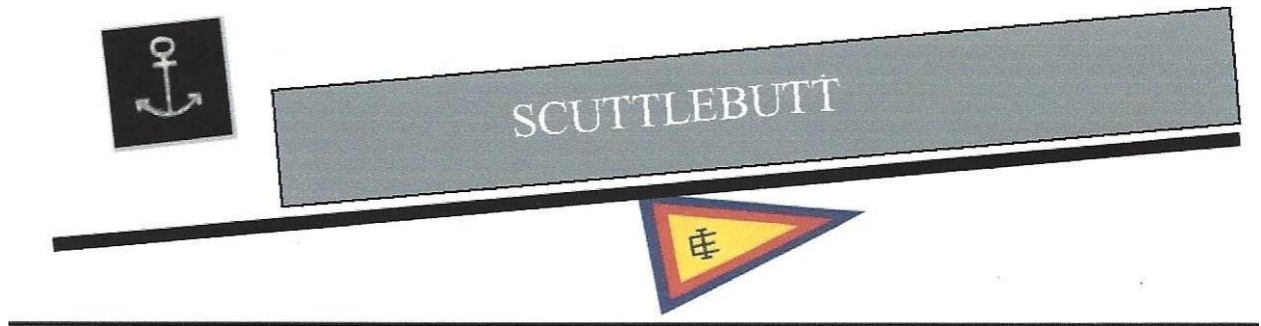


ISLAND ESTATES YACHT CLUB



December 2018

Commodore's Comments

The Change of Watch was a great night! My grateful thanks to Past Commodore Jean Sanders who, has done a great job, and to Gene Traupman who was a most able Master of Ceremonies!

Less than twenty-four hours later we, along with half of Clearwater, were held spellbound with the most beautiful and successful Boat Parade ever! Paul Lightfoot, Thank you. It couldn't have been better. Thank you for all your hard work. What a night!

Don't forget to get your reservations in for the New Year's Brunch by December 26th! If it is anything like last year's (and we know it will be), it is a "don't miss event". Sue and I hope to see you there.

Scott Moncrieff, Commodore

Change of Watch

The IEYC Change of Watch this year was made special (and sad) with the resignation of Jo and Dennis Dean, Past Commodore, 1989. Jo has chaired many COWs in the past, however this was her swan song and she outdid herself by making all the table decorations and favors. Beautiful, Jo. You will be sorely missed. To honor the Deans, who were charter members (1975), they were presented a beautiful bouquet by the club.

Our Commodore Jean Sanders along with the assistance of Gene Traupman, incoming Vice Commodore, did an awesome job of recognizing our 2018 Officers and Board Members. Jean Sanders presented the Member of the Year Award to Past Commodore and Current Fleet Captain Paul

Lightfoot. Paul has worked as webmaster in establishing a website for our club. Be sure to check it out at www.IEYC.net. Jean also recognized Past Commodore Vivian Smith and Mary Reinhardt with Commodore's Special Awards for 2018. Incoming Commodore, Scott Moncrieff presented the incoming Officers and Board members.

This was the first year that we've has a DJ instead of a band. I've hard nothing but praise for his ability to mix soft dinner music and then some wild dancing by some members, who shall remain anonymous. The dinner menu was a slight variation with the always delicious filet, some large scallops, potato flan, an asparagus bundle, followed by molten lava chocolate cake. Hang the calories, it was delicious!

The remainder of the committee were Marcia Coxhead, Jan Nagy, Angie Traupman, Carolyn and Gary Bookout, and Sandee Pfister.

Submitted by Marcia Coxhead & Vivian Smith

Island Estates Yacht Club Boat Parade

The Good News: Congratulations to all of the near 50 decorated boats who participated in the IEYC 44th Annual Memorial Boat Parade on Saturday night, December 8th. Mother Nature helped us out this year, and the weather was perfect and the seas were flat. From the many, many comments and compliments we received, this was one of the Best Boat Parades ever.

The Bad News: It came to our attention on Sunday afternoon thru a number of calls and emails that

the Parade did not pass by a number of homes on Island Estates. It seems the licensed captain on the started lead boat from the Clearwater Marine Aquarium did not follow the designated Parade Route. We don't know why, but we will find out. This error left a number of Island residents with their families and guests waiting for the Boat Parade to pass by their home – but it never did. That should not have happened and the designated route was exactly the same as it has been over the years.

The Ugly: Some Island residents seemed to think the IEYC had made this change without notice to them, and felt the need to reach out by telephone, email and other forms of communication to share their frustration and unhappiness with the team that worked the entire year to organize and make this parade happen for the Free, and Pure Enjoyment of others.

The Reality: The IEYC Fleet Captain and Boat Committee gave the boat captains a complete package of Boat Parade Information at the Captains' Meeting, and discusses the designated and approved Parade Route for the lead boat to follow. We can appreciate the frustrations of the Island residents who did not get a chance to view this year's Parade, and the Committee certainly shares in that same frustration. We will find out why this happened and why the captain of the lead boat by the Clearwater Marine Aquarium did not follow the designated route. If you as members of our Club are made aware of this unfortunate situation by others, please feel free to share the information. Once the boats leave the dock, we have no control over what goes on while they are on the waterways.

In spite of the CMA's lead boat error, this year's Parade was truly one of the biggest and best and we all should feel proud. We heard from so many people on Saturday night how wonderful it was, how creative some boats were, and that it was probably the best Parade ever. We were thanked by many, many people on the dock for the Club's Parade, and it was great to hear, and we felt pretty good. On Sunday afternoon, not so much good news, thru no fault of ours!

We thank all of the Boat Committee members (and spouses) as well as the City of Clearwater, our Sponsors, and the many volunteers who helped

make this Parade the success it was this year. We also thank the beautifully decorated participating boats, and the winners in each category will be announced in the very near future.

Submitted by Paul Lightfoot, Fleet Captain

2018 IEYC Events

Mark your calendar with these important dates

January 1, 2019—New Year's Day Brunch

Belleair Country Club

Results from the Annual Event Planning Meeting-

Thanks to all who came and voted for the party agenda for 2019. The votes were tallied and the results are:

The most selected IEYC Events for 2019 are...

- The Sunset Catamaran Cruise (Water Event)
- Cross Bay Ferry St. Pete to Tampa w/walk then dinner (Dinner Event)
- Bus Trip to Hard Rock Casino (Outing with Dinner)

The 4 most selected Themed Events were as follows:

- Murder Mystery Night
- Cinco de Mayo
- Rat Pack/Vegas
- Country-Western Party

So, get your thinking caps on, or just look on Pinterest or Google for ideas on these themes. We want YOU to sign up to help with creating an excitingly grand time with these parties!

Sign-up sheets will be awaiting your signature at the New Year's Day Brunch. If you are unable to attend but still want to participate on a party committee, please contact Angie Traupman by emailing angietraupman@live.com

"For those who weren't at the planning meeting, IEYC has "set" parties each year which include the New Year's Brunch, Wine and Cheese Membership Party, White Elephant Party, Progressive Dinner, Annual Meeting/Awards Dinner, and the Change of Watch. In addition, we are going to try additional "second tier" events, not supplemented by the IEYC, but gatherings that will be organized and attended by members in smaller groups. More info will be available as the details are being worked through.

Again, thank you to the members who came up with such a variety of new ideas and to the members who voted. Your VOTE counted!



Birthdays

January

Vivian Smith	1/1
Sharon Foster	1/5
Gary Bernard	1/16
Gary Bookout	1/16
Susan Dalrymple	1/18
Jim Pfister	1/19
Sandee Pfister	1/19
Dianne Stebbins	1/31

The deadline for articles or information for the January Scuttlebutt will be on January 15th. Please have your information to 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.