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## Navigation in Greenland, by Søren Rose.

A couple of years ago, the now deceased Helge Schultz-Lorentzen contacted POST Greenland with a proposal for a new series of Greenland stamps. Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen, who all his life had strong ties to Greenland, felt that the ships in the waters of Greenland ought to have their own complete series of stamps. POST Greenland agreed to further discussions with Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen about an actual series of stamps. I therefore had the great pleasure of participating in several meetings with Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen during the work on this exciting project. It was a great experience to hear him generously draw on his enormous knowledge on the ships of Greenland.

Now today the series is finished, and the first four ship stamps are ready for issue. Unfortunately Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen never lived to see the series printed and issued on stamps. I am sure that as the initiator and the man he was he would together with the rest of us have been pleased with the result.

Before his death Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen managed to send me a lot of notes on his great knowledge on the Greenlander ships. The following presentation of the first issue of the ships series to a large degree consists of Mr. Schultz-Lorentzen's own words. POST Greenland dedicates the ships series to Helge Schultz-Lorentzen, without whom it would not have been possible to issue such a comprehensive and fine series of stamps on the theme of Greenlander

Ships. It is my hope that the ships series will present this exciting piece of Greenlandic cultural history in a good and meaningful way - quite in Helge Schultz-Lorentzen's spirit.

POST Greenland is planning a total of four issues in the ships series. The motifs include ships as well as boats from the Greenlandic maritime history. POST Greenland has previously issued stamps showing well known Greenlander vessels. In 1950, the screw-propelled schooner **GUSTAV HOLM** was issued; in 1974, the longboat **KAREN** followed; in 1975, Knud Rasmussen's old expedition ship **SØKONGEN** (the King of the Sea); in 1976, the coaster passenger ship **KUNUNGUAQ**; in 1985, the brig **HVALFISKEN** (the Whale); in 1994, the expedition ship, the steam launch **DANMARK**; and in 1998, the steamer **HANS EGEDE**, as well as the steam schooner **GERTRUD RASK**, which were both lost during the Second World War.

On June 24, 2002, the next four Greenland stamps with ship motifs were issued. The

four stamps were issued at the same time in a stamp booklet as well as in an exquisite souvenir folder.

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