



Russian Vessels TSR 2009 Baltic

Class A	Class C, D	Class C, D
1. MIR	1. Adventure	11. Elena
2. Sedov	2. Akela	12. Zvezda
3. Yuny Baltiys	3. Argo	13. Neva
	4. Ariel	14. Nika
	5. Bylina	15. Peter 1
	6. Varyag	16. Rus
	7. Vitiaz	17. Yunga
	8. Diana	18. Sibir




**Special program for recruiting, educating
and support StPetersburg youngsters**

**Initiated by the City of StPetersburg and
StPetersburg TSR 2009 Host Port Committee**

**Implemented by The International Baltic
Sailing Center**

Recruiting 200 people from 15 to 25 y.o.

**To sail in TSR aboard one of 20 StPetersburg
vessels**

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**7 steps
from the City to the Sea:**

Youngsters	Vessel
1. Recruiting	1. Application to TSR and City Program
2. Orientation	2. Getting yacht equipment
3. Educating	3. Special seminars for TSR sailing
4. Distribution	4. Presenting the yacht, meeting candidates
5. Practice on vessels	5. Involving youngsters
6. Visas	6. Visas
7. Sailing to TSR	7. Sailing to TSR




Youngsters. Step 1. Recruiting May 2008 – January 2009

Applicants were attracted through/from:

- Internet: application at www.tsr2009.ru (accepted from June 2008 to February 2009)
- Social occasions: Exhibitions, Meetings, Concerts for young people and for sailing community (September – December 2008)
- Targeted presentations – Maritime Universities, Colleges, Schools (December 2008 – January 2009)
- Active sailing crewmembers

Every student, schoolpupil, cadet, employee from 15 to 25, who lives/studies/works in StPetersburg can apply

Result: 500 applications



Captains & Vessels. Step 1. **Application to TSR and City Program** **May 2008 – February 2009**

- A list of vessels – potential TSR participants was prepared
- It was held negotiations with captains and owners
- Every vessel defined number of trainee births, Race legs, equipments requirements
- Vessels applied to TSR

There were up to 23 vessels in the preliminary list.



Youngsters. Step 2. Orientation **February**

- 4 presentation meetings during the February
- The Tall Ships' Races – what is it, history and traditions
- Sail training – what are the requirements and duties for trainee
- TSR 2009: the route, dates
- StPetersburg Program for trainee – terms and conditions

After the presentations candidates were invited to sign “the symbolical contract”

Result: 300 “Trainees’ contracts”





Captains& Vessels. Step 2. Getting yacht equipment

February - May



Detailed list of required equipment was presented to the Sponsor Committee.



The equipment was provided, presented or paid by sponsors.

For 17 vessels:

- 21 life rafts,
- 14 EPIRB bouys,
- 140 life jackets,
- 12 sets of signal flares
- also: the registration fee was paid (more than 3300GBP)

Total expenses were up to 100 000 Euro

We also have to bring many thanks to owners of all participating vessels, who held all season costs for the boats. This costs were not included, but they are sensible.



Youngsters. Step 3. Educating

March - April

Special classes for participants

- Led by experienced Yachtmasters – Boris Khryashev, Pavel Koryakin
- Syllabus made after “A guideline for the best practice” received from STI
- Special “Trainee Manual” was printed and given to each person
- An examination at the end of the course

Result: 240 candidates successfully passed the exam



Captains & Vessels. Step 3.


Special seminars for TSR sailing

April

Information seminars for captains and officers.

- Led by experienced TSR participants – Serguey Timoshkov, Vladimir Kuchinsky, Andrey Berezkin
- STI “Special Rules And Regulations” was translated, provided and explained
- Special “TSR Captain’s Manual” in Russian was printed and provided for each boat

More than 40 people – captains, officers, team-leader took part.



Step 4. Distribution April, 24


Meeting of all participants of City Program

Yachts captains presented their vessels



Youngsters made a choice depending on

- Points on examination
- Vessel they like
- TSR leg they want/can sail
- Number of berths aboard the vessel

Result: 240 candidates directed to 20 vessels





Step 5. Practice on vessels
May - June

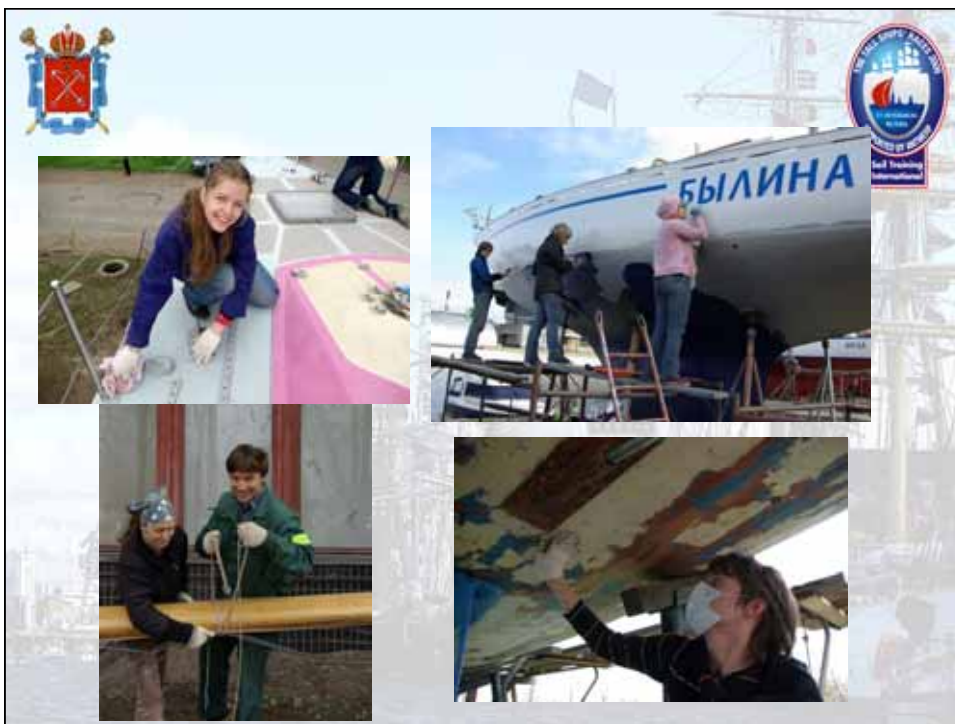
Spring work – preparing yachts to sailing.
24 hours e.g. 4 days per 6 hrs:

The most important time for captains – meet the person, evaluate skills, check social and emotional readiness to long sailing trip

Sea practice – Training trips in Mouth of Neva, participating in local activities and races:

- Test and improve sea-skills
- Sea-sick test
- Ability to sail in this crew

Result:
Captain makes final decision to accept a person into the crew






Step 6. Visas&Uniform May – June

Collecting datum & documents

Applying for Polish and Finnish visas

Special seaman documents for those sailing aboard “Yuny Baltiets” and “Mir”

Producing uniform – caps, polo T-shirt, jackets, waterproof suits

Both for youngsters and crewmembers – about 300 people




Step 7. The Tall Ships’ Races July - August

More than 200 City trainees sailed aboard 17 StPetersburg vessels, and also aboard European vessels

3 Russian yachts canceled their participation a couple of week before the Races and trainees was placed to alternative vessels.


Adventure	16	Elena	18
Akela	10	Zvezda	13
Argo	9	Neva	22
Ariel	6	Nika	10
Bylina	11	Peter 1	8
Varyag	11	Rus	6
Vitiaz	6	Yunga	8
Diana	8	MIR	22
		Yuniy Baltiets	16
		Other vessels - Anne-Margarite, Astrid, Loa, Run Away, Skiblander – more than 10 people	



Investment scheme for the Program

Many people and organizations invested their time, work, money and resources in this program to make the TSR adventure true for each youngster.

<i>The source</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Per 1 trainee</i>	<i>%</i>
City budget	Recruiting, educating, support	More than 35 000 E	175 E	20 %
Sponsors	Equipment for vessels, required for TSR	More than 100 000 E	500 E	55 %
Trainees themselves	Visa fee, meals aboard	12-15 E/day	150-300 E	25 %
Note: Besides Vessels owners	Besides Season repairing and expenses	?		




The investments will work further

Optimistic forecasts - future profits as a result of 2009-program

<i>2009 result</i>	<i>Further consequences</i>
200 trainees	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Those sailed in TSR are looking to participate at least once more, many of them want to continue sailing (up to 30%) 2. Social net starts to work - friends of 2009-trainees learned about sailing and looking to join this activity
15 yachts equiped for STI requirements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. More safety for all youngster aboard in all sailing trips 2. Looking forward to sail in TSR again – 50%
40 captains and officers involved in TSR sailing	<p>Were broken many prejudice and stereotypes such as “impossible to sail in TSR”, “I don’t speak English enough”, “to accept young people aboard is too expensive and troublesome” -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More new young people aboard - More Russian vessels at TSR