



SILVER STRIKERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Silver Strike Machines
17
Casinos with Silver Strike
Machines
5
Silver Strike Club Members
458

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www.silverstrikers.com

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President's Message

Howdy Silver Strikers,

Was the January event the 4 Queens put on not a blast, thank you Shaun and Todd for a great time and lots of fun for three days!

I would like to start out by thanking everyone who attended the annual Club meeting in January, as membership participation is needed to help guide the direction of the Club and build strength and social unity.

I want to say a heartfelt thanks to all of the members that have been and are doing all of the work that keeps the Club functioning, each of you are a hero!

There are four appointed positions presently open, and I would be ever grateful, if you as a member might consider filling any one of the following;

Advertising Committee Chair - Audit chair - Social Director - Club Photographer

And if you would like to find out what these positions entail before committing to filling one of these slots please contact me at President@silverstrikers.com.

Being that the digital world we live in today has great potential to improve our Clubs "footprint" and allow other possible members to find and join our club, I am asking that the membership send me any ideas that you may have regarding expanding our Social media presence (and possibly volunteer to help). I personally would like to do a few Facebook "Live" secessions in June for those who can't make it so they can participate from afar and feel connected virtually.

The Club coin contest is going on and I am looking forward to finding out which design is the winner for the 30th Anniversary. Good luck to the 6 finalists!

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Message from the Editor

Welcome back all new and old members. I would like to thank Jerry for keeping the club running well, Jerry is still Pres. of the CCA so he continues to be busy promoting our hobby. Lets all welcome Jamie as our new President and hope that he can take the club to a new level. If we all pitch in and help the club will remain successful. I am also co-editor of the CCA and as I request with them, we need stories, articles and whatever you can submit to me for publication in this newsletter. It takes me longer to complete the newsletter if I have to search out and find stuff to include. Just so everyone is aware, I do this newsletter in between issues of the CCA magazine. I'am still working full time so it takes me a month to compile the newsletter after each tournament. I can be reached by email at robb4640@outlook.com or by phone 519-577-7206 if you have any comments, concerns, questions or articles. Happy Striking.
Robb McPherson SS1199

President's Message Continued

Looking forward to the June event and I am already finalizing my plans, I hope to have a new "adventure" ready to invite anyone who wants to join in on it. With the mask mandate being lifted I will be able to see all of your smiling faces!

Till next time,

Jamie Horvatic SS-1407

From the Presidents Desk...

I want to say that I am honored to follow in the footsteps of all the past club presidents I and will be relying of several of them going forward over the next two years. You know the old saying "A wise man learns from another's mistakes, a fool never from his own".

Let me take a moment to thank Jerry Vergatos for serving as president for the last two years and to thank the other Club members that supported him doing the mechanics that keep this Club functioning, Jeff Bitzer, Carlton Lee, Allan Childers, Robb McPherson, Jo Riefer, Al Varelas, Mike Hennessey, Warren Shaefer, Bill Brooks and Jim Quinn.

How did I get started in the Silver Strikers Club? The year was 2014 I had left the poker table over at the Golden Nugget to take a break and see if I could get a few Silver Strikes over at the 4 Queens, I was lucky and the gentleman that was playing the machine next to the cage was just getting up (all of the other machines were busy for some reason, more on that later) so I sat down and started in playing hoping to hear the magic song play and the carousel start spinning.

I had just hit my first strike and a gentleman approached me asking if I was a collector?, I told him that I had strikes from all over Las Vegas, So I guess I am. Been doing this for long? I said for several years. Then he hit me with the broadside question, did you know there is a club for Silver Strike collectors? I said no. He then introduced himself as Larry Jones and went on to tell me a little about the club and then invited me to join and handed me a membership application as soon as I said yes. What I didn't know was I had luckily been in town to play poker at the same time as a tournament event and that was the reason for the machines being so busy. The rest is history and a good one for me!

The Silver Strikers Club is by charter a "Social" Club, and in that regard I am hoping to improve on the opportunities for more and varied social interaction between members, if they choose to participate, and reach out to get to know each other a little better. The Mermaid show and dinner afterwards gave me a chance to spend some quality social time with some very nice folks and I hope they got to know me a bit better as well.

I am open to suggestions and participation on any subject or idea related to improving the Social aspect of the club from the membership and I will respond to emails in a timely manner sent to; president@silverstrikers.com

You don't have to jump right in, be brave and at least dip a toe in!

Jamie Horvatic

SS-1407 (decoded – SS = Silver Striker, 14 = 2014, 07 = 7th to join that year)



Membership Report

By Alan Childers

As of January 31, 2022 our membership is at 458. For the 7 month period of July 2021 through January 2022, there was a net membership gain of 13 members.

I would like to remind members that the Club no longer issues new membership cards annually (due to rising costs of printing and mailing). We now issue a permanent laminated membership card. Please keep your membership card for identification at Club activities and functions.

All membership questions and issues can be addressed by email to membership@silverstrikers.com or by mail to: Silver Strikers Club, c/o Membership Officer, 2620 N Constance Ave, Fresno, CA 93722.

New members from July 2021 - Jan. 2022:

Thank you to all the new members who have joined the Club:

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|------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Jason Albanese | Joel Baublits | Kelly Baughman | Divina Bidleman |
| Frank Boone | Clarissa Bowers | Angie Brooks | L B Brooks, Jr |
| Terry L. Burgess | Tammy Casciano | Tom Casciano | Terence Chang |
| Alex Clearman | Paul Cobane | Ashley Crenner | Dean Cugliotta, Jr |
| Brian Earley | Desiree Earley | Judy Haase | William F. Haase |
| Marla Harralson | Amanda Harrington | Normand Houle | Michael Hunt |
| Brian Johnson | Bob Kunath | Rebecca Kunath | E J Kugler |
| Tina Kugler | Matt Macrow | Tami Macrow | Mark Korf |
| Scott Marquette | Tom McIntosh | David Moore | Quentin Mueller |
| Kaylee Myers | Rick Neu | Karen Pensack | Mark Piva |
| Jerome Ray | Jena Reynolds | Gregory Schaffer | Cathy Shepard |
| Rick Shepard | Shull, Russell | Jane Taguchi | Chris Takemato |
| Bruce Waterbury | Debbie Waterbury | Neil Weesner | Cheryl Wellnitz |
| Kurt Wellnitz | Matt Westfield | Nicholas Wridner | Tina Yazzie-Schaffer |

Allan Childers SS-0356
1st VP & Membership Officer

Place Your Ad Here! Advertise in the Silver Strikers Club Newsletter COST of the Ads: 2 lines of type \$1, plus \$.50 each additional line for 2 issues, \$5 per 1/2 page for 2 issues, \$10 per 1 page for 2 issues DEADLINE for ads in the next newsletter is January 15, 2020. Send your Ad via Email to Robb McPherson editor@silverstrikers.com Mail Payment for the Ad to Carleton Lee, P.O. Box 777, Dundee, OR. 97115 Ad will be published in the issue following receipt of payment. Classified Ads

<p>Bill Cohenour's Comprehensive Nevada Silver Strike Reference Catalog \$30.00 + Shipping</p>	<p>Warren Schaefer SS-185 schaf86@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Bill Cohenour's Comprehensive North America (Non Nevada) Reference Catalog \$30.00 + Shipping</p>
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Webmaster Brief

(July. 1, 2021 - Dec. 30, 2021)

By Jim Quinn

Over the past six months we have added the following to the club website:

- New Strikes – 57
- New Tokens – 8
- Boxed sets – 3
- Holograms – 0
- Silver Bars – 1
- Current news – 16

Various items added to the club archives.

Follow changes to the club website using an RSS reader. Every time a change is made to the club website (except typo's and minor corrections) the RSS feed is updated.

Here's a couple of links that describe RSS feeds.

<http://www.whatisrss.com/>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSS>

Here's what the RSS feed icon looks like for the silver strikers website



The most common color used is:



However, the RSS feed icon can be any color.

RSS feed depends upon which browser you use, below are some links for the different browsers:

Internet Explorer - <http://www.dummies.com/how-to/content/how-to-add-and-view-rss-feeds-in-internet-explorer.html>

Firefox - <http://www.top-windows-tutorials.com/rss-in-firefox/>

Chrome – in the browser click on Customize and Control Google Chrome icon, select more tools and click on Extensions. You may then search for RSS reader and other extensions.

Another way to track website changes is to use one of free programs at: <http://www.hongkiat.com/blog/detect-website-change-notification/> or Google tracking website changes for additional options.

Also I do not manage the strikepoint board it is administered by a CC>CC member; you can go to the bottom of the page and click the link to send a trouble ticket to them.

Jim Quinn

Silver Striker Club Webmaster

Future Silver Strike Dates



St Patrick's Day 2022 – Friday March 18th at 10am.

June Tournament 2022 – Friday/Saturday June 24/25/2022.

Halloween 2022 – Friday Oct. 28th at 10am.

The blue, red and yellow (\$40 machine) capsule strikes are normally in the machines the Wednesday before the \$300 release date.

Treasurers Report - Carleton Lee



Hello fellow Silver Strikers:

January 2022 Tournament Fund raising events.

The Silver Strikers Club held several different events to raise money for the Club.

We sold 22 T-shirts and 10 Polo shirt. \$330 and \$250 respectively.

We held two raffles, a Prize Raffle and a 50/25-25 Raffle. The Club sold all tickets for a dollar. The prize raffle brought in \$584.

The 50/25-25 brought in \$395 for the Club, and \$198ea for the two winners.

The Club also auctioned off a Lucite Fiesta Casino piece donated by the Sunshine Mint. It went for \$200.

The other item auctioned was an old Club laptop that went for \$75.

Overall, the Club raised \$1,834.00 to cover some of our expenses. Good Job everyone and see you in June.

Carleton Lee
Silver Strikers Club
Treasurer

6:59 PM
01/06/22
Accrual Basis

Silver Strikers Club Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2021

	Dec 31, 21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Chase Cheking	2,305.92
Chase Savings	21,227.99
Pay Pal	2,011.12
Petty Cash	117.88
Total Checking/Savings	25,662.91
Total Current Assets	25,662.91
TOTAL ASSETS	25,662.91
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	20,699.08
Unrestricted Net Assets	7,045.64
Net Income	-2,081.81
Total Equity	25,662.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	25,662.91

Silver Strikers Club
Profit & Loss
 January through December 2021

	Jan - Dec 21
Income	
Income	
Auction	240.00
Coin Sales	6,459.39
Dues Membership	5,030.00
Interest	2.09
Raffles	1,147.00
Shirt Sales	304.00
Income - Other	105.00
	13,287.48
Total Income	13,287.48
Total Income	13,287.48
Gross Profit	13,287.48
Expense	
Advertising	250.00
Bank Service Charge & Fees	12.00
Coin Production Cost	500.86
Die cast	495.50
News Letter	691.45
Office Supplies	1,938.11
Pay Pal Fees	356.03
Postage	448.97
Raw Silver	
Raw Silver	5,133.32
	5,133.32
Total Raw Silver	5,133.32
Shirts Cost	1,326.57
State of Nevada	
Easy Mail	50.00
Filing Fees	50.00
	100.00
Total State of Nevada	100.00
Tax Return	200.00
Tournament Expenses	
Awards	94.97
Food	3,748.91
Miscellaneous	72.60
	3,916.48
Total Tournament Expenses	3,916.48
Total Expense	15,369.29
Net Income	-2,081.81

Election Report

I enjoyed serving as the Elections Chair. The Election is over and we have a new president. Out of 441 members we had 126 Ballots returned. I had expected more. I would like to have seen at least half of the members voting.

The new Board of Officers were installed at the annual meeting in Las Vegas. They will be our officers for the coming two years. We will see what plans they have in store for us.

Jo Riefer
 ElectionsChair

St. Patrick's Day Four Queens Strikes

The following designs are the strike approvals from Shaun at the Four Queen Casino. Watch the Silver Striker webpage for the actual images prior to the St. Patty's day release.



STRIKES IN OUR FUTURE - By Jeff Bitzer

If all goes well, we should have two new casinos with new strike machines installed late March or early April. Sky City in Albuquerque NM. should have two new \$40 machines with \$3 per pull and one ten dollars at \$.75 a pull. The dies are all made and strikes should be in production soon then comes the machines. The second casino scheduled for machines is the Red Rock in Las Vegas with two new \$40 dollar machines and one ten dollar machine. Their dies are in production now. Both casinos have been pushed ahead several times now so we're all hoping this will be the final opening dates for all the new machines.

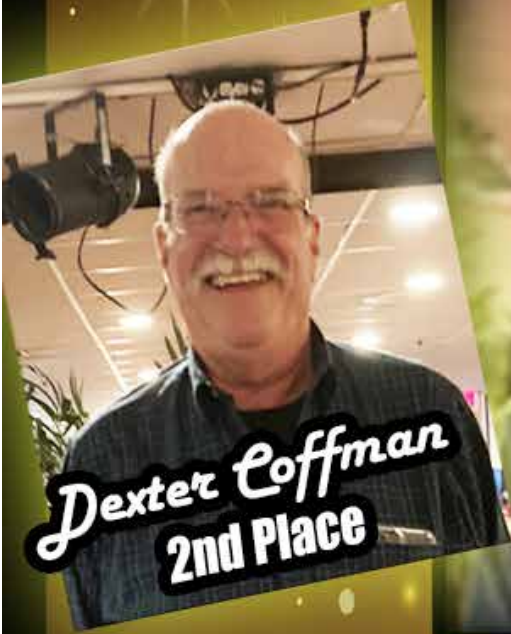
THE 18TH ANNUAL SILVER STRIKE TOURNAMENT JANUARY 28 - 30, 2022



The 18th Annual Tournament is now in the books and was a resounding success according to Shaun Webster. It was great that everyone was able to make it out to Vegas after over a year of being shut down and cooped up at home. There was 168 participants in this years tournament.



2022 Tournament Winners



Dexter Coffman
2nd Place



Jim Kingwill
1st Place Winner



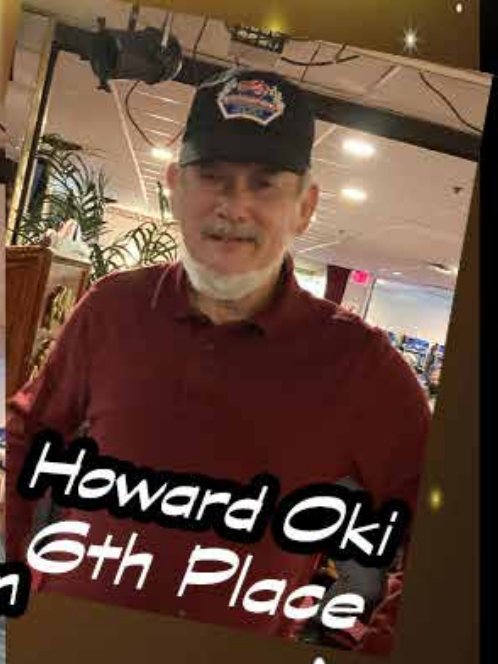
James Horvatic
3rd Place



Randall Forney
4th Place



Sylvia Fajardo-Horton
5th Place



Howard Oki
6th Place

2022 Tournament Winners

A photograph of Kerry Yamashige, a man with glasses and a light blue face mask, wearing a grey jacket.

**Kerry
Yamashige
7th Place**

A photograph of Linda Jollie, a woman with short dark hair, wearing a light blue jacket.

**Linda Jollie
8th Place**

A photograph of David Nearing, a man wearing a black baseball cap and a black t-shirt, smiling.

**David Nearing
9th Place**

A photograph of Thomas Ezell, a man wearing a black cap and a dark jacket with a patterned scarf.

**Thomas Ezell
10th Place**

A photograph of Marla Harralson, a woman with long blonde hair and glasses, wearing a dark patterned top.

**Marla
Harralson
11th Place**

A photograph of Charles Keppner, a man with a grey beard, wearing a plaid shirt and a dark vest.

**Charles
Keppner
12th Place**

2022 Tournament Winners

A photograph of Nancy Williams, a woman with long blonde hair, smiling. She is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt.

Nancy
Williams
13th Place

A photograph of Joy Hanson, a woman with short blonde hair and glasses, smiling. She is wearing a grey jacket.

Joy
Hanson
14th Place

A photograph of Covette Cash, a woman with long blonde hair and glasses, smiling. She is wearing a red jacket.

Covette
Cash
15th Place

A photograph of Luellen Newman, a woman with dark curly hair, smiling. She is wearing a white top.

Luellen
Newman
16th Place

A photograph of Dennis Berry, a man with glasses and a mustache, smiling. He is wearing a black t-shirt with a logo.

Dennis
Berry
17th Place

A photograph of Rick Riefer, a man with glasses and a beard, smiling. He is wearing a red baseball cap and a blue jacket.

Rick
Riefer
18th Place

2022 Tournament Winners



**Clarissa
Bower
19th Place**



**Lilian Huetter
20th Place**

Our Last Place Winner this year James Manly







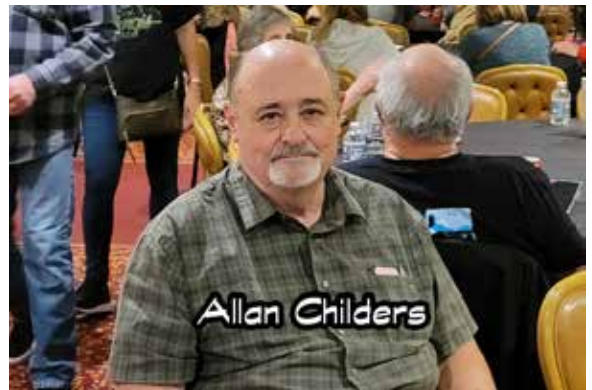
Todd
Shaun
Getting ready for the fun
to begin



Todd
Shaun



Jeff Bitzer
Secretary
James Horvatic
President
Carleton Lee
Treasurer
Allan Childers
1st VP/Membership
Board of directors
2022-2024



Allan Childers



Carleton Lee



Jeff Bitzer



Jim and Kathy Quinn









Kathy Quinn
Carol Chrzanowski



Founder of the club
and first President
Mary Lou Waterbury
Our Newly Elected
President
James Horvatic



Mary Lou Waterbury



Michelle Gaunce



Terry Freeman



Sue Bitzer



Tee Shirts for Sale



Voting for Strike of the Year
and Hall of Fame

2021 “Strike Of The Year” & “Hall Of Fame Strike Voting

There is less than two month to get your votes in for the SOTY and HOF strikes. Voting is done on-line. If you have not voted, you can click on this link to vote. Rules/Notes posted below.

<https://www.silverstrikers.com/Web/Forms/SsoyHof/Ssoy-Hof-Email-Ballot-2021.php>

NOTE FOR ON-LINE VOTING BALLOT

- #1 Must be current member Silver Strike Club, Membership number with ballot
- #2 Vote for 1 only — HOF Strike & 1 only SOTY
- #3 Voting closes on May 15, 2022
- #4 Winner will be announced June 2022
- #5 Any questions, contact me at: alvarelas@gmail.com
email to: hofssoychair@silverstrikers.com

Al Varelas, SS-1654
Hall of Fame & Strike of the Year Chair

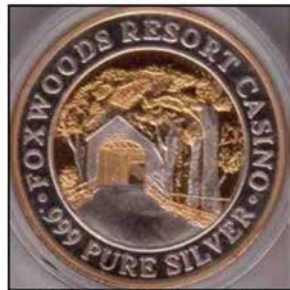
2021 HOF HALL OF FAME

#1



\$10 NY NY / Las Vegas

#2



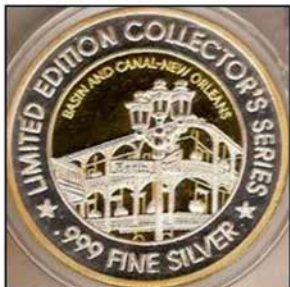
\$40 Foxwoods / Connecticut

#3



\$10 Riverboat / Mississippi

#4



\$40 Harrah's / New Orleans

2021 SOTY STRIKE OF THE YEAR

#1



\$10 El Cortez / Best Slots 2021

#2



\$10 Plaza / 50th Anniversary 2021

#3



\$10 4 Queens / Halloween 2021

#4



\$10 El Cortez / 80th Anniversary 2021



2022 SILVER STRIKERS CLUB COIN CONTEST BALLOT



#1



#2



#3



#4



#5



#6

Pick only one number _____

Name _____
YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING TO VOTE.

Member # _____

Please do not vote if you have already voted at the tournament.

BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15TH 2022 TO BE COUNTED.

3 ways to vote. Online, Mail, or Email

MAIL

Jeff Bitzer
1585 Freeman Rd.
Hoffman Estates, IL 60192-1675

E MAIL jbitzer1@comcast.net

Thank you for participating in the 2022 Club coin contest.

\$200 SILVER STRIKES BECOMING POPULAR

Tried for the first time in 1995, the \$5 silver strike slot machine didn't last very long due to a lack of play. Then some of the casinos sold off their remaining inventory of \$200 strikes. This caused several collectors to get interested in these one pound of silver with a face value of \$200 strikes. The original artwork was a walking eagle but did have the casino logos. The Eldorado in Reno decided this was a good way to make some extra money so they had designs made and sold them through their gift shop. The Imperial Palace decided it was a good way to stimulate play in the \$10 machines by offering to exchange 20-\$10 strikes for the \$200. Others have followed suit with this concept.

THE GROWING LIST OF \$200 STRIKES:

BALLY'S, LAS VEGAS-Eagle
CAESARS, LAKE TAHOE-Cleopatra
CAESARS, LAS VEGAS-Not Yet Available
ELDORADO, RENO-Eagle. Brew Brothers. Brew Brothers Millennium 1999-2000.
Brew Brothers 2000/2001
FITZGERALD'S, RENO-Eagle
FLAMINGO, LAS VEGAS-Casino-Loge Bird. "55th" Anniversary. Patriotic
HARRAH'S, LAKE TAHOE-Eagle
IMPERIAL PALACE, LAS VEGAS-Eagle 1995, Eagle 1998, 25 Years
LAS VEGAS CLUB, LAS VEGAS-Sports
O'SHEAS, LAS VEGAS-Leprechaun
PLAZA, LAS VEGAS-Casino. Patriotic



ARE YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES PAST DUE?

Please check your address label. If it is "highlighted" in yellow, this is a reminder that your membership dues for the Silver Strikers Chapter are due. Membership fees are \$10 annually and are renewable the first of the month in which you joined. If your dues are not received by March 31st, this will be the last newsletter you receive. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

FUTURE GAMING SHOWS

DATES:

3/9-3/10
3/16
3/23
4/19-4/20
6/3-6/4
6/5-6/8

LOCATION:

Northwest Casino & Memorabilia Show, Lincoln City, OR
Windy City Chip Show, Elmhurst, IL
Casinorama, Arcadia, CA
Fiesta Casino, Las Vegas, NV
O'Sheas Casino, Las Vegas, NV, Second Strike Tournament
CC & GTCC Convention, Las Vegas, NV

Silver Strikers Club Membership Application



New Member: _____ Membership Renewal: _____

Name: _____

Spouse name (if also applying for membership): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Country: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

(Email address is required for members residing outside of the U.S.)

For a Renewal, your Silver Strikers Club Number: _____

May we publish the above information in the Club Roster? Yes No

Indicate your preference for receiving the Club newsletter:

_____ Email (Free) _____ U.S. Mail (**\$10 fee**) _____ No newsletter
(Due to cost of mailing, Silver Strikers Club does not mail newsletter outside the U.S.)

I have enclosed dues as follows:

Annual membership	(\$10)	_____
Spouse membership	(\$10)	_____
Club Roster	(\$10)	_____
Newsletter mailed	(\$10)	_____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Complete and mail with payment to:

Silver Strikers Club
c/o Allan Childers
2620 N Constance Ave
Fresno, CA 92722-8764

You may also submit form via email to: membership@silverstrikers.com

This application is also available on the Club website, with a link to PayPal to pay dues.

Check out our website at: www.silverstrikers.com