

Ignacio Pacheco Branch News

Social Activities for Men
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Lunch on October 7, 2025

Lunch Menu

**Pot Roast with Potatoes and
Vegetables,
Alternative: Cheese Burger and Fries**

Lunch Cost for 2025, has been reduced to \$35.00

RSVP for Lunch: To Wally Holmes no later than
Sunday, September 28 WallyHolmes@comcast.net or phone
(415) 892-1260.

Sunshine and Shadows

Birthdays for September 2025

David Norris

Mat Petri

Jim Sasse

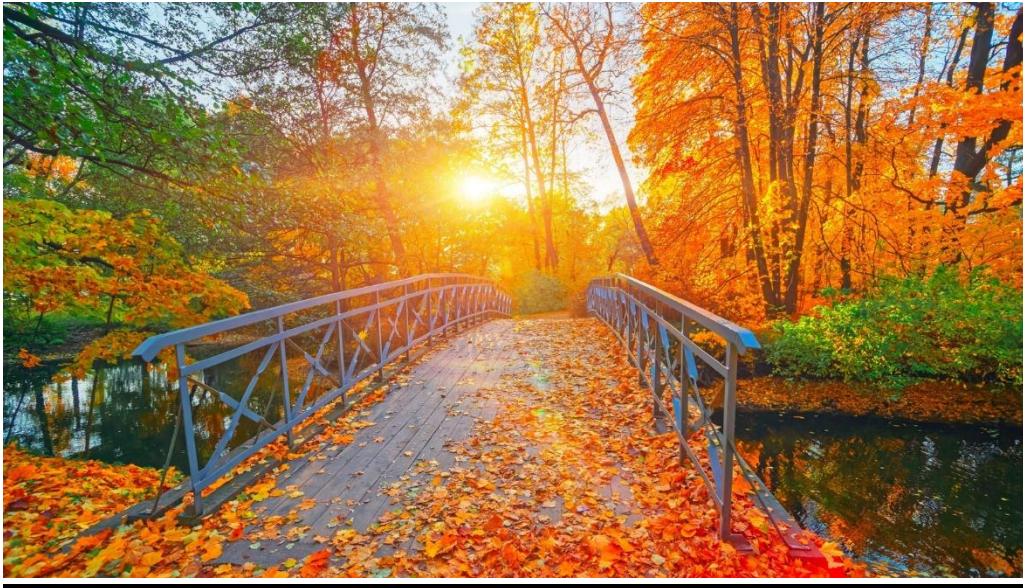
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Dan and JJ Bastien

Branch 22 Messages

October

Prettiest Time of the Year





**We'll head them off
at the pass Tonto!**

President's Report:

No Report

Jeff Rawles



**What you mean "we"
Kemosabe?**

Vice President's Report:

Our speaker for October will be Dr. Andrew Gunther, PHD, UC Berkely. Dr Gunther founded the Center for Ecosystem Management and Restoration in 2000, which became a regional leader

in bringing salmon and steelhead back to California's waterways. Soon after, he created the first State of the Bay Report, an instrument still used today to help assess the health of the Bay.

Dr Gunther will discuss the surprising history of climate science, critical events leading to the current climate emergency, as well as illustrate some of our most promising solutions — many of which are already underway. He'll also take a closer look at why a clean-energy transition is crucial to handing the next generation a more livable future.

Ted Harris



BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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SIRS IGNACIO PACHECO BRANCH 22

The Club at McInnis Park Golf Center, San Rafael, Ca.

Tuesday, Sept 2, 2025

Call to Order at 10:30 by President Jeff Rawles 10:32

ROLL CALL: Present: Officers:, President: Jeff Rawles, Vice President: Ted Harris, Treasurer: David Yam, Directors: Jim Sasse, Floyd Heckman, Steve Miller, Mike Dean. Absent: Director Bill Wilhelm, Secretary Bud Pflueger, director Jim Stein

QUORUM: Officers and directors in attendance constitute a quorum for the BEC

MINUTES: The August, 2025 BEC minutes were approved MSP

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$ 4575.01. MSP subject to audit.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mentioned great picnic party at Mike Dean's house. Well- attended, and enjoyed by all.

He attended the State Sir meeting. The theme of the meeting was enhancing communication. A flash drive as given to each attendee containing information discussed in the meeting. Jeff can loan it to any member interested. Brian Quinn and Lee Sterne having recruiting problems using Branch 22 website. Steve Miller thought the membership should know that the lunch price could go as high as \$50.00, if membership does not support a merger. Both Jeff and Ted agreed to raise the issue at lunch.

Dick Spottswood was today's speaker. Andrew Gunther will speak about global warming global warming at the October meeting.

MEMBERSHIP: No presentation since Bill Wilhelm absent.

ACTIVITIES: Response should be addressed to all, not just to the sender. For instance, respond to Wally's poker query to all the potential poker players.

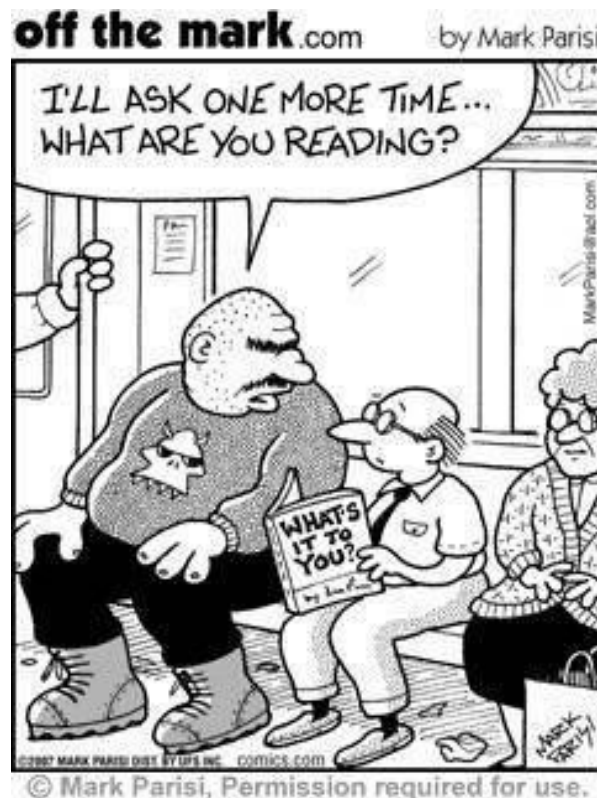
EVENTS: No date set for Larson Winery visit.

Wilhelm has sent out a newsletter to all members about dinner out on Oct. 9. To be again at Trattoria Via Piccola in Tiburon. \$75.00 per attendee. Respond to him by ? We guess the Monday before the Thursday dinner.

SUNSHINE and SHADOWS: Nothing to report in absence of Pflueger

Adjournment: 11:06

Minutes notes taken by David Yam. and minutes then edited here by Secretary Bud Pflueger and emailed to all Board members and Dave Thornton on Sept. 8.



TURNING PAGES

By

Bud Pflueger

Westport” by James Comey; 2025 Mystery/Thriller genre Nora Carelton has left her job two years before where she headed the U.S. Attorney’s office for the southern district of New York. She lives in a very large house with her mother and sometimes with her 10 year old daughter, Sophie. Her ex, with whom she shares Sophie lives nearby. She had accepted a job in Westport, Conn. in a private, very successful hedge fund corporation as general counsel. The general manager , who is her boss, was found murdered with her throat cut in Nora’s canoe, and that and other clues lead investigators to make her the prime suspect. She is being set up by a person unknown. Benny and an attorney associate from New York who were private investigators there, are called in to help, and Benny moves into her large house for her protection and to lead the investigative team, since the local police are not seeking another suspect.

This is a well- written, suspenseful thriller informed by Comey’s extensive legal knowledge. It can stand alone, although the characters all were in his previous novel. I recommend it to those who like the genre.

“The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society”, by Mary Ann Shaffer; 2008, Historical fiction genre

This is a story written entirely in letters amongst various people who are, or become known to the writer/author, Juliet, such as her old friend Sophie and her publisher, Sidney. The time frame of the story is 1946, only a year after Germany’s surrender. Juliet discovers a ruse the townsfolk of St. Peter Port thought up when confronted by Nazi soldiers after curfew, returning from an illegal roast pig feast. They claimed that they were a book club (of the eponymous name) that met occasionally to discuss books. The absurd name convinces the Nazi soldiers, and they proceed .Upon learning about this, Juliet begins communication with book club members, finally moving there to write a book, and is captivated by the place and people. This is an historical account of the Nazi occupation: tragic, funny, poignant, mostly a love story . This novel received much well- eserved acclaim, such as one of the ten best books of the year from N.Y. Times. I cannot recommend it more highly.

Bud Pflueger



Marin Restaurant Advice and Review

Mike Dean

KING OF THE ROLL

LARKSPUR, CA

I can't believe I haven't reviewed one of our most frequented restaurants. Although only a short walk from my house, we usually drive there, our bad!

King of the Roll is a sushi/teriyaki/Chinese/'whatever' food restaurant with a quaint and small indoor space and an outdoor patio with cheap plastic mix and match furniture. It's located in the former Lucky Supermarket on Magnola. The atmosphere is charming if you enjoy funky atmospheres with a unique personality. There is plenty of SIR's parking, so it's easy to get to.

The sushi is VERY good and fresh and there are TONS of sushi rolls to choose from, if that's the way YOU roll! For instance, the Queen Roll (one of our favorites) is particularly delicious with its combination of cooked salmon, grilled scallops, and crab. Debbie and I love the Vanna roll – named after the wife of owner John Wayne. The rolls are enough to fill you up – but there's are a lot of extra dishes to add: potstickers, shrimp dumplings Japanese chicken nuggets, etc.

If sushi isn't your thing, there is a full Japanese menu with all the usuals, like udon, and donburi, or teriyaki dishes like veggie-chicken-shrimp and much more. Wine, Saki and beer are also available and EVERYTHING is affordable – you can get out of there for under a hundred bucks for two with drinks.

I mentioned the owner, John Wayne, who is a real character and Vanna is a sweetheart. John insists that everything is extra fresh and he even delivers whole fresh fish dishes and other delicacies that aren't even on the menu – just ask him what he suggests.

Try it, you'll like it. It's right on the old Larkspur railroad tracks at the station.

Editor's Note:

You Are Cordially Invited



Please set your calendar for the Branch 22 Dinner-Out on October 9 at Via Piccola located in the Cove Shopping Center, Tiburon. Cocktails will begin at 5:30, with dinner to follow at 6:00. Dinner will consist of a choice of three entrees as well as Red and White wines.

We are limited to 43 people, at a price of \$75 per person.

Please send your checks to Bill Wilhelm

17 Laurel Glen Terrace, San Rafael CA 94903

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SIRS POKER

Submitted by Wally Holmes



The next Sirs Poker Game is scheduled for Monday October 6, 2025

We had a good turnout to play poker on September 8th. Bud Pflueger who just returned from his annual fishing trip in Alaska, Jim Stien, and I arrived early for poker, and we were treated to a nice breakfast by Jim Stein. Usually, Steve Miller is early, and has breakfast with us. Steve has been having back problems and, being concerned that he didn't show up, we gave him a call. Fortunately, Steve was okay, he forgot that we were playing poker and arrived before the game started. We miss Mike Dean and Ed Marshall and hopefully they can make it in October. The winners for the month were Steve Miller, Dan Bastien and Ted Harris. As always, I lost money again this month along with Jim Stien who usually is a winner. At the end of the poker game Ted Harris treated Steve Miller and myself to lunch. I guess Ted was a winner at the end of the day. We also want to invite everyone who is interested in playing poker to please come and join us. We have a great breakfast at 9 AM and we begin playing poker at 10 AM and play until 2 PM.

Usually, our Sirs Group play poker on the first Monday after our regular Sirs' luncheon. As members of Sirs, we have a great time. Please take the time to join us. If you think we can improve our games and get larger turnouts, give us your thoughts and comments. We would like to improve in the number of players and enjoy a fun outing with good friends and food. Also, please invite a friend to play as a guest with the potential of joining Branch 22 as a member of Sirs. There is a \$50 buy to play poker. The red chips are 50 cents; black chips dollar and the yellow chips are five dollars. There is a 3-raise maximum and it is dealer's choice on

the game they would like to play. The deck has one joker, and it goes with aces, straights, and flushes. However, if you name a wild card game such as Down and Dirty or other Wild Card Game, the joker automatically becomes wild unless you state at the beginning the joker is not wild. Hope to see everyone on October 6th.

Wally Holmes

SIR Branch 22 Golf
Bill Wilhelm



Editor's Note:

Wish I had this guy with me on the 11th and 12th holes at Rancho Solano!

Windsor

6/18/25

White/Red Tees

First Flight

| RANK | LAST | FIRST | HDCP | GROSS | NET | POINTS | PURSE |
|------|------------|-------|------|-------|-----|--------|---------|
| 1 | Morrison | Tom | 28 | 90 | 62* | 10 | \$15.00 |
| 2 | Lambertson | Peter | 15 | 84 | 69 | 9 | \$10.00 |
| 3 | Lynch | Jim | 19 | 90 | 71 | 7 | 5.00 |
| 4 | Petri | Matt | 16 | 94 | 74 | 5 | |
| 5 | Fox | Tom | 14 | 107 | 76* | 3 | |
| 6 | Dean | Mike | 24 | 100 | 76* | | |
| 7 | Collings | Ron | 9 | 88 | 79 | | |
| 8 | Wilhelm | Bill | 27 | 109 | 82 | | |

Second Flight

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|---|-----------|-------|----|-----|-----|----|---------|
| 1 | Rawles | Jeff | 29 | 92 | 63 | 10 | \$15.00 |
| 2 | Gallagher | Gene | 29 | 97 | 68* | 9 | \$10.00 |
| 3 | Holmes | Wally | 29 | 101 | 72* | 7 | \$5.00 |
| 4 | Atkin | Tom | 30 | 102 | 72 | 5 | |
| 5 | Hickey | Jack | 30 | 104 | 74 | 3 | |
| 6 | Mc Guire | Tom | 32 | 114 | 82 | | |
| 7 | Yam | David | 29 | 113 | 84 | | |

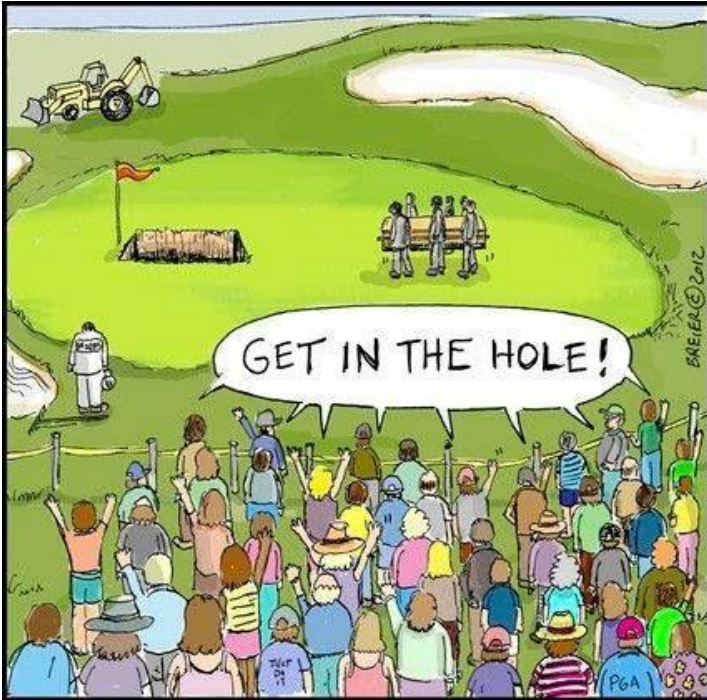
Closest to the Hole #4 Ron Collings 15'7" \$5.00

#17 Mike Dean 9'0" \$5.00

Please sign up early and pay 10 days prior to each Tournament.

Tournaments Schedule for September and October weather permitting

| No | Date | Day | Format | Time | Course |
|----|--------|-----------|-----------------|-------|---------------|
| 18 | 8-Oct | Wednesday | Low Net | 9:00 | Rancho Solano |
| 19 | 29-Oct | Wednesday | Low Net | 9:00 | Foxtail North |
| 20 | 12-Nov | Wednesday | Low Net | 9:00 | Indian Valley |
| 21 | 10-Dec | Wednesday | Awards Lunch | 11:30 | |



Bill Wilhelm



"This shouldn't take too long!"



Editor's Notes

Jeff Rawles is obtaining the newsletters as well as activities and travel information of our neighboring SIRS. If you would like to receive any of these, let me know and I'll email them to you.

Dave