

JABBERWOCK INN

RULES OF BOCCE

Court is typically 60 feet long by 12 feet wide; our court size was changed to accommodate the playing space available.

Players:

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

Playing Bocce:

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

Balls are rolled underhand.

The game consists of several frames. Whoever wins the coin toss will begin by tossing the pallino into the playing area thereby starting the game

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, the same team throws their bocce ball.

Taking alternate turns, each team throws their balls toward the pallino to (A) get their ball closest to the pallino, (B) to move the pallino closer to their ball, or (C) move the opponent's ball further from the pallino

The game (frame) is complete after all the balls have been thrown and points awarded.

The winning team begins the next frame.

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

The balls may be played off of the side rails. Any Bocce balls that goes into the back gutter or hits the back wall is no longer in play and should be removed from the field of play.

If the pallino (jack) falls into the gutter, remove it placing it as near the point of entry as possible. Play continues.

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 12 points have been scored or to a pre-determined points set by the players before the game starts.

Note: Safety should be observed when playing bocce. It is recommended that players stay outside of the playing area when balls are being tossed.

Have Fun ... O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!

