Beaufort Gyre Exploration Project: Dispatch 26: Faces of the Louis IV

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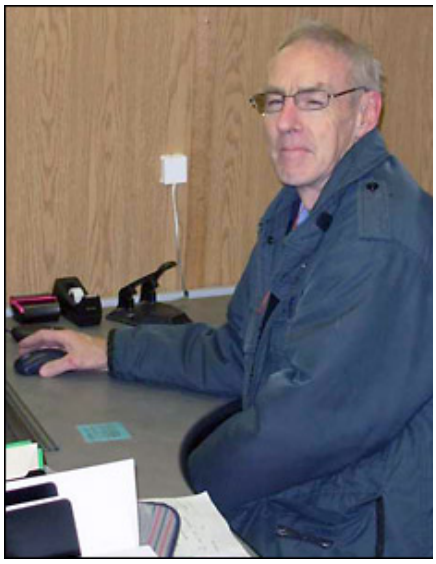
Today we successfully recovered another WHOI mooring, and are heading west. The work is getting to be fast and furious for all the science gro aboard as the *Louis* makes good time through the ice. But without the glorious support of all the officers and crewmembers onboard, we would b able to accomplish nothing. Here are more Faces of the *Louis*.

Ice Observer Scott Payment provides expertise on interpreting the satellite ice images and meteorological data that is received onboard, and on identifying different ice conditions and ice types during reconnaissance flights.

From the Engine Control Room, Third Engineer Gerald McDonald confers with the bridge.



Storekeeper Graham Weldon keeps track of the multitude of parts and supplies in the Louis storeroom.

During a mooring operation, Seaman Ralph Kaiser keeps tension on the wire to the winch.

I wonder what would happen if Engine Room Mechanic Bryant Culhane really pushed that button?

In the galley, Cook Thomas Mcmahon prepares the lunchtime rush.

Electrical Officer Norm Robinson checks the circuits to keep the Louis running smoothly.

Besides his regular duties, Electrician Joe Lucas also staffs the ship's canteen which provides hats, shirts, candy, toiletries, and other assorted items.

The man at the helm is Leading Seaman Steve Archibald.

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