

The 9th Annual Aldo Della Croce Tournament Results:

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* of St. Louis hosted the 9th Annual Aldo Della Croce Open Tournament on November 6-8th, 2015. This year's ADC Award went to Brock Guseman who is an ambassador for the Special Olympics of Missouri. The ADC Award also gave \$ 1,000.00 to help with cost of building a Special Olympics training center in Jefferson City, Missouri. We had a total prize purse of \$ 8,640.00. This year 18 teams participated in the ADC Division and 14 participated in the Fiore Division. Teams came from Chicago, IL, Herrin, IL, Kansas City, MO, and Murphysboro, IL. These are the final results of the ADC Tournament:

Link to ADC Team photos:

<https://italiaamerica.shutterfly.com/6966>

ADC DIVISION WINNERS:

1st Place: Volorama – STL: Dave Zona, Rich Robertson, John D. Denando, Joe Grippi.

2nd Place: Maestro – STL: Angelo Varvaro, Ceasare Vitale, Nicolo Cottone, Vittorio Ventimiglia.

3rd Place: Mazzini Verdi #1 – IL: Phil Ferrari, Gino Pasquinelli, Mario Labarbera, John Mirabelli.

4th Place: Highwood Bocce #2 – IL: Maurizio Perrelli, Joseph Pacini, Jorge Moreno, Ferruccio Perelli.

5th Place: Highwood Bocce Club – IL: Paolo Giannetti, Tony Biondi, Frank DeLuca, Guiliano Chiesa.

6th Place: The President Men – STL: Robert Della Croce, Tony Sanna, Tom Drago, Leigh Borage.

7th Place: Gordoni's – STL: Tom Gordon, Mike Newport, Charlie Gianino, Rosario Alu.

8th Place: STL Bocce – STL: Greg Della Croce, Michael Della Croce, Giampiero Della Croce, Steve Treese

FIORE DIVISION WINNERS:

- 1st Place: Mazzini Verdi Ladies #1 – IL: Nancy D'Angnolo, Christina Gaddini, Maria Banducci, Marilyn Ferrari.
- 2nd Place: Lucky Ladies – STL: Carmen Floretta, Maria Gianino, Johanna Grimoldi, Cheryl Galimberti.
- 3rd Place: Diamond Divas – STL: Peggy Mazzuca, Julie Belfi, Lynn Coats, Shirley Feranec, Tammy Borage.
- 4th Place: Playmates – STL: Sue Zona, Gayle Morris, Donna Robertson, Gloria Gutridge
- 5th Place: Fortunate – STL: Paola Brush, Laura Della Croce, Daniela Della Croce, Jennifer Johnson
- 6th Place: Mazzini-Chicago – IL: Lilia Juarz, Iola Cheisa, Giovana Pedrelli, Mary Canino

We had a lagging contest Friday night and 1st Place went to Austin Williamson from Herrin, IL at ½” from the pallino, 2nd Place went to Rich Robertson at 5” from the pallino. In the shooting contest, 1st Place went to Justin Leshenski and 2nd Place went to Pete Williamson who are both from Herrin Bocce Club in Herrin, Illinois.

On behalf of the ADC Tournament, Co-Chairman John Denando and I would like to thank all of the sponsors and players for participating in the tournament. We would also like to thank all who volunteered their time and talents to make this a successful tournament. We wish we could name all of you but we do not want to leave anyone out. Without the help of all the volunteers, we would not have had the successful tournament we had and received the praises from our out of town guests who look forward every year to coming to play in this tournament and visit our fabulous club.

THANK YOU again to everyone who participated in the tournament in one way or another!

Submitted by Robert Della Croce

Photos taken during the event can be found at the following links:

Teams: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/6966>

ADC: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/6633>

Fiore: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/6724>

Shooting/Lagging:

<https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/6932>

Misc: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/6802>

SAVE THE DATE!

10th ANNUAL ALDO DELLA CROCE TOURNAMENT November 2016

USBF open rules, teams of four (4) players, entry fee includes lunch Saturday, Sunday, and dinner Saturday night. There will again be two (2) divisions:

ADC Division – the team will consist of all men, all women, or mixed.

FIORE Division – the team will consist of women only.

Additional information will follow in the coming months!

9th Annual ALDO DELLA CROCE BOCCIE TOURNAMENT 2015 SPONSORS



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Sessions

Men's Captains and Players Bocce League Meeting

Please come to the meeting of the night that your team plays. All new players not on a team please come to the meeting on the night you wish to play. If you are unable to attend the meeting, a signup sheet is on the bulletin board at the club.

(Please print your name, phone # and the night that you want to play.

Monday night league meeting is Monday,
January 4th - 7:00pm

Tuesday night league meeting is Monday,
January 4th - 7:00pm

Tuesday PRV league meeting is Monday,
January 4th - 8:00pm

Thursday night league meeting is Thursday,
January 7th - 8:00pm

Friday Mixed League Captains and Players Meeting
is Thursday January 7th at 7:00pm

Men's and Mixed Leagues Winter Leagues will begin
the week of January 18, 2016.

Friday Mixed League begins January 23, 2016.

Monday Night League begins January 18, 2016

Tuesday Night League begins January 19, 2016

Tuesday PRV League begins January 19, 2016

Thursday Night League begins January 21, 2016

Friday Mixed League begins January 22, 2016

All players must be current with their dues in order to play in any league.

All team money (\$20.00 per player) is due by your meeting night. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please mail your team's check so that it arrives before your meeting night and notify the person in charge of that night that you mailed the money and the form.

**CAPTAINS ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR COLLECTING ALL OF THEIR
TEAM'S MONEY.**

PLEASE PAY YOUR CAPTAIN OR MAIL A CHECK TO:

Italia-America Bocce Club
2210 Marconi Ave
St. Louis, Mo. 63110
Attn: Bocce Committee

Men's and ladies schedules will be ready by
January 16, 2016 to be picked up from the club.

If you have any questions contact:
Director of Bocce
Rich Robertson: 314-839-0682
E-mail: drrobertson59@att.net

Ladies' Bocce League Meeting:

The meeting for Wednesday and Friday night leagues is January 6, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. Team money (\$ 20.00) is due by your meeting night. Wednesday night ladies winter league begins January 20, 2016 and Friday night winter league begins January 22, 2016.

If you have any questions contact:

Joann Rolfi – 314.239.7404
Sue Zona – 314.422.3562
Gayle Morris – 314-306-6569

UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

**THERE IS NO MEMBERSHIP
MEETING IN THE MONTH OF
DECEMBER.**

SUNDAY, January 17, 2016 – 1:00 PM

SUNDAY, February 21, 2016 – 1:00 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS:

WEDNESDAY, December 9, 2015 – 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, January 13, 2016 – 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 2016 – 6:00 PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Volunteers are needed to help Special Olympic participants from the Special School District learn the game of bocce.

In December 2015 the students will be here:

December 4, 2015

December 11, 2015

*Students arrive between 9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
and depart by 12:00 PM*

*For additional information on how you can help out
with this worthwhile cause, please contact:*

Kathy Georgen 314.623.2587 or

Jackie Rahm 314.640.1154

**Please welcome the following new
members of the
Italia-America Bocce Club:**

Carl Imo: Sponsored by Dan Drago and
Robert Della Croce

Richard Imperiall: Sponsored by
Joe DiGregorio and Franco Floretta

Marianne Peri-Sack: Sponsored by
Tony Sanna and Pasquale Numerosi



LADIES BOCCE TEAM PLAYERS

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
Friday, December 11, 2015
Cocktails – 6:00 PM
Dinner – 7:00 PM
\$25.00 per person includes one (1) drink ticket

Menu:
Antipasti Platter
Salad
Wedding Chicken
Gnocchi
Vegetable
Bread and Butter
Coffee and Dessert
(Homemade cookies)
Gelato

Money must be submitted to
Jackie Rahm or Gloria Gutridge
by November 11-13, 2015
There are NO refunds

Men's Fun Night

When: Thursday, December 10, 2015

Time: 6:00pm.

Cost: \$15.00 + \$5.00 if you want to play in the
tournament. (Includes 2 drink tickets)

***(Drink tickets cannot be used for after dinner
drinks)***

Rich Robertson: 314-839-0682

E-mail: drrobertson59@att.net

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

When: Sunday, December 13, 2015
Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Lunch is served at 12:00,
SANTA arrives at 1:00 PM

COST: Children 2 and under are FREE!
Children 3 – 10: \$3.00
Adult price: \$8.00

A MAXIMUM OF FOUR (4) ADULTS IS ALLOWED PER CHILD.

YOU MUST CONTACT
Joann Rolfi at 314.239.7404
No later than December 9, 2015



NEEDED:

Every year, a club Christmas tree is put up in the bar area next to court one. If you have never added an ornament, we ask that you take the opportunity to drop off an ornament with your family name on it to be a part of our *Italia-America Bocce Club* family tree collection. Feel free to leave the ornament with any of the bartenders at the club.

ITALIA-AMERICA BOCCE CLUB NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

DECEMBER 31, 2015
6:30 PM - 12:30 AM

ENTERTAINMENT BY "RENDITIONS"
FEATURING PETE RUSSO

TICKETS \$65.00 PER PERSON OR \$60.00 PER PERSON IF PURCHASED BY NOVEMBER 15, 2015

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY
DECEMBER 24, 2015

6:30 PM - OPEN BAR BEGINS

7:00 PM - ANTIPASTO OF SALAMI,
MORTADELLA, AND CHEESE WILL
BE SERVED

DINNER MENU:

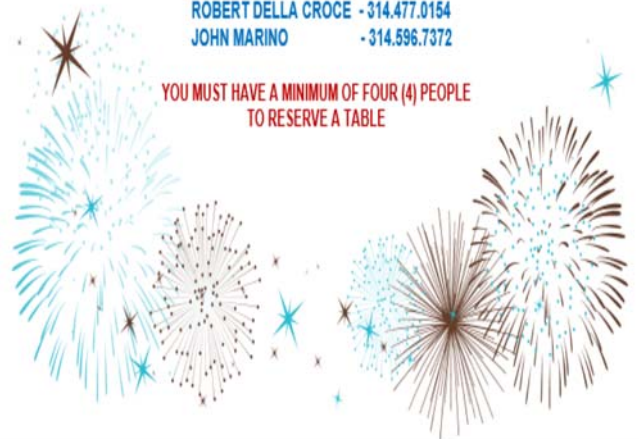
MIXED GREEN SALAD
8 OZ. BEEF TENDERLOIN WITH MARSALA SAUCE
PASTA WITH MARINARA SAUCE
ITALIAN ROASTED POTATOES
FRESH GREEN BEANS
DINNER ROLLS
SHEET CAKE WITH STRAWBERRIES
COFFEE

FOR TICKETS CONTACT CHAIRMAN:
PASQUALE NUMEROSI - 314.845.0611

OR COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

DAVID ZONA - 314.322.9976
JOHN DENANDO - 314.482.4680
ROBERT DELLA CROCE - 314.477.0154
JOHN MARINO - 314.596.7372

YOU MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF FOUR (4) PEOPLE
TO RESERVE A TABLE



CONDOLENCES

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

James Frisella

ByLaws Review

Periodically, the Bylaws of the IABC need to be reviewed. A Bylaws Committee has been formed to address this issue.

Members of this committee would like your input as to what you would like to see possibly revised and/or added. Please, read the current posted bylaws at www.stlbocce.com or request a hard copy from a Board member. Please indicate any changes or concerns in writing to a Board member to be forwarded on to the Bylaw committee.

You may also forward to Paola Brush, Chairperson, Bylaw Committee – pdcbush@att.net.

Or you may submit to:

**Italia-America Bocce Club
Attn: Paola Brush
2210 Marconi Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63110**

Your opinion is an important part of the review process.

**Thank you for your assistance.
Paola Brush, Chairperson
Bylaws Committee**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE ON BEHALF
OF THE ITALIA-AMERICA BOCCE CLUB
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS!**

Up Coming Events for 2016:

YOUTH BOCCE LEAGUE Sunday, January 3, 2016

**Two (2) sessions
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Girls and Boys K-8th grade
Sign up early!**

There will be a pizza party at the end of the season.

**For information contact:
Don Marlo @ 314.359.8616 so he can get your email and send you a sign up form.**

Benefit For Chris Sanna Saturday, January 23, 2016

Dinner, Dancing, Drinks, Silent Auction & Raffle

**Cocktails and Appetizers begin at 6:00 PM
Dinner begins at 7:00 PM
Music 8:00 PM – 12:00 AM
\$35.00 per person – make check payable to Chris Sanna
Includes two (2) cocktails
CASH BAR**

100% of the proceeds go directly to Chris Sanna

**For additional information contact
Anne Marie – 314.960.5721 or
Peggy Mazzuca – 314.814.1954**