

# Italia-America Bocce Club

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### CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Tom Gialde Kansas City Bocce Tournament!

1<sup>st</sup> Place Men's Division  
"Volorama"

David R. Zona, Joe Grippi, John Denando and Captain Rich Robertson



CONGRATULATIONS to 6<sup>th</sup> Place Winners "IABC Travelers" -Captain Robert Della Croce, Mary Ellen McGauley, Tony Sanna and KC member Jimmy Scola.

Additional participating teams:

- "St. Louis 1" - Leigh Borage, Tom Drago, Nick Imo, and Tim Moore.
- "The Salsiccia Train" - Captain Dan Drago, Ron Bozikis, Vince Mancuso, and Chris Marlo.

1<sup>st</sup> Place Ladies Division  
"Playmates"  
Julie Belfi-Sanna, Paola Brush, Captain Susan Zona and Gayle Morris



CONGRATULATIONS to 4<sup>th</sup> Place Winners" "Bocce Gone Wild"  
Captain Peggy Mazzuca, Tammy Borage, Sally Drago, and Maria Grippi.

- Additional participating was team "Lucky Ladies" Donna Robertson, Maria Gianino, Laura Ilardi, and Felicia Ventimiglia.

AND.....thank you to Sue Lucia, Maria Mayo, and Rick Morris for being a part of the action and bringing their support for the teams!



**Another very successful Sunday Summer Coed League. Thank you to the 103 members that participated in the 8-week league. Congrats to Amici Della Bocce and All in the Family.**

**Both teams decided to be Co-Champions. Sign up for the winter league that will start mid-November and finish mid-January!**



## Stay Connected:

Website: [www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com)

Facebook: **Italia America Bocce Club**

Email: [glmorris3@hotmail.com](mailto:glmorris3@hotmail.com)

## Welcome to the following new members:

**Jeff Baumgartner** – Sponsored by Gina Imo and Jessica Mayo

**Dan Cox** – Sponsored by Tony Floretta and Franco Floretta

**Jenero Centeno** – Sponsored by Leo Chirco and Julie Belfi-Sanna

**Kurt Darland** – Sponsored by Tony Floretta and Franco Floretta

**Daniel Difatta** – Sponsored by Peggy Mazzuca and Tammy Borage

**Amy Funk** – Sponsored by Carl Mazzuca and Paul Drago

**Dan Kinzel** – Sponsored by Tony Floretta and Franco Floretta

**Jim Komlosy** -Sponsored by Pete Arena and Tino DiFranco

**Karen Lambert** – Sponsored by Gina Imo and Michael Santangelo

**Gordon Laster** – Sponsored by Scott Modde and Kevin Simpson, Jr.

**Maria Mancuso** – Sponsored by Maria Mayo and Susan Zona

**Joe Mazzuca** - Sponsored by Carl Mazzuca and Tom Drago

**Jim McDonough** – Sponsored by Randy Valli and Steve Severino

**Ben Modde** – Sponsored by Scott Modde and Tom Jegle

**Joe Pupillo** – Sponsored by Mary Lou Johnson and Jennifer Johnson

**Sean Quinn** – Sponsored by Angelo Marnati and Carl Mazzuca

**Rodney Ragsdale** – Sponsored by Rob Floretta and Tony Floretta

**Dominic Raineri** – Sponsored by Dan Drago, II and Maria Mayo

**Michael Sniegocki** – Sponsored by Thomas Kraus and George Kriegshauser

**Claire Schwartz** – Sponsored by Michael Santangelo and Cesare Vitale

**Mary Ann Thomason** – Sponsored by Peter Arena and Constantino DeFranco

**Gina Wallis** – Sponsored by Gina Imo and Sue Lucia

**Dan Wilcutt** – Sponsored by Tony Floretta and Franco Floretta

**Kim Winn** – Sponsored by Gina Imo and Rich Longland

## Welcome to the following returning members:

**Marc Buzio**

**John Denando**

**Susanna Grillo**

**Mike Stallman**

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

Joseph H. Geiger  
Joseph A. Mazzuca



*\*If you become aware of any members passing, please let a board member know so that we may send our condolences in the upcoming newsletters.*

### **Dining Room and Courtside Rental**

If you are interested in renting 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](http://www.stlbocce.com) or there are copies where the bocce league schedules are posted at the club.

To reserve/rent either area, you **MUST** first contact:  
Ron Farotto at 314.578.4034  
[ronfarotto.iabc@gmail.com](mailto:ronfarotto.iabc@gmail.com)



## **THE IABC ANNUAL DUES FOR 2022 – 2023**

Total amount due to remain a member in good standing:

**\$325.00** - September 1, 2022, thru September 30, 2022

Questions pertaining to dues should be directed to AnnMarie Lumetta @ 314.960.5721

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### **Upcoming Meetings**

Board Meetings are at 5:30 pm on the upcoming Monday nights:

September 12, 2022  
October 10, 2022  
November 14, 2022

Membership meeting is Sunday, October 16, 2022 – 1:00 pm.

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### **Bocce Club Bar Hours:**

Monday through Friday..... 4:00 pm -1:30 am  
Saturday.....12:00 pm -1:30 am  
Sunday.....12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

## Mark Your Calendars! Important Upcoming IABC Events

September 25<sup>th</sup> - IABC 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
Golf Tournament (Sold Out)

October 15<sup>th</sup> - Rock n Roll Bingo  
Fundraiser for Gavin Lain

October 16<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 1:00 pm  
Membership Meeting

November 4<sup>th</sup> , 5<sup>th</sup> , and 6<sup>th</sup> - Aldo  
Della Croce Bocce Tournament

November 12 - Everett Dean - Rock  
Around the Clock

November 13 - Winter Coed Bocce  
Leagues Begin

December 4<sup>th</sup> - Fun Day for Leagues

December 6<sup>th</sup> - Tournament of  
Champions

December 7<sup>th</sup> - Ladies Bocce Christmas  
Banquet

December TBD - Children's Christmas  
Party

December 31<sup>st</sup> - New Year's Eve Party

Additional information  
for the upcoming events  
is either on the bulletin  
board or will be coming in  
future emails.



Back By Popular Demand  
Italia America Bocce Club  
Presents

# Rock Around the CLOCK



with  
**Everett Dean**  
and the Lonesome Hearts

50s & 60s Dance Music  
Saturday, November 12, 2022  
7pm - 9pm Tickets: \$10 each

**Tickets go on sale: September 6, 2022**  
(Get a group together and purchase a table(s) for 8-10 people)

For tickets contact: Paola Brush 314.223.9277  
or Julie Belfi-Sanna 314.614.9534  
(Tickets WILL NOT be sold at the bar)

Bring your own Snacks - Drinks must be purchased at the Bar  
Please Note that this is a Private Event for IABC Members and their Guests

# 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament

November 4-6, 2022

\$85.00 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](mailto:iabcstl22@gmail.com)

Information and forms are also  
located our website:

[www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com)

# 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament Sponsorship Information

Hosted by the *Italia-America Bocce Club* the weekend of  
November 4 - 6, 2022. We  
are asking all members to help  
get sponsors for this event. If  
you own your own business, or  
have friends that own a  
business, please consider  
sponsoring. Sponsorships start  
at \$ 100.00 up to  
\$ 1,000.00 +

Sponsorship provides the following:

- Free High School Leagues
- Free Special School District
- Free bocce for children with special needs
- The "Annual Aldo Della Croce Scholarship" Award

The tournament sponsorship form  
along with the "ADC Scholarship"  
forms can be found in the club office  
on our website [www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com).

For additional information, you can  
also contact, Robert Della Croce, the  
Aldo Della Croce Tournament  
Chairperson at 314.477.0154 or at  
[iabcstl22@gmail.com](mailto:iabcstl22@gmail.com)



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 available 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 **2023-2024** school year and must successfully complete the application form and self-statement as instructed on the forms located in the IABC 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, 2022**. 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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