BRADSHAW



## TREASURER'S DETAIL REPORT

Mike McCormack, Branch #49 Treasurer

Beginning Balance	\$ 6960.87
Receipts:	\$ 2781.00
Disbursements:	<u>\$ 2294.77</u>
Month Ending Total	\$ 7447.10

### Receipts:

Dues 2024 (15 @ \$25+1\$)	\$ 376.00
Lunch Receipts (54.5@ \$32)	\$ 1745.00
Bar Receipts	\$ 143.00
Gold Pan	\$ 67.00
Golf (Jan-April)	\$ 100.00
Drawer cash(HCCU checking)	<u>\$ 350.00</u>
	\$ 2781.00

### Disbursements:

Liquor License	\$ 75.00
City of Folsom Hall Rent	\$ 330.00
Bar Supplies	\$ 53.27
Luncheon/Caterer ( \$1386.50 + \$100 tip)	\$ 1486.50
SIR Inc. (Quarterly Assessment)	\$ 0.00
Drawer Cash Reimbursed	<u>\$ 350.00</u>
	\$ 2294.77

Members Lunch 54      Members No Lunch 3  
Total members present 57

Guest Lunch 1      Speaker Lunch 1  
Lunches Served 59

Lunches called in 46  
Member Dues Paid thru Feb 64



## Branch 49 Golf Club

Chairman: Steve Sims 916-365-6062

Asst. Chairman/Prize Dir: Don Fuller 916-791-4581

Tournament Directors: Ed Nishio & Tim Hammon

Treasurer: Don Fuller

Secretary/Special Projects:

Robin Williams

Rules Chairman: Bill Bertsch

Advisor: OPEN

To keep up with upcoming State SIR Golf Events, check out: [WWW.Sirgolf.org](http://WWW.Sirgolf.org)

Also, check out the announcement for the upcoming **2024 Spring Fling in Napa**, sponsored by Branches 35 and 149 on the last two pages of this newsletter.

Greetings Golf Legends. So 2024 is by far and away already better than 2023? I am happy to announce unlike 2023 our first tournament of the year was not a rain out and we managed to get the round in. The numbers, albeit lighter than hoped, weather and course conditions did play a factor in attendance.

Haggin Oaks was cart path only and many of those who braved the conditions found the walk to be pleasant and the golf a bit rusty for some.

Haggin Oaks results:

Flt 1: Roland Kleinman 80/72

Flt 2: Jerry Nakamura 88/73

4x2BB: Team KleinmanTsengMyersFlynn -8/136

CTP: Ed Nishio 13' 5" Gary Veffredo 17'3"

Funny note at Haggin-Birdie time: Had a player hit his approach shot behind the green, he searched behind the green for the ball with no luck and started heading back to the green passing a few geese a long the way, one goose scattered and what do ya know, darn bird was sitting on the ball.

Season Leaders:

Roland Kleinman

Jerry Nakamura

Ed Nishio

Warren Myers

Robin Williams

(Slow down ya'll it's real early.)

Played 3/11 Bartley Cavanaugh – Narrow fairways, fun and challenging little course. Too bad I forgot to change my clock and missed it!!

Next up:

3/18 Ancil Hoffman- Trees, a lot of trees, did I mention there are many trees there?

3/25 Empire Ranch- Very much a club favorite.

Trivia time:

What is the maximum weight of a golf in ounces?

What is the diameter of the golf hole in inches?

How many golf clubs can one legally carry in the bag?

Unscramble the numbers for the answers 4.25.14.1.62



Congratulations to Gary Veffredo for his hole-in-one at Ancil Hoffman #14 on March 18! If you are in the hole-in-one insurance pool, Gary will be happy to buy you a drink at our next luncheon on March 28.



## Branch 49 Bowling

**Bowling Chairman: Bob Collins (916) 983-5246 robertcollins325@comcast.net**

Yes, we are still bowling at Steve Cook's Fireside Lanes in Citrus Heights on Wednesdays 12:30-3:00pm. The league is called the "Senior Fun" Bowling League. The league consists of 16 three person teams. The league consists of many SIRs members from other chapters. The league is a mixed gender "handicap" league, currently with several women. This "winter/spring" season will last until mid-May 2024. Then there will be a short break and a shorter summer league will start.

Currently, there are four Branch 49 SIRs bowlers. They are: Ray Jerd, Jim Boles (aka Bowls!!), John McKim, and Bob Collins. Two members, Alan Wong and Wayne Philpot, are currently on a leave absence. Alan expects to return next season.

Bob Collins' average is 147 and a recent series of 439. Ray Jerd is next with an average of 147 and a recent series of 374. Jim "Bowls" is next with an average of 149 and a recent series of 417. Finally, John McKim comes in at an average of 120 and a recent series of 458. Congrats to John!! Did I forget anyone?

Most bowlers in the league consider a "good" series to be 500 or more. As I have previously reported, several of the SIRs bowlers seem to all be working on increasing our handicap. Some might say we are "sandbagging" for the end of session tournament.

Each week consists two teams competing against each other for 3 games. The better you bowl, (or depending on how much beer you drink), the more fun you have! The cost to bowl each week is \$15.00, and you have to pay even if you miss any week or more. There are money prizes for best teams, best bowler, high score among others, at the end of each season (Spring, summer, winter).

The handicap is based on a 220 raw score and calculated based on the raw score for each game throughout the season. If you score less than 220, your handicap is added to the raw score for each game to determine your score for the game and the winning team score. If you bowl a raw score more than 220, nothing is added to your score. (If you are bowling 220 or better, you don't need help!)

Most bowlers use the "one hand/arm" method to bowl. If you have seen bowling on TV recently, many professional bowlers are now using the "two hands" method to carry/throw the ball. Typically, they do not place their thumb in a hole.

Scoring for placement consists of 1 point for each team game "win" (including handicap), and 2 points for the team with the high series score (including handicap) for each week. A team can get 0 to 5 points each week. The standings are based on the number of points a team accumulates each week throughout the season.

If you are interested in becoming involved as an alternate, you can contact me (Bob Collins- bowling coordinator for Chp 49) or the league secretary. I can be reached at - Robertcollins325@comcast.net- or by cell phone at (916) 337-6236. The league secretary is Larry Mustain who can be reached at (916) 635-5674 or email at lcmustain@sbcglobal.net

**Good luck and good bowling!**

**Bob Collins**





L/R: Doug Mooney, Dean Hunt, Alan Baker, David Farrelly, Jerry Hudson, Bill Bertsch

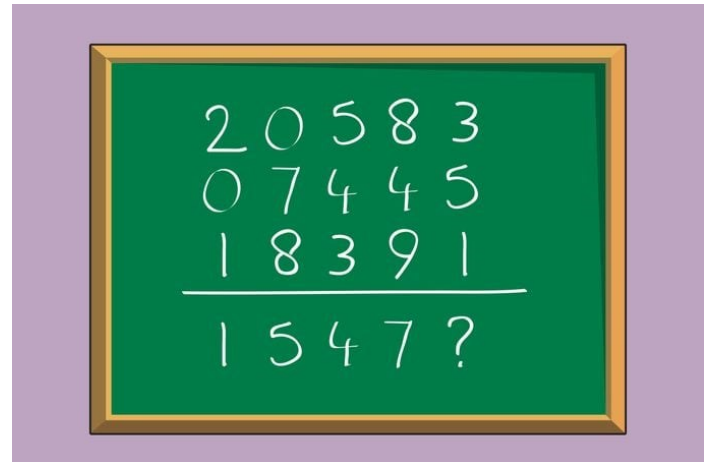
**LUNCHEON MEETINGS** are held at the Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma St. Folsom, California, on the last Thursday of the month, except November and December. Social Hour: 11:00 a.m.; lunch and program at noon. Executive Board meeting is on the same day at 10:00 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE RULES:** (State Rule 100) A member of Branch 49 will be notified in writing pending termination of membership if he does not attend at least 6 luncheons during a calendar year, January—December. The Picnic and Holiday luncheon is not required attendance. Therefore, it does not count as one of the six required luncheons during the year. If you report to the calling committee that you expect to attend, but later you find you must cancel, call your telephone contact or the Telephone Committee Chairman.

**NON-RESPONSIBILITY:** All tours, trips and other activities arranged by SIR, Inc., and its branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. SIR, Inc., and its branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants of passengers or their property, in any matters pertaining to said tours, trips or other activities.

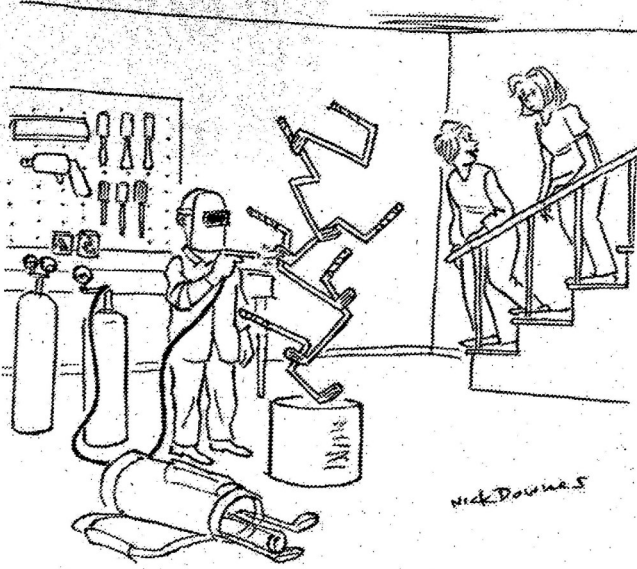


L/R: Karl Ryden, Bob Reilly, John Yeager, Jerry Jackson, Gary Stout (not pictured—Mike McCormack, fulfilling his Treasurer duties—thank you Mike!)



# Pepper . . . and Salt

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



“I’m so relieved he’s found another hobby.”

## 12 things to always remember.

1. The past can't be changed.
2. Opinions don't define your reality.
3. Everyone's journey is different.
4. Judgements are not about you.
5. Overthinking will lead to sadness.
6. Happiness is found within.
7. Your thoughts affect your mood.
8. Smiles are contagious.
9. Kindness is free.
10. It's okay to let go and move on.
11. What goes around, comes around.
12. Things always get better with time.

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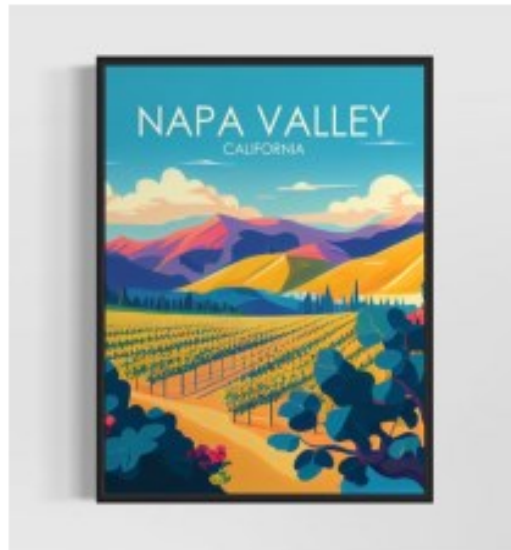
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A BAG  
OF CHIPS.



# State SIR Golf Presents

In Concert with Branches 35 & 149

A 2 Day Golf Event



## 2024 Spring Fling in Napa

**Wednesday, April 24** at *Chardonney Golf Club*, a Four Man, 2-Best Ball Tournament with consecutive tee times.

**Thursday, April 25** at *Eagle Vines Vineyard & Golf Club*, a Four Man Scramble with a Shotgun Start.

Ladies Welcome. Cash Prizes will be awarded for top teams and Closest-to-Pin. Entries can be for one or both days. Further details and Entry Forms will be posted later on SIR State Golf Website at <https://www.sirgolf.org>. For more information contact **Ben Gikis** (408) 802-0794, [gikisben@yahoo.com](mailto:gikisben@yahoo.com).

**Reserve the Dates Today!**



# 2024 SPRING FLING IN NAPA

## EAGLE VINES & CHARDONNAY GOLF COURSES

**Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> (Chardonnay) & Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup> (Eagle Vines)**

- Men Day 1 4-man team of your choice –2 BEST BALL (net) – 8:00am Sequential Tee Times  
Men Day 2 4-person team SCRAMBLE– 9:00am Shotgun Start  
Ladies Day 1 4-person team of your choice – 2 BEST BALL (net) – 8:30am Sequential Tee Times  
Ladies Day 2 4-person team, SCRAMBLE, computer selected – 9am Shotgun Start  
Ladies may play in men’s competition or in ladies only.  
Closest to Pin Contests on each Day (Both Front & Back nines)

To enter, complete the application below for you and any other playing partners and send it in with check(s) made payable to **“SIR STATE GOLF”** for the full amount of the Entry Fee for each player. Fees are: **Both days is \$170, only playing Day 1 is \$85 or only playing Day 2 is \$85.** Cost includes green fees, cart, range balls & prizes.

Have questions, contact Ben Gikis at either (408) 802-0794 or at [gikisben@yahoo.com](mailto:gikisben@yahoo.com)

**ONLY THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED WITH FULL PAYMENT WILL BE CONFIRMED AND ACCEPTED** (Cut here)

### APPLICATION AND ENTRY FORM

Entry **Deadline** is Monday **April 15<sup>th</sup>** or when **Tournament is full**

Make check(s) out to **“SIR State Golf”**, send to **Ben Gikis, 12415 Hilltop Dr., Los Altos Hills, CA 94024**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NCGA # \_\_\_\_\_ BRANCH \_\_\_\_\_ TEL \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
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Preferred Tee Time: Early  Mid-Morning  Late

**ELIGIBILITY:** For men, SIR member or guests must have a verifiable NCGA INDEX with any NCGA golf club. Women guests competing in the men’s flight must provide a verifiable NCGA INDEX. There is no requirement if competing in the women’s flight. If they do have a verifiable index, please provide it.