OFFICIAL NUMBER: 153181

NIGALIK

AREA OF SERVICE: WESTERN ARCTIC (1938-1952)

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:
Ketch rigged, auxiliary power

Construction: B.C. fir sheathed with 1” iron bark.

Dimensions: Length - 72’6”; breadth - 22”; depth - 8’11 1/2” (amidships).
Draft: 6’ (normal).
Number of passengers: none. Number of crew: seven.
Power: 75 HP Diesel engine, 4 cycle, Atlas Imperial Engine.
Registered:

Speed:
Light - 7 knots; loaded - 6 knots.

Tonnage:
Gross - 77.81 tons; net - 47.08 tons; deadweight - 90 tons.

HISTORY:
1927 Outfitted by Clarke & MacGregor for trade + attempt on North-West passage.
1938 Hudson’s Bay Company acquired it from Canalska Trading Company, pulled out at Tuktuk (RG3/51/28).
1939-1940 Repairs - not in operation (RG3/51/28)
1941-1943 Distributing to and inspection of Western Arctic Posts, Tuktoyaktuk as base (RG3/51/28)
1948-1951 Served Western Arctic from Cambridge Bay, Reid Island wintering spots. Nechilik to replace her (RG3/48D/69, 70; Moccasin Telegraph, December 1951, p. 18)
1952 Called into service to carry out uncompleted portion of Nechilik’s work (Moccasin Telegraph, December 1952, p. 24)

MASTERS:
1941-1943 R.J. Summers, Master RG3/51/28

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

PHOTOGRAPHS AND DOCUMENTARY ART:
1987/363-N-39 - 1926 to 1949
RG3/51/28 - photograph, 1938 and others

REFERENCES:
RG3/51/28 Ship’s Dossier
RG3/66A/9 Engineer's Reports 1949

MICROFILM REELS:

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