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# Wold takes CYC's Helm



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# Commodore's Corner

## HAPPY NEW YEAR, CYC!

We are certainly looking forward to a great 2023!

Thanks to all who were able to turn out for the Change of Watch!

We had an amazing attendance for the CYC Holiday Lighted Boat Parade; thanks to all who helped to organize that event and those who participated on the water and ashore! I hope that all have recovered from a joyous holiday season and are now ready to sail into a new CYC year.

January promises to be a busy month at our Club with Friday music, Sunday brunches, Gasparilla Party, Chowdah Challenge and much more. Keep an eye on the Compass, the Constant Contact e-mails, and the website calendar for all we have to offer.

The Cruisers are heading to St. Pete YC in late January; Patti and I look forward to joining in some of the festivities since it's in our backyard, and we recommend all interested members to check out the information in the Cruisers column.

Meanwhile Yachting will be preparing for three regattas in February: West Marine US Open 1-5 February, the CYC-sponsored ILCA Midwinters East Championships, February 15-19, and the CYC/Dunedin Boat Club Pass-a-Grille Run on February 25. Please note the volunteer requests from Yachting below.

In the meantime, I can be reached at woldca@gmail.com or on my cell phone by text or voice at (727) 641-8633.

*See you around the Club!*



*Commodore  
Curtis Wold*

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

## By Carey Sauer, Secretary

The BOD took the following actions at the December 15 meeting:

- Board approved the 2023 budget. Our balance sheet shows that we are in a strong position. Our expenses have stabilized, and we should look to increasing revenue rather than trying to cut more expenses.
- Board approved the purchase of a new refrigerator for the bar as well as a new larger stove for the kitchen, totaling \$10,500.
- The Buy a Brick Program was approved.
- The Board welcomed 3 winter memberships, 1 trial membership, 1 social membership, 1 resignation, and 1 leave of absence.

The next meeting will be held on January 19 at 6 pm. All members are welcomed to attend.

## 2023 OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, APPOINTMENTS & TRUSTEES

### CYC Officers

Curtis Wold	Commodore
Rich Libonate	Vice Commodore
Joan Carter	Rear Commodore
Phil Shaw	Treasurer
Carey Sauer	Secretary
John Minton	Fleet Captain
Greg Christ	Immediate Past Commodore

### Board of Directors

Amie Crosby	Phylis Nordman
Tom Cummings	Keagan Pennycuff
Jim Hannigan	Rod White

### Board of Trustees

PC Dick Boblenz	Harry Jamieson
Jim Coats	PC Hoyt Nichols
PC Collin Heimensen	PC Tish Wold

### Appointments

Fr. Bob Wagenseil	Fleet Chaplain
Don Collins	Fleet Surgeon

# Yachting

By Gerard Kane and  
Ron Kratzke, Yachting Chairs



**WE ALL TAKE** pleasure in belonging to a prestigious Yacht Club and that prestige is measured in many ways, but one of them is successfully hosting major regattas. The Clearwater Yacht Club has a long history of doing just that in 2023.

## UPCOMING REGATTAS

**FEBRUARY 1 – 5, 2023**  
**WEST MARINE US OPEN SAILING SERIES**  
**FEBRUARY 15 - 19, 2023**  
**ILCA-MIDWINTERS EAST**  
**FEBRUARY 25, 2023**  
**CYC/DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB PASS-A-GRILLE RUN**

Gerard Kane, gkane63@gmail.com, (703) 665-9455  
Ron Kratzke, ron.kratzke@gmail.com, (703) 346-2662

# CYC New Members

At the December 15 Board of Directors meeting, the following new memberships were approved:

**Karen & Rich Kostrzwa**  
**Stravros & Kristina Michailidis**  
**Fran Bartlett**  
**Richard & Rose-Marie Hamilton**  
**Robert & Diana Fyfe**

If you see the pineapple burgee on a table, please introduce yourself and give our newest members a warm CYC welcome!

# Waterside



**By John Minton  
Fleet Captain**

**Happy New Year!** Welcome to a new year of boating and our newly renovated marina at CYC. First, I'd like to thank the outgoing Fleet Captain Rod White, for his invaluable

contributions and for his partnership in the renovation project. We certainly gained a whole lot of experience and education in marina building and even had a few laughs along the way.

Our construction partner Waterline Construction owned by Pat Hecker and new CYC member could not have done a better job. What was worn and falling apart is now a freshly built and solid marina that will outlast us all. The primary construction was completed on December 13 with only the floating dock to go and, it should be installed in January/February. By the time they come back to install them, we should have a list of last-minute fixes that need attention.

Our electrical contractor Phillips Solutions, owned by Joe Phillips, fellow CYC member, faced an enormous challenge of wiring the marina with our existing electric and old pedestals until Duke Energy separates and installs new power. Once the new power is installed, which is planned for Dec/Jan, Phillips will be able to install our new pedestals hopefully by late January.

As we wait for the finishing touches it is important to remember we cannot modify or make any changes to the new docks until we have received final permits from the governing authorities. Unfortunately, there is no way to forecast when the inspection will occur. Stay tuned.

Now that the bulk of the project draws to completion, I can begin to focus on my duties as Fleet Captain. I look forward to working with my newly appointed Waterside Committee to making our marina the best in our area. We plan to meet one time per month during the week of the Board Meetings. On the current calendar, we're shown as January 14 at 6 pm, in conjunction with Yachting. That may change so be on the lookout for our meeting announcement in Constant Contact if you care to attend. We eagerly welcome all able volunteers with open arms. 🚩

## Wine Pairing Dinner

**2020 Gradis Ciutta Sauvignon Blanc**  
Crab, Chive, & Bacon Frittata  
with truffle oil & fontina cheese

**2020 Gradis Ciutta Ribolla Gialla**  
Potato Crusted Scallops  
roasted red peppers & basil pesto butter sauce

**2017 Gradis Ciutta Merlot**  
Fennel Scented Duck Breast,  
roasted parsnips, carrot mousse, & shallot cherry demi-glace

**2019 Caparzo Rossi di Montalcino**  
Porcini Dusted Beef Tournedos  
goat cheese polenta cake, asparagus, & green peppercorn sauce

**2017 Caparzo Brunello di Montalcino**  
Hazelnut & Chocolate Mousse  
with sundried figs & raspberry sorbet

**January 18th \$59.95**

# Chaplain's Log

**By Fleet Chaplain Father Bob Wagenseil**

## BACK TO THE FUTURE ... OR FORWARD?

At the close of the third installment of the film, *Back to the Future*, Michael J. Fox /aka "Marty" and his girlfriend received some parting words of advice from "the Doc" in which they were admonished to remember that, "*Your future has not been written yet . . . no one's has. Your future is what you make it, so make it a good one!*" These are excellent words for us to keep in mind as we enter 2023.

If nothing more, the past year has certainly reminded many of us that making life miserable for other people is a relic from the past and not a good choice for the future. For better or for worse, the kind of future we will experience will very much be the result of what we do with our time, our talent, our treasure, our natural resources, and our "defensive" weapons.

As individuals, we may be powerless to put an end to all the violence and suffering in the world, but each of us has the power to "make the future a good one" both for ourselves and for those around us; and we have that power because as individuals we have the power to . . .

- ... speak a word of kindness to a neighbor
- ... forgive those who have offended us in the past
- ... encourage a child, feed the hungry and visit the lonely
- ... comfort those who are suffering
- ... respect the dignity of others
- ... seek the common good
- ... just be nice
- ... overcome evil with good



Yes, the future has yet to be written, but one person of goodwill at a time, we can make it a good one, indeed.  
**May 2023 be filled with "fair winds" and many blessings.**  
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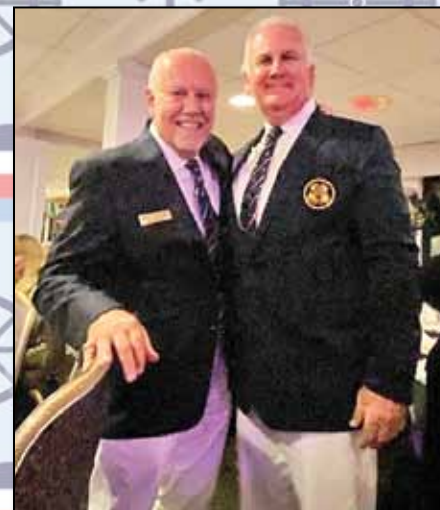
# Live MUSIC

**Every Friday night we will feature  
live music in the Main Dining Room**



# Clearwater Yacht Club Change

**THE CHANGE OF WATCH** ceremony was held on December 3 with a large crowd on hand to welcome the new club officers for 2023. Groups of well wishing members congratulated the new Club leadership and offered their support. 2023 will no doubt present its new and unique set of challenges to these eager volunteers.





# of Watch 2022



## TOYS FOR TOTS

**CYC CONTRIBUTIONS TO** the Toys for Tots program, sponsored by local US Marines headed up by Edward F Zaleski III, was a resounding success again this year. Your donations to Toys for Tots will make Christmas extra special for nearly 950 children. Recipient families are vetted and given one toy for each child, toys they would otherwise not have Christmas morning. Thanks one and all to those who generously contributed.



L to R are Michael Crews Jr., Anthony Olsen, Tristen Wiggins, and Ed Zaleski (seated Dawn Zaleski).





# Clearwater Yacht Club Holiday **LIGHTED** **BOAT PARADE**

## Clearwater Yacht Club Annual Holiday Lighted Boat Parade

### WINNERS

#### OVERALL GRAND PRIZE

**BOAT #26** - "Tank Commander" - Capt. Michael Yagmin

#### POWERBOATS - 30' & OVER

**1st Place** - **BOAT #25** - "Andiamo" - Capt. JP Miller

**2nd Place** - **BOAT #8** - "She'll be Right" - Capt. William Mackey

**3rd Place** - **BOAT #29** - "MSH" - Capt. Brett Buras

#### POWERBOATS - 29' & UNDER

**1st Place** - **BOAT #16** - "Sandbar" - Capt. Burt Arnold

**2nd Place** - **BOAT #11** - "Dos Maynards II" - Capt. Mark Weigand

**3rd Place** - **BOAT #19** - "Just Chillin Time II" - Capt. Tom Cummings







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Clearwater Yacht Club  
*Holiday*  
**LIGHTED**  
**BOAT PARADE**



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On Behalf of Clearwater Yacht Club, we wish to thank the sponsors that helped make the Annual Holiday Lighted Boat Parade a resounding success.



**Becatti Wealth Advisors**  
Aspen Private Wealth Advisory Practice

Becatti Wealth Advisors – members  
 Lance Becatti and Jay Coats



Marine Max – members  
 PC Collin and Abbey Heimensen



Single Source Insurance  
 MicroLumen

Susan Gaddis, realtor

DiTek – members Dave and Wendy Gattis

Palm Pavilion

Quality Boats

Paul and Wendy Bouffard

Maggie Mae's – members Larry and Sondra Edger

Colour Nail Spa

David and Karen Key

4th Generation Flooring



**'Twas the Season** to be jolly and boy did the Bow Chasers ever jolly it up!

All kinds of parties were attended from the Bow Chaser luncheon, to the lighted boat parade viewed in spite of the dock repairs and of course our annual Christmas dinner which was held at Genevieve and Stewart Fortunato's beautiful home in Island Estates. It was so nice to be back in a warm home setting which was the first since Covid. Husbands and partners were invited to add to the holiday festivities.

Sailing has been on hold because of the dock repairs so we are patiently sitting at the back of the bay practicing tying our knots. We will probably--hopefully--get back when we have to wear 15 layers and dress like Artic explorers to sail during the colder months of January.

*Hot cocoa anyone?* ➡

## *A Recipe From the Chef*

**By Chef Jermaine Bass**

**Fresh Basil & Romano  
 marinated Roma  
 Tomatoes with Prosciutto  
 di Parma & Lemon Aioli**



### **Ingredients:**

1 ea Small red onion, finely chopped  
 4 c. Ice water  
 1/2 c. Balsamic vinegar  
 1/4 c. Olive oil  
 2 tsp. Sugar  
 1/2 tsp. Salt  
 1/2 tsp. Pepper  
 2 ea Garlic cloves, chopped  
 1/2 c. Fresh basil chiffonade  
 6 ea Roma tomatoes, wedged  
 1/2 c. Fresh parsley, chopped  
 Shaved Romano for garnish

### **Directions:**

**1.** Mix onions in ice water. Drain and pat dry with paper towels.  
**2.** Whisk together vinegar, olive oil, two tablespoons water, sugar, salt, pepper, and garlic. Stir in basil and parsley. Add tomato wedges and chopped onions. Set aside for 10 minutes.  
**3.** Serve on plates over prosciutto. Garnish with Romano.

**This recipe serves 12**





# Gull's Annual BREAKFAST WITH Santa



A Very Special THANK YOU to our Authentic, Original Old World Santa Claus Jay Ross.









# GULLS CHATTER

**By Marcia Nichols  
Gulls President**



***I Hope everyone  
had a wonderful  
Holiday Season  
and a Very  
Happy New Year!***

**I THOUGHT THIS** would be an opportune time to introduce the Gulls's New Officers for 2023. With so many new CYC members, it would be helpful to match a name with a face. I asked our 4 officers to write up a short bio with a beauty headshot so you can recognize them when you see them around the Club:

## **SHELLY ROBBINS-SECRETARY**



I was born in St. Petersburg, grew up in Tampa and Tarpon Springs, graduated from UCF and got married 27 years ago in Safety Harbor.

I have an amazing daughter who is an RN at a local hospital, a sweet chocolate lab and a rescued cat. Relocating for a job opportunity, my husband Charles and I lived in Austin, where we met some amazing people and learned all about the great State of Texas. After being there for 15 years, we realized how much we missed our families and being near the water so we moved back to Florida.

I'm currently volunteering at Morton Plant Hospital. I enjoy family time, reading, walking on the beach, time on the boat with my husband, quilling, the Tampa Bay Lightning and being a member of the Gulls and CYC.

## **LYNNE SHACKELFORD-TREASURER**



My husband, Billy, and I have been members of the Club since 1995. My mother and stepfather were members for many years before that.

We are frost birds that come every winter from Lake Lanier outside Atlanta. We have boated on the lake for many years with sailboats, power boats and personal watercraft. We were very active with the Coast Guard Auxiliary and had the pleasure of working the 1996 Olympics and Paralympics.

Since joining CYC I have been active in the Land Cruisers, Bow Chasers, Gulls and Yachting. I have served as the Gulls President for the last few years.

I enjoy knitting and helping the Gulls in donating hats to the VA. Billy and I also enjoy making cards like Birthday cards, Christmas cards, etc. and traveling in our motorhome.



## **MARION ILACQUA-VICE PRESIDENT**

I was born in Boston, Massachusetts.

I was employed with John Hancock Insurance Company.

My late husband, Tony, and I were avid boaters when we lived in Massachusetts and when we came to Clearwater in 1996, we continued with our love for boating. We also shared a love for motorcycles and took many road trips. I joined CYC in 1998. I became a Gull that same year and have been one ever since. I also joined the Bow Chasers and recently joined the Cruisers. I try to keep active with activities going on at CYC.

## **MARCIA NICHOLS-PRESIDENT**



I was born and raised in New Orleans—lived there all my life. My husband Hoyt and I had been coming to the West Coast of Florida since 1975. Due to the downturn in the Oil & Gas Industry in the late 1980s, we finally moved to Florida in 1989. We joined CYC in 1995.

I was a legal secretary for 45 years (Maritime and Oil & Gas industry in New Orleans and represented Big Tobacco in Tampa). I finally retired at the end of December 2020 and now have more time to devote to different projects. I love to dance and read. As a result, I have accumulated a treasure trove of "useless trivia tidbits" that come in handy when talking with friends and new acquaintances. I like to call it "cocktail talk".

I am a fervent animal lover – just love dogs and cats! We currently have a Green Amazon (Red Lordy) Parrot named Happy. He is really Hoyt's pet. Happy just tolerates me; but he does give me permission to take care of him.

## ***A Gull's Musings:***

***Leave room each day for spontaneity.***

## ***Coming up for 2023:***

### **SAVE THESE DATES**

**Wednesday, January 18 – Mr. Michael Henry – "American Sign Language--It's Not English"**

Mr. Henry is a credited Teacher for the Deaf with a Master's Degree in Education from Florida State University. He was a full-time faculty member and teacher at the Florida School for the Deaf in St. Augustine; Texas Woman's University in Deaf Education, Teacher Training Program; the University of North Texas as an American Sign Language Instructor; and at St. Petersburg College.

Mr. Henry will speak about his teaching years and the interesting students and situations he encountered during those years.

Be on lookout for the email announcement so you can make your reservation and select your choice of luncheon entrée.

**Wednesday, February 15 - Diane V. Radel, Local Artist – Turtle Tracks Art**



Wednesday, March 15 – Ladies' Spring Fashion Show –  
Sign of the Dolphin

Wednesday, April 19 – Lady Comedienne – Juanita Lolita

Wednesday, May 17 – New Kitchen Towel Swap

Wednesday, October 18 – Amy Peck - History and  
Bizarre Customs of Shoes

Wednesday, November 15 – Ladies' Fall Fashion Show  
– Patchington Boutique

Wednesday, December 13 – Date Placeholder\*

(\*Details to follow)

We are currently in the planning stage for December 13, 2023 and also now working towards January 17, 2024 and have already booked Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

*Needless to say, the Gulls have been busy busy!!!*

This year the Gulls would like to “flutter” their wings and possibly “fly” on a few road trips.

Please be sure to read the Gulls' Chatter Article in the Monthly Compass and look for the email announcements when they are sent out.

As usual, the Gulls continue to meet every Wednesday around 10:30 a.m. in the Gulls' Nest to socialize, play games, cards, etc. and also plan future events. If you are interested in joining us on one of our crafts or perhaps you have a craft that you want to show and teach – please come. Afterwards, we then go upstairs for lunch at 12 noon. We welcome all CYC Ladies to come on Wednesdays. If you have any suggestions, please email them to me at [marcia50422@yahoo.com](mailto:marcia50422@yahoo.com).



## CYC BOOK CLUB

**By Diane Switalski**

**THE BOOK CLUB** meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Board Room. All members and their guests are welcome to join our stimulating and fun-filled discussions. If you enjoy reading, this is the place to be! Many of us stay for dinner. If you plan to do so, please make reservations with Virginia at (727) 447-6000. All books are predetermined by the members prior to discussion. Our upcoming meetings will feature the following:

**January 17**

*CLOUD CUCKOO LAND*

**by Anthony Doerr**

**February 21**

*SECLUDED CABIN SLEEPS SIX*

**by Lisa Unger**

# Happy Anniversary

**MEMBERS CELEBRATING  
YEARS WITH CYC IN JANUARY**

### 36 YEARS

Gary & Patricia Strohauer

### 21-25 YEARS

Robert de Vos

Ann Guthrie

### 16-20 YEARS

Johnny & Phyllis Cardoso

Jim & Gloria Bone

Ange Boudle

Joe & Helen Corriea

Roy Turner & Madeline Conner

### 11-15 YEARS

Gerhard Ertingshausen

Craig & Janice Joy

Paula Argyros

John & Darlene Finn

### 6-10 YEARS

Shirley Iarrobino

Paul Lightfoot & Barbara Loubier

Hal & Patricia Bodley

ReJane Cameron & Anthony Meskawy

Michael & Kiffie Hester

Judy Umeck

Linda Welby

Michael Madden

Jim & Sandee Pfister

Bill & Cathy Athanson

Gene & Linda Dorn

Ed & Bonnie Jesteadt

Ron & Pam Ward

### 1-5 YEARS

Dave & Deb Aune

Delmar Lewis

Kelly & Sandy McCarty

Stephanie Sen & Stephan Brandstadter

Robert & Ducksie Stoddard

Dave & Patrice Hillis

Ken & Jeannette Doran

Bill & Paige Christian

Bill Cooke (Cookie)

Lance & Sherri Meyerson

Jim & Moira Turner

Jim & Debbie Krchmar

David & Susie Louiselle

Bob & Joanne McIntyre

Don & Lisa Oliver

Rolando & Karin Reyes

Bob & Tracey Sullivan

Kevin & Jennifer Dutton

Mike & Maria Roesner

Gerry & Terri Halle

Hector & Brandy Milian

Paige & Peter Afendoulis

Andi Brown & Brian Falls

Joan Amsler

Chrisy Tellis & Jason Batten

Robert & Carrie Pigott

Gary & Sharon Young

Suzan Decker Ross & Ed Mitchell



KIND MOUSE HOLIDAY  
COLLECTION  
AND  
UGLY  
SWEATER  
Christmas Party







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# ENTERTAINMENT

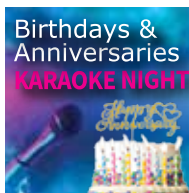
**By Jim Hannigan, Entertainment GREETINGS CYC MEMBERS.**



We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. We wish each of you a very healthy, prosperous, and happy New Year in 2023. We hope to keep you entertained in the year to come, as we already have events and music in place for all to enjoy, with more being scheduled.

December had the Annual Change of Watch, House & Grounds/Entertainment Committee holiday party, Gulls Social, Bow Chasers Luncheon, Boat Parade Captains meeting, Toys for Tots dinner, CYC Lighted Boat Parade, Bingo, Gulls Holiday luncheon, Gulls breakfast with Santa, Merry Mingle party, and closing out the year with New Year's Eve parties upstairs and downstairs. The "Twas the Splash Before Christmas" event (12/18) was cancelled due to the forecasted unfavorable weather for that day.

An important note is that the Club was able to support various holiday charities in need of toys, clothing, and food. Props and kudos to our wonderful membership for participating and supporting these important charities.



January we lead off with a New Year's Day breakfast



(1/1), Trivia (1/5), Birthday/Anniversary Karaoke (1/7), Game night (1/12), Gasparilla party (1/14), Bingo (1/17), Gulls luncheon (1/18), Chowdah Challenge (1/22), Cruisers to St Pete (1/26), and a Grand Jazz Brunch (1/29).



All members are welcome to attend our monthly meetings. Any ideas for events and musical acts are always appreciated. We can always use hosts for our various events so if you see a date that you would like to offer your services, please contact us.

We appreciate your continued support and participation in our wonderful Club. Always remember to utilize those four very important letters: "R S V P", when visiting the Club.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 6 pm, in the upstairs Board Room.

**Thanks again to all. Happy New Year! Cheers!**

jhannigan@sgws.com - (727) 215-5418

## JANUARY

## FUN & GAMES

**Thursday 5 - TRIVIA** 7 pm

**Thursday 12 - GAME NIGHT** 7 pm

**Tuesday 17 - BINGO** 7 pm

Come and Join In on all the Fun!







# Cruisers

Gary & Sondra Newcom  
Cruising Chairpersons



By Karen Watson

## STEALING CHRISTMAS THUNDER

The Cruisers closed out the year with a packed house at the Yacht Club for their annual Christmas party and gift (stealing) exchange. More than 65 boat lovers showed up for the event or maybe it was the luxurious buffet featuring prime rib, shrimp, to die-for-glazed carrots, salmon, chicken and more. Obviously, dessert ranked high on everyone's list as well with barely a few crumbs left behind.

A short program kicked off the evening honoring beloved cruise directors Gary and Sondra Newcom (who bought, I mean, bribed them with that laptop thank-you gift?) amid

shouts of "Four More Years!"

We'll see if that works but at least 2023 is safe as the Newcom's have more exciting ports of call lined up for next year, including St. Pete Yacht Club, Marina Jacks in Sarasota and Venice Yacht Club. Next, Sondra handed out thank-you gifts to the hosts who participated in planning activities and fun for our monthly cruises.

Rounding out the evening, the stealing/exchange commenced. The generous \$35 limit for presents made sure everyone went home happy, especially the cheeseboard and Belle Glos wine enthusiasts. As always, a truly memorable and enjoyable evening for all where everyone is your friend at CYC.





# CYC EVENTS Save These Dates

## Club Dining Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 11:30 am - 9:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday 11:30 am - 9:30 pm  
Sunday Breakfast 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

## Tiki Bar Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 5:00 -10:00 pm  
Friday 2:00 pm - closing  
Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - closing

## January

### Sunday - 1<sup>st</sup>

**NEW YEAR'S DAY - CLUB OPEN  
BREAKFAST BUFFET**

### Tuesday - 3<sup>rd</sup>

House & Grounds - 6 pm  
Land Cruisers - 5 pm

### Wednesday - 4<sup>th</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am  
Membership - 6 pm

### Thursday - 5<sup>th</sup>

**TRIVIA NIGHT** - 7 pm

### Friday - 6<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **Ernest Collins**

### Saturday - 7<sup>th</sup>

**4TH QUARTER BIRTHDAY /  
ANNIVERSARY KARAOKE WITH  
DJ DOUG**

### Tuesday - 10<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers - 5 pm  
Entertainment - 6 pm

### Wednesday - 11<sup>th</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am  
Cruisers - 6:30 pm

### Thursday - 12<sup>th</sup>

**GAME NIGHT** - 7 pm

### Friday - 13<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **JR Connections**

### Saturday - 14<sup>th</sup>

**GASPARILLA PARTY**

### Tuesday - 17<sup>th</sup>

Book Club 6 pm  
Yachting - 6 pm  
Waterside - 6 pm  
**BINGO** - 7 pm

### Wednesday - 18<sup>th</sup>

**WINE PAIRING DINNER**  
**GULLS LADIES LUNCHEON** - 11 am  
Finance - 6 pm

### Thursday - 19<sup>th</sup>

Board of Directors - 6 pm

### Friday - 20<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by New Entertainer **Tomardo**

### Sunday - 22<sup>nd</sup>

**CYC ANNUAL CHOWDAH  
CHALLENGE 2-5 PM**

### Tuesday - 24<sup>th</sup>

Trustees - 6 pm

### Wednesday - 25<sup>th</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am

### Thursday - 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

**CRUISERS TO ST. PETE YACHT CLUB**

### Friday - 27<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **Chello Hollyday**

## Sunday - 29<sup>th</sup>

**GRAND BRUNCH** with Walter Kittle  
10 am-2 pm

## February

### Wednesday - 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

**WEST MARINE US OPEN SAILING SERIES**

### Wednesday - 1<sup>st</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am  
Membership - 6 pm

### Thursday - 2<sup>nd</sup>

**TRIVIA NIGHT** - 7 pm

### Friday - 3<sup>rd</sup>

Live Music by **Ernest Collins**

### Saturday - 4<sup>th</sup>

**GAME NIGHT** - 7 pm

### Tuesday - 7<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail  
Bow Chasers - 5 pm  
House & Grounds - 6 pm  
Land Cruisers - 5 pm

### Wednesday - 8<sup>th</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am  
Cruisers - 6:30 pm

### Friday - 10<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **JR Connections**

### Saturday - 11<sup>th</sup>

**VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE**

### Tuesday - 14<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail  
Entertainment - 6 pm  
Yachting - 6 pm  
Waterside - 6 pm  
**BINGO** - 7 pm

### Wednesday - 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>

**CYC ILCA-MIDWINTERS EAST**

### Wednesday - 15<sup>th</sup>

**GULLS LUNCHEON**  
Finance - 6 pm

### Thursday - 16<sup>th</sup>

Board of Directors - 6 pm

### Friday - 17<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **Scott Hardy**

### Tuesday - 21<sup>st</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail  
Book Club 6 pm  
Trustees - 6 pm

### Wednesday - 22<sup>nd</sup>

**GULLS SOCIAL** - 10:30 am

### Thursday - 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>

**CRUISERS TO MARINA JACK'S**

### Saturday - 25<sup>th</sup>

**CYC/DBC PASS-A-GRILLE RUN**

## COMING NEXT MONTH



February 11

## CYC Committees and Organizations

### COMMITTEES

**Entertainment**, Jim Hannigan & Tom Cummings

**Finance**, Phil Shaw

**House & Grounds**, VC Richard Libonate

**Membership**, Amie Crosby

**Nominating Committee**,

**Policy**, PC Mary Kay Delk

**Sailing Activities**,

**Waterside**, John Minton

**Yachting**, Gerard Kane & Ron Kratzke

**Communications**, Diane Reynolds

### CYC ORGANIZATIONS

**Bowchasers**, Linda Dorn & Lynne McCaskill

**Cruisers**, Gary & Sondra Newcom

**Gulls**, Marcia Nichols

**FCYC Director**, PC Tim Roberts

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**Editor**, Joe Lane

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Friday following the Board of Directors'  
meeting each month.*

### Friday - 24<sup>th</sup>

Live Music by **Chello Hollyday**

### Sunday - 26<sup>th</sup>

**GRAND BRUNCH** with Live Music

### Tuesday - 28<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail



# HOUSE and GROUND



by **Richard Libonate, Vice Commodore**



**AS YOUR NEW** Vice Commodore, our number one priority is to give every Member the absolute best experience possible at our Club. This is delivered many different ways, having the most updated facilities, and the best food, drink and service possible. We recognize we have

a long way to go, however, our commitment is to do the things necessary to exceed your expectations.

We have begun the first part this past year by completing the largest capital improvement project in the history of the Club with new docks. We have painted the outside of our building with new contemporary colors and have renovated the Grill Room and Main Dining room.

In the next couple of weeks, you will see new Grill Room chairs and bar stools. The last phase of the Main Dining Room

will be completed in the spring with new chairs and carpeting. Unfortunately, the delay is due solely to item availability.

The Chair of the House and Grounds committee is not about one person, it is a collaborative effort of several members and staff. I am honored to be working with great committee members, Rear Commodore Joan Carter, Christy Crist, Jim Hannigan, Phyllis Nordman, Laura Scott and Gail Stone. Obviously, our General Manager, Michael Ciaccio, plays a major role in the planning and execution as we move ahead during the year.

The committee will be meeting in January and will begin to map out areas of focus with our building and grounds, more importantly, to set in motion plans to deliver the absolute best food and service to all our members, everyday!

We realize we have a way to go to meet your expectations so, if you have suggestions, please reach out to me or the committee members with ideas and areas for improvement.

We want Clearwater Yacht Club to be your #1 choice for Dining and Entertainment.

***I hope to see you at your Club.***

## From the Front Office

By **Michael Ciaccio, General Manager CCM**

### GREETINGS CYC MEMBERS!

The Clearwater Yacht Club Online Ship's Store is adding new items each day. You can access it on our website next to the Compass section. The link is <https://cycshipstore.org/> They have worked through the inventory and shipping issues from the past year, and I would like to invite all members to look at the wonderful items that are available for purchase.



Please remember that the Club offers online reservations

through the Open Table link on our club website. This is a quick and easy way to make reservations. We are experiencing a growth of the members using it which is fantastic.



Thank you to all the members and guests who visited the Club during the holiday season. It was a great month for the Club, and I hope we can continue the momentum in the new year.



Banquets and events are coming back strong, and I would like to invite all members to host a party or work function at the Club. We can handle anything from a small meeting for 2 in the board room to a large wedding for 150.

Please reach out to Virginia or Michael to plan your next event at (727) 447-6000 or [GM@clearwateryachtclub.org](mailto:GM@clearwateryachtclub.org).







4th Quarter  
2021 Birthdays  
& Anniversaries

# Karaoke Night

Saturday  
January 7

## CYC Annual Chowdah Challenge

Sunday, January 22

Set-up 1pm ~ Tasting 2pm

\$15.00 per person++



All persons bringing a  
CHOWDAH to share get in FREE!!  
CYC supplies all the cups, spoons and soup  
crackers for all entrants!

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YACHT CLUB**



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**CYC Staff**

Michael Ciccio	General Manager
Jermaine Bass	Executive Chef
Donna Chong	Food & Beverage Manager
Virginia Vollenweider	Office Manager
Michele Geis	Accounting Manager
Austin Danner	Dockmaster
Allyssa Ley	Communications & Membership Manager
Dan Geis	Maintenance Supervisor

## Ahoy Me Hearties!

All Buccaneers On Deck

We'll Be Raisin' The Jolly Roger

So put on your best pirate garb and  
in us for a swashbuckling fun

party in celebration of

# Gasparilla

Saturday, January 14

6pm arrival time - \$28

Menu for Gasparilla Pirate Party Buffet: Opens at 6:30pm

Salad Bar

Conch Fritters

Cuban Sandwiches

Whole Pig Roast

Seafood Paella

Island Way Jerk Shrimp

Coconut Chicken

Pineapple Ginger Glazed Ribs

Veg du Jour

Red Beans and Rice

CYC Asst Desserts

Entertainment by Nolen Strong on the Tiki Deck

