

Others participating in the mounting of the expedition are the Ecological Fund for the Protection of the Yamal Peninsula, organized by the Central Committee of the All-Union Lenin Communist Youth League of the Western Siberian Territorial - Production Complex; "Uchitelskaya gazeta" (Teacher's Newspaper); and youth publications of Tyumen oblast and the Komi ASSR.

The obvious goal of "Arctic Quest" is the building of a new bridge of friendship between our neighboring countries. But the upcoming expedition is also a magnificent school. Ecological observations and familiarity with the life of northern peoples are useful lessons for students of any discipline. For three summer months the polar partners will learn flexibility and tact - the art of dealing with other people.

And now for the competition.

We are looking for about ten students between the ages 19 to 24 (we do not exclude participation by one or two students each from technical secondary schools or academies). The jury will attempt to fill the team with an equal number of males and females. The essential requirements are: experience with outdoor excursions - both on the water and on skis, including cold weather camping; ability to swim (the test is an untimed 500-meter swim); be a non-smoker. We want the team to include representatives of indigenous northern residents, are counting on having in the group a student from a medical institute and a student educated in ecology, and it would be nice to find young people with construction experience. We hope to get a guitarist. Of course, all things being equal, we will give preference to young men and women who can speak English or French, since Canada is a bilingual country. It would be especially desirable to have someone on the team who has amateur radio call letters.