
Contributors

JANET ADAM SMITH OBE (Janet Carleton) was President of the Ladies' Alpine Club 1961-64. Her working life has been in writing, editing, broadcasting and translation. Among her books are *Mountain Holidays*, among her translations (with Nea Morin) *Annapurna* and *Gervasutti's Climbs*.

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GEORGE BAND climbed in the UK and the Alps, on Everest and Kangchenjunga, in Peru and the Caucasus, before commencing a career with Shell in oil and gas exploration and development in seven countries. He was AC President, 1987-89.

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MARTIN BURROWS-SMITH started climbing in 1963 and has skied since 1972. After university in Manchester he took up a career in outdoor pursuits and is at present Chief Instructor at Glenmore Lodge, the Scottish National Outdoor Training Centre.

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JULIE-ANN CLYMA started climbing as a distraction from Physiology studies. She moved to Britain from New Zealand in 1985 and has participated in six expeditions, in the Southern Alps, Peru, Alaska, Pakistan, Nepal and the former Soviet Union as well as the European Alps.

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ROSEMARY GREENWOOD comes of a mountaineering family. In the last 55 years she has done many modest climbs and trekked in many parts of the world. She is also a keen skier.

LINDSAY GRIFFIN, after a lengthy alpine apprenticeship, has concentrated on remote ascents in the greater ranges, including 41 Himalayan peaks. He intends to continue until increasing age, unfitness and a long-suffering wife call a halt to this exploration.

J G R HARDING is a solicitor, but was formerly in the Colonial Service in South Arabia. He has climbed extensively in Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia.

ALAN HARRIS retired from British Airways in 1980. He will continue walking in high places for as long as he can. His plans include a return to the Alpi Apuane for the mountains he missed in 1990.

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TONY HOWARD, a founding partner of Troll Safety Equipment, took part in the first ascent of the Troll Wall in 1965. His expeditions include Greenland, North Canada and desert mountains in Morocco, Algeria, Sudan, Iran and Jordan.

HARISH KAPADIA is a cloth merchant by profession. He has climbed and trekked in the Himalaya since 1960, with ascents up to 6800m. He is Honorary Editor of the *Himalayan Journal* and compiler of the *H C Newsletter*.

NICK KEKUS lives in Cumbria. He has an enthusiasm for all aspects of climbing in Britain, but is increasingly drawn back to the greater ranges. His eleven expeditions include Shivering, Ganesh II, Everest, Rimo II and Nanga Parbat.

HUW KINGSTON is always looking to get off the beaten track, particularly on Nordic skis. Huw has skied/climbed/trekked in the Himalaya, Africa and Europe. He is currently living in Australia where he works in the outdoor equipment trade.

GRAHAM LITTLE, marketing executive with Ordnance Survey, has climbed in many countries including Baffin Island, Indian Himalaya, Peru and Chile. He is past president of the Mountaineering Council of Scotland and current chairman of the Scottish Mountain Safety Group.

JOHANNA MERZ, formerly a professional photographer, took up mountaineering rather late in life, but has made up for it by climbing and ski mountaineering in many parts of the Alps and Norway. Asst Editor, 1988-91; Editor from 1992.

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HAMISH NICOL, a Warwickshire GP, has been climbing for 40 years in Great Britain, the Alps, Kenya and New Zealand. He advocated the admission of women to the Climbers' Club during his presidency – a victory for common sense.

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BILL O'CONNOR writer and photographer, has 28 Alpine seasons and 18 expeditions to the Nepal Himalaya under his harness. He currently runs his own adventure travel company and his books include *The Trekking Peaks of Nepal* and *Adventure Travel Nepal*.

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DR MICHAEL PLINT, an engineer by trade, discovered the Himalaya on leave during the war. He and his wife have been modest but persistent climbers ever since. They founded The Sybarites, a small club of mountaineers with a taste for comfort, in 1968.

DICK RENSHAW obtained a degree in geology at Manchester University but is now a sculptor in wood and stone, and an industrial abseiler. He has climbed in the Alps, Norway, Peru, Canada, USA, and taken part in ten Himalayan expeditions.

ANDRÉ ROCH of Geneva skied and climbed in the Alps, Greenland, Himalaya, Canada and USA. For 30 years he worked at the Swiss Institute for Snow Research and is an expert on avalanche protection. He has written 13 books, hundreds of articles, and paints in his spare time.

ROY RUDDLE works as a software engineer and finds that third world bureaucracy is sometimes too frustrating to enjoy. His favourite high mountain area is Alaska, where it is possible to arrange everything in advance by telephone and pay by credit card. Asst Editor from 1992.

C A RUSSELL, who formerly worked with a City bank, devotes much of his time to mountaineering and related activities. He has climbed in many regions of the Alps, in the Pyrenees, East Africa, North America and the Himalaya.

SCOTT RUSSELL's expeditions in the 1930s included the Karakoram with Eric Shipton. In 1945 he emerged from a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp with the manuscript of *Mountain Prospect* in his haversack. Recently he produced a memoir of his father-in-law, George Finch.

A V SAUNDERS has climbed since 1980. His first ascents include Jitchu Drake (6800m) in Bhutan, the Golden Pillar of Spantek (7050m) in the Karakoram, and Kangchuntse (7640m) in Nepal. His book *Elusive Summits* won the Boardman Tasker Memorial Award in 1990.

GEOFFREY TEMPLEMAN, a retired chartered surveyor, has greatly enjoyed being an Assistant Editor of the *AJ* for the past 16 years. A love of mountain literature is coupled with excursions into the hills which are becoming less and less energetic.

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DAVE WALSH is a mountain guide and was formerly chief instructor at Plas y Brenin. In 1988 he made the first British ascent (solo) of Cho Oyu (8210m) and in 1991, with Roger Mear, the first British ascent of Nanga Parbat (8125m).

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DAVE WILKINSON, a lecturer in mathematics, has been climbing in the Alps for 25 years. Previous expeditions include the first ascent of Rimo III (7233m) in 1985, and a failed attempt on K2 in 1986. He is President of the ACG.

BILL WRIGHT has for the past five years been the Access and Conservation Officer of the British Mountaineering Council. While he has climbed throughout Europe and in Canada and Australia, a deep aversion to early morning starts has thwarted many Alpine ambitions.