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CALENDAR

September 3-10	AC/CC Cornwall Meet
September 11	General Meeting -- Mike Searle "Mountains and Geology"
September 25	Informal Meeting -- Neil Cooper and Alison Wedgewood "Kanjiroba Himal"
October 3	Alpine Ski Club Evening- Matt Tinsley "Spitzbergen"
October 5-7	Lake District Meet and Informal Dinner
October 9	General Meeting -- Colin Knowles and Mike Ratty "Modest explorations in Lahul and Spiti"
October 17	Northern Lecture
October 23	Informal Meeting -- Nick Lewis "Safe Return Doubtful"
November 13	General Meeting -- Barbara and Bradford Washburn "Life and Times"
November 14	Northern Lecture -- to be announced
November 14	Alpine Ski Club Annual Dinner
November 27	Informal Meeting -- Crag Jones "Jones the Telly Gets High and Smelly"
December 1 Saturday	Symposium at Plas y Brenin "Climbing in Nepal"
December 7 Friday	Annual General Meeting and the President's Valedictory Address
December 8 Saturday	Annual Dinner -- Chief Guest Tom Hornbein
December 12	Northern Lecture -- to be announced
February 1-3	Scottish Meet

E MAIL ADDRESSES

More than 400 members are receiving this newsletter by email. Anyone who would rather have a paper copy sent to them, please let the office know. Members who have not yet passed on their email addresses to the Club are encouraged to do so.

NEW STYLE NEWSLETTER

>From October 2001 there will be a new-style newsletter. The intention is to reflect the determination of the Committee to bring the Club up to date and to accurately reflect both the modern international mountaineering scene as well as the activities and aspirations of the members. **To achieve this we need your input.** Each edition will have reports from members about their experiences and activities as well as comments on significant events in the mountaineering world. To streamline the publishing process it is vital that all contributions and photos are sent in on E-mail or on disc (in Word). Please send any contributions to me at dickturnbull@hotmail.com Thanks, Dick Turnbull.

LECTURE PROGRAMME

LONDON: MEETINGS AT THE CLUB HOUSE

Both General and Informal meetings start at 7.30 pm sharp, with the bar opening from 6pm. On street parking is legally available after 6.30pm in Charlotte Road. The Library remains open until 7pm.

GENERAL MEETINGS

September 11 **Mike Searle** **"Mountains and Geology"**

Mike has now recovered and has agreed to update the members on his travels to mountain ranges most of us can only read about- all in the way of geology and science. A broader coverage than his talk at the China/ Tibet Symposium last year which included a good selection of Landsat and Space Shuttle shots.

October 9 **Colin Knowles and Mike Ratty** **"Modest explorations in Lahul and Spiti"**

Our members will lecture on recent exploration in Kulu and Spiti, with lots of adventures in an interesting area.

November 13 **Barbara and Bradford Washburn** **"Life and Times"**

We are honoured that our member, ninety-one year-old Bradford Washburn and his wife Barbara (only 87) are visiting the Club while they are in England to headline the Festival of Mountaineering Literature. Brad's new book *Mountain Photography* has been winning international prizes throughout last year. His authoritative book *Mount McKinley: The Conquest of Denali*, co-written with David Roberts, is widely recognised as the finest book production of the last decade.

INFORMAL MEETINGS

These meetings provide a good opportunity for members to meet one another, and exchange news, views and information. New members and prospective members are particularly welcome. Such meetings are normally held on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The bar opens at 6 pm, lecture starts at 7.30 pm. The library is usually staffed by volunteers between 5 and 7 pm.

September 25 **Neil Cooper and Alison Wedgewood** **"Kanjiroba Himal"**

A young and relatively inexperienced group of people, including one couple on their honeymoon spent 32 days (out of 35) battling up the same gorge that Dick Isherwood had explored in 1976. For 12 days the team had to build bridges, anchor Tyrolean traverses and cut steps in 45 degree earth to transport the mobile village to base camp over "the impressive crevasse-like gorge, above which was a monstrous fissured rock wall, reminiscent of those parts of the Dolomites which you only see when you get lost on a descent" *1977 Alpine Club Journal*. 4 members summited, one had frost-bite, blizzards prevented food supplies from reaching base camp, so we were forced to try a new route back - this involved 4 starving days scabbling over cliffs and ravines at 5000m. However, in good weather this route will allow much easier access to a range of 6000-7000m mountains that are still mostly unclimbed.

October 23 **Nick Lewis** **"Safe Return Doubtful"**

Nick Lewis describes three contrasting expeditions to the Arctic and Antarctic which shot material for two forthcoming films on Shackleton. One a full-scale dramatisation shot on the East Coast of Greenland with Kenneth Branagh in the lead role, the other a documentary which filmed scenes in the Weddell Sea and a crossing of South Georgia by Reinhold Messner and the AC's own Stephen Venables.

November 27 **Crag Jones** **"Jones the Telly Gets High and Smelly"**

To prove that TV Soap is good for you, Crag Jones will relate broadcast adventures from the North Ridge of Everest to the Totem Pole and beyond ...!

BUNKHOUSE

There are blankets in the Bunkhouse, so full sleeping bags should not be necessary. However, we would like to urge members using this facility to bring a sheet sleeping bag. The Bunkhouse is available on weekdays to members only, when they are on Club or other mountaineering business (these are the conditions accepted by our insurers as set out in a letter from them). Please confirm availability with the Asst. Secretary.

ALPINE SKI CLUB LECTURE AND BUFFET

The ASC holds a buffet and lecture at the Alpine Club on Wednesday 3 October (buffet 7pm, lecture 8pm). The speaker is Matt Tinsley, whose topic will be the first British unsupported crossing of the island of Spitzbergen. A warm invitation is extended as usual to Alpine Club members. AC members who would like to attend should contact Jim Harrison (before 24 September) at 16a Blackford Road, Edinburgh EH9 2DS

NORTHERN LECTURES

These evenings held in Longland's Restaurant, above Outside in Hathersage, are very popular. The lectures start at 7.30 pm. Contact Ed Douglas with suggestions for lectures and for further details.

Tel: (0114) 236 5589, mobile 0802 584974, email ed_douglas@compuserve.com

October 17 to be arranged

November 14 to be arranged

December 12 to be arranged

CLIMBING MEETS REGIONAL MEETS AND OUT OF LONDON DINNERS

As AC members are scattered all over the UK, these meets present a great opportunity to get to know fellow members in a mountain environment; and then socially over a civilised dinner. The Dinner will be open to all, whether on the Meet or not. A lecture will normally follow the Dinner.

Meet stewards will, if asked, try to co-ordinate transport and try to find climbing or walking partners to those arriving without one. Accommodation: Normally some places will be available at a local hut or bunkhouse, but members may book their own accommodation if they so wish and contact Meet Stewards to co-ordinate activities.

The following have been arranged:

CORNWALL MEET September 3 - 10

This is the joint meet with the Climbers Club at the Count House at Bosigran. Contact Sally Westmacott tel: (01539) 822684.

LAKE DISTRICT MEET October 5 - 7

Steward: Jeremy Whitehead. Tel. 01995 606528, e-mail jeremy@jeremywhitehead.fsnet.co.uk

The meet will be held at Coniston, based at the Yorkshire Mountaineering Club cottage in the Coppermines Valley (Grid Ref 292 985). Currently access to the fells is possible through specified access points, but it is hoped that everything will be fully open by the time of the meet. An information sheet should be available by the end of August with the latest details.

A dinner will be held at the Yewdale Hotel, Coniston on Saturday.6 October, followed by a lecture.

CHRISTMAS CARDS 2001

This year's Christmas card is a quality reproduction of Elijah Walton's painting of Monte Viso, which is in the Club's picture collection. The cards, which do not carry a date and have a simple seasonal greeting inside, are available in packs of 10 from the clubhouse or by post. There are some packs of previous cards available: T Howard Somervell's 'Everest from Pang La', (1999) and Whymper's watercolour 'Grutli - Uri Rostock from Lake Lucerne', but those are only available at the clubhouse, not by post. Prices on the order form later in this Newsletter.

ELECTIONS

The Club extends a warm welcome to the following newly elected **Full Members** whose candidacies were announced previously: Tim Hakim, Roy Tudor Hughes, Stephen Hunt, Susanne Mühlen, Andrew Thomas and Hans Wennerström.

Welcomed as **Aspirant Members** are:

Steven Carter
Sheriff House, 7A Barby Road
Rugby, CV22 5 DU
Teacher
Proposer: Tom Chatterley
Second: Dave Atchison

John Cullen
28 St Mary's Road
London E13 9AD
Production Manager
Proposer: Martin Scott
Second: Mike Dunn

Jackie Denton
3 Roe Cross Farm, Old Road
Mottram SK14 6LW
University Lecturer
Proposer: Bill O'Connor
Second: Doug Scott

Peter Sharpe
9 Greenway, Buckden
St Neots, Cambs PE19 5TU
Fire Officer
Proposer: Dave Walsh
Second: Martin Scott

Kevin Sidford
17 Rock Crescent, Holmgate
Chesterfield S45 9QS
British. Armed Forces
Proposer: Mac Mackay
(UIAGM/ISIA)
Second: Dick Turnbull

The following candidates have applied for **Full Membership** of the Club and, as provided under Regulation 18(1) b, members are invited to communicate their views to the Honorary Secretary.

Chris Comerie
Fairview, Butt Lane
East Bridgford, Nottingham
Self Employed Builder
Proposer: Simon Corrin
Second: Jim Milledge

Andrew Denton
3 Roe Cross Farm, Old Road
Mottram SK14 6LW
MD, Mountain Equipment
Proposer: Bill O'Connor
Second: Doug Scott

Mark Herbert
36b Quernmore Road
London N4 4QX
Head of Communications
Proposer: Paul Herbert
Second: Martin Scott

Marjorie Mortimer
Pinfold House, Denby Lane
Denby, Huddersfield HD8 8TY
Medical Education
Proposer: Martin Wragg
Second: Dick Turnbull

The following candidates have applied for membership of the **Alpine Climbing Group** and, as provided under Regulation 18(1)9b), members are invited to communicate their views to the Honorary Secretary:

Jules Cartwright
18 Marr Terrace, Ranmoor
Sheffield S10 3GL
Proposer: Andy Cave
Second: Andy MacNae

Paul Ramsden
5 Halberton Drive
Nottingham NG2 7GU
Proposer: Mick Fowler
Second: Andy Cave

DEATHS

Since the last newsletter, the Club has learnt with regret of the deaths of Rocky Armitage, Eric Brooks, Charles Crawford, Tony Dummett, Ian Grant, Peter Ledebor, Efsio Noussan and Ken Pearson.

ALPINE CLUB LIBRARY - JOB VACANT

The Chairman was pleased to receive some helpful responses to his plea in the January Newsletter for volunteers to take over from the indefatigable but imminently retiring Bob Lawford. However, we still seek a volunteer to take over his regular sales of surplus books which over the years have raised substantial funds for the Library. This is an interesting and not too onerous activity for any mountain booklover, and can be done partly from home. Travelling expenses can be reimbursed if required. Please discuss with Bob Lawford (020 8460 5641) and myself, George Band (01252 843173).

RGS LIBRARY CLOSED

Members will remember that the RGS Library is closed until next January. The RGS website, www.rgs.org, has a very full guide to other libraries that could fill the gap.

EVEREST 50th ANNIVERSARY

As members will know, the Mount Everest Foundation was set up by our Club and the Royal Geographical Society to support climbing expeditions to the Great Ranges. As the 50th anniversary of the first ascent occurs in 2003, the MEF is organising a number of events with the main objective of raising further funds for climbing expeditions.

Members may like to know of the plans for this and the attached document lists the state of progress to date. We are looking for suggestions as to any further activities that we might do. We are also looking for members who might help with any or all of the activities listed. If you have any ideas, please get in touch with Martin Scott (contact details attached).

The MEF is also looking to recruit a Director of the MEF 50th Project. This is a salaried position reporting to the Committee and will start as a half time post and then as the project develops become full time for about the last year. For the right person this will be a stimulating

and exciting activity - ideally, someone with PR/media experience and an interest in mountaineering. It is likely, owing to the time requirements of the job, that it will interest an early retiree, or a younger person seeking a career break. If this might interest you or someone you know, please get in touch with Martin or with Charles Clarke. Enquiries of course treated as confidential.

GUIDE BOOKS

The following is the full list of the guidebooks in print available from the office
(each volume plus 75p postage unless collected from Club House)

<i>year of publication</i>		<i>Members</i>	<i>Shops</i>
1988	Dolomites	£11.00	£15.00
1990	Mont Blanc Vol. 1	£11.00	£15.00
1991	Mont Blanc Vol. 2	£11.00	£15.00
1993	Bernese Oberland	£11.00	£15.00
1995	Bernina and Bregaglia	£13.25	£18.50
1998	Valais West	£14.15	£19.50
1999	Valais East	£13.25	£18.50

You will see that the Ecrins guide is out of print and out of stock. The new edition is being produced and will be published at the end of the year.

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Members wishing to publish in the next Newsletter please note that material should be given to the office by 28 September.

MISCELLANEOUS

TRIP WANTED Does anyone need an additional member for 2001 autumn expedition or extended mountaineering/travel trip? If you can help, contact me, John Hudson, 12 Clumber Drive, Radcliffe on Trent, Nottingham. NG12 1DB, or phone 01159 333031, or at jmhu@bgs.ac.uk

AROUND KANGCHENJUNGA This superb but strenuous and rarely repeated 'Freshfield' trek, to be led by George Band, in association with 'Far Frontiers' was advertised for October 2001 in the January Newsletter and created considerable interest. Although significant progress was being made in securing the necessary political permission, events have conspired to delay it until Spring 2002 when it is now rescheduled from 27 April to 26 May (UK to UK) and there seems a high probability of pulling it off. Several members have put down their deposits but there is still room for a few more to complete a compact congenial group. Please contact me, George Band (01252 843173, or Chris Short at 'Far Frontiers' (01285 850926).

KENDAL MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL presented by Berghaus, 16th -19th November 2001. This year's programme is the best yet. Over 40 of the best films in mountain sports and culture - including two IMAX films. Lectures by Doug Scott, Thomas Huber, Bu Bu, Mike Fowler, Jim Curran, Steve Razzetti, Bill O'Connor, Airlie Anderson, Johnny Dawes, Niall Grimes, Rab Anderson plus MEF, BMC & Nick Estcourt Award lectures. Art by Julian Heaton Cooper and Andy Parkin and photos by Steve Razzetti. Take part by entering the prestigious Photo Competition or the Bouldering Competition -- also seminars and workshops on film making, photography and painting. Tickets from £5. For further information look at www.mountainfilm.co.uk or e mail us on info@mountainfilm.co.uk Alternatively ring direct for a brochure and tickets 01539 725760

ATLAS TRAVERSE (Afoot from Taza to Tamri) Hamish Brown is preparing for private distribution a limited edition of 75 copies of his 1995 account of the 96 day, 900 mile, 30 peaks end-to-end traverse of the Atlas. This will be in A4 form with plastic colour covers (front & back) and spiral binding and should cost c.£22. If anyone would like a copy, contact Hamish a.s.a.p. so he can finalise numbers (tel: (01592) 873546). It will be available for Christmas, Insh' Allah.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ALPINE SKI CLUB

The Alpine Ski Club seeks to recruit enthusiastic men and women ski-mountaineers of competence and experience who have a continuing interest in ski mountaineering. Candidates will have completed at least 20 days of ski mountaineering over a minimum of four seasons in the Alps and other ranges. Particular weight is given to guideless ski mountaineering and mountaineering experience. Applicants must be proposed by ASC members. Prospective members are welcome to attend the Club's social events. **For further information about the Club and an application form, please send an SAE to:** - Honorary Secretary ASC, James Harrison, 16A Blackford Road, Edinburgh, EH9 2DS, Tel 0131 452 8210. Email secretary@alpineskiclub.org.uk www.alpineskiclub.org.uk

ALPINE SKI CLUB TRANCEIVER HIRE SCHEME

The Alpine Ski Club operates a transceiver hire scheme (Trackers), which is open to non-members of the Club. The minimum charge for a period of up to two weeks use is £20, (£12 for members of the Alpine Ski Club or the Alpine Club). Transceivers are sent by registered post at the hirer's expense. For further information, current prices and an application form, please see the Alpine Ski Club's web pages at www.alpineskiclub.org.uk, or send an SAE to: John Fairley, Cooldara, Hill Way, Gerrards Cross, SL9 8BJ. Email Hire@alpineskiclub.co.uk

POSTCARDS

The Club has printed a set of postcards, showing the paintings that will appear on Christmas Cards in future years. They are:

John Ruskin	Grutli Uri Rostock from Lake Lucerne
Howard Somervell	Everest from Pang La
Samuel Birman	Mont Blanc from Servoz
Samuel Weibel	Les Environs de St Branchier
Elijah Walton	Monte Viso

£1.20 a set incl. p&p (£1.50 overseas), £1 if bought at the Clubhouse

Please send me packs of postcards @ £1.20 each include. p&p (£1.50 overseas)

I enclose cheque for £ made payable to the Alpine Club

Name

Address

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CHRISTMAS CARDS 2001

ORDER FORM

2001	packs of 10 with envelopes
6.00	if collected from the Club House
6.75	if posted to UK or EU countries
7.50	if posted to Europe outside the EU
8.50	if posted overseas outside Europe

No of packs required

Cheque enclosed for £ made payable to the Alpine Club

Send to Alpine Club, 55 Charlotte Road, London EC2A 3QF

Name

Address

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VAT invoices will be
sent on request
sae please

ALPINE SKI CLUB GRANTS FOR SKI MOUNTAINEERING AND SKI TOURING FOR 2002

The Alpine Ski Club and the Ski Club of Great Britain jointly administer The Kenneth Smith Scholarship and the value at present is up to £500. The Memorial Adventure Fund has a current grant level of up to £500. The object of both the grant schemes is to support and encourage ski touring and ski mountaineering by awarding a grant to assist with: -

- taking part in a ski mountaineering expedition which includes an element of exploration,
- carrying out a research project on an aspect of ski mountaineering,
- attending an approved course in ski mountaineering,
- other activities which further the knowledge and practice of safe movement in the mountains on ski.

Both the awards are open awards and British ski mountaineers and tourers from outside the Alpine Ski Club or the Ski Club of Great Britain may apply for a grant. The awards are especially, but not exclusively, for young skiers. Applicants for the awards are expected to already be able to ski adequately in all types of snow, using Alpine touring, Nordic or Telemark equipment as appropriate. The closing date for applications for the following year is normally 15th December.

Application forms obtainable by sending a Stamped Addressed Envelope to: -The ASC Awards Sub-Committee, Mrs Jay Turner, 34 Clarence Way, Horley, Surrey, RH6 9GT. Telephone 01293 820836 or grants@alpineskiclub.org.uk www.alpineskiclub.org.uk

EAGLE SKI CLUB GEORGINA TRAVERS GRANT FOR 2002

The grant is in memory of the late Georgina Travers. : - Up to £1000 will be awarded annually. The grant is available to members and non-members of the Eagle Ski Club. The main objective of the grant is to assist young skiers or mountaineers to improve their ski touring and ski mountaineering skills and can be used in any of the following ways:

1. To attend an approved ski mountaineering course.
2. To organise and or take part in a worthwhile ski mountaineering expedition.
3. To assist young skiers to attend an instructional course to improve their off-piste skiing technique.

The closing date for grants to 2002 is 1st October 2001.

Application forms are obtainable by sending a Stamped Addressed Envelope to: -The Eagle Ski Club Touring Secretary, Nigel Estlick, Kent House, Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7AP. Telephone 01980 623087. E mail Nigel.Estlick@ukgateway.net www.eagleskiclub.org.uk

MORE BOOKS FOR SALE

Please telephone the Asst Secretary - can be collected or posted - postage extra
Cheques payable to Sheila Harrison

All as new, published 1997 or 1998

Coburn, Broughton. Everest - Mountain without mercy. D/W. Nat. Geog. Soc. book of the Imax film. large	16.50
Davis, Wade. The Clouded Leopard. Travels to Landscapes of Spirit and Desire. D/W	12.00
Hultgren, Herb. High Altitude Medicine. P/B	25.00
Lobmayr, Gogol. Fascinating Nature - The Most Spectacular Landscapes in the World. D/W. large	15.00
Lonely Planet Guide. Bhutan. P/B.	10.00
Montaigne, Fen. Reeling in Russia. D/W. (Russian travel)	10.00
Muller, Karen. Hitchhiking in Vietnam - a woman's solo journey in an elusive land. P/B.	8.00
Ridgeway, Rick. The Shadow of Kilimanjaro - on foot across East Africa. D/W	12.00
Turk, Jon. Cold Oceans. Adventures in kayak, rowboat, and dogsled. D/W	11.00
Waidhofer, Linde. Stone & Silence. large P/B. photography.	14.00

Plus various:

M. John Harrison. Climbers (fiction - winner of Boardman Tasker Award). D/W	1989	12.00
Wainwright on the Pennine Way. photographs by Derry Brabbs. D/W	1985	12.00
Perrin, Jim. Yes, to Dance - essays from outside the stockade. D/W	1990	14.00

ALPINE CLUB LEISUREWEAR

Please send me:

	Qty	Size	Total no.
AC Sweatshirts (Medium only)			£15.00 (no listing)
AC Sweatshirts (Large only)			£16.00 (with listing)
AC Polo Shirts (Medium only)			£14.50 (no listing)
AC Jogpants (state Large or eXtra large)			£17.00
Ties (silk)			£17.50
Bow ties (silk)			£17.50

All prices include post and packaging for UK delivery.

Allow 30 days for delivery. Cheque with order please.

Full name and address:

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Alternatively, orders may be collected from the Club premises at the following reduced prices.

Reduced prices for collection

AC Polo Shirts	£13.00	(no listing)	AC Jogpants	£15.50
AC Sweatshirts	£13.50	(no listing)	Ties and bow ties (silk)	£17.00
AC Sweatshirts	£14.50	(with listing)		

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AC/ACG ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM CLIMBING IN NEPAL

PLAS Y BRENIN, CAPEL CURIG
Saturday December 1 2001

Symposium, morning coffee, lunch, afternoon tea AC/ACG members £ 14 Non-members £ 19

Dinner £ 17 (please state if a vegetarian meal is required)

I would like members tickets @ £ 14.00 (symposium & lunch)

..... non-members tickets @ £ 19.00 (symposium & lunch)

..... dinner tickets @ £ 17

Friday Saturday

Bunkhouse @ £ 6.50 per night

Moelwyn Cottage @ £ 8.50 per night

I enclose a cheque for £ made payable to the Alpine Club, and I enclose an sae

Name(s) of attendees

Address

.....Tel

This booking form should be sent as soon as possible to Alpine Club, 55 Charlotte Road, London EC2A 3QF

Please contact Bob Lawford. Do not send money with order. Postage is extra. Books are in nice clean condition, unless stated otherwise. *Abbr's; D/W-dustwrap, d/w-damaged dustwrap, P/B-paperback, sig-previous owner's name, sp/cl. -spinecloth, B/P-Bookplate, R/S- rubber-, stamp, emb- embossed, o/w- otherwise, large- over 28cm. PH.Pilditch- PHP Hamish Brown- H.B. Books in excellent condition, considering age, are marked **.

1. *	A.C.L.	Library Catalogue. 580 pages. A4 soft bound. New	1982	7.00
2 *	A.C.L.	LAC Journal Consolidated Index. 1910-1975, by Johanna Merz, 238pp, soft, new	2000	10.00
3	A.C.	Peaks, Passes & Glaciers. 1st. Series, 2nd. Edn. ends of spine cloth slightly worn, small area on front board less faded where old sticker has been, o/w very nice copy	1859	175.00
4	ABMSAC	The Technique of Alpine Mountaineering. D/W	c. 1936	3.00
5	American AC.	By-Laws & Register, includes early history of AAC & records of members' climbs	1919	4.00
6.	Abraham, GD.	The Complete Mountaineer. 2nd. Edn. 75 full page ills, 2 have been slightly trimmed & tipped in, PHP sig.	1908	25.00
7	Abraham, GD.	British Mountain Climbs. 2nd. Edn, PHP B/P, list of his climbs on rear end paper	1923	22.00
8	Bonington, C.	Everest South West Face. Penguin P/B, reprint	1979	3.00
9	Bonington, C.	The Everest Years. P/B, small crease on cover	1987	3.00
10	Clark, RW.	The Victorian Mountaineers. sp.cl faded, o/w nice clean copy	1953	17.00
11	Dent, GT.	Above the Snow Line. PHP B/P, FF. Tuckett B/P, few spots on rear board, otherwise a nice clean copy	1885	85.00
12	Forbes, JD.	Tour of Mont Blanc & Monte Rosa. Folded map split down fold line, which has been repaired, blue sp.cl. somewhat darkened, gilt lettering & décor bright	1855	100.00
13 *	Gifford & Smith, R.	Orogenic Zones. The first 5 years of the I.F. of Mountain Literature. P/B	1994	4.00
15 *	Greig, A.	The Return of John Macnab. D/W	1996	9.00
16 *	Grylls, B.	Facing Up. A remarkable journey to the summit of Everest. D/W	2000	10.00
17	Hudson & Kennedy.	An Ascent of Mont Blanc. 1st Edn, top & bottom of spine cloth worn, cloth split along 50% one side of hinge, contents clean, as is	1856	350.00
18	Irving, RLG.	The Mountain Way. top of spine cloth bit worn	1938	8.00
19	Irving, RLG.	The Mountain Way. PHP.B/P	1938	12.00
20.*	Kohli, H.	Across the Frozen Himalaya. R/S review copy. D/W	2000	6.00
21	Langmuir, E.	Mountaineering & Leadership. revised Edn. soft bound	1973	3.00
22	Larden, W.	Recollections of an Old Mountaineer. sp.cl. slightly worn, PHP.B/P	1910	48.00
23 *	Lunn, A.	The Englishman in the Alps. aeg, PHP sig.	1913	15.00
24	Manning, S.	Swiss Pictures drawn with pen & pencil. Ills engraved by E. Whymper, 1st .Edn., PHP. B/P. top 1" of front hinge split & reglued, F. Morshead sig.	1866	120.00
25 *	Moran, M.	The Munros in Winter. P/B. new edn.	1997	5.00
26	Nunlist, H.	Spitsbergen – 1962 Swiss Expn. 1st Eng. Edn. D/W, H. Brown R/S on back of 1/2 T/P	1966	9.00
27	Rey, G.	The Matterhorn. Blackwell's Edn. revised by RLG. Irving with extra chapter, PHP B/P	1946	12.00
28.	Robinson, AM.	Alpine Roundabout. PHP B/P, very nice copy	1947	5.00
29 *	Roscoe, DT.	Mountaineering Manual for Teachers & Instructors. D/W	1976	2.00
30	Schuster, C.	Men, Women & Mountains. 1st. Edn. PHP.B/P	1931	16.00
31.*	Simmonite & Champion.	Rock Climbing in England & Wales D/W	2000	14.00
32	Smith, GA.	Introduction to Mountaineering. revised Edn, D/W author's sig. US	1967	3.00
33	Smythe, FS.	An Alpine Journey. 1st. Edn, LAC B/P, rather canted, o/w nice copy	1934	12.00
34 *	Stevenson, A.	Annapurna Circuit. D/W	1997	12.00
35.	Swiss Foundation.	Mountain World. 1958/59	1959	5.00
36	Whymper, E.	Scrambles in the Alps. Nelson Edn. with ills, teg, PHP sig, his climbs recorded on fep.	c.1910	10.00
37	Whymper, E.	Travels amongst the Great Andes. Nelson Edn. teg, H.B.R/S	n.d.	7.00
38	Whymper, E.	Guide to Zermatt & Matterhorn. 1st.Edn, P/B., 2cm.spine paper missing at base, otherwise a very clean copy	1897	70.00
39	Whymper, E.	Travels amongst the Great Andes.1st. Edn. Sp/cl faded with slight wear at ends, letter tipped in "with compliments of the author May 16 1892 vide page x1v. EW."	1892	100.00
40	Whymper, E.	Guide to Chamonix & Mont Blanc. 11th. Edn. P/B.new grey back & spine cover with 70% of old spine paper with lettering glued down, contents very clean	1906	35.00
41	Wilson, C.	Mountaineering. ills by Ellis Carr, PHP sig, a nice copy	1893	32.00
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50th Anniversary of the First Ascent of Mount Everest 29th May 2003

The Mount Everest Foundation, a charity formed by the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club was funded initially by the proceeds of the 1953 British expedition and continues to support mountaineering and scientific objectives in the Great Ranges. MEF grants keep British teams in the forefront of mountain exploration and endeavour.

In 2003 the Mount Everest Foundation jointly with the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club will celebrate that great achievement on Mount Everest.

The main aim of this activity is raise money for the MEF so that it can continue to fund UK climbing expeditions. We also intend raise awareness both of the MEF and also the AC and RGS.

This brief newsletter outlines our joint projects. There is also close liaison with the British Mountaineering Council and The Mount Everest Golden Jubilee Celebration Committee (Nepal).

The MEF 50th Anniversary Committee welcomes other initiatives, large or small.

1. The Everest Lecture at the Royal Albert Hall, London

An illustrated fundraising lecture open to all will be held on Thursday 29th May 2003 delivered by the surviving members of the 1953 team, we hope with a live link to Sir Edmund Hillary in Kathmandu, where he will be celebrating the event. While the London lecture will include a historical perspective, the main focus will be the 1953 expedition and with original film footage. We also plan a live TV satellite link from the Anniversary Expedition climbing Everest.

Her Majesty The Queen, Prince Philip and other members of the Royal Family have been invited.

A number of Everest theme lectures are also planned throughout Britain.

2. The Mount Everest 50th Anniversary Expedition

The Mount Everest 50th Anniversary Expedition 2003 has been granted permission by the Royal Nepalese Government to climb Everest by the original route. This is an initiative by the TV company Mentorn Barraclough Carey with whom the MEF has an exclusive agreement.

A TV series will be built around this Everest expedition that will re-trace the steps of the 1953 team. Live broadcasts from Everest are planned making this a family viewing project aimed at a mainstream audience. The experience of high altitude mountaineering will become accessible to viewers around the world.

Sir Chris Bonington has been appointed to chair the expedition's organising committee.

3. The Everest 50th Anniversary Book

An official book endorsed by the Mount Everest Foundation will commemorate the anniversary and the 1953 expedition. Discussions with publishing houses are in progress.

There are also several other literary projects, for example books to illustrate the geology and geography of the world's highest mountain and to record the many subsequent mountaineering achievements on Everest by many nations.

4. The Tate Gallery Exhibition of Mountain Art

George Band, the youngest member of the 1953 Everest team and who later made the first ascent of Kangchenjunga with Joe Brown is liaising with the Clore Gallery of the Tate which plans to host an Exhibition of Mountain Art in the spring of 2003. A number of historic paintings from the Alpine Club Library archives will be shown.

5. The Everest Anniversary Postage Stamps and Coin

The MEF 50th Anniversary Committee is in contact with the Royal Mail and the Royal Mint to promote these projects.

6. The Science Museum Everest Exhibition

The Science Museum is with its close neighbour the Royal Geographical Society planning an exhibition to outline scientific aspects of life at high altitude, with a focus on Everest.

7. 'Mount Everest', a limited edition print by Keith Shackleton

This painting was produced in 1977 to commemorate the pioneer British expeditions of 1921-24. These fine prints were signed by Noel Odell, John Noel, Lord Hunt, Sir Chris Bonington and Doug Scott.

8. The Alpine Club Everest Exhibition

The Alpine Club is considering mounting an exhibition at the Club of some of its relevant artefacts and photographs from the archives.

9. Other initiatives

The Museum, displays, ?????????? More to come...

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15TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF MOUNTAINEERING LITERATURE

Bretton Hall, 10 November 2001

'How long can I keep this up?'

The theme of the 15th International Festival of Mountaineering Literature at Bretton Hall Campus of the University of Leeds on 10th November 2001 will be 'How long can I keep this up?' It's a question that must be asked by all climbers from time to time, the young and the not-so-young alike. What absurdities do we perform to convince ourselves that we are still climbers and not uphill walkers? What is the real source of our enthusiasm for different degrees of risk-taking? Perhaps the continuing tradition of mountaineering literature contains some answers, as well as regularly raising the same haunting question.

Topping the bill to answer this question will be ninety-one year-old Bradford Washburn and his wife Barbara (merely 87). Brad's new book *Mountain Photography* has been winning international prizes throughout last year. His authoritative book *Mount McKinley: The Conquest of Denali*, co-written with David Roberts, is widely recognised as the finest book production of the last decade. For this historic visit to the UK Brad and Barbara will be introduced by Charlie Houston.

Returning to the Festival from the USA to take up our question is the popular octogenarian Charlie Houston, a mountaineering companion of H.W. Tilman, whose wit and wisdom, shared with Bob Bates, secured the Festival's first (and only) standing ovation two years ago. Ed Webster, a Festival new-comer from the USA, will answer our question as both a vastly experienced mountaineer and a self-publisher, drawing from his new book *Snow in the Kingdom: My Storm Years on Everest*. From Canada, Pat and Baiba Morrow will reflect on a life as photographers and writers, most recently producing *Footsteps in the Clouds: Kangchenjunga a Century Later*, supported by the Polartec Challenge. Pat Morrow was the first Canadian to summit Everest and the first person to climb both versions of the Seven Summits. His latest book with Baiba recounts their attempt to follow in the steps of Douglas Freshfield and photographer Vittorio Sella in their 1899 circumnavigation of Kanchenjunga. On behalf of the Polartec Challenge, Pat and Baiba will be introduced by Stephen Venables, whose expedition book *A Slender Thread* was much praised last year for explicitly asking 'How long can I keep this up?'

A panel of thrusting young climbers and writers will also address the Festival's question. Drawing inspiration from the tradition of climbing literature, mad mountaineer Andy Kirkpatrick, rock-climber Arlie Anderson and boulderer Niall Grimes will reveal the secrets of their youthful drive. On the other hand, Jim Curran will read from his new book, *The Middle-Aged Mountaineer*. Say no more.

The winners of the Boardman Tasker Award and the Festival Writing Competition (taking on this year's Festival theme) will be announced by Stephen Goodwin and Peter Harding respectively. For the first time, the winner of the W.H. Murray Essay Competition run by the SMC will read an entry that demands an answer to our question.

The authors of the above and other new books will be at a grand book-signing at lunch-time. Already confirmed for this are novelist Roger Hubank, author of *Hazard's Way*, and John Harding, author of *Pyrenean High Route*, a book about a ski-mountaineering epic traverse. *Women, Mountains, Words*, the group which now meets for a weekend workshop before the Festival each year, will be selling *Issue One* of their work. See the Festival website for further updates on book-signing guests.

Bradford Washburn will be bringing a selection of his original photographic prints for this year's exhibition in the gallery of the National Arts Education Archive. As usual Jarvis Books will sell out of new books. Order in advance anything new or old on 01629 553322.

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