INLET BEACH CLUB NEWSLETTER



Inlet Beach Club Newsletter

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President's Message

Greetings from your new IBC President. My first couple of months on the job have been full of challenges including learning what it means to be The President. First, let me say congratulations to Mary Carlson and a big "Thank You" for her service over the past several years as a Board member, President and officer of IBC. She has certainly been a big help to me in transitioning to fill her shoes as well as contributing to the overall success of IBC.

As we were issuing our last edition of the Newsletter, we were all preparing for the 2018 season here at IBC. We had many owners on site during the late 2017 holiday season from Thanksgiving through Christmas. Our full occupancy season began in earnest with the New Year's Eve Surf 'n Turf dinner. This was the second year we have had this kickoff event and it continues to be a resounding success. The attendance was up by about 15% to 43 diners. The weather turned out to be spectacular for the evening's events which were capped off by an unofficial fireworks display, under the full moon, courtesy of Tom Kingcade. It was a great evening and you should plan to attend at the end of this year, especially if you have not been able to attend either of the first two.

Two weeks later, we held the Owner's Annual Meeting in the upstairs meeting room at Sailfish Marina. We had 25 owners represented with 18 in attendance and 7 by proxy giving a quorum for the meeting. Our attendance at the Annual Meeting has been shrinking. We hope that you will be able to make it next year. It is an important meeting and kicks off each new year with the election of your Board of Directors. Please make it a goal to attend next January.

Following the damage from Hurricane Irma, I'm happy to report that all of our new plantings are doing well. We are working with our Landscape Committee to improve the atrium areas of both buildings. The damage to the new paint on our buildings has been mostly repaired. We have had the painter back several times to do touch up work and still have a little more to do.

We have completed the front door/transom window painting project. This project came in under budget and has addressed all owner concerns. From this point forward, any touch up will be by Jose. All in all, the total painting work undertaken between 2017 and 2018 looks great and should last us many more years before the need surfaces again. Thanks to all for your cooperation during this project.

There is a big part of the season left ahead of us and many activities planned. Looking forward to seeing you around the property.

Floyd Trosper

Photo by Patty Ewen, friend of Mary Carlson





Treasurer's Report
Jery Hunter

I am happy to report that we did end 2017 in good financial shape and that, so far, we have started out 2018 on track. The one winter project that we've undertaken, the front door painting, came in under budget and the work by Floyd and Bruce in managing the contract saved an additional 7% below the bid price for the project. Funds were provided from the Painting Reserve.

IBC has been hit with a few surprise maintenance expenses. Two of our units experienced leaks in their water pipes. In one case the water leaked into the garage but in the other case the water leaked into a second-floor unit causing consequential damages. While none of the repair expenses were major, this issue has become concerning to your Board as our buildings are now over 25 years old and we are experiencing increasing failures. Please stay on top of the water situation in your unit. When you leave for more than 3 days, per our Rules & Regulations, please remember to shut off your water main shutoff valve. Such action may prevent major damage to a neighbors unit. We are hoping that our water piping does not become a major issue for us.

In addition to finalizing the painting of our buildings, the Reserve Funds were utilized this winter to finally replace the 5 pool/grill area umbrellas. We were down to one functional umbrella. A Committee of Sue McClenathan, Patti Weleski and Eileen Micheli was able to purchase all 5 at a price of about \$2,100 drawing funds from the pool/patio furniture Reserve.



Property Manager's Report

It continues to be a busy season in managing the Inlet Beach Club Property. We have made significant progress in restoring the appearance of the landscaping following the damages caused by the hurricanes back in the Fall. World Class Landscaping has done an admirable job in this effort. While we have made progress, there is still more to do as funds permit. The atriums, not damaged by the hurricanes do need upgrading and we are working with the Landscape Committee to get proposals for doing such upgrading. Further we are looking at options for upgrading the landscape in the southeast corner of the IBC property next to Ocean 18.

As noted in the Treasurer's Report, we have placed the 5 new umbrellas around the pool and grill area. Please enjoy these new additions to the property but remember to put them down when you leave the area. The easiest way to get the umbrellas damaged is to leave them up and have the wind break them. If you have guests, remind them of the same guideline.

At this time, a major investigative focus is planned for the painting of the decks, patios and all north side stairs and walkways. Whatever is determined will be a major expense as it is likely that the concrete will need to be completely stripped of all previous coatings down to bare concrete by sandblasting before any new coating is applied. This will be an expensive process and at this time is not a budgeted expense. The primary goal during 2018 will be to begin to build a plan for moving forward on this problem area. The target of this effort will be to have the plan in place at budget time for 2019 to see if we can get this effort underway. It also might be a "piece meal" effort over a couple of years. More to follow...

Sunrise and sunset views from Singer Island.

A few Winter Highlights



One of the highlights of the December season was seeing the Eclipse leave the Port of Palm Beach in early December. The Eclipse is the second largest motor yacht in the world at 536′ and is owned by Russian oligarch Roman Abramovich. It was in our nearby port for maintenance.



If you were around during January, hopefully, you were able to get over to FPL's Manatee Lagoon. It was quite a sight during that cold spell that we had. You could probably walk across the lagoon on their backs there were so many.



This year featured the best teams of the AFC and the NFC facing off in frigid Minneapolis, Minnesota, the New England Patriots and the Philadelphia Eagles. In honor of that event, IBC celebrated with our Annual Super Bowl Garage Party.

The event was well attended and the Super Bowl block pool was sold out. The game turned out to be a great game with the Philadelphia Eagles coming out on top with their back-up quarterback, Nick Foles, leading the team to victory.

The big winners at IBC were Don Meisler (1st Otr), Joe Micheli (2nd Otr), David McDaniel (3rd Otr) and Russ Kittle (Final score).

There were three happy cooks for the party.

Super Bowl Party

The Super Bowl crowd hanging out in the garage.

Upcoming events:

St. Patrick's Day Parade 3/17
Breakfast with the Boats 3/26
March Madness Final 4/2
End of Year Party 4/7









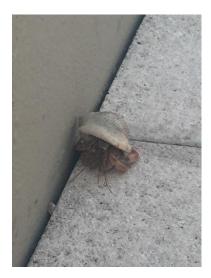
Other items of interest on Palm Beach Shores and at IBC



In Memoriam

– It is with regret and sadness that we report the loss of another of our long-time owners, Roselle Costa. Roselle's family has reported that she passed away in January, 2018 at the age of 96, after a long period of decline. She was not able to be present at the Inlet Beach Club in many years so you may not have known her or seen her around the property. She is survived by her sons Angelo (Linda) and Robert (Valerie) and their families whom many of you may know.

Animal Friends this winter:



Hermit crab hanging out at the pool.



Halloween crab hanging out in the pool pump enclosure.



Another visitor found swimming in the pool.

IBC Historical Note

For this issue we've done a little historical research on our condominium. We've found that at least 17 current members of our community have served on the IBC Board of Directors. We came up with the following: Tom Kingcade, Dave Spokely, Bob Schmollinger, Bud Henderson, Jery Hunter, Dick Bruder, Mary Carlson, Zafar Khan, Georgette Kauhane, Harry Kauhane, Linda Wogstad, Floyd Trosper, Bruce McClenathan, Dick Hershberger, Ellie McDaniel, Don Meisler, Harriett Mooney and Bill Nils. If we missed your name or you know of another current owner who has served on the Board please let us know.

We want to thank all of those members of the community who have served. It is only by volunteering your time and energy that we have been able to make IBC what it is. If you haven't served in the past, please consider stepping up to this opportunity in the future.

If you ever fly out of West Palm airport, always take a look out the left side of the plan to see if you can find the Inlet Beach Club. Looks great from the air.



The new IBC umbrellas.



Please remember to take the umbrella down after its use.

Two last reminders:

- Don't forget to shut your water supply valve if you are leaving your unit for more than 3 days.
- Don't forget to turn in your Smoke Detector testing form for the 2018 year. Forms available from Scott.