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Ribbon Cutting at the newly resurfaced bocce courts!!

BOCCE NEWS

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Have you tried out the new bocce courts??? On Friday, November 16th the resurfaced courts were officially opened for play. Avid bocce players gathered for an impromptu bash and gave the new carpets a much-anticipated test. Everyone thinks the new courts look wonderful and members are looking forward to the 2019 competition year. If you haven't tried the new courts, they are definitely different so go and play as much as possible.

Coming in January there will be a \$5.00 increase in dues for the Bocce Club. Dues have remained the same for the past 6 years without an increase. We all know that costs go up and what we receive for our dues is far more than any other club here in the Villages. We will still be a bargain at \$15.00 for a whole year of fun and play. Remember the more you participate the more you receive back through playing bocce and attending social events.

Ever wonder how your dues are spent??? Our Club Treasurer, Evonne Cook has the facts and wants the membership to know the benefits from their dues.

- *The Bocce Board of Directors working for you the member.
- *Free use of equipment for members, family and friends.
- *A wonderful Appreciation Event just for all Volunteers.
- *Free Boot Camps for anyone new to bocce.
- *Free Referee Training to any member.
- *Free Instructional Clinics once a month, March-October
- *Free organized tournaments throughout the year, with monetary awards for 1st and 2nd place winners.
- *Friday Bash with themed parties planned March thru October.

*5 Organized Social Events throughout the year.

*Court Improvements & Equipment (this year 2018 new player benches).

*Winter Drop-in on Thursdays on reserved courts.

The raise in dues will allow our club's board to continue to provide quality events throughout the 2019 bocce season and hopefully with some new surprises.

Bocce is gaining in popularity and anyone can play. It truly is a sport that can be leisurely enjoyed or competitive, it's always your choice.

For more information about anything bocce, check our club's website at www.villagesbocceclub.com.