

MARTINEZ BOCCE FEDERATION



September 2016 Newsletter

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Events in September

This month we have the "Knights Of Colombus" tournament which is being held on Saturday, 17th. There maybe still time to register for this charitable event so see the flyer on page 27. This is always a friendly and enjoyable tournament.

Also this month we are in "Playoff Mode". The Senior Playoffs have been completed. Unfortunately no photos were taken but the playoff brackets and the results for the RED, WHITE & GREEN divisions are shown on pages 16/18.

VOLO Playoffs take place on Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st.

All other divisions A, B, C & CC, D & E commence Monday 26th and continue until the "Final Four" event on Saturday 8th October. See information regarding all of this on page 4.

Score-sheets

Missing score-sheets again this month.

Recent Article

A recent article was written about the MBF in the East Bay Times. The link below will take you to it.

http://www.eastbaytimes.com/lafayette/ci_30286556/martinez-bocce-claims-largest-league-u-s

NorCal Indoor Bocce

REMINDER

We're getting close to the October 1st deadline for Indoor Bocce Registration. Full details and forms can be found on pages 9-11. They are also attached to the email as downloadable files for those wishing to register.





MBF Calendar & Local Events

If you are interested in using the Club's facilities in 2016, please email the MBF for available dates. From time to time we will list tournaments and events outside of the MBF.

All events held at our club will be highlighted.

Sept 10th Loaves & Fishes

Sept 20th/21st MBF VOLO playoffs

Sept 26th – October 8th MBF OPEN Bocce Playoffs A, B, C & CC, D & E

Oct 15th "Five Families" Contra Costa County Championships Pittsburg Ginny Nelson



Observe the "NO SMOKING" rule

Every week there are complaints about people disregarding the NO SMOKING "LAW" which is in force in all areas of the "Park" and that includes the bocce courts.

If you see and are inconvenienced by someone smoking, politely ask them to stop and obey the laws of the "Park". If they persist the only people who can make them obey the law are the Police. If you call the Police, when they arrive, they will cite all persons that they see who are disobeying the laws of the park.

Please be courteous to your fellow MBF Members and refrain from smoking at the bocce courts.

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Information Regarding The Playoffs

I have had several inquiries regarding the playoffs and its structure. If you refer to the Handbook or go to the website under "2016 Team Schedules" all details can be found there. The link below will take you to the relevant section.

http://www.martinezboccefederation.org/sched/2016SCHED_PLAYOFFS.pdf

You will see that it kicks off on Monday 26th September and for 3 days we will be holding the Elimination Rounds, eventually getting us to the Final 16 team playoffs which start on Thursday 29th September.

For the first 3 days, from Monday 9/26 to Wednesday 9/28, Capos will be notified by phone and maybe email, as to their participation in the event. If you are successful with your team in this section of the playoffs, make note of when the next round will happen as it will be up to you to follow the progress from Thursday 9/29 onwards.

If you and your team sucesfully reach the "Final Four" the Playoff will occur on Saturday 8th October and will consist of semi-final and final matches. The morning session to commence at 9.30am and the afternoon sessions to decide 1st & 2nd and 3rd & 4th to commence at 12.30pm.

There will be light refreshments, sodas & water. It will be a long day so make provision for lunch inbetween the morning and afternoon sessions.

Volo Playoffs

The Volo Playoffs will commence on Tuesday 20th September with the Top 4 in the season league standings going 1 vs 4 and 2 vs 3. The winners of those matches will then play out the "Final" on Wednesday 21st September for Champions and runner up. First ball to be rolled at 6.30pm on both dates.

I hope this covers your inquiries but for further questions my email is below.

info@martinezboccefederation.com



Events Across the Tracks September 2016



Harbor Master Events

Yacht Club

Martinez Waterfront Amphitheater

September 17 Walk for Recovery

East Bay Regional Park

September 17 Costal Clean up

Waterfront Park

September 24 Rotary Century Ride Event

Bocce

Sept. 10 Tournament Sept 17 Tournament

Waterfront Ball Fields-Tournaments

September 10-11 Tournament September 17-18 Tournament September 24-25 tournament

Horse Arena

September 10 Horse Show

Recreation

September 9 at the Marina Twilight Fishing Derby
September 15 Martinez Waterfront Amphitheater Mutt Strutt

Events Downtown with St. Closures

September 10 Car Show main St. & Side sts Closed September 24 &25 Blues Festival main St Closed



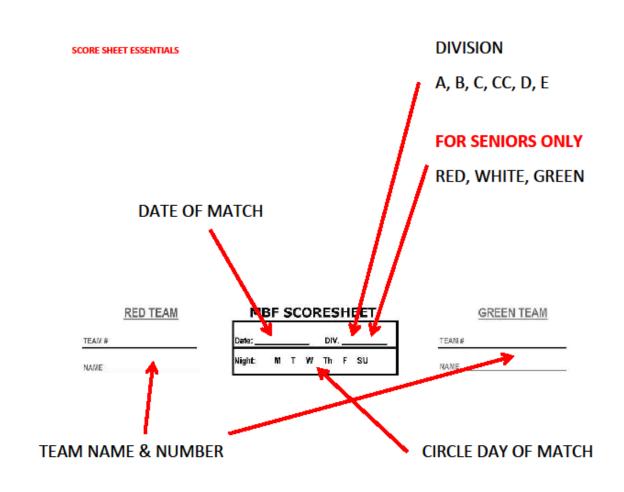
September 7th

September 18th

Completion of the Score-sheet

Please take the time to fill out the score-sheet correctly. It is putting added pressure on the scorekeeping staff when they have to investigate which teams are playing in what leagues. You can all see the number of teams in our leagues and it is no mean feat to get this updated ready for posting on Sunday so please play your part in assisting us to accomplish this.

SENIOR players your divisions are either RED, WHITE or GREEN.
DO NOT PUT "SENIORS" in the DIVISION BOX.





Concord Cup Tournament Results August 20th

The 3rd Annual Concord Bocce Cup ended with an exciting 12-11 victory, by "Bocce Amigos", starring Capo Kathy Brocca, Don Brocca, Alfredo Herrera & Vic Delpine, over 2nd place finisher "Off The Wall" which starred Roger Gregoire, Tia Gregoire, Eddie Nichols & Vince Aiello, to win the \$1000 1st prize.

The competition started with each team capo drawing a color which would put their team in one of 6 groups of four. So began the Round Robin, with 16 teams advancing to the Single Elimination Playoff Rounds.



Some of the organizers and helpers of the Concord Cup Tournament.

Marcia Wessels, Ron Wessels, Dee Ginochio, Greg Chan and LaDawn Gregory.

The last six teams standing played for 1st and 2nd, 3rd and 4th, and 5th and 6th.

It was fun, lively and intense!

Those teams received cash payouts ranging from \$100 to \$1000,



All moneys collected, above the tournament expenses, were paid out in cash prizes to the top six teams; \$650 above the advertised payout amounts!



Eric Smith guarding the entrance.

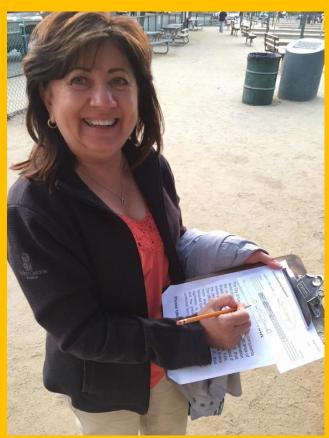
It was a beautiful day and all eight oyster shell courts held up well and the weather reached a very nice temperature of 86 degrees. Several of the participants commented on the conditions of the courts and how well kept they are.

Of course, there was coffee, some breakfast foods and then a great lunch with plenty of food from Sticky Chicken, with ribs, two types of chicken, scalloped potatoes, fruit salad, green salad and rolls, along with an assortment of drinks and goodies. No one complained of being hungry, but many commented on how good the food was!

We want to thank our helpers, Dee, Babe, Annalisa, Marcia, Kris, LaDawn and Lindsey, for helping with the serving, scorekeeping, raffle and cleanup.

Also, we thank the 24 teams that came to play!





Kathy Brocca signing the winning scoresheet



Winners of the \$1000 first prize "Bocce Amigos"
Kathy Brocca, Alfredo Herrera, Vic Delpine & Don Brocca.

This once a year tournament is played at the Concord Newhall Park courts and we are looking forward to a possible 32 team tournament in 2017!



Concord Cup Finalists



2nd Place "Off The Wall"

Standing Roger & Tia Gregorie, seated Eddie Nichols and Vince Aiello.



3rd Place "Team Napoli". Giovanni Napoli, Drew Page, Paulo Pro, Brad Thayer.



4th Place, "Roll'em Pirates", Mario Mejia, Manuel Quesada, Chris Curie, Duane Fleming.



5th Place "On A Roll" Ted Nicholson, Denny Kinsel, George Nicholson, Tony Randazzo.





6th Place "Bocce Amore. Anthony Favalora, Mark Baeta, Terri West, Mike West.



7th Place Tie "Moraga Evil Empire II" Lou Campanelli, Fred Boettler, Dan McDonald, Mike McDonald, Wayne Belgrade.



7th Place Tie, "Pitt Pirates", Terry Santos, Steve Castellano, Sal Tedesco, Jess Quesada.

Let's Roll, Ron Wessels & Greg Chan





I am pleased to announce the registration period for the NorCal Indoor Bocce League 2016/2017. It is proposed that the start date will be on Tuesday, October 25th. We will initially keep the same format as last year, playing Tues, Wed & Thurs evenings and Wed & Thurs mornings for Senior Bocce.

If the demand shows that we need to expand, then we will go to Monday and/or Friday.

With the initial first season problems now behind us we look forward to serving the bocce community in Contra Costa with that much needed "Bocce" activity during the Fall/Winter months. This year we have increased the season to 18 playing weeks as opposed to the 12 weeks of last year. The fees have increased but are only a small rise above the pro rata rates of last year's costs and they still represent exceptional value for money.

You will see a copy of the Registration Form below and also it is attached as a file to the email of the newsletter, if you wish to print it out.

Deadline for applications is October 1st 2016 but please read the roster form which has all details highlighted.

If you have a desire to play outside of the proposed schedule please write to me, let me have your opinions and thoughts and then we can discuss the situation and hopefully come to some arrangement to satisfy as many of you as possible.

NEW TEAMS. All NEW registrations will be treated on a "first come first served" basis.

RETURNING TEAMS. Your slot will remain available for renewal until Friday, September 9th.

If you decide to alter the NAME of your team this season, make note of it on the Roster Registration.

If we have not received your renewal application by that date, your slot may be taken by a "first come first served" application.

Liability Waiver. All players must sign a "Liability Waiver" release prior to participating in NorCal Bocce. It is up to the Capo to have all his/her team members sign this waiver. A copy of the document can be seen below and it is also attached as a file to the email of the newsletter, for downloading if required.

I will endeavor to answer your questions & queries for the upcoming season, so contact me at:-

info@martinezboccefederation.com







Attention Returning Teams: Renewal by September 9th. After that on a "First Come First Served" basis. Send Registration Form, "Waiver Release Form" and check payable to "NorCal Courts" to:-

Bocce Registration, NorCal "Bocce" Courts, 360 Ferry St. Martinez, CA. 94553.

New Teams: Registration Form, "Waiver Release Form" and check are required to be placed on the

waiting list. DEADLINE OCTOBER 1st. Vacant slots allocated on a "First Come First Served" basis.

Team Name:			New Team? Ye	s No	Requesti	ng Night Change? Yes 🗌 No 🗍
	Player Name	Address	City	Zip	Phone	E-Mail
1	Саро					
2	V-Capo					
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Entry Fee (check <u>one</u>):		Open (\$395)		Sen	ior (\$285)	
League Division (check one):		Second choice	Choice of Night (check <u>one</u>): Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sun Second choice (check <u>one</u>): Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sun D			
Important Reminders: All rosters must have complete addresses and telephone numbers for each Capo & Vice Capo. Names of the team members is sufficient but as many email adresses as possible for all team members as this is the primary media for communications.						
As Capo, I hereby swear that each team member will read the RULES and sign the WAIVER RELEASE of the NORCAL BOCCE COURTS, before their first game of play. CAPO'S PLEASE SUBMIT ROSTER FORM, "WAIVER RELEASE FORM" & YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO "NORCAL COURTS".						
Name (Print): Signature			ture:			Date:



Team Name:



BOCCE TEAM LIABILITY

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT")

- In consideration of being permitted in any way in the ___SPORTS __Activities and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical
 condition to participate in such Activity. I further agree and warrant that if at any time I believe conditions as unsafe, I will immediately
 discontinue further participation in the Activity.
- Fully understand that: (a) <u>SPORTS</u> Activities involve risks and dangers of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis, and death ("Risks"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions or inaction's, the actions or inaction's of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place, or the negligence of the "Releasees" named below; (c) there may be other risk and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and that I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation or that of the minor in the Activity.
- 3. Hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue NorCal Courts, LLC nor the City of Martinez, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, members, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owner and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "Releasees" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "Releasees" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations and I further agree that if, despite this release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may incur as the result of such claim.

I have read this agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

Participant Name	Phone Number	EMAIL



SMOKING IS PROHIBITED





As our league continues to grow each year so do the problems associated with this growth.

Everyone needs to remember that this is a family sport and must be treated as such.

Smoking is prohibited per Martinez City Ordinance and it is incorporated in the Rules of the Martinez Bocce Federation.

The link below will take you to the website and the Rules section.

http://www.martinezboccefederation.org/docs/BocceRules2014.pdf



MARTINEZ BOCCE FEDERATION RED SENIOR PLAYOFF SCHEDULE 2016

4TH VS 5TH PLACE PLAYOFF 8/31 WEDNESDAY

FINALS 9/1 THURSDAY

9:30 AM

9:30 AM 12:30 PM



GAME 4

SHORTS NO GOOD



BLUE BALLS

SHORTS NO GOOD

RD PLACE

4th PLACE

MARTINEZ BOCCE FEDERATION WHITE SENIOR PLAYOFF SCHEDULE 2016

4TH VS 5TH PLACE
PLAYOFF

8/31 WEDNESDAY

FINALS 9/1 THURSDAY

9:30 AM

9:30 AM 12:30 PM



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GAME 4

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4th PLACE

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MARTINEZ BOCCE FEDERATION GREEN SENIOR PLAYOFF SCHEDULE 2016

4TH VS 5TH PLACE
PLAYOFF
8/31 WEDNESDAY

<u>FINALS</u>

8/31 WEDNESDAY 9/1 THURSDAY

9:30 AM

9:30 AM

12:30 PM



GAME 4

BALLS O' FYRE



BALLS O' FYRE

BOCCE BENE

RD PLACE

4th PLACE

Hagin's Automotive



Andy, Cathy and all the staff at Hagin's Automotive invite you to bring your car into their Alhambra Avenue location for a "FREE" complimentary 21 point inspection. Simply mention the "Martinez Bocce Federation".

Visit them on the web at http://www.haginsauto.com





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Complimentary 21 Inspection Details Upon Request

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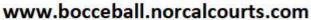
September 7th

September 18th



Indoor Bocce Season commencing October 25th 2016

To reserve your team's place download the Registration Form and "Liability Waiver" at:-





Mail "Registration form, "Waiver Release Form" & Check" or "deliver by hand" to:-

Bocce Registration, NorCal Bocce Courts, 360 Ferry St.
Martinez, CA 94553

Questions email:- info@martinezboccefederation.com







Click on link to go to website:http://www.lesschwab.com





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CERT Basic Training - 20 Hour Course

CERT Basic Training - Saturday Morning Series - Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8 8 AM - 1 PM at Martinez City Council Chambers, 525 Henrietta Street

CERT Basic Training – Tuesday Evening Series – Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18 6 PM – 9:30PM at IBEW Hall 1875 Arnold Dr.

CERT Basic Training - Skills Exercise - Saturday November 5th from 7 AM - 2 PM

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Martinez Bocce Federation Goodies Official Club Shirts

In addition to the official MBF caps being offered we are now making official MBF shirts available with the Club logo above the left breast area. Shirts will be in sizes ranging from S to XXL at a cost of \$25 (PAYMENT WITH ORDER).



Shirts will be made to order. Please write to: vicdelpine@martinezboccefederation.com Colors being offered are Gray, Green & Red.

Official MBF Club Hat Hats \$20







Useful Contacts & Connections

Email Address

Enquiries regarding availability of the courts for private functions Please email Doreen Bagno at <u>a-a-bagno@comcast.net</u>

Non-Emergency Number 925-324-3400

Emergency Number 925-933-1313

MBF Hot Line 925-295-2003

Newsletter link http://www.martinezboccefederation.org/newsletter.html

Please note:- website ends in (.org) <u>www.martinezboccefederation.org</u>
Our email is (.com) <u>info@martinezboccefederation.com</u>





Important Court Etiquettes

1). The Cone Zone.

If a court has a "Cone" placed on it, that court must not be used. It may have been recently groomed, may be reserved for an upcoming event or game or may simply be "soft" and is waiting to dry out. Please respect the "Cone Zone"

Per the agreement with the city, Public play will not be allowed on courts that are designated with orange cones. These courts have been newly groomed for league play or other events. This use is enforceable per the municipal code 8.24.120.



2). Bouncing of Balls on Concrete Court Surround.

In the past, some members have been seen to "Bounce" the bocce ball on the concrete edge of the court to remove grit and oyster shell. This practice must be discontinued as it not only may weaken the integrity of the ball but also will eventually crack the court's concrete walls, which will lead to costly repairs





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MARTINEZ COUNCIL 6039 CHARITY BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT SATURDAY – SEPTEMBER 17th 2016

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DONATE TO MARTINEZ AREA CHARITIES AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS. COME AND PARTICIPATE IN A FUN DAY OF BOCCE COMPLETE WITH A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST PLUS A GENEROUS LUNCH PREPARED BY THE KNIGHTS AND HELP THE KNIGHTS CONTINUE THEIR MISSION OF CHARITIBLE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

HELD AT THE MARTINEZ BOCCE COURTS

FOUR PLAYER TEAMS.....\$30.00 PER PLAYER
REGISTER EARLY
ROUND ROBIN OR DOUBLE ELIMINATION BASED ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES
PRIZES FOR 1ST THROUGH 4TH PLACES

Event Date: Saturday – September 17th 2016

Breakfast and warm up – 8:30

Games Begin – 9:00

EEGISTRATION FORM

TEAM NAME

TEAM CAPO
(CAPTAIN)

PHONE#

PLAYERS

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3

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ALTERNATE

***ONLY FOUR AWARDS PER TEAM

PLEASE SEND ENTRY FEE WITH REGISTRATION – DEADLINE September 13th 2016
Mail to: JIM KELLY – 536 PALM AVE. MARTINEZ, CA 94553 (925) 372-6357
QUESTIONS CALL - DON BROCCA – (925) 858-7330





In the past, the Martinez Bocce Federation has received complaints that Club members are not abiding by the Rules of the Park where the subject of "No Smoking" is concerned.

We here on the "Board of Directors" are not the "Smoking Police" and can only display the relevant "Ordinance" and remind members that smoking is not permitted in the Park and is therefore against the law.

The following extract is taken from the "City of Martinez" website.

http://www.cityofmartinez.org/news/displaynews.asp?NewsID=374&TargetID=1

Council Adopts Second Hand Smoking Ordinance

The Martinez City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1352 C.S. on May 6, 2009 (Chapter 8.05 of the Martinez Municipal Code), to offer additional protections to the non-smoking public by regulating secondhand smoke in and around public places, such as City businesses (including bars and restaurants). The new regulation, which goes into effect on June 6, 2009, does not permit smoking within 20 feet of doors, windows, vents and air ducts of public places.

Additionally, the new law does not allow smoking in City parks, public plazas, farmers' markets, and services areas (such as ATM's, bus shelters, and the Amtrak Station).

Secondhand smoke restrictions in multi-family residences, such as apartment buildings or condominiums with 4 or more units, will go into effect on June 1, 2010. The multi-family provisions limit smoking to inside a residence, or in an outdoor smoking area designated by the landlord. Smoking on balconies, porches, patios, carports, or similar private outdoor spaces of a multi-family residence will not be permitted in order to prevent such smoke from infringing upon another resident.

In the past, the Martinez Bocce Federation has been in contact with the Martinez Police Department on this subject and this is their reply.

"If a complaint is called in to them, they will respond and issue citations to all those they see smoking. They will not issue a citation if that person is not smoking at the time. They will cite all others that are observed."

Alcohol at the Bocce Courts





September 7th

September 18th

TO NOT SMOKE IN HERE

Facebook

Our webmaster, Bryan Mero, has set up a Facebook page for the Martinez Bocce Federation.

To access it search for the Martinez Bocce Federation or go to the link listed below.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/58815219173/







Enjoy the Games







