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Our tour leaders often say their work is a “dream job” that they would not trade for any other. Although they love the opportunity to travel the world while leading our tours, there is no aspect of the job more enjoyable than scouting a new tour. They are paid to do it, and their daily schedule is entirely up to them.

As I post this newsletter, Ayres Adventures tour leader Claus Lazik is in Japan, making preparations for our two *[Japan Cherry Blossom Tours](#)* to be offered in March and April, 2015. As soon as Claus returns we'll publish the itinerary details and pricing. The tour beginning March 28 is more than half filled - primarily by riders who have already done multiple trips with us. The second tour beginning April 9 has been booked by a private group.

As Claus heads to the Orient, our General Manager, John Jesson, prepares to depart Africa for the UK to make final preparations for our new *[Scotland - Castles, Kilts and Whisky Tour](#)*. Itinerary details and pricing will be published soon after John completes the scouting.

As with our new Japan tours, the first Scotland tour, which will be operated later this year, has been booked by a private group. We've had several bookings for the tour beginning June 20, 2015. I predict that these two new premium-level tours will be very popular.



Tour Leaders Choice?

Two Great Norwegian Adventures



Claus Lazik will again head up our two back-to-back tours of Norway beginning in July. There is something special about all of our tours, so we are reluctant to identify a “favorite” lest we draw attention away from other tours. But I’ll acknowledge that Claus, who has been nearly everywhere in the world that a motorcycle can go, has confided that Norway is his favorite overall destination. He cites scenic beauty, great roads, interesting accommodations and great food as reasons for his pick.



Our *Midnight Sun Adventure* begins in Oslo on July 13 and ends north of the Arctic Circle in Tromsø - the “Paris of the North”. The Adventure will take you through the pristine beauty of Norway with stunning and bizarre landscapes on endless roads through uninhabited wilderness with 24 hours of daylight. There is no other “North Cape” tour that will let you experience more of Norway. Ride along the Norwegian fjord-dotted coast line and then cross the Lofoten Islands and the never ending plains of Lapland, up to the border of Russia. Take a whale safari and watch the Midnight Sun! This tour is about experiencing Mother Nature in all its splendor, riding roads that lead to where Europe ends – The North Cape - the northernmost point in the world to which it’s possible to ride a motorcycle.

The 15-day *Viking Run* Adventure begins in Tromsø on July 30 and ends in Munich on August 13. This “9 Flags” Adventure is designed for riders who enjoy longer riding days and the opportunity to experience the widest variety of cultural exposure possible during a 15-day Adventure. You’ll cover half the distance through Europe and experience nine different countries. With two exceptions, each night will be spent in a different European country. Like the *Midnight Sun Adventure*, the *Viking Run* includes a trip to Norway’s North Cape. The nine countries visited on this exciting Adventure include Norway, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Austria and Germany.



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Adding to the Talent Base

Arthur Tarian - Our Newest Tour Leader

Arthur was born and raised in Tallinn, Estonia (one of our favorite stops on [The Viking Run](#)). After serving over the Polar Circle in the Russian Army, he returned home to study mechanical engineering. He later immigrated to Europe, living in Austria, Italy and England before settling in the United States.

Arthur has been an active motorcyclist since receiving his license at age 16. He rode his first bike, the Jawa 350, year-round. Soon after, he began racing Enduro and Hare Scramble, participating in national competitions. Arthur continued to explore challenging trails wherever he could find them. He developed a passion for long distance riding and travel to remote locations, resulting in a ride from Key West, Florida to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. He is a member of the Iron Butt Association.



Fluent in Russian and English, Arthur represents Ayres Adventures' deep commitment to the Russian market, as he is ideally suited to lead the numerous private tours that we operate for Russian-speaking groups. He will undoubtedly be pressed into service for such Epic Adventures as our [Moscow to Hong Kong Adventure](#).

Arthur now lives in Sioux Falls, South Dakota with his two daughters. In addition to his passion for motorcycling, he also enjoys such adrenalin-pumping sports as alpine skiing, mountain biking and skydiving. Welcome aboard Art!

And Now for Something Different!

Siberian Snowmobile Adventure 2015



Yes, that's right. I said "snowmobile". And yes, I said "Siberia"!

No, we aren't about to deviate from our commitment to global motorcycle travel and you won't see us doing much outside the motorcycling realm. But when Svetlana Malygina, our Moscow-based colleague described a snowmobile tour she recently organized for her Russian customers, I decided that the opportunity to offer something unusual to our customers was too attractive to pass up.

Our 8-day *Siberian Snowmobile Adventure* will take place in Eastern Siberia in February, 2015. One of the most exciting features of this Adventure will be Lake Baikal - one of the most beautiful and interesting lakes in the world. Lake Baikal is the deepest and oldest lake in the world and contains 20% of the world's unfrozen fresh water supply. I had the pleasure of exploring the lake last summer and I understand that it's even more spectacular in the winter.

I'll post a description of this tour on our website in the next few weeks. In the meantime, begin dreaming of this unique Siberian experience for next February. Barb and I are planning to do this one "two-up". Send me an [email](#) if you're interested in this one and I'll add your name to the list of prospective Siberian Adventurers.

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