



November 2018 Newsletter

Sherry Nogle, Editor and Janet Platteborze, Web Administrator

Five More Minutes with Steve Mellinger – President

October was a busy month of Bocce Activities. We enjoyed a wonderful day with over 80 fellow Bocce Members at our Fall BBQ. A big **Thank You** goes out to Janet Lull for organizing and running our Bocce Neighborhood Team Challenge. It was three days of competition filled with laughter, and fun playing and meeting other Bocce Neighborhood Members.

Please remember to vote on line for our New Board Officers starting November 6 through November 12, 2018.

Save the date **Friday December 14, 2018**. Our **Bocce Club Holiday Luncheon from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Georgetown/Florence Room at the Cowan Center**. Purchase your tickets on line starting November 13 - December 7, 2018.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Doug Brumm

As of September 30, 2018, the Bocce Club has 346 paid members of which 221 are new this year. We have a cash balance of \$1,555 based on all the receipts that I have received as of October 10, 2018.

Welcome to the Bocce Club:

Marquez, Doris	Stevens, Kathy	Webster, Jeff	Miller, Ed	Wickiser, Tom
Grafton, Clark	Howard, Dianne	McIntyre, Angelique	Miller, Brenda	
Elley, Mark	Cartier, David	Flanagan, Joan	Killen, Sheryl	
Elley, Lynda	Grafton, Nancy	Ferrell, DeAnna	Lenz, Larry	
Bradley, Jan	Lea, Jim	Ferrell, Lee	Pine, Phillip	
Boriack, Karen	Lea, Laura	Cartier, Priscilla	Pine, Gail	
Boriack, Don	Lord, Agnes	Speer, Rita	Lenz, Linda	

BOCCE TIPS **NEW-BEE NEWS** Volume 11

By Sal Caravello

New Training Starts: New Comers Training starts on Saturday, November 17th, these are two-day sessions for new residence, if any members are interested in participating please come join us. This is the last class of the year.



TRAINING REVISION: As we wind down 2018 and the weather changing every time we turn around. The last class for this year will be a two-day class, that is two Fridays. This will allow us to finish sooner and allow for more classes in 2019. We will also have size limitations, in an effort to have more personalized instruction next year. Larger than twenty-four (four per court, using six courts) is a more effective way to learn the game of Bocce' instead of our last class of fifty-six. (eight per court). Joining me next year will be my partner Sherry Nogle, who is an outstanding player, and will be warmly welcomed by the New-bees in 2019.

END OF THE YEAR TOURNAMENT: Well all the New-bee classes in 2018 will be leaving me and moving on within the Bocce' Club. They now represent most of the membership in our club. That is hard to believe the growth we have enjoyed this year. Thank all those that have moved to Sun City and learned to play Bocce as well as joining our club. To wrap up the year we will have an end of year double elimination tournament, open only to New-bees of class 2018. Play dates are Dec. 7th, 8th, and 14th and 15th. Check your email for further information and sign up dates.



ReUNION FRIDAY: Continues to be the New-bee's time to practice and play with other new players. I notice that mainly recent graduates are playing. Those experienced New-bees should come out and introduce themselves to the recent class of New-bee's. Your experience would be a big help to them.

UNO BOCCE' NIGHT: Wow, the weather would not co-operate with this group, but they finally had the opportunity to play together and it looks like a great opportunity to make new friends and meet people in a casual atmosphere. They will be playing the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, starting in 2019. If you are interested in being a part of this group email me and you will be added to their membership list.

QUESTION: What happens when a player rolls a ball before the pallino? A player who rolls a ball out by mistake instead of the pallino at the start of a frame has played a ball out of turn.

USBF Open Rules state: "If a player rolls out of turn or plays more balls than allowed, the opposing team has two options: Leave all balls as they rest, or remove the illegally thrown ball from play and return all other balls to their previous positions"

SEE YOU ON THE COURTS....."

Ladies League – Lin Vernier

Well, the Women's Bocce Championship was definitely a Treat. Nine players competed in a double elimination tournament for the 2018 Ladies Bocce champion.

Congratulations to Sherry Nogle for rolling into first place, second place was won easily by Pattie DeGroot, and Janet Lull wowed us with her skill to take third. Most of the games were very close, competitive, and hard fought.



I want to thank all the guys who came out and helped officiate the games. It made things go very smoothly and allowed the players to concentrate on their targets. Also, it was wonderful to see so many bocce members come out to watch. I know the players felt supported and the enjoyed it when the crowd acknowledged the amazing ball placement. Thanks to Steve Mellinger, John Shideler and Stanley Payne for blowing the leaves off the courts and setting up for us. Also, to Don Webb and John for staying until the very end of a long day on Tuesday to call the final games.

A wonderful end to a fun year,
Thanks everyone,
Lin



Advanced League – John Shideler

BYRNE WINS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mike Byrne was undefeated on his winning path to the Bocce Club of Sun City 2018 Open Championships. Mike played Don Webb in the finals and won by a 12 to 11 score. Don Webb placed second in the tournament and Larry Hunting was third.

Twenty-eight (28) members played fifty-four (54) games during the three-day, weather delayed event. Over fifty percent of the games played resulted in very close scores, 12-8 and above. Eleven games resulted in 12-10 or 12-11 scores.

Many thanks go out to members who helped officiated these games. Also, thanks to those who helped prepare the courts for play. Thanks to those people who came out to watch the finals. One of the largest crowds in recent history.



LARRY HUNTING IS TOP SCORER IN ADVANCED BOCCE LEAGUE TOTALS



Congratulations go out to Larry Hunting for placing first in scoring of the six combined Advanced Bocce League play of 2018. Larry scored 824 points, which was 129 points higher than the second-high score.

Thirty-three (33) members played in the six leagues this year. Five of the leagues were played under “Sun City” rules, the sixth league was played under international rules.

The following is the list of the top ten (10) scorers of Advanced League of 2018: Jim Budde, Mike Byrne, Larry Hunting, Janet Lull, Marilyn Marlar, Stanley Payne, George Ryppe, John Shideler, Don Webb, and Bill Wightman.

Many thanks go out to the participants who made our League play so successful. The top 10 scorers qualified for the Annual Club Championships. This was the second year in a row that we have had a 16 player, double elimination tournament for the Championship.

CONGRATULATIONS!
5+
HIGHROLLERS

Larry Hunting – scored 5 pts.

Pam McElen - 5pts.

Neighborhood Bocce Challenge

Eight teams participated in the Bocce Neighborhood Team Challenge. The first-place winners were members of the Neighborhood 50 team: Bill DeGroot, Patti DeGroot, Jill Wilson and Janet Platteborze. A winning score for a game of bocce is 12 points. Each of the first-place winners had a 12-point score in the final competition.



Second place went to Neighborhood 57. Team members included: Darrell and Sue Loy, Ron and Robin Pontiff.



Neighborhood 38 took third place. Members of the team were Dave Grebb, Stanley Payne, Nat Tempe, and Keith Laubscher.



Congratulations to all the winners.



November Bocce Events



Bocce Club General Membership Meeting

Activity Center Rooms 1 & 2

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

2019 New Board will be announced

We hope to see you there.

Check out the agenda:

BOCCE GENERAL MEMEBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2018

- I. Establish Quorum/Call Meeting to Order
 - a. Approve October Board Meeting Minutes
- II. Updates/Last General Meeting
 - a. Membership growth
 - 1. Charter Club Fair
 - 2. New Home Owners Orientation Quarterly
 - 3. Free three-week training for potential New Club Members
 - 4. Inviting other Clubs to the Courts
 - 5. Free training for Neighborhood Play
 - 6. Sun Rays articles/outside newspapers

7. Submit pictures to Sun Rays

8. Bocce Event Signs

b. Giving Back

1. Canned Soup Drive/Caring Place

2. Junior Camp Volunteers

3. Breast Cancer Awareness

4. Yountville Bocce Invitational

5. Stock the Food Pantry/Caring Place

6. Veterans Day donation of 1 brick for Memorial Plaza

c. Significant Achievements

1. Bocce T-Shirts

2. Bocce Caps/Visors

3. Sunday Events Easy as Pie/Men vs. Women

4. International Tournament/Members with NewBees

5. Neighborhood Bocce Challenge

6. Bocce Club Team in Yountville Invitational Tournament 2nd year

7. Averaging 250-300 Member visits to the Bocce Courts **weekly**

d. Milestones

1. Additional two Bocce Courts added

2. All Bocce Courts received new carpeting

3. For Safety of our game, Bocce Court entrances were painted

4. All Bocce Courts received striping

5. Bell added if you score four (Ring the Bell for Recognition)

6. Electronic voting

7. Safety Articles/Tips added to Newsletter

8. Bylaws Amended

III. Committee Reports

a. Treasurer's Report-Doug Brumm

b. League Director's Report-Bill DeGroot

c. Social Committee Report-Pat Mellinger

d. Secretary Report-Sherry Nogle

e. Web Administrator-Jane Platteborze

IV. New Business

a. Dues for 2019

b. New Board 2018 Introduced

c. New Board starts January 1, 2019

d. Shade Coverings-the last (4) four Courts by June 1, 2019, Dennis Walters

e. Bocce Festa Vacanza-December 14, 2018 11-1:00 pm, Tickets on-line starting November 13-December 10, 2018, Members \$20.00, Nonmembers \$25.00.

V. Next Bocce General Meeting-November 18, 2019 Activities Center meeting rooms 1 and 2, 10-12:00pm.

WINNERS OF THE BBQ ACTIVITIES!



Bob Lull – 1st place Seed Spitter



Paul Fisch – 1st place in Heads & Tails



The Club collected over \$679.00 for Cancer Awareness!



Meet our new Bocce Club Photographer – Vivian Turco



EAT YOUR LEFTOVERS BOCCE DAY

“We have some wonderful leftovers from last night if you would like to stop by for Bocce and Lunch,” exclaimed all 350 Bocce Members!

It’s true, we are having **Eat Your Leftovers Day** on **Sunday November 25** from **1:00 PM to 3:00 PM**. “Bring your leftovers to share on the patio after 3 games of Bocce and the Club will furnish the drinks,” explains Pat Mellinger. So, Bocce Members mind your Social Chairwoman and bring your leftovers and we will have a feast! ***Wear your name badge!***



The Sun City Bocce Board would like to say, “thank you” (no matter how you say it) to all those members that have volunteered their time, talent, money, and wisdom in helping the Bocce Club become one of the most successful clubs in our community.



BOCCE CELEBRATION

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Please join the Bocce Club in honoring all the men and women who have served our country. A drawing will be held to honor a Veteran with a brick that will be placed in the Veteran's Memorial Plaza. So please be sure to pick up a ticket for your chance to win!



Help the **Caring Place** help families in need!!!

Along with honoring our Veterans, the Bocce Club is asking our members to help families in need by bringing your food donations on the November 11th. Last year we filled the entire back of a SUV with donations. **Let's top that this year!** All donations collected will be taken to Georgetown's **Caring Place**.

AND OF COURSE, WE WILL BE PLAYING BOCCE!

DECEMBER EVENTS



Bocce Festa Vacanza

**Belly Up to the Bar - Food Bars, that is----3 different Food Bars
(Gluten Free Choices)**

Join us for the Bocce Club Holiday Luncheon.

Friday, December 14th

**Doors open at 11:00 am – 1:00 pm in the
Georgetown/Florence Room at Cowan Creek**

The Club will provide the first cocktail

BYOB

**Buy your tickets at the Sun City Community Association Office or Online at the SCTX
web portal under Bocce Holiday Party**

**Tickets are limited to 120 Members for \$20.00 per member and \$25.00 for non-
member. You may purchase your ticket(s) starting November 13th
through December 7th.**

League Play Awards will be presented and many prizes will be given away!



November 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	Oct. 29 Ladies Championship 1-3:00 pm	Oct. 30 Ladies Championship 1-3:00 pm	Oct. 31 Ladies Championship 1-3:00 pm	1 Ladies Championship 1-3:00 pm	2 10 am New Bee Reunion Play (6 courts)	3
4	5	6 6:00 AM Electronic online voting begins----	7 Electronic online voting for Officers	8 Electronic online voting for Officers	9 10 am New Bee Reunion Play (6 courts) Electronic online voting for Officers	10 UNO 4:00 – 7 PM Electronic online voting
11 Electronic online voting for Officers VETERANS DAY & FOOD DRIVE 1-3:00 PM	12 Electronic online voting for Officers ENDS 6:00 PM BOCCE COURTS CLOSED FOR VETERANS DAY EVENT	13	14	15	16 10:00 AM – NOON BOCCE CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. AC ROOMS 1 & 2	17 NEWBEE TRAINING CLASS 10:00 AM (NEW RESIDENTS)
18	19	20	21	22 THANKSGIVING	23 NEWBEE TRAINING CLASS 10:00 AM (NEW RESIDENTS)	24 BOCCE PLANNING MTG. ANDICE ROOM 9-NOON UNO 4:00 – 7 PM
25 EAT YOUR LEFTOVERS BOCCE DAY 1- 3:00 PM BRING YOUR LEFTOVERS	26	27	28	29	30 NEWBEE TRAINING CLASS 10:00 AM (NEW RESIDENTS)	

ELECTRONIC VOTING FOR BOCCE BOARD OFFICERS NOVEMBER 6TH AT 6:00 AM – 12TH BY 6:00 PM. NEW OFFICERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT BOCCE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. NOV. 16TH.

OPEN PLAY-MON.-SAT. FROM 1:00 TO 3:00 PM; REUNION PLAY FOR NEWBEES-FRI. 10:00 AM

December



2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					New Resident Training 10-noon	1
2	3	4	5	6 New Players Training 10-12:00 pm (New Residents)	7 New Player Tourney 10 – 12:00 noon	8 New Player Tourney 10 – 12:00 noon UNO Event 4:00-7:00 PM
9	10	11	12	13	14 New Officers Training 9-11:00 BR Bocce Club Holiday Luncheon 11-1:00PM New Player Tourney 10 – 12:00 noon	15 New Player Tourney 10 – 12:00 noon
16	17	18	19	20	21 NewBee's Play – 10:00 - Noon	22 UNO Event 4:00-7:00 pm
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Open Play for Regulars-1-3:00 PM Mon. – Sat.	31 UNO Events-2 nd & 4 th 4-7pm Sat. of each Month in 2019 4:30 PM	Reunion Play for NewBees- Fri. 10:00 AM				

