

# Finding Aid to the Last Man's Club Collection

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## Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Last Man's Club Collection

**Date Range:** 1932-1989

**Collection number:** 88-51

**Repository:** County History Center, Contra Costa County Historical Society, 724 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553, 925-229-1042

**Legal status:** public

## Information for Researchers

**Access:** Collection is open for research.

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**Scope and Content:** Club was founded on Feb. 10, 1932 by A.J. Furrer. The membership consisted of 32 prominent Contra Costa Republican business and civic leaders who were veterans of World War 1. A few years later they bought a bottle of champagne which became a symbol of unity and a prize to be passed along to the last man. They met every year on Veteran's Day, a total of 51 times, and the last meeting was in 1988. A.J. Furrer was the last man and died in 1989, at the age of 96.

**Arrangement of Materials:** The Last Man's Collection is contained in one box.

Box 1

1. Folder #1 – Constitution & by-laws
2. Correspondence
3. Finances
4. 1988-89 – news clippings
5. Clippings and notes
6. News clippings

### Indexing Terms:

Last Man's Club

Contra Costa County republicans

World War I veterans

A.J. Furrer