

Restoring the Gøl boat

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- Project 2016: Restoration of the Gøl Boat (commitment 28.000 €)
- Project 2017: The return to Gjøl Harbor* (commitment 48.000 €)
- Project 2018: The Gøl Boat as a cultural tool (commitment 48.000 €)

^{*}From Aalborg Marine Museum



The Gøl boat

- The Gøl boat was built in 1908 as a passenger and freight boat and was the island of Gjøl's supply line to and from Aalborg (c. 15 km.) until World War II.
- Gøl is one of the few engine packets that was specially built for the small shallow ports in the Limfjord. Therefore, it has been declared worthy of preservation by the Danish Ship Preservation Trust
- The Association *The Gøl Boat Wooden Ships Guild* was established in April 2012 with the stated goal of restoring, preserving and using the boat for a large number of activities on the Limfjord.



^{*} Packet boat: In the maritime world a packet, or packet boat, is identified by its function rather than by any distinctive vessel type and the term describes a smaller ship carrying goods, passengers and mail in regular service;

^{**} Danish Ship Preservation Trust: Founded in 1986 at the instigation of the Ministry of Culture





Purpose of the project

- To <u>restore</u> the Gøl boat and bring it back to what it was when it was built in 1908
- To <u>preserve</u> and use the Gøl boat as an active authentic cultural monument of past dependence on ship transport of people and goods across Limfjorden.
- To put the use of the authentic boat into a <u>contemporary context</u> that is based on the current market opportunities.
- To <u>strengthen outdoor recreation and tourism</u>, which is linked to the Limfjord, with new experience products and develop new cooperative relations with the tourism industry, schools, associations, institutions, event organizers and others.
- To <u>develop an active and inclusive wooden boat guild</u> with offers and tasks for everyone, regardless of gender, age, education or social status.
- To <u>create</u> two <u>new local jobs</u> directly in the restoration phase and a similar number through contributions to increased activity levels at the port in the village and at locally or regionally located business enterprises.
- To <u>help the former island of Gjøl</u> to be increasingly characterized by activities, communities and life values that can make potential newcomers consciously and actively choose this particular place of residence.
- That Jammerbugt Municipality gets a vessel that can be used in marketing contexts several places in the fjord.



Results of the first fase/project

- The project has helped to establish a new workplace and to maintain a workplace.
- The project will promote the diversification of the local maritime economy, among other things by attracting more guests, strengthening the maritime cultural heritage and perhaps increasing the local settlement.
- There are many visitors, especially people with an interest in old things, such as vintage cars and motorcycles.
- The network is locally expanded, based on an interest in the traditions of the craft and the cultural heritage associated with the boat and the craft.
- Old methods of producing various ship parts have been refreshed in the workshop - and in dialogue with other similar projects.
- The project gathers a lot of different people and easily reaches the attention of the press. Cohesion and synergy have arisen in many different ways.

