



Western Oregon Messabouts, also known as the “Coots”, is an unorganized group of boat nuts who have been getting together as often as possible since 2001 to float our boats, and stand around talking about boats. We give support to each other as we deal with building and messing about in odd little boats. We plot our get-togethers and share our adventures on the Western Oregon Messabout discussion group, which is accessible through the Coots’ Web page. The Oregon Coots TSCA Chapter is a subset of the Coots affiliated with the Traditional Small Craft Association. All Coots events are also Oregon Coots TSCA events.


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Steve Molin’s Dovekie on Fern Ridge Reservoir

JANUARY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.			1 New Year's Day Pacific Northwest Pocket Yachters Ratt Island Messabout	2	3  2:04 AM Coots Beaver Creek Messabout, Oregon Coast
4	5	6	7	8	9	10  7:49 AM
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18  11:53 AM	19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	20	21	22	23	24
25 Burns Night  8:48 PM	26	27	28	29	30	31



JANUARY 2025


SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Pacific Northwest Pocket Yachters Ratt Island Messabout		Coots Beaver Creek Oregon Coast	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Portland Boat Show Ends						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day				Burns Night	
26	27	28	29	30	31	

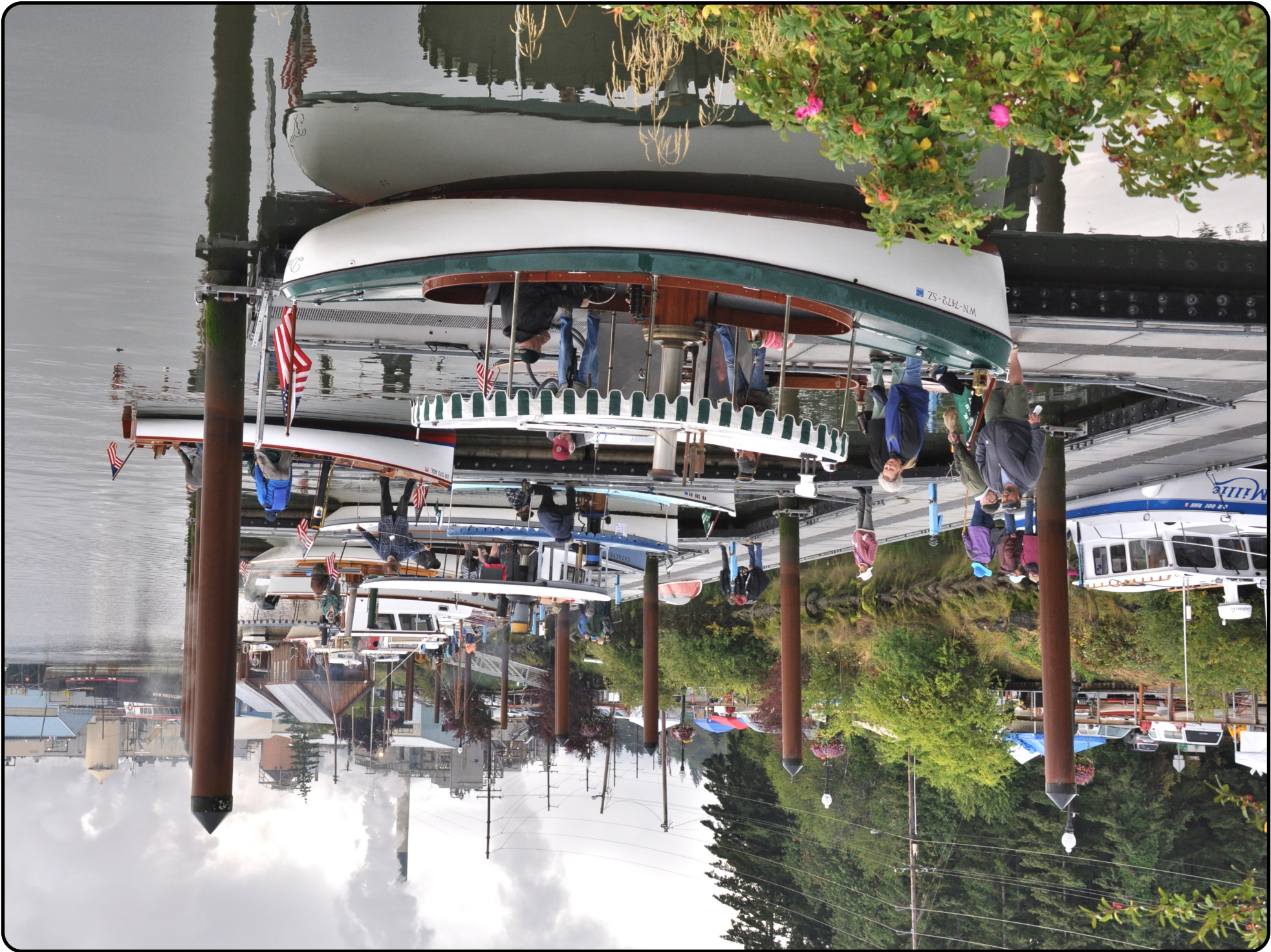
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Brass & Copper Sharpie Schooner by Earl Boissonou

DECEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Phil Bolger's Birthday Coots Yaquina River After Thanksgiving Float, Cannon Quarry Ramp to Toledo Airport Ramp	4 <div>FULL 3:15 PM</div>	5	6
7 Pearl Harbor Day	8	9	10	11 <div>12:52 PM</div>	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 <div>NEW 5:44 PM</div>	20
21 <div>Hibernal Solstice 7:03 AM</div>	22	23 Festivus	24	25 Christmas	26	27 <div>11:10 AM</div>
28 Flounder's Day	29	30	31 Hogmanay			Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.



Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show & NW Steam Society Annual Meet

FEBRUARY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Fern Ridge Dam Closing Party, Orchard Point Park, Near Eugene
2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5 12:03 AM	6 12:03 AM	7	8 Charleston Crab Feed Seattle Boat Show Ends
Vancouver International Boat Show Ends						
9 National Pizza Day	10	11	12 5:54 AM FULL Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 St. Valentine's Day Oregon's Birthday Worldwide Classic Boat Show Begins, on the Interweb	15 Coots Video Messabout, Albany
16	17 Presidents' Day	18	19	20 9:34 AM	21 Astoria Fisher Poets Gathering	22 Washington's Birthday Astoria Fisher Poets Gathering
23 Astoria Fisher Poets Gathering	24	25	26	27 4:46 PM NEW	28	Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.

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Depot Slough After the Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show & NW Steam Society Annual Meet

NOVEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2 Daylight Savings Time Ends	3 Coots Yaquina River Halloween Float, Elk City to Cannon Quarry Ramp	4	5 Guy Fawkes Night National Doughnut Day	6	7	8 Pickle Night (Observed)
9	10 US Marines' Birthday	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 David Graybeal Awareness Day	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28 National Native American Heritage Day	29
30 St. Andrew's Day						Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.



The Steamboats *Amity* & *Catalyst* During the Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show & NW Steam Society Annual Meet

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Daylight Savings Time Begins (Repeat) She Tells Sea Tales	International Bagpipe Day	National Worship of Tools Day				She Tells Sea Tales, Port Townsende
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	St. Patrick's Day			Vernal Equinox 2:01 AM		 4:32 AM
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
						 4:00 AM
30	31					Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.




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MARCH 2025




Depot Slough, Toledo, from Dan Pence’s Electric Launch, *Ginger*

OCTOBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6  8:48 PM	7	8	9 Leif Erikson Day	10	11 Coots Oregon Coast Messabout
12 Columbus Day	13 Indigenous People's Day Thanksgiving (Canada) US Navy’s Birthday  11:14 AM	14	15	16	17	18
19 West Coast Giant Pumpkin Regatta, Tualatin	20	21 Trafalgar Day  5:25 AM	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29  9:22 AM	30	31 Halloween	Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.



Mark Neuhaus's TolmanAlaska Skiff & Dan Pence's Electric Launch, *Ginger*, at Elk City

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					Coots Columbia River Maritime Museum Field Trip, Astoria	
		1	2	3	4 7:16 PM	5
6 National Tartan Day	7	8	9	10	11	12 5:23 PM FULL
13 Jefferson's Birthday	14	15	16	17	18	19
					Coots Toledo Messabout	Coots Toledo Messabout
20 Easter 6:37 PM	21	22 Earth Day	23 Shakespeare Day	24	25 Arbor Day	26 McKenzie River Wooden Boat Festival, Nimrod
27 NEW 12:33 PM	28	29	30			Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.

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APRIL 2025



Dan Pence's Joel White Acorn Skiff, *Rose*, & Dan Mulholland's SF Bay Pelican, *Eagle*. at the Fern Ridge Spring Small Boat Messabout Picnic





SEPTEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Labor Day	2 Deer Harbor Wooden Boat Rendezvous	3	4	5 Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival	6 Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival
7  11:10 AM Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival	8	9	10	11 9/11 Coots Paulina Lake Messabout	12 Coots Paulina Lake Messabout	13 NW Steam Society Snohomish River Delta Mini Meet Native American Canoe Races, North Bend, Or. Coots Paulina Lake Messabout
14  3:35 AM Coots Paulina Lake Messabout	15	16	17 Wooden Canoe Heritage Assoc. NW Fall Meet Begins, E. C. Manning Provincial Park, BC	18 Int'l Talk Like a Pirate Day	19	20 WorldCleanup Day
21  12:54 PM Wooden Canoe Heritage Assoc. NW Fall Meet Ends	22 Autumnal Equinox 11:19 AM	23 New Westminster RiverFest Begins	24	25	26	27 Vancouver Wooden Boat Society Small Boat Rendezvous, BC Lake Union Wooden Boat Festival, Seattle
28 British Columbia Rivers Day World Rivers Day New Westminster RiverFest Ends Lake Union Wooden Boat Festival	29  4:54 PM	30				Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.



Randy Torgerson’s Stretched Devlin Candlefis, *Fish Taco*, on Fern Ridge Reservoir

MAY 2025

SUN	<div></div> <div>Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.</div> <div><div>6:53 AM</div><div></div><div>4</div><div>Cinco de Mayo</div><div>Newport Loyalty Days & Sea Fair Festival</div><div>Olympia Wooden Boat Fair</div><div>Big Lagoon Messabout</div><div>Wooden Canoe Heritage Assoc. NW Spring Meet Begins, Camp Bishop, Near Shelton</div><div>15</div><div>Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day</div><div>Coots Fern Ridge Lake Spring Small Boat Messabout, Near Eugene</div><div>16</div><div>NW Steam Society Sammamish Slough Mini Meet, Kenmore Coots Spring Messabout Triton YC Dinghy Dash, National Safe Boating Week Begins</div><div>17</div><div>Big Lagoon Messabout</div><div>10</div><div>Olympia Wooden Boat Fair Pull and be Damned Small Boat Messabout, Anacortes</div><div>9</div><div>Big Lagoon Messabout, Humboldt County</div><div>2</div><div>Newport Loyalty Days & Sea Fair Festival</div><div>3</div><div>Newport Loyalty Days Parade Opening Day of Boating Season Celebrations, Port Townsend & Seattle</div></div>	MON	<div>Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.</div> <div><div>8:04 PM</div><div></div><div>26</div><div>Memorial Day</div><div>Anacortes Boat Show Ends</div><div>Coots Fern Ridge Lake Spring Small Boat Messabout</div><div>18</div><div>Victoria Day</div><div>19</div><div>Coot Conception Day</div><div>21</div><div>20</div><div>5:00 AM</div><div></div><div>27</div><div>28</div><div>29</div><div>30</div><div>31</div><div>Pacific Northwest Small Boat Festival</div></div>	TUE		WED	<div>May Day</div> <div>1</div> <div>Seventy48 Application Deadline</div>	THU		FRI		SAT	
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Mike Conyers’s New Steamboat in Depot Slough During the Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show & NW Steam Society Annual Meet

AUGUST 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 <div> 5:41 AM</div>	2 <div>PNW Pocket Yachters Blake Island North Beach Rendezvous Drayton Harbor Days, Blaine Great Oregon Steam-Up</div>
3 <div>Drayton Harbor Days Great Oregon Steam-Up, Brooks</div>	4 <div>British Columbia Day US Coast Guard’s Birthday</div>	5	6 <div>Astoria Regatta</div>	7 <div>National Lighthouse Day Astoria Regatta</div>	8 <div>Astoria Regatta</div>	9 <div> 12:57 AM Lower Columbia TSCA Cathlamet Wooden & Classic Boat Festival Astoria Regatta Boat Parade</div>
10 <div>National Lazy Day</div>	11	12	13	14	15 <div> 10:14 PM Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show NW Steam Society Annual Meet, Silverdale</div>	16 <div>Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show NW Steam Society Annual Meet Oregon Coots TSCA Annual Meeting, Toledo</div>
17 <div>Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show NW Steam Society Annual Meet</div>	18	19	20	21 <div>Ol’ Coots’ (Senior Citizens’) Day</div>	22 <div> 11:07 PM</div>	23
24 <div>Lake Oswego Antique and Collector Car & Wooden Boat Show</div>	25	26 <div>National Dog Day</div>	27	28	29 <div>Victoria Classic Boat Festival Olympia Harbor Days</div>	30 <div> 11:25 PM Victoria Classic Boat Festival Olympia Harbor Days</div>
31 <div>Victoria Classic Boat Festival Olympia Harbor Days</div>						Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.



Coots Booth & Boat Raffle (Bolger Mippert built by Jim Cooper) at the Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show

JUNE 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 The Glorious 1st of June National Fishing and Boating Week Begins	2 ☾ 6:41 PM	3	4	5	6 D Day, Normandy National Donut Day Seventy48 Pre-Funk & Start, Tacoma Inuit Kayak Symposium, South Sound Traditional Skamokawa	7 Learn to Row Day Anacortes Waterfront Festival South Sound Traditional Inuit Kayak Symposium
8 Canadian Rivers Day Anacortes Waterfront Festival National Fishing and Boating Week Ends	9	10	11 ☼ 12:46 AM	12	13	14 Classic Yacht Association Bell Street Pier Classic Weekend, Seattle
15 Fathers' Day Classic Yacht Association Bell Street Pier Classic Weekend	16	17	18 ☾ 12:20 PM National Go Fishing Day	19 Juneenth	20 ☼ 7:42 PM Estatval Solstice	21 Lower Columbia TSCA & Coots Columbia River Summer Solstice Messabout
22 Lower Columbia TSCA & Coots Columbia River Summer Solstice Messabout	23	24	25 ☼ 3:33 AM NEW	26	27	28 WA360 Race Start, Port Townsend RiversWest Family Boat Build, Portland
29 RiversWest Family Boat Build	30				Check the links in at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.	

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The Pearson Electra, *Greta*, on Fern Ridge Reservoir

JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Canada Day	2  12:30 PM	3	4 Independence Day	5
6	7	8	9	10  1:38 PM	11 Sucia Island Small Boat Rendezvous	12 Coots Megalopolitan Messabout Sucia Island Small Boat Rendezvous
13 Sucia Island Small Boat Rendezvous	14 National Tape Measure Day	15	16	17  5:39 PM	18	19 Pacific City Dory Days
20 Pacific City Dory Days	21	22	23	24  12:12 PM Salish 100 Starts, Olympia	25	26 Great Oregon Steam-Up, Brooks
27 Great Oregon Steam-Up	28	29	30	31 Salish 100 Ends, Port Townsend		Check the links in the online schedule at coots.org/mb/ before finalizing plans to attend an event.