

## Beaufort Gyre Exploration Project: Dispatch 10: The Calm Before The Figurative Storm

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After the ship slurped up its last desired drop of diesel, the *Louis* continued north en route to the 150 west line, along which scientists and crew

It's nice to be on the open sea for a few days before the ship returns to constant crunching. In addition to providing a peaceful daytime ride, the c

The downtime during the fueling allowed everyone aboard the ship a chance to cut back and relax. Before the refueling began, crewmembers ar  
Arctic Circle. The party was a relaxed, light hearted affair where people focused on their poker game more than their data analysis. Party attend



Coast Guard Cadet Andrew Pearson plays guitar and sings while Captain Andrew McNeill accompanies on the bass guitar.



Although the container on the left appears to be brimmin  
it's actually a metal bucket filled with chicken wings. By tl  
was not a chicken wing in sight.

Yesterday WHOI's Rick Krishfield treated a group to the first in a series of talks given by scientists on board. Rick summarized the progress and Beaufort Sea.



Rick Krishfield explains WHOI's involvement in the Arctic Obser  
collaboration of scientific groups that seeks to place a drifting ar  
(IBOs) throughout the Arctic.

The past two low-key days are uncharacteristic of what lies ahead. Throughout the next three weeks, over thirty moorings and buoys will be dep

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