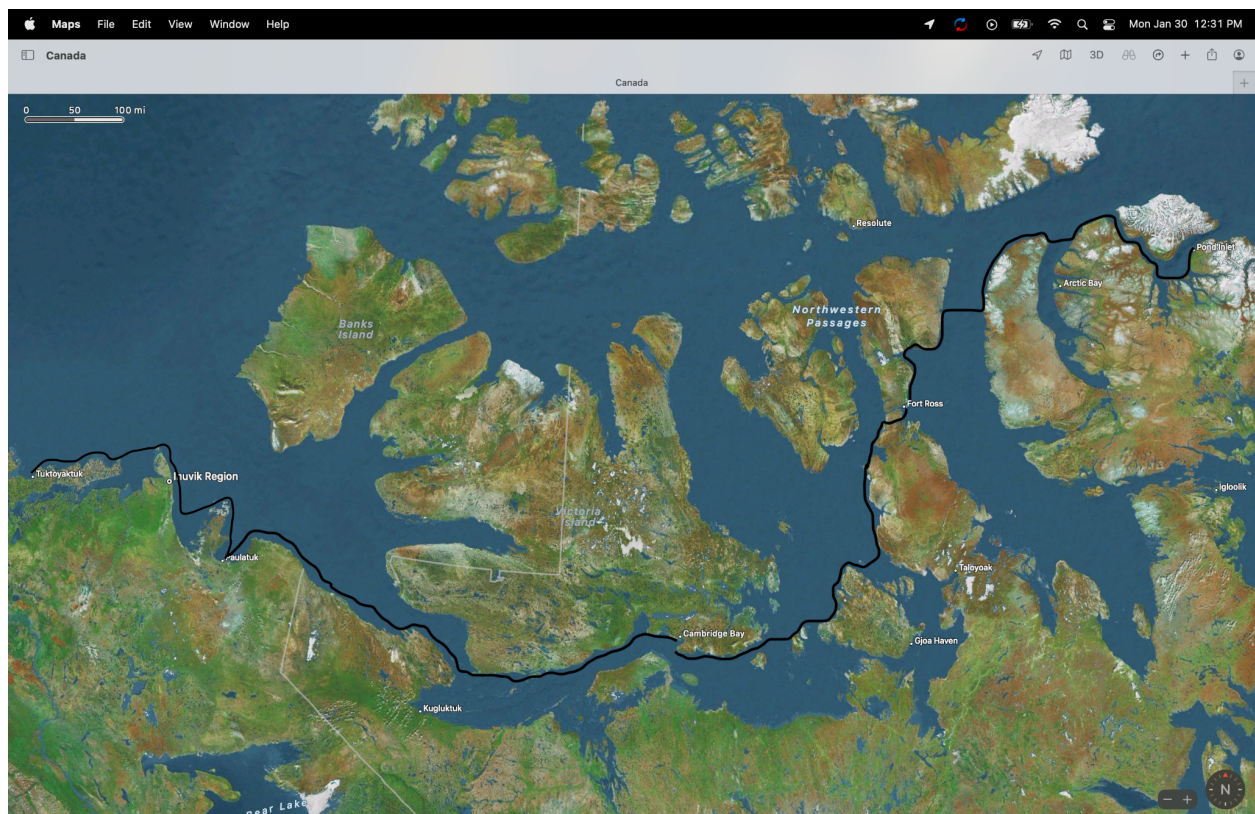


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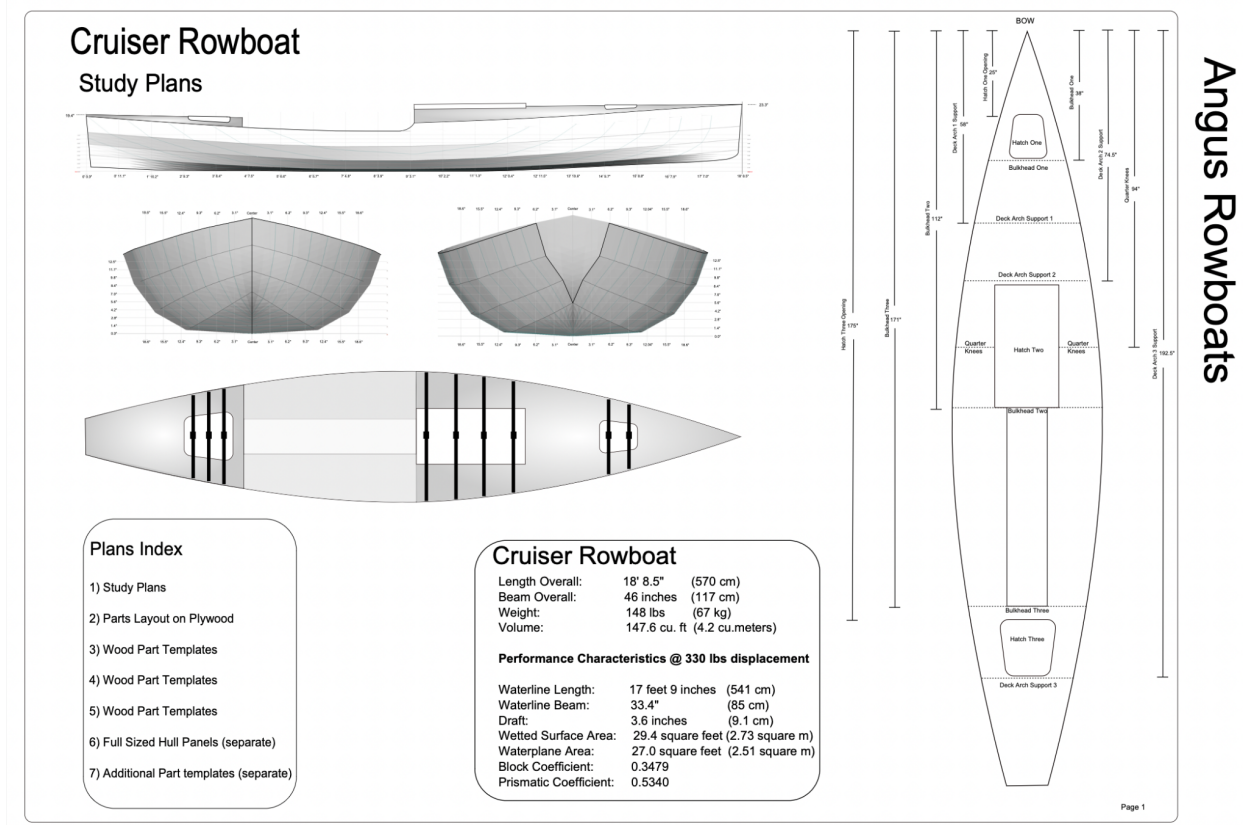
Overview

In July of 2023, Adam Riley and Matthew Clarke will depart from Tuktoyaktuk in custom-built 19' rowing vessels. They will travel along the coast through the Northwest Passage via Paulatuk and Cambridge Bay to their final destination of Pond Inlet by mid to late September. They will be documenting this journey for the purpose of making a small, independent documentary on the Northwest Passage and the threats to the delicate ecosystem of the Arctic. The expedition will be fully self-supported, bringing enough food and provisions to carry us the entire way, as well as being equipped with sufficient safety gear.

Planned route



Boats



The boats each have a small one-person sleeping cabin. When conditions are right, we will sleep onboard, minimizing our impact on the land and increasing our safety from bears. The boats move at approximately 4-5mph and will average around 30 miles per day underway. They have a maximum payload of approximately 700 lbs.

Safety

Each of the two boats is equipped with automatic bilge pumps, Chartplotter GPS, VHF radio, AIS receiver, EPIRB, emergency sea anchor, and satellite communications systems. The boats are capable of carrying two people in an emergency and are fully field serviceable. Each boat will carry repair equipment and replacements allowing for any major repair on site. Each rower will be outfitted with a full dry suit, PFD, and helmet.

When camping, we will be equipped with an expedition-grade four-season tent, a perimeter bear fence, a Shotgun, Bear spray, and noise makers. Our expedition includes a meteorological team providing weather forecasting for our journey and an expedition coordinator following our progress via GPS transponder. The expedition is fully insured.

Impact on the land

Both Adam and Matty have a great deal of experience in wilderness living and are committed to limiting their impact on the landscape as they move through it. All trash will be packed out, leaving nothing behind. Our only fuel source is for our small camp stove and all fuel will be brought with us for the duration of the journey. Our food provisions will be enough to last us the entirety of the journey. We will practice a leave-no-trace policy at each of our campsites and return each site to its original condition. We will not be hunting, and plan to fish only occasionally with a rod and reel, for which we will acquire the appropriate permits and follow all local fishing guidelines.

Contact Information

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any further questions or require any more information about our expedition. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

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