

# LE NOTIZIE HIGHWOOD BOCCE CLUB MONTHLY UPDATE

February 2022

# **Club Introduces New Branding Logo**

Honoring our past while staying up-to-date with the needs of our members is a core priority for our club, and consistent with those goals, we are proud to announce the launch of our new Club logo. While our previous and classic logos remain an important part of our legacy, our Club has grown and evolved considerably, making it a good time for a refresh. Our new logo reflects a more modern look, while importantly continuing to pay tribute to our heritage.



The "H" at the center leaves no doubt we remain proud of our Highwood home and community. This is wrapped by our name and date of establishment. The red and green colors honor our Italian roots and our mission to share our Italian heritage and culture. If you look close enough, you can re-imagine the long bars of the H as two long bocce courts waiting for players to arrive!

Thanks to member Joe Teslik for donating his time and talent to bring the design to life, and the collaboration of Miles Russell to create this logo, along with the support and input from Maurizio Perrelli. We look forward to rolling out some great new apparel very soon.

### **Member Events**

#### **Tournament Time!**

The Club will host its first tournament (members only) since the pandemic interruption, *Sunday, March 13,* **2022, at 9:00 a.m.** The 20 team spots



have been filled, but spectators are welcome. Lunch will be available for spectators at a cost of \$15 per person.

Cash prizes will be awarded for 1-3 place finishers and a light breakfast and pasta lunch are included in the \$45 entry fee (per person).



# **Upcoming Events:** Pasta Extravaganza

Join us on Friday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m. for an authentic pasta extravaganza. Members and guests are welcome, \$25 per person. Contact Bruce Bertucci 847-910-9011 | buzzybaby246@ msn.com or Mary Ann Pedersen 847-721-5494 | mpede99@ gmail.com or sign up at the Club.

# Special Membership Meeting

Sunday, March 6, 2022 2:00 p.m.

A primary agenda item for the Special Membership Meeting will be voting on replacing the windows in the court area. Please plan to join us, learn more, and vote on this important capital improvement.



# **Club News and Announcements**

#### **Bocce Bargains!**

Stop in the card room and pick up



some HBC apparel at bargain prices! From shopping bags to fleece sweatshirts, there's something for everyone (especially if you are a size small or medium!).

#### La Piccola Biblioteca

The Highwood Bocce Club has assembled a collection of Italian language books to lend to members. The collection is on the shelf in the bocce court area and works on the honor system. Please borrow what you would like to read and return books when you are done.



# **League Updates**

#### **Kid's League Time Change**

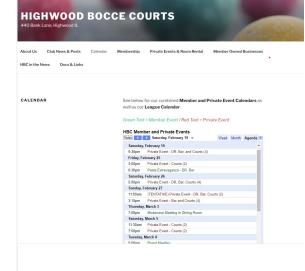
The Kid's league has changed times and will run from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Sundays through March 20th. Contact Brandon Mixter with questions <a href="mailto:brandonmixter@att.net">brandonmixter@att.net</a>.

#### **Instructional Session in March**

Tuesday evenings from March 8 through March 29 the club will offer instructional sessions given by members who have competed nationally providing expert instruction and guidance. Stay tuned for more information.



Winter league play is underway with men's leagues Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday's and Tuesday night's mixed league.



#### Online

Want to know what's going on at the Club? Wondering if the courts are booked on Saturday night?

A comprehensive member and private event calendar is now available on the website. Find information about member events and private event reservations.

Click here to access the Highwood Bocce Club Calendar page.



#### **Mask Policy**

The Club has followed public health guidance to keep members safe and healthy during the pandemic, and has been operating under the State of Illinois mask mandate for indoor spaces. The mandate is scheduled to lift on February 28, 2022. Masks at the Club will be optional after this date. Members are welcome to wear masks if they choose to do so and we ask that all be respectful of individual masking decisions.



#### **Bulletin Board in Card Room**

The bulletin board in the cardroom has been re-purposed to help members stay informed about club operations and help support businesses owned by HBC members. The board is updated



#### **Facility Improvement Priorities**

The Board recently went through an exercise where they ranked and prioritized facility improvement and capital investments for the Club. The list was reviewed, finalized, and has been posted on the bulletin board or review a copy here. Prioritizing helps the Club with long term budgeting and planning.



#### **Operating Hours**

All members have access to the Club via their key fob from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., 7 days a week.

The bar is open and welcoming members from 6:30 p.m. to closing

regularly with membership, financial, memorial, and business information.

(usually between 10-12 p.m.) Monday - Friday and from 12-6 p.m. on Sundays.

#### **Private Events**

The Club is a great place to host a party with excellent food, reasonable rates, and attentive service. The Banquet Room has recently been repainted and is ready to welcome your group. Donna Pieracci is the primary point of contact for booking parties. She and her staff handle all aspects of party planning, menu selection, set-up, etc.



Click here for our rental flyer.
Contact Donna at 847-946-7838 or dmpieracci16@ gmail.com.

# **HBC Member-Owned Business Spotlight**

A core priority for the Club is to support Member-Owned/operated businesses. Each issue of Le Notizie will highlight a business owned/operated by a club member.



# Menoni & Mocogni, Inc.

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# Dan "Flint" Miotti Owner Menoni & Mocogni

Our first member spotlight is Highland Park's oldest business – Menoni & Mocogni, owned by HBC member Dan "Flint" Miotti and before that by his father Mike Miotti.

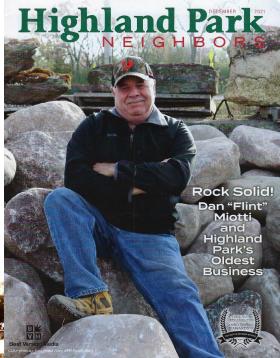
For over 100 years Menoni & Mocogni has provided landscape contractors, landscape architects, and do-it-yourselfers in the Chicago area with the highest quality natural stone, bluestone, sod, soils, mulch, masonry,

concrete supplies, and much more.

Their first job in 1908 was providing sand to Old Elm Country Club in Highland Park, and they've been the foundation for area buildings and projects ever since.

Be sure and make Menoni & Mocogni your first stop for your next project. Check them out and tell them the Highwood Bocce Club sent you!







Above: Dan "Flint" Miotti was recently featured in the cover story of the Highland Park Neighbors magazine.

Below: The Crew at Menoni & Mocogni.

Left: Around 1930, Menoni & Mocogni supplied the stone for Ravinia's Jens Jensen Park.

## **New Members Welcomed**

The Club recently welcomed the following new members:

Cynthia White-Frost

Debra and Kevin McCann

Kurtis Pozsgay

Tim Tolari

Kaitlyn Peddle

Hannah Peddle

Erich Loacker Jerry Piacenza Daniel Lynch

# **In Memoriam**

The Club honors the memories of our members and their loved ones. The bulletin board in the card room has space to place memorial cards, and news of a loss can be shared with <u>Peter Pieracci</u> who will share the information with our members.

## **Officers**

President
Tom Holleman
Vice President
Peter Pieracci
Treasurer
Heidi Peddle
Recording Secretary
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#### **Trustees**

Frank Bacci
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