

# *Pacific Fishermen, Inc.*

Professional Ship and Yacht Repair Since 1946  
260 ft. Moorage Dock with 100 ft. and 160 ft. Marine Railways to 600 tons  
145 ft. x 600 ton Covered Dry Dock and Sidetrack for Climate Controlled Work

Tel: 206-784-2562  
Fax: 206-784-1986  
[info@pacificfishermen.com](mailto:info@pacificfishermen.com)

5351 24th Ave NW  
Seattle, WA 98107  
[www.pacificfishermen.com](http://www.pacificfishermen.com)

## ***Pacific Fishermen, Inc. Services Charter Yacht Fleet***

Seattle's Pacific Fishermen, Inc. shipyard recently completed significant bottom repairs to two of Southeast Alaska's premier charter yachts, URSA MAJOR and ALASKAN SONG. The 96 ft. x 12-passenger ALASKAN SONG encountered an uncharted rock in Chatham straits at the beginning of the charter season. Pacific Fishermen flew up a team of experienced shipwrights and carpenters to re-plank the double-planked hull with Honduran mahogany and Alaskan yellow cedar on new oak frames. The timely repairs matched the original Air Force construction used when the vessel was built for rescuing fliers downed off the Washington coast. Today owners Debbie Bennett and Geoff Wilson run regular cruises to Alaska. More information on Alaskan Yacht Charters is available at <http://www.alaskansong.com/home.html>



**ALASKAN SONG**

### ***Pacific Fishermen, Inc. Services Charter Yacht Fleet, continued.***

In the case of the URSA MAJOR, a near full keel and stem replacement was required consisting of a laminated fir beam. This was done to match the original Norwegian built naval architecture design details that sets this vessel apart from ordinary charters and mega yachts. She was launched and outfitted in 1972 at the Malahide shipyards in Dublin, Ireland on a rock solid wooden hull built in Norway. With her classic Old World charm, solid North Sea Construction and warm European ambiance she is the perfect "little ship" for Alaska charter cruising. The URSA MAJOR carries 8 passengers throughout Southeast Alaska under the direction of Dr. Joyce Gauthier. Further information regarding URSA MAJOR is available at <http://www.myursamajor.com/>



## **URSA MAJOR**

Building on a long tradition of servicing the wooden fishing fleet with experienced shipwrights and corkers, charter and private yachtsmen are bringing their vessels to the shipyard with increasing regularity. Whether its for a quick up and down drydock survey for purchase, annual repairs to American Bureau of Shipping standards or extended repairs, these owners and operators are finding an experienced and loyal crew to put them in ship shape. Pacific Fishermen shipyard maintains the experience corkers on staff that are a diminishing resource in the wooden boat world. Notable vessels serviced include SKYE TYME, ALLIANCE, ESCAPE, OR NOIR, MONTEGO, EMERALD FJORDS, PEPPERMINT, PANASEA, WANIGAN III, TRITON, SVANEE, MEDUSE, DAEDLUS, CAMELOT, LIONESS, MIXER, MALIBU, HENRIETTA FOSS and the VIRGINIA V.

Pacific Fishermen, Inc. shipyard was founded in 1946 on the site of the old Ballard Marine Ways, famous for wooden halibut schooners, and Navy minesweepers later named CALYPSO by Jacques Cousteau and WILD GOOSE by John Wayne. The shipyard consists of three haul out facilities and docks on the freshwater side of the ship canal locks. A 100' x 200 ton marine railway, 160' x 600 ton marine railway and the original Rowe 145' x 600 ton screw lift dock with 145' covered end track rails provide for extended out of the water climate controlled repairs on dry land. All three facilities are equipped for hull cleaning, high pressure washing and sandblasting with full environmental containment and on-site shipyard run-off wastewater reprocessing.

Extensive heavy steel fabrication, sandblasting, piping, wood joinery, oakum caulking and full service machine shop give the vessel owner access to a one-stop repair and maintenance facility. Machine shop facilities include (11) horizontal and (1) vertical turret lathes, (2) horizontal and (2) vertical line boring mills, (3) radial drills, fixed and portable key seaters and a shaper. Shipyard Competent Persons are available for the rapid start of off-site work using a City of Seattle roving pre-approved fire permit for onboard welding and hot work. Contact General Manager Doug Dixon or Ship Superintendent Tom Harbin to obtain a repair estimate or schedule dry-docking.