

TRAPPERS' STATIONS



*Hamna [208-2], 17th August 2006. Hamna is a former Norwegian trappers' station, built in 1939 by Søren Richter's Expeditions. It was used as a trappers' station until 1951, and subsequently as a travellers' hut. Hamna is still in good condition, thanks to regular maintenance by personnel from Mestersvig Airfield. (Top) View south-east towards Archer Øer. (Centre, left) Interior. (Centre, right) Fox cages from 1939 at Hamna. (Bottom) View eastwards towards Archer Øer and Kap Simpson. © NCN*



## HOCHSTETTER [510]

### Wintering party

- 1929-30: Hans Ludvig Jensen, Niels Hansen,  
James van Hauen, Knud Østergaard
- 1930-31: Niels Hansen, Berndt Jensen,  
Knud Østergaard, Andreas Hvidberg,  
James van Hauen
- 1931-32: Niels Hansen, Leander E. Emskær Larsen,  
Berndt Jensen, Bjarne Ludvigsen
- 1932-33: Niels Hansen, Henning Nyholm-Poulsen,  
Finn Kristoffersen
- 1933-34: Arne Philbert, Walther Povelsen
- 1934-35: Leo Hansen, Berndt Jensen,  
Christian Sørensen, Henry Larsen,  
Ole Winstedt, Arvid Waldenstrøm Petterson,  
Christian Jensen
- 1935-36: Berndt Jensen, Christian Sørensen,  
Henry Larsen, Ole Winstedt,  
Arvid Waldenstrøm Petterson
- 1936-37: Hans Ludvig Jensen, Georg Øksentjørn,  
Carl Henrik Schultz, Poul Hennings,  
Alfred Hansen
- 1937-38: Hans Ludvig Jensen, Georg Øksentjørn,  
Carl Henrik Schultz, Poul Hennings
- 1938-39: Alfred Hansen, Svend Aage Jespersen,  
Anders Kristian Østerlund Johannesen
- 1939-41: Alfred Hansen, Finn Kristoffersen,  
Mads Christensen

- 1941-46: None
- 1946-47: Orla Jensen, (Mogens Graae)
- 1947-48: Orla Jensen, Mogens Graae
- 1948-49: Harald Mikkelsen, Hans Thomsen
- 1949-50: None
- 1950-51: Erik Larsen
- 1951-52: Hans Frederiksen
- 1952-54: None
- 1954-55: Hans Frederiksen, Erik B. Larsen

### 1929-30

As early as 1921, Johan F. Petersen, who was a trapper in the East Greenland Company, had suggested that a trappers' station be built west of Kap Rink on Hochstetter Forland. On the 20th August 1929, the idea became a reality when the vessel "Birkild" anchored up, and the Nanok men aboard set about unloading materials for the station. When the ship left, Hans Ludvig Jensen, James van Hauen and Knud Østergaard remained behind to build the station under the leadership of Niels Hansen.

On the 30th August they raised the roof and Jensen recorded that: "we wrote a letter, signed with the names of the participants and put it in the north-eastern corner of the house. We named the house "Nanok" in commemoration of our company".<sup>154</sup> On September 17th they moved into the house which was: "good and



Nanok trappers in front of the Hochstetter station, Summer 1932. Left to right: Finn Kristoffersen, Henning Nyholm-Poulsen (sitting on the doorstep), Evald Rasmussen, Bjarne Ludvigsen, Berndt Jensen, Niels Hansen, Leander Elias Emskær Larsen. © Arne Philbert