

Thruster Customer Report

With WESMAR Thrusters

“Response Time is 100% Better”

One of WESMAR's goals is to make the lives of captains everywhere easier and more efficient. And for Captain Ernie Smith, they have certainly done just that. Capt. Smith greatly appreciates the impact the new WESMAR dual prop 16-inch hydraulic thrusters have had on the 108-foot M/Y Burger, Chanticleer. “The response time is “100% better than what we had before,” says Capt. Smith, citing proof of the “instantaneous power” he gets with the new WESMAR thrusters. One advantage of WESMAR's counter rotating dual propeller thrusters is they produce 40 percent more thrust with the same input power.

“The previous system worked, but didn't work well,” said Capt. Smith. Prompted by the need to change the older system, Capt. Smith has seen dramatic improvements in the handling of the 1973 classic yacht. “Before we had an electric motor that used to overheat,” said Capt. Smith. “Now with the WESMAR thrusters there is no overheating and very minimal maintenance.” WESMAR's hydraulic thrusters eliminate the risk of early thermal shut down in critical moments.

Capt. Smith and his crew mostly cruise around the Caribbean



The 108 foot M/Y Chanticleer is now equipped with WESMAR's powerful dual prop counter rotating 16 inch thrusters with a hydraulic motor, improving both response time and docking capabilities for the vessel.

and Bahamas in the winter; home port is Virginia during the summer. A captain for 28 years, he points out that it is important, especially in the Caribbean, to have equipment that is fully proportional. “At times we have experienced 15 to 20 knots of crosswind while attempting to dock. Now it is so much easier for docking in small places.”

WESMAR's more powerful and proportional thrusters allow for the application of only the necessary thrust for efficient, safe, and gentle docking.

Capt. Smith was also impressed by the extremely helpful service he received at Yacht Equipment & Parts (YEP). “Jim Monroe did a great job installing the equipment. He

answered my questions well and their installations were very professional.” One of the most important factors Capt. Smith noted was YEP's prompt work. “They completed the work within the time frame they promised which is a very big deal.”

Capt. Smith says he would definitely recommend WESMAR's thrusters for other captains, emphasizing that they, “run great and work just as advertised.” WESMAR is pleased to be giving the captains the advantage they are looking for in every situation.



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