

## MID-PENINSULA BRANCH #51

NO. 443  
A non-Profit Organization  
For Retired Men



APRIL 2013  
Devoted to the  
promotion of independence and  
Dignity of retirement

LUNCHEON-12 NOON - FIRST WEDNESDAY - FREMONT HILLS CC, 12889 VISCAINO PL. LOS ALTOS HILL

**Speaker**  
**APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**America's Cup Technology**

STANLEY K. HONEY co-founded Sportsvision in 1998 and led the development of the yellow first down line in football, the ESPN "K-Zone" baseball pitch tracking, and the Race/FX tracking & highlighting system used in NASCAR. He is also one of the most successful professional navigators in sailing and set the Jules Verne record for the fastest circumnavigation of the world under sail in 2010. Stan received the 2010 US Sailing Yachtsman of the year award and was named to the National Sailing Hall of Fame in 2012. Prior to Sportsvision, Honey co-founded Etak Inc, which pioneered vehicle navigation systems and is now part of Tom Tom. He holds 29 patents 8 of which are in navigation technology and 21 in tracking and television special effects.

Honey has led the team which developed a system to track the America's Cup catamarans to within 2cm, 5 times per second, and superimpose graphics elements such as ahead-behind lines and laylines on the live helicopter footage of the race. The new graphics package is designed to help viewers follow the intense action of the AC45s and AC72s as they scream around the race course, all in live action. Opportunities to utilize the detailed data from the races are also being reviewed for internet viewers, mobile viewers, and real-time game applications.

"In my talk I will give a brief outline of the America's Cup and then describe the technology behind the tracking and telemetry system that my group developed for the America's Cup and how that data is used to create the LiveLine Augmented Reality graphics and also to umpire and manage the race. I will also describe and show some technical analysis tools that we hope to introduce in the Louis Vuitton Challenger Selection Series and the America's Cup this summer but have not yet been used on the air."

### FUTURE SPEAKERS

MAY 1: Roger Dong on the Chinese government

JUNE 5: Summer Party

JULY 3: Jacob England - Canadian Oil Sands

AUG 7: to be determined

SEP 4: Xaio Wang on Chinese culture

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY  
SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS  
PLEASE CONTACT  
LITTLE SIR: Channell Wasson  
321-0808**

OUR SUMMER BARBECUE HAS BEEN  
CHANGED TO AN INDOOR CASUAL DRESS  
LUNCH and SUMMER ART FLING.

Members and guests may bring and display anything of an artistic nature that you wish, photos – works of art – wood carving – sculpture – anything you and/or your guest may wish to display. Contact BOB GUFFEY (593-3496) Preferably by April 1 to arrange "display space"

### **NEW MEMBERS**

KOHLER, DAVID (Dave) 650-424-1245  
3284 Murray Way, Palo Alto [dkohler@stsu.edu](mailto:dkohler@stsu.edu)  
Professor at San Francisco State  
Golf, bicycling, travel, bridge, computers

SAKATA, MATTHEW (Gloria) 650-851-2340  
170 Meadowood Dr. Portola Valley 94028  
[ryubo@aol.com](mailto:ryubo@aol.com) travel-fly fishing  
Peninsula Pathologist Medical Group

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

It is that time again. The contribution amount is the same as last year, which allowed us to “break even” for our 2012 operating budget. The contribution amount is therefore again \$20 for active members and \$10 for inactive members. It can be paid by check or cash (checks preferred – payable to SIR Branch #51). Payments can be made at our regular monthly meetings or checks can be mailed any time to the treasurer at the following address:

Myron Hollister  
4148 Old Trace Road  
Palo Alto Ca 94306

### **SIR HAPPENINGS**

The NEWEST issue of SIR Happenings  
Is now available  
for information about statewide  
Activities of SIR go to SIR HAPPENINGS  
<http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

### **ACTIVITIES**

**NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION:** All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons in Retirement, Inc., and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons in Retirement, Inc., 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.



**BRIDGE:** If you would like to play bridge for an hour or so after a meeting please call BOB WARD (650-592-8545) or e-mail at [bandward\(at\)sbcglobal.net](mailto:bandward(at)sbcglobal.net). There is almost always a game after our luncheon.



**TENNIS:** Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto. Please be there by 8 AM when doubles teams will be formed. Later arrivals will play as sets are completed. We play an open spin-in doubles format. Play level is around 2.5. We welcome non-SIRS players so bring a friend!

BILL KAMIN (322-4300)



**COMPUSIR:** Meetings are held the SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month at 12:30 and 7:15 pm. at The PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE 4249 EL CAMINO REAL – PALO ALTO For entry, use the announce button on the pedestal to the left of the door. The meeting is upstairs. (elevator available past the stairway).

**Mar13:** PETER KARP-Director, Bioinformatics Research Group (SRI) on the Construction of Metabolic Models from sequenced genomes. Models can be used to advance and accelerate drug discovery and biofuel development Read more about this interesting topic and the speaker on the SPAUG websites at <http://www.pa-spaug.org/> or at <http://svcs.net/svuga>.

JIM DINKEY (493-9307)

### **MACINTOSH USERS**

Skip Ross 541-857-6224

[wross\(at\)closereach.com](mailto:wross(at)closereach.com)

Contact Skip Ross to join this e-mail group where SIR members in all branches can exchange MAC-related news, get answers to questions and share experiences.



### **INDOOR BOWLING:**

(BRANCHES 5, 35 & 51) We bowl on a handicap system, so all have an equal chance. Each season teams are revised and always have a mix of players by ability.

**Tuesdays at Homestead Lanes: Homestead and Stelling in Sunnyvale. Be there by 12.45.**

**New bowlers are always welcome at any level of experience.** If you're new, it's easier if you call me in advance so we will be prepared.

### **SEASON HIGH SCORES**

SCRATCH SERIES		SCRATCH GAME	
Bob Taggart	591	Ron Nakamoto	203
Tim Eastham	516	Jeff Grundy	190
Chuck Huff	512	Arnie Satterlee	1899

HANDICAP SERIES		HANDICAP GAME	
Hal Knowlton	676	Doug Anderson	242
Bill Finkemeier	649	Harold Kaye	239
Jerry Coe	644	Fred Schwalbach	232

Bill Finkemeier (323-2177)



The winter hours (until daylight savings starts) are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1:30 Please be there by 1:00 for the start time of 1:30. Experienced players should show up 30 minutes early to be entered into the draw for teams. FREE COACHING IS AVAILABLE FOR NEW PLAYERS.

DON HUGHES (323-9916)



**GOLF:** The schedule for March and April:

<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>	
05 TUE Spring Valley 10:00	02 TUE Sunnyvale 10:00		
13 Wed Shoreline 10:00	10 Wed Spring Valley 10:00		
20 Sunol (PALM) 10:00	17 Wed Santa Clara 10:00		
27 Wed Los Lagos 10:00	24 Wed Crystal springs 10:45		
	30 TUE Poplar Creek 10:15		

February Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Ned Miller 75	1-Ned Miller 62		
2-Chuck Yirchott 83	2-Jim Cochran 63		
3-Ben Guess 85	3-Lyle Johnson 64		
3-Jim Cummings 85	4-Roger Murray 66		
5-Roy Deffebach 86	Channell Wasson 66		
6-Jim Stanford 88	6-Jim Cummings 67		
Lyle Johnson 88	Dave Kohler 67		
9-Kingsley Wood 89	Chuck Yirchott 67		

**PLEASE BE AT THE COURSE AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FIRST TEE TIME.**

All of the golf courses we play require a player count 7 to 14 days prior to play date. Please call or e-mail JIM CUMMINGS (650-328-2168) if your play or no-play commitment changes.

KAI JOHANSEN (853-2493)



**SIRS ON BIKES:** SIR Area #16 bike rides regularly start at 11:00 AM the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Wives and Guests are welcome.

**Bring bike, helmet and a jacket if it is windy. Rain will cancel.** Attendance averages 10-15 riders. More are welcome. Rides are planned to be 15-20 miles on paved bicycle trails (so that almost any type of bike is usable) with some optional ride distances. The pace is moderate and riding on streets is kept to a minimum and includes a restaurant lunch break.

**March 14 Ride:**

**Coyote Hills/ Alameda Creek -- Niles/Fremont**

Ride: We will begin the ride at the Coyote Hills Park and continue on the Alameda Trail to Niles where we will have lunch at a restaurant in downtown Niles. The ride is flat and approximately 9 miles each way, with an optional loop with a scenic view of the bay that adds about one mile (a total ride of 19 miles).

Directions: Take highway 84 across the Dumbarton Bridge past the toll booth to the first exit, which is Paseo Padre Parkway. Turn left and go one mile to Paterson Ranch road; turn left. This is the entrance to Coyote Hills Park (there is a small sign). Go 1/2 mile to the park toll booth (\$5 per car or use your East Bay Regional Park District season pass). Continue another 1/2 mile over several speed bumps to the park office and museum; park there.

**To Ride – contact Jerry Butler or Karl Resick**

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>		<u>ALTERNATE</u>
Jerry Butler		Karl Resick
650-494-8078	<b>OR</b>	650-941-8837
gxb366(at)aol.com		karl.resick(at)stanfordalumni.org

FUTURE RIDES

- April 11: Foster City Bay Trail
- May 9: Brisbane Bayshore Trail
- June 13: Mt. View to Alviso
- July 11: Coyote Creek (So. San Jose)
- Aug 8: Stevens Creek/Shoreline Park (Mt. View)
- Sept 12: Los Gatos Creek
- Oct 10: Coyote Creek – Alameda Creek(Fremont)
- Nov 14: Foster City Bay Trail

**BRANCHES 5, 16, 35 & 51 TRAVEL NEWS**



**SIR 55<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY ALASKA CRUISE aboard the GRAND PRINCESS**  
**August 28 – September 7, 2013**  
**San Francisco to San Francisco**  
**Juneau, Skagway, Tracy Arm, Ketchikan, Victoria B.C.**  
**\$ 1579 - \$ 3300 (11 days)**  
 Contact Art Lloyd 650-384-6424  
 Or Sonoma Travel 888-900-7772

All changes in address and/or telephone number must be reported to the Membership Committee Chairman:  
Tim Eastham, 2110 Ward Way, Woodside, Ca 94062 (650-366-2449).

### **SIR BRANCH #51 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Big Sir: Jim Cochran	968-9049
Little Sir: Channell Wasson	321-0808
Secretary: Carl Otto	321-3945
Asst. Sec.: Rick McLain	408-629-8170
Treasurer: Myron Hollister	867-4784
Asst. Treas.: Bob Myrdal	595-1293
Director: Chuck Yirchott	508-1374
Director: Roger Murray	329-8832
Director: Jim Cummings	328-2168
Director: Tim Eastham	366-2449

#### **ACTIVITIES CHAIRMEN**

Bowling, Indoor: Bill Finkemeier	323-2177
Lawn Bowling: Don Hughes	323-9916
Bridge: Bob Ward	592-8545
Bicycling: Jerry Butler (Br. 35)	494-8078
Compusir: Jim Dinkey (Br 35)	493-9307
Golf: Kai Johansen	853-2493
Tennis: Bill Kamin	322-4300
Travel: Art Lloyd	384-6424

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMEN**

Attendance: Arjun Godhwani	510-490-7503	Luncheon Coordinator: Bill Finkemeier	323-2177
Audit: Don Hughes	323-9916	Luncheon Programs: Channell Wasson	321-0808
Bulletin: Jim Cummings	328-2168	Membership: Tim Eastham	366-2449
E-Mail Contact: Art Lewis	964-3223	New Members: Roger Murray	329-8832
Good Samaritan: Charlie Lomax	948-6702	New Member orientation: Roy Deffebach	631-0585
Greeters: Norv Steele & Al Runge	408-243-2620	Nominating Committee: Bob Guffey	593-3496
Historian:		Special Events: Ed Wright	462-1554

SIR #51  
TIM EASTHAM  
2110 WARD WAY  
WOODSIDE, CA 94062