

UNIT NUMBER:

FORT HEARNE

AREA OF SERVICE: WESTERN ARCTIC (1949-1961)

Fort Hearne Point (Latitude 70°09'N, Longitude 124°32'W) named after her.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Motor Screw Cargo Vessel.

Construction: Yellow birch, rock maple, white pine, oak, and spruce. Sheathed in greenheart.
Designer and builder: John Etherington Limited, Shelburne, Nova Scotia, 1948-1949.
Power: Fairbanks-Morse 8 cylinder diesel engine; 480HP.
Dimensions: Length - 149'; Breadth - 30'; Depth - 16'6".
Draft: 12' loaded.
Number of passengers: Number of crew: 6 Officers, 6 crew.
Plans: RG7/8A/68 - sheets 1-16
Speed:
Registered:
Tonnage: Registered - 382.27; net - 296.60.

HISTORY:

1948-1949 Built by John Etherington Limited, Shelburne, Nova Scotia
1949 Maiden voyage from Nova Scotia through Panama Canal to British Columbia, then around Alaska to Tuktoyaktuk to serve out of 'Tuktuk' as a supply vessel.
1961, 18 July Holed by heavy ice in the Dolphin and Union Straits. *Charles Camsell* came to her rescue and towed ship to Bernard Harbour.

MASTERS:

1949 J. W. Smith, R. J. Summers, L. H. Adey
1950-1955 L. H. Adey
1956-1958 C. F. Jardine
1959-1961 L. H. Adey



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