

# 2021 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Bocce Tournament Fratellanza Racalmutese Italian Club &



# Racalmutese Festa Maria Del Monte

### **BASIC RULES OF BOCCE:**

The object of the game is to roll your bocce balls closer to the "pallino" (jack) ball than your opponent.

#### **PLAYERS:**

- One player per team = four balls per player
- Two players per team = two balls per player
- Four players per team = one ball per player

#### **PLAYING BOCCE:**

The game consists of several frames. A frame starts with tossing the pallino by a team toward the opposite end of the playing court. The game (frame) is complete after the balls have been thrown and points awarded. Balls are tossed or rolled underhand.

Whoever wins the coin toss will begin by tossing the pallino into the playing area. The pallino must be thrown past the center line and not further than the four foot line. If the pallino lands out of the designated area, the opposing team will throw the pallino into the playing area.

Once the pallino is in position, each team throws one of their bocce ball, the team closest to the pallino is awarded temporary point therefore the opposing team throws a bocce ball. Each team throws their balls towards the pallino to get their ball closest to the pallino, to move the pallino closer to their ball or to move the opponent's ball further away. The winning team begins the next frame.

Frames are played alternately from one end of the court to the other.

## **SCORING:**

In each frame, only one team scores. One point is given for each bocce ball that is closer to the pallino than the opposing team's bocce balls. The pallino distance marker can be used to determine which balls are closer.

The game continues until 11 points have been scored or until a pre-determined number of points set by players before the game starts.