## **Bocce News**

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## Welcome to a New Year of Bocce!!

**Website:** Our club's website, if you haven't visited yet, it's the perfect New Year's resolution. Under the watchful eye of our club's webmaster David Cook, there is so much information to be found. David keeps it updated with the following:

- Current events.
- Tournament information, updates and the ability to sign up.
- Social events and invitations with the ability to sign up.
- Captain information including referee's list, tournament rules & etiquette.
- Current and past board members.
- · Minutes from board meetings.
- History of the club.
- "Photos" of every kind of club activity.

The website was the inspiration of our past board of directors and brought to life by Marion Logie our past club president. She then brought a very talented webmaster on board and to manage the website and be a true webmaster.

Thank you, Marion, for all your hard work and David for continuing to bring us up to the minute news and information through our website. Don't miss out, check us out at <a href="https://www.villagesbocceclub.com">www.villagesbocceclub.com</a>.

**Installation Dinner:** On February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 starting at 5 p.m. the Installation Dinner will be held at the Clubhouse. Check out the adjacent ad for information. Remember you can really make it easy to sign up by going to our website or contact Marion Logie at logiem@sbcglobal.net.

**Boot Camp:** Anyone new to bocce this is the perfect opportunity to get acquainted with the sport. Starting in February for 4 weeks, each Saturday and Monday you can learn how to play. Times are 11 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. All you need to do is show up, sign in and experienced players will help you with demonstrations, playing and answer any questions you might have about bocce. Remember you don't have to be a member of the bocce club to attend. If you're new to the Villages it's a great way to meet new people and have fun playing a sport that is competitive or played leisurely. Questions can be directed to Tournament Director, Tony Orlando 408-799-9668.

**Beginner's Tournament:** On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the second Beginner's Tournament will take place for all who participated in Boot Camp and became a bocce club member. This one-day event will give you the additional experience of playing on a team and in a playoff. All you need to do is commit by signing up, practice with your team and compete. Everything will be taken care of for you, such as team assignment with an experienced Captain, referees and even lunch provide by the bocce club.

**Spring Mixer:** Sign ups have started and you can contact Jeanne-Anne Whitacre at <a href="mailto:jawhitacre@live.com">jawhitacre@live.com</a> for details and adding your name to the list of potential players. Also sign up online at <a href="mailto:www.villagesbocceclub">www.villagesbocceclub</a> or at the bocce courts. Spring Mixer matches up beginners with more experienced players. It's a chance for meeting and playing with new people. The tournament starts on March 9<sup>th</sup> and runs through April 18th. Playoffs start Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>.