



# The Crews' Messdeck

105 Sailors

AOS 1994 was a long, tiring, and rewarding trip. Twenty-four hours a day, there were always things happening. Helo Ops proved to be the crew's favorite; when chow was piped, it also meant "Set FLICON One." In all departments, though—no matter what the tasking—the crew was up to the challenge.

Deck Force was always manning the cranes to hoist over the scientists and divers, and to assist in any way needed. The Engineers faced a non-stop battle to keep the plant running. Aviation had to move at a moment's notice, be it taxiing to the "Louie" or to the next science station. Operations and Supply found their work equally demanding.

One of the benefits of all this was the opportunity to work alongside the scientists. Always in good spirits, the science party frequently took time away from the research to join the crew in Polar Bear swim calls, initiation, and pizza night.

More importantly, the crew was able to maintain POLAR SEA's reputation—unmatched by any ship in the fleet.



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top: SA Matthew Kor poses for his Russian counterparts on YAMAL.

middle: FA Jeffrey Pierce and SK3 Michael Sanicharra playing tackle football on the ice

bottom: YN2 Brian McClure and MK3 Raymond Morris III hard at work.

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