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## POLISH OUTDOOR GROUP NEWS



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TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS  
INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND:  
/AEROSIZE/BRUBECK/COMODO/  
/GOGGLE/LESOVIK/MAJESTY/  
/MANASLU OUTDOOR/PAJAK/  
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## / LET'S EXPLORE OUTDOOR IN POLAND /

We are heading to ISPO Munich 2020. The most important international trade fair for sport and outdoor industry. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition with new ideas should boost the sport and outdoor community into challenging future. It is a great opportunity for all CEOs, experts, managers, and other professionals from our market sector to meet, to exchange information, to find inspiration. Polish Outdoor Group is glad to be a part of this event.

We proudly announce the new concept of the Polish Outdoor Group exhibition – TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND. In this unique spot – with Polish companies: Aerosize, Brubeck, Comodo, Goggle, Lesovik, Majesty Skis, Manaslu Outdoor, Pajak, QBL Systems, XBrave – you will find innovations, craftsmanship, experience, passion and competence.

We also invite you to situated very near the POG information booth the Polish Outdoor Village. There will be the following companies and brands: 4 FUN (A3.217), AURA (A3.218), Fjord Nansen (A3.216), Kołderka/ H<sub>2</sub>O (A3.215), Lesovik (A3.315), Milo (A3.220), Montano (A3.120), Pajak (A3.314), Małachowski Alpine Workshop (A3.219). Let's explore outdoor in Poland!

**Piotr Turkot and Joanna Biernacka-Goworek**  
Polish Outdoor Group



PHOTO: 4 FUN

**/ KRZYSZTOF WIELICKI /  
/ CONGRATULATIONS ON  
70<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY  
AND 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF MOUNT EVEREST HISTORIC  
FIRST WINTER ASCENT /**

Krzysztof Wielicki is one of the most outstanding people in the history of Polish and international Himalayan climbing. As the 5<sup>th</sup> man in the world and the second Pole, Wielicki climbed all 14 highest summits in the Himalayas and Karakoram. He was the first climber to reach the summit of Mt Everest in winter (1980, together with Leszek Cichy). Another great accomplishment of his was an incredibly fast ascent of an eightthousander – from the base camp to the summit within 24 hours. He achieved this impressive feat on Broad Peak in 1984. Three years later he opened a new route on Shisha Pangma. Finally, he completed his crown of the Himalayas with a risky solo climb of Nanga Parbat. In 2013, he led a winter expedition to Broad Peak which finished with a success but also a great tragedy. He has been many times awarded for his achievements both in Poland and abroad. Among others, he received Princess of Asturias Award for Sports (2018), Lowell Thomas Award (2001) and Superkolos (2007). In 2019, his successes were appreciated with the most prestigious climbing award – Piolet d'Or Carrière – for his lifetime mountaineering achievements.

At present, Krzysztof Wielicki is not only an active participant in the Polish Winter Himalayan Climbing Programme, but also our professional colleague as a co-owner of the 4 FUN brand (stand A3.217). During ISPO Munich there will be an opportunity to personally congratulate this legendary Himalayan climber.

**POLISH OUTDOOR GROUP**  
would like to invite you to an  
exceptional meeting with an  
outstanding outdoor personality  
– **Krzysztof Wielicki**.

Join us in celebration of the 70<sup>th</sup>  
birthday of one of the greatest  
Himalayan climbers in the  
history!

**ISPO Munich 2020**  
**MONDAY 4.30 PM**  
**Polish Outdoor Group**  
**Lounge (A3.122)**  
**January 27<sup>th</sup> 2020**





## / POLISH OUTDOOR GROUP AND POLISH HIGHLIGHTS AT ISPO Munich 2020 /

Once again the Polish Outdoor Group – an association of leading outdoor companies – will participate in the ISPO Munich 2020 trade fair presenting its stand with informational materials promoting Polish outdoor industry and also an area called POG LOUNGE, which will be a place for meetings and networking for Polish and international outdoor and sports industry.

Apart from a café with excellent coffee offered by a Polish coffee roaster HAYB Speciality Coffee from Warsaw, a business meetings zone and an area for hammock chilling, POG LOUNGE will present a unique exhibition of the most innovative sports and outdoor products that have been designed and manufactured by the best Polish companies. This project is called TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND and is run by the Polish Outdoor Group as part of promotional

activities supporting Polish outdoor and sports entrepreneurs on global markets. 10 Polish brands have been selected by the Group to participate in the exhibition basing on criteria of innovativeness, high functionality, technologies used in the production process, and also their raw materials and technical features. Among participants in the project there will be several companies that have been exhibiting at ISPO and other international fairs for years. Some of these brands have won many prestigious awards and

prizes at home and abroad. However, there will be also new brands only starting their careers on international markets. No previous trade fair has witnessed a similar joint presentation of Polish outdoor and sports producers – this will be a unique and excellent opportunity to promote the Polish outdoor industry on global markets. Below we present the list of the 10 brands participating in the exhibition TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND that will be available at the Polish Outdoor Group stand (A3.122):

- AEROSIZE,
- BRUBECK,
- COMODO Technical Socks,
- GOGGLE Pro Active Eyewear,
- LESOVIK,
- MAJESTY SKIS,
- MANASLU OUTDOOR,
- PAJAK,
- QBL SYSTEMS,
- XBRAVE Protection.

The products exhibited by the above brands will include sleeping bags, hammocks, technical baselayers, technical socks, sports glasses for outdoor activities and skiing goggles, natural skin cosmetics for outdoor sports, freeride skis, skitouring bindings, protective underwear for extreme sports, avalanche vest with an innovative airbag system, and storage system for skis at ski rentals and resorts.

Complete product portfolio of the mentioned brands will be available at their individual stands in Halls B3, B4, B5, B6 and A3:

- AEROSIZE (B4.130),
- BRUBECK (B3.129),
- COMODO Technical Socks (B3.206.1),
- GOGGLE Pro Active Eyewear (B6.221.B),
- LESOVIK (A3.315),
- MAJESTY SKIS (B4.400),
- MANASLU OUTDOOR (A3.122),
- PAJAK (A3.314),
- QBL SYSTEMS (B5.440),
- XBRAVE Protection (B4.516).

The POG stand and POG LOUNGE with the exhibition TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND will be presented in one of the main outdoor halls – Hall A3, Stand No A3.122.

Surrounding the POG stand, there will be the Polish Outdoor Village with a record number of exhibitors and rented floor space. The Village will comprise of 9 Polish companies presenting their latest offer on almost 200 m<sup>2</sup>. Among exhibitors located in the Polish Outdoor Village there will be the following companies and brands: 4 FUN (A3.217), AURA (A3.218), Fjord Nansen (A3.216), Kołderka/ H2O (A3.215), Lesovik (A3.315), Milo (A3.220), Montano (A3.120), Pajak (A3.314), Małachowski Alpine Workshop (A3.219).



PHOTO: ALBIN MARCINIAK



**POLISH OUTDOOR  
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**PRESENTS AND INVITES  
TO AN EXCEPTIONAL EXHIBITION  
OF TOP OUTDOOR & SPORTS  
INNOVATIONS FROM POLAND**

**10 POLISH BRANDS**

CREATIVE IDEAS - INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS -  
- YEARS OF EXPERIENCE -  
- PASSION FOR OUTDOOR & SPORTS -  
- COMPETENCE-HIGH QUALITY -  
- RESPONSIBLE PRODUCTION

**WHEN?**

ISPO MUNICH 2020, JANUARY 26-29

**WHERE?**

POLISH OUTDOOR GROUP LOUNGE  
STAND: A3.122

**WHO?**

**AEROSIZE**

**COMODO**  
technical socks

**BRUBECK**  
BODY GUARD



 **LESOVIK**

 **MAJESTY**

  
**MANASLU®**  
OUTDOOR



**QBL**

 **BRAVE**  
PROTECTION



# AEROSIZE



PHOTO: AEROSIZE ARCHIVE

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## / AEROSIZE /

AEROSIZE creates a new generation of avalanche airbags – equipment for saving lives in high mountains in the winter at avalanche terrains. We are developing the world's first avalanche compact vest. Usually the avalanche system is hidden into a backpack. In our case is hidden into a vest, so there is no need to have a special backpack.

This is a new category of product and it will reach new customers group, including professionals. The innovative avalanche airbag hybrid construction is based on the company's own patent- the only one on the market with such a compact size.

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**BRUBECK**  
B O D Y G U A R D

PHOTO: BRUBECK

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## / BRUBECK /

BRUBECK is the leading brand on the Polish thermoactive wear market. Our production facility is located in Poland. Thanks to that, we can control the quality of our production process, from the stage of yarn manufacture to garment packing.

Nowadays, when many companies decide to manufacture their products in Asian countries, the ability to control the 100% of the production process and, if needed, easily modify production processes here, in Poland, guarantees the best quality of BRUBECK products.

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### OUTDOOR WOOL PRO

The woollen T-shirt OUTDOOR WOOL PRO, was made of the highest quality merino sheep yarn. Its natural feature is thermoregulation, i.e. maintaining the body temperature at an optimum level, and protection against cooling and overheating. Wool is mistakenly associated only with heat protection in winter. However, the shirt is perfect not only for summer, but also for spring and early autumn.

Merino wool in combination with functional polyamid microfibres efficiently transfers moisture to the fabric surface while ensuring comfort of wearing without the feeling of excess moisture on the skin.

To provide cooling and ventilation functions, we have applied AIR BALANCE technology, placing ventilation zones in the form of micro holes on the surface of the shirt in areas of increased sweating – under the armpits, on the chest and on the back. This increases the effect of moisture drainage and thermal regulation. OUTDOOR WOOL PRO T-shirt is perfect for mountain trips, trekking and outdoor activities.



### OUTDOOR WOOL PRO WOMEN'S T-SHIRT



### OUTDOOR WOOL PRO MEN'S T-SHIRT

### OUTDOOR WOOL PRO MEN'S LONGSHIRT



## Mirosław Kubiak

### Founder

Our products are almost entirely produced with cutting-edge knitting machines and require only minor finishing touches. Elasticity, fit to the body and, consequently, also the functionality of such underwear is incomparably better with products made in a traditional way. The whole production process takes place in Poland, in a city with a long history of textile and knitting industry. Brubeck is a Polish brand through and through. Nothing has changed in this respect since the company was founded 13 years ago. The quality standards adopted exclude cheap production; each stage comprises of numerous decisions which are crucial for the final effect. We want to have full control over it as this is our guarantee that customers receive with every purchase.





**COMODO**  
technical socks

PHOTO: KATARZYNA SUŚNIAK

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## / COMODO / HIGH QUALITY TECHNICAL SOCKS

Socks manufactory Mondo-Calza is on the market since 1996. We are a Polish company with years of experience in knitting industry. We produce functional and technical socks dedicated for various sports & outdoor activities. Our socks are thermoactive and thermoinsulated. Our products are sold under the COMODO brand to specialized retailers and chains in Poland and abroad.

We also manufacture custom socks in customer's own design or with our design and customer's logo. For production, we use raw materials that meet all European standards to ensure our customers safety and the highest quality. Our suppliers are Schoeller Südwole, Filartex Safil. In our products we use Merino Wool, Alpaca, Climayarn, Polycolon, Coolmax, Drytex, Siltex AG + Thermolite Dri-Release, Dryarn.

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### TRE8

ClimaControl Tourist socks whose blend is based on merino wool. This proven and popular in outdoor apparel type of wool guarantees good thermal regulation and protects the foot from bruises and blisters. Climayarn is a combination of wool with polypropylene – for this reason these socks prove very efficient in case of extreme temperature amplitudes. Additionally, Climayarn dries really fast.  
50% Merino Wool  
20% Polycolon  
15% Polyamide  
10% Polypropylene  
5% Elastane

### SKI2

ClimaControl socks are dedicated to professional and amateur skiers. Similarly to the tourist model, SKI2 socks contain Climayarn, though with slightly different proportions of various fibers. The socks ensure a suitable level of heat, good shock absorption, excellent resistance to abrasion, which is especially important in skiing socks.  
50% Merino Wool  
30% Polycolon  
15% Milliam  
5% Elastane



## Dariusz Olszowski

Founder

We are a company with more than 20 years of experience. Over the years, we have been constantly developing, ensuring that we meet the expectations of the most demanding customers. This reflects in very good feedback about our products and long-term business relations. For 10 years we've been successfully developing export. We are already distributing in many European countries, sell also to the USA and China. We are observing the market trends and constantly developing new products to ensure the maximal feet comfort using the most innovative technology and yarns.





PHOTO: GOGGLE / PROSTAF

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## / GOGGLE /

The story of GOGGLE brand started in 2003 with fascination with californian lifestyle. Now, after almost 20 years of experience on the market we are able to offer great products for active people who want to achieve more. Advanced technologies and perfect design contribute to the brand success and growing worldwide recognition. Our GOGGLE team of professionals is constantly striving for excellence in design and manufacture of top quality products.

All GOGGLE sunglasses lenses offer high optical precision and provide protection against UVA and UVB radiation according to American ANSI Z80.30, European EN ISO 12312-1:2013 and Australian AS 1067.1. Following the latest global improvements and close co-operation with interdisciplinary experts, we are able to deliver outstanding products.

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### E840-2 STENO

Durable and light. Perfect sunglasses for bikers and runners. Polycarbonate lenses with REFLEX G-LENS mirror coating guarantees better UV protection and significantly reduces light reflections. Style is also available with photochromatic lenses cat. 1 to cat. 3.



### T420-3R SYRIES

A multisport sunglasses style with variety of functionalities. Traditional temples can be changed to the strap with one easy step. Profiled soft frame insert closely match to the face shape giving a feeling of comfort. Style is also available with photochromatic lenses cat. 1 to cat. 3. User can easily fix an optical rim with corrective lenses inside the frame.



### H644-3R FROMM

A hydrophilic coating permanently bonded to the inner lens maximally protects lenses against misting over. Style equipped with PC polycarbonate double lens to increase anti-fog effect and provide better quality of sight. User can easily fix an optical rim with corrective lenses inside the frame.



### Bartosz Flieger

#### Export Manager

I personally believe GOGGLE sport sunglasses are something more than just a regular product. Thanks to our catchy design, sport amateurs and professionals have a great possibility to express their passion and devotion to various sport disciplines. At the same time, we are aware that quality matters and we strive to offer cutting-edge functionalities. Thanks to many years of experience we really know how to do it! I am glad to be part of this project for more than 8 years and see how it evolves. Seeing more and more active people satisfied with GOGGLE products makes me believe we are on the right way. Our goal is to continue this path offering a great product to active people worldwide.



PHOTO: LESOVIK

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## / LESOVIK /

From the moment we made our very first hammock in 2009, we have had the same goal – to get closer to nature in the most comfortable way possible. We are the first Polish manufacturer of a full range of professional hammock equipment.

We produce complete setups for camping in all conditions, from tropical jungles to boreal forests. Hammocks, tarps, suspension systems and underquilts – all of them tailored for the most demanding users.

To ensure the unique quality, our products are manufactured in Poland and in small batches, in order to maintain the highest possible level of control over the whole process – from the first sketches to branding and packaging the final product.

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### DRAKA

A perfected system that has it all – it's lightweight and spacious, crazy strong and outstandingly ergonomic. Unlike any other, it offers integrated, yet totally removable mosquito net. Paired with its Dyneema based suspension system, it's the ultimate answer for any wilderness adventure.



### OTUL AIR

The lightest European down hammock quilt. Manufactured in collaboration with PAJAK, with the highest precision and experience available. It's the ultimate solution for comfort. Perfect choice for bikepacking and thru-hiking, as it allows to extremely limit your pack's weight and volume.



### HEKSA

A hexagonal, dynamic tarp designed with regard to specific hammock camping requirements. It offers more effective cover area and at lower weight than common tarps. It features an integrated suspension and rigging system, allowing for setup using only one hand and without tying any knots.



## Rafał Palowski

### Founder

The first hammocks were sewed at our home as a form of an experiment and fun with materials and industrial design. Though initially our equipment was made by amateurs, it proved to be surprisingly good – it gave us a feeling of lightness, freedom, direct contact with nature allowing us to bivouac in new spots that had been previously inaccessible with a tent. Apart from their functionality, hammocks are important for us for another reason – they completely alternate human relation with the wilds, making us much more sensitive to surrounding beauty. We aid in building this relation by offering excellent equipment and educating our users about responsible behaviours in the outdoors. This is how we help people realise that we, humans, are the part, not masters of the nature.





PHOTO: MAJESTY SKIS

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## / MAJESTY SKIS /

Majesty is a technology oriented, design driven, truly independent ski company. We bring you premium tools for your winter adventures since 2007. We have decided to call the 20/21 collection Re//Defined and this is what it truly is. Skiing Re//Defined.

We want to create something for those who want to go their own ways, exploring, trying to find that freedom and adventure and define themselves by that. From the first ski we produced we have always believed that skis should be versatile, present all-round performance and be fun to ski on. A lot has happened over the years.

Expanding onto the global market, creating a much wider product range, using new materials and techniques of production. **But we always stay true to our core values.**

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### HAVOC

Everyday freeride skis designed for Zakopane, Røldal or Chamonix. Havoc's lightweight construction combined with 4x4 design concept delivers incredible manoeuvrability while the unique combination of quadrax fiberglass, full carbon layup, carbon/aramid fibers and durable engineered wood core embraces high performance and just the right amount of 3D flex.



### R 12

The next generation of hi-end touring binding, Majesty R12 is supplied with cooperation with ATK. Majesty R12 is lighter than the most of tech touring bindings (330grams) and is stiffer than most of freeride bindings available on the market. It offers easy and solid step-in system, incredible torsional stiffness and is constructed with an implementation of several patented systems that significantly increase functionality and performance.

### FORCE C

The Force goggles feature innovative magnetic technology that makes lens replacement incredibly fast and accurate. Now, you can easily adapt to changing visibility and weather conditions. The Force uses magnetic precision and even when you don't align the lens correctly, The Force will self-correct and ensure a perfect fit.



PHOTO: MAJESTY SKIS

## Janusz Borowiec

Founder

After many years in and around the action sports and outdoor business both as an athlete and as a distributor, I have decided to start my own independent Brand, with the vision to make a high quality product but at the same time trying to think globally and act locally.

Poland with a long history of production was a perfect place to set this up. Starting as a more Freeski oriented company we soon moved into the Freeride and Touring segments which are our main focus points now and where we by far have the biggest growth in all our markets.

We strongly believe that all action and outdoor sports are connected with freedom and the search for the feeling of freedom... and we follow that path.



PHOTO: MANASLU OUTDOOR

## / MANASLU OUTDOOR /

Manaslu Outdoor cosmetics were created to meet the needs of active people as far as skin care is concerned, especially in hard weather outdoor conditions. We create and introduce to you a product that the market has not yet offered. The product we were looking for, which we wanted to use to be able to focus more accurately on experiences and emotions related to discovering the beauty of nature and the exploration of the world.

In every detail, we make sure that the product is perfect and extremely suited to the needs of the skin. We surround our products with care and attention not only about their interior, but also the external shape. We want to offer you the strength that lies in the natural ingredients of our cosmetics.

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### EXTREME OUTDOOR SPF50 TECHNICAL PROTECTIVE CREAM

Technical protective cream, designed for maximum protection and care of the skin in all weather conditions. It creates a unique membrane on the skin. It contains non-whitening UV filters. It is moisture, sweat and abrasion resistant up to 12h. Created from natural, certificated ingredients.



### CITY OUTDOOR SPF30 CITY PROTECTIVE CREAM

Urban protection skin cream dedicated for active people, which protects against smog, air pollution and other external factors. It is created for the protection and care of the skin in urban space. Perfect during sports and workouts in urban space. Created from natural, certificated ingredients.



Dorota Tawkin

Co-Founder



Kamil Sobota

Co-Founder

As active people, valuing a healthy lifestyle, and professionally derived from the cosmetics industry, we decided to create a product that we needed. A product that fits perfectly into the culture of an active, conscious and healthy lifestyle. We have combined natural protection with modern technology, thanks to which our products will meet the requirements of people with passion, expecting uncompromising solutions in the field of skin protection and care. Our greatest strength, comes from the fact that when difficult conditions arise, our products are the only ones that really work.





PHOTO: KATARZYNA SUŚNIAK

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## / PAJAK / MADE LOCALLY BY HAND

Pajak is a family company managed by Ewa and Andrzej Pajak along with exceptional team of young dedicated people. We all share our passion for outdoor activities with a need of creating dependable, innovative and technologically advanced outdoor equipment.

### POLISH WHITE GOOSE DOWN

Down quality - we only stuff down obtained from Polish geese with respect for animal rights and European Union law regulations. Each down consignment is given a quality certificate verifying it's highest clarity standard and fulfills the requirements of Oeko-Tex, Standard 100, Class 1.

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#### QUEST 4TWO

No need to zip two bags together ever again. The Quest4Two lets you and your partner sleep like at home on all your adventures. The design features a sleeping pad attachment. Full length zipper on both sides lets you in and out without disturbing your partner. The adjustable hood lets you adapt to weather conditions quickly. Weight: 1400 g



#### PHANTOM

Phantom Down Hoodie is our favorite. It's ergonomical cut and regulated hood makes it the piece you will fall in love with 750 FP goose down fill, elastic cuffs and a draw cord waist all team up to help keep you warm and happy. From climbing, to skiing, to just around town, you will get more use out of this piece than you have ever imagined.

#### OutDoor

by ISPO

Outstanding Outdoor

Gold Winner 2019

an ISPO Award



#### RADICAL 16H

A mandatory piece of equipment for winter himalaya expeditions. Combines excellent thermal properties with minimum weight and very good compression. T-comf: -31°C T-limit: -43°C T-extreme: -73°C Weight: 1100 g

#### Andrzej Pajak

Founder

Pajak is a family company with over 35 years of experience in production of technologically advanced equipment required in the highest mountains. Thanks to enthusiasts employed by us we are able to create unique products that have been appreciated among others at ISPO. For two years we have been implementing the System Design To Recycle, owing to which our products improve the condition of natural environment. Our awarded sleeping bag QUEST 4TWO may act as a great example of how this system works. For this project Wojciech Kłapcia focused on homogenization of raw materials used in the sleeping bag. Due to this - after sucking out down, removing metal elements and stoppers - we are left with pure polyamide 6.6. Consequently, we can recycle this product in a completely closed cycle.



PHOTO: QBL SYSTEMS

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## / QBL SYSTEMS /

QBL was founded in 2004 by Wojciech Śliwka, the ski instructor and a two-time Polish champion in mountain biking. Initially, the company's activity was based on running ski rentals and a ski school in the Beskid Mountains, but later on, it focused on manufacturing. A great passion for skiing combined with the knowledge of the sports industry and experience in managing ski rental shops resulted in the creation of the first specialized products. Full commitment to the design of top quality ski storage and drying systems brought immediate results.

Today QBL Systems has an extensive, dynamically developing distribution network and implements winter sports infrastructure projects in more than 30 countries worldwide. The quality of QBL products has been confirmed by international experts and the prestigious ISPO Award Winner in 2014 and 2019.

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### QBL CLIQ

The CliQ holder is designed to maximise the functionality of storing skis.

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- unique speed and ease of use;
- ability to store skis with a wide range of widths;
- effective presentation of skis.

Precisely designed structure and universal opening width of the clamping arms make it possible to insert skis very intuitively and quickly - with just one hand! This is a key feature that speeds up service processes in ski rentals and ski depots.

Skis are stored at an angle of 22° from the rack axis, which makes the display more appealing and provides more storage capacity. All materials used in the product have been carefully selected, guaranteeing its durability and influencing its even more effective operation.

The quality and innovativeness of the QBL CliQ ski holder have been confirmed by international experts with the ISPO Award Winner 2019.



Wojciech  
Śliwka

Founder

We put a great effort in creating ideas and providing quality that will meet needs and requirements of our business partners. We realize that by providing products that are consistent, functional and stand the test of time we support their ski-related businesses and their development. Meeting the expectations of our customers worldwide requires competences, openness to market changes and innovativeness. We do it by improving production processes, by seeking better manufacturing solutions, embracing new materials and designs, learning from our previous experiences and facing new challenges. We strive to become true and trustworthy business partner. This is our mission.





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## / XBRAVE /

The XBRAVE brand was created as a result of the response to the growing popularity of outdoor sports, in particular extreme sports. By performing the highest quality products based on meticulous scientific research, XBRAVE products accompany the consumer at every level of difficulty and experience in their sporting disciplines.

Inspired by modern constructions based on ultra-light structures with maximized surface resistance coefficient, we present the X-RGO foam protection pads system.



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### PROseries & ELITEseries

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Both our XBRAVE PROseries and ELITEseries supports the work of muscles and tendons, protecting their strategic parts. The protectors synchronously work for several areas – side protection pad also protects the broadest muscle of the back and runs through the ribs, up to the collar bone and the shoulder blade. It is the most ergonomic, protecting surface on the market. At the same time, the full range of movement remains unchanged. Nothing affects the body coordination. One can easily bend, bend to the side, and bend the whole body, knowing that the protection pad will always fit the body shape.



### Bartosz Palewski

Founder & CEO

Each of us is an athlete and each of us is hungry for new impressions but each of us also has people who care about us, so apart from maximizing results, we think about maximizing safety. At XBRAVE, we've set a single goal - minimize compromises - to enable extreme practitioners to focus on acquiring, polishing and improving their skills without being distracted by uncomfortable protective accessories. XBRAVE is a product for everyone with a very wide spectrum of sports use. Our company responds to the identified need of the market by providing athletes with complete products of unprecedented properties.





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## / POLISH OUTDOOR VILLAGE AT OUTDOOR BY ISPO 2019 /

During the 1st edition of the outdoor fair in Munich, June-July 2019, we presented the very first official Polish Outdoor Village. It was a unique spot – with 6 Polish companies and brands: Comodo, Fjord Nansen, Lesovik, Milo, Pajak and Stampol-F – offering diverse outdoor products. The Polish Outdoor Village was the platform for interesting meetings, Bikepacking and Bikecrafting clinics, and Happy Hours at bar. We inspired many visitors of Polish Outdoor Village to explore Outdoor in Poland!



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# / JUST GRAB YOUR BIKE AND DISCOVER POLAND /

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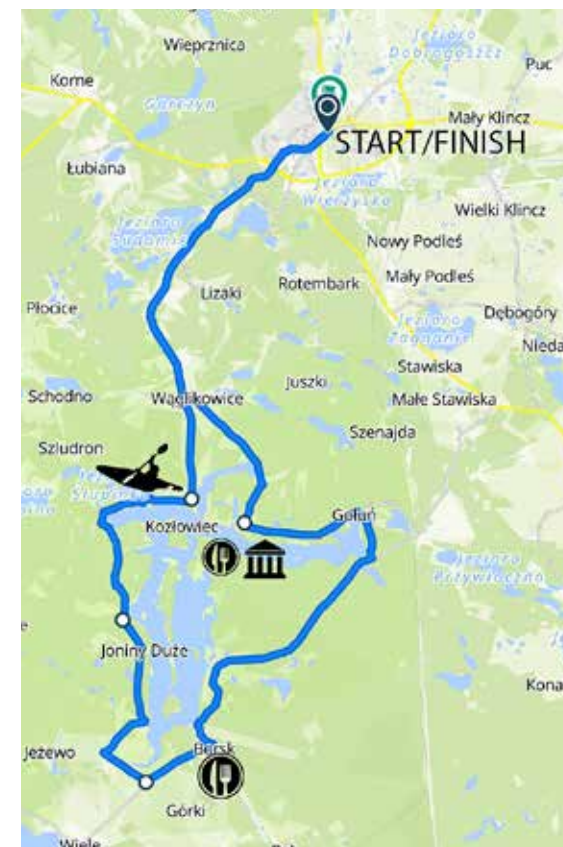
What is the most important for you when considering your next bikepacking adventure's destination? Wait! Let me guess. Firstly there is food. The possibility of local food try is priceless. Next, we have picturesque camping spots. Check! There is nothing nicer than waking up when the sun is rising. What's more... ah... gravel roads and uphill worth your chain stretch. Of course. And last but not least: looking for remote areas? Free from air and noise pollution. Of course, you do. I got you covered.

Is your bicycle ready? Are your bags packed? Let me pull the trigger and tell you something: come and visit northern Poland. You will not regret that for sure and what is more, I would bet that you will love it. I live here for so long that I would recommend you two tracks. The short one for a one day trip and the second one which you can accomplish if only you have a long weekend spare.

## One day - short loop in Kaszuby forest

Let's pretend that you are in Tricity on a business trip. You are busy on Saturday but Sunday is free. You can rent a bike in one of the local Tricity rental offices. Just pick the first you find if you do not care about the highest quality, or invest some more time, money and energy to find a bike shop where renting the newest model of a modern gravel bike is a standard. The best forest area with small roads and smooth gravels is around 90 kilometers from Gdynia but no worries there. You do not have to cover all of those kilometers in the saddle. There is an electric train that connects Gdynia with Kościerzyna village. Kościerzyna is a mid-size village which history ranges from the XIII century. I have got two must-haves there. Start your ride with the first one which is trying local donuts. Once you have got enough calories for the 65 km trip we can start the ride. From the bakery, we need to follow the main road number 214 but luckily there is a nice bicycle track along so we do not have to worry about speeding cars. After the first 2 kilometers on the roundabout, we are turning left and start our journey through the nicest wild forests you can imagine. The road surface is suitable for even thin tires so you can expect many cyclists on the road. The 20 kilometers pass faster than never before and I have got one non-cycling highlight to recommend for you. In Wdzydze Kiszewskie, a small village, there is a Kaszubski ethnographic park. Trust me, worth seeing. You can grab your first coffee with locally baked cake as well. From now on you start to ride along the Radolne lake. There





is an advantage of it because every time you would like to have a rest, all you need to do is to turn right and you will find a nice spot close to the water (in summer you can even get a short swim!). Reaching the Olpuch village you are turning right and start your gravel part of the trip. The main goal is to ride as close to the lake as possible. We are passing Kruszyna, Zabrody, Lipa and Wdzydze Tucholskie villages. Once looking closer for sure you will find out that villages' names are written in Polish but also in Kaszubski language. This is not a mistake, you are cycling in the area where there is another, apart from the Polish, language. You can listen to the radio in Kaszubski language and children could even learn this language in local schools. Awesome right!? The gravel path ends but only for a second in Borsk. Around the village, you can find a very nice place to eat your midday meal. 35 kilometers passed so I guess it is a perfect

time to do so. I would like to recommend you a meal which includes a locally caught fish. Those are fresh and always perfectly cooked. The meal is great but the day comes to the end so it is time to continue the loop. In the beginning, you were following the gravel along the east shore of the lake, right now we are on the west side and passing Przytarnia, Wygoda, and Czarlina. In the last small village, if you have some time left you can ask for kayaks to rent. I recommend you to book at least three hours to do some kayaking on Wda river. Although it is a lowland river it can be very exciting once you will need to go outside and move the kayak over the residual tree. You are finishing your bicycle trip in Wąglikiowice and the remaining 12 kilometers you will follow the track from the beginning. The trip ends in Stary Browar in Kościerzyna. You can taste local beer there. The testing board includes three, small, different beers – totally



recommended! The last train going back to Tricity is around 20:00, try to catch it and after an hour and a half, you are back. Smile is guaranteed.

## Three days – the serious bikepacking trip in Warmia area

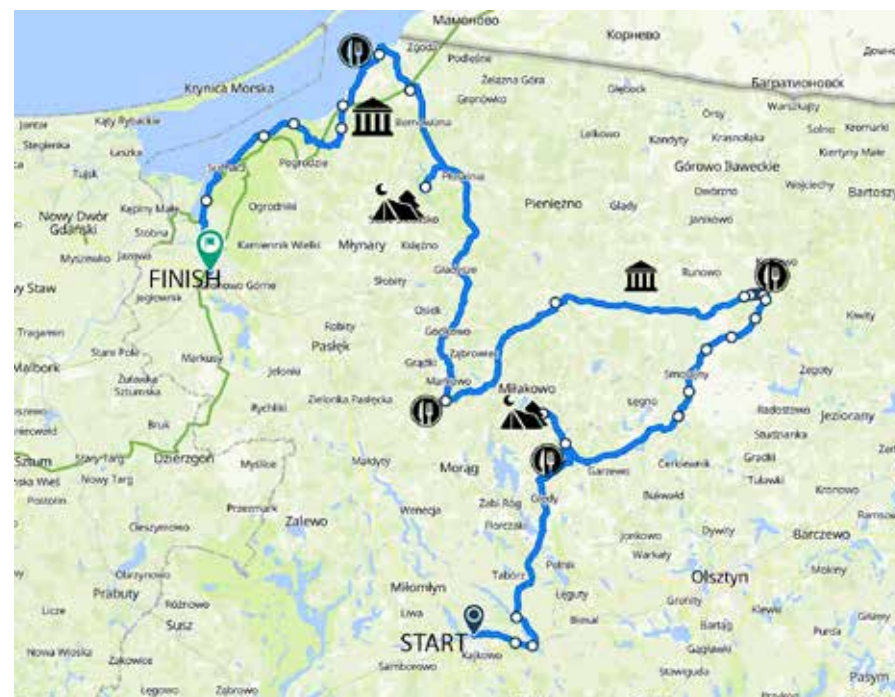
### First leg day

This time you need to pack your bikepacking bags. Choose a nice down sleeping bag, a light tent and a comfortable air mattress. We are going to catch a serious bikepacking adventure with sleeping in the tent and cooking on a camping stove! You will start your trip from a train journey. You want to find yourself in Ostróda. This is a rather small city with around 33 thousand people living in. The city was called probably after the german city's name: Ostreode am Harz. Your first semi-destination is Włodowo. But no worries. It is not a boring ride from A to B point. You will ride along the Szeląg Wielki lake which is an interesting lake because of its shape: 13 km long and only a kilometer wide! You will continue your route through the Taborski forest following smooth and fast gravel paths. The dream of every bike traveler. I would recommend you Włodowo village as an excellent place to eat. You will be there after 40 kilometers. I have eaten there the best steak in my life! Was made of beef from ecologically grown bull from nearby with a huge amount of coriander. If you are a vegetarian you can choose a toast with eco beetroot and a slice of excellent goat cheese. What is more, in Włodowo you can drink (and buy for later) the best cider in Poland. You cannot imagine a better place to finish your

first day of the ride. After a solid dinner, you will have only about 6 km up to Wukniki Lake where you can stay for a night in a tent. Wukniki is a very clear and one of the deepest lake in Poland – the dream of many polish divers. For sure you will spot them in the water.

### Second leg day

Today you have got a hundred kilometers day. Less gravel, more main roads today but here in Warmia area there is nearly no traffic anyway. From your great camping spot, you need to follow road number 530. The surface is not the smoothest, wisely tires choice required! You will enter to Lidzbark Warmiński following the road DK51. It is the main road in the region so be careful, please. The ride with many cars will be for sure redressed because from now on we will ride on the old railway embankment. 50 kilometers covered so a nice dinner is understandable. For sure you will find a recommended place in the city. From Lidzbark Warmiński up to Orneta there was a train back in 1945 years. A few years ago it was rebuilt and opened for cyclists. The track is gravel and completely free from cars and has historic railway stations on the way. Your railway cycling path has 30 kilometers and after this section, you will reach Orneta from where you have got a straight (and still gravel!) way to the second mid-destination which is Żłotna village. The road is surprisingly hilly and sometimes you can feel like the proper MTB is a better choice to ride. Around there you have a chance to find a goat farm and buy their freshly made cheese. Trust me or not but goats which grow there love to hug! Your further way goes north up to Braniewo.



Because the city is quite far away I guess you will find a nice spot to camp around Pierzchalskie Lake. There are some places for camping which are nicely prepared. I always recommend choosing a camping spot on the west side of the lake. This way you will wake up the next morning during the sunrise over the water.

### Third leg day

After freshly cycled 15 kilometers up to Braniewo we are on Green Velo polish cycling track. I am willing to say that this is the biggest cycling project which was created in Poland. The track has around 2000 kilometers and starts in Elbląg. As you probably see you are going in the opposite direction but for sure you will have a chance to see how the track is prepared anyway. Some roads were rebuilt, there are so many new footbridges and a few places with tables, sheds, and toilets where you can stop and have a rest. The track is nicely marked on the road and with many

well visible signs. You are still following the road on the north nearly up to the border with Russia but a few kilometers before that you are turning left and heading up to Frombork and Zalew Wiślany. Frombork is a small city where Mikołaj Kopernik worked with his biggest project "De revolutionibus orbium coelestium". Following the Green Velo, after 30 kilometers you will reach Tolkmicko, the city of fishermen. If you want to eat a grilled fish – there is no better place. Recommended! The last 24 kilometers of the track will let us finish the trip in Elbląg. The last kilometers are quite requiring. There are some paths through hilly forests with many stones, sand, and roots. This is where bikepacking shows its advantages. Without heavy, tailed mounted panniers those places are easily rideable.

### Want more?

During the last day of your Marmia trip, you were following the Green Velo track. As I told you this is a very long, well-prepared track



you can cover part after part. Many cyclists explore it during two weeks of holiday per year. Green Velo starts in Elbląg and then through Suwałki, Białystok, Chełm, Przemyśl, Rzeszów, and Kielce finishes in Końskie. It shows the eastern part of Poland where nature is still wild and there is not that much traffic on the roads. Green Velo is a track rather for hobbyists and families but if you are a sporty kind of person and you want to push your body and mind to the limits you can find some extreme bikepacking events in Poland as well. There is one called Vistula 1200, rather flat, full of gravel paths and following Vistula river. Vistula is the biggest river in Poland which goes from the south (from the mountains) up to the north of the country to the Baltic Sea. The race starts where the source of the Vistula is, around Barania Mountain and

after 1200 kilometers of the ride, it finishes in Gdańsk. The time limit to cover the whole track is 200 hours. Another one, placed in remote, wild areas of Karpaty Mountains called Carpatia Divide is a hardcore, 700 km mountain race. If you are looking for a road, bikepacking race have a look at Race Through Poland. This event has a very specific formula where you know where checkpoints are located but it depends on you how you would like to reach them. You can choose your own, unique track. Whatever you will decide to choose: one day loop, extreme effort during bikepacking race or slow, three days ride from one delicious meal to the other, you won't regret your choice. Poland has a lot to offer for bikepackers, the only effort you need to make is to see what's around the corner. Enjoy!





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Polish Outdoor Group association was established to unite polish outdoor market and is fulfilling its mission through many actions, e.g. knowledge sharing, support trainings events.

POG is the only organization associating people representing manufacturers and distributors of outdoor equipment and clothing in Poland, media and specialized companies involved in our market sector.

Association is a non-profit organization and operates financially on the basis of membership fee.

**Polish Outdoor Group objectives:**

- supporting outdoor lifestyle
- building outdoor social awareness
- advocating environmental actions
- supporting outdoor market
- improvement of business and legal conditions concerning running an outdoor business
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