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# WELCOME ABOARD!

## TROLLEY # 1861 - COMET

TROLLEY # 1861 IS HEREBY NAMED “COMET” AFTER THE COASTAL DISCOVERY MUSEUM’S MARSH TACKY HORSE COMET, TO REFLECT THE ROLE THESE RARE BREED ANIMALS PLAYED IN TRANSPORTING ISLANDERS IN THE EARLY DAYS OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND.

ONCE THE LOWCOUNTRY’S MOST “COMMON” HORSE, TODAY THERE ARE ONLY ABOUT 300 MARSH TACKIES IN EXISTENCE. STOP BY THE MUSEUM TO MEET COMET, A GELDING MARSH TACKY BORN IN NEARBY RIDGELAND WHO MOVED TO HONEY HORN IN 2012, AND LEARN ABOUT THE CARE AND CONSERVATION OF THIS RARE SPANISH COLONIAL BREED, NOW RECOGNIZED AS SOUTH CAROLINA’S HERITAGE HORSE.



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## TROLLEY # 1862 – THE ALLIGATOR

TROLLEY # 1862 IS HEREBY NAMED “THE ALLIGATOR” AS A TRIBUTE TO ISLAND NATIVE CHARLIE SIMMONS, SR., AND HIS FREIGHT BOAT THE ALLIGATOR.

ISLANDERS CALLED MR. SIMMONS “MR. TRANSPORTATION” FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO TRANSPORTATION BEFORE THE BRIDGE CONNECTED HILTON HEAD TO THE MAINLAND.

THE ALLIGATOR WAS USED TO FERRY GOODS AND PEOPLE BETWEEN HILTON HEAD, SAVANNAH, AND OTHER MAINLAND AREAS. “CAP’N CHARLIE” WAS A NATIVE GULLAH/GEECHEE OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND WHO PASSED AWAY MAY 10, 2005, JUST TWO MONTHS BEFORE HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY.

