



# SIR Branch 116 Newsletter May 2021

*Enhancing the lives of our members through fun activities, luncheons and events while making Friends for Life*

## Message from Sam



I hope all of our members and their families are doing well. Spring is here, but it almost feels like summer.

Effective May 1, 2021, SIR's insurance carrier deleted coverage for pandemic diseases and other carriers are also not providing such coverage. Thus State SIR has imposed on the branches many requirements to minimize exposure to possible claims related to pandemic diseases. During a Special BEC meeting on April 27, 2021, our branch adopted these requirements.

Three key requirements are the following:

Beginning May 1, 2021 and until further notice to the contrary, SIR Branch 116 shall require branch members, visiting SIR members from other branches, guest speakers, guests, spouses/significant others ("Attendees") to be fully vaccinated (2 shots, if required) as a condition of being allowed to attend all branch activities. To ensure compliance with the requirements of item above, SIR Branch 116 shall require Attendees to show the original, a copy, or photo (in hardcopy or via a phone) of their vaccination record cards.

Second: Branch 116 shall require all members, guest speakers, and guests attending SIR indoor or outdoor activities, to execute a waiver prior to allowing them to attend such activities.

Third: Branch 116 shall require all members, guest speakers, and guests participating in SIR activities to comply with all then-current state and county requirements related to COVID-19 protection, such as wearing masks and social distancing.

SIR 116 BEC elected Kevin Donahue as our branch "Compliance Officer" to help us to stay in compliance with the above requirements.

As I am writing this report, there is still much uncertainty how we will conduct our branch activities and how we are going to implement these new protocols. As soon BEC makes those critical decisions we will let you know via email and Trampas Topics. The good news is that according to State SIR Covid survey conducted during early March, majority of our members have already been immunized. Finally, we rely on you to inform us and provide input for our Sunshine Report. If you hear of any member who is sick or might need help, please let Matt Arena or myself know.

In the meantime, please stay safe, stay in touch and continue participating in our activities.

*Sam Beret, Big SIR*

**Next Meeting  
via Zoom on  
May 17 at 11:30 AM**

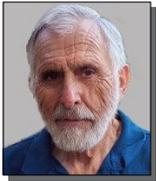
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*Please email or call  
any BEC member if  
you have any ques-  
tions/news regarding  
branch activities or  
members*

**Trampas Topics**

## 2021 SIR Branch 116 Officers



**Big SIR**  
Sam  
Beret



**Little SIR**  
Fred  
Wachowicz



**Treasurer**  
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Al  
Satake



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Paul  
Ramacciotti



**Asst. Sec.**  
Alan  
Pope



**Member.Sec.**  
Phil  
Goff

## 2021 SIR Branch 116 Directors



Michael  
Barrington



Gary  
Boswell



Roger  
Craig



Kevin  
Donahue



Al  
Farberman



Darrell  
McLaughry

### 2021 Support Chairmen

#### **RAMP Department Heads:**

- Recruitment Don Schroeder
- Activities Mike Ward
- Member Relations Tom O'Brien/Roger Craig
- Publicity Allan Farberman

#### **Branch Support Chairmen:**

- Audit Committee Ron Armijo
- Nominating Committee Michael Barrington
- Sunshine Committee Matt Arena
- Computer Support Neil Schmidt/Phil Goff
- Webmaster Neil Schmidt/Phil Goff
- Newsletter Editor Neil Schmidt
- New Member Orientation Dave Williams
- Membership Roster Prep George Pryhuber

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- Team Leader Fred Wachowicz
- Team Member Sam Beret
- Team Member Terry Sherman
- Team Member Al Satake
- Team Member Jerry Hicks
- Team Member Jim McCormick
- Team Advisor Lee Moy

#### **Luncheon Support Team:**

- Attendance Mike Scheneider
- Audio Visual Neil Schmidt
- Chaplain Committee Terry Sherman
- Greeters Committee Terry Grummitt
- Raffle Committee Ben Bryce
- Storytellers Committee Mac McLoughlin/F. Schafer

#### **Speakers Committee**

- Team Member Fred Wachowicz
- Team Member Jeff Johnson
- Team Member Allan Farberman
- Team Member Paul Freitas
- Team Member Roger Craig

### 2021 Activity Chairmen

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Asst. Chairman</u>
• Amiable Amblers	John Riordan	Joel White
• Bocce	Paul Russell	Harry Sherinian
• Book Group 1	Rich Black	Steve Bort
• Book Group 2	Alan Pope	Scott Clark
• Book Exchange	John Fraser	Dick Kauffma
• Bridge	Jon Dickson	Bob Wolf
• Computer & Tech.	Neil Schmidt	Phil Goff
• Dine-O-SIR	Alex Lutkus	Marty Katz
• Duplicate Bridge	Conrad Robertson	Tom Henry
• Fishing	Harry Sherinian	Terry Miller
• Golf—18 Hole	Bernie Wroblewski	Jim Johnson
• Golf—9 Hole	Dick Chaffee	D. McLaughry
• Golf—Treasurer	Alan Pope	
• Golf—Carmel	Jim Barstow	JJ, Harris, Eller
• Golf—Carson City	David Harris	Harry Oberle
• Golf—Clinic	Jeff Johnson	
• Mexican Train	Richard Madden	Alex Lutkus
• Parties	Marty Katz	
• Pickleball	Ed Solomon	Gary Bonfiglio
• Poker	Lou Sandor	
• Saturday Tours	Greg Hughes	
• \$ums in Retirement	Ben Smith	
• Travel	TBD	
• Wine-O-SIR	Lou Meylan	

**A Thank You to all Br. 116 SIR Who  
Volunteer to be Leaders**

### **Some Other SIR Area 16 Activities**

Apple User Group	Dick Macy (Br.171)	376-1180
Astronomy	Bill Hunter (Br.8)	947-6947
Bowling	Dan Weller (Br. 8)	935-5510
Digital Photo.	Bill Phelon (Br.8)	254-8338
Pocket Pool	Jerry White (Br.8)	944-9068
Tennis	Ralph Thornicraft (174)	376-8140

# Monthly Activities Calendar

## May 2021

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
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2	3 <b>18-Hole Golf</b> (9:45@ Boundary Oak GC )	4	5 <b>Cinco De Mayo</b> <b>9-Hole Golf</b> (10:00@ Pleasanton GC)	6	7 <b>Hiking &amp; Walking</b> (8:15@ TBD) <b>Pickleball</b> (9:00@ Heather Farms)	8
9 <b>Mothers Day</b>	10 <b>18-Hole Golf</b> (9:32@ Boundary Oak GC )	11	12 <b>9-Hole Golf</b> (10:00@ Diablo Hills GC)	13 <b>Bocce</b> (10:00@ Clayton Courts)	14 <b>Pickleball</b> (9:00@ Heather Farms)	15
16	17 <b>SIR Br. 116 Meeting</b> (11:30 via Zoom)	18	19 <b>Carmel Golf Outing</b> <b>9-Hole Golf</b> (10:00@ Buchanan Fields GC)	20 <b>Computer &amp; Tech</b> (9:30@ Elks Club)	21 <b>Hiking &amp; Walking</b> (8:15@ TBD) <b>Pickleball</b> (9:00@ Heather Farms)	22
23	24 <b>18-Hole Golf</b> (11:10@ Canyon Lakes GC) <b>Book Group 1</b> (10:15@ WC Civic Park)	25	26 <b>9-Hole Golf</b> (10:00@ Brentwood GC) <b>\$ums Investment</b> (1:30 via Zoom)	27 <b>Fishing Group</b> (8:30@ Legends-Diablo Crk) <b>Book Group 2</b> (11:00 via Zoom) <b>Wine-O-SIR</b> (4:00@TBD)	28 <b>Pickleball</b> (9:00@ Heather Farms)	29
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# Branch Administration



## Treasurey Report

Alan Fetzgerald, Treasurer

April 29, 2021		
	April-2021	2021 YTD
Contributions	\$	\$ 3,462.22
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ (4,101.03)
Net (gain/(loss))	\$ 0.00	\$ (638.81)
February Cash Balance		\$ 10,637.33
Outstanding Checks		\$ 0.00
Bank Acct Balance	\$	10,637.33



## Sunshine

Matt Arena, Sunshine Chairman

SIR **Lou Meyan** reports that he is seeing some improvement in his swollen leg. The new devise he is using wraps around his entire leg and controls a pressure electronically . This pressure works its way up his leg and returns to his foot. This has allowed him to be out and about including a trip to Hawaii and to North Carolina to watch his grandson play baseball. Nothing stops our wine tasting chairman from enjoying himself.

SIR **Lou Sandor** is recovering beautifully following his fractured ankle. Lou is using a walker and has done away with his boot. He is getting about and does some good walking.

Past Big SIR **Robbie Robinson** and Nancy are saddened to report their son Neil succumbed to Covid -19 this month. Remember them in your thoughts and prayers.

*The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago. The second best time to plant a Tree is now.*

Chinese Proverb



## Branch Membership

Phil Goff, Membership Chairman

Total Current Membership is 203

## May Birthdays

*When you see these members, wish them a Happy Birthday!*

- |                  |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Doug Aalders  | 12. Greg Hughes     |
| 2. Ron Banducci  | 13. George Kohut    |
| 3. Ed Barney     | 14. Al Lundmark     |
| 4. Ben Bryce     | 15. D. McClaughry   |
| 5. Larry Cannon  | 16. John Riordan    |
| 6. Al Farbman    | 17. Robbie Robinson |
| 7. Jim Flessner  | 18. Tony Rohrs      |
| 8. Rudy Gebert   | 19. Paul Russell    |
| 9. Chuck Gilliam | 20. Chick Walsh     |
| 10. Jerry Hicks  | 21. Mike Yale       |
| 11. Bob Huck     | 22. Al Zavattero    |

## May Brain Teasers

(Compliments of Alan Fitzgerald)

1. What was the biggest ocean in the world before Balboa discovered the Pacific Ocean?
2. How many cookies could you eat on an empty stomach?
3. Three mature and hefty women were walking in San Francisco under one regular-size umbrella. Why didn't they get wet?
4. What can a pitcher be filled with so it is lighter than when it is full of air?

See answers on Page 11

# Luncheon Speaker

## May Meeting

May 17, 2021

### “De La Salle’s varsity football coach Justing Almbaugh”



# Branch Administration



## Little SIR Report

Fred Wachowicz

Though we haven't yet seen the demise of the covid virus we are moving ever closer to the end of the line for the disease. Most of us are vaccinated now and most of our adult population is eligible for the vaccine at this point.

It would seem that we will be able to return to a much reduced requirements for separation, face masks, and activity restrictions sometime in the summer.

The insurance world has become a weighty issue over the last month in that carriers will no longer provide liability coverage for matters related to covid 19. In order to protect our members and our Branch from possible covid liability claims the State SIR organization has imposed the requirements we published in our recent e-mail note to every member.

If you haven't yet submitted your waiver and vaccination card information please consider doing so as soon as possible. Waivers and vaccination cards can be forwarded to Kevin Donahue at [branch116covidresponse@gmail.com](mailto:branch116covidresponse@gmail.com)

Our Speakers Team has scheduled De La Salle's varsity football coach, Justin Alumbaugh, to talk to us

about this record setting program which involves more than the sport itself.

Check out Mike Ward's Activity Column this month as we have been able to open up several outdoor activities with the use of waivers and vaccination cards as noted above. We still have work to do but the situation is changing as we get back in the saddle with our activity schedule.

At this point 86 members have responded to our annual Branch survey and we will be publishing a fairly detailed summary of the results which include interest in new activities as well as other general questions about Branch Operations. If you haven't had a chance to respond check it out. Contact info is in an e-mail from Neil (Trampas topics).

Check out Al Farbman's Publicity Layouts which are telling our SIR Branch 116 story in several Contra Costa County publications and online sites. Al's efforts are going to make an extremely positive impact on Branch Recruiting. Give Al a call if you would like to help with the Publicity effort at 925-708-0668. We need a few more good men to help us publicize our Branch and its benefits and submit articles in both the Nextdoor and Patch websites.

# Branch Activities



## Activities Report Mike Ward, Activities Head

### SIR BRANCH 116 COVID PROTOCOLS EMAIL MESSAGE

Please make sure you have received and read the email message that was send out by Samil Beret (Big Sir) on April 27, 2021, to all members. Effective May 1, 2021, our Branch 116, is requiring that all attendees of SIR Activities must be Covid-19 Vaccinated (complete) and have signed the Insurance waiver. Copies of the Insurance Waiver and the Covid-19 Vaccination card must be on file with Kevin Donahue. Copies of the Vaccination Card and the Insurance Waiver can also be given to your Activity Chairman prior to the event. Your Activity Chairman will in turn, forward your documents to Kevin Donahue who is the Compliance Officer for our Branch 116.

### CURRENT STATUS OF SIR 116 OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

**FISHING**--This activity is a joint venture with other East Bay Sir Branches. The various Fishing Activities following their annual fishing calendar. Please give Harry Sherinian a call, (925) 846-7067) if you have an interest in this activity.

**GOLF CLINIC**-This activity is currently under discussion with the Golf Manger and the Manger of the Boundary Oaks Golf Club in Walnut Creek. Jeff Johnson is the Chairman of this activity and will

keep us advised of his progress.

**SATURDAY DAY TOURS**- The current plan is to have SATURDAY DAY TOURS on the last Saturday in the months of June, August and October 2021. Arrangements are in progress and Greg Hughes (Chairman) will keep us advised.

The status of the following additional Outdoor Activities can be read in the May, 2021 issue of the Trampas Topics:

- AMIABLE AMBLERS
- BOCCI BALL
- BOOK CLUB 1
- BOOK CLUB 2
- PICKLE BALL

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**ANNUAL SURVEY**- The Survey has been completed and the club received 84 responses. This response equates to 41% of our membership. Evaluation of the survey results is in progress and a summary should be emailed to each member within the next two weeks.

**INDOOR ACTIVITIES**- All indoor activities are still on hold . All members will we notified, when our branch receives a notice of release from the State SIR Organization.



## SIR HAPPENINGS

Checkout the new and improved State SIR Happenings Newsletter. With a new editor the newsletter February 2021 has been radically expanded with lots of information about fun things that are going on in our branches.

You can find it at: <https://sirinc.org/newsletters>

## Trampas Topics Submissions



We need your contributions and suggestions for Trampas Topics. Please send photos, news items, SIR activities, and Letters to the Editor:

Neil Schmidt, Trampas Topics Editor  
[trampastopics@gmail.com](mailto:trampastopics@gmail.com)

# Branch Activities



## Book Group 1

Rich Black

Book Group #1 will next meet at 10:15 on May 24 in Civic Park near the Gazebo to discuss “Tangled Vines” by Frances Dinkelspiel. Members should bring a chair. In the event of inclement weather, the convenor will schedule a zoom session. Prospective new members should contact Richard Black at [Blackrw41@comcast.net](mailto:Blackrw41@comcast.net)

Book Group #1 last met on April 26 to discuss “The Worldly Philosophers” by Robert Heilbroner. Joel White recommended the book and Richard Black

led the discussion with Garrett Girvan, Richard Rossland, Pail Freitas, Mike Schneider, Nick Bowles, Tim Tinnes, Gavin Newsom, and John Kopchik. See picture by Joel White. Heilbroner chronicles the major economists, Smith, Ricardo, Malthus, Marx and Keynes as they weave the threads of commerce and daily experience into a series of coherent, if divergent, world views. The book earned a 3.5 star rating.



## Book Group 2

Allan Pope

Book Group 2 met by teleconference on Thursday, April 15, to discuss “Let the Peacock Sing” (“Love in a Time of Resistance France: 1942-44” by Michael Barrington. This meeting provided Book Club members a unique opportunity to discuss the book with the author, our fellow SIR member.

This book of historical fiction tells the story of French resistance groups, known as the Maquis, that sabotaged Germany’s war efforts during World War II. The story also described two interesting love stories, one between a Trappist monk, Pere Louis, and Henriette, the leader of the Peacock Maquis group. The other love story is between Marta, a member of the Bund Deutscher Mädel, (known as the League of German Girls), and Lucien, a member of the Peacock group.

Overall, the group enjoyed Let the Peacock Sing. Particularly the character development of the individuals over the course of the war. Each chapter had a different story of the Maquis group or one of its characters. The book describes aspects of everyday life of the French people during the German occupa-

tion and how the Maquis groups collaborated together to disrupt the Nazi troop and supply movement during the war. The group benefited from Michael’s explanation of his characters, who were composites of real people, and the complicated relationship between the French and the German people during the war.

The group gave Let the Peacock Sing a very good Jerry Hicks’ average rating of 4.688, and for the rest of the group, 4.7 out of 5.

Due to the Monterey golf event, the next Book Club 2 meeting will be on the last Thursday in May, **May 27, at 11am** by videoconference using the Zoom app. The group will discuss, “Land Over Water” by Ken Follett. In the months ahead, Book Club 2 has discussed reading “The Night Witches” by Gian Piero Milanetti, “Caste” by Isabel Wilkerson, and “The Ministry for the Future” by Kim Stanley Robinson.

Whether you have read any of these books or not, we welcome anyone interested to join us.

# Branch Activities



## Fishing

Harry Sherinian

All SIR members and guests are welcome, and indeed encouraged, to participate in fishing trips as well as attend the monthly meetings. Contacts are Big Fish, Ron Lew 925-550-4166 and Branch 116 Fishing Coordinator, Harry Sherinian, (925-846-7067). Next meeting will be through ZOOM on **Thursday, May 27th, at 8:30am.**

Salmon by Monterrey has started with limited success, the trout are biting, and the halibut in the bay are beginning to feed. Salmon season out the gate may start June 16th, but there is still some discussion about that. Alan Blavins, Carl Moyer, Bob Hilacker, and Romano Gnusti fished San Pablo Reservoir for trout. Romano landed a nice 6 and a half pound brute. Phil Scimonelli has been catching halibut FROM THE SHORE, at Point Pinole pier. Stan Wong, Bob Stein, Carl Moyer, and Lee Clark

took a party boat trip on the bay for halibut. . Lee caught one! Phil Scimonelli and wife caught stripers on another trip. Live bait is now available, and halibut fishing should be red hot very soon. Further upriver, Karl Droese, Stan Wong, Dick Thomson, Pete Gates, Gordon Linebaugh, Ken Fischer, Mark Bittner, Alan Grabenstein, and Brion Beetz had a successful day fishing the Delta for stripers on guided trips. Busy Brion got out to the Farallon Islands to nab some lings and rock fish. Yum! Tom Kostik upon the delta caught stripers, catfish and small sturgeon. Harry Sherinian and Mike Corker have also been fishing in the Delta with mixed results. Because our activity happens outdoors, we have been able to pursue our passion, observing all the COVID limitations. We have meetings and discussions via computer.



## Walking Tours

Greg Hughes

The Saturday Walking Tours Activity team is planning to schedule activities on the following dates - June 26, August 28, and October 23. We have contacted event managers at the sites planned to visit in 2020, namely, Giants Oracle Park, Amazon Tracy Fulfillment Center, Marine Marine Mammal Center, and the Walnut Creek Downtown Walking Tour. Every activity is still closed to hosting public events.

Their employees and support staff need to be fully vaccinated before they can reopen their doors. Please pencil in the above dates and we will advise everyone when we can reschedule these events.

As is required for all SIR activities, the members and guests must have Proofs of Vaccinations and Waivers on file with our Organization to participate in these events. Greg Hughes & Mike Schneider

# Don't Forget Mothers Day!



# Branch Activities

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## Amiable Amblers

John Riorday

Twelve Amblers participated in a beautiful spring morning walk on the Lakeside Nature Trail around the Lafayette Reservoir on April 9.

The May walks are suspended until I can assess the response to the new COVID-19 requirements imposed by the SIR organization. I will inform Amblers by email as soon as we can walk again.

These walks are for individuals or couples, as

spouses and significant others are encouraged to participate. The significant other/spouse is also invited to participate even when the member is unable to. SIR members, including those from other branches, wishing to join this mellow group or to be added to the email contact list should contact me at [jriordan730@gmail.com](mailto:jriordan730@gmail.com) or 925-284-3394.



## Bridge

John Dickson

It appears we are getting close to having our 2nd and 4th Tuesday Lunch & Bridge games at Diablo Country Club again. I spoke to Diablo Country Club and they felt there is a chance that they would open again in May. A "chance"!

I was advised by the powers in SIR's that until our insurance company gave the "all clear" we could not

start indoor games.

But, our state is opening up, our local communities are opening up, so there is a good chance we will soon be playing. I will keep you informed and you will be the first to hear of our bridge opening. I am not saying "save the date" yet, but hope springs eternal.



## Wine-O-SIR

Lou Meylan

The Wine O Sirs were planning to resume their get together soon on May 27th. We are now in a hold

mode until we get the correct approval.

## \$ums Investment

Tom Henry (Br. 174)

We will again join Branch 128's (San Ramon) Investment Group for their 4th Wed, **May 26, Zoom meeting at 1:30 PM.**

The topic will be announced. Zoom instructions will be sent out later to those on the email list. Contact Dave Sutton to be included.

Chair Tom Henry - Branch 174 [tomhenry925@gmail.com](mailto:tomhenry925@gmail.com) and Co-chair Dave Sutton - Branch 8 - [dave-sutn@comcast.net](mailto:dave-sutn@comcast.net)

# Branch Activities



## Pickelball

Ed Solomon

Join us every Friday from 9 to 10:30am at Heather Farm Tennis Center. We are back playing doubles and have two courts reserved. One for beginners

and Dennis, Gary, Dick, Jerry, Don, and Ed are all available to introduce the beginners to this great game!



## Computers & Tech

Neil Schmidt

The next Zoom SIR Area 16 Computer & Technology (CAT) Group meeting will be **Thursday, May 20th** starting at 9:30 AM.

Our guest speaker on May 20th will be Chuck Joyce from Branch 8. Chuck was an editor in San Francisco television. He started his career as a film editor at KRON (then, a NBC affiliate). He ended his career 43 years later as a digital video editor at KGO (owned by ABC and Disney).

Chuck will introduce you to a creative production tool called "Chroma Key". Your tv weather man stands in front of a blue or green screen. Then, electronically, the technical crew can place ANYTHING behind him. Voila! Now you can set up a green screen in your home and use these images in your own productions.

To attend the Zoom meeting, individuals need to sign-up for the CAT's mailing list by sending an



## Bocce

Paul Russell

We've got some relatively good news regarding Bocce Ball finally. We will be able to begin play on hopefully May 13th going every other week for approximately 12 or 13 weeks (mid October).

The issue with the Clayton courts has been resolved as long as we pay at least a month in advance and we sign a waiver holding Skipolinis and the Ipsen Family Trust harmless for any injuries or COVID related matters.

In addition, we will need to verify that everyone (including spouses / significant others), is fully vaccinated and has signed a waiver holding SIR Branch 116 harmless as well.

We plan on playing on the 13th (My wife and I will miss the 27th) assuming we get the proof of vaccine

and waivers by then. We need two separate waivers, one for the Ipsen Family Courts and the other for SIR Branch 116.

I will have copies with me at the courts (SIR Waiver) but would like the Bocce players to send the Ipsen Family Court Waivers they've received via email to me so that I can turn them in to the court beforehand. I now have a firm count of the number of players and the cost will be \$44.44 / person or \$88.88 / couple.

We'll be playing at the Clayton courts and will have 2 courts reserved for us from 10am to noon.

# Branch Activity Photos



Pickleballers enjoying being able to play again



Book group 1, first live meeting in over a year, on 4/26/21



Mike Corker with Big Black Bass

## SIR Web Addresses

SIR 116 Web Site  
[branch116.org](http://branch116.org)

Branch 116 Golf  
[branch116golf.org](http://branch116golf.org)

Branch 116 Shopping Cart  
[sons-in-retirement-las-trampas-br-116.square.site](http://sons-in-retirement-las-trampas-br-116.square.site)

Area 16 Computer and Technology  
[sirinc2.org/a16cat/](http://sirinc2.org/a16cat/)

SIR Happenings State Newsletter  
[sirinc.org/newsletters/](http://sirinc.org/newsletters/)

## SIR Branch 116 and Social Media

Our Branch now has a presence on several different social media sites:

- Patch
- Nextdoor
- Facebook ([SIR Branch 116 Walnut Creek Ca - Home | Facebook](#))
- Twitter ([@branch116golf](#))

Check them out...

## BRAIN TEASER ANSWERS

1. The Pacific Ocean. Even though it had not been discovered or named by Balboa, it was still the biggest ocean.
2. One cookie, because after eating one you would no longer have an empty stomach.
3. Because it wasn't raining.
4. Holes

How did you do?

# SIR Golf



SIR Golf  
Bernie Wroblewski, Golf Chairman

## SIR Golf is Back!

The state SIR organization has lifted the temporary restriction on outdoor activities, including golf. And our BEC has approved the reopening of our 18-hole and 9-hole golfing events. This reopening however must comply with the state SIR COVID-19 Guidelines, as well as our Branch COVID-19 requirements. All compliance requirements are listed on our Branch golf web page. (Also directly jump to Guidelines at: [Guidelines](#))

This lifting of the temporary restrictions means our Branch golf events, both at Boundary Oak and at the “away” courses for May have resumed. Signups are now available on our Branch golf web page.

**SIR Br. 116 Golf is Now  
on Twitter at: [@branch116golf](#)**

Checkout the latest “Tweets” on the Golf’s Home page: [branch116golf.org](#)

## Latest SIR 116 Golf Info Available on Our Golf Web Site

The Golf Website is: [branch116golf.org](#)

Please bookmark it in your “Favorites” list of websites to access information on the following:

- 2018 Golf Schedule: Dates, times, and courses as well as detailed information on costs, pay-

ment information, deadlines, and special event facts.

18-Hole Pairings: Shows captains, teams, starting times & handicaps for next event.

- 18-Hole Leaders and Results: Shows results from recent events and leaders in each group.

### May 9-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Wed. 05	10:00	Pleasanton GC	Dick Chaffee
Wed. 12	10:00	Diablo Hills	D.McClaughry
Wed. 19	10:00	Buchanan Fields	Dick Chaffee
Wed. 26	10:00	Brentwood	D.McClaughry

### May 18-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Mon. 03	9:45	Boundary Oak	Jim Barstow
Mon. 10	9:32	Boundary Oak	Jim Barstow
Wed. 19	-	Monterey Golf	Jim Barstow
Mon. 24	11:10	Canyon Lakes	Jim Barstow

## 18-Hole Pay In Advance Deadlines

<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Amount</u>
May 24	Canyon Lakes	May 18	\$40
June 22	Rancho Solano	June 11	\$45
June			

Sign-up via Branch 116 Shopping Cart System at: [sons-in-retirement-las-trampas-br-116.square.site](#)



**FIRST CLASS MAIL**

RETURN TO: Neil Schmidt  
2231 San Miguel Dr.  
Walnut Creek, CA 94596-5805

**Sons In Retirement: A non profit Organization for Men Enjoying Active Retirement**

### **Rules of Attendance & Membership for SIR Branch 116**

**RULE 100.** A member shall be notified in writing and/or telephone by his Branch of the pending termination of his membership should he be responsible for any of the following:

- Miss three (3) consecutive regular luncheon meetings without having been excused by contacting the designated Branch Attendance person prior to the meeting date.
- Did not attend one-half of the regular luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period. NOTE: Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum attendance.
- All legitimate alternatives to termination shall be explored. The member's response may suggest an alternative to termination such as inactive status.

**RULE 101.** Certification of attendance by a member at another Branch meeting will be considered as a credit to his attendance record. Individual Branches may limit the number of make-ups during a 12-month period.

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### **Non Responsibility Declaration**

**RULE 345:** All activities arranged for or by, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities.

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### **Checks for Trips**

Trips of 2 days and 1 night or less may be made payable to the Branch conducting the trip. Trips in excess of 1 night must be made payable to the travel agency involved.