

GOURMAND SIG

BY PAT YAROS

Nine of us got together at Riverwalk Restaurant in Yorktown to see what they had to offer. Present to enjoy the evening were the following: Jeff Craiz, Don Gregory, Mike Mureddu, Tom, Peggy, and Amanda Laws, Joe Turlo, and Pat and Steve Yaros.

Prices of the dishes we tried ranged from \$20 to \$42. The entrées we chose are listed below, along with our ratings of them. Ratings of the entrées we tried, on a scale of from 1 to 10 with 10 being the highest, were as follows:

Don - Jumbo Scallop Carbonara.....	10.0
Mike - Grilled Brown Brisket & Bacon Cheeseburger.....	6.0
Joe - Greek Sushi Killer Fish Tacos.....	9.0
Steve - Onion Soup Au Gratin.....	8.5
Pat - Tuna.....	8.5
Tom - Locally Harvested Oysters & She-Crab Soup.....	1.5
Peggy - Baby Kale Caesar.....	3.0
Amanda - Lobster Roll.....	7.0
Jeff - Grilled Elk Chops & Fried Lump Crabcake.....	9.0

Comments about the meal included the following: Don, “I’ll give the service & ambiance a 9.0. They serve the biggest scallops I’ve ever seen!” Steve, “The soup is really more like a stew, with cheese, onions, and bread.” Joe said that he tried four different items, and they were delicious, but they weren’t as different as he had hoped they would be. The presentation rated an excellent 9.0. Mike gave his dish a 6.0 because “the burger was overcooked.” Tom said that his she-crab soup was very good, rating it an 8.0. The oysters, however, he rated as being barely a two – being small, and with the horseradish tasting very sharp. Amanda said that her food was good, but not the best. Jeff said that the glaze on his elk was too strong, and the crabcake was average. Peggy declared that they should have cut the stems off the kale. I found my tuna to be excellent, and the rest of the plate – very good.

For July - Please join us on **Tuesday, July 10th at 6:30 pm** at a familiar location which has now become a new restaurant. We’ll be going to **Kismet Bistro at 99 Main. Note that this is a Tuesday night early in the month.** This facility was called simply 99 Main and was located in the Hilton Village section of Newport News. It occupied that space for 16 years. Well, it’s all new now, with new owners and new décor; so let’s see what they’re doing. The new restaurant is garnering great reviews. If you know you are going to attend this gathering, please make your reservation with Pat Yaros a week ahead of time, if possible. If you find out at the last minute that you can come after all, please do so. Please see the Contact Information in the M-Tides. We look forward to having dinner with YOU!