

THE SCUTTLEBUTT

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The Scuttlebutt is back! Welcome to all of our snowbirds as you make your way back home, we're so happy you're returning; and a continued welcome to our year round residents who keep us on our toes all the time. Our goal is to keep you informed of what is going on at your club. We will publish quarterly beginning the first of the year. If you have any suggestions for information you'd like to see in future issues, please let the office know at office@stcroixyc.com at least 2 weeks prior to the new issue (next content due date, 12/15/23).

The Commodore's Corner

Great news! The demo and rebuild of the main dock (minus the T) should commence by the new year. By the spring....yes, of 2024, I suspect we will have a dock close to being finished. I will send out a detailed e-mail to membership regarding the dock rebuild process. The prime design objective was safety, utility with survivability and longevity.

We are streamlining our accounting and reconciling club accounts. This is happening because the current bar/galley management system, Touch Bistro, was not designed for running accounts. One would have to ask to pay their tab before they would get a bill. Not a problem for a restaurant, but a real problem for a club with running member accounts. We are solving this problem by implementing a new system designed for clubs. As we close out Touch Bistro, some members are receiving old invoices and I thank you for your patience during this transition.

A sincere thank you for attending Love My Club volunteer day on Saturday, October 14. Volunteerism is seen throughout the year and many people put in enumerable hours for its success. The club had a large turnout of dedicated people wanting to see the club improve and for this, I thank you.

Hope to see you at the Chandler Memorial Regatta on November 11-12.

See you at the club,

Karl

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Board of Directors

Karl Gruber Commodore	Nancy Hasson Vice Commodore
Brian Boschen Rear Commodore	Beecher Higby Fleet Captain
Judy Leonardis Secretary	John Morra Treasurer
Steve Sargent Director	David Nagle Director
Karen Stanton Director	Cecy Castruccio Director
Stan Joines Director	Mike Leo Director
Greg Deegan Past Commodore	

Just a reminder.....

There are certain rules that as a member of a community we all must follow....

- ✓ **No pets in the clubhouse except on the North and West porches.** The only exception is for service animals. If you would like to bring your pet to the club, they must be leashed at all times, and are only permitted to linger along the shoreline, on your boat, or other designated areas. Please walk them from your car down the west or east side of the clubhouse to either your boat, beach or exterior tables.
- ✓ Please clean up after your pet should they soil anywhere on the beach.
- ✓ Cover-up's must be worn in the clubhouse at all times. This includes children. Also, little wet feet make it slippery for all the adults. Please leave the water in the ocean or on a towel. 😊
- ✓ Until the new Point of Sale system is fully functional, you must pay your bill before leaving the club. We take Visa and MasterCard only.

Committee Chairs

Human Resources	Karl Gruber Nancy Hasson Brian Cayne
Long Range Planning	Doug Armstrong Karl Gruber Greg Deegan
Judge Advocate	Scott McChain
Bylaws	Irene Burgess
Regatta	Julie San Martin Stan Joines
Fleet Surgeon	Kurt Buska
Website	Brian Cayne
Insurance	Brian Cayne
Protest Committee	TED
Dock Committee	Karl Gruber
Entertainment Committee	Nancy Hasson
House Committee	TED
Trophy Committee	TED
Water Safety Committee	Meg Deegan
Membership Committee	Judy Leonardis
Grounds Committee	Doug DeRue
Finance Committee	John Morra
Historian	Karen Stanton
Food & Beverage Committee	Jonathan Alba

Marley Update



As many of you are aware, a while back Marley adopted a family, our own Corie, her daughter Riley and partner Jamie to be her humans. She is now living with them and is enjoying her old age peacefully.

Don't Miss The Fun....

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER EVENTS

November 11th - 12th

Chandler Memorial Regatta



November 17th



Steve Katz

November 25th

Barbie movie on the lawn



December 17th

Breakfast with Santa
Don't forget those presents



December 20th

Family Style Wednesday Night Dinner with a movie

December 31st



New Year's Eve Celebration
Dress in 50's style clothing

Couldn't Wait To Tell You



Food Collection

Make a Difference for Those In Need

There is a food collection box located in the lobby of the clubhouse until November 16th. List of suggested items located on the box.

Donations go to:
My Brother's Workshop
The Lighthouse

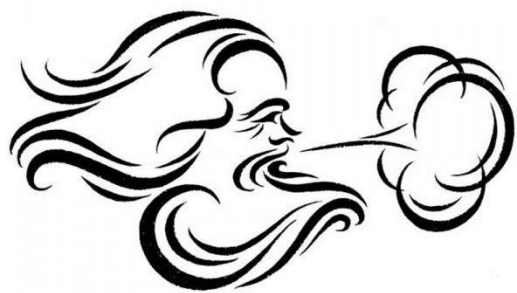


For those brave and energetic souls working out on Saturday mornings, you must now pay Jennifer Deane directly as opposed to it being billed through the club. Please continue to sign-up for the class online.

Did you know?

The club has purchased a new Point of Sale system in order to better serve you, as well as track profit and loss, overhead, and food/alcohol costs. In the past there was some confusion as to knowing where and when to pay for which purchases and services. This system will alleviate that problem as all club charges will come on one monthly bill which will be due monthly. For those who prefer to run a "tab", you will need to have a credit card saved on file with the club, so that confusion over bill due dates go away. For those members who prefer to "pay as they go", there will be no requirement of having a credit card saved with the office. We know there may be some initial growing pains, but with patience, kindness and grace, we will get through this transition period smoothly.





*Freedom, open air,
and adventure are found
on the sea.*

- ✚ Braxton and Parker Nagle attended a 420 Boot Camp in Southern Illinois culminating in their annual Whale of a Sail Regatta. Parker took 1st place as skipper in the 420 class with over 70 boats in 4 different classes.
- ✚ Rodney Jr. and Ryan Moorehead began sailing at SCYC at the ages of 8 and 9 years old during our summer program. Since then they have sailed in Puerto Rico, the BVI, Florida and New York regattas. They will now travel to Brazil to represent the USVI in the Youth World Competitions in a 29'er skiff.
- ✚ Matthieu Dale will be representing the Virgin Islands (ISV) in the Laser/ILCA7 sailing class at the Pan American Games this month in Chile. This will be Mathieu's third time representing the Virgin Islands (ISV) and the Virgin Island Olympic Committee (VIOC) in the Games,
- ✚ Steven Hardee and Taylor Hasson are in Santiago, Chile racing for the USVI on a 49'er at the Pan Am Games. This is a qualifier for the Olympics! Go Team!
- ✚ The East Coast Drifters, Mack Bryan and Kate Klempen, representing the St. Croix Yacht Club, took 1st place at the 74th Wilson Trophy team racing regatta held in West Kirby, Wirral, UK, May 12th - 14th. The team was unstoppable, blowing through the quarter, semi and finals without a loss. This is Mack's second Wilson win.
- ✚ Kent Buska & Dylan Armstrong crewed Spinnaker-A fleet in Charleston's Alice Cup Regatta, Sept 14-15, on Mike Glover's Spectre, a 38' XP X-Yacht, placing 2nd overall.
- ✚ Mathieu Dale and Peter Stanton participated in the 2023 Central American and Caribbean Games in San Salvador at the end of June. Mathieu raced lasers, Peter was sailing sunfish.





SCYC Sailing



Coming on the Waterfront at SCYC: Afterschool and weekend sailing classes are ramping up.

We have Sea Squirts (ages 5-7) on Friday 4-6 PM, Beginner and Intermediate sailing on Wednesday and Friday, Green Fleet on Thursday and Sunday 11-4 PM. Saturdays there will be Beach Cat and Rhodes 19 sailing. Sunfish race training is Sunday 1-5 PM.

And as always, there are private lessons to fit your schedule.

On the Agenda --

11/5 at 11 AM in the East Room is our Quarterly Sail Meeting.

11/11-12 is the Chandler Regatta on Sunfish. There may be some spots still available. We always need set up help, support boats and race committee help. Contact the office if you are interested in pitching in.

12/1 – 12/3 - Three Sheets Regatta arrives in downtown Christiansted. This is a race from STJ to STX Friday, lay day on Saturday, race to Charlotte Amalie on Sunday. If you are interested in participating, check out <https://threesheetsvi.com/> This is a fun race with lots of Corinthian Spirit.

There will be Adventure Sail during the Christmas Holidays. A notice will go out when registration is available.

For 2024

1/28 Town Trip

2/4 Quarterly Sail Meeting

2/10-2/11 Crucian Open

3/29-31 St Thomas Regatta

4/1-7 BVI Spring Regatta

4/19-4/21 STX International Regatta

October 2026 the Sunfish Worlds are coming to St. Croix Yacht Club!! You have plenty of time to practice so you can qualify to represent the USVI.

Please check the website for more info on any of these events or email:

waterfront@stcroixyc.com



**A New Galley Menu
From Lori & her
crew!**

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: Standard menu 12-3pm, dinner
reservation only

Thursday: Standard menu 12-3pm

Friday: Standard menu 12-3pm, Happy
Hour* menu 5:30-8pm

Saturday: Standard menu 12-5pm

Sunday: Brunch menu from 11-2 and Lunch
245-5pm

***Specials will be posted in the Clubhouse,
the Website and on Facebook**



Don't want to cook
dinner? Order takeout by
3:00 and pick it up before
galley closing.

New Items Now Here!

SHIPS STORE :

Wednesday

12 PM - 6 PM

Thursday

12 PM - 5 PM

Friday

12 PM - 8 PM

Saturday

12 PM - 5 PM

Sunday

11 AM - 5 PM

Ask your Bartender for assistance.

Changes Around The Club

*The Ocean Side of the
Club has a new Paint
Job!*



Your Bar!

Your Bar Manager: Jen

Your Servers: Ani



Julia

Emily

Sean

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 12-5pm

Thursday: 12-5pm

Friday: 12-10pm

Saturday: 12-6pm

Sunday: 11-6pm

Your Office Hours

Wednesday through Sunday

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Brian Cayne, the Manager

Ali Falco, Office Assistant

Meg Deegan, Waterfront

Doug DeRue, Waterfront

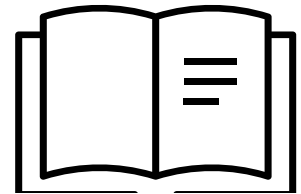
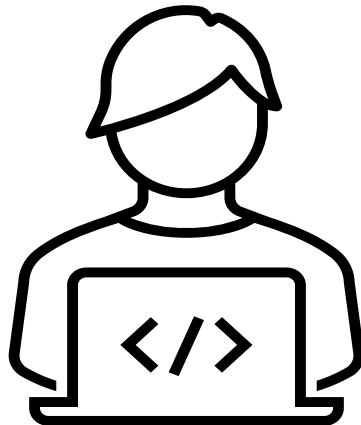
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Things to Consider and Remember

Our Flag Officers and Board members want to enjoy the club just like everyone else! If you have comments, suggestions or complaints, please take time to write about it, then submit it in the suggestions box located in the lobby, or email Brian at manager@stcroixyc.com. Your message will be forwarded in a timely manner. However, please give everyone time to consider and address any issue or suggestion. They have not forgotten you. Remember, your officers look forward to spending time at our club with their family and friends as we all do. Respect their personal time!

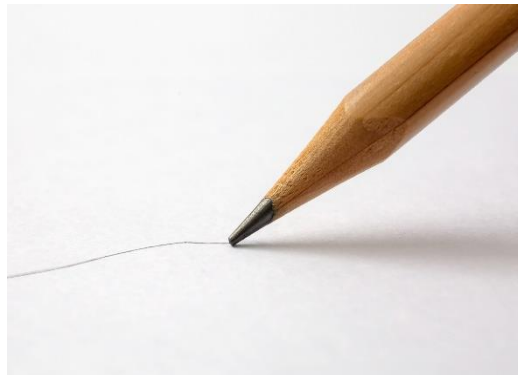
NOW THAT WE'RE COMING BACK INTO SEASON, PLEASE USE YOUR LAPTOPS AND IPAD'S IN THE EAST ROOM. THE TABLES IN THE DINING AREA AND ON BOTH THE WEST AND NORTH PATIO'S ARE FOR RESERVED FOR EATING AND SOCIALIZING.



Book Club meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at the club. It has its own Facebook page for updates.

Thank you to those who contributed to this edition of the Scuttlebutt.

Irene Burgess
Diane Buska
Meg Deegan
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Nancy Hasson
Kelly Klempen
Megan Littlefield
Loretta Moorehead
Allison Nagle



Thank you for reading this edition of the SCYC Scuttlebutt. We'll see you in 2024!



Irene