

"SIR IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO ENHANCE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS THROUGH FUN ACTIVITIES, LUNCHEONS AND EVENTS WHILE MAKING FRIENDS FOR LIFE."

Gold Country Branch 95 2021 Elected Officers

Big Sir

Kevin King......916.337.9811 Little Sir Jay Muzio......650.302.1902 Secretary Terry Starkel.....916.817.1524 **Asst. Secretary** Bob Carlson......916.817.1181 **Treasurer** Tim Irish916.933.3466 Asst. Treasurer Chad Barrow.....209.603.7346 **Directors at Large** Joe Giacomini......916.939.2060 Rich Turoff......916.934.0176 Shoji Kumagai408.472.6102

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> > Chairmen

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Publicity TBD

Bocce

Webmastr Jon Jakowatz .916.941.6792

NOTE -- DUE TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT THIS MONTH'S MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH OCTOBER 20TH

AT CAMERON PARK COUNTRY CLUB 3201 ROYAL DR, CAMERON PARK, CA 95682

BIG SIR – Kevin King

We are fast approaching the start of the holiday season and the end of my term as Big SIR. The past two years as your Big SIR have been challenging and frustrating at times yet oddly fulfilling. What began as a pretty normal term in January 2020 quickly changed by March/April with the first of our two SIR statewide shutdowns. Unlike many branches that struggled through the pandemic, we were fortunate that we were able to quickly pivot to Zoom so that no BEC meetings and only one general meeting was canceled. When we recently were able to resume our in-person meetings after a year and a half, we pivoted once again by leaving our long-time venue at Empire Ranch to a new venue at Cameron Park Country Club. Those who attended our first meeting at Cameron Park were impressed with the venue, the quality of the food and, most importantly, their ability to hear the speakers. Yes, I know we forgot to talk to them about dessert but we're working on that. While venues don't ordinarily play as large a role as quality programs and number of activities in attracting and retaining members, I'm hopeful that having a topflight venue will help launch a membership surge in the coming year. With everyone's help, I'm confident that we can meet and exceed whatever membership goals the BEC sets for the coming year. I will provide additional information about the overall health of the branch in sort of a "State of the Branch" message at our November meeting.

Speaking of the BEC and the coming year, we will be holding our election of officers for 2022 at our October meeting. Nominations for all positions remain open until the final call for nominations at our meeting.

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Birthdays

September

Mel Hallett
Jon Jakowatz
Joe Lampich
Jerry Nester
John Ninan
Ron Waisner (PBS)

October

Rick Butterworth
Joe Giacomini (PBS)
Gary Haack
Larry Keenan (PBS)
Kevin King
Patrick Okeefe
David Renfand
Rich Turoff (PBS)
Craig Whichard
Bob Woodford

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Membership

by Dennis Petersen, Membership Chair

Active Membership – 68

Branch 95 General Meeting & Luncheon

Wednesday, October 20th Social Hour 11:00 - 12:00

General Meeting 12:00 ~ 2:00...

CAMERON PARK COUNTRY CLUB

3201 Royal Drive

CAMERON PARK, CA 95682

(530) 672-7900

Lunch Menu
Meatloaf
Mashed potatoes
Green beans
Salad & Rolls

BIG SIR continued...

Remember, a nominee must accept the nomination and be willing to serve if elected. Currently, we have a full slate of candidates that includes:

- Big SIR Jay Muzio (current Little SIR; member since 2/2019)
- Little SIR Ken Mahar (member since 9/2019)
- Treasurer Tim Irish (incumbent; Past Big SIR; member since 9/2015)
- Assistant Treasurer Chad Barrow (incumbent; member since 11/2019)
- Secretary Terry Starkel (incumbent since 2016; member since 11/2010)
- Assistant Secretary Bob Carlson (incumbent; past Little SIR; member since 11/2016)
- Director at Large Rich Turoff (incumbent since 2018; past Asst. Treasurer; Past Big SIR; member since 7/2014)
- Director at Large Joe Giacomini (incumbent since 2019; past Little SIR; Past Big SIR; member since 10/2005)
- Director at Large Shoji Kumagai (incumbent; member since 8/2017)
- Director at Large Kevin King (outgoing 2-term Big SIR; past Little SIR; member since 3/2017)

Thanks to each member who has agreed to serve in the coming year. The SIR organization and our branch rely on volunteers like them for our continued ability to function. Please plan to attend the meeting to cast your vote and consider stepping up yourself if called upon in the future.

Congratulations to Jay Guertin as our newest golf club champion. He bested the field over three rounds and worry about a possible jury summons the night before the final round to take home the trophy and bragging rights for the coming year. Also, a shout out to Past Big SIR Dan Cockcroft for getting our coed bocce program off the ground. The inaugural session was well received. If you play or have always wanted to learn how to play, contact Dan to get on his mailing list.

Be safe this Halloween!

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world." Mahatma Gandhi

"Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're right." Henry Ford

SIR Branch 95 Golf By Terry Starkel

I have submitted requests to several courses for golf dates for 2022. Several of the courses do not have their schedule books until mid-October, so I must wait for a few more weeks. A few have responded, and I am adjusting dates.

We have just completed our Sir Branch 95 Golf Club Championship rounds. One round played at Mather, one at Wildhawk and one at Empire Ranch. The results are in. In fourth place and winning \$20 is Peter Apel. In third place winning \$30 is Oli Bohlman. Taking second place and \$40 prize money is Ray Guenther. The first-place winner is Jay Guertin. Jay receives \$50 and his name on the trophy to hold onto for the next year. Congratulations to all that participated. The trophy and prize money will be presented at the October luncheon at Cameron Park Country Club. Be sure to attend.

Notices for 2022 NCGA and Sir 95 Golf will go out soon. Probably by the time you receive this newsletter. The cost will be \$50 to cover your membership in both NCGA and Sir 95 golf. If you want to renew, just let Terry know. You will have until early December to make your payment.

We have a couple of months of golf left in this year. We never know when it is going to be hot or cold, wet, or dry. (Wet has not been a problem this year). But we can count on being able to meet with our fellow Sir members for some good fellowship. As always, if you have suggestions for improving our golf program, please let Terry know. Also, if you would be interested in taking over handling one of the courses next year, let Terry know that also.

Little SIR - Jay Muzio

Greetings fellow Sirs.

Ken Mahar took pictures at the Ladies Day Picnic.



More Ladies Day Picnic Photos See Page 6

Sand Traps

by Terry Starkel, Golf Chair SIR Branch 95 Results 2021 Tournaments:

Sept. 14 - Mather

First place: Ray Guenther Second place: Jay Guertin Third place: Don Nicholson Closest to the pin: Jay Muzio

Sept. 21 – Wildhawk

First place: Peter Apel Second place: Terry Starkel Third place: Jay Guertin

Closest to the pin: Dennis Eyler

Sept. 28 – Empire Ranch

First place: Ray Guenther Second place: Peter Apel Third place: Oli Bohlman

Closest to the pin: Ray Guenther

2021 Club Championship results:

1st. place: Jay Guertin 2nd. place: Ray Guenther 3rd. place: Oli Bohlman 4th. place: Peter Apel

Member Attendance:

To maintain membership, a member is required to attend one-half of the regular Branch monthly luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period, unless the Branch BEC has approved different attendance requirements (Policy 25; Bylaw 18).

2022 Branch Executive Committee Slate of Candidates --Big SIR Kevin King--

Following is our branch's 2022 BEC slate of candidates. Each position was uncontested. Note that the Little SIR position is unfilled and remains open for nominees. If unfilled, it'll be reported as such to State SIR.

Big SIR – Jay Muzio

Little SIR – OPEN

Treasurer – Tim Irish

Asst. Treasurer – Chad Barrow

Secretary - Terry Starkel

Asst. Secretary – Bob Carlson

Directors at Large – Joe Giacomini

Rich Turoff

Shoji Kumagai

Kevin King

SIR Non-Responsibility Clause:

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Branch 95 Bocce - Dan Cockcroft



Signori Novanta Cinque

Our branch bocce has gotten off the ground. We've had a pretty good turnout for our first two sessions. Play is open to SIR members, their spouses or significant others and invited

guests considering joining SIR. We currently play at Promontory Park in El Dorado Hills on the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Thursdays of the month. It's open play but I do ask that you sign up in advance so I can ensure we have enough equipment.

If you're interested in playing or just want to check it out, please contact me at cockcroftdaniel@gmail.com so I can get you on my mailing list. I email a signup sheet to those who have expressed an interest about a week in advance of each play date. I hope to see you out there.

SIR Websites Branch 95

www.branch95sir.shutterfly.com

State SIR

www.sirinc.org

SIR Happenings

www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/

Branch 95 Bulletin Updates

Please Submit November items by Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021

Please send to

SIR95Bulletin@jakowatz.net

On the Lighter Side

Moishe, an 80-year-old Jew goes to the doctor for a check-up.

The doctor is amazed at what good shape the guy is in and asks, "how do you stay in such great physical condition?"

"I'm Jewish and I am a golfer," says Moishe, "and that's why I'm in such good shape. I'm up well before daylight and out golfing up and down the fairways. I have a glass of schnapps, and all is well."

"Well", says the doctor, "I'm sure that helps, but there's got to be more to it. How old was your father when he died?"

"Who said he was dead?"

The doctor is amazed. "You mean you're 80 years old and your father is still alive. How old is he?"

"Kenahora? He's 100 years old," says Moishe. "In fact, he golfed with me this morning, and then we went to the topless beach for a walk and had a little schnapps and that's why he's still alive. He's Jewish and he's a golfer, too."

"Well," the doctor says, "that's great, but I'm sure there's more to it than that. How about your father's father? How old was he when he died?"

"Who said my Zayda's dead?"

Stunned, the doctor asks, "You mean you're 80 years old and your grandfather's still living! Incredible, how old is he?"

"Zayda? He's 118 years old," says the old Jewish golfer.

The doctor is getting frustrated at this point, "So, I guess he went golfing with you this morning, too?"

"No, Zayda couldn't go this morning because he's getting married today."

At this point the doctor is close to losing it. "Getting married? Why would a 118-year-old guy want to get married?"

"Who said he wanted to?"

The brain is the most outstanding organ. It works for 24 hours, 365 days, right from your birth until you fall in love.

2021 Ladies Day Picnic Pictures Continued



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