

Thruster Customer Report

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...(Boatyard Veteran Believes in the WESMAR Electric Bow Thruster)

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The Captain of the Eleanor Ann III, a 72' Viking, and Dave Best, a Portland, OR. Electrification expert had an opportunity to sea trial a WESMAR 12' Dual Prop Electric Bow Thruster that Griffin had installed. They left from Portland, OR and were headed to Lewiston, Idaho on a picturesque twelve day cruise on the Columbia River.

Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate. Near The Dalles, Oregon, wind conditions were so turbulent that solid water was coming over the bow, which sits at least ten feet above the water line. The mouth of the River is famous for such conditions - it is a world famous haven for sailboats. Since the journey was becoming quite unpleasant the crew of the Elea-



The 72' Viking, Eleanor Ann III, standing three stories high is susceptible to high wind conditions. The WESMAR DPC12E Bow Thruster solved the problem.

nor Ann decided to head back to Portland and spent the night in Hood River, Oregon. Fortunately, they had a suitable bow thruster at their disposal.

“We were docking on the beam in 20 Knots of wind,” says Best. “We were really impressed.” The 10 horsepower WESMAR Thruster had more than enough power for the Eleanor Ann. “The owner was skeptical, but Bob Sentz of WESMAR assured us

that 10 horsepower was plenty, and he was right.”

Best adds, “When we installed the thruster, we placed the tube low to get under the boat. Now when we turn the WESMAR Thruster on it has so much power it starts to roll the boat!”

