

ISLAND ESTATES YACHT CLUB



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Scuttlebutt Editor Note

Please keep Joan in your thoughts. Recently, Joan lost her mother and has been spending time with her family. We look forward to her return to sunny Florida and to her continued support of the IEYC.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Wow, 2023 is here. A new year and a new Commodore. I would like to thank everyone that has helped me thus far and say thank you in advance to everyone that will be helping me through the year.

We had a great New Year's Day Brunch this year. Another epic turnout and I really hope that we can carry that through with all of the events this year. There is a great lineup in front of us and I am so excited to see it happen.

During the New Year's Day Brunch, I spoke about symbols and traditions. I would like to talk a bit about the IEYC Commodore's Bell now. Nautically, a ship's bell has always been an important tool for a ship. Our maritime forces continue this symbolic tradition and each ship's crew maintains their own bell. Our Commodore's bell symbolizes the past of the IEYC and should also stand for our future. As we have more new members that join the IEYC who may not live in Island Estates, and as we continue to move away from our yacht club roots, this symbol will help us to remember those that established the IEYC, those that kept the IEYC moving forward, and those shaping our club of today. For a myriad of reasons, the IEYC Commodore's bell has been out of service for a while, the plaques are a bit weathered and worn, and the Commodore listings haven't been updated since 2005. We need to refresh and update the Commodore's bell, we need to display it with pride, and we need to put it into service once again.

When appropriate, the Commodore's bell will be brought to events and used to ring in and ring out the event. Please take a moment and remember the almost 50 years of Commodores that led the club to where it is today and let's imagine what the bell recognition plaques may look like with 100 years of Commodores named and honored.

I would like to thank Past-Commodore Gene Traupman for everything that he gave to, and did for, the IEYC during his three-year tenure as Commodore. He kept this club going through a very difficult time and took it upon himself to perform the duties of multiple committees at the same time. May your seas be calm and the winds be gentle as you live your past-commodore life!

I look forward to resurrecting traditions of times past and establishing new traditions as we move forward. I am excited to hear what traditions our seasoned club members miss and what new ideas are brought forward. Please send me an email or give me a call and let me know what you think. The year 2023 will be an exciting year for all involved in your Island Estates Yacht Club!

Scott A. Lefebvre
Commodore, IEYC

2023 IEYC Officers and Board

Commodore – Scott A. Lefebvre
Vice Commodore – Jim Ostrosky
Treasurer – Patricia Ostrosky
Secretary – Mary Reinhardt
Director – Bunni Lefebvre
Director – Sue Moncrieff
Director – Scott Moncrieff
Past Commodore – Gene Traupman

IEYC MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Please welcome new members Lois Bolicault and Richard (Dick) Newman. Lois and Dick joined us at our New Year's Day Brunch with application in-hand. Thank you Mary Reinhardt and Arnie Shall for sponsoring Lois and Dick.

Glenda Creasy and Mike and Marilyn Kaufman also joined us for New Year's Day Brunch as guests of Sue and Scott Moncrieff and have submitted their applications for membership. You should be seeing their application soon and we hope to have them as new members at our February 17th Regatta event.

PAST IEYC EVENTS

NOVEMBER 5, 2022

IEYC Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet (Une Soiree en Noir et Blanc: An Evening in Black and White)



Merci beaucoup à tous, thank you very much everyone!!! The IEYC 48th Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner was held on Saturday November 5, 2022, at the Dunedin Golf Club. The theme was Une Soiree en Noir et Blanc: An Evening in Black and White, with an eight course French-themed degustation (tasting) menu. Attendance included 34 members and 2 guests who were encouraged to dress in Black and White.

The club's Social Committee continued the theme with the room setup and décor. Tables of six were set in a herringbone design along the wall of windows overlooking the beautifully manicured golf course. The tables were dressed in black tablecloths with a waterfall of white linen napkins at each place setting and menu cards carefully laid upon the napkins. Silverware was provided to accommodate the entire dining experience. Each table was decorated with two black and white themed centerpieces that were built atop a mirror and were compromised of white pillar candles, black votive candles, and black accessory stones. As the candles were

lit and the lights were dimmed, the scene of the evening was set. A custom music selection was prepared with a special black and white dinner party themed video display including the IEYC logo.

As members arrived adorned in their black and white attire, they were greeted and welcomed into the ambiance of the French-inspired room. The bar was available with a series of signature French-inspired beverages. Course 1, the Hors d'oeuvres course was composed of gougères, filo cups of truffle cheese, an onion tart, and crudités that were on display and ready to enjoy while members se mélanger (mingled) and reconnected.

Course 2, an Amuse Bouche of finely chopped apples, celery, walnuts, and goat cheese crumble stunningly presented in two Endive leaf boats, were served. Commodore Traupman gave the Invocation, and the members began their meals.

Members continued to catch up with one-another and, after everyone completed their Amuse Bouche and the plates were cleared, Course 3 was served: a triad of shrimp with a silky Cognac Beurre Blanc sauce.

Following the fish course, the beef course was served. Course 4 consisted of a Prime Rib Beouf Bourguignon garnished with the traditional pearl onions, mushrooms, and potatoes.

If that wasn't enough, after all plates were cleared, Course 5, the chicken course, was presented. A beautiful slice of Chicken Roulade encompassing asparagus and brie was presented to each member. Beautifully cooked chicken and perfectly tender asparagus was relished as members continued to enjoy each other's company while partaking in this gastronomical event.

As everyone's limit was being reached and the votive candles began to fade out, Courses 6, 7, and 8: the Sweet, Cheese, and Dessert arrived. These courses included slices of Manchego cheese, an individual sized Brie roll, candied nuts, and a candied orange peel enrobed in dark chocolate.

With the meal complete and everyone full, members and guests continued to enjoy the music and their time together. However, all good things must come to an end. To cap off the evening, everyone was invited to take an elegant black and white box of French Macaroons and French Chocolate Truffles with them to enjoy later.

With the IEYC 2022 Annual Meeting complete, awards presented, eight courses consumed, and a box of French

treats in their hands, this event is one for the IEYC history books!

-- Submitted by Scott and Bunni Lefebvre

December 3, 2022
IEYC Change of Watch

The Island Estates Yacht Club held its annual end-of-year gala, the Change of Watch, on Saturday, December 3, 2022, in the Belle Terrace Room at the Belleair Country Club. Thirty members attended, celebrating the installation of club officers and board members.



Vice Commodore Jim Ostrosky served as the emcee for the evening. After acknowledging Past Commodores John Speck, Marcia Coxhead, Vivian Smith, and Scott Moncrieff, he turned the floor over to Commodore Gene Traupman who awarded the IEYC Member of the Year award to Mary Reinhardt, highlighting how she is always generous with her time and talent and how she brings light and life to the IEYC. Commodore Traupman's final duty included providing Scott Lefebvre his Commodore's Flag and Stars and proclaiming him to be the Commodore of the IEYC for 2023.

Commodore Lefebvre accepted his new role and presented his officers (Vice Commodore Jim Ostrosky, Treasurer Patricia Ostrosky, and Secretary Mary Reinhardt), board members (Bunni Lefebvre, Sue Moncrieff, Scott Moncrieff), and Social Committee (Bunni Lefebvre, Sue Moncrieff, Mary Reinhardt and Angie Traupman) to the club. Commodore Lefebvre's acceptance speech themed on traditions, "honoring the old traditions and bringing in some new traditions." Upon thanking Marcia Coxhead for organizing the event, the podium was turned back over to the emcee where a special gift of Laphroaig Scotch, tasting glasses, and monogrammed ice cube molds was presented to outgoing Commodore Traupman for his three years serving as Commodore of the club.

After the ceremony, our tastebuds were treated to a mesclun greens salad with berries, sliced tenderloin, shrimp scampi, potato flan, green beans almondine and topped off with a chocolate torte. The evening

concluded with dancing to music provided by Sam @ Swing Time.

The beautiful tablescapes were done by Sue Moncrieff and Angie Traupman. Mary Reinhardt handled the registrations and provided the name tags and tent cards. Upon exiting the ballroom, each couple claimed a personalized crystal Christmas tree decoration.

-- Submitted by Marcia Coxhead

January 1, 2023
IEYC New Year's Day Brunch



The Island Estates Yacht Club rang in the New Year with the highly popular New Year's Day Brunch at the beautiful Belleair Country Club. Forty-one members and eight guests joined in the festivities. This annual event allows everyone to reconnect after the holidays and to mingle with guests.

The new Commodore, Scott Lefebvre, welcomed everyone, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and discussed his vision for 2023 and beyond. He presented the 2023 officers (Vice Commodore Jim Ostrosky, Treasurer Patricia Ostrosky, and Secretary Mary Reinhardt), board members (Bunni Lefebvre, Sue Moncrieff, Scott Moncrieff), and Social Committee (Bunni Lefebvre, Sue Moncrieff, Mary Reinhardt and Angie Traupman) to the club.

In recognition of their 25 plus year tenure with the club, Commodore Lefebvre recognized Marcia Coxhead, John and Sue Speck, Mary Lou Spoto, and Jim and Patricia Ostrosky with a handwritten note of thanks and by placing commemorative ribbons on the club's burgee. Acknowledgements continued, recognizing each member who brought a guest and members that hosted and assisted with the day's events, presenting each with handwritten thank you notes and placing commemorative ribbons on the club's burgee.

Commodore Lefebvre presented the next three events to the club: Saturday January 21st – IEYC Day at the Races; Friday February 17th– IEYC Regatta; and

Saturday March 18th– A Night of Jazz at the IEYC Speakeasy.

Commodore Lefebvre gave a brief history of the nautical traditions behind ship's bells and announced his intention to return the Commodore's Bell to action in 2023, using it to ring in and ring out events—when appropriate.

After Commodore Lefebvre said the invocation, it was time to enjoy the deliciously prepared food. As usual, Belleair Country Club did an outstanding job with the food, service, and decor.

-- Submitted by Scott and Bunni Lefebvre

January 21, 2023
IEYC Day at the Races



Eighteen members and two guests full of enthusiasm met at the Clubhouse entrance on a cool Saturday. There they received their tickets, program, and name tags so they could proceed to the second-floor clubhouse in an area especially reserved for the Island Estates Yacht Club.

A delicious buffet and a raffle to aid in betting awaited them. At 12:30 the races began! There were nearby betting windows available and stadium seating reserved for our club.

Much cheering for the horses and activity at the betting windows ensued.

After the dust settled, there were some winners and a few losers. It is rumored that one of our members came home \$700+ richer! In all, it was a spectacular day and everyone had a great time.

-- Submitted by Mary Reinhardt and Arnie Shall

EVENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have not already signed up to help with a 2023 event, please contact one of the Social Committee members.

2023 IEYC Social Committee
"The Butterflies"

Lead Butterfly – Bunni Lefebvre
Butterfly – Sue Moncrieff
Butterfly – Mary Reinhardt
Butterfly – Angie Traupman

UPCOMING IEYC EVENTS

Friday, February 17, 2023
IEYC Regatta

The men of the Island Estates Yacht Club are hosting a regatta on Friday February 17, 2023 at Banquet Masters on the corner of Ulmerton road and 49th streets in Clearwater. The doors open at 5:00 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres service to start the festivities.. Attendees will be required to navigate from the front door to the ballroom to attend the event. Navigation buoys will be setup to assist with the navigation.

The welcome begins at 5:50 p.m. and dinner begins at 6:00 p.m., so the Commodore's welcome will be short. A buffet style dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. and features fresh carved roast beef, butter crumb cod, and eggplant parmesan (vegetarian).

Each table will elect a boat Captain and will be assigned a boat. After dinner, each boat Captain will receive a deck of multiple-choice questions that must be answered and returned to the Commodore.

The regatta will take place in the center of the room for all to observe and cheer on their boat. The Commodore will read each question and provide the answers. Randomly, each boat team's answers will be read. The boat teams with the right answer will progress while the boat teams with the wrong answers will stand in irons. The first boat to cross the finish line wins!

IEYC returns to the open seas! Join us for the IEYC 2023 Regatta brought to you by men of the IEYC!

Please contact Scott Lefebvre at 757.544.0332 or scott.lefebvre@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Saturday, March 18, 2023
A Night of Jazz at the IEYC Speakeasy

Break out your 1920's outfits and be ready to enter the IEYC Speakeasy. An evening of live jazz music, cocktails and mocktails, hors d'oeuvres and desserts! A special music release by Walter and Robin will be the highlight of the evening.

Arrive at 6:00 p.m. and, with the secret password, enter the IEYC Speakeasy. The welcome and announcements will start at 6:15 p.m. and starting at 6:30 p.m. the Larry Camp Trio and Walter Kittle will have the music flowing throughout the evening.

Keep an eye out for the registration flyer! The "secret password" to enter the Speakeasy will be included!

PAST ISLAND GIRLS EVENTS

First Annual Cookie Exchange and Luncheon



The Island Girls of the Island Estates Yacht Club held their first, and hopefully annual, cookie and sweet treat exchange on Thursday, December 15, 2023, at the home of Scott and Sue Moncrieff in Palm Harbor. It was so great to see everyone that braved the monsoon of 2022. Baby, it was much more than cold out there!

More than 20 bakers shared their recipes and stories with each other. If you were not able to attend this year, you were missed, and our thoughts were with you too. It was an absolutely lovely afternoon.

Thank you to our hostess and her helpers!

Sue made it all look effortless.

- Hand-made invitations: Sue
- Platters, bags, bows: Sue
- Recipe cards, packaging, bows: Sue
- Cranberry salad, toffee, butter mints, cream puffs (and probably cookies): Sue
- Warm, welcoming home: Sue

Angie made the wonderful kale salad and cookies. Here is her magical recipe.
<https://pinchmegood.com/easy-kale-salad/>

Mary provided the sausage and bacon quiche and cookies. Yum!

Here is a link to the photographs from the event. Click on this link below or copy and paste it into your browser and press Return on your keyboard.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/vabvstfmVNcK1EKA>

Remember, it is never too late to start planning and practicing for next year's exchange. I am sure that there are plenty of folks that would be happy to sample and critique your goodies before our next event.

-- Submitted by the IEYC Island Girls

UPCOMING ISLAND GIRLS EVENTS

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Jan Nagy is hosting the Island Girls Valentine Luncheon at noon on Wednesday, February 8, 2023. This is the perfect time for new and old friends to meet. Join the Island Girls at O'Keefe's Tavern. Please text Jan at 727-687-4477 or leave a message for Jan at 727-444-4477 on or before February 2nd with your acceptance or regret so that she may reserve tables.

March Luncheon

A volunteer is needed to host/organize/make the reservation/plan the outing for the Island Girls March lunch. Please contact Bunni, Mary, Sue, or Angie today if you would like to host the March Island Girls luncheon.

SPECIAL DATES



January

Gary Bookout (16)
Ginger Newman (22)
Dianne Stebbins (31)

February

Walter Kittle (26)

IEYC BOSUN'S LOCKER

The following items are available from the IEYC Bosun's Locker for you to use when hosting your IEYC Event:

- IEYC Burgee – Approximately 10' long

If you have the skills, we need you! The following equipment in the Bosun's Locker needs some personal attention.

- IEYC Burgee – Approximately 10' long. This burgee has experienced a lot over almost 50 years. If Betsy Ross had stitched it, nobody would question it. Do you have a knack for darning socks? You may be able to provide our burgee the love it deserves.
- PA speaker and microphone. Right now there is some electrical tape holding some things together. If you have the skills, we need you to look at this before we let someone use it.

IEYC 2024

When it comes to the IEYC Officers, Board of Directors, and Committees, it is never too early to begin looking, planning, and preparing to seat new leaders.

We need you, the members of IEYC, to be involved in helping keep our club running. Please contact a member of the Board of Directors to get involved.

IEYC SOCIAL MEDIA

The IEYC Website (<https://www.islandstatesyc.org/>) maintains information about past and future events. The Members Only section of the website (<https://www.islandstatesyc.org/members-only>) also contains the IEYC Bylaws and Standing Rules, Membership Forms, the Social Butterfly page, and much more.

Please call or email Scott or Bunni Lefebvre for assistance with navigating or accessing our IEYC Website.

IEYC SCUTTLEBUTT

Please send information and articles that you would like to have included in the next Scuttlebutt to: islandstatesyc@gmail.com



LET'S SAIL!
2023 IEYC Regatta
An Evening of Fun and Sea Stories with the IEYC
Brought to You by Men of the IEYC

Friday February 17, 2023
5:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Event Located in the Medium Ballroom at Banquet Masters

Lat Long: 27.893070, -82.698770 GPS Coordinates: 27° 53' 35.052" N 82° 41' 55.572" W
 Address: 13355 49th St N, Clearwater, FL 33762 (on the corner of Ulmerton Rd and 49th St North)

What is a Regatta?

A regatta is an event or series of events in which boats of the same class or type race against each other. Our regatta will be a Short Course or Buoy Race is where sailboats start simultaneously and sail around a set course (marked by buoys, hence the name buoy racing) for a single circuit.

Hmmm, there is no body of water at that location. How will this regatta happen?

Each of the tables where people are seated will be identified as a sailboat. A captain for that boat will be named. Each table will receive a series of multiple-choice questions that they must answer and return. When the race begins, the question & answers will be read aloud to the entire room, the correct answer will be identified, and then each boat's answers will be identified. Boats answering correctly will be moved forward along the course. The first boat to complete the course wins.

Schedule of Events

Arrival, appetizers, and Social Time: 5:00 – 5:50 p.m.
 Welcome: 5:50 – 6:00 p.m.
 Dinner Buffet Served: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
 Boat Captain Assignments: 7:15 p.m.
 Question turn-in 7:40 p.m.
 Fleet Captain starts the Regatta: 7:50 p.m.
 Regatta Complete: 8:30 p.m.
 End of event: 9:00 p.m.

Menu

- Water, Iced Tea, Hot Tea and Coffee (reg & decaf)
- Salad Bar
- Fresh Carved Roast Beef
- Butter Crumb Baked Cod
- Eggplant Parmesan (vegetarian)
- Fresh Hot Garden Vegetable and Starch
- Desert Table

Get your Sailing Hats out! Dress code is Yacht Club Casual (collared shirts and slacks for men, no denim pants and no shorts)

Join us and sail the seven seas—or at least down the table—for the IEYC's 2023 Regatta!!!!

Register Today!

Any questions please contact Scott Lefebvre via phone at (757) 544-0332 or email scott.lefebvre@gmail.com

Registration deadline: payment must be received by February 10th.

Due to our commitment to the venue, we cannot refund money for reservations canceled after the deadline.

Member Name(s) _____	\$45.00 each
Guest's Name(s) _____	\$55.00 each
Guest's Address _____	
Guest's Email _____	Guest's Phone _____
Members: Please mail a check (made payable to the IEYC) for a total of _____ by February 10 th to:	
Mary Reinhardt	
51 Island Way #1202	
Clearwater, FL 33762	Email: eagleflying737@gmail.com
	Phone: 727-642-1429

Spread the word and bring a guest. The more the merrier! Members are our greatest source of membership!