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BOCCE NEWS

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Installation of the Bocce Club Board of Directors for 2020

The Valentine's Day Installation Dinner was a sold-out affair and enjoyed by everyone attending. Thank you to the planning committee: Janie Meacham & Barbara Orlando along with committee members, Pat Brown, Jackie Berman, Betty Lanctot, Lonna O'Connor, Susan Sunzeri, Fran Schumaker, Candy Stonehouse & Marcy Boyles. Also, a special thank you for the Dinner Team, Chefs Vince & Barbara Sunseri and Bill & Sue Callahan who prepared 'delicious fare', enjoyed by everyone. Our club's Mixologists did an outstanding job serving liquid refreshments to the crowd. The team consisted of Noel Lanctot, George Paris and Shel Schumaker. Even the Bash Committee, led by Tony Orlando, along with his bash volunteers, Karen Carlson, Paul Andersen, Gail Leslie, Judi Leonard, Reta Boyles & Claudia Bullington were present to assist in any way they could. Also, 3 people just pitched in to help, Bud Meacham, Michael Sunzeri and Bob Bullington. Again, thank you to everyone for a successful evening. Check out our website <u>www.villagesbocceclub.com</u> for more photos of the Installation Dinner.

What you might want to know! If you're new to bocce or need a refresher, here's the question you might want to ask? "What is the difference between a Mixer and a Round Robin"? **Mixers teams are selected by the Tournament Coordinator and are a combination of beginners, intermediate and advance players who don't normally play together, i.e. Mixer, mix-it-up and make new friends. The only exceptions are married, established/dating couple's or those individuals who may need assistance. They can sign up and play together in a mixer.

**Round Robin teams are established players, who play together in each round robin tournament. Players are usually, only replaced when a team member leaves and/or a new team is formed. Round Robin team members are selected by their Captain.



The Spring Mixer begins on Monday, March 9th and continues through Thursday, April 16th. Playoffs start on Monday, April 20th and Tuesday, April 21st with the Championship game held on Wednesday, April 22nd. Tournament Coordinator, Jeanne-Anne Whitacre can answer questions at 650-493-3638 or Co-Coordinator, Tony Orlando at 408-799-9668.

First Bash of the Season is on Friday, March 13th from 3-5 pm. You don't want to miss the kick off to the Bash season. The new Bash Director, Tony Orlando and his committee have planned a St. Patrick's Day themed party. Bring a snack to share (opt), along with your favorite beverage and join in the fun. Also, wear a wee bit of green.

Tip from the courts: Bocce is meant to be a sociable game, so just have fun. After a frame ends help return the balls to the racks. Ball retrievers are available to those who can't bend to pick up balls.