

**Burger Boat: Launches 60' research vessel "Coregonus"**

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Manitowoc, Wisconsin, U.S.A. – April 8, 2011 Burger Boat Company launches the R/V Coregonus, a 60' Research Vessel for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

R/V Coregonus is replacing the R/V Barney Devine, a steel Fishing Tug built by Burger in 1937.

SeaCraft Design in Sturgeon Bay, WI designed the R/V Coregonus for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to meet the demanding requirements of the department. Powered by twin Caterpillar C12 diesel engines, the all welded aluminum R/V Coregonus will provide a cruising speed of 20 knots. An onboard laboratory, gill net fishing equipment, trawl net reel, folding dive platform, crane and hydro-acoustic gear makes the R/V Coregonus a versatile research vessel that can be used in all but the most extreme sea conditions. In addition, the pilothouse windshield and open aft deck are heated to prevent icing during winter operations. For additional information, including construction videos, please link to <http://dnr.wi.gov/fish/greatlakes/coregonus.html>.

The R/V Coregonus will be delivered to the Fisheries Department later this month following sea trials.

Burger, established in 1863, has a long tradition of designing and building a diverse range of vessels including custom pleasure yachts and commercial vessels such as fishing boats, passenger vessels, tugs, push boats, ferries, mine sweepers, and sub chasers.