

# MBBL

## Memberships and Teams

### Introduction

MBBL is a non-profit corporation managed by a Board of Directors that offers community-wide bocce ball tournament play at its facilities behind the church at 21443 Pine Street in Middletown. Play is conducted among teams over the course of two eight-week Seasons in the Spring and Fall. Four-player teams face each other for three-Game Matches each week and compete in a friendly atmosphere for awards and the admiration of their fellow-competitors. Membership is open to anyone 16 or older, and team annual memberships are available on a discounted basis depending on team size. All bocce equipment is provided by MBBL, and there is free parking adjacent to our courts. Member complaints, comments, and suggestions are routed through their team captains to the MBBL Board.

### Memberships

MBBL offers annual team memberships for 4-8 players per team. We encourage prospective members to form teams of 6-8 players because Games are played by four members from each of two teams, and since there may be schedule conflicts where one or more team members is not be available on a Game night, it's a good idea to have 6-8 members on each team to cover absences.

Individuals may sign-up as stand-by members. MBBL will keep an active list of stand-by members who may play occasionally as a substitute for an existing team or join an existing team at any time during the year. There is no membership fee charged to stand-by members until they become a permanent member of a team, at which time they are charged the same amount as the other members of that team. Stand-by members must sign the MBBL Liability Release form before being added to MBBL's stand-by list.

Team annual memberships are offered as follows: \$40 per team member which covers the entire season (Spring and Fall sessions). Team members may be added at any time during the year for a pro-rata rate.

### Teams

Teams are comprised of 4-8 players with four players from a team competing in each Game. A team name and a team captain ("Capo") are chosen by the team's members. Capos of all teams must attend a kick-off meeting held each year before the start of each Season. In order to qualify for a Season award, teams must be formed before the start of that Season. To qualify for the Annual Championship, teams must be formed before the start of the Spring Season and compete in both the Spring and Fall Seasons.