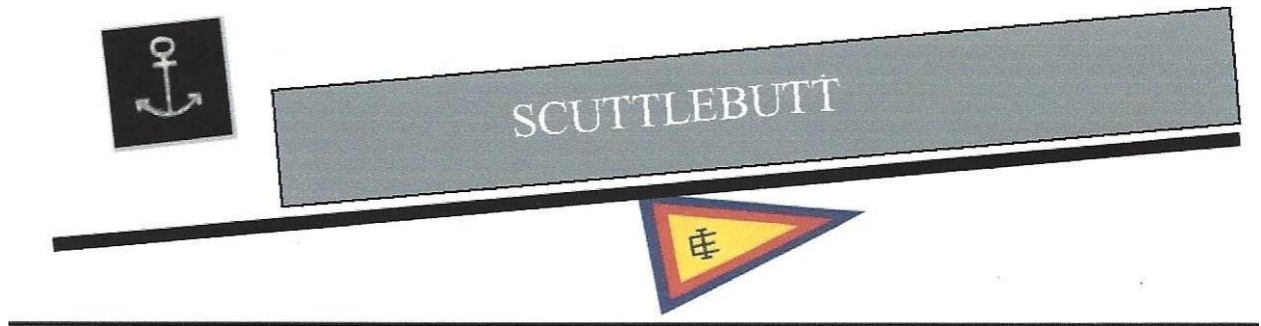


# ISLAND ESTATES YACHT CLUB



February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## Commodore's Comments

Clearwater Yacht Club was the place for the IEYC's Wine & Food Festival this past Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. It was a fun evening with a great turnout. Forty-nine members and guests sampled five wines paired with five different food offerings. Chef John and his staff were terrific serving food and keeping everyone's wine glass full. Many thanks to the hosts, Eileen and Bob Gunther, and their committee of Elaine Horn, Sherry Vincent and Bob Harmon. Mary Reinhardt did her wonderful job of taking care of the flyers and name tags.

Two upcoming events were promoted during the festival – the Day at the Races at Tampa Bay Downs, scheduled for Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, and the annual Blind Auction slated for Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at Belleair Country Club. The Day at the Races is lining up to be a fun day. Lunch, tax, tip, seating together, and parking are all included. If you're planning to go, don't wait to the last minute. Mary Reinhardt needs to assure the Downs by Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> that we will have at least twenty attending. So please, fill out your registration form and send it in as soon as possible. And of course, pray for good weather.

During the festival, as an incentive to sign up early for the Blind Auction, auction hosts Sue and Scott Moncrieff were giving away \$100 in IEYC money plus a small frog figurine that will be redeemable for another \$100 on the night of the auction. Quite the deal! Remember pack your purses, bags, haversacks, etc. with junk to earn IEYC cash. This is always a fun event. We hope to see you there. And don't forget the frog!

We're making good progress on the website: [islandestatesyc.org](http://islandestatesyc.org). Photos and summaries for the first six events of 2019 and both 2020 events are available for viewing. The remainder of 2019's events should be up within the next couple of weeks. The Members Only section now has all the membership forms and our new logo available for download, a Social Butterfly section containing checklists for hosting an event, the club bylaws, a club calendar, and a new Ship's Store. I say "New" because items are ordered on an as-needed basis as opposed to the club maintaining (and storing!) an inventory. Over the next few weeks, we plan to add a club roster, Scuttlebutts, a list of past commodores, an In-Remembrance page, and board meeting minutes. Our goal is for the website to be the place to go for anything IEYC. I'll keep you updated with periodic e-mails. Stay tuned!

Commodore, Gene Traupman

## Prospective New Member

To all IEYC Members,

This letter is to inform you of a proposed new member being sponsored by Patricia & Jim Ostrosky. Her name is **Marie Ross** who hails from New Jersey and has been a winter resident of Belleair for many years. She currently lives at the Seaside Condominiums on the grounds of the Belleair Country Club. Many of you may have met here as she attended the Murder Mystery Dinner last year and New Year's Brunch as a prospective member this year.

She and her husband enjoyed outdoor sports, beach and boating activities. Marie is still an avid croquet player and also excel at Bridge. She is a member of several other social organizations and enjoys participating and helping organize events.

The IEYC Board has approved her for membership however, according to our by-laws, all members must be informed of all member applicants and have 15 days to voice any concerns in writing to any Board Member. If no objections are made, Marie will be admitted and join us at the Tampa Bay Downs Horse Races event.

Sincerely,  
Jim Ostrosky, Vice-Commodore

### **Wine Tasting Party**

Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 49 members and guests arrived at Clearwater Yacht Club for an evening of fun, food and wine. The committee working closely with the CYC managers and chef put together a fantastic menu paired with great wines for everyone to enjoy.

Everyone was welcomed with a glass of J. Roget Champagne served with an assortment of fruit and cheese. After the Commodore welcomed the 18 guests present and the invocation was given, the evening began with a Mark West Chardonnay served with Lobster Caprese and Lobster Salad Crostini. In between courses was held with the prizes being, of course, wine.

The evening moved on with Franciscan Sauvignon Blanc and Bacon Wrapped Scallops with seafood risotto, then on to a Mark West Pinot Noir with grilled chicken and sausage over asiago stuffed gnocchi. As it that wasn't enough, we moved on to Estancia Cabernet with Crispy Fried Beef Tenderloin with stir fry and lo mien noodles.

All that was finished with Chef John's in-house home-baked chocolate chip cookies. A great time was had by all.

Thank you to the committee consisting of Eileen and Bob Gunther, Elaine Horn, Sherry Vincent and Bob Harmon. Special thanks to Mary Reinhardt for doing the flyer and name tags.

The evening was made possible with the help of CYC Manager, Tom Brucini, Food and Beverage Manager, Austin Taylor and Chef John Yingling and the entire CYC staff who kept the food and wine flowing.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Gunther

### **Tampa Bay Downs Horse Races**

On Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be checking out the beautiful horses at Tampa Bay Downs. A wonderful lunch buffet will be served at 11:30 am and the first race will begin at 12:30 pm. The racetrack is located at 11225 Tampa Bay Downs off Race Track Road. We will meet at the Clubhouse Entrance at 11 am to get our tickets.

The cost per person is \$27.00 for members and \$30.00 for guests. This includes the buffet, tax, tip, program and seating together. There is free parking, but valet parking is available. Please send your reservation to Mary Reinhardt, 51 Island Way, # 1202, Clearwater, FL 33767 by February 12<sup>th</sup>. **(And that is very soon, so do it today!)** You can reach Mary for any questions at [eagleflying737@gmail.com](mailto:eagleflying737@gmail.com) or by phone at 727-642-1429.

A copy of the flyer has been emailed to all providing an email address. It will also be attached to this Scuttlebutt. For those who receive their Scuttlebutt by US Mail, yours will be included with the Scuttlebutt.

### **March—Annual Blind Auction**

The Blind Auction will be held on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at the Belleair Country Club. The event will begin at 6:00 PM. There will be a Buffet Dinner and Cash Bar.

If you don't know how this works, fill your purses and pockets with lots of goodies, like paperclips, stamps, coins, etc. You will earn fun bucks if you have the items that are called out. Then the fun will begin! We will auction off gifts. Where do we get these gifts? You bring them! Please bring a wrapped white elephant gift per membership.

The cost for this event is \$25 per member and \$30 for each guest. Send your reservation to Sherry Vincent, 680 Island Way, # 309, Clearwater, FL 33767. Checks must be made out by an IEYC member. Reservation due date is Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is a great event to invite guests.

The flyer for this event is attached for those providing an email address. For those who receive the Scuttlebutt by US Mail, the flyer is included with your Scuttlebutt.

## January Island Girls Luncheon

Nine ladies enjoyed the wonderful food and atmosphere at the Dunedin Golf Club on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Attending were: Jean Sanders, Jan Nagy, Elizabeth Vaughan, Mary Lou Spoto, Dianne Stebbins, Vivian Smith and the Butterflies – Sue Moncrieff, Angie Traupman and Mary Reinhardt. It turned out to be quite eventful.

Dianne Stebbins was presented with a birthday cake and was sung to by the Ladies and Staff. Angie Traupman (always on duty) saw a woman fall and rushed to aid her. The Manager came to personally thank Angie for coming to the rescue. A fulfilling day indeed.

If you would like to volunteer to hostess the lunch in February, please contact Mary Reinhardt or any Butterfly. Thanks.

Mary Reinhardt, Hostess

## 2020 IEYC Events

**Mark your calendar with these important dates—  
please take note!**

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>**— Tampa Bay Downs Horse Races  
hosted by Arnie Shal & Mary Reinhardt. Get your reservation in today!

**March 6<sup>th</sup>**— Blind Auction, Belleair Country Club,  
hosted by Scott & Sue Moncrieff, Sherry Vincent  
& Bob Harmon

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**—Island Way Grill Brunch hosted by Bob  
& Joan Landreth

**May**—Wine & Cheese Party hosted by Scott &  
Jean Sanders, Tom & Vivian Smith

**June**—Kobe Japanese Steakhouse hosted by  
Angie Traupman, Sue Moncrieff & Mary  
Reinhardt

**July**—The Escape Room hosted by Gene & Angie

Traupman

**August**—Game Night and Cheeseburgers from  
Paradise hosted by Arnie Shal

**September**—Progressive Dinner hosted by Bob &  
Lucille Covino

**October**—StarLite Dinner Cruise hosted by  
Elizabeth Vaughan (our newest member)

**November**—Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner  
hosted by Angie Traupman, Sue Moncrieff & Mary  
Reinhardt

**December**—Change of Watch hosted by Marcia  
Coxhead

**January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021**—New Year's Brunch



## Birthdays

Shirley Iarrobino	3/7
Marie Ross	3/11
Tom Smith	3/11
Sue Speck	3/14

***The deadline for articles or information for the next Scuttlebutt will be on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Please have your information to [joanitiredone@aol.com](mailto:joanitiredone@aol.com) by that date. It is necessary to have all information and the flyer for the next event by the deadline date to get the newsletter to you in a timely fashion. Thank you in advance for your compliance to this deadline.***