



Washington Trollers Association

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We hope this finds you and your family safe and well and ready for the New Year.

While we are relatively quiet in the off-season, much work goes on behind the scenes on behalf of our membership and Association. This letter is to let you know that it is time to renew your membership in the Washington Trollers Association for 2026. Dues are as follows:

Full voting member	\$300/year
Combined full and business member	\$350/year
Retired member	\$ 50/year
Associate business member	\$ 100/year

For 2026 we are inviting you to purchase your **Troll for Gold** derby ticket in advance, along with your dues payment. We are also inviting you to let us know your commitment to participate in the WTA One-Percent Program in 2026, and your preferred fish buyer(s). We will let them know if advance if you plan to participate. We hope this will help avoid these contributions slipping through the cracks.

We encourage you to renew your membership in a timely manner. Port representation on the Board of Directors is based on the number of paid-up members at each of the three ports – Ilwaco, Westport and Port Angeles. Members must be current on their dues to vote in our upcoming Annual Meeting (date TBD.)

We have enclosed a membership renewal form and a return envelope. Please be sure to let us know if you have any changes in your contact information, including your email address.

Your continued membership is important to the WTA and our commercial fishery. WTA is the clear leader in representing the Washington salmon troll industry. Renewing your membership is an investment in your business, and you will get your money's worth. It is essential that we maintain a strong presence at the local, state, and regional levels. This has always been important but has become increasingly so with the complexity of the issues and the efforts of groups that do not have our best interests at heart.

In the coming months we will be sending out notices of meetings where we need your presence. Those include WTA meetings, but also local port, pre-season, North of Falcon, and two rounds of PFMC meetings. Speaking up is important, if you are comfortable doing so, but simply attending indicates that we mean business. You can make a difference in whether we have a season in 2026 and beyond, or not.

Sincerely,

Greg Mueller
Executive Director