

# Tolly Ho!

## February 2023

### Commodore's Corner - Richard Rich

#### A Big Thanks!

I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to Dean & Julie McGee! At the ITCS, Dean lead the conversation on sources for Tollycraft parts, asking everyone of any places they knew of that supplied Tolly parts. Dean wrote down several of the places, where parts can be obtained, and will get that information out to all of the clubs. Dean and Julie were also the ones who ordered the pizza and got the room prepared for lunch. They did a wonderful job.

#### Missing First Mate/Helper

My first mate/helper may not have made the ITCS, but she wanted us to know she was thinking of us - TNW! Princess Discovery - Mexico!



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# What's Up!

## INTERNATIONAL TOLLYCRAFT CLUB SUMMIT (ITCS)

The first International Tollycraft Club Summit took place at the end of January. A big thanks to Dean McGee and Lavonne Hamilton for volunteering to create the write-up and to take the pictures! See below. Also, included is a note from Doug Brown, who spoke with the curator of the Columbia River Maritime Museum.



**Dean McGee...**

## **International Tolly Club Summit - January 28-30, 2023 – Astoria, Oregon**

We sure had a great turn-out under cold but clear Astoria Skies! There were about 70 people that attended the conference. It was Scott Fultz' dream to bring the 3 clubs together for a summit to discuss ways to work collectively, share thoughts and gather excitement for building a NW boat builders wing on the Astoria Maritime Museum – part of it – featuring the history of Tollycraftts!

Friday night was the beginning of the activities. After dinner, a “docktail” hour filled the Comfort Inn's conference room. I understand things became pretty loud, as the room was filled with exuberant Tollycrafters. Julie and I missed this event, as we arrived with the Engstroms on Saturday morning early. First off, a shout out to the gals that decorated the Barbury center – It was very Tolly-esk. The place looked wonderful. On Saturday- the main event started around 9:30.... as there were lots of visiting going on, I guess unfinished conversations from the night before!

Steve Dittoe – the Commodore of the Seattle group, was the MC of the event. He did a great job of explaining the program and rolling out the details of the weekend. Sandra Lewis from the Canadian group did a wonderful job of preparing a slide showing Tolly events and the various years that Tolly made boats – from beginning to end. We visited the show, then took a break before lunch to visit the Marine Museum. We spent about 90 minutes touring the museum, before we gorged ourselves on Genos Pizza (which was delicious!) and salad. We finished lunch with a birthday celebration for Scott Fultz and Tolly with some vanilla and chocolate cake. **Note:** When Sandra Lewis made the slideshow, she showed slides from all three clubs. Lavonne sent her a lot of pictures from our club and she also pulled some from our Facebook site. So Tollycrafters Northwest was well represented. Also, the speakers talked about having the International Tolly gathering once a year (in Astoria, Kalama or Longview), so hopefully we can get more folks from TNW to come next time. Richard Rich placed applications from TNW on all the tables. We did end up getting one new member because of this and Tom Hoffman visiting with the new member as well. Welcome John & Cheri McGowan!

After lunch, Scott Fultz lead a discussion touching on the history of Tolly and Tolly's life story. We finished the day with a short conversation about sourcing Tolly parts.

That evening, we had dinner at Bridgewater Bistro. The Food and conversation continued into the night and we finished the wonderful dinner with Chocolate and Almond Cheesecake.

**Doug Brown...**

## **Columbia River Maritime Museum Status**

Two years ago I transported a number of Tolly items that I had received from Scott Fulz to the museum after having several discussions with the head Curator, Jeff Smith. He told me that within 10 years, the museum hoped to develop an exhibit about northwest boat building. Following our past weekend in Astoria, I recontacted him to see what the status is. Here is what he reported:

The museum staff determined that it was not feasible to put a boat building exhibit in the main museum because there are additional exhibits being developed now so that there would not be room. Staff began discussing the possibility of constructing a new building across the highway, as well as possibly purchasing additional land. For the past year, museum staff has been actively discussing this and is interested in including Tollycraft Yachts in the proposed exhibit. For the next two years, staff will actively investigate the possibilities, do their due diligence, prepare cost estimates, and look for funding sources. At the board meeting in two years, they will present their findings and recommendations to the board for a vote of approval.

Mr. Smith confirmed that the museum has been contacted by a subject who has told them that if they proceed with the new building and include Tollycraft in the exhibit, that he will contribute a substantial sum of money to the project. I know that Scott Fulz has mentioned an amount to several people, but I do not have that sum confirmed by the museum. Jeff said that if things go well, it is conceivable that ground breaking for the new building, if approved, could happen in 2025.

This is great news. Jeff was very pleased to learn about the number of Tolly members who attended last weekend, and about our plan to make it an annual event.

## **MARCH CRUISE - SCHWITTER'S LANDING 3/10-12/23**

The first official cruise is just around the corner! See attachment. Gary and Lois always puts together a delicious chili feed! Please take a moment to give them a call. They would like their RSVP by **March 3rd!** We hope each of you can join them!

# CRYA Notes from Bruce Chambers

January 17th 2023 @ 7:00pm Virtual Zoom meeting. 11 participants

Before the meeting started, Stan Tonneson talked about Oregon State Marine Board. The Multnomah County Sheriff River Patrol funds cut back and redistributed.

A special meeting called to order to start meeting: VOTING OF OFFICERS.

Exec. vice president - Doug Romjue (Thanks)

President - Alicia Robinson (Dolphin YC)

Vice President - Ron Bergmann

Treasurer - Doug Vandecoeverying

Secretary- open

Also, need (1) new standing committee member

President Alicia Robinson opened meeting. Roll call and minutes.

Guest boating associations: America's boating club (Power Squadron) Steve Gatton listed some seminars offered and that the boat Safety Check Stickers are almost ready.

Old Business: Issues at Sand Island / St. Helens docks. Confusion - City of St. Helens, the pay to camp on Sand Island. The Halloween Cruise maybe not to be called "spook cruise", who is paying? who is in charge? everyone should pay \$5 for electric power even if not using. The shed on Sand Island, built by CRYA years ago belongs to the pay to camp operators.

New Business: The Daughters of Neptune program looks like 5 clubs could have a Daughter of Neptune. Maybe remain a girls only program. Any Interest?

Oregon State Marine Board: Colleen Moran reported that they are working on Derelict bills. There is a unwanted boat Turn in program.

Good of the order:

The Rose Festival theme is "FOCUS ON FUN". Dolphin YC inviting all clubs. Gas and Fuel \$\$ is down for now.



# More Photos from the ITCS



## 2023 CRUISE SCHEDULE

Schwitter's Landing	3/10-12	Simmons
Commodore's Cove	4/14-16	<b>Need Host</b>
Coon Island - East Hamilton	5/12-14	Peterson/
Bartlett's Landing	6/9-11	Chambers/ <b>Bruce would like an experienced Co-Host</b>
Schwitter's Landing	7/7-9	Hoffman
St. Helens City Dock (With/UPPS)	8/4-6	McGee
Beacon Rock	9/15-17	<b>Need Host</b>
Camas/Washougal	10/20-22	Hawken
Commodore's Brunch	<b>TBD</b>	