

Italia-America Bocce Club

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Welcome to the following new members:

Sybil Ahlf – Sponsored by Maria Mayo and Carl Mazzuca

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Joseph Weinbauer – Sponsored by Bob Ruebsam and Ann Marie Lumetta

James Wors – Sponsored by Tom Drago and Paul Drago*



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

William (Mary) Balmer
Vincent "Jim" Cacciatore
Nicole Cottone
Donna (John) Denando
Sam Giorgi
Barbara K. Longland -Trapp
Frank Sansone
*James Wors (new member)



STAY CONNECTED:

Website: www.stlbocce.com

Facebook: **Italia America Bocce Club**

Email: glmorris3@hotmail.com

Upcoming Board Meetings:

Monday, December 13, 2021 – 6:00 pm
Monday, January 10, 2022 – 6:00 pm

Dining Room/Courtside Rental

If you are interested in renting out the dining room or courtside areas for a private party, please read through the Usage Agreement for the area requested on our website at www.stlbocce.com or there are copies where the bocce league schedules are posted at the club. For additional information please contact Paola Brush at 314.223.9277

On behalf of the **Italia-America Bocce Club's 32nd Annual Golf Tournament**, we were pleased to donate a check in the amount of \$ 3,000.00 to this year's charity recipient



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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.

Save the Dates

Winter 2021 'Coed Bocce'
Sunday, November 21, 2021

'Tournament of Champions'
Tuesday, December 7, 2021

'Fun Day'
Sunday, December 12, 2021

'Ladies Christmas Banquet'
Friday, December 17, 2021

***Important Reminder to all members and guests**

You are NOT allowed to bring any liquor onto the club premises. Yes, this includes the smoking area out back. All liquor including BEER is to be purchased at the IABC bar – period!

Winter 2022 Men's and PRV Bocce Leagues Meeting:

Monday
January 3, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Agenda for the Meeting:

- Place new players on teams,
- Review bocce rules,
- Pay team league fees,
- Tournament of Champions night
- Fun Day information

This meeting is for ALL nights regarding the men's leagues and Tuesday night PRV.

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 for the League Captains to try and make room for you on a team.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Director of Bocce Tim Moore @
314.537-0778 – metrosecurity@charter.net
or Robert Della Croce 314.477-0154
iabcstl22@gmail.com

Winter Bocce Leagues
begin
January 17, 2022

Winter 2022 Ladies' Bocce Wednesday and Friday Leagues Meeting:

Wednesday
January 5, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Agenda for the Meeting:

- Place new players on teams,
- Review bocce rules
- Pay team league fees
- Ladies Banquet
- Fun Day information

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

Joann Rolfi – 314.239.7404
Sue Zona – 314.422.3562
Kim Pedroli – 314.359.9694

2022 Winter Leagues begin

Monday, January 17, 2022
@ 7:00 PM
Friday, January 19, 2022
@ 7:00 PM

TO ALL BOCCE LEAGUE PLAYERS:

All players must turn in their league money to their TEAM CAPTAIN. The Team Captain is responsible for turning in the appropriate amount of money for their team at the league meeting.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* hosted the
42nd *United States Bocce Federation*
National Championships
November 1 – 5, 2021
Here are the results:

(**BOLD** denotes IABC winners)

USBF Open Championship

1st Place Gold: *ROLLERCOASTERS* – Capt. Jim Summers, Joe Grippi, Rich Robertson, and David R. Zona.

2nd Place Silver: *GUIDO'S* – Capt. Tom Drago, Leigh Borage, Nick Imo, and Tim Moore.

3rd Place Bronze winners (2 teams):

SCOTT'S VALLEY MONTONI – Capt. Paolo Pro, Ken Gorney, Alan Knox and Brian Peterson.

CAPE CORAL B.C. – Capt. Teresa Passaglia, Jeff O'Heir, Margaret Shindelus, and Brad Thayer.

USBF Punta Raffa Volo Men's Singles

1st Place Gold: *Greg Della Croce**

2nd Place Silver: Miles Russell

3rd Place Bronze: Dario Bernardi and Frank Pisciotta, Jr.

USBF Punta Raffa Volo Men's Doubles

1st Place Gold: *STL* – Greg Della Croce and Nick Imo

2nd Place Silver: *HIGHWOOD #1* – Maurizio Perrelli and Miles Russell

3rd Place Bronze winners (2 teams):

TEAM PRO – Paolo Pro and Alan Knox
AMERICAN BOCCE CLUB #1 – Brad Thayer and Jeff O'Heir.

USBF Punta Raffa Volo Women's Doubles

1st Place Gold: *PASSAGLIA/SHINDELUS* – Teresa Passaglia and Margaret Shindelus.

2nd Place Silver: *LEAH & LAURA* – Laura Bohdan and Leah Benner

3rd Place Bronze winners (2 teams):

MIDWEST COAST – Lisa Watson and **Cherie Galimberti.**

HIGHWOOD – Amy Lazzaretti and Lauren McDermott.

USBF Punta Raffa Volo Mixed Doubles

1st Place Gold: *PROS* – Capt. Paolo Pro and Diane Kelley.

2nd Place Silver: *AMERICA BOCCE CO.* – Capt. Lisa Watson and Andy Zimmerman

3rd Place Bronze winners (2 teams):

TANGLEWOOD TWO – Capt. Ken Gorney and Cynthia Dzendzel.

BERNARDI/SHINDELUS – Capt. Dario Bernardi and Margaret Shindelus.

****A special congratulations to Greg Della Croce for winning the USBF PRV Men's Singles and thereby qualifying him for the World Tournament in 2022 that is being hosted by Brazil. Boa Sorte Greg!***

I would like to thank all the sponsors, supporters, and players for participating in the *USBF National Bocce Championship* games.

I also want to thank all the volunteers who gave their time and talents to make this a successful event.

Robert Della Croce, President
Italia-America Bocce Club

14TH Annual Aldo Della Croce Tournament Results:

The IABC hosted the 14th Annual ADC Tournament on November 5 -7th, 2021. This year twenty-five (25) teams participated in the **Giampiero Division** and eleven (11) teams participated in the **Laura Division**. Teams participated from California, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, and Missouri.

- Results in **BOLD** denote IABC winners.

Giampiero Division Results:

1st Place: *Highwood Bocce*

Maurizio Perrelli, Lio Gianotti, Miles Russell and Jorge Moreno

2nd Place: *Cape Coral B.C.*

Danny Passaglia, Teresa Passaglia, Brad Thayer and Margaret Shindelus

3rd Place: *American Bocce Co.*

Alex Gzra, Andy Zimmerman, Vito Buonsante and Lauren McDermott

4th Place: *Scotts Valley Montoni*

Paola Pro, Alan Knox, Ken Gorney and Brian Peterson

5th Place money pay out went to four (4) teams:

Raffateers – Susan Zona, Gayle Morris, Randy Carbone and Leo Chirco

STL – Robert, Greg, Mike Della Croce and Tony Sanna.

Jay Wolfe Toyota – Benny, Joe, Chris Cardello and John Guarino.

Red Devil Rollers – Mick Calandro, Chris Newman, Brad Hill and Dan Baker.

Laura Division Results:

1st Place: *California Roll*

Diane Kelley, Joanne Lopez, Cynthia Dzendzel, and Jolene Kramer

2nd Place: ***Lucky Ladies***

Carmen Floretta, Johanna Grimoldi, Maria Gianino and Amy Stevens

3rd Place money pay out went to two (2) teams:

Sister Act

Cherie Galimberti, Cheryl Galimberti, Mary Jo Biondo-Geiger and Charlene Lain

Bocce Girls Gone Wild

Joy Biscari, Michelle Vitale, Rosetta Guarino, Mary Jo Spino and Dana Terry

Men's Precision Raffa Shooting Results:

1st Place – **Ron Farotto**

2nd Place – Miles Russell

3rd Place – Vito Buisante

Women's Precision Raffa Shooting Results:

1st Place – Jolene Kramer

2nd Place – Margaret Shindelus

3rd Place – Lauren McDermott

The bocce ball raffle was won by **Tom Drago**.

On behalf of myself and my Co-Chairperson, Paola Brush, we would like to thank all the players that participated in the tournament. We especially want to thank our entire volunteer staff 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 😊

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

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Again, thank you to everyone who participated and/or volunteered in the 2021 Aldo Della Croce Tournament!

See you in November 2022 for the 15th Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament.

Submitted by Robert Della Croce



When: Sunday, December 5, 2021

Time: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Lunch is served at 12:00 pm

SANTA arrives at 1:00 pm

Cost:

Children 3 and under are **FREE!**

Children 4 - 8.....\$ 5.00

Children 9 + Adults.....\$ 10.00

A MAXIMUM of four (4) adults is allowed per child.

**For reservations you must contact:
Joann Rolfi @ 314.239.7404 or
Diane Langeneckert @ 314.750.6289
NO later than November 28, 2021**

We will not be able to accommodate walk-ins.

*In the event of inclement weather, the party will be re-scheduled, and you will be notified.



Italia-America Bocce Club New Year's Eve Party!

December 31, 2021
7:00 pm – 1:00 am

Cost - \$ 75.00 per person includes:

- One (1) drink ticket
- Appetizers @ 7:00 pm (Antipasto and toasted ravioli)
- Dinner Buffet @ 8:00 pm (provided by *Joe Boccardi's*)
- Homemade Cannoli's
- Live Music from "*Pure Nectar*"
- Bottle of Champagne for each table for the celebratory toast at Midnight! 🍷🥂

Tickets may be purchased from Ann Marie Lumetta or Sue Lucia

Let's **Celebrate!**

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