

Italia-America Bocce Club

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Notice of Upcoming Election*

Sunday, May 16, 2021

Voting 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

*The Membership Meeting will follow the Election.

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* will hold its annual election on Sunday, May 16, 2021, at the club facility, 2210 Marconi, St. Louis, MO 63110. Voting will begin at 10:00 am and end promptly at 1:00 pm. Those members in good standing, with either a membership card or photo identification, may vote one (1) ballot. The member must be present to vote. Face coverings must be worn when voting.

Those submitting applications for a Board of Director position are Drew Werninger, Dr. Ron Farotto DC, Calvin W. Whitaker, Dianne Callier, John Marino and David R. Zona. There are three Director positions with three-year terms.

This election will be to replace three retiring Board of Director positions. Thank you to Tony Biundo and David R. Zona for their service on the Board. And thank you posthumously to Dan Drago, Sr. for his many years of service as a Director and an Officer on the Board.

The election committee has reviewed and approved the listed members seeking to fill the vacant positions. The committee has made no recommendation of any member over another. Candidates will be listed on the ballot in order of submission to the election committee.

The election committee will present to the membership a special bulletin board to be displayed in the club. The board will include a sample ballot and instructions on voting along with a one-page resume submitted by each candidate running for a position. This will be displayed as soon as possible for the election.

The election committee will restrict all solicitation of votes by the candidates within the club building during the voting period of 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, May 16, 2021. Any questions concerning the election may be directed to the Election Committee Chairman, Joe Garr at (314) 753-2580.



Welcome to the following new members:

James “Jim Cacciatore – Sponsored by Matthew Sullivan and Lisa Niemira

Michael Calcaterra – Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Dennis Ruggeri

Timothy Christian – Sponsored by AnnMarie Lumetta and Chris Saracino

Sue Lucia – Sponsored by Susan Zona and Joann Rolfi

William “Bill” Mitchell – Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Dino Murabito.

Mike Muco – Sponsored by Dan Drago, Jr. and Vincent Drago

Jake Piel – Sponsored by John Groves and Joseph Grana

Delbert A. Scott – Sponsored by Russell Horne and John E. Scott



STAY CONNECTED:

Website: www.stlboce.com

Facebook: **Italia America Bocce Club**

Email: glmorris3@hotmail.com

Tuesday Night Bocce “Pick Up Game”

Starts promptly at 7:00 pm!

Beginning on May 4th, every Tuesday there is a mini bocce game. Just come to the club by 6:45 pm and Robert will have the players draw cards to match up for teams. This is great practice not only for your game, but a great chance to play with the different caliber of bocce players each week. The cost is \$5.00, and ALL the money is paid out to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams at the end of the night of bocce.

Get Ready... Coed Bocce Summer League!

begins Sunday, May 16, 2021 following the membership meeting. Please contact Dan Drago, Jr. if you have not signed up and are interested in playing.

Dan’s number is 636.900.1412

Also, there is a Captain’s meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:30 pm for this league.

The Italia-America Bocce Club would like to extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

Daniel Drago, Sr.

Vincenzo Varvaro



**YOUR ANNUAL
MEMBERSHIP DUES OF
\$250.00 ARE DUE
JUNE 2021**



Annual Election

Sunday, May 16, 2021

10:00 am – 1:00 pm
followed by the Membership
Meeting at 1:00 pm

Upcoming Board Meetings
6:30 pm:

Monday, May 10, 2021
Monday, June 14, 2021
Monday, July 12, 2021

Bocce Club Bar Hours:

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday..... 4:00 pm -11:00 pm
Thursday.....5:30 pm -11:00 pm
Saturday.....5:00 pm -11:00 pm
Sunday.....12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**SAVE
THE DATES!**

***American Sons of
Columbus***

***7th Annual Tom Gialde Memorial
Bocce Tournament
Kansas City, Missouri
August 6-8, 2021***

USBF Open rules apply
Men and Women Divisions
Entry fee is \$ 75.00 per player
includes Saturday lunch and dinner.

For more information contact:
Tournament Director
John Liberto
j_liberto@yahoo.com
816.616.4685

***32nd Annual IABC
Golf Tournament
Sunday, September 26, 2021***

*Tapawingo National Golf Course
Chairman Frank DiGregorio
(details will be provided in
future)*



Once again, the IABC has the privilege of hosting the ***2021 United States Bocce Federation National Championships***

This is our 8th time hosting this prestigious tournament.

**November 1, 2021 through
November 5, 2021.**

Please contact Tournament Chairperson Robert Della Croce at iabcstl22@gmail.com 314.477.0154 for additional information regarding the tournament.

Any volunteering you can step up for would be greatly appreciated.



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- Do you like to talk to people?
- Do you like to open mail that is not bills needing to be paid?
- Do you like to be organized?
- Do you like spreadsheets?

If you answered yes, to any of the above questions, we need your help in **volunteering** for the USBF Nationals and Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournaments as the **Program Book Coordinator**.

You will lead a team, of other volunteers, in soliciting advertisement from member-owned and various neighborhood businesses, IABC bocce teams/families, other Bocce Clubs, and organizations. Plus, prepare all required information for the printer. All the tools you need will be at your fingertips!

If you are interested or you need further information, contact Paola Brush, 314-223-9277.

This position needs to be filled ASAP (ask a fellow member to be your co-coordinator)

Let's make these the best tournaments ever and show Covid-19 we are ready to have fun and compete!

14th Annual Aldo Della Croce Tournament November 5-7, 2021

\$75.00 per person entry fee USBF Open rules, teams of four (4) players. Entry fee includes dinner Friday night and lunch on Saturday.

Again, this year there will be two (2) divisions:

Giampiero Division – will consist of teams of all men, all women, or mixed.

Laura Division – will consist of teams that are all women only.

For additional information or to get an application contact:

Tournament Chairperson –
Robert Della Croce
314.477.0154

iabcstl22@gmail.com



Attention All Bocce Players!

We really need help in keeping our courts from being further damaged. There are signs everywhere declaring “**no food or drinks**” allowed on the courts. Still, our surveillance cameras are showing members and guests walking on the courts with drinks in their hands or leaning over the rails. It is up to **YOU** as the member to set the example by following the rules and **INSISTING** that your guests follow them. We will have to resort to charging the member a fee for having the courts cleaned if we do not get this under control.

**PLEASE! WE ARE BEGGING YOU –
STAY OFF THE COURTS WITH FOOD
AND DRINKS!**



Dear Members,

Italia-America Bocce Club members seeking to contribute to their child or grandchild's education via scholarship are encouraged to apply for The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship detailed below by the scholarship committee.

The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship, honors Mr. Della Croce as one of the original founding fathers of the club and will be awarded this year at The Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament. The IABC Officers and Directors are pleased to offer a scholarship on a competitive basis. It is hoped that the award will not only contribute to the personal development of our recipient but also steward the game of bocce that our founding fathers envisioned. An application for the ADC Scholarship is attached and also available on the *Italia-America Bocce Club* website, www.stlbocce.com, and in the IABC office. The scholarship is not based on financial need or grade point average but on the merit of the applicant's self-statement as instructed on the forms.

All children or grandchildren of an *Italia-America Bocce Club* member that is in good standing at the time of the application are eligible. Other family members are not eligible. The applicant must be a student **ENTERING THEIR FRESHMAN YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL** in the 2022-2023 school year and must successfully complete the application form and self-statement as instructed on the website www.stlbocce.com. These forms with instructions are also located in the office.

The completed application and required self-statement must be submitted to Mrs. Gayle Morris, 3166 S. 59th Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63139, either by USPS or by dropping them off at the bocce club **no later than October 1, 2021**. Neither Gayle Morris, nor The *Italia-America Bocce Club* are responsible for lost applications or late submittals. The winning recipient will be notified prior to The Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament and it is strongly recommended that he/she attend the tournament banquet. Banquet details will be provided to the winner of the scholarship.

Best wishes,

The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship Committee
Italia-America Bocce Club
2210 Marconi Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63110

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