
Contributors

MALCOLM BASS has always been fascinated by exploration. At first he focused on caving and cave diving, but his head was turned by a winter trip to Ben Nevis and since then he has been absorbed by the process of trying to climbing new routes in Scotland, Alaska, Pakistan, India and China. He and Paul Figg were nominated for a *Piolet d'Or* for their ascent of the west face of Vasuki Parbat in 2010.

ROBIN CAMPBELL has held every office in the Scottish Mountaineering Club for which administrative competence is not required, including a long stint as editor in the 1960s and 1970s, and as archivist since 1997. Retired from a desultory career as an academic child psychologist, he now wastes his time and money in collecting and studying old drawings and water-colours, particularly those depicting mountains before they were trampled into familiarity by the boots of mountaineers.

JOHN CLEARE has been a freelance professional photographer for over 50 years but a climber for rather longer. Business and many expeditions have taken him all over the world, while he has several dozen books, several films and live TV broadcasts, more than a few new routes and several virgin summits to his credit. An ex-vice president of the AC and an ex-president of the Alpine Ski Club, he lives in remote Wiltshire.

LINDSAY ELMS lives on Vancouver Island and has climbed or travelled on all seven continents including ascents of Mt Logan, Mt Waddington and numerous peaks throughout South America. He has also written two books about the history of mountaineering and exploration on Vancouver Island.

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TERRY GIFFORD was director of the annual International Festival of Mountaineering Literature for 21 years. Former chair of the Mountain Heritage Trust, he is the author of *The Joy of Climbing* (Whittles, 2004) and *Al Otro Lado del Aguilar* (Oversteps Books, 2011). Visiting professor at Bath Spa University's Centre for Writing and Environment and *profesor honorífico* at the University of Alicante, he celebrated his 70th birthday appropriately on *Wreckers' Slab*.

DENNIS GRAY started climbing on Yorkshire gritstone in 1947. Secretary of the ACG, first national officer, then general secretary of the BMC, Dennis has visited over 60 countries, most recently travelling widely in China. He has written two autobiographies, two books of stories, a novel and a volume of poetry, plays the banjo and sings on three CDs of climbing themed songs.

JIM GREGSON has climbed widely in the Alps since 1972. He is also a telemark ski mountaineer who makes regular trips to Norway. He first visited the Arctic in 1991 and has returned many times, often as an expedition leader, and is one of Britain's leading Arctic mountaineers. His book *Exploring Greenland* documents many of his trips and showcases his photography.

LINDSAY GRIFFIN lives in North Wales, from where he continues to report on developments in world mountaineering. An enthusiastic mind still tries to coax a less than enthusiastic body up pleasant bits of rock and ice, both at home and abroad. He recently completed his term of office as president of the Alpine Club.

GLYN HUGHES is a some-time hon secretary of the Alpine Club, but now carries out the equally important roles of hon archivist and barman: or as the AC quaintly puts it, 'chairman of the Wine Committee'. In 2014 he took on the near-impossible task of following Bill Ruthven as hon secretary of the Mount Everest Foundation.

TOM LIVINGSTONE is a 26-year-old climber and writer based in north Wales. He has a penchant for trad, winter and alpine climbing: the bigger and harder the better. Among his recent successes are ascents of *Divine Providence* (ED3), and a winter ascent of the *Walker Spur* (ED3), but he's still hungry for more. He works as an outdoor instructor, holding the Mountain Leader and Single Pitch Award, and as a rope access technician.

BRUCE NORMAND is a research consultant at the Neutrons and Muons Research Division at the Paul Scherrer Institut in Switzerland, after spending five years as a professor of theoretical physics at Renmin University in Beijing. He has made over 40 first ascents on 6,000m peaks in Nepal, Pakistan, India and China. In 2007 he climbed K2, the first Scotsman to have done so. He won a Piolet d'Or in 2010 and was nominated for a second in 2011.

DONALD ORR is a member of the Scottish Mountaineering Club and recently retired from a career in theology and fine art, which does beg questions. He now spends his time climbing and writing, and being irresponsible with his grandsons. His writings on mountaineering and the mountain environment have contributed over the years to the *Scottish Mountaineering Club Journal*.

SIMON RICHARDSON lives in Aberdeen. Experience gained in the Alps, Andes, Patagonia, Canada, the Himalaya, Caucasus, Alaska and the Yukon is put to good use most winter weekends whilst exploring and climbing in the Scottish Highlands.

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MARCELO SCANU is an Argentine climber who lives in Buenos Aires. He specialises in ascending virgin mountains and volcanoes in the Central Andes. His articles and photographs about alpinism, trekking, and mountain history, archaeology and ecology appear in prominent magazines in Europe and America. When not climbing, he works for a workers' union.

WILL SIM is a climber and mountain guide from west Cumbria now living in the French Alps. Will regularly seeks out adventurous missions on remote mountains all around the world as well as climbing and skiing in the Alps most days of the year for work and play. He likes crimping just as much as sitting on icy ledges, and will never be able to choose one above the other.

BEN TIBBETTS is a photographer, artist and IFMGA guide based in Chamonix and the UK. He studied Fine Art to postgraduate level and spent almost two years working in the Antarctic and over four months in Greenland. In Europe he is usually preoccupied with climbing long Alpine routes of different styles and difficulty or looking for interesting lines to ski. Over the last few years he has been working on a large format photographic guidebook on the finest routes on the 4,000m peaks of the Alps.

ERIC VOLA is a French climber who lives in Chamonix and Marseille. He spent three years at University College, London, and climbed in the early 1960s with Chris Bonington, Nick Estcourt, Don Whillans and other Brits. In recent years he has translated British mountaineering books, including a selection of Chris Bonington's best stories and Andy Cave's *Learning to Breathe*.

IAN WALL worked at Plas-y-Brenin in the 1960s. Since then he has climbed extensively throughout the UK, the Alps and in Norway. He was involved with the first round of the Kendal Mountain Film Festival in 1980. He has led treks in Africa, Ladakh, Tibet and Nepal, where he now lives and acts as an advisor to the Kathmandu International Mountain Film Festival, Kathmandu Environmental Education Project and in developing and training the Nepal Mountain Leader programme working closely with the Nepal Mountaineering Association.

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