

Dolphin

Corvette

Massachusetts Privateer Brigantine

(1) Commander David Ingersoll

19 May 1780-

(2) Commander Abner Parret

28 August 1780-

Commissioned/First Date:

19 May 1780

Out of Service/Cause:

Owners:

Nathaniel Silsbee et al of Salem, Massachusetts

Tonnage:

90, 100

Battery:

Date Reported: 19 May 1780

Number/Caliber Weight Broadside

6/

Total: 6 cannon/

Broadside: 3 cannon/

Swivels:

Date Reported: 28 August 1780

Number/Caliber Weight Broadside

8/

Total: 8 cannon/

Broadside: 4 cannon/

Swivels:

Crew:

(1) 19 May 1780: 21 [total]

(2) 28 August 1780: 21 [total]

Description:

Officers:

Cruises:

Prizes:

Actions:

Comments: The 100-ton Massachusetts Privateer Brigantine *Dolphin* was commissioned on 19 May 1780 under Commander David Ingersoll of Salem, Massachusetts. She was listed as having a battery of six guns and a crew of twenty men. Her petition was presented by Nathaniel Silsbee and others of Salem.¹ *Dolphin* was re-commissioned on 28 August 1780 under Commander Abner Parret of Salem. She was now listed as measuring 90 tons with a battery of eight guns and a crew of twenty men. Her petition was again by Silsbee and others. *Dolphin* was mentioned in the *Boston Gazette* of 13 November 1780.²

¹ Allen, *Massachusetts Privateers of the Revolution*, 117

² llen, *Massachusetts Privateers of the Revolution*, 118