

The 11th Annual Aldo Della Croce Tournament Results:

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* of St. Louis hosted the 11th Annual Aldo Della Croce Open Tournament on November 10-12th, 2017.

In honor of our 11th Anniversary, the *1st Annual Aldo Della Croce Scholarship Award* was presented to Caden Michael Brush, son of David and Paola Brush.

The prize purse this year was \$ 8,500.00. We had twenty-three (23) teams participated in the *ADC Division* and twelve (9) teams participated in the *Fiore Division* this year.

Teams came in from Chicago, IL, Herrin, IL, Kansas City, MO, and Murphysboro, IL.

ADC DIVISION WINNERS:

- 1st Place: *VOLORAMA, STL*
Rich Robertson, David R. Zona, Joe Grippi, John D. Denando.
- 2nd Place: *MAESTRO UNO, STL*
Jim Summers, Eucarpio Numerosi, George Kreigshauser, John Scire, Nocolo Cottone.

- 3rd Place: *SALSICCIA TRAIN, STL*
Dan Drago, Jr., Ryan Drago, Vince Mancuso, Dennis Ruggeri, Drew Werninger.
- 4th Place: *ILLUMIMATI, KC*
Nick Presko, Nick Zicarelli, Anthony Zicarelli, Frank Pisciotta.
- 5th Place: *ST. LOUIS #1, STL*
Tony Sanna, Tom Drago, Leigh Borage, Tim Moore
- 6th Place: *CLUB CORVO, Chicago*
Danny Passaglia, Teresa Passaglia, Teresa Rea, Dario Bernardi.
- 7th Place: *JAY WOLFE TOYOTA, KC*
Benny Cardello, Joe Cardello, Chris Cardello, John Guarino.
- 8th Place: *MAESTRO II, STL*
Angelo Varvaro, Caesare Vitale, Rosario Alu, Vittorio Ventimiglia.

FIORE DIVISION WINNERS:

- 1st Place: *DIAMOND DIVAS, STL*
Julie Belfi, Peggy Mazzuca, Lynn Coates, Tammy Borage, Mary Sue Grasse.
- 2nd Place: *MAESTRO (Lucky) LADIES, STL*
Carmen Floretta, Johanna Grimoldi, Maria Gianino, Amy Stephens.
- 3rd Place: *BOCCE GIRLS GONE WILD, KC*
Joy Biscari, Mary Joe Spino, Michelle Vitale, Rosetta Guarino.
- 4th Place: *4 MARIAS, STL*
Maria Scire, Lynne Russo, Maria Grippi, Felicia Ventimiglia, Maria Chirco.

We had a lagging contest on Friday night and 1st Place went to Frank Pisciotta from Kansas City, Missouri and 2nd Place went to Danny Passaglia from Chicago, Illinois.

In the shooting contest, there was a tie for 1st Place between Austin Williamson from Herrin, Illinois and Chris Cardello from Kansas City, Missouri.

On behalf of the ADC Tournament, Co-Chairman John Denando and I would like to thank all of the players that participated in the tournament. We also want to especially thank our volunteer kitchen staff led by Rick Morris, Giampiero Della Croce, Dan Drago, Sr., and Tim Moore who started days before the tournament to prepare the delicious food for the event. Also thanks to our dining room staff led by AnnMarie Lumetta along with Mandy Longland and all our volunteer bussers. Thanks also to our score keepers Paola Brush and Jennifer Johnson. Thank you to all who volunteered their time and talents to make this a successful tournament. Without ALL of the volunteers, we could not have had the successful tournament we had and receive the tremendous thanks from our out of town guests who come to play in this tournament and visit our fabulous club.

A big THANK YOU to each of our very generous sponsors who without their help, we would not be able to continue this tournament every year.

Don't forget the 12th Annual Aldo Della Croce Tournament will be held on November 2 – 4, 2018.

P.S.We would like to extend a special thank you to the following Platinum sponsors by sharing a link to their websites below:

- [IBEW, Local No.1](#)
- [“Are We There Yet?” Travel Agency](#)
- [Edwards Roofing & Repair](#)



AGAIN, THANK YOU TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE TOURNAMENT!

Pics from this years event:

- [2017 – ADC Finals](#)
- [2017 – ADC](#)
- [2017 – ADC Flori](#)
- [2017 – ADC – Shooting & Lagging](#)
- [2017 – ADC - Dinner](#)
- [2017 – ADC - Misc](#)

Submitted by Robert Della Croce

Men's Fun Night

When: Thursday, December 7, 2017
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Cost: \$ 20.00 + \$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

Please contact Rich ASAP if you have not done so and would like to attend.

CONDOLENCES

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

Angel o Grassi
Emma "Sue" Mi cci che
Antoni o "Tony" Panzi eri
James "Ji m" Torri si

*****CORRECTION*****

In the October, 2017 newsletter, while we mentioned the passing of Mrs. Vittoria (Sita) Greco, we neglected to mention that she was the wife of member Sam Greco.
We deeply apologize for this omission.

Welcome the following new members:

Ira L. Blank

Sponsored by Dan Drago and Franco Floretta

Luigi Copiano

Sponsored by Dan Drago and Joe Geiger

Otto Etzel

Sponsored by Peter Cutelli and Dan Drago

Thomas J. Sontheimer

Sponsored by Tim Moore and Barb Burke

And welcome returning members:

Thomas J. Graetz

Sponsored by Joe Cusumano and Rich Robertson

Joe Nixdorf

Sponsored by Anthony Berra and Leo Chirco

UPCOMING SUNDAY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

(THERE IS NO SUNDAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER)

January 21, 2018 – 1:00 PM
February 18, 2018 – 1:00 PM

WEDNESDAY BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS:

December 13, 2017 – 6:00 PM
January 10, 2018 – 6:00 PM
February 14, 2018 – 6:00 PM

Italia-America Bocce Club

CHILDREN'S CRISTMAS PARTY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

11:00 – 3:00 PM

LUNCH IS SERVED AT 12:00
SANTA ARRIVES AT 1:00 PM

COST:

CHILDREN 2 AND UNDER ARE FREE!
CHILDREN AGES 3 – 10 \$ 3.00
ADULT PRICE \$ 8.00

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

**YOU MUST CONTACT JOANN ROLFI @
314.239.7404 BY
DECEMBER 8, 2017**

IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE YOUR RESERVATION BY
THE DUE DATE, WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO
ACCOMMODATE WALK-INS.

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN
ADVANCE. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE
DOOR.

THIS CHILDREN'S PARTY IS FOR KIDS 10 AND
UNDER.



“Ring In the New Year”

In the *Italia-America Bocce Club* Dining Room!

Friday January 5, 2018

LIVE MUSIC

Featuring:

***RICHIE DARLING & THE DIAMOND
CUT BLUES BAND***
8:30 pm to 11:00 pm



**MEETING FOR ALL MEN'S
BOCCE LEAGUES AND
TUESDAY PRV FOR
WINTER 2018**

***Monday,
January 8TH, 7:00 PM***

Agenda for the Meeting:

- Place new players on teams,
- Review bocce rules,
- Pay team league fees,
- Tournament of Champions night
- Men's Fun Night info

All players who are not on a team, please attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend this meeting, there will be a signup sheet on the bulletin board at the club. Your name, phone number and the night you want to play must be printed on the signup sheet PRIOR to this meeting in order for the League Captains to try and make room for you on a team.

**If you have any questions please contact:
Director of Bocce Rich Robertson
314.839.0682 – drrobertson59@att.net
or Dave Zona – 314.322.9976 –
davidzona@yahoo.com**

**2018 Winter League Begins
the Week of
January 22, 2018**

**WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY
NIGHT LADIES BOCCE
LEAGUE MEETING
WINTER 2018**

***Wednesday,
January 10th at 7:00 PM***

Agenda for the Meeting:

- Place new players on teams,
- Review bocce rules,
- Pay team league fees,
- Ladies Banquet (Spring & Christmas)

Your \$20.00 league fee needs to be turned in to your captain by the night of the meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Ladies Bocce Committee:

Joann Rolfi – 314.239.7404

jrolfi@slu.edu

Sue Zona – 314.422.3562

susanfzona@hotmail.com

Gayle Morris – 314.306.6569

glmorris3@hotmail.com

**2018 Winter League
Begins:**

**Wednesday, January 24, 2018
Friday, January 26, 2018**

SAVE THE DATES:

***Italia-America Bocce Club
Presents:
“Rustida/Polenta Dinner”
January 14, 2018***

Dinner 6:30 PM
\$15.00 per person
For additional information
contact:
Julie Belfi @ 314.614.9534 or
Chris Stephens @ 314.308.0113

***ST. VALENTINE’S DAY
DINNER DANCE
Saturday, February 10, 2018***

*For additional info contact:
Julie Belfi – 314.614.9534 or
Tony Sanna – 314-223-9694*



June 2018

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* is hosting the
2018 Bocce Nationals
June 24 – June 30, 2018.
Additional information will be coming soon or you may contact
Robert Della Croce
at 314.477.0154 with any questions you may have.
This is an event that you won’t want to miss!

THE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ITALIA-AMERICA BOCCE CLUB WISH ALL THE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A VERY HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

