



### **CREATOR OF RECORDS:**

AS Hvalen was founded in Sandefjord on 14 June 1912. One of the individuals behind the share issue was shipowner Lars Christensen (1884–1965). N. Bugge became general manager from the third whaling season and the company was relocated to Tønsberg.

From 1913 the company carried out whaling off the South Shetland Islands with the aid of a floating blubber boiler and three whale boats.

In 1914, AS Hektor (A–1582) acquired all shares in Hvalen, along with the floating blubber boiler *Hvalen* and the company's whaling licences for the South Shetland Islands, subject to approval by the British authorities.

The company's general manager was N. Bugge (A–1326) and from 1915 operations were combined with those of AS Hektor (A–1582).

AS Hvalen was dissolved in July 1928.

Sources: The company's minutes of negotiations, various historical documents collected by the company (see N. Bugge (A–1326) series Z/0001–0002).

### **THE ARCHIVE:**

AS Hvalen's archive comprises 1.25 linear shelf metres and spans the years 1912 to 1928. The archive, which is not complete, consists of minutes of board meetings, a letter book, lists of blubber boiler and whaling boat equipment, case records and some accounts. See also documentation in the archives of AS Hektor (A–1582) and N. Bugge (A–1326).

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<b>A –</b>	<b>GOVERNING BODIES</b>	<b>1912 - 1928</b>
	<i>After AS Hektor acquired AS Hvalen in 1914 and during the later joint operation of the companies from 1917 onwards, a joint annual report was issued for the two companies, which can be found in series A in the archive up until A-1582 Pa 508 AS Hektor. However, the companies remained separate legal entities and the accounts were kept separately for each of the companies.</i>	
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