

# Sun City Bocce Club

The Sun City Bocce Club has several options for members to play, socialize and compete. These events are open to all Club members and are the best way for you to get out on the courts and play Bocce. Here are brief explanations for each option.

## **Open Play**

Open Play, sometimes called Daily Play, is an opportunity for players of all skill levels to play Bocce. Simply come to the courts and chips will be drawn 5 minutes prior to start time to randomly assign courts. You can find the dates and times for Open play on the club calendar. Typically, Open Play is 1-3pm Monday through Saturday. During the Summer Open Play will also be available from 8-10am.

**Fun Open Play (F.O.P.)** It's open play without the seriousness of competition---No intimidation, no fear of being frowned upon just because you're learning the game of bocce, no fear of talking or laughing. F.O.P. is currently on Thursdays at 10am. This is a variation of Open Play where not only will you get to play, you can get some individual instruction. The target skill level is Beginner and Intermediate players.

## **Leagues**

Leagues are held throughout the year. There are several types of leagues and of different skill levels. There are typically five league sessions consisting of five weeks each (one day a week) during the year. You may compete in one or more of the leagues throughout the year. Sign-ups are held 2 weeks prior to the start of the league. Currently we have Sun City Rules, International Rules and Ladies with skill levels of Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

## **Tournaments**

End of Year: The Bocce Club holds an End of Year (EOY) tournament in the Fall every year where the champion is declared the "Best of Sun City". This is a double-elimination tournament with the top players of each league being seeded. The remaining players will be determined from the membership and may include a single-elimination qualifying tournament.

Open: We plan both Beginner/Intermediate and an Advanced open tournaments for any interested players. Sign-ups will be on a first come basis and limited to 16 players. These will be random draw, single elimination tournaments that can be completed in a single day. Two tournaments, May and November, are planned.

Neighborhood: This is open to all neighborhoods and does not require players to be members of the Bocce Club. Neighborhoods may enter two 2 player teams with a maximum of 32 teams. The tournament will be a random draw single-elimination format.

## **Social Events**

Throughout the year, there are social events that include Bocce play. Watch the weekly newsletter and the club website for details.