

Antarctic Research Vessel Oversight Committee (ARVOC) are exchanging attendance at meetings. And the AICC email list continues to expand.

One issue of concern to the AICC - scientific clearance in foreign EEZs - has been mostly laid to rest, but the final step of having the Coast Guard play the same role as a UNOLS operator remains somewhat unclear. [Note added: At the UNOLS Council meeting, however, Rick Rooth said that the Coast Guard will adopt those procedures.] AICC questions regarding HEALY's status under Canadian regulations appear to be resolved satisfactorily.

With respect to HEALY construction, Captain Johnson reported almost all good news at the AICC meeting. Even the six-month delivery delay was positive because in exchange for this the yard agreed to complete most of the "top 10" science-related modifications requested by the AICC. (The AICC is very pleased and appreciative!) The hull may be complete at this time. Delivery is set for December 1998 with most of 1999 as shakedown and testing. The AICC plans to tour the vessel shortly after launch in late 1997. John Boaz, a senior technician at SIO, is contracted by the USCG (through NSF) for consulting on science systems.

The AICC has recommended that there be no SOO on USCGC HEALY in 1999. Instead, we ask the USCG to concentrate on tests and training. We hope to locate science groups who can use the test to their advantage, but under control of the USCG and test team. The AICC is now working to help design science system tests during HEALY ice trials. The AICC regards it as very important that procedures be worked out to provide "corporate memory" for science systems support rather than to re-train for each mission.

The next scheduled meeting of the AICC will be in New Orleans, probably in January 1998.

Appendix VI

UNOLS FLEET CHARGE DAYS (By Agency & Year)

	1995	1996	1997	1998
NSF Days	3249	2738	3038	2639
%	66.6	63.5	58.5	57.1
ONR Days	403	454	524	316
%	8.3	10.5	10.1	6.8
NOAA Days	354	145	338	487
%	7.3	3.4	6.5	10.8
NAVO Days	0	0	398	497
%	0	0	7.7	10.8
OTHER Days	872	978	893	682
%	17.9	22.6	17.2	14.8
 TOTAL Days	 4877	 4315	 5191	 4619

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Charge/Operating Days (1995 1996 1997 1998)

1995	1996	1997	1998
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	Total	Total	Total	Total
A-11 / Atlantis	31 9	93*	138	300
Ewing	31 0	315	278	209*
Knorr	350	279	293	244
Melville	29 7	29 7	288	312
Revelle		8 0*	289	312
Thompson	333	246	261	32 4
Edwin Link	175	186	212	138
Endeavor	228	147	191	201*
Gyre	122	219	148	18
Moana Wave	195	144	216	181
New Horizon	240	174*	280	217
Oceanus	187	168	205	201*
Seward Johnson	271	304	284	205
Wecoma	145	198	190	193
Alpha Helix	144	73	161	171
Cape Hatteras	175	0	237	264
Cape Henlopen	198	185	203	177
Longhorn	72	130	82	100
Pelican	182	201	205	183
Pt. Sur	164	118*	197	203
Sea Diver	180	132	89*	22*
Sproul	145	155	205	100
Weatherbird	154	167	150	154
Barnes	77	86	133	108
Bluefin	75	96	105	121
Calanus	48	50	107	214
Laurentian	91	72	44	57
Urraca	0	0	0	173
Days	4877	4315	5191	4619

*Overhaul or partial service

**Endeavor/Oceanus 100% double booked. One ship to lay-up.

Note: Based on data available on 19 June 97

Appendix IV

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