



Bocce! Bocce! Bocce!

Bella Italia is pleased to bring bocce ball to the Golden Isles of Georgia. With these games we are demonstrating a long-standing Italian tradition. Many of us grew up with fathers, grandfathers, uncles and other male friends spending warm Sunday afternoons playing bocce. Yes, you read right...no females play bocce in Italy. But they certainly do in the United States! After 2 games the women are holding their own.

We could not have asked for more perfect weather. It was warm, sunny, and cool under the trees. Members brought their own refreshments, and there were biscotti compliments of Carol Buckenmeyer.

Sixteen Bella Italia members have committed to playing bocce each Sunday starting May 15 to June 26 (except for Father's Day). The cost is just \$10.00 per team member for the entire spring session. Anyone who is interested in playing bocce, but does not want to commit to regular play can contact Larry Buckenmeyer (larrybuckenmeyer@yahoo.com) to be on the on-call substitute list. Plans are being made to resume the competitive games for a fall session starting October 1.

Any Bella Italia member is invited to watch the Spring games, and play a fun game when a court is available. The games start at 2:00 pm at the beautiful bocce courts at Epworth Park, St Simon's Island.

If May 15th was any indication, we are in for a fun, competitive, fantastic way to spend a Sunday afternoon!



Amy Morris



Elise Morley



Betty Steinhilber



Skip Morina & Mark Gagliano



Hugh & Marie Paladino



Carol Buckenmeyer



Larry Buckenmeyer



Rodney Scaglione & Larry Buckenmeyer



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