# Russian Association: what we do to promote and develop snowsports in Russia







Member of the International Ski Instructors Association

# **Overview 2012-2014**

- 2 seasons: 2012-2013, 2013-2014
- $\circ$  5 projects
- about 12'000 'live' participants about 30'000 'virtual' visitors



# Sports Volunteers and NTO training & selection for OWG in Sochi 2014

#### <u>Actions:</u>

- Cooperation agreement with LOCOG and Sports Ministry
- Newsletters, website banners, new media (facebook, vk, etc.), extra website section
- Info at events, instructor courses, etc.



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# **Olympic Games Sochi 2014**



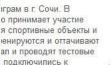
#### Новости

Календарь курсов



#### ΗΑЦИОНАЛЬНАЯ ЛИГА ИНСТРУКТОРОВ по горнолыжному спорту и сноуборду





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#### Совершенствование Лига Стать инструктором Горнолыжным центрам техники



#### Календарь курсов

#### Чемпионат и Первенство России по вейкборду впервые пройдут в Челябинской области

С 8 по 12 августа 2012 года, впервые в Челябинской области, состоится 14-ый ежегодный Чемпионат и Первенство России по вейкборду. Событие, которое соберет лучших звезд Российского вейкбординга.

По решению Федерации воднолыжного спорта России, в этом году с 8 по 12 августа 2012 года, 14-ый Чемпионат и Первенство России в дисциплине вейкборд-катер, впервые пройдут на территории Челябинской области в городе Миассе на озере Инышко, вейк-клуб «Мастер» (близ озера Тургояк).

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#### Outcomes:

Up to 500 NRLI instructors joined OWG Sports Team

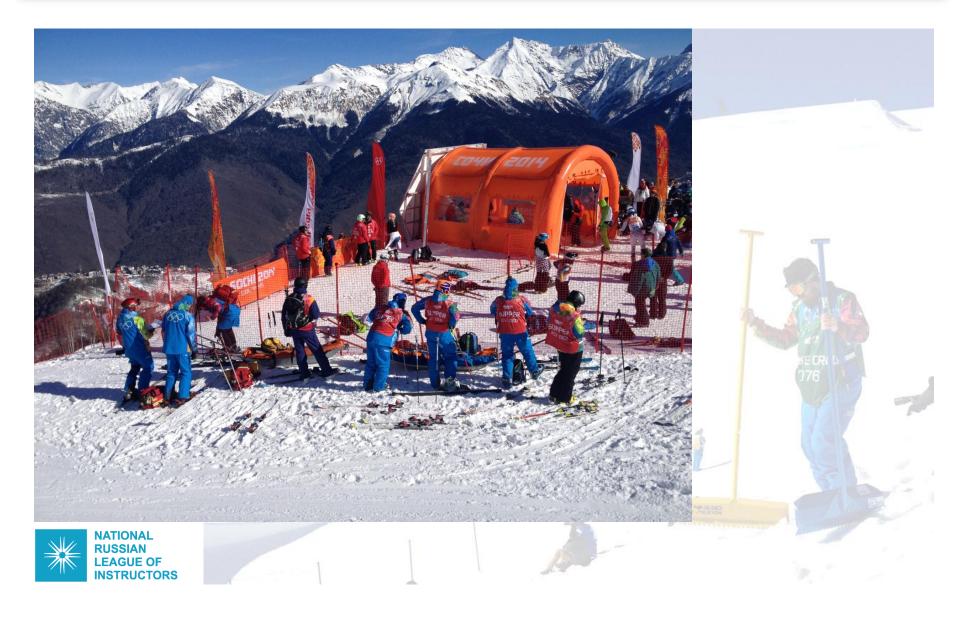
- sharing the spirit
  - spreading the knowledge

#### <u>Our gains:</u>

- ✓ 18'000 clicks
- ✓ increased amount of calls and e-mails with direct references before, during and after the Games
- triple amount of unique website visitors during and after the Games



# **Olympic Games Sochi 2014**



# Kids & sports schools



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#### **Collaboration & support**

- Fun -> interest -> love
  - young skiers
    - parents / families & friends

Pilot project 2012-2013:

- several test events for kids + guests at ski areas
- test program for young athletes at sports schools 250 kids aged 8-14 participated in condition (sport specific) and technique tests to win a seasonal contract with a partner equipment supplier



#### Simultaneously:

- Ski lessons for complete beginners and ski/ snowboard technique workshops for parents, family members and friends
- "Profession of a Snowsports Instructor" presentation for all visitors
- ✓ "World of Snowsports" presentation



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#### <u>Outcomes:</u>

• Live interaction with participants



- Direct feedback from participants, ski areas, trainers, etc.
  (= data to work with)
- Post event interest requests from sports schools/ clubs/ ski areas
- Media feedback



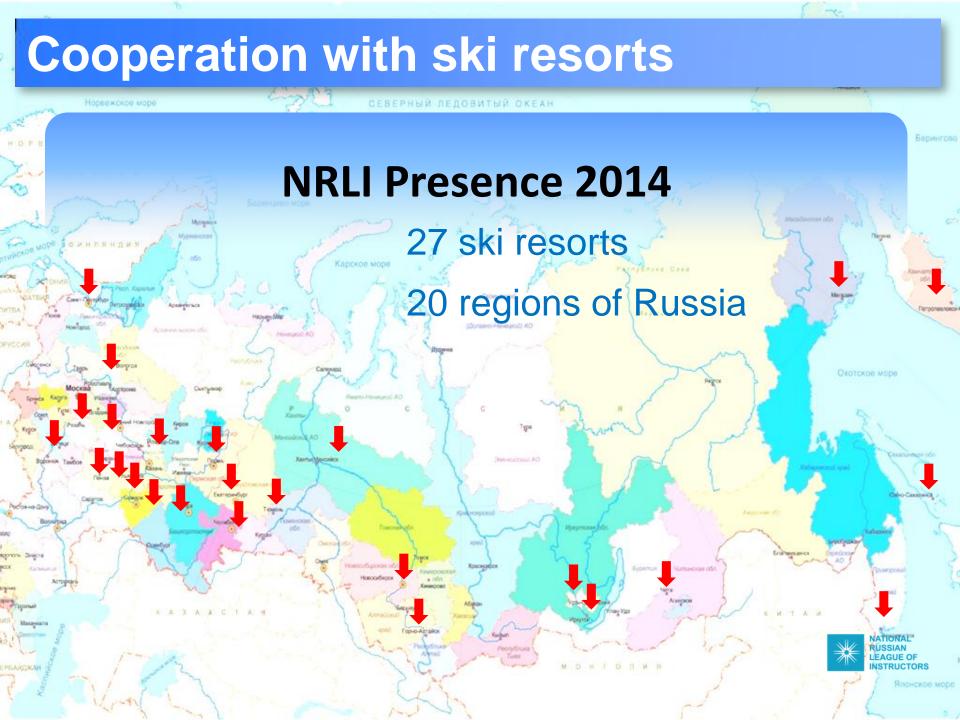
#### Follow up 2013-2014:

- 2 new alpine centers approached NRLI to organize similar events and competitions for 400 young athletes
- Additional 1000 spectators visited the events
- TV, printed and new media announcements and post event reports
- More interest for future events recorded (sports schools/ clubs/ ski areas, etc.)



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# **Cooperation with ski resorts**

#### Cooperation vs. <u>support</u> to ski resorts

#### NRLI expertise:

- Ski school set up/ optimization/ planning
- Staff selection and training (instructors, ski school managers, receptionists, etc.)
- New services, marketing, promotion, events (considering local specifics)



# **Cooperation with ski resorts**

#### <u>Outcomes:</u>

- ✓ better management ->
- ✓ happier guests ->
- ✓ positive image ->
- ✓ more new customers ->
- ✓ more requests for ski classes/ instructors



# **Cooperation with ski resorts**







#### **Sports lessons at schools**

<u>'Extra Class'</u>: 1 additional sports lesson per week – alpine skiing/ snowboarding

<u>Start:</u> 2008

Partners: schools + ski resorts + NRLI



#### <u>Actions:</u>

- active promotion at all events
- experience sharing
- showcasing
- info leaflets
- workshops
- involvement of local administration



#### Outcomes:

 ✓ 8000 kids = 'new' / 'unique' skiers & snowboardes



- «Sun Valley», Urals from 2008
- «Zayachya Gora», Central Russia from 2013
- «Gora Sobolinaya», Siberia from 2013







How do we keep up with the fast changing environment?

- Study the end user and adapt the product!

<u>Action:</u> 18 special camps (clinics) in 2012-2014 for "end users" – nonprofessional skiers and snowboarders

<u>Goal:</u> getting direct immediate feedback and monitor the market





#### Concept: 1 topic per camp

- Freestyle
- Freeride
- Telemark
- Skiing + foreign language practice
- 'Ladies only'
- Race camps
- etc.







#### Outcomes:

- Valuable info = food for thought (instructor courses, ski resorts)
- "Test drives" for new ideas/ projects/ technologies before offered to public
- Inspired participants
  happy to pass the word further





# Summary



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#### Why doing it?

## To stay aswim – for us promotion of snowsports is a matter of survival







#### Areas in 2012-2014

- Olympic Games Sochi 2014 volunteers & NTOs
- Sports for children/ sports schools support
- Cooperation with ski resorts for general market development – new products, new services, new technologies, better organization = more skiers
- "Extra Class" schools, colleges, universities
- Market research for planning future activities



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# Questions? Welcome!

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# Thank you for your attention!

