

POLAR BIRD

IMO No: 8403533 GENERAL CARGO 1984 / 5632 GT

OWNER & HOMPEPORT:

Rieber Shg. A/S, Norway
Bergen

YARD INFORMATION:

H. Brand Schiffswerft 218
Oldenburg (Germany)

SCRAPPING INFORMATION:



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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Name: Almog IMO No: 8403533
Ex: Polar Bird Built: 7/1984
Type: General Cargo Status: In Service
SubType: Flag: Honduras
DWT: 6,433 Draft: 7.65 Builder: Brand & Co.
GT: 5,156 LOA: 109.71 Owner: Polar Circle AS
NT: Beam: 18.93 Speed/Cons: 14.75/-
Class: NV Depth: 9.81 Engine Type: Krupp MAK
Decks: 3 Bale: Gear: C-2-40

OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

ALMOG 29-05-2003 LRF
POLAR BIRD 12-05-2000 LRF
Flag Date of record Source
Honduras 29-05-2003 LRF
Norway International Ship Register 12-05-2000 LRF
Registered owner Date of record Source
RON AM SHIPPING 28-07-2003 LRF
DYNAMIC SHIPPING SERVICES 09-06-2003 LRF
RPTD SOLD HONDURAS 29-05-2003 LRF
POLAR CIRCLE 05-12-1994 LRF
Ship manager Date of record Source
DYNAMIC SHIPPING SERVICES 17-11-2003 LRF
RON AM SHIPPING 28-07-2003 LRF
DYNAMIC SHIPPING SERVICES 09-06-2003 LRF
RIEBER SHIPPING AS 05-12-1994 LRF

SALES, TRANSFERS & RENAMINGS:

ICE BIRD	1984-94	
POLAR BIRD	1994-03	Polar Circle A/S, Norway (NIS)
ALMOG	2003-	Dynamic Shg. Services (DSS) Ltd., Honduras

GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

Special ice class E4 vessel

Delivered to Reederei G. Schulz, Germany.

2003: Sold by Polar Circle A/S (Rieber Shipping A/S), Norway to Dynamic Shipping Services, Israel in 2003. Renamed AL-MOG (Honduras flag).

Vessel is equipped with special cranes made by ice-strengthened steel, water-resistant holds, heliport and additional accommodation decks.

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The "POLAR BIRD" is an Antarctic supply vessel which has been chartered by a variety of countries. It is ice-strengthened. In 1998 it was chartered by the Australian Antarctic Research Expedition as a temporary replacement for the out of service "Aurora Australis". Note: "PolarBird" was used for only the one trip in 1998 and ANARE helicopters from Mawson Base flew personnel and supplies to the vessel which came as close to the base as Pack Ice allowed.

For the 2000-2001 season "Polar Bird" was again chartered by Australia's Antarctic Division to make 5 supply trips to both sub-Antarctic and Antarctic bases. The first of these trips left Fremantle on the 8th of October 2000 to Heard Island where a major deployment was being made for the first time in many years.

Note: "Polar Bird" arrived at Casey Base on the 26th November 2000 and remained in the area until the 19th of December 2000. This was mainly because it was stuck in the ice. It eventually freed itself and arrived back at Hobart to complete Voyage 3 on 26th December, 2000.

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MV VASILII GOLOVNIN will replace the smaller MV Polar Bird which was used for some 20 years. Polar Bird was sold earlier this year by its Norwegian owners following its final voyage for the Australian Antarctic Division.

(www.worldshipny.com 01 June 03 to 01 August 03)

Australian Antarctic supply ship M/V POLAR BIRD, stuck, with 65 crew, in ice for 11 days since sudden build up of ice trapped vessel in Prydz Bay, Dec. 16, 500 km from Mawson Station (live web cam), 5000 km SW of Hobart. More powerful Australian research icebreaker RSV Aurora Australis -- departed Casey station today to rescue. Aurora, currently 3 days ahead of regular schedule, will take 6 days to complete 1500 km journey W. along Antarctic coast, but rendezvous with Polar Bird will take at least a few days longer because of thickness of surrounding ice. Polar Bird, an ice-strengthened cargo ship chartered from Norwegian owners to resupply Australian ice stations, was landing supplies for Australian field camp on Amery Ice Shelf -- when it became trapped by heavy pack ice. Absent any indication of weather changes needed to break ice up, Aurora -- is directed to assist instead of returning directly to Hobart.

(Thurs. Dec. 27 2001) - Report by Cargo Letter

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