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EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE 2011 MLBC SEASON TOUR

SUMMERTIME BOCCE BEGINS NOW

The Monterey Bocce Open And Intermezzo Amici Events Close Out The First Half Of The 2011 MLBC Season Tour

By Santino Pasquinucci
Associated Bocce Writers, U.S.A.

The 2011 MLBC Season Tour ends on Saturday, June 18th with the Intermezzo Amici Bocce Tournament at Custom House Plaza in Monterey. The Monterey Bocce Open and il Bocce Due will be played June 4th at Custom House Plaza also.

A rain-out on May 15th caused the rescheduling of il Bocce Due, so it will be played simultane-

ously with the second Major Championship to be played this season, The Lone Oak Lodge Monterey Bocce Open.

The MLBC is continuing to support the Hamilton Shelter in Seaside with donations that assist

women and children as they begin the rehabilitative process necessary to break the cycle of abuse or homelessness.

So come out and cheer, come out and play, or send a donation. Or better yet, why not do all three!

PUT IT
ON YOUR
SCHEDULE

JUNE:
MONTEREY BOCCE OPEN
Saturday, June 4th
at Custom House Plaza
in Monterey

BOCCE BOMBERS WIN LE GENERAZIONE TITLE

Led by Frank Graziano and Vickie Lucido, the Bocce Bombers, along with Lee Morgan and Gino Giromini clinched the title at the 3rd annual Le Generazione tournament for kids on Saturday, May 7th at Campo Breve in Del Rey Oaks.

Awards of achievement were also presented to Lance Hansen and Raenen Hansen for becoming the first two players in MLBC history to compete in the same event three years in a row.

SOLSTIZIO VINO UP FOR GRABS WITH THREE EVENTS LEFT IN FIRST HALF

The Solstizio Vino is the annual prize awarded to the first half leader in the MLBC Season Tour Points Standings.

Tony Vella, Victor Delpine, and Frank Graziano are all within striking distance of current leader, Vickie Lucido.

The Equinozio Vino will be awarded in December to the player with the most second half points.

THE HAMILTON SHELTER PLAYER OF THE MONTH FRANK GRAZIANO



Frank Graziano shoots while Joann Parent and Mary Lou Shapiro look on.

By Enzo L. Fornaio
Rollers Press International

The MLBC Players Association has named Frank Graziano as their June 2011 Player of the Month. Frank has won three times on the Tour this year, including the coveted MLBCPA Championship.

We're proud to have Frank as a member of the MLBC Players Association and the Monterey Lodge Sons of Italy.

Congratulations Frank, we'll look forward to seeing you on the courts for The Lone Oak Lodge Monterey Bocce Open.



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PLAYER ROUND-UP

CURRENT RESULTS FOR THE 2011 MLBC SEASON



2011 MLBC TOUR POINTS

RANK	PLAYER NAME	1st HALF
1	Vickie Lucido	4775
2	Frank Graziano	4450
3	Victor Delpine	3950
4	Tony Vella	3925
5	Gary Carlson	3650
6	Fred Taft	3650
7	Barbara Vella	3650
8	Richard Quaglia	3600
9	Joann Parent	3475
10	Rose Ventimiglia	3450
11	Jennie Rouch	3200
12	Don Schmidt	3100
13	Bev Hodge	2950
14	Barbara Henares	2575
15	Francuzzo Lucido	2500
16	Patricia Quaglia	2325
17	Mary Lou Shapiro	2250
18	Bob Enea	2100
19	Michael Lucido	1850
20	Capp Wormley	1600
21	Nick Henares	1450
22	Isaac Benavidez	1300
23	Josie Villalpando	1150
24	John Villalpando	1150
25	Paul Burdick	1050
26	Diane Kennedy	1050
27	Cesca Giamona	1000
28	Ellinor Roeck	1000
29	Mike Kennedy	950
30	Carolyn Wormley	925
31	Jeanette Mazzarino	800
32	Lee Morgan	700
33	Gino Giromini	700
34	Lori Chung	700
35	Tony San Filippo	600
36	Freddie Trabano	600
37	Adriana Martinez	600
38	Gine Giromini	550
39	Frank Lucido III	550
40	Pam Hansen	550

2011 MLBC TOUR TITLES

PLAYER NAME	TITLES	MAJORS
Francuzzo Lucido	5	1
Richard Quaglia	3	1
Gary Carlson	3	
Rose Ventimiglia	3	
Frank Graziano	3	
Tony Vella	3	
Vickie Lucido	3	
Don Schmidt	3	1
Capp Wormley	2	1
Victor Delpine	2	
Fred Taft	2	
Joann Parent	2	
Isaac Benavidez	2	
Lee Morgan	1	
Gino Giromini	1	
Jennie Rouch	1	
Josie Villalpando	1	
Michael Lucido	1	1
Bev Hodge	1	
Barbara Vella	1	
Mary Lou Shapiro	1	
Jeanette Mazzarino	1	
Patricia Quaglia	1	
Anthony Hartfelt	1	

THE HAMILTON SHELTER 2011 PLAYER OF THE MONTH

January · Barbara Henares
 February · John Villalpando
 March · Joann Parent
 April · Adriana Martinez
 May · Don Schmidt
 June · Frank Graziano

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at the little red house



TEAM ROUND-UP



CURRENT RESULTS FOR THE 2011 MLBC SEASON

TEAM TITLES

The Exhibition Amici
WINNER: HAMILTON SHELTER
 (Rose Ventimiglia, Marylou Shapiro, Vickie Lucido, Anthony Hartfelt)

The Warm Up Amici
WINNER: MISS TRAWICK'S GARDEN SHOP
 (Don Schmidt, Isaac Benavidez, Jeanette Mazzarino, Jennie Rouch)

The Hamilton Shelter Pre-Season Challenge
WINNER: VENI VIDI VAMOS
 (Gary Carlson, Victor Delpine, Fred Taft, Bev Hodge)

The President's Invitational
WINNER: ESPN 630AM
 (Rose Ventimiglia, Isaac Benavidez, Joann Parent, Tony Vella)

The MLBC Round-Robin
WINNER: BELLA FAMIGLIA
 (Tony Vella, Barbara Vella, Vickie Lucido, Francuzzo Lucido)

The MLBC Eliminator Amici
WINNER: THE LONE OAK LODGE
 (Gary Carlson, Don Schmidt, Josie Villalpando, Francuzzo Lucido)

Miss Trawick's Garden Shop La Tazza di Bocce
WINNER: LA FAMIGLIA
 (Capp Wormley, Don Schmidt, Richard Quaglia, Mike Lucido, Francuzzo Lucido)

MLBCPA Championship
WINNER: LA FAMIGLIA
 (Capp Wormley, Frank Graziano, Richard Quaglia, Francuzzo Lucido)

Le Generazione
WINNER: THE BOCCIE BOMBERS
 (Frank Graziano, Vickie Lucido, Lee Morgan, Gino Giromini)

The Rain-Out Amici
WINNER: THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN
 (Richard Quaglia, Victor Delpine, Gary Carlson, Frank Graziano, Rose Ventimiglia, Patricia Quaglia, Fred Taft)

The MLBC BBQ Bonanza
WINNER: TOASTIES CAFE
 (Joann Parent, Tony Vella, Francuzzo Lucido)

TEAM STANDINGS (MINIMUM 5 GAMES PLAYED)

TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSSES	PCT	GB
La Famiglia	10	2	0.833	--
Veni Vidi Vamos	9	5	0.643	2.0
Nessuni Bravacci	4	3	0.571	3.5
The Country Four	8	7	0.533	3.5
Bella Famiglia	3	3	0.500	4.0
Belle Donne	3	5	0.375	5.0
Team Grappa	1	4	0.200	5.5
CVAC 4	1	6	0.143	6.5

2011 MLBC SEASONTOUR

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**The Lone Oak Lodge
 of Monterey**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Lone Oak Lodge
Monterey Bocce Open (Major Format)
 Saturday, June 4th at Custom House Plaza

The Intermezzo (Amici Series)
 Saturday, June 18th at Custom House Plaza

Joe Cerchi Memorial Tournament (Open Format)
 Saturday, July 23rd at Custom House Plaza

The MLBC Club Championships (Singles Format)
 Sunday, August 14th at Custom House Plaza

United Lodge Bocce Tournament (Open Format)
 Sunday, August 21st at Custom House Plaza

The Showdown (Amici Series)
 Saturday, September 3rd at Custom House Plaza

The Carried Away Boutique
Golden State Games (Major Format)
 Sunday, September 18th at Custom House Plaza

The Twin Brothers
Autunno Classico (Open Format)
 Sunday, October 2nd at Custom House Plaza

The Winners
Take All (Amici Series)
 Saturday, October 22nd at San Carlos Courts

The Hamilton Shelter
The Tournament of Champions (Major Format)
 Sunday, November 6th at Campo di Bocce Los Gatos

The Gold Record Entertainment
Celebration (Open Format)
 Saturday, November 12th at Custom House Plaza

Schedule may be revised at any time to either add, subtract or change events without notice.



MLBC PLAYERS ASSOCIATION



The MLBC Players Association is an organization created for the benefit of bocce players who participate in MLBC sanctioned events. Membership dues are \$15.00 per year. One of the most popular benefits of Players Association membership is the \$5 discount off of entry fees for specified events. In only three events, the player recovers the \$15 membership fee.

Anyone can join the Players Association. And you don't have to be a member of Sons of Italy to join the Lodge. Although it's true that Sons of Italy Lodge members receive their own set of benefits, the holder of a Players Association Card will receive greater benefits than those of an at large player.

Now, if you really want benefits, join both the MLBC Players Association and the Sons of Italy. That combination gets the player even more bonuses. See the monthly MLBCPA card holder bonus column for details on how to become a member of these two great organizations.

So if you are interested in joining the MLBC Players Association and/or the Order Sons of Italy, give us a call at 831-224-3628 or send email to mlbc Bocce@yahoo.com.

FROM THE CHAIR OF THE COMMISSIONER'S DESK

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We're almost to the half point of our third season, and we're making progress with each event. The quality of play is getting better with each tournament, and we're still welcoming in new players and helping them learn the game.

Our four-tiered level of play seems to have struck a chord with a large number of players. Some like the easy-going Amici Series, others really look forward to the Major Events. While still others enjoy the middle of the road Open and Pre-Season events.

Although you can't please everyone all the time, we strive to please as many players as we can for as long as we can. And we're all having a really good time out there on the courts.

COMMISSIONER'S DESK

You've been asked in the past if anyone out there is interested in playing in a weekly league. And we're getting more and more responses in the affirmative. But we're still in the "information gathering phase" of a very important and exciting project.

We're not announcing anything yet because the details are still being negotiated. But suffice it to say, bocce league play is coming to Monterey, and we want to know if any of you are interested in being involved in the formation of the league? Do you want to contribute to the ideas that will shape the direction of the league?

The answers to these questions, and more, will become apparent very soon.

"In theory there is no difference between theory and practice. In practice there is."
~ Yogi Berra

MLBCPA CARD HOLDER JUNE BONUS

By Paulo Pizzimenti
Staff Writer

Are you a member of the MLBC Players Association? Have you paid your dues yet?

If either answer no, then why not? Are you a member of the Monterey Lodge Sons of Italy?

If the is answer no, then why not?

Are you going to play in The Monterey Bocce Open and/or il Bocce Due on Saturday, June 4th Custom House Plaza in Monterey?

The following will explain why it is to your advantage to join the

MLBCPA and The OSIA Monterey Lodge:

The MLBCPA offers a monthly bonus to current card carrying members. Our next event will be a rare chance to play in two tournaments on the same day. And if you are a member of both the Sons of Italy and

the MLBCPA, your entry fee will be only \$30 for both. If not, then your entry fee will be \$45.

The only catch is that you have to ask for it after reading this article. How will we know you read the article? We won't really but all you have to do is ask us.



Kids Will Be Kids

Backstage Bocce

By Betty La Bocca

What can I say about these four cutie-pies? This was a wonderful event for a good cause.

Even I, Betty La Bocca can say nothing but nice things about these kids.

But it will be the last time I give anyone a free pass (at least until next year's event.)

So until we meet again, Betty La Bocca will be watching.



Gino Giromini, Lee Morgan, Lance Hansen and Raenen Hansen display their well deserved bocce trophies after the Le Generazione tournament on Saturday, May 7th at Campo Breve in Del Rey Oaks



The views expressed in Ms. La Bocca's column are provided for entertainment purposes only, and do not necessarily reflect those of OSIA, The Monterey Lodge #2003, and/or The MLBCPA.

TOASTIES CAFE WINS THE BARBEQUE BONANZA

In the first-ever Triples Championship in the MLBC's short history, Toasties Café (Tony Vella Joann Parent, and Francuzzo Lucido) defeated the Runaways (Mary Lou Shapiro, Barbara Vella, and Vickie Lucido) in the best two out of three championship match.

As is the custom at the Barbeque Bonanza, the menu included, but was not limited to sausages, hots dogs, chicken, macaroni salad, pork and beans, garlic bread and more.

The victory by Toasties Café was the first this year for the trio who never before played on the same team.

There is another triples competition scheduled in September as part of the Golden State Games, the third Major Championship of the year.

This was a special day for all.



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LUCIDO PENALIZED TOUR POINTS AGAIN

It happened last year, and now it's happened again.

Due to the communications (or lack thereof) regarding the rained-out il Bocce Due Doubles Championship on May 15th and the subsequent Barbeque Bonanza, Francuzzo Lucido has been penalized Tour Points for "failure to notify" the interested parties.

He will not forfeit any titles won in the first half, but he will lose the points awarded to him in those events.

RULE OF THE MONTH

In Major events (or events where Major rules apply), substitutions with rosters may be made only once during a game. Substitutions must be made at the end of the frame.

THE AMICI SERIES STATS AND CONGRATS



THE 2011 MLBC AMICI SERIES
continues with

THE INTERMEZZO

on

Saturday, June 18

at the Custom House Plaza

Check-In at 10:00 AM

Play Starts at 10:30 AM

\$20 per Player Entry Fee

Your Amici Index
will establish your place on a
team that could win first prize

SIGN UP TODAY!

PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT BENEFIT
THE HAMILTON SHELTER

This is the final event of the first half
of the 2011 MLBC Season Tour
The leader in Tour Points wins the
Solstizio Vino!

THE RAIN-OUT AMICI

When il Bocce Due was rained out at Custom House Plaza on May 15th, Anna and Frank Graziano opened up their home and bocce court to the brave folks who would not let the weather stop them from enjoying a day of bocce.

After many games were played with a variety of combinations of players, the winners were determined using a convoluted formula that nobody really understands.

Nonetheless, The Magnificent Seven (representing Hamilton Shelter), came out on top with a flurry of well-played shots near

the end of play for the afternoon. Richard Quaglia, Victor Delpine, Gary Carlson, Frank Graziano, Rose Ventimiglia, Patricia Quaglia, and Fred Taft won the tournament and will be awarded corresponding tour points.

Tony Vella and Francuzzo Lucido finished in last place and were awarded a box of Kleenex to dry their tears.

The rained-out il Bocce Due has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 4th at Custom House Plaza in Monterey.

There is no way of telling whether or not that event will be as entertaining as this one.



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1	Hamilton Shelter	1625
2	La Piazza di Bocce	1425
3	ESPN 630AM	1400
4	Miss Trawick's Garden Shop	1400
5	Lone Oak Lodge	1375
6	TigerWolf	1300
7	Carried Away Boutique	1125
8	The Twin Brothers	1050

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based on career statistics

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RANK	PLAYER NAME	2011 TITLES	2011 MAJORS	CAREER TOUR POINTS	CAREER EVENTS	CAREER AVG.	CAREER TITLES	CAREER MAJORS	CAREER INDEX
1	Richard Quaglia	3	1	9350	23	407	8	3	17.77
2	Francuzzo Lucido	5	1	9500	37	257	18	2	17.56
3	Capp Wormley	2	1	5925	13	456	8	2	16.24
4	Lee Morgan	1		700	1	700	1	0	16.22
5	Gino Giromini	1		700	1	700	1	0	16.22
6	Victor Delpine	2		7150	15	477	5	1	14.17
7	Gary Carlson	3		3650	6	608	3	0	14.12
8	Rose Ventimiglia	3		9250	25	370	8	1	13.83
9	Frank Graziano	3		10200	26	392	6	1	13.82
10	Fred Taft	2		4650	8	581	3	0	13.63
11	Jennie Rouch	1		9900	30	330	6	1	13.25
12	Josie Villalpando	1		1150	2	575	1	0	12.82
13	Tony Vella	3		8925	31	288	7	1	12.63
14	Vickie Lucido	3		9275	34	273	6	1	12.44
15	Michael Lucido	1	1	5450	15	363	6	1	12.24
16	Joann Parent	2		8250	29	284	5	1	11.83
17	Cesca Giamona			6525	22	297	6	1	11.74
18	Bob Enea			7550	24	315	3	1	11.55
19	Bev Hodge	1		3950	8	494	2	0	11.50
20	Barbara Vella	1		7675	26	295	4	1	11.46
21	Bruce Commiskey			1000	2	500	1	0	11.42
22	Giovanni Napoli			450	1	450	1	0	11.27
23	Gine Giromini			550	1	550	0	0	11.10
24	Don Schmidt	3	1	4100	11	373	3	1	11.09
25	Mary Lou Shapiro	1		5675	19	299	5	1	10.97
26	John Villalpando			3050	8	381	2	1	10.85
27	Aaron Meyer			400	1	400	1	0	10.27
28	Frank Lucido Sr.			375	1	375	1	0	9.76
29	Mary Beth Long			3025	11	275	3	1	9.41
30	Jeanette Mazzarino	1		800	2	400	1	0	9.32
31	Jim Collins			450	1	450	0	0	9.14
32	Angelique Giromini			450	1	450	0	0	9.10
33	Christine Olson			3650	14	261	2	1	9.07
34	Lori Chung			3825	17	225	3	1	8.86
35	Patricia Quaglia	1		4275	13	329	2	0	8.61
36	Mike Kennedy			3825	16	239	1	1	8.51
37	Ellinor Roeck			3450	17	203	3	1	8.40
38	Steve Olson			3150	11	286	4	0	8.36
39	Anthony Hartfelt	1		700	2	350	1	0	8.34
40	Shelley Ferrante			2700	12	225	2	1	8.17
41	Dee Dee Smallwood			400	1	400	0	0	8.10
42	Isaac Benavidez	2		3100	10	310	2	0	8.02
43	Barbara Henares			5750	22	261	1	0	8.00
44	Frank Lucido III			4225	19	222	3	0	7.46
45	Paul Burdick			1725	5	345	0	0	7.45
46	Anthony Fischer			600	2	300	1	0	7.32
47	Brad McCray			600	2	300	1	0	7.32
48	Jake Thomas			600	2	300	1	0	7.32
49	John Bunting			1550	7	221	1	1	7.20
50	Carolyn Wormley			2625	10	263	1	0	6.73

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The MLBC

“It’s not business ... It’s personal”

The MLBC Mission Statement

The Sons of Italy Monterey Lodge Bocce Club's mission is to promote community spirit through Bocce related events and activities, along with providing an environment for people of all ages to congregate, socialize, compete and have fun.

Our goal is to raise awareness of the Lodge's presence in the community through our Lodge members, and encourage youth-inclusive bocce activities.

We will cultivate membership growth through friendly competition and games and supplement fund-raising efforts for Lodge supported charitable projects.



**THE LONE OAK LODGE
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OUR NEXT EVENT

The Monterey Bocce Open

Rebecca Anne Goucher, SGPI of America

The Monterey Bocce Open is the biggest event of the first half of the 2011 MLBC Season Tour. It's a Major Tournament, the second one of its kind this year. The trophies will be spectacular!

All players must have current paid MLBC Players Association membership card (call or email for details). Entry fee is \$30 per player.

Check-in time is 11:00 am, and play starts at Noon at the Custom House Plaza Bocce Courts in Monterey.

Ciao,

Rebecca

Call 831-224-3628 and ask for Rebecca Anne, or send email to: MLBCBocce@yahoo.com

**2011
Monterey
Bocce Open
MLBC
PLAYERS ASSOCIATION**

Our next tournament:

The MLBCPA presents

The Monterey Bocce Open

Saturday, June 4th
at Custom House Plaza in Monterey

For the 2011 MLBC schedule, go to: www.montereyweb.org/soimonterey/mlbc-schedule.htm
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