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## Moscow, lots of impressions, nice people but far too much stress 18 Jul, 04

Written by Johan Ivarsson:

Russia is so much more than I could ever have expected. It's the people and the hospitality among everyone that I refer to. My idea about Russia and its people before I entered the country and met all this nice people were slightly negative. Even if I understood that reality probably would be better than I've heard, the trip so far have been wonderful and full of good impressions. It's been very exciting to meet all these personalities here at the club, listening to their experiences and knowledge, not only about their own trips but also about the areas that we are going to. The more information we get the more anxious I become setting the canoe in the water and slowly start our adventure down the river.

My own problem with mosquito bites, seems to spread. Tonight Titti also got attacked by these irritating creatures, almost as much as I did. Even the motorboating danes at the club, have been hit by the itching and irritating bites. But despite this, one has to try to see the positive aspect of it all, at least it happened in the modern world, not out there in the wilderness were the problem could have turned serious.

Tomorrow it is time to head off again, towards Magadan, our next goal on route. Even if we have enjoyed our time here in Moscow, we three are not made to stay in the city for more than a shorter period of time. There is stress everywhere, all this terrible noise and the feeling that one can never relax as one would like too, makes us look forward getting to Magadan and another step closer to the beginning of the actual Expedition.

Rapport # 4 Moskva, många intryck, fina människor men alldeles för stor stress

Skrivet av Johan Ivarsson:

Ryssland är så mycket mer än jag hade förväntat mig. Det är människorna och vänligheten bland alla jag refererar till. Intrycken jag fått innan jag kom till Ryssland och träffade alla dessa människor var inte det bästa, även om jag förstod att det förmodligen var bättre än jag fått höra, har det hittills varit en underbar och intrycksgivande vistelse här i Moskva. Det har varit spännande att träffa alla dessa personligheter här på klubben som har erfarenhet och



Moscow river



Our danish friends who are traveling by motorboat around the polarworld



Working in our room at the Adventure Club

kunskap om att vara ute på expeditioner och som har så mycket att berätta. Både om deras tidigare färder men även om det område vi ska bege oss in i. Hela tiden växer känslan och begäret att få sätta i vår kanot och sakta glida iväg.

Mina egna problem med myggbetten var tydligen bara början. Även Titti har nu drabbats och det med nästan lika stor kraft som för mig. Även våra motorbåts färdande danska vänner har börjat få de kliande och irriterande betten. I allt detta kliande ser vi dock det positiva i att drabbas av detta nu, medan vi är kvar i civilisationen, än att vi skulle få en ännu större chock ute i vildmarken. Förhoppningsvis vänjer sig kroppen tills det är dags för avfärd.

Imorgon bär det nu iväg igen, mot Magadan, vårt nästa mål på vägen. Även om vi har trivts väldigt bra här i Moskva så är vi inte stadsmänniskor. Stressen som är runt omkring, alla ljud och känslan av att aldrig få lugn och ro, gör att vi ser fram emot att komma till Magadan och ännu ett steg närmare den riktiga starten.

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## **Previous Dispatches**

Moscow. Humid, the odd rainshower, plenty of mosquitos, noise and heavy pollution. 17

"No!" yelled our guide terrified,"I am not going with you into the Devils Nest!" The guide was referring to the Mausoleum of the Bolshevik leader Lenin, one of the initiators of the Soviet Empire.



Moscow, cloudy, the odd rainfall, warm, noisy and strong smells of pollution. 16 Jul, 04
We've just spent the first night in weeks without waking up, worrying that something important has been forgotten regarding the logistics of what equipment we need and how to get it into Russia.



<u>Dispatch 1 - Offices of the Adventure Club of Russia</u> 15 Jul, 04

Finally, after many days of sleepless nights, we feel totally at peace! We're lying on the floor of an office belonging to the Adventure Club of Russia and suddenly we've realized that the adventure h



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