
DIRECTORY

OFFICERS

Big SIR - Phil VanSwoll - 532-1133
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Secretary – Jim Johnson-536-1595
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First Year
Dale Decker - 533-0455
Bert Maxwell - 588-1177
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Second Year
Keith Kofoed - 532-3707
Jerry Erath - 533-3791
Herman Eaton - 532-6036

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & CO-CHAIRMEN

Attendance/Membership – Dale Decker - 533-0455
Bulletin - Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630
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Area 27 Golf - Jeff Phillips - 588-2977, Jack Spracklin - 532- 4081
Honorary Life Membership - Al Limon - 533-4944
House – Jerry Erath – 533-3791
Internet - Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630
Luncheon – Rick Bacon -765-8210
Lunch Tickets - Neil Williams - 586-5370
Bowling-Bert Abreo – 736-4804
R.V. Travel Group - Bill Lobdell - 586-7145
Travel - Wil Reich - 533-2626
SIR Item Sales – Cecil Steen – 533-4760
Pinochle-Bob Morrison-588-0994

DECLARATIONS

NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION - 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. (Rule 345)

Checks, money orders or credit cards for Travel for one day or less (no overnight), where a bus/busses is/are used as the primary means of transportation, may be made payable to the Branch sponsoring the event. All other checks, money orders or credit cards for travel must be made payable to the travel agency. (Rule 429 & 421)

REQUIRED ATTENDANCE - Members are to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale (Rule 60).

Members must attend at least one-half of the regular luncheon meetings (Ladies Day or Picnics and Holiday Luncheon are excluded) within the previous twelve consecutive month period and must not miss three consecutive regular luncheon meetings without having been excused by contacting the designated Branch Attendance person prior to the meeting date (Rule 100). **Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum annual attendance requirement.**

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PAST BIG SIRS OF BRANCH #136 SONORA

1996 - Dusty Rhodes

1997 - Dave Holton

1999 - Al Limon

2000 - Bob Gibbs

2002 - Jim Nuzum

2003 - Dick Nutting

2004 - Billl Dunlavy

2007- Wil Reich

2008- Roger Milligan

2009 - Don Nilan

2010 - Don Banchemo

2011 - Al Smith

2012 - Baci Frecceri

BRANCH #136 HONORARY LIFE AND CHARTER MEMBERS

Baci Frecceri - Travel Chairman, Past Big Sir 1986-2012

Al Limon - Past Big SIR 1992-2012

Dusty Rhodes - Past Big SIR 1996-2012



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**SONORA
BRANCH #136**

BULLETIN

BULLETIN Sonora SIR Branch #136 will meet at the Sonora Elks Lodge on Tuesday, November 12th. The Executive Board will meet at 10am in the regular meeting room.

BIG SIR NOTES

Phil VanSwoll - 532-1133

Your new Board of Directors will be installed at the November meeting, since the December meeting is the annual Ladies Christmas Party. The incoming officers are already working hard on your behalf, attending training sessions, and planning for the 2014 year. If you haven't gotten to know them yet, please take the time to do so. This is a really great group of guys, who are dedicated to keeping Branch 136 the best in the area, and I know they will do a great job next year. Bring a guest to the next meeting – remember, there's a free lunch in it for you if your guest becomes a member!

LITTLE SIR NOTES

John Bristow - 588-8066

Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon will be on December 10th and the Luncheon will cost \$22.00 per person. Although this is an increase on last year it is unavoidable. For those of you who want to know why the increase, it is because at the end of last year we had money left over in our checking account and the Branch was able to subsidize. But this year we are not so fortunate and therefore have to pass on the full cost to the Membership. Tickets will be on sale at the November 12th Meeting. If you plan on attending please bring your check, Choice of Prime Rib or Salmon and mark your check with your Badge Number.

LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

Rick Bacon - 765-8210

Our November luncheon menu is Cornish Game Hen, Rice Pilaf, Green Salad, Bleu Cheese and Italian Dressing, Bread & Butter, Tapioca Pudding, Coffee and Water

MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE LINE

If you are not going to be able to attend the regular monthly meeting or if you plan on bringing a guest, please call the Membership Message Line at 536- 6311 and leave a message with the information. Be sure to include your badge number and why you cannot attend. Please talk slowly and clearly.



INTERNET, BULLETIN, ROSTER

Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630

sirjerry@sonnet.com



Please feel free to contact me about any changes that are needed in the bulletin or roster.

GOLF CHAIRMAN

Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee

Jeff Phillips 588-2977

Please Note: NCGA dues are now being collected for 2014
Checks can be made out to SIRS 136 Golf for \$38 (after DEC 10th, add \$10).

The Golf Committee needs your help to run smooth and enjoyable golf tournaments. Here is what we need you to do:

- ARRIVE at the tournament at least 20 minutes prior to tee time.
- Notify me of playing partner preferences when you sign up - EACH month.
- Register at least ONE WEEK prior to the tournament.
- CALL and CANCEL if you can't make it. PLEASE!! Our tournaments will suffer if you don't notify us.
- SIGN UP EARLY if you want to be included in the special types of tournament formats. There is no guarantee that you'll be included if you sign up late.

Thanks for your cooperation. With your help and suggestions for improvement, we'll have another great year of enjoyable golf tournaments.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

Fee: \$33 includes ½ cart & prizes; Bag lunch \$6

PAY FEE WHEN YOU SIGN-UP - CHECKS PREFERABLE

If signing up by telephone, please send check to Jeff Phillips payable to SIR's #136 Golf, prior to tournament day. (See Roster page 8 for address).

Check-in table at Mountain Springs will close 15 minutes prior to tee time.

2013 Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs

Day/Date	Shotgun Start time
Tuesday, November 26 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, December 31 st	9:30 A.M.

2014 Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs

Day/Date	Proposed Shotgun Start time
Tuesday, January 28 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, February 25 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, March 25 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, April 29 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, May 27 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, June 24 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, July 29 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, August 26 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, September 30 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, October 28 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, November 25 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, December 30 st	9:30 A.M.

Results of September 24th Golf Tournament at Mountain Springs

A Flight: 1st Place (Tom Nischwitz at net 62*)

A Flight: 2nd Place (Rudy Flores at net 62*)

A Flight: 3rd Place (John Parrault at net 62)

B Flight: 1st Place (Jeff Phillips at net 66)

B Flight: 2nd Place (Trini Mercado at net 72*)

B Flight: 3rd Place (Jim Hagel at net 72)

*won tie scorecard tie breaker

Closest to the hole #7 (Tom Nischwitz 1st, Sam Castle 2nd, Jim Hagel 3rd)

Closest to the hole #12 (Jim Simmons 1st, Dan Cassaro 2nd, Mike Clay 3rd)

MOTHER LODE TRAVEL SCHEDULE

**Sonora - Twain Harte - Sierra SIR
Wil Reich - 533-2626**

Snow Train to Reno February 18-19-20, 2014. This includes bus from Sonora to Sacramento Amtrak Station, Train to Reno, pick up in Reno to Eldorado Hotel for 2 nights stay (baggage will be handled in Reno), transportation from hotel to station on 20th, Train to Sacramento, and bus back to Sonora. All tips included. Cost is estimated at \$350 per person. Cannot get final cost from Amtrak until September 15th. The Link Line bus has room for 22 persons. If we exceed 22, and have 32 or more the 16-passenger bus will be added.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Dale Decker - 533-0455

Applications for membership in Sonora SIR Branch #136 are to be obtained from the Membership Director at the monthly meetings, by telephoning him at 533-0455 and an application form will be mailed, or by downloading the form from our branch website. After the application is completely filled out, it is to be returned to Dale Decker with a check for \$30 for processing. Dale's address is 10338 Slate Rim Rd, Sonora, CA 95370.

PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

Bob Morrison – 588-0994 – robert.mrrsn@yahoo.com

Come join us in playing pinochle. It's a fun way to spend the afternoon. If you haven't played before or for a long while, we will tutor you. You need not attend every meeting. You play free for your first two meetings. Thereafter, you pay only \$3 each meeting. Moreover, you win \$10 if you score in the top 50% at a free meeting. Any player who scores 1st or 2nd highest at a meeting wins a prize. We meet four times each month, on the 1st and 4th Mondays at the Moose Lodge and the 2nd and 3rd Mondays at the Elks Lodge, from noon to 3:30 P.M. For more information, go to web site www.sirtwain.org and click on the pinochle icon.

RV Club News

Bill Lobdell - 586-7145 Jim Botto- 586-0822

On Monday October 21, 2013 the RV club had 12 units staying at the Far Horizons 49er RV Park in Plymouth, Calif. We held a committee meeting and nominated new officers: Ron Long asst. RV chairman, Linda Botto historian, Mo Molinari to continue as treasurer.

At the general meeting Jim Botto offered the nominees for election and the vote was a unanimous yes. The next two events will be an outing at the Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park on November 18th and a Christmas party at the Sonora Hills Recreation Center. We also planned the 2014 calendar outings. **2014 outing calendar:**

March 2014: Jackson Rancheria RV Park **April 2014:**

Gold Strike RV Park **May 2014:** Betabel RV Park

June 2014: Santa Cruise RV Park **July 2014:** Picnic at

Pine Crest Lake **August 2014:** No Activity

September 2014: Laguna Seca RV Park

October 2014: Far Horizons RV Park Plymouth

November 2014: Open and to be determined

December 2014: Christmas Party TBD

The host for each outing will be announced at our annual breakfast meeting in February 2014.

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

Len Jacques bowled a Dutch 200 game (alternating strikes and spares). Herman Schmitz left a Sour Apple (5-7-10) split. Andy Vasallo bowled 76 pins over average to have a 221 High game to date is Talf Wynne with a 235 High Series - Jim Simmons with 663

Week of Sept 23 - High Game - Jim Simmons 234

High Series - Jim Simmons 663 **Week of 9-30 - High**

Game - Jim Simmons 243 High Series - Jim Simmons

542 **Week of Oct 7 - High Game - Gerry Davis 224**

High Series - Billy Oliver 604 **Week of Oct 14 - High**

Game - Jim Simmons 219 High Series - Jim Simmons

559 **Standings as of 10-14 - Andy's Dandys 17-7**

Drex Wrex & Hines Pickles 14-10 The Wild Ones 13-11

The next upcoming SIRS tournaments are:

Modesto on Nov 6 and 8 - Concord on Nov 12-15

The Bancheros and Abreos placed in the money at the South Lake Tahoe Tournament.

Sir Bert Abreo

PLEASE NOTE!

During 2013, our Luncheon Meetings will be held every second Tuesday of the month. Please mark these dates on your calendar. If there are any changes, you will be notified at a Luncheon Meeting or from the bulletin. The dates are November 12th, December 10th. If any member changes his mailing address, phone number, P.O. Box number, or returns from inactive status, PLEASE notify an Officer, Director, Committee Chairman, or the Bulletin Editor.