



## January 2025 Owner Update

**Owners: Joan Flora & Tom O'Connor ([tomoconnor1966@gmail.com](mailto:tomoconnor1966@gmail.com), 503-502-4971)**

We're pleased to offer our 2025 American Tug 362, ISLAND EAGLE, for bareboat charter through San Juan Sailing and Yachting in Bellingham, Washington starting in May 2025. Currently being built in La Conner, Washington, this 36-foot tug style trawler features two staterooms with a raised pilothouse, spacious galley, full head with enclosed shower, a reliable 320 HP Volvo engine, custom sized fuel tanks for up to a 1,000-mile range, and the seaworthy hull and build quality that American Tugs are famous for.

We love being on the water and currently live in a floating home on the Columbia River in Portland, Oregon. While we enjoy boating and kayaking on our remarkable home waters, a few years ago we started chartering boats out of Anacortes and Bellingham to explore the San Juan Islands, Gulf Islands, Desolation Sound, and beyond. There are endless areas to explore with more new boating friends to meet along the way, so we decided to purchase a boat, moor it up north, and make it available for charter. Drawing on our charter experiences aboard different brands of boats from multiple charter companies, we realized American Tug was our preferred boat builder and San Juan Sailing and Yachting was the clear choice for a charter fleet.

After experiencing the challenge of finding a used boat that met our wants and needs, we did our research and made the decision in early 2024 to order a new American Tug 362. The boat is currently under construction at the American Tug factory, with all major systems installed and the deck and hull joined together in November 2024. It takes a few months for the skilled craftsman to complete the interior at their remarkable level of fit and finish, and ISLAND EAGLE is on track to launch in March 2025. We will be spending the majority of April getting her situated in Bellingham, shakedown cruising for several days, completing the Owner's Notes manual, and completely outfitting the vessel so our charter guests will have an amazing experience. We are very excited to launch ISLAND EAGLE and hope you will consider chartering her in 2025!