

ISLAND ESTATES YACHT CLUB



November 1, 2021

Commodore's Comments

It's been a while since the last Scuttlebutt. I hope everyone is doing well. Hopefully, we can put COVID in the rearview mirror in 2022 and pick up where we left off in early 2019.

If you recall, we had a nice list of different events and were looking forward to a fantastic year. Well, we all know what happened to that – COVID. Then because of the uncertainties resulting from the pandemic, we got away from how we traditionally scheduled, planned and hosted events – members volunteered to host and/or help out for the coming year's events at the New Year's Brunch. Instead, the Butterflies took care of the planning and hosting of all the events. I must say that they did a great job. They were grateful for the members who volunteered to help out.

For 2022, we are looking forward to having members take more of an active role in the events. The first step in this is to come up with a list of events for hosts/hostesses and volunteers to pick from. We took care of that at the planning session we had at the Dunedin Golf Club on October 19. The next step is to finalize the list and have it available for sign-ups on New Year's Day, with a follow-up afterwards. Please consider how you can contribute to successful events. I know from my own experience that working together with other members on an event is not only fun, but helps to build on the camaraderie the club is known for.

There are three more events for 2021 – the Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner, the Change of Watch, and the New Year's Brunch. (I know...New Year's Day is in 2022, but technically it has always been included in the previous year's calendar of events.) The Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner will be held on November 7th at Dunedin Golf Club. I encourage everyone to try to make it to this event. The agenda includes the "State of the Club" reports from the Commodore, Treasurer and

Membership Chair; the presentation of awards; the election of officers and Board members; and finally, the dinner and entertainment. Chuck Croasmun, general manager of the golf club, worked with the Butterflies to put together an excellent menu.

The yearly forma, the Change of Watch will be held on Sunday, December 5th at Belleair Country Club. The COW is a fun event that always includes excellent food and service, and most importantly, great fellowship.

We finish 2021 with the New Year's Brunch at Belleair Country Club. It's a great way to kick off the new year. The Country Club never disappoints. It's also your chance to keep our club a fun one by signing up to either host an event or participate in one or more as a helper.

That's all for now. I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving. See you on November 7th.

Commodore, Gene Traupman

A Message from Our Vice Commodore

Because it has been such a hit-or-miss two years with event cancellations, etc. at the August meeting, at the request of the nominating committee, the Board voted to make an exception to the two-year term limit for our Commodore and asked Gene Traupman to serve for another year. Once Gene accepted, the nominating committee presented the rest of the nominees and they were approved by the board.

The list of officers and directors that we will vote on at the Annual Meeting on November 7th is as follows:

Commodore – Gene Traupman
Vice-Commodore – Jim Ostrosky
Treasurer – Patricia Ostrosky
Secretary – Mary Reinhardt
Board Member – Angie Traupman
Board Member – Scott Lefevbre

Board Member – Bunni Lefevbre
Past Commodore – Scott Moncrieff
Social Directors – Angie Traupman, Sue
Moncrieff, Mary Reinhardt and Bunni
Lefevbre

We look forward to seeing everyone at the remaining
2021 Events.

Sincerely,
Jim Ostrosky, Vice-Commodore

October Event—Blind Auction

The Blind Auction is a favorite with the membership of IEYC, and 2021 did not disappoint anyone. We had full round tables with lots of conversation and much laughter. Belleair Country Club served us a wonderful dinner with our choice of Salmon or Chicken and all the chef's additions in salads, sauces, vegetable and starch. Pumpkin pie topped off our meal. Thank you, Patricia and Jim Ostrosky for making these arrangements.

We had several guests who were as crazy as the rest of us. One highlight was having Past Commodore Wayne and Sandy Millington with us.

We need to give special thanks to our greeters with our name tags, Mary Reinhardt and Arnie Shal, and our hosts, Sherry and Bob Harmon and Scott and Sue Moncrieff. Scott had us laughing as he called out items people brought with them. Mary even gave us a short harmonica solo! Sherry, Bob, Sue, Angie Traupman and Jan Nagy were open to bribes as they passed out the dollars...actually hundreds!

Then the bidding began with Commodore Gene doing an amazing job as auctioneer. All were great in making sure everyone got to take something home. Many people got fantastic gifts. A Tiffany blue box even contained Waterford. The ultra-large calculator made an

appearance again and a Covid surprise containing toilet paper and plunger kind of had us all happy we didn't choose that one.

It was a great evening...if you missed it this year, we hope we will see you next time.

Submitted by Sue Moncrieff



Birthdays

November

Bob Covino	11/7
Andre Skonieczny	11/12
Eric Jones	11/13
Diana Woodrow	11/17
Elizabeth Vaughan	11/22

December

John Garrity	12/1
Linda Garrity	12/9
Marsha Jones	12/17
Dave Rickard	12/20
Betsy Powers	12/25

The articles or information for the next Scuttlebutt should be sent to Joan Landreth at joanitiredone@aol.com within the first week following the next event. (By November 14th).