

The highest mountains 1968–77

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This table of summits over 23,000ft climbed during the years 1968–77 is a continuation of previous lists published in the *AJ*. Heights in the *AJ* are now given in metres, thus coming into line with Continental practice. The nearest round figure in metres to 23,000ft is 7010m = 22,999ft.

References to the ascents listed below can be found, with a few exceptions, in the *Alpine Journal* or the *Himalayan Journal*, the 2 sources most readily available to British readers.

More than 150 of these great mountains have now been climbed but there still remain in the Himalaya and Karakoram more than 100 virgin summits over 7010m in height.

Notification of any errors or omissions in this list will be gratefully received.

1968	<hr/>	1970	<hr/>
Aug. 17	MINAPIN (Diran), 7266m. Karakoram. R. Göschl, R. Pischinger, H. Schell.	April 17	DHAULAGIRI VI, 7268m. Dhaulagiri Himal. S. Kawazu, S. Kimura, N. Nakamura, S. Yamamura.
1969	<hr/>	May 12	LHOTSE SHAR, 8398m. Everest group. J. Mayerl, R. Walter.
May 9	ROC NOIR, 7485m. Annapurna group. R. Obster, P. Schubert, K. Winkler.	July 17	K6, 7281m. Karakoram. D. Entlesberger, G. Haberl, E. Koblmüller, G. Pressl.
Aug. 12	ISTOR-o-NAL, 7403m. Hindu Kush. J.-M. Anglada, J. Cerda, E. Civis, J. Pons. See <i>AJ</i> 62 169, no. 47. It has now been established that the 1955 party did not reach the highest summit. The 1969 party also made the first ascents of the S (7303m) and SE (7365m) peaks.	Oct. 19	PEAK 29 (Dakura), 7835m. Gurkha Himal. H. Watanabe, Lhakpa Tsering.
Aug. 20	SHINGEIK ZOM II, 7170m. Hindu Kush. A. & T. Aichhorn.	Oct. 24	CHUREN HIMAL (Central Peak), 7371m. Dhaulagiri Himal. M. Fukui, K. Hasegawa.
Aug. 20	SHINGEIK ZOM III, 7150m. Hindu Kush. A. & T. Aichhorn.	Oct. 25	FALSE JUNCTION PEAK (Gama Peak), 7150m. Dhaulagiri Himal. G. Nabeyama, K. Nakajima.
Nov. 1	GURJA HIMAL, 7193m. Dhaulagiri Himal. T. Saeki, Lhakpa Tenzing.	Oct. 26	CHUREN HIMAL (West Peak), 7371m. Dhaulagiri Himal. K. Hasegawa, Sherpa Norbu.

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 May 18 **DHAULAGIRI II**, 7751m. Dhaulagiri Himal. A. Huber, R. Fear, A. Weissensteiner, Sherpa Jangbu.
- July 11 **NANGA PARBAT VOR-GIPFEL**, 7910m and Pt 7530m (above Silbersattel), Kashmir. J. Psotka, A. Puskaš, I. Urbanovic.
- Aug. 23 **MALUBITING WEST**, 7453m. Karakoram. K. Pirker, H. Schell, H. Schindlbacher, H. Sturm.
- Aug. 26 **KHINYANG CHHISH**, 7852m. Karakoram. A. Heinrich, J. Stryczynski, R. Szafirski, A. M. Zawada.
- 1973
 May 14 **YALUNG KANG** (Kangchenjunga West Peak), 8433m. Sikkim-Nepal. Y. Ageta, T. Matsuda.
- June 6 **SASER KANGRI**, 7672m. Karakoram. G. S. Bahangu, — Bidhiman, Dawa Temba, Y. C. Khanna, — Rabgias, Roshan Lal, — Rinjee, Temba Tarkey.
- Oct. 20 **DHAULAGIRI III**, 7715m. Dhaulagiri Himal. G. Haberl, H. Saler, K. Schreckenbach. K. Hiller, P. von Gizycki, K. Süssmilch, Sherpa Norbu repeated the ascent on Oct. 23.
- 1974
 April 29 **ANNAPURNA EAST**, 8026m. Annapurna Himal. J.-M. Anglada, E. Civis, J. Pons.
- May 23 **SHARTSE (Junction Peak)**, 7502m. Everest group. K. Diemberger, H. Warth.
- May 26 **KANGBACHEN**, 7902m. Kangchenjunga group. W. Branski, W. Klaput, M. Malatynski, K. Olech, Z. Rubinowski.
- July 21 **PASU PEAK** (Shisparé), 7619m. Karakoram. H. Bleicher, L. Cichy, M. Grochowski, J. Holnicki-Szule, A. Mlynarczyk, H. Oberhofer, J. Poreba.
- July 21 **GHENTA PEAK**, 7090m. Karakoram. J. Kurczab.
- July 30 **TIRICH WEST III**, 7699m. Hindu Kush. J. Kelle, J.-F. Lemoine, G. Lucazeau, M. Pompei, S. Sarthou. M.-F. Amy, M. Breuil, G. Pistillo reached the summit 2 days later.
- Aug. 16 **TIRICH WEST II**, 7500m. Hindu Kush. G. Machetto, G. Re.
- Aug. 30 **K12**, 7468m. Karakoram. T. Ito, S. Tagachi
- 1975
 May 1 **DHAULAGIRI V**, 7618m. Dhaulagiri Himal. M. Morioka, Pemba Tsering.
- May 9 **DHAULAGIRI IV**, 7661m. Dhaulagiri Himal. S. Kawazu, E. Yusuda.
- June 14 **KAMPIR DIOR**, 7143m. Karakoram. Y. Hayashi, S. Mori, K. Takami, Y. Teranishni.
- July 28 **BROAD PEAK** (Central summit), c 8000m Karakoram. K. Glazek, M. Kesicki, J. Kulis, B. Nowaczyk, A. Sikorski.
- Aug. 2 **CHOGOLISA** (SW summit), 7654m. Karakoram. G. Ammerer, F. Pressl. A. Furtner and H. Sturm

	reached the summit 2 days later.		J. Imai, M. Katayama, S. Takahashi.
Aug. 2	MALUBITING CENTRAL, 7260m. Karakoram. H. Atsumi, K. Mori, M. Onodera, T. Takahashi.	Aug. 10	SHERPI KANGRI, 7303m. Karakoram. T. Inoue, T. Ogata.
Aug. 4	URDOK I, c 7300m. Karakoram. K. Hub, R. Schauer, H. & L. Schell, H. Zefferer.	Aug. 11	SKYANG KANGRI, 7544m. Karakoram. Y. Fujiohji, H. Najata.
		1977	<hr/>
Aug. 11	GASHERBRUM III, 7952m. Karakoram A. & J. Onyszkiewicz, W. Rudkiewicz, K. Zdzitowiecki.	July 13	OGRE (Baintha Blakk), 7285m. Karakoram. <i>C. J. S. Bonington, D. Scott.</i>
Aug. 12	TERAM KANGRI, 7463m. Karakoram. K. Kodaka, Y. Kobayashi.	Aug. 10	UDREN ZOM (Central), 7078m. Hindu Kush. Japanese expedition.
1976	<hr/>	Aug. 28	LATOK II, 7110m. Karakoram. E. Alimonta, T. Mase, R. Valentini.
June 30	BATURA MUSTAGH I, 7785m. Karakoram. H. Bleicher, H. Oberhofer	June or July	KOH-e-SHAN, 7010m. Hindu Kush. Czech expedition.
Aug. 7	APSARASAS I, 7245m. Karakoram. Japanese expedition.	1966	<hr/>
Aug. 8	SINGHI 7141m. Karakoram.	Aug. 10	AKHER CHIOH, 7020m. Hindu Kush. R. Goschl, H. Schell.

Turner—Promethean of Alpine painting

Walter Amstutz

Where there is fear there is little love, and so it is with mountains. Until the Middle Ages, and even beyond, man was in awe of them and lacked any desire to depict them.

Even Johann Jakob Scheuchzer, the great Swiss naturalist of the 18th Century, still believed in dragons hiding in mountain caves. Crossing the Alps in the 1740s, the eccentric Horace Walpole described his experience succinctly in staccato style: 'Precipices, mountains, torrents, wolves, rumblings—Salvator Rosa'; and then he added: 'I hope I shall never see them again.' Samuel Johnson, another man of fame from that epoch, defined a mountain in his *Dictionary of the English Language* (1755) as 'a vast bulk of earth', all of which is far removed from serenity and beauty.

It needed another great mind, that of Albrecht von Haller, Bernese poet-physician-scientist and precursor of Rousseau, to overcome established opinions. His lyrical poem *Die Alpen*, which appeared in 1729 and was translated into some 30