

Twenty-Ninth Annual Bocce Invitational Tournament
Sunday, August 14, 2011

Bocce Rules

1. Each team will consist of five (5) players plus an alternate if so desired.
2. If the pallino goes out of bounds, it will be placed on the nail. If the large ball goes out of bounds, it is considered a dead ball. All bocce balls including the pallino must cross the center line to be in play.
3. In the event that two opposing balls are equal distance from the pallino, the team that threw **LAST** will throw until the tie is broken.
4. In the event a team has only four players to start with, they will be allowed to start the game with four players and use four balls. If the fifth player arrives later, he may enter the game immediately.
5. Team captains may request a measurement by the referee at any time **FOR THE POINT ONLY!**
6. Foul lines should be observed at all times when releasing the ball.
7. Referee will handle all games. The Bocce Committee will decide major disputes.
8. Only two people per team are allowed to go to the scoring area. All others are to remain in the throwing area until play is completed.

I would personally like to take this time to invite you to this year's Roma Lodge Bocce Tournament. Last year's tournament was a huge success, was so much fun, and enjoyed by so many! We had an incredible amount of teams last year and are expecting even more will join us this year. I hope that you will be able to participate in this exciting event which not only allows everyone to play the wonderful game of bocce, but also presents a festival atmosphere with all the great people who join us. This year we will once again have Roma Lodge's famous food, including pane frita (fried bread dough) made by Rose Marie Domanico and her amazing crew of woman, corn-on-the-cob, bombers, and a Zuddy DeRose dinner special. Soda and Beer will be included from 10:00-3:00. For those of you that are unaware, we have 8 permanent bocce courts (4 indoor and 4 outdoor) and I am very excited to say that our temporary bocce courts have been modified and improved. Also this year, we once again will be offering some very enticing **CASH** prizes (**\$1500**) to be awarded to our Men's (open) Champions and (**\$500**) to the women's champions (over **\$3700.00** in total prize money).

For those of you who come from Illinois and the Milwaukee area, we once again look forward to sharing our club with so many of you. In past years, we have had teams make the 7 hour drive up from Herrin, Illinois and were looking forward to hopefully seeing you again this summer! The great thing about our tournament is that we have been fortunate to have good teams come play, but we also have many teams who just love to play bocce...enjoying the food and camaraderie equally as much. Please remember to get your team entry in as early as possible to ensure your team's spot. We are expecting to fill this year's tournament early! We hope to make this not only another exciting day as bocce players, but a day that brings Italians together from all over! Hope to see you once again August 14!

Ciao!

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