

There are a number of individuals proposing a 1579 Drake landing site on the Pacific coast. Those with websites are:

<http://www.FortNehalem.net> – Garry Gitzen has printed a great deal of unbiased research which points to Drake landing in Nehalem Bay, Oregon. While Drake lunched, some members of his crew assisted the Indians to carry 20-60 pound stones to construct cairns 10 feet around and 2 feet high and atop the cairn Drake placed incised rock markers. These cairns represented a symbolic sovereign act of a land claim.

<http://nwpr.org/post/oregon-history-buffs-dismiss-californias-drake-landmark> NPR with yours truly. The true location of Drake's 1579 summer landing site for 5 weeks where repaired his ship and recorded his latitude while performing a land survey on Neahkahnie Mountain shown in the website photo which pictures Nehalem Bay in the foreground.

Some Of The Drake Imposters I've Met And Spoken With Over The Years Are:

<http://drake.mcn.org/Drake.htm> - Oliver Seeler, his friends call him Ollie, was one of the first sites I found in 2006. I haven't read his site for a while but the last time it was updated was 2001. I wrote my book in 2008 so everything he has to say about a landing is bogus. If I remember, he doesn't like the Drake Navigators Guild and is probably even more acidic about them than yours truly. Honesty is the best policy.

<http://www.longcamp.com/dng.html><http://www.longcamp.com/dng.html> Bob Graham – Cal guy likes to discuss the landing but will not admit Drake in Oregon and knows that Cal is not the place. He now has a site promoting somewhere in Vancouver Island area but again, it holds no water and he knows it.

<http://www.winepi.com/DNG.htm> Drake Navigator Guild – Cal club of sailors who like to see what Drake saw by sailing back and forth along the Pt. Reyes and Drakes Bay area. All the while they imagine somewhere that Drake landed. Although Drake never set foot anywhere near there and by now they all know it but again they have been the most promotional of the Cal groups to imagine Drake's factitious landing site. My next book discusses their phony theories in detail.

<http://www.indrakeswake.co.uk/> Michael Turner – Plymouth, England world sailor of Drake landing sites. He sailed with the Guild President Raymond Aker and future Pres. Ed Von der Porten back and forth along Drakes Bay and is convinced it was the landing site (that would be good enough for me too - lol). One of his members is reported to have the largest Drake library. Turner even narrated some sort of Discovery Program about Drake landing sites. Of course they have my book.

<http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Point-Reyes-declared-Drake-landing-site-3966058.php> Press release by the Drake Navigators Guild when the Pt. Reyes was designated a National Seashore Park. There is no mention of Drake by name in any of the Parks designation literature or documents. In fact one of the official documents was submitted by the Drake Navigators Guild but the Parks blacked out all mention of Drake at Pt. Reyes or Drakes Bay. Yet the Guild was able to have this bogus and misleading article printed because of their 60 year reputation of promoting Drake. Notice the double speak and air of self important authority in the article.

<http://www.drakeinoregon.com/> - In 1980 Englishman Bob Ward did research for Wayne Jensen in England after Jensen and Viles theorized in 1971 that Drake did a 1579 survey on Neahkahnie Mountain. 1980 is when Bob started his Drake quest and now accuses nearly everyone of stealing his research. Bob

Ward loved Whale Cove for years until he read my book "Francis Drake in Nehalem Bay 1579". In 2014 he decided Drake landed in the Salmon River under Cascade Head in Lincoln County, Oregon. He even received \$20,000 from the Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce to "look for a small Spanish Galleon" believed to have been left by Drake in the mouth of the Salmon River.
<http://www.newslincolncounty.com/archives/113984> He then employed Mark Michen out of Calif to do the underwater archaeology, but it was too muddy to find anything; imagine that.

Melissa Darby, Lower Columbia Research & Archaeology, LLC. Also promotes Drake in Whale Cove although she is on record saying she believes Drake performed a survey on Neahkahnie Mountain. She did a dig as part of her requirement for PHD at Whale Cove in 2014 and found nothing to indicate Drake landing there. At some time in the past Melissa Darby was employed by Bob Ward to do some sort of anthropology work.