



SIERRA HILLS

Branch 79 Newsletter



HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS: PBS Don Dill, PBS Ken Hansen, PBS James Musci, & PBS Kenneth Newman

Big SIR Report - Tom Stone

Summer is surely upon us. Sweltering hot some days. Speaking of hot – how about our branch 79. David called for volunteers and someone has potentially volunteered for the position of Secretary at the last luncheon. He has been a SIR for about 5 years now and told David that “it was his time to step up to the plate and become more active”. He will begin attending the BEC meetings in the future, see how the meetings go and probably volunteer to be our branch Secretary next year.



Jack Meylink did the same when he accepted the position of State Bocce Chairman. Congratulations to Jack. In addition to his position as Little SIR for next year he will have his hands full, but fortunately he will have plenty of help from Don Sherman, Pete Thompson and others. Jack joins Don Dill at the State level where Don has been working to improve the organization since the first of this year.

We also have Craig Saunders doubling up as Area 33 Coordinator as well as our branch Membership Chairman. A special “ATTA BOY” to all these folks for volunteering! Our Branch 79 has loaned \$300 to the newest Area 33 branch - Grass Valley (Branch #55). This \$300 is just a loan for their bank so they can get their branch off the ground and our loan will be paid back when their branch is established.

Let’s all work to keep our branch healthy and please keep in mind David Blitsteins’ request for more volunteers. We still need assistants in several positions so talk to David at the next luncheon.

Little SIR Report - David Blitstien

I want to thank Duane Strawser for his presentation last month and giving us some insight to the areas professional bike racing community and the coordinating efforts that need to happen. He certainly has his hands full with being on the Nevada City Council, owner of the Tour of Nevada City Bike Shop and coordinating the Father’s Day bike race “The Nevada City Classic”, it’s been an annual event for 55 years!



This months guest speaker will be Rem Scherzinger, he is Nevada Irrigation District General Manager. This is one speaker that will be very interesting because of how the water effects our area and the new proposed Parker Dam and more.

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**LUNCHEON ABSENCE
CALL DEADLINE
JULY 13th
CALL BILL HEALE
(530) 477-1647**

**NEXT LUNCHEON:
Thursday, July 16, 2015
Fellowship - 11:00 a.m.
Call To Order - 12:00 p.m.
Menu: *Chef’s Choice***

PROGRAM:

Our next guest is Rem Scherzinger General Manager of the Nevada Irrigation District. Rem joined NID in 2013 as their general manager. He oversees a staff of 170 involved in water supply, hydroelectric power production and public recreation, with a combined annual budget of \$53 million.. He holds a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) from Sonoma State University and Bachelors of Science degree in civil engineering from Cal-Poly Pomona. He is a licensed civil engineer who also holds state certifications in water treatment and water distribution. Rem is a veteran of the U.S. Navy. With the water situation in our area and the Parker Dam in the future, he will prove to be a very interesting guest.



Rem Scherzinger-NID GM



happy birthday!

JULY

Gary Beckes
 Tim Crowley
 David DeRosa
 Jim Harris
 Ken Houle
 Ivan Ichtters
 Jim Mallery
 Ron Markham
 Karl Simon

BRANCH 79 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Tom Stone (530) 637-4393
 Little Sir: David Blitstien (530) 274-2100
 Secretary: Kent MacDonald (530) 745-0324
 Treasurer: Terry Doan (530) 878-2742

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Attendance: Bill Heale (530) 477-1647
 Clothing: Jay Stanley (916) 899-9876
 Database Manager: Bob Huntington (530) 886-8426
 Greeter: Tom Parks (530) 823-0605
 Membership: Craig Saunders (530) 268-9668
 Newsletter: Jay Hansell (530) 368-2850
 Opportunity Drawings: Harvey Easley (530) 823-5988
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SIR INFORMATION

Executive Committee Meeting
 First Thursday of each month
 7:45 a.m. at Denny's, Auburn Ravine
 Road (I-80/Foresthill Exit)
Branch 79 Bulletin
 sir79bulletin@gmail.com
Branch 79 Web site
 www.branch79sirsinc.org
To read the latest edition of
SIR Happenings visit
 sirinc.org/sirhappenings

Golf Report - Phil Bolander, Chairman

Hello to all you worm burners. Well, we have gotten thru the big team qualifying at Whitney Oaks on June 5th. Congratulations to the team of Lou Alvarez, Mac Jenness, Jim McCrary and Bob Bells. They will be playing at Poppy Ridge in Livermore in August for the state team championship. Maybe with any luck the 2nd place team of Terry Doan, Joe Argo, Bill Heale and Tom Parks will be invited also. It depends on how many teams will show up. Our next big tournament is the state individual qualifying at Turkey Creek on July 13th. This report won't be out until the 13th so I won't go into details. On August 7th the 9 & Dine event will take place at Black Oak. It is a scramble format with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. \$25.00 includes lunch and quests are invited. And now for a very accurate quote. You can hit a 2 acre fairway 10% of the time and a 2 inch branch 90% of the time. Don't you just love this game?

Bowling - Tom McEntee, Bowling Chairman

SIR's BI-Monthly Round-Robin Results: Branch 79 fielded five bowlers for the June Round-Robin event at Nu Generation Bowl in Yuba City California on June 22, 2015. The results of the 21st Annual Paradise Ridge SIR's Tournament will be published in the next bulletin..



SIR's Yuba City Nu Generation Bowl Results

	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
Roy Guy	181	155	190	526
Ken Launius	160	212	149	521
Dave Aulbach	179	159	179	517
Harvey Easley	204	156	156	516
Tom McEntee	177	156	171	504

Our bowling group currently bowls at Rocklin Bowl on Fridays at 12:30 PM. This is a non-USBC sanctioned event and is open to all seniors. There are several ways to earn a few bucks without going into hock to play. It is a great way to spend the afternoon and meet some new people.

79er Wine Trail - Bob Lemmon, Wine Steward

June saw our Wine Group dining & dancing under the stars at Pilot Peak Winery to the tunes of "Dream & Dreamer". There were 18 of us SIRs in attendance being served Chicken or Polenta dinners while enjoying our favorite wine &/or champagne. This a tough life but someone has to do it.

August will bring another treat, for our wine group will be relaxing in the vineyard of Smith Winery in Grass Valley. The date is Wednesday August 19 from 1 to 3 pm. This is unique for our SIRs Wine Group, for we will have the whole winery to ourselves. We will have tables on a lovely lawn shaded by mature trees. Not only will we taste various wines but journey into the winery itself & do barrel tasting. This is a special arrangement just for us SIRs. To cover Smith's extra preparations they will charge a \$5.00 fee for each participant. This fee will not be recovered with purchase of wine. Smith's is located at 13577 Dog Bar Road Grass Valley 95845. Sign up at our July 16 lunch or contact Christina at the Smith's 530 273 7032



ACTIVITIES

Bicycling: Ken Hansen (916) 663-4716

Bocce Ball: Pete Thompson (530) 823-7383 , Don Sherman (916) 663-2958, Jack Meylink (530) 878-1219, George Frueler 530.885.4452 & Len Jeffrey 530.367.2059

Bowling: Tom McEntee (530) 889-0605 - Fridays 12:00 pm at the Rocklin Bowl

Dining Out: David Blitstien (530) 274-2100

Fishing: Dave DeRosa (916) 652-9562 or Tom Beale (530) 878-0301

Golf: Phil Bolander (530) 745-9874

79er Wine Trail: Bob Lemmon (530) 477-8507

Travel: Phil Bolander (530) 745 9874

Classic Cars: Gary Beckes (916) 789-0347



Dining Out - David Blitstien

This month's Dining Out will be at El Agave Taqueria 1285 G. V. Highway (49), Auburn at 5pm. Thanks to Phil and Jeanette Bolander for coordinating this outing.

Classic Cars - Gary Beckes

Beginning this September I would like to get club members together who are classic car enthusiasts who would like to get together once a month for breakfast/lunch or dinner in the Auburn area to talk car talk or just visit and show our cars. You do not have to have a classic car, just enjoy talking and looking at them. The activity would be in September. If you are interested call me at 916-789-0347 or email at blanch.gary@comcast.net.



Bocce Ball - Pete Thompson, Don Sherman, & Jack Meylink, co chairs

Our thanks go out to Mr. Jack Meylink for stepping up and accepting the State Bocce Chairman position for this year's SIR State Bocce Tournament that will be held in October 2015.

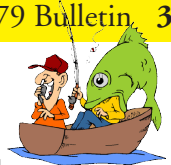
SIR Branches throughout the state have been playing bocce matches with other branches that will earn them Qualifying points. These points will be used to determine the size and location of the State Bocce Tournament.

We will continue to play practice games for ALL player levels at the Flower Farm on Wednesdays at 9:AM and at the Elks Lodge on Fridays at 9:AM. Contact George Frueler at 530.885.4452 for information regarding free lessons for ALL beginners.

Doug Van Howd Studio Tour by Stan Bishop

I enjoyed Doug Van Howd as a guest speaker at our SIR meeting and think his art and sculpture is amazing. I look forward to learning more about this amazing artist and his work and hope you all can please join us for a tour of the Van Howd studio on New Airport Road on July 22 at 1:00. The tour should last about an hour and will include a short history of Doug's work and also a tour of the workshop. Please contact me at (530) 823-8016 if you would like to join on the tour because space is limited to about 16 people at one time. I look forward to seeing you there.

Fishing Group



David DeRosa & Tom Beale
Co Lead Hooks

Hello Fisher Folks. Our last meeting was at Halsey Forebay, where we had a great fish fry. Thanks to all who brought sides dishes and contributed fish to the event.



We had a wonderful time and the weather was perfect. Local folks have been fishing, but with little success. All the boats at the marinas on Folsom had to be removed last Sunday, June 21st. The lake's day use areas are still open, but it is a long way to the water. Rollins Lake is full, as is Englebright, but there is a lot of pleasure craft on the waters as everyone is out of school and on vacation.

Fishing Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 8:00 a.m. at Denny's on Auburn Ravine Road just off I-80.

Membership - Craig Saunders

Jerry Angeline and his wife Lovelle live in Foresthill. He retired in 1998 from Lucky Stores after spending 387 years in retail sales. Jerry enjoys fishing, camping, and recreational vehicles. Tom Beale is his sponsor.



Jim Broderick and his wife Barbara live in Auburn. He retired from boat building and brokering same around 1991. He enjoys fishing and lots of travel. Catch Jim before Fall because he and Barbara pack up and head to Palm Springs. They are "Snowbirds" and migrate to the desert for winter warmth. Would you believe it if I told you his sponsor is Tom Beale, something fishy is going on here.



Steve Jolly lives in Foresthill. He retired in 2002 from the Sacramento County Sheriff Department where he was a Deputy Sheriff. Steve is transferring back to our branch from branch 138. He wants to attend fishing meetings and plays golf and is a member of NCGA.



Attendance Report - Bill Heale, Attendance Chairman

Well what can I say, the whole darn sheebang went off just great, and **WITH-OUT ME!** can you imagine that. **BUT** thanks to my great assistant, who if I remember right has quite a lot of experience in this field! **THANK YOU DON MORRISON**, now I'll have to shape up agin! OK, back to the reason for taking up this space. ++ Roster head count, = = **189**, = = inactive, **4**, = = Emeritus, **2**, = = Excused absence **36**, = = speaker **1**, = = Guests **2**, = = Unexcused absence **31**, = Ken Barns, Bert Baumback, Gary Beckes, Bob Berzanski, David Bright, Jim Brown, Ron Cardiff, Ken Chamberlain, Rich Gergerson, Jerry Hamilton, Jim Harris, Walt Haverland, Ron Herr, Butch Holtz worth, Ken Koch, Lee Livingston, Rich Murray, Bob Neimeyer, Gary Oliver, Stan Pettit, Jim Robertson, Sparky Robinson, Wil Rogers, Larry Seeman, Frank Slaton, Edwin Smith, Mike Stotts, Larry Swaford, Ernie Tenderich, Wil Thomas, and Paul Thombaugh. = = = **Hey guys, I'm only a phone call, e-mail, smoke signal, what-ever AWAY**, Don't need a excuse or reason, just call, leave your badge number and **NAME**.

Treasurer's Report - Terry Doan, Treasurer

June began with a balance of \$3,681.25 and ended with \$ 3579.17 **The money you put in the tube on your table at the luncheon helps cover our branches expenses. A minimum contribution of \$3.00 per person is suggested.**