

To Present, New, and Prospective Members:

WELCOME TO BOEALPS

Our history extends back to 1963 when the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was formed. Since then we have grown and expanded to meet member interests and needs. BOEALPS offers a year-round program of climbing and social activities for all members.

The BOEALPS Climbing course is one of the best in the Northwest, with classes offered again this year. Climbs being planned will take you to exciting and challenging areas all over Washington.

Our general meeting and social activities will give you a chance to meet old timers and make new friends.

Check out the details on your favorite activity and then come join us for another season of great climbing and good fun!

A membership form is attached for those of you who are not yet members. Please fill it out and mail to our Membership Chairman, Don Taylor, at Mailstop 69-92.

*Dave Curran*

Dave Curran  
President, BOEALPS

## ANNUAL DUES

- o \$7.00 for family memberships
- o Membership year is from January 1st – December 31st
- o Payable during January for full use of club equipment and activities
- o Dues are not prorated
- o Past members delinquent after Jan 31 and dropped from membership roster March 1
- o Call Membership Chairman Don Taylor at 237-5750 or Boeing Recreation at 655-2442 for application form, or use attached form
- o Send application and dues to Don Taylor, Mailstop 69-92
- o Make checks payable to "BOEALPS"

## GENERAL MEETING

- o The first Thursday of every month, starting at 7:30 p.m.
- o BSRL Cafeteria, Building 15-01 (across Duwamish River from Plant 2 on S. Trenton Street).

The purpose of the general meetings is to keep you informed of what's going on in your club. It also provides a forum for the exchange of ideas on a subject in which we are all interested - climbing. We will inform you of the actions taken or being considered by the elected officers of the club (who meet monthly to transact their responsibilities). All action that requires a vote of the general membership will be considered at the general meetings.

After a short business meeting, we will provide activities of an informative, entertaining, or social nature. We will have special guest speakers throughout the year who will show movies or slides on various outdoor activities. Guest speakers will include well known climbers, authors, photographers, trekkers, etc.

Refreshments will be provided by the club. We invite you to take a few hours a month and "get involved" in your club. We welcome your ideas, recommendations, and, your help.

## ACTIVITIES

### SCHEDULED SOCIAL EVENTS:

- |                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| o March 1981     | Annual Photo Contest |
| o April 1981     | Equipment Swap       |
| o Summer 1981    | River Rafting        |
| o Summer 1981    | Annual Picnic        |
| o September 1981 | Rainier Brewery Tour |
| o February 1982  | Annual Banquet       |

### TYPICALLY PLANNED CLIMBS:

- |                    |        |                 |
|--------------------|--------|-----------------|
| o Mt. Rainier      | 2 days | June and July   |
| o Mt. Adams        | 2 days | July and August |
| o Mt. Baker        | 2 days | July and August |
| o Glacier          | 3 days | July            |
| o Mt. Stuart       | 2 days | August          |
| o Monte Cristo Pk. | 1 day  | September       |
| o Mt. Olympus      | 3 days | Summer          |
| o Many others      |        |                 |

A wide variety of outings is offered year-round by the club membership. During the winter, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and ski mountaineering trips are planned frequently. In the spring and summer months, a variety of climbs of all difficulty levels is offered.

The club newsletter, the "Echo", contains each month's schedule of activities and outings. If interested in any of these activities or if you would like to suggest others, call our Activities Chairman, Jerry Baillie, at 655-7462.

### NEWSLETTER ("The Alpine Echo")

The "Echo" is the main source of information on trips and activities. It is mailed to all members each month. Special events will be highlighted in the "Echo".

Remember, it is your club; don't hesitate to make suggestions, recommendations, or to provide constructive criticism. The Executive Board welcomes your participation.

### EQUIPMENT

The club Equipment Chairman maintains several items of equipment that may be borrowed by club members at no cost. The equipment includes tents, ice axes, first aid kits, snowshoes, etc. To reserve equipment, call our Equipment Chairman, Dave Larson, at 655-3016.

## BASIC MOUNTAINEERING COURSE

The BOEALPS' Basic Mountaineering Course covers both the theory and practice of safe and enjoyable climbing, travel, and living in alpine areas.

This course is recommended for all those at least 18 years of age who are interested in year-round climbing and hiking. Completion of this course gives one the training necessary to participate in climbs such as Mount Rainier, Mount Baker, Glacier Peak, etc. A reasonable level of physical fitness is recommended for maximum enjoyment of the course.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Course registration is open to all Boeing employees and members of their families 18 years and older. Persons not employed at Boeing may register on a space-available basis. All registrations will be accepted in order of receipt; Boeing employees first, then non-Boeing employees. Mail registration may be accomplished by completing the application.

## CLASSROOM SESSIONS

Evening class sessions of two hours each will be held for ten consecutive Wednesdays (except April 15th) beginning March 25th through June 3rd, 1981. Topics to be discussed in the sessions will include:

- o Clothing and equipment selection and care
- o Rope handling and belaying
- o Alpine cooking and camping
- o Snow climbing and ice axe use
- o Rock climbing techniques
- o Wilderness travel and route finding
- o Glacier travel and cravasse rescue techniques
- o Climbing hazards and emergency procedures

## WEEKEND PRACTICES

There will be practice sessions and training climbs scheduled on weekends throughout the course. These will provide an opportunity to apply and practice the material covered in the class sessions. Practice sessions and climbs will generally be within two hours drive from Seattle. Students will be assisted in organizing car pools; parking may be very limited on some trips. Scheduling of these trips will be done as the course is in progress as it will depend upon road, trail, and snow conditions. At least two of these trips will include an overnight camp. Students will generally be able to choose either a Saturday or Sunday trip; however, there will be a limit on the number of students allowed to attend each day. Students should plan to keep weekends available through April and May, however, there will be no trips on Easter or Memorial Day weekends. The "graduation" climb will be scheduled on the weekend of May 30th and 31st. If you can foresee any problems in attending these weekend trips, it is suggested you not register this season in order to provide space for others.

## EQUIPMENT

Students will be responsible for furnishing their own boots, clothing, and other equipment. They are advised NOT to buy any equipment prior to the first class, as the instructors will make recommendations at that time. The more expensive items usually can be borrowed or rented and the instructors will emphasize ways to minimize equipment expenditures. The BOEALPS have a number of tents available for members' use.

## THE INSTRUCTORS

Chief instructor for the BOEALPS' Basic Mountaineering Course will be John Pollock. John has many years' experience in conducting mountaineering courses in community colleges as well as the 11 previous BOEALPS classes. John will be assisted by several highly experienced instructors at all classroom sessions and weekend practices. The instructors will work closely with the students in small groups and will emphasize letting students determine individual levels of ability and interest under conditions of maximum safety.

## COSTS

- o \$78.00 per student for BOEALPS members and dependents
- o \$ 7.00 club membership dues for non-members

NOTE: Cancellations must be received within 14 days after course starting date to be eligible for refund. Refunds will be prorated. Club dues cannot be refunded.

## ORIENTATION MEETING (free of charge)

Tuesday, MARCH 17th - 7:30 p.m.

BOEING Plant 2 Engineering Theatre  
Building 2-25

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

March 25th through June 3rd (except April 15th)  
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (7:00 p.m. SHARP)  
Lincoln High School  
"Little Theater"  
4400 Interlake Avenue North  
Seattle (see attached map)

## SIGN-UP

- o An application form is attached (if already detached, call one of the persons listed below).
- o Cut-off date for course sign-up is March 25th.
- o Course sign-up is on a space-available basis only. Early sign-up will assist us in planning the number of instructors needed.

Persons desiring further information about the Basic Mountaineering Course should contact Faith Szafranski, Ph. 575-7216; Don Taylor, Ph. 237-5750; Steve Mittendorf, Ph. 237-6517; or Dave Larson, Ph. 655-3016.



# ALPINE ECHO

BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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### JANUARY MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1981

7:30 PM

BSRL CAFETERIA (BUILDING 15-01)

#### PROGRAM



BRAD McCARRELL

and

MARK DALE

The speakers for our January meeting will be Brad McCarrell and Mark Dale on exploratory climbing in the British Columbia coast range and Northern Selkirks.

Brad and Mark will feature a slide presentation of two trips to these areas made with Fred Beckey.

### MT. MCKINLEY CLIMB - MAY, 1981

Through having a club member who is also a professional mountain guide we are able to offer another special reduced price, guided climb of the West Buttress for club members only. The price is \$995.00 per person (about a \$400.00 discount). This cost is only slightly more than it would cost to go on your own, and you avoid all the preparation problems and mistakes that first-time expedition climbers usually make.

The climb will be led by club member Phil Ershler. Phil should need no introduction to most club members. Besides being a club member, he is a past instructor for the basic climbing class (1976, 77 & 78) assistant chief guide on Mt. Rainier and plans on climbing Mt. Everest in 1982.

If interested, now is the time to start planning. Contact Phil Ershler at 641-7264 or Roy Ratliff (assistant) at 773-2380 for further information.

There will be an orientation meeting and slide presentation January 6, 1981 for anyone interested in joining the expedition. Call Roy Ratliff for location at 773-2380.



# ATTENTION

1981 BOEALPS ANNUAL BANQUET FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1981



Our annual banquet will be held this year at the Edgewater Inn at Pier 67 on the Seattle waterfront. The banquet will start at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 7:30.

Our featured guest will be Art Wolfe, one of the foremost nature photographers in the Northwest. Art has published several books and a variety of articles in such magazines as National Geographic and Audubon Magazine and is also working on two new books. Within the past year, Art has completed trips to the wildlife preserves of Tanzania (where he climbed to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro) and to the mountains and fjordlands of New Zealand. He has also recently traveled to Alaska and Europe. This month Art's work is featured at the Frye Art Museum in Seattle. The presentation for our banquet will be "Patterns of Nature", an all new multimedia show which you will find very entertaining. You won't want to miss this so please make your reservations by January 23.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_



DO NOT FILL OUT BELOW

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

(Mail to Bob Mondrzyk at M/S 88-11)



JANUARY 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 NEW YEARS DAY	2	3
4	5	6 ORIENTATION MEETING & SLIDE PRES. MCKINLEY EXPEDITION	7	8 BOEALPS MEETING 7:30PM	9 PAYMENT FOR JAN. 18 X-CTRY SKI LESSONS DUE	10
11	12	13	14 MT BAKER X-COUNTRY LESSONS DEADLINE WOMENS X-CTRY LESSON	15	16 ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR ECHO	17
18 X-COUNTRY SKI LESSONS	19	20	21	22	23 DEADLINE FOR BANQUET RESERVATIONS	24
25	26	27	28 WOMENS X-CTRY SKI LESSON	29	30 LAST DAY TO PAY DUES	31 MT BAKER X-COUNTRY SKI WKND



TREASURY REPORT:

TREASURY ACTIVITIES - NOVEMBER 15 - DECEMBER 15, 1980

BALANCE NOVEMBER 15, 1980

Checking	\$1,711.68	
Savings	132.70	
Petty Cash	7.50	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,851.88</b>

RECEIPTS

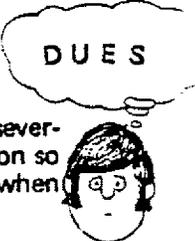
None

DISBURSEMENTS

Board Meeting Refreshments	6.80	
New equipment	1,202.14	
December speaker	50.00	
December meeting refreshments	30.22	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,289.16</b>

BALANCE DECEMBER 15, 1980

Checking	429.32	
Savings	132.70	
Petty cash	.70	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$562.72</b>



It is dues time again! Since most of us at Boeing change telephones/organizations/addresses, etc., several times a year, we are requesting all members to fill out an application with the current information so the roster can be updated. Retirees do not have to pay dues, but please indicate "Retired" status when returning the form.

**BOEALPS APPLICATION**

(Please print clearly)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip

Phones: \_\_\_\_\_  
work home

Social Security No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Boeing: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Mail Stop

Dues: \$7.00 per year

Return to: Don Taylor  
R-7256  
M/S 69-92

# NOW HEAR THIS



## RUSS KROEKER 1974 BOEALPS MEMBER FINISHES HIGHEST 100 PEAKS

Russ Kroeker took the BoeAlps climbing class back in 1974. His first major peak was Mt. St. Helens, turning out to be only one of his many summits. He has averaged 55 mountains a year since 1975.

Russ's goal was to be the first to climb the 100 highest peaks in Washington. (From the Canadian border to Mt. St. Helens) his goal was completed October 4, 1980

The basic criteria of what constituted a peak was based on three rules, invented by John Lixvar:

1. **VOLCANO 800 FOOT RULE:**  
On a Volcano, an 800 foot drop (or more) between peaks is required before any summit can be considered a separate peak.
2. **NON-VOLCANIC 400 FOOT RULE:**  
A 400 foot drop (or more) between peaks on a ridge or mountain is required before any summit can be considered a separate peak.
3. Disregard the 400 foot rule if the peak name is printed on the U.S.G.S. Quad.

In his initial 100 peaks, Russ & company, known as the "Bulgers", also made two first ascents:

Dark Peak (near Bonanza) and  
Horseshoe Peak (near Cascade Pass)

Horseshoe he considered to be their hardest technical climb at 5.7 with the easiest climb (Windy Peak) in the N.E. Pasayten area. The most remote climb was S.E. Mox Spire in the Chiliwack area (Beckey first ascent back in 1940). The final climb number 100 was Flora Peak, near Lucerne (8,320 feet).

The "Bulgers" who get their name because of their being weight conscience include: Mike Dialos (Buffalo), Bruce Gibbs (Giraffe), John Lixvar (Lizard), "Long" John Plimpton, Bette Felton (Zoo Keeper), John Zak (Zebra), and Russ Kroeker (Koala).

Russ claims that the 100 highest summits are an excellent introduction to the geography of Washington and afford opportunities to climb in any type of weather conditions, year-around.

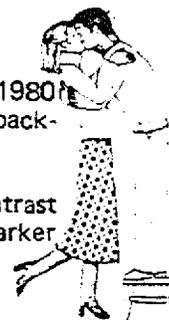
What's next? The second 100, Northern and Southern, Southern Pickets from Mt. Redoubt to Marblemount and the Olympics. Good luck to you Russ in your next 100.



## COVER PHOTO WINNER SELECTED

Roy Ratliff was selected as the winner in the cover photo contest. His picture was taken on July 1980 at Mt. McKinley at 16,400 camp, overlooking Mt. Hunter (foreground) and Mt. Huntington (background). The photo will be on the cover of the February newsletter.

The photo was selected for its representation of what BoeAlps stands for, composition and contrast for a background photo. The photo itself will be screened in a light blue with the lettering in a darker contrasting blue.





## CLIMB REPORTS....

### MORE CLIMB REPORTS NEEDED

Guide books become outdated over a period of time and don't even exist for some areas of the Cascades, but our club has the capability of keeping them up-to-date and developing our own where none exist, if each climbing party will report the details of their trips. With over two hundred club members; and many of you very active climbers/hikers, we should be receiving more trip reports.

The Echo editor maintains a copy of all past issues of the Echo (since 1972) and our activities chairman keeps a copy of all climb reports in his activities log book. They are filed by peak name, elevation, and geographic area. The log book contains some very good information on climb routes that can't be found in any other single place. This information can be very helpful when you want to go into an area you are not familiar with. Feel free to call the activities chairman about climbs and hikes you would like information on.

The trips you have made need not have been a technical route or even a climb at all. Hiking trips should also be reported and you need not have been successful in your attempted route. Reports about climbs and routes North, East and West of the areas covered in the latest Beckey guide book (Stevens Pass to Rainy Pass) would especially be appreciated. Feel free to write as long or short a report as you would like, and do not be concerned about being a literary expert. The Echo editor can edit reports if required and in some cases, may have to when space is limited in the Echo. However, the entire report will be sent to the activities chairman for inclusion in his log book.

The climb report should contain, but not be limited to the following:

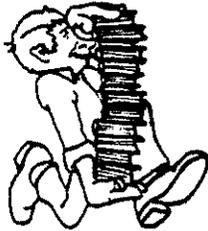
1. Driving time to the trail head
2. Trail numbers or names, if any
3. Hiking, climbing time to camp spots
4. Camp locations
5. Climbing time to summit
6. Descent time
7. Technical difficulties description (please don't under rate the technical difficulties, someone with less ability than you may attempt the climb based on your report)
8. Eating establishments you stopped at. Did you like the food and service? Would you recommend it to others?

Good climb reporting and making the information available to all our members can be a major advantage of belonging to our club. But, we must all help support the accumulation of data. So PLEASE take five or ten minutes after your climb to write up the details and send your report to the Echo editor.



### MT. BAKER CROSS COUNTRY SKI WEEKEND - JANUARY 31, 1980

Reservations have been made for the 23 people who signed up. Rooms for 4 or 6 people are available. If you have any preferences, please let me know. Advance payment for lessons will be required. Those of you who signed up for lessons, please send a check payable to BoeAlps to Steve Mittendorf, M/S 23-16 by January 14. Please be prompt. Lessons are \$12.50 per day (per person), or \$20.00 for two days. I will be in touch concerning exact charges and arrangements for lodging. Thank you.



# BOOK NEWS....

## BOEALPS LIBRARY

Below is a list of books that have been received since the last Echo publication. Additional purchases are still being made and we are asking you for donations. PLEASE CONTRIBUTE!!

100 Finest Routes - Mt. Blanc Massif by Gaston Rebuffat

ABC of Avalanche Safety

Climbing Guide to Oregon

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## CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLASSES OFFERED

Instruction of the basics of Cross Country Ski Touring will be offered on the following dates:

Sunday - January 18

Sunday - February 8

Sunday - March 8

These classes are designed for beginners and will cover everything from how to choose equipment to all of the techniques necessary for travel on both flat and gentle downhill terrain. Classes will last all day and will include instruction and two short tours. Transportation will be by carpool and we will bring sack lunches.

The fee is \$12.50 per lesson or 3 lessons for \$28.50. Reservations including pre-payment must be made 10 days prior to the class.

Make checks payable to BoeAlps and mail to Dave Curran at M/S 6E-03. The instructor will be Lynn Hammond.

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## WEDNESDAYS LESSONS FOR WOMEN - A WEEKLY SPECIAL

Avoid the weekend crowds and learn to ski at a leisurely pace. This class will cover everything from picking equipment to ski touring techniques and basics of wilderness travel. Meet other women who also want to try a new sport, get into better shape and see some beautiful scenery.

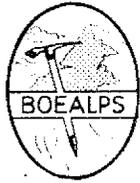
Class dates: January 14, 28    February 11, 25    March 11

Cost \$50.00 for the five lessons. Contact Lynn Hammond at 328-1396 or Dave Curran at 251-3748. for more information. Lynn can obtain a discount on new ski packages for those people taking lessons.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work)    Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_ Org No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of lesson \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Persons \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Mail checks (payable to BoeAlps) to Dave Curran M/S 6E-03  
(no one under age 16 without permission of instructor)



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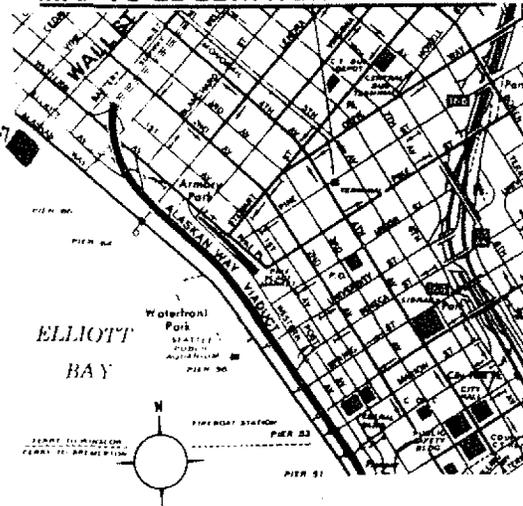


**(NO MEETING DUE TO FRIDAY'S BANQUET)**

EDGEWATER INN PIER 67  
(FOOT OF WALL ST ON  
ALASKAN WAY).



### MAP TO EDGEWATER INN PIER 67



### **BANQUET TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE**

The last day to purchase your Banquet tickets is February 3rd. Tickets will be picked up at the door to avoid any mailing delay.

**BANQUET CHANGE** Just to make sure that everyone is aware of the Banquet change, IT HAS BEEN MOVED FROM THE HOLIDAY INN IN BELLEVUE TO THE EDGEWATER INN IN SEATTLE ON PIER 67.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_



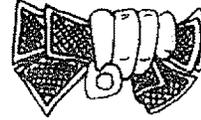
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Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

For ticket information contact Bob Mondrzyk @ 773-9782 or Judy Swapp @ 773-0235

TREASURY ACTIVITY DECEMBER 15, 1980 TO JANUARY 15, 1981



Balance for December 15, 1980:

Checking	\$429.32	
Savings	132.70	
Petty cash	.70	
Total		\$562.72

Receipts:

Banquet tickets	\$693.00	
Ski Weekend	230.00	
Old gear sale	25.00	
Ski lessons	12.50	
Dues	371.00	
Cap sale	7.50	
Interest on savings	1.75	
Total		\$1,340.75

Disbursements:

School deposit	\$77.50	
Ski Weekend	230.00	
Banquet deposit	100.00	
Meeting refreshments	33.66	
Speaker fees	50.00	
Total		\$491.16

Balance for January 15, 1981:

Checking	\$1,269.66	
Savings	134.45	
Petty cash	8.20	
Total		\$1,412.31

DUES ARE DUE

REMINDER! If you have not paid your dues of \$7.00 to BoeAlps, this will be the last newsletter you receive. Mail today!

Membership cards for current members will be mailed out with the March Newsletter.



**BOEALPS APPLICATION**

(Please print clearly)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: \_\_\_\_\_ work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No.

Boeing: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_

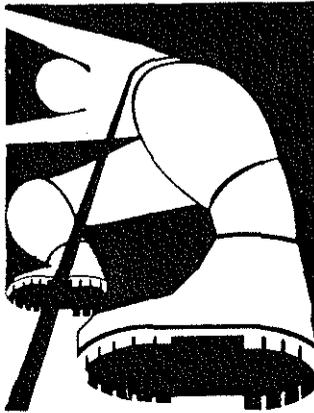
Return to: Don Taylor  
R-7256  
M/S 69-92

# NOW HEAR THIS...

## MT. CONSTANCE (OLYMPICS) FEBRUARY 21, 22

A fine winter climb on the "Terrible Traverse". Hard hats are recommended due to rockfall in a gully.

Contact: Ed Gonterman @ 342-8964 (work) or 634-1670 (home)



### FOR SALE

Complete set of Cross Country Skies: boots, poles, skies & bindings. Bonna 1800 skies are 210 and boot size is 10. Skies are wax bottom. Like new condition, but well used.

Price: \$100.00

Well used Sierra design wrap around backpack

Price: \$50.00

Well used Sacs-Millet external frame backpack

Price: \$40.00

If interested call Mark Barnett 237-2212 (work) or 630-0560 (home)

## BOEALPS EQUIPMENT AUCTION

Set aside the April meeting to sell off all that "stuff" you no longer use for climbing and hiking. At 7:30pm there will be a slide presentation or a short film with the auction following. People wishing to sell equipment are asked to come at 7:00pm for display set up.

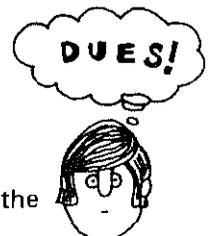
Anyone (with a gift for gab) interested in being an auctioneer please contact Jeff Bland at 342-5376.



## PHOTO CONTEST MARCH MEETING



Start getting your best slides and photographs ready for the March photo contest. Prizes, application and more information will be in the March Newsletter.



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# CLIMB REPORTS....

## BEACHWACK-THANKSGIVING 1980

As we finished the last bites of a delicious Thanksgiving meal, my friends and I discussed the final details of a beach hike we planned along the Pacific Coast. Having recently moved from Michigan and not having had much hiking experience, my initial apprehensions were calmed by comments insuring the hike would be the easiest I'd ever do. Feeling confident that the weekend would go well, we turned in early to prepare for the 5 hour journey to the coast. By 3:00am, Dave, Karla, Mark and myself were on our way to the Point of the Arches, an area described in 102 Hikes (No. 100). Having not yet recovered from the huge meal the night before, and feeling like stuffed turkeys ourselves, we required a few extra relief stops, but still arrived at Mukkow Bay by 8:30am. Overcast skies, but no rain gave us some encouragement as we prepared our gear. Two additional hikers, Brad and Robin showed up just as we had started on the trail consisting of the muddy remains of the road. We decided to keep moving, planning to mark our turn-off, and would meet them further up the trail. Within a mile we came upon a pre-marked path and after a few minutes of deliberation, we decided "this must be it". Little did we know what we were in for. Within yards of the road, our "trail" turned into a virtual jungle, with every kind of bush, tree and shrub you could imagine. Trees fallen over the trail were too high to climb over, and too long to go around, so we resorted to removing our packs and groveling in the mud beneath them. The trail continued as described for approximately 1½ miles, where we finally came upon a slight clearing made even better by the sound of crashing waves. My heart was relieved, but only temporarily. We had found an old army bunker perched on a rocky cliff, with the waves crashing, alright - hundreds of feet below us. Our alternatives were to go back through the jungle or traverse along the coast and descend on a beach. Brad and Robin joined us at this point, and we reluctantly decided to traverse along the coast. For me, the nightmare had only begun. Echoing in my brain were the words of the night before, and the "slow burn" had begun. We headed south along the coast, thrashing our way through the brush till we found ourselves on a beautiful dead-end beach. The incoming tide blocked our way around the rocks and our only way off was up. After some lunch we climbed back up the cliff and again defended ourselves against the lashing branches for another half mile. We spotted another beach and began our second descent on a somewhat messier cliff. Luckily it was not raining as the mud seemed to be getting more out of control at this point. We made it down to the second beach and eyed the south, and suspiciously—unless there was a way around the rocks, we would again be forced up. A few scouts went ahead to survey the situation and I felt a slight sickening as I watched them turn to walk in my direction. Up it was! Climbing this cliff was messier yet, though there were occasional slimy roots to grab. The 50-70 pound packs everyone was carrying were beginning their decline in popularity. This was a beach hike?? We plodded through the dense brush warding off the attacking young spruces, aggressive sticker bushes, amazon saplings and everything else that grabbed at our clothes, packs and faces. "Never again!", I swore, glaring at Mark. After what seemed like miles, we came upon another cliff that I call "fern land." I remember standing at the top of the cliff, and looking down across thousands of huge ferns. I finally spotted Dave's tiny head bobbing in and out of the fronds. I felt I was hallucinating as I descended into the ferns and watched as one by one, my companions were also swallowed up.

At last we were on another beach with a rocky south end. Again, the incoming tide made our exit questionable. Luckily, the rocks were large enough and, if we timed it right, between swells, we could scramble across. Mark and David made it across fine, as did Karla, until she stopped for one second and got hit by a huge wave. That part I missed, because Brad, Robin and myself were half way across and got drenched by another wave ourselves. Fortunately, we made it out of the reach of the next swell and found ourselves on Shi-Shi Beach. We followed (I trudged) along the beach for a mile or so and came to a stream too deep to wade through. The only way was to cross a log jam. The guys quickly scrambled over, and myself and the other girls opted to stay put till we were sure the camp would be on the opposite side. Chills set in before too long and we were forced to attempt to cross the jam. Embarrassingly the guys came back minutes later only to find all three of us on our hands and knees slithering across the slippery logs.

Once across the jam, we headed for our camp, where David had started to put up the tent. And then the rains came! In a scramble we got set up, with just enough room on the plateau for two tents. We had supper under a shelter built for midgets but it kept us dry till we retreated to the tents for the night. Sleep was impossible, as the storm only got worse. Around 3:00am. Brad and Robin were at our door, pleading for shelter. The tide was sending waves within feet of their tent and they were getting soaked. So, six of us spent the night in the four-man tent, and dawn did not come soon enough.

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The rain had stopped and the sun brought relief long enough to enjoy a hike down the beach. A freak hail-storm sent us running for shelter, but lasted only minutes. On returning to camp, Brad and Robin decided to hike out, since everything they had was wet. Now was my chance to escape, but I felt I'd been through just about everything that could happen.

Soon after they left, we broke out some spirits, including the Larson's Lethal KoolAid. I knew better from a previous experience and kept my distance, though everyone else took generous guzzles. After sharing our stew for supper, Karla pulled out of her pack a marvelous dessert -- freeze dried raspberry cobbler. One look was enough to scare me off, but again everyone else enjoyed it. Twice, as a matter of fact. . . .

In the middle of the night (stormy again) I awoke to hear frantic unzipping and by the time I had my senses about me, I sat up to see David on his hands and knees, half in and half out the door, heaving violently. Only par for the weekend, I thought. Sleep was again fitful, at least for three of us. Mark luckily missed most of it. By dawn the storm had calmed and we enjoyed breakfast as David layed to one side, still a little green. By ten it was raining again we sat back to wait it out as we watched several other hiking parties beat feet to get out of the area. Within a hour the weather broke and we quickly packed up.

On the way out we found the trail we should have come in on, and we couldn't believe how direct and easy it was. In retrospect we laugh about it now (even I do) and would recommend the hike to anyone who has the sense enough to find the right trail to begin with. The beach was beautiful, there are some old ship-wrecks to explore and it is, all in all, a very relaxing place. Next year, anyone????

The hiker's were: Dave and Karla Larson, Elaine Christ, Mark Dale, Brad McCarroll, and Robin?

### CHAIR PEAK - WINTER ASCENT

At 7:00am on the morning of January 11, 1981, Jerry Sommerman and myself left the Alpentel parking lot in route to Chair Peak. Our objective was to climb one of the routes from the bowl beneath the east side of the peak. We were contemplating the east face in particular. When we arrived at the bowl, we were greeted with winter conditions, despite the light snowfall and mild weather that has been prevalent most of the season. The wind was fairly vicious (we estimated the gusts to be over 40 M.P.H.) and continued to be so all day. The entire mountain was iced up, with a light covering of new snow from the previous week.

After stopping to put on crampons we climbed to the saddle at the base of the northeast buttress, where we roped up about 9:15am. The first 2 leads worked up the gully at the base of the buttress, the gully was a mixture of ice, rock, and snow and proved to be very interesting climbing, especially the second lead where an ice bulge was the dominating feature. We found ourselves in a position to work out onto the east face after the second pitch, and this we did, climbing 2 more full leads over steep, mixed ground. We were now near the center of the face and below the crux of the climb, a band of overhanging rock. During the summer months one climbs through this band on a sloping ramp, then a vertical 5.5 move. This day, though, the crux area was covered in water and ice which swept upward to a 90 degree climax.

Jerry and I had been alternating leads all day and as luck would have it, I found myself on the "pointed" end of the rope for this lead. Protection had been adequate so far, but I was soon to find out otherwise. Upon reaching the hardest moves, I had only been able to place a tied-off piton and one ice screw (our only one) for protection. Strength was fading fast as I hung from my ice tools on the vertical section. Releasing my alpine hammer I reached up and hooked my right arm over a lip in the ice. I then got my left arm over and set the ice axe behind the lip on a shelf, since it was in the way and useless at this point. As I desperately hauled my aching body up, I heard a disturbing sound of clanging metal and watched helplessly as my axe became dislodged and slid about 100 feet down the face before miracously stopping. I carefully finished the lead with only my ice hammer, finally reaching a good belay spot. From here I fed out rope as Jerry downclimbed steep snow and ice and retrieved the axe (with only one foot of rope to spare). After Jerry climbed up the crux to the belay, 2 more steep, though straightforward, leads over snow/ice put us within an easy walk to the summit. We arrived on top about 2:15pm.

Descent was via the third class gully of the standard route. This involved 2 rappels followed by about 200' of nervewracking, facein downclimbing on hard snow. We arrived back at the car about 5:30pm.

All in all, this is a fine winter climb with 7 full leads of mixed climbing. Ice axes, alpine hammers, and crampons are a must. For protection, a medium sized rack consisting of medium to small chocks, several small angle pitons, and at least 2 ice screws are recommended. The climbers were: Mark Dale and Jerry Sommerman.

## CROSS COUNTRY SKI REPORT

On Sunday, January 18, 7 hardy students braved the reported lack of snow to take a Cross Country Ski Lesson with Lynn Hammond at Mt. Rainier.

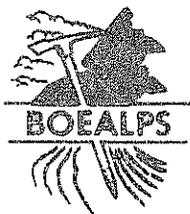
The slogan of the day became "if you aren't falling, you aren't trying hard enough." By that criterion everyone tried hard and learned a lot. The highlight of the day was a relay race that brought out lots of natural skiing ability in a very close race.

## MT. MCKINLEY CLIMB - JUNE, 1981 (CHANGED FROM MAY)

Through having a club member who is also a professional mountain guide we are able to offer another special reduced price, guided climb of the West Buttress for club members only. The price is \$995.00 per person (about a \$400.00 discount). This cost is only slightly more than it would cost to go on your own, and you avoid all the preparation problems and mistakes that first-time expedition climbers usually make, and often cause their cost to exceed our special price. Special equipment required can be obtained at a significant discount for those who sign up for the expedition.

The climb will be led by club member Phil Ershler. Phil should need no introduction to most club members. He has been a club member since 1976, he is a past instructor for the basic climbing class, and intermediate climbing class. Also assistant chief guide on Mt. Rainier for the past 10 years and will be a member of the 1982 north face Mt. Everest expedition.

Some openings still exist but time is running out, so if interested, call now. Contact Phil Ershler at 641-7264 or Roy Ratliff at 782-7651 (home) for further information. The first preparation planning meetings will be February 3, 1981. If interested in joining the expedition, plan to attend this meeting.



## 1981 CLIMBING CLASS - MARCH 25, 1981

The BoeAlps Climbing course is one of the best in the Northwest, with classes offered again this year. Course registration is open to all Boeing employees and members of their families 18 years and older. Persons not employed at Boeing may register on a space-available basis. All registrations will be accepted in order of receipts; Boeing employees first, then non-Boeing employees. Registration forms for the climbing class can be obtained from the Recreation section in the Boeing newspaper.

## ORGANIZERS OR LEADERS WANTED

"Be a leader" Jerry Baillie would like anyone interested in leading or organizing an outing to contact him. His phone number is 655-7462. The more activities the better.

# CALENDER OF EVENTS....

FEBRUARY 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 LAST DAY FOR BANQUET TICKETS PLANNING MTG. FOR MCKINLEY	4	5	6 BANQUET 7:30pm @ EDGEWATER INN PIER 67	7
8 CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLASS	9	10	11 CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLASS	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 CLIMB MT. CONSTANCE
22 CLIMB MT. CONSTANCE	23	24	25 CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLASS	26	27	28 LAST NEWS UNTIL DUES ARE PAID \$7.00

## CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLASSES OFFERED

Instruction of the basics of Cross Country Ski Touring will be offered on the following dates:

- Sunday – February 8
- Sunday – March 8

These classes are designed for beginners and will cover everything from how to choose equipment to all of the techniques necessary for travel on both flat and gentle downhill terrain. Classes will last all day and will include instruction and two short tours. Transportation will be by carpool and we will bring sack lunches.

The fee is \$12.50 per lesson. Preference will be given to those signing up for both lessons. Reservations including pre-payment must be made 10 days prior to the class.

Make checks payable to BoeAlps and mail to Dave Curran at M/S 6E-03. The instructor will be Lynn Hammond. Lynn has taught Cross Country Skiing under Ned Gillette (U.S. Olympic Cross Ski Team member) for 3 years.

## WEDNESDAYS LESSONS FOR WOMEN - A WEEKLY SPECIAL

Avoid the weekend crowds and learn to ski at a leisurely pace. Meet other women who also want to try a new sport, get into better shape and see some beautiful scenery.

- Class dates: February 11, 25 March 11

Cost is \$8.50 per lesson. Contact Lynn Hammond at 328-1396 or Dave Curran at 251-3748 for more information. Lynn can obtain a special discount on new ski packages for those taking lessons.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_ Org No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date of lesson \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Persons \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Mail checks (payable to BoeAlps) to Dave Curran M/S 6E-03  
(no one under age 16 without permission of instructor)

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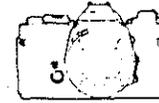


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MEETING MARCH 5, 1981 7:30



## **Annual Photo Contest**



Our March meeting will feature no guest speakers, no slide shows of exotic far-away places, and no accounts of heroic ascents of hitherto unclimbed faces. Instead, this show will feature you: Your slides and your pictures taken over the past year during the club's or your own climbing/hiking/camping activities. This has always been one of our most enjoyable and best attended meetings, but its success depends on you. It only works if all of you who have taken your camera along through the year will now take the time to sort through your work and bring your slides and pictures to the meeting. To insure a smooth flow of everything during the meeting and to minimize the effort required by the club members who have to run the show, the following schedule will be used:

- |             |                                                                                                                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6:30 - 7:15 | Participating members log in slides and lay out prints. Photo/Slide entry forms for prints will be provided at the meeting. |
| 7:00 - 7:45 | Print viewing/voting by all members                                                                                         |
| 7:45        | General business meeting                                                                                                    |
| 8:00        | Slide viewing (commentary by Art Wolfe)/voting by all members                                                               |
| Later       | Refreshments, counting of votes and awarding of prizes                                                                      |

## ANNUAL CLUB PHOTO CONTEST

Use some of your spare time this month to get your favorite photos ready for the BoeAlps Annual Photo Contest. Sort your slides and make your prints, don't put it off until the night before the meeting.

PRINT CATEGORIES - you may enter up to five prints in each category:

1. Color Mountainscapes
2. Color Flora
3. Color Miscellaneous - People, Animals, Beach Scenes, etc.
4. Black and White Mountainscapes
5. Black and White Miscellaneous

SLIDE CATEGORIES - you may enter up to three slides in each category:

1. General Mountainscapes
2. Flora and Fauna
3. Winter and Snow
4. Sunsets and Sunrises
5. Climbing
6. Inclement Weather
7. People

Popular voting will be conducted during the meeting with multiple prizes in most categories:

- FIRST PRIZE - All Slide  
\$10.00 Gift Certificate at a Camera Store
- SECOND & THIRD PRIZES - All Slide  
1 Roll of Film
- FIRST PRIZE - All Print  
1 Roll of Film



"SURE HOPE PHOTOMAT HAS 1 DAY SERVICE"

## EQUIPMENT SWAP PLANNED FOR APRIL

Current plans are to have an equipment swap at the April meeting, along with a short movie or slide presentation. April seems an opportune time for the auction since the climbing class students will be buying equipment and seasoned members will be getting ready to buy "new gear". We want to insure adequate participation for the auction before firming up plans so you are asked to voice your support for the auction by sending the following form to Jeff Bland to 05-07 by March 5.

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Yes, I am interested in selling equipment at the April Auction.

Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

The Auction will be scheduled as follows:

- 7:00 - 7:30 Equipment displayed  
7:30 Business Meeting with Auction following.

There will be no charge by BoeAlps for any equipment sold.



## BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY

Balance as of January 15, 1981

Checking	\$1,269.66	
Savings	134.45	
Petty Cash	8.20	
Total		\$1,412.31

### Receipts

Banquet	\$1,289.00	
Dues	665.00	
Ski Lessons	107.00	
Company Funds	1,000.00	
Total		\$3,061.00

### Disbursements

Federation of Western Outdoor Club Dues	\$50.00	
Executive Board Meeting	45.94	
Refunds	23.50	
Ski Lessons	75.00	
Banquet Program	275.00	
Returned Check	25.00	
Tickets and Postage	5.00	
Total		\$499.44

Balance as of February 15, 1981

Checking	\$2,833.72	
Savings	134.45	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$3,973.87

## BOEALPS LIBRARY UPDATE

An up-to-date list of books now available through the BoeAlps library is listed below. Additional purchases are being made and we are still asking you for donations. Please contribute.

ABC of Avalanche Safety by E.R. Lachapelle	Climbing Guide to Shawangunk Rock Climbs
Across the Olympic Mountains Press Exp. 1989-90	Climbing Guide to Yosemite Valley
Advanced Rockcraft by Royal Robbins	Climbing Mount Whitney
American Alpine Journals 1970-1980 11 issues	Epics of Everest by Wibberley
Annapurna by Maurice Herzog	Gervasutti's Climbs by Giusto Gervasutti
Ascent of Denali by Stuck/Harper	Hawaiian Camping by Shirley Rizeuto
Ascent of Rum Doodle by W.E. Bowman	High Points of the States by Frank Ashley
Basic Rockcraft by Royal Robbins	Hiking the Teton Backcountry
British Mountaineers by F.S. Smythe	Hiking the Yellowstone Backcountry
Challenge of the N. Cascades by Fred Beckey	K2 The Savage Mountain by Houston/Bates
Climbing Guide to Colorado Mountains by Robert Ormes	Mont Blanc Massif - 100 Finest Routes by Gaston Rebuffat
Climbing Guide to the High Sierras by Steve Roper	The Mountain World, 1953, 1954, 1955
Climbing Guide to the Interior Ranges of British Columbia N	Mountains of the World Handbook
Climbing Guide to the Interior Ranges of British Columbia S	Sivalaya, 8,000 Meter Peaks by Baume
Climbing Guide to Lake Tahoe Region	Snowshoeing by Gene Prater
Climbing Guide to Lumpy Ridge Area (Rocky Mt. Nat'l Park)	Storm and Sorrow by Craig
Climbing Guide to Oregon	Swaramandal by Pat Ament
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mts. of Canada (North)	Tales of a Western Mountaineer by Rusk
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mts. Of Canada (South)	Yosemite Nat'l Park (Natural History) by J. Schaffer
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mt. Nat'l Park	Subscriptions to off Belay and Summit and assorted mag.

**AIR YOUR THOUGHTS**

1. Would you like to see more climbs offered in the Echo?
2. Are you willing to lead a climb, hike, snowshoe tour, etc.? Name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. What climbs have you enjoyed in the past and would recommend to others (be serious - no devils club or bush-wacks!).
4. What climbs would you like to see led if by someone else?
5. Would you like to see the annual picnic held on a saturday afternoon instead of a friday evening?
6. Would you like to see the picnic held somewhere other than Camp Long, say Lake Sammish State Park?
7. Can you volunteer any of your time to help out with club activities? Name: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Do you think that the club should continue to buy equipment each year for members use?
9. What type of guest speakers would you like to see at the Club Meetings in the future?
10. What would you like to see changed about the present format of monthly meetings?
11. Input on any other club activity?
12. Other comments?

Please send to Dave Curran at 6E-03.



**MOUNTAIN RESCUE SEMINAR PLANNED**

The Seattle Mountain Rescue Council will provide a two session class for BoeAIP members. The session setup is as follows:

- 2 Hour Evening Session:
  - Accident response and avoidance
  - Improvisation of equipment
- Full Day Weekend Session:
  - Group self rescue
  - Working with professional rescuers
  - Working with helicopters and litters
  - Evacuation on non-technical terrain
  - Use of avalanche beacons

The dates for these two sessions will be chosen from the following based on your response. Class size is limited to 24 people and will be filled on a first come - first served response basis. If you are interested in this extremely good training, please fill out the attached form and send it to Jerry Baillie at 41-11.

Choice No. 1: Evening Session	April 29	<input type="checkbox"/>
	or	
	April 30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weekend Session	May 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
	or	
	May 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choice No. 2: Evening Session	May 13	<input type="checkbox"/>
	or	
	May 14	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weekend Session	May 16	<input type="checkbox"/>
	or	
	May 17	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_

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# CLIMBING REPORTS....



**MT CONTANCE 7,743 FT. FEBRUARY 7 & 8, 1981**

We left Seattle at 6:30 a.m. after the BoeAlps Banquet the night before. Our driver, Mark Dale woke up just in time to turn onto the Dosewallips River Road. We hoisted our packs and were off up the road which was gated at the 14 mile mark. After 30 minutes we decided we had missed the trailhead which was ½ mile from the gate, this was the only bad luck we had all weekend. Soon the trail was found and very quickly, the 3,350' in 2 miles was felt.

We camped at the foot of the last main gulley up to the ridge, about one mile above the lake. It was a cold and clear night, with spindrift pouring down the gulley onto us. Due to the high cliffs rising to the west, breakfast was delayed until we reached the ridge crest (and sun!) the next morning. It took us 1½ hours to climb the gulley with crampons.

The traverse was very steep, punching small steps on a long series of exposed ledges. However the rock was warm and handholds plentiful. No rope was used due to our lack of time. It took 2½ hours from the top of the gulley to the summit and winter days are short. We reached the summit at 11:30 a.m.. The last 10' to the summit we did pull out the rope and one chock. The views were great, Olympus, Rainier, St. Helens, Baker, and not a cloud in the sky. But the thought of the long traverse home forced us off the summit quickly.

It took 2 hours to reach the gulley and glissaded down to camp. The snow was dry, powder with the result being fantastic glissading. We packed up and were homeward bound. The trail just below Lake Constance had been quite icy and steep, and we didn't want to use our head lamps, we reached the cars at 4:45 p.m. thinking only of fresh Hoods Canal oysters, to top off a fine climb.

Climbers were: Jerry Sommerman, Mark Dale and Jerry Baillie.

## **LARGEST EVER BOEALPS HIKE HELD AT ANNUAL BANQUET**

The annual Banquet held this past February 6, seemed to be enjoyed by all 215 people present. The dinner, with salmon as the main course, was held at the Edgewater Inn on the Seattle Waterfront. The largest Boe-Alps hike ever was held immediately after the dinner as all 215, pleasant dispositioned people made the 0.6 mile journey to the Seattle Aquarium before the slide show. Our guest speaker, Art Wolfe, treated us to a great audio-visual presentation which he and Bruce Gaumond had just spent 2 months putting together. Art's commentary, fantastic slides and Bruce's music accompaniment added up to a great show that will long be remembered.

Many thanks to Art, Bruce and Jeff Bland, (program chairman) for a great evening.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

MARCH 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5 7:30 p.m. Photo Contest Equip. Swap Support Form	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Payment for Baker Wknd.	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

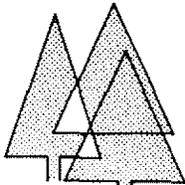
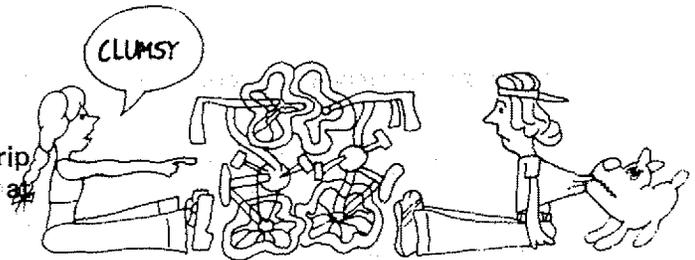
## NOW HEAR THIS...

### RESCHEDULED CROSSCOUNTRY SKI WEEKEND - APRIL 4-5th

Ski in the Mt. Baker/Shucksan area. Lots of crosscountry trails, instructions available. Lodging Friday and Saturday night \$11.00 per night. Lessons are \$12.50 for one day or \$25.00 for both. Payment and reservation lodging is due by March 16, 1981. Please contact Jerry Baillie at 655-5168 (afternoons) for further information or questions.

### LAKE WASHINGTON BIKE TRIP PLANNED

Bike trip around Lake Washington on a Sunday in May. The trip is 60 miles. Anyone interested please contact Karla Larson at 839-8045.



### BOEALPS NEW COVER ADDS SPLASH OF COLOR

FINALLY! After many promises and delays we have a new cover for the Newsletter. The photo was taken on Mt. McKinley by Roy Ratliff. I would be interested in hearing your comments on the new format of the newsletter. Any suggestions you may have or any articles you feel you would like to see printed. I am interested in hearing what you have to say...it's your newsletter. Please mail any suggestions or comments to Judy Swapp 8A-72.

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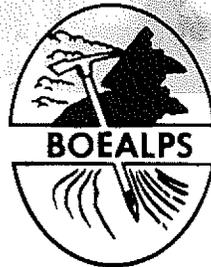


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THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1981

BSRL CAFETERIA (BUILDING 15-01)

7:30 p.m.

DAVE FULLER NORDIC SKIER



John Fuller of the Nordic Mountain Ski School will be our guest speaker. He will be showing his film on the first Cross Country Ski ascent of Mt. Rainier, which was shot last summer. He will precede the film with a short slide show on the making of the film. It should give us all an idea of where our mountaineering Cross Country Skiing and Telemarking could take us someday.



## Annual Equipment Swap

The 1981 Annual Equipment Swap will be held at our regular meeting. If you plan on bringing in equipment to sell please come one half hour early (7:00 p.m.) so you can set up. This year it will be done a little differently than in the past. Each item will have a place card in front with the equipment name on it, persons interested in bidding on that particular item will write down their name and amount they wish to bid. It will be open so everyone can see the highest price bid, you can go back and counterbid on the same item if someone has outbid your first price. Walt Bauermeister will be our official auctioneer and will auction off a few of the bigger items. We will still hold a short business meeting at 7:30 p.m. followed by our guest speaker. The auction will follow. BRING MONEY!



# TREASURY ACTIVITY...



Balance as of February 15, 1981

Checking	\$3,833.72	
Savings	134.45	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$3,973.87

Receipts:

Climbing Course	\$6,240.00	
Dues	896.51	
McKinley Climb	400.00	
Total		\$7,536.51

Disbursements:

Banquet	\$2,903.91	
Photo Contest	132.58	
Meeting Refreshments	44.77	
Ski Lessons	77.50	
McKinley Climb	400.00	
Returned Check	7.00	
Total		\$3,565.76

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## PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS NAMED

The March 1981 Annual Photo Contest was again a great success. Listed below is a list of the Contest Winners in all categories:

### PRINT CATEGORIES:

Color Miscellaneous	Dick Peterson
Color Flora and Fauna	Jerry Sommerman
Black & White Miscellaneous	Bruce Gaumond
Black & White Mountainscapes	Bruce Gaumond
Color Mountainscapes	Jan Curran
	Roy Ratliff (Tied)

### Winter & Snow:

First Place	Don Taylor
Second Place	Bruce Gaumond
Third Place	Dave Larson

### Sunsets:

First Place	Dave Willis
Second Place	Dave Plummer
Third Place	Dave Curran

### SLIDE CATEGORIES: All Color

#### General Mountainscapes:

First Place	Don Taylor
Second Place	Dave Willis
Third Place	Bruce Gaumond

#### Climbing:

First Place	Charles Beyer
Second Place	Duane Taylor
Third Place	Steve Mittendorf

#### Flora & Fauna:

First Place	Mark Dale
Second Place	Jerry Sommerman
Third Place	George Zook

#### Inclement Weather

First Place	Al Clark
Second Place	Mark Dale
Third Place	Jerry Sommerman

#### People:

First Place	Jerry Sommerman
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Third Place	Mark Dale

# NOW HEAR THIS..

## LAKE WASHINGTON BIKE TRIP POSTPHONED TO JUNE

The bike trip around Lake Washington (which was originally planned sometime in May) has been postponed until the first part of June. If you are interested in this function and want more information contact Karla Larson at 839-8045. The exact date and time will be published in a following newsletter.

## MOUNTAIN ORIENTED FIRST AID OFFERED

This course is a must for all mountaineers. It gives practical experience in dealing with all types of possible mountaineering accidents. Most of those who've taken the course agree that handling an accident (even a "fake" one) is more complex and demanding than imagined.

Courses are offered at many locations throughout the Seattle area. For more information on course dates and locations, call the Red Cross at 323-2345.

## ROOM LEFT IN THE MOUNTAIN RESCUE SEMINAR

It is not too late to sign up for the Mountain Rescue Seminar. There is still some room left. If you are interested in signing up (the course is free) please contact Jerry Baillie at 655-3223.

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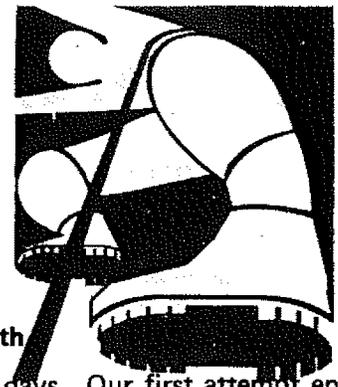
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# CLIMBING REPORTS....



## WHITECHUCK MOUNTAIN - ELEV. 6,989 ft. NORTHWEST RIDGE - MARCH 14th

This was the second attempt that Brad and I had made at this Mountain in seven days. Our first attempt encountered deep snow 3 miles from the road end. The delay caused by starting the climb from this point, along with the bad weather made us decide a Darrington Tavern was a good place to spend the afternoon. So after a few miles for exercise we hit the foos ball and pool tables at the Tavern (their fried chicken is good.)

For our second attempt we came armed with cross country skies and snowshoes, neither of which we had the weekend before. We left the Van about 2½ miles from Road no. 3226E's end, skied about 1½ miles, dropped the skies and snowshoed to the base of the mountain. Our route then followed one ridge the entire time. We passed through some beautiful meadows that would have been great for skiing but it would have been a real hassle to carry the skies back to this point.

So far we have been socked in with clouds obscuring the entire mountain. But luck was with us as we started to climb the main gulley to the Northwest Ridge. The clouds rose as we climbed.

The snow had a hard but breakable crust so you either slid on top or had to kick through it. A lot of stepkicking and a bit of rock scrambling brought us to just below the summit ridge. The summit is reached by traversing and climbing below the ridge to the east a half mile. The traverse had high exposure but the snow was in good shape so we had no problem. We finally took to the ridge but found we had ascended it too soon and could not reach the true summit. To reach the summit it would have been necessary to backtrack, traverse below our present position and climb a steep gulley to the corniced summit block.

We were just about as high as the summit and the time factor involved in reaching the summit would have put us back to the van after dark, so we opted for staying put. The clouds had finally lifted giving us a fantastic 360 deg. view.

After taking many pictures we made a quick but cautious decent over the exposed part of the ridge and a bit of glissading put us back to the mountain's base. Snow shoes were not needed as we walked out on the ridge. The weather was still beautiful so we dumped our packs and reclined in a patch of heather and soaked in the sun and views of Whitehorse, Three Fingers, Pugh, Sloan, and other more distant peaks.

At this point most trips just become a long slog back to the car but this one ended in great fashion as we came to our skies and flew back out the logging roads (with a minimum of "face plants") to the van.

Eastgate (Bellevue) to snow	3 Hours
Snow to Mountain Base	3½ Hours
Base to "Summit"	2 Plus Hours
Summit to Van	4 Hours

Climbers were Brad McCarrell, Dave Larson, Bob Mondryzk, and Dave Curran.

## CROSS COUNTRY SKIING - NORTH FORK TEANAWAY RIVER

The Teanaway River Road served as a good alternative to Mount Rainier for Cross Country Skiing through this sparse "winter" season. This road takes you into the south side of Mount Stuart. It is reached by route 970 out of Cle Elum which is a 100 mile drive from Seattle. You have to "keep the faith" that there will be snow to ski on since the surrounding arid region could convince you otherwise.

In January and February you could get back to the 29 Pines campground area before the road became impassable due to snow. This area offers plenty of room for level terrain touring near the river. Heading back the Beverly Creek road will put you on gradually sloping uphill terrain that is a blast to come back down. After 2 miles on trail 1391, at the end of the Beverly Creek trail you come to a beautiful bowl where you can get a little wilder skiing.

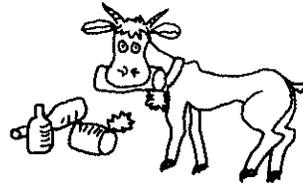
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## TEANAWAY SKIING - cont.

A good, leisurely 7 hour trip that Jan and I took the first week of February was in on the new road to road no. 2226 which is followed 2/3 mile to road no. 2210 which is followed about a mile north than a mile south up a steeper sloping logging road to the 9,000 ft. ridge top. We christened it "Helen Ridge" since it had no name. This point provided a great view of the Stuart Range, Rainier and the surrounding area. Jan perfected her pole drag-brake method (except for one wipeout) on the first mile of the moderately steep descent. The rest of the road is nice and easy.

The skiing season in that area may will be over now unless a storm comes through. The area would be fun for an overnight group trip, since it provides skiing to suit all levels of interest within a few miles of Beverly Creek Campground. Check with the Forest Service before planning to drive back to the trailheads with spring as the road was washed out between 29 Pines and Beverly Creek Campgrounds.

Skiers: Jan and Dave Curran



## CONSERVATION...

The hard-core environmentalists have been recycling their glass bottles and cans for about 10 years now. Originally people recycled either because they really believed there was a need to do due to the finite nature of our natural resources, or they recycled because it was the "in" thing to do. Well now there's a third reason to recycle: Money. Many recycling centers are offering money for aluminum, newspapers, cardboard, tin cans, and old car batteries. Oh yes, these places also pay for beer bottles (and heaven only knows how many of those we collect in a month's time!)

These places also take different colored glass, and some other items. The prices they pay vary from place to place, as do the items they take. I suggest calling the place closest to you (save on gas) to find the best overall deal. Another way recycling can save you money is by enabling you to reduce the number of garbage cans you need (you pay less for garbage pickup.)

Most recycling centers require items in the following condition:

1. Beer bottles - in the original cases for ease of handling
2. Tin cans - clean out, remove both ends, and flatten
3. Aluminum - clean out and flatten
4. Newspaper - stacked about one foot high. Tie in both directions or put in paper sacks (talk to your local recycling center.)
5. Cardboard - flatten. Tie if you have a lot
6. Jars/Glasses - Rinse out, remove caps, and separate by color

Very easy indeed!

Following is a list of recycling centers, addresses and phone numbers. This is not an all inclusive list. If you can't find a center close to you, call the Recycling Hot-Line number 1-800-732-9253 for additional information.

Valley Recycling 852-4992	845 N. Central Kent, Wash. 98031	Ballard Recycling 784-6302	6217 - 15th N.W. Seattle, Wash. 98107
Simmon and Sons 838-1993	2200 East River St. Tacoma, Wash. 98421	Fibres International 455-9811	1533 - 120th Ave. N.E. Bellevue, Wash. 98009
Sno King 745-8282	15703 Hwy 99 Lynnwood, Wash. 98036	Washington Recycle 258-1511	2401 Pacific Ave. Everett, Wash. 98201
South County 778-5234	21024-68th Ave. S.W. Lynnwood, Wash. 98036	Ideal Paper Co. 382-0480	9 S. Massachusetts Pier 35 Seattle, Wash. 98134

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## CONSERVATION - cont.

N.W. Metals 743-9515	16520 Hwy 99 Lynnwood, Wash. 98036	Rainbow Recycling 284-4454	2533 Westlake Ave. N. Seattle, Wash. 98109
Neighborhood Recycling 952-6002	343rd & Pac Hwy S. Federal Way, Wash.	Six Pack City 244-2233	1113 N. 128th Seattle, Wash. 98133
Puget Sound Recycling 535-4730	10721 A South A. St. Tacoma, Wash. 98444	N.W. Reclamation 244-2233	10426 - 16th S.W. Seattle, Wash. 98146
Fremont Recycling 632-4160	3410 Fremont Ave. N. Seattle, Wash. 98103		

## RIDGE TO RIVER RELAY

A project of Wenatchee Mountain Rescue and Wenatchee Outdoor Club sponsored by Ballard Services, Inc. is holding the 1981 Washington State Apple Blossom Festival "Ridge to River Relay" on Sunday, April 26, 1981 at 10:30 a.m.

The Event will include:

X-COUNTRY SKIING - Mass start at the top of Mission Ridge. Approximately 3 miles long.

DOWNHILL SKIING - Approximately 2 miles of skiing on packed runs rated more difficult.

RUNNING - Course will begin at the Mission Ridge parking lot and descend approximately 1,800 verticle feet over the 7.1 mile course.

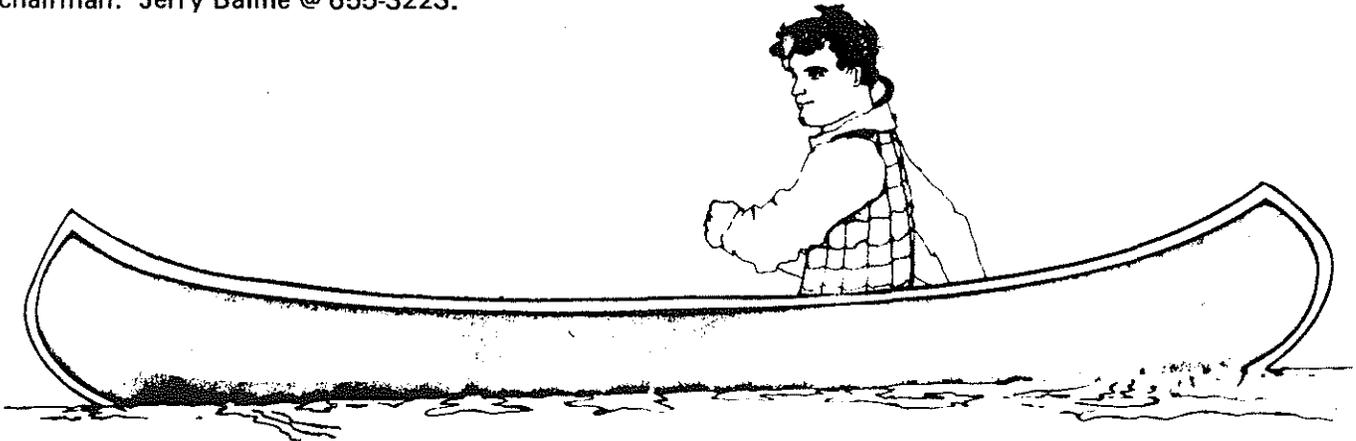
CYCLE - Bicycle approximately 15 miles for the Wenatchee Heights split through Wenatchee to Monitor Park via Sleepy Hollow Road.

CANOE - Starting at Monitor Park, portage canoe 20 yards to the Wenatchee River. Paddle approximately 8 miles on the Wenatchee and approximately 2 miles on the Columbia.

PORTAGE - Upon arrival at the Orondo Street boat ramp any two members of the team will portage the canoe 100 yards uphill on Orondo Street to Wenatchee Avenue and the finish line.

Teams can consist of all men's open, women's open or mixed open (minimum of 2 females). Entry fee is \$60 per team and is donated to the Wenatchee Mountain Rescue and Outdoor Club. Awards will be awarded to all first place teams and ribbons to all second and third place.

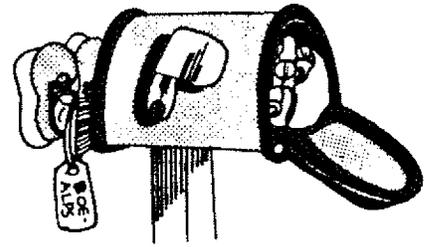
If this sounds fun to you and you would like to gather additional information then please contact the activities chairman: Jerry Baillie @ 655-3223.



# NOTES FROM ALL OVER...

## KRPM RADIO PRESENTS - THE STEIERMARK BAND ALPINE OKTOBERFEST TOUR

KRPM Radio presents the Steiermark Band Alpine Oktoberfest Tour. The Tour includes 7 Cities including the Swiss Alps (for 3 days) and the Austrian Alps (for 3 days). The unbeatable price of \$1,195 per person includes Airfare, Hotels, Transfers and some meals. The tour leaves Sea-Tac on September 25 and returns 13 days later. If you are interested contact ALL ABOUT TRAVEL, INC:



100 S. 9th  
Tacoma, Washington  
272-4191 or 838-1122 (Seattle)

Clarence Heatherly will also be happy to provide any additional information. You can reach him on the following numbers:

655-3721 (Boeing)  
839-6798 (Home)

## MT BAKER WEEKEND CANCELLED

Mt. Baker Cross Country Skiing Weekend has been cancelled due to the lack of white stuff. Maybe next year.

## LITTLE TAHOMA CLIMB PLANNED

Memorial Day Weekend (May 23rd) Little Tahoma - Anyone interested in climbing please contact John Kokes at 938-4896 or 773-4896.

## BANFF WEEK PLANNED

Anyone interested in traveling and climbing in Banff around the first week in August, contact Jerry Baillie at 655-3223.

## TETONS WEEK PLANNED

Anyone interested in traveling and climbing in the Tetons in late June, for one week contact Dave Larson at 839-8045.



# FOOT LOOSE...

Starting this month as a regular feature in the newsletter, the Board members came up with several climbs for the month of April. Anyone interested in climbing (either as a participant or a leader, we need both) contact the person in charge.

Mt. Dickerman - April 4th - Dave Larson 655-3536 or 839-8045 (Coordinator) Leader needed:

Dickerman is a good conditioner climb. Goes up through forests with views of Big Four. If we have time there will be an ice axe practice. Traverses moderate snow slopes.

Monte Cristo Peak - April 11 - Bob Mondrzyk 773-9782

Monte Cristo is another good conditioning climb. "A real Classic"

Gun Peak - April 18th - Jerry Baillie

Little Rock and a moderate Class 5 climb. The climb is long and strenuous and has good views. Be prepared for a workout on this one.

The Brothers - April 25 - 26 (overnight) - Dave Curran 251-3748

The Brothers (South Peak) is an absolutely beautiful climb through forest and valley. Some scrambling will be involved and the avalanche danger is high. The climb is a Class 3-4 and is strenuous.

Remember - the Board members are not the only ones able to lead climbs. We are just being kind to start this off right. If you are interested in leading a climb talk to the activities chairman Jerry Baillie at 655-3223.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

APRIL 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 7:30 p.m. Equip Swap BoeAlps Mtg.	3	4 Mt. Dickerman (Dave Larson)
5 Issaquah Run 5 miles 11am	6	7	8	9	10	11 Monte Cristo (Bob Mondrzyk)
12 Narrows Bridge Run 10K 9:00 a.m.	13	14	15	16	17	18 Gun Peak (Jerry Baillie)
19 Easter Holiday 	20	21	22	23	24	25 The Brothers (Dave Curran)
26 The Brothers Ridge to River Relay Race 10:30 a.m.	27	28	29	30		

## IT'S COMIN' UP

MAY 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 BoeAlps Meeting 7:30 p.m.	8	9
10 Remember Mom (Mothers Day)	11	12	13	14	15	16 St. Josephs Heart Run
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Little Tahoma (John Kokes)
24 Little Tahoma (John Kokes)	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30 Mt. Si Marathon 26.2 miles

### WELCOME CLIMBING CLUB

BoeAlps welcomes 130 new members enrolled in the Climbing Course. We look forward to meeting you and your participation at club meetings and functions.

# ALPINE ECHO

## BOEING EMPLOYEES APLINE SOCIETY, INC.

President.....	Dave Curran.....	6E-03.....	251-3748	Activities.....	Jerry Baillie.....	41-11.....	655-1271
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Secretary.....	Dave Long.....	84-86.....	251-4030	Conservation.....	Faith Szafranski.....	9C-02.....	575-7216
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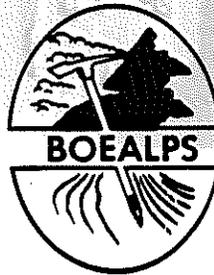


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THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1981  
BSRL CAFETERIA (BUILDING 15-01)  
7:30 p.m.

TRAVELS & MOUNTAINEERING IN REMOTE CHINA

PLUS

THE EAST FACE OF EVEREST

SLIDE SHOW & LECTURE BY ANDREW HARVARD



Andrew Harvard is a member of the 1981 American Everest Expedition. He was the organizer of the 1973 American Dhaulagiri Expedition and leader of the 1980 American Minya Konka Expedition, the first American expedition to Central China in 48 years. Andrew will recount his travels through China where the current generation of rural Chinese had never seen Americans. Subjects will include the Great Wall, Imperial City and cliffs of Gulin, to the most remote regions of Szechuan and Tibet to the majesty of Everest's east face - the last unclimbed face of Everest which the American team will attempt to climb this year. This presentation will certainly show that great adventure is still possible in this world!

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## BOOK NEWS....

New additions to the Library:

- Boyd Everetts Expedition Planner
- 1980 Canadian Alpine Journal
- Big Wall Climbing by Doug Scott
- Everest the Hard Way by Chris Bonnington

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Ok, so you heard all about the bike trek around Lake Washington! Well now we have definite plans. On June 20 (Saturday) a group of the wild ones will be pedaling their ----- off around the lake (60 miles). We need someone to follow in a truck or van to pick up anyone who passes out from not enough beer or whatever or help with flat tires, etc. So, get in shape now for June 20 by sitting on nails to toughen up your buns! For details on times and meeting places please call Carla Larson @ 839-8045.

## EQUIPMENT AUCTION SUCCESS STORY

The annual equipment auction held at the April meeting saw much equipment change hands, everything from tents, ice hammers and stoves to sleeping bags, skies and a gas mask (for climbing Mt. St. Helens?). Special thanks goes to the auctioneers Walt Bauermeister and John Pollock as well as to their assistant Jan Curran.

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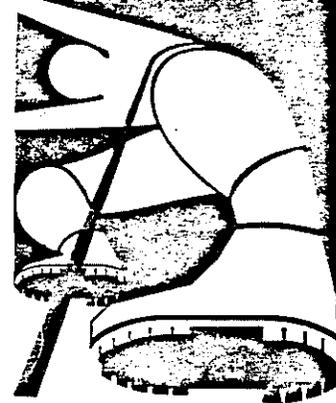
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# CLIMBING REPORTS....



## JIM HILL MOUNTAIN - MARCH 22

Having made a previous attempt at Jim Hill under miserable weather conditions, Darryl and I were not looking forward to it this time as it was raining when we left Edmonds at 5:00 a.m. During breakfast at Denny's, we decided to go for it anyway and headed for Stevens Pass.

The trail begins at the snow park lot  $3\frac{3}{4}$  miles beyond (East) of Stevens Pass. We left the car at 7:15 and reached Lankam Lake in one hour where we got our first view of the mountain and the dreaded ridge we had to climb east of the lake. This continuously steep ridge had taken over 2 hours on our previous trip using snow shoes with five people sharing the lead. This time however, the snow was in excellent condition and we reached the ridge crest in just under  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours after leaving the lake. We proceeded up the ridge crest south to where it broadens into a large basin and took our first break to ponder which of the peaks was the real summit. To this point it had been snowing, off and on, very lightly, but had now stopped and was becoming a very nice but cold day.

After some discussion, we decided to go for the left peak, no doubt swayed by the fact that it was the closest. Nearly at the top of this left peak it became obvious we had made the wrong choice. We should have crossed the basin, right to the west ridge of the far right peak. We continued on to the top of the left peak, then traversed the east ridge west, to a large pinnacle where we dropped down (right) about 100 ft. to circle the pinnacle, then back up to the east ridge crest. We traversed this often knife edge ridge up and down over numerous pinnacles, reaching the summit four hours after leaving the car. A rope was not used, but we considered it a couple of times. As for Fred Beckey's guide book: Go for the right peak and ski trip my ass! I don't think anyone could or would want to ski it, via this route.

After a lengthy stay on the summit, we decided to descent the west ridge (the way we should have gone up), on easy rock (class 3) to where we could get back into the large basin. From the summit we could see that the west ridge descended to and on beyond the basin, but we strayed off the ridge crest and descended too far. When we regained the ridge crest, we could see down into a basin but it seemed much lower than we had thought. We descended about 200 feet down a steep gully to the basin before we had completely missed the upper basin and come out into a lower basin.

Looking down on Lanham Lake and a large clearing two hundred yards south of it, Darryl wanted to take a short cut straight down over the cliffs into the basin, saying we could rappel if necessary. Having learned the hard way about how long short cuts can get, I convinced him we should traverse back to the ridge and join our ascent route. Darryl continued trying to get me to change my mind and go straight down and after awhile I agreed, with the condition that if we had to come back up, he would kick all the steps until we reached our ascent route, hoping it would teach him a lesson. Once the decision was made, Darryl picked the route and went down the first gulley we came to without being able to see what it lead to. With blind luck (that only a teenager could have), his gully descended straight down all the way to the basin near Lankam Lake. The gully was steep all the way and extremely steep (65 deg) in some parts, but an excellent route in good snow. From the basin, the snow filled gully stood out like a sore thumb among the cliffs and trees and we wondered why there was no record of it. Considering it may have never been climbed, I decided to call it "Lucky Kid Gully". Having carried a camera that I forgot to put film into, we were unable to photograph the route, but I highly recommend it under good snow conditions.

We continued on and were back to the car  $6\frac{1}{2}$  hours after leaving. On our drive home we stopped at the much remodeled Molly G's in Skykomish for a milkshake and reflected on a very enjoyable climb, (the milkshakes weren't very good and cost \$1.25 each).

(continued)

## JIM HILL MOUNTAIN - continued

Climbers were Darryl Siefertson and Roy Ratliff.

### Climbing Times:

- 2 hours from Edmonds to trail head (including breakfast in Edmonds)
- 1 hour to Lankam Lake from the trail head
- 1½ hours from lake to the ridge crest north of summit
- 4 hours trail head to summit
- 6½ hours round trip from the trailhead

## AVALANCHE ADVISORY, DANGER SIGNS

An improved avalanche advisory service will help those venturing into undeveloped areas of the Cascade and Olympic mountains plan safer trips. Starting last December and continuing until April, advisories will be issued before noon Fridays by the U.S. Forest Service avalanche forecasters through the National Weather Service communications system. Also, whenever the avalanche hazard is rated high or extreme, a warning will be issued anytime during the week for the appropriate area. It will be updated daily or as conditions change until the hazard diminishes sufficiently to end the warning.

Two separate advisories will be issued. One will come through the Seattle National Weather Service Office, covering undeveloped areas in the Olympics and most of the Washington Cascades.

A second advisory covering the Cascades south of Mount St. Helens and the Northern Oregon, Mt. Hood area will be sent through the Portland National Weather Service Office.

The forecasts will also be available at most Forest Service and National Park Service Ranger District Offices and Visitor Centers.

The advisories and warning will use standardized text throughout the winter for hazard classification.

Low Avalanche Hazard: Mostly stable snow, avalanches are unlikely except in isolated pockets on steep, snow covered open slopes and gullies. Backcountry is generally safe.

Moderate Avalanche Hazard: Areas of unstable snow. Avalanches are possible on steep, snow covered open slopes and gullies. Backcountry travelers should use caution.

High Avalanche Hazard: Mostly unstable snow, Avalanches are likely on steeper, snow covered open slopes and gullies. Backcountry travel is not recommended.

Extreme Avalanche Hazard: Widespread unstable snow. Avalanches are certain on steeper, snow covered open slopes and gullies. Large destructive slides are possible. Backcountry travel should be avoided.

### Seattle National Weather Service

Phone: (206) 285-3710

Radio: KHB 60 at 162.55 mh2

### Portland National Weather Service

Phone: (503) 255-6660

Radio: KIG 98 at 162.55 mh2

### Yakima National Weather Service

Radio: KIG 75 at 162.55 mh2

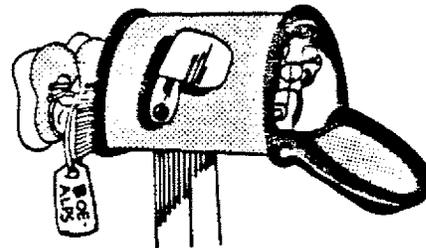
### Neah Bay National Weather Service

Radio: KIH 36 at 162.55 mh2

# NOTES FROM ALL OVER...

## LITTLE TAHOMA WEEKEND DATE CHANGED

The date has been changed on the Little Tahoma climb due to other conflicting climbs. The new date will be May 16-17. Anyone interested in climbing please contact John Kokes at (home) 271-4284 or (work) at 773-1687.



## MT. BAKER CLIMB PLANNED (MAY 23-24)

Anyone wishing to climb Mt. Baker, contact Bill Shivitz at 228-6738 (in the evening) for information. Bill will take a maximum of 15 climbers on the route past Schriebers Meadow, onto the Easton and Deming Glaciers. This climb is for persons experienced in glacier travel only. (BRING SNOWSHOES)

## PHELPS PEAK - LEADER BOB GRAY (MAY 10)

Anyone interested in climbing Phelps Peak with Bob Gray call Jerry Baillie at 655-3223. Phelps peak is the most prominent peak seen from Bellevue in the Cascades. This will be a one day climb

## BROTHERS CLIMB POSTPONED (MAY 23-24)

The Brothers Climb with Dave Curran is postponed (due to a business trip). The new date will be May 23 & 24. Contact Dave for information on this.

## MT. RAINIER CLIMB - MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Climb Mount Rainier on Memorial Day with Jerry Baillie. A 2 day climb (maybe 3) if enough people are interested. Route: Schurman Glacier. Call Jerry at 655-3223.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

MAY 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 BoeAlps Meeting 7:30 p.m.	8	9 Boeing Fun Run (Kent)
10 PHELPS PEAK CLIMB	11	12	13	14	15	16 Little Tahoma Climb
17 Little Tahoma Climb	18	19	20	21	22	23 MT. BAKER CLIMB BROTHERS CLIMB
24 MT. BAKER CLIMB BROTHERS CLIMB 31 MT. RAINIER	25 Deming Glacier Climb	26	27	28	29	30 MT. RAINIER CLIMB Mt. Si Marathon

## IT'S COMIN' UP

JUNE 1981						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Memorial Day MT. RAINIER CLIMB (MAYBE)	2	3	4 BoeAlps Meeting 7:30 pm	5	6 Sound-To-Narrows Run
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Lake Wash. Bike Trip
21 Times Summer Run (10K)	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

# ALPINE ECHO

## BOEING EMPLOYEES APLINE SOCIETY, INC.

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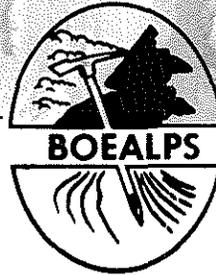


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THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 1981

BSRL CAFETERIA (BUILDING 15-01)

7:30 p.m.



### KAYAKING

Guest Speaker **ULRICH GANZ**

The program for the June Meeting will be a presentation on Kayaking by Ulrich Ganz (an avid kayaker now for 10 years, and a member of Washington Kayaking Club). Ulrich will feature a movie on Kayaking in the Yukon followed by a film of a recent Kayaking and Canoeing World championship meet held in Austria in which he was a participant.

# TREASURY ACTIVITY...



## BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY

### Balance April 15, 1981

Checking	\$7,422.10	
Savings	136.18	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$7,563.98

### Receipts

Dues	\$77.00	
McKinley Climb	2,395.00	
Total		\$2,472.00

### Disbursements

Climbing Class Refunds	\$131.00	
Equipment	16.33	
Meeting Refreshments	37.00	
Speaker Fee	50.00	
Total		\$234.33

### Balance May 15, 1981

Checking	\$9,659.77	
Savings	136.18	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$9,801.65

## MRC SEMINAR

Around 20 BoeAlps members participated in the MRC Seminar. The lecture session was held on April 28, and the practice session was Saturday, May 2nd in Leavenworth. It was a good seminar by Chris Madden and Jerry Sommerman. Many of the members stayed until Sunday to climb.

# CLIMBING REPORTS....



## THE BROTHERS - MAY 9-10

A 2½ hour drive from Southcenter to Olympia and up US 101 put the eight of us at the Lena Creek Trail-head. Road No. 249 is under construction but so far there is more destruction than construction. We were glad to have 4-wheel drive with which to battle the mud.

Two hours and 15 minutes of hiking on good trail (through the drizzle) brought us to lower Lena Lake. Our destination was 3 miles further up the east fork of Lena Creek at the end of the maintained trail. This 3 miles took us through the "Valley of Silent Men", a beautiful valley of old growth cedar and douglas fir trees, flowers, mosses and a raging stream.

We set up camp at the fork of the stream (the two best sights are in the middle of the fork at the point and up the right stream just past a small waterfall). Despite the damp conditions a fine fire was started by D.C.'s firestarter and perseverance and D. N.'s piece of surgical tubing (which made blowing air towards the coals very easy). Strawberries and jiffy pop rounded out the evening.

A 7:00 a.m. start under dry but hazy skies had us on the South "Couloir" route to the South Peak. The route was well marked by fluorescent strips to the lower snow filled gully. By this time our view was disappearing behind the clouds. We kicked steps up this moderately sloping gully. The key on this portion of the climb is to bear right at the upper end of the gully until you come to a tree covered slope where the route once again is marked. This slope is ascended to where it opens into the main couloir leading to the summit ridge. Here we put on crampons in moderately hard snow.

We reached the ridge just right of an awesome spire and discovered, after a scramble along the ridge, that in the whiteout we had ascended a branch of the main couloir and were off route to the left. An easy drop around a buttress and a bit of a scramble put us to the summit at 12:20 p.m.

We descended the base of the mountain by plunge stepping and a bit of glissading and reached our camp at 3:00 p.m. A quick trip out put us at the cars by 6:00 p.m. When the sky is clear this trip provides you with great views of the Olympics, Cascades and Seattle. We were denied those views but all members seemed to still have enjoyed the climb. This trip presents no technical difficulty and is definitely a good early season conditioning climb. The gulleys used in the ascent should be considered for thier avalanche hazard.

Climbers were: Dave Long, Dave & Laura Nicol, Rick Jali, Jim Haas, Howard Raddatz, Bob Mondryzk & Dave Curran.

## DISCOVER DISCOVERY PARK TRAILS

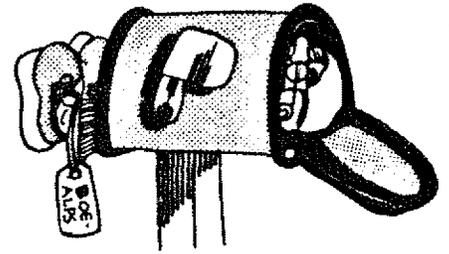
If you are tired of your normal jogging route you might consider a trip to Discovery Park in northwest Seattle. The 400 acres that comprise Discovery Park offer you a natural area in an urban setting. The 2.8 mile loop trail through the park passes through forests and along the bluffs overlooking the Sound and the Olympics. A more pleasant setting would be hard to find. Note that walkers are given priority on this trail. If a few times around this loop does not sap your energy, or in addition, try out the ½ mile exercise course. It consists of 12 exercise stations in a forrested setting. You might wake up muscles you had forgot existed! Maps of Discovery Park and the trails are available at all parking areas in the park.

# NOTES FROM ALL OVER...

## MONTE CRISTO PEAK – JUNE 13-14

Planning on an overnigher due to the road washout - plan on walking 4 miles on the road to the trail head. Class 3 Rating. Classic Northwest Peak.

Contact: Jene Sevigny - (Work) 655-5801 (Home) 232-9116



## MT. CONSTANCE – JUNE 27-28

A very prominent Olympic Peak. Strong Physical Condition would be recommended on this Climb - Class 4 Rating

Contact: Rick Jali - (Work) 342-2626 (Home) 353-1537

## PTARMIGAN TRAVERSE – JULY 3-11

The Climb will be done from Cascade Pass to Dome Peak. One peak will be attempted per day. Helmets are required on this climb and Strong Physical Condition is a must!!! Rating is Class 4-5 (some rock climbing involved).

Contact: Bill Frisinger - (Work) 773-1302 (Home) 392-5797

## MT. RAINIER – JULY 10-11-12

Route: Tahoma Glacier - Strong Physical Condition is a must the route is long and tiring.

Contact: Steve Mittendorf - (Work) 237-6517 (Home) 237-6517

## TETONS – LATE JUNE

If you are interested in traveling and climbing in the Tetons in late June (for one week) contact: Dave Larson (Home) 839-8045.

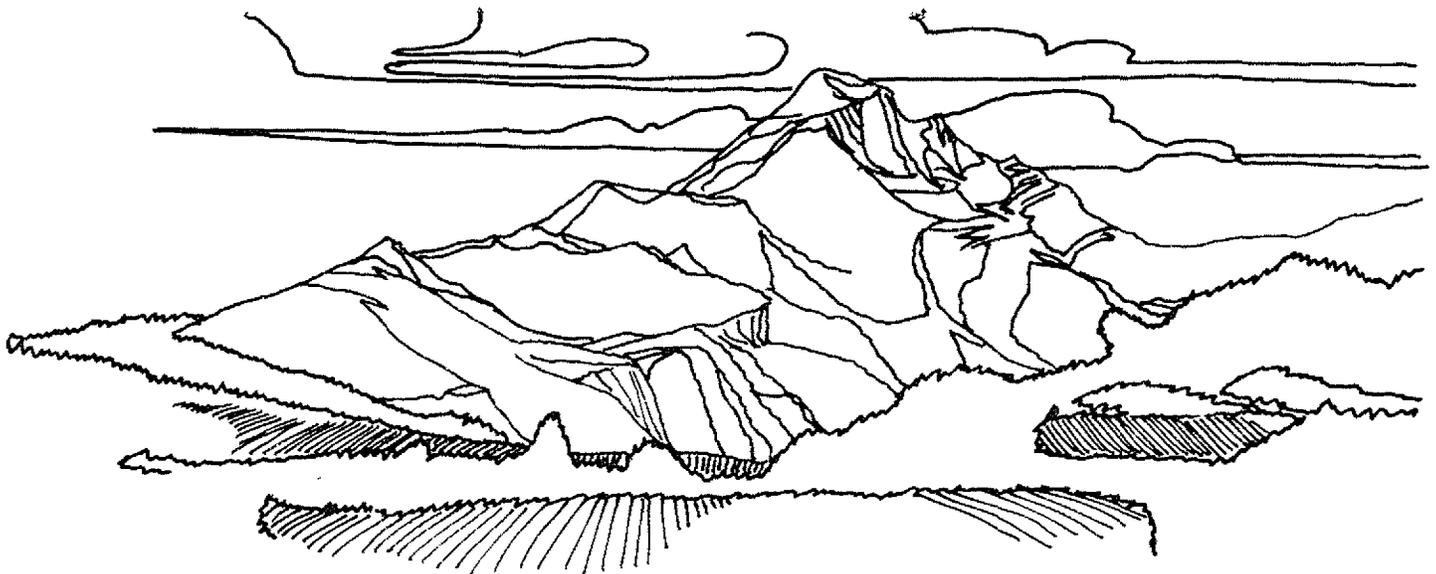
## TEE SHIRTS AVAILABLE

1982 Everest Expedition Tee Shirts are available from Dave Curran at a price of \$10.00 each.

## SAHALE MT. – TBD

An overnigher sometime in June (depending on the weather). Good North Cascade climb - Class 3 Rating.

Contact: Dave Larson - (Work) 251-0209



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

JUN						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 p.m.	5	6 Tacoma's Sound-To-Narrows Run
7 Run Around Sea-Tac Airport 6.7 mi - 9:00 a.m.	8	9	10	11	12 Tacoma's Black Cat Run 10K - 6:00 p.m.	13 Monte Cristo Peak
14 Monte Cristo Peak	15	16	17	18	19	20 LAKE WASHINGTON BIKE TRIP (CARLA LARSON)
21 Seattle Times Summer Run 10K - 9:00 a.m.	22	23	24	25	26 Newsletter Inputs Deadline	27 Mt. Constance
28 Mt. Constance 6th Nat'l Trails Symposium 6-28-7-1 Dave Curran	29	30				

## IT'S COMIN' UP

JUL						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 BoeAlps Mt. 7:30 p.m.	3 Ptarmigan Traverse	4 Ptarmigan Traverse
5 Ptarmigan Traverse	6 Ptarmigan Traverse	7 Ptarmigan Traverse	8 Ptarmigan Traverse	9 Ptarmigan Traverse BoeAlps Annual Picnic-Camp Long	10 Ptarmigan Traverse Mt. Rainier	11 Ptarmigan Traverse Mt. Rainier
12 Mt. Rainier	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Mason Lake Biathlon 7 mi - 12 Noon	27	28	29	30	31	

## RECREATIONAL SURVEYS

The following two surveys are being funded by the Department of Interior, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

### THE NONMOTORIZED TRAIL CRUNCH: SHOULD SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING OR OTHER AID BE PROVIDED BY TRAIL USERS?

This survey is designed to obtain the attitudes of nonmotorized trail users (hikers, backpackers and horsemen) towards supplemental funding or other forms of aid for nonmotorized trails.

Your input will be shared with the Forest Service, National Park Service, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, the Washington State Trails Advisory Committee and outdoor recreation user groups.

Unlike Off Road Vehicle (ORV) and Snowmobile users, who obtain funding from permits, registration fees and unrefunded gasoline taxes, hikers and other nonmotorized trail users have no dedicated source of funding. Should something be done?

This survey is being administered and analyzed through the cooperation of the University of Washington Urban Data Center.

Kindly spend a few minutes filling out this form so you have a voice in what happens.

### SOME BACKGROUND FACTS

Fifty four percent of the trails in Washington State are on federal land. About 7,068 miles are in National Forests. According to the Forest Service, half of the trails need better maintenance, and/or reconstruction or relocation of certain sections.

Federal efforts to balance the budget, decrease taxes and control inflation has reduced federal tax dollars available for recreation purposes. With these budget cuts it is expected that funds will be available to maintain only 60 percent of the existing trails and no funds will be available for reconstruction or relocation of trails. State funds which were available for nonmotorized trails also have been cutback.

The long term outlook is that federal and state appropriations for nonmotorized trails will continue to diminish.

In this survey:

SA means STRONGLY AGREE  
A means AGREE  
N means NEUTRAL  
D means DISAGREE  
SD means STRONGLY DISAGREE

1. There are several methods for supporting nonmotorized trail related services. To what extent do you agree with the following methods:

a. A nonmotorized trail user organization should be established to lobby government for increased appropriations. (circle one)..... SA A N D SD

b. More people should volunteer to help with trail maintenance or reconstruction. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD

c. A user supported fund for nonmotorized trails should be established in Washington State. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD

2. If you agree that a nonmotorized trail user organization is needed:

a. Would you become a member? (circle one) ..... Y N

b. How many days per year would you contribute to its development? ..... [ ]

c. How much money per year would you contribute to the organization? .... [\$ ]

3. If you agree that more voluntary trail maintenance is needed:

a. How many days per year would you contribute to such a program? ..... [ ]

b. During what month(s) would you be willing to work? (indicate month(s), e.g., JULY)

c. Are you physically able and willing to perform manual labor? (circle one) ..... Y N

d. Would you take part in a training session on trail maintenance? (circle one) ..... Y N

4. To be effective, a voluntary trail maintenance program would require some form of recognition (e.g., pin, patch, or certificate). (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD

5. If you agree that some form of recognition is needed:

a. which form of recognition do you prefer (check one)

[ ] Patch  
[ ] Pin  
[ ] Certificate  
[ ] Other (please specify)

b. which organization should recognize your efforts? (check one)

[ ] Your own organization  
[ ] Trail management agency (e.g., FS, NPS)  
[ ] State Trails Advisory Committee  
[ ] Other (please specify)

6. If you support establishment of a nonmotorized trail fund in the state, how much money should be raised annually? (The ORV fund raises about \$1,000,000 annually.) [\$ ]

7. If you agree that a nonmotorized trail fund should be established in this state, to what extent do you agree with the following ways of raising money (disregard the [ ] in front of each statement for the moment):

[ ] a. Parking permits for vehicles should be required at trailheads on state and federal lands. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD

[ ] b. An excise tax on some item(s) of recreation equipment should be imposed. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD

[ ] c. An annual fund raising drive should be conducted for trails. .... SA A N D SD

- d. An ongoing voluntary patch or button purchase program should be implemented. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD
- e. An annual trail user license should be required. (circle one) ... SA A N D SD
- f. Admission fees for certain trails should be adopted. .... SA A N D SD
- g. There should be an annual entry fee for specially designated areas. SA A N D SD
- h. Tax deductible donations, gifts, and bequests should be solicited for this fund. (circle one) ..... SA A N D SD
- i. Other recommendations (please specify)

8. Now, using the  in front of each statement in question 7, RANK your preference for the eight alternative ways of raising money (start with the number 1 to indicate the alternative you prefer the most, 2 to indicate your second preference and end with 8 to indicate the alternative you prefer the least).

9. If you support a tax on recreation equipment, on what equipment item(s) should the tax be placed? (please specify the item(s))

10. If you support an annual nonmotorized trail user license, how much would you consider a reasonable amount to pay each year? .. [\$     ]

11. In an average year how much money do you spend on recreation equipment? ..... [\$     ]

12. How many years have you been a trail user? ..... [     yr]

13. What is your age? ..... [     ]

14. If you support establishing a nonmotorized trail fund in the state, RANK the following eleven programs in the order you would fund them (start with the number 1 to indicate the program you would provide the most money, 2 to indicate the program which gets the next biggest amount of money, and end with 10 to indicate the area that should get the least money).

- Administration ..... [     ]
- Trail maintenance ..... [     ]
- Trail reconstruction and relocation . [     ]
- New trail construction ..... [     ]
- Right of way acquisition ..... [     ]
- Search and rescue equipment ..... [     ]
- More up-to-date trail information ... [     ]
- Responsible trail user education .... [     ]
- Vandalism prevention ..... [     ]
- Trail related research ..... [     ]
- Enforcement ..... [     ]
- Other (please specify)                    [     ]

15. What type of a trail user are you? (check ALL that apply)

- Hiker
- Backpacker
- Climber
- Horsemen
- Kayaker/canoer
- Cross-country skier
- Snowshoer
- Other (please specify)

16. Indicate the average number of times per year you go on the following:

- |                           | SUM     | FALL    | WTR     | SPR     |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Day outings .....         | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] |
| Overnight (2-3 days) .... | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] |
| Extended (4+ days) .....  | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] | [     ] |

17. If you are a member of an outdoor recreation organization, specify the organization (e.g., The Mountaineers, Sierra Club).

18. What comments or suggestions do you have about getting nonmotorized trail users to support trails?

19. (Optional) If you want to be contacted regarding voluntary trail maintenance, formation of a statewide nonmotorized trail organization, or contributions: provide your name, address and phone number.

Thank you for your time and interest in filling out this form. Please return your completed form to the person who gave it to you or mail your form to this address.



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**RECREATION INFORMATION:  
IS IT ADEQUATE?**

The objective of this survey is to find out what recreation information (e.g., guidebooks, maps) you use and whether this information is adequate. This survey also is designed to obtain your views about whether computers should be used in the process of providing you recreation information.

Your input will be shared with the Forest Service, National Park Service, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, state recreation agencies, guidebook publishers and recreation map makers so they can assess whether they should or should not improve their recreation information services and products.

This survey is directed primarily toward non-motorized trail users (hikers, backpackers and horsemen). It is being administered and analyzed through the cooperation of the University of Washington Urban Data Center.

Kindly take a few minutes to fill out this form, so you will have a voice in what happens.

**SOME BACKGROUND FACTS**

Historically, information about places to go for backcountry recreation has been provided by word of mouth, outdoor clubs, guidebooks, maps and other sources. In the last six years, the Forest Service and National Park Service have increased their role as information providers by establishing visitor information centers and using backcountry rangers to collect current trail conditions. Now, technological advances such as the computer and satellite imagery are available both to organize and update recreation information (e.g., current snow and access conditions).

The benefit of using computer technology is that recreation information can be updated quickly. The question is whether computer technology applied to recreation information is appropriate and/or cost effective.

1. There are many sources of information you may use to decide where to go on a backcountry recreational outing. Disregarding the [ ] in front of each source for the moment, indicated how much information you get out of each of the following sources by circling one of the numbers 1-9 (assume 1 means a VERY LOW AMOUNT, 5 means an AVERAGE AMOUNT and 9 means a VERY HIGH AMOUNT).

- [ ] Newspapers, magazines or radio reports..  
..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] Published information (other than maps) provided by Forest Service, Park Service or other land management agencies.  
..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] Visits or phone calls to Forest Service, Park Service or other public land management agency visitor information centers or ranger districts.  
..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] Guidebooks or other trail related books.  
..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] Friends ..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] Previous outing or personal knowledge...  
..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- [ ] USGS topo- ... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
graphic maps
- [ ] Green Trail .. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
maps
- [ ] Color relief . 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
maps (e.g., Pargeter, Molenaar)
- [ ] FS or NPS .... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
maps

2. Now, using the [ ] in front of each source in question 1, indicate how many times out of 10 outings you would use each source of information (10 means you used the source for each trip, 5 means half of your trips).

3. Do you believe backcountry recreation information should be improved? (circle one)...  
..... Y N

4. If you answered NO to question 3, indicated your reason(s) and go onto question 6.

5. If you indicated backcountry recreation information should be improved:

a. RANK the eight sources below to indicate where the improvement should occur (start with 1 to indicate the source of information which needs the most improvement, 2 to indicate your second priority, and end with 8 to indicate the source that needs the least improvement).

- [ ] Guidebooks or other trail related books
- [ ] Topographic maps
- [ ] Recreation maps produced by the Forest Service, National Park Service or other public land management agencies
- [ ] Trail Guides produced by the Forest Service, National Park Service, or other public land management agencies
- [ ] Trail condition information provided by the Forest Service and National Park Service visitor information centers and ranger districts
- [ ] Newspaper reports
- [ ] Magazine articles
- [ ] Radio reports
- [ ] Other (please specify)

b. Briefly describe what improvement is needed most.

c. how much would you be reasonably willing to pay for:

- An annual comprehensive guidebook . [\$ ]
- A weekly trail condition report sub-[\$ ]  
scription (indicate how much you would pay for 100 to 200 trails in areas of your choice per season)
- A flat rate toll, telephone info- . [\$ ]  
mation service (indicate how much you would pay per phone call)
- Other (please specify) ..... [\$ ]

d. how would the fact that your input would be put into a computer system affect your likelihood to fill out trail condition report forms? (check one)

- [ ] less likely to fill out
- [ ] more likely to fill out
- [ ] about same as without system
- [ ] Don't know

e. if this computer system were put into operation, which of the following methods represents the best incentive to get you to fill out trail condition reports for each outing on a long term basis? (check one)

- [ ] One week free subscription in exchange for each report
- [ ] One free telephone call to an information service in exchange for in exchange for each report
- [ ] A section of an annual comprehensive guidebook in exchange for each report
- [ ] An incentive is not necessary
- [ ] Another incentive (please specify)

6. Indicate what relative percentage of the time the following statements describe your backcountry recreation trip planning (your total % should add up to 100%). I make my trip plans:

- on the spur of the moment ..... [ % ]
- a few hours in advance ..... [ % ]
- 1 or 2 days in advance ..... [ % ]
- 3 to 5 days in advance ..... [ % ]
- more than a week in advance ..... [ % ]
- more than a month in advance ..... [ % ]
- in advance for the whole season ..... [ % ]  
100%

7. There are many factors that may influence when and where you go on your backcountry recreation outing. RANK the following nine factors in terms of their relative importance (start with 1 to indicate the most important factor and end with 9 to indicate the least important factor).

- [ ] Travel distance to trailhead
- [ ] Current weather conditions
- [ ] Weather forecast for the next few days
- [ ] Availability of current information about trail (e.g, snow,access problem)
- [ ] Availability of map describing area
- [ ] Availability of guidebook information on trail
- [ ] Whether trail is maintained
- [ ] Who is available to go with you
- [ ] Regulations and restrictions relating to trail

8. On what percentage of your backcountry outings do you call or talk to someone ahead of time to find out what the current trail

conditions are? ..... [ % ]

If this percentage is low, why is it low?

9. Both the Forest Service and National Park Service are facing budget cuts that affect backcountry recreation. To indicate the programs you consider important, RANK the following eight backcountry related services (start with 1 for the program you feel is most important and end with 8 for the program you consider least important).

- [ ] Providing recreation maps
- [ ] Providing agency produced trail guides
- [ ] Providing backcountry rangers to collect current trail information and assist trail users
- [ ] Providing trail maintenance
- [ ] Providing personnel at visitor information centers and ranger districts to answer trail related questions
- [ ] Providing distribution of current trail information to trail users
- [ ] Providing information on rules and regulations
- [ ] Providing dispersed camping areas
- [ ] Other (please specify)

10. Indicate the average number of times per year you go on the following:

- |                           | SUM | FALL | WTR | SPR |
|---------------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Day outings .....         | [ ] | [ ]  | [ ] | [ ] |
| Overnight (2-3 days) .... | [ ] | [ ]  | [ ] | [ ] |
| Extended (4+ days) .....  | [ ] | [ ]  | [ ] | [ ] |

11. If the Forest or Park Service supplied you with a season's worth of postage prepaid trail condition report forms (5 X 7 cards with a few short answer and check off questions) on what percentage of your outings would you be likely to fill out a form and mail it back? .. [     %]

12. There are approximately 2500 trails in Washington State. Do you believe a user supported computer system should be put into operation which would contain regularly updated information about each trail? (circle one) Y N

13. If you answered NO to the question 12, indicate your reason(s) and go onto question 15.

14. If you agree that a user supported computer system should be put into operation:

a. who should operate it? (check one)

- A government agency (e.g., FS, NPS or other)
- A non-profit organization (e.g., Mountaineers or Signpost)
- A private organization
- Don't know

b. to what extent would you support the following methods for users to pay for the system? (1 means VERY LOW SUPPORT, 5 means AVERAGE SUPPORT, 9 means VERY HIGH SUPPORT)

Sales of an annual comprehensive guidebook (circle one) ..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Weekly trail condition report subscription service(circle one) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Flat-rate toll, telephone information service (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Other (specify, .. 1 2

f. if you used the information from this computer system would it concentrate your backcountry recreational use to a few areas or encourage you to try other areas? (check one)

- Concentrate my use to a few areas
- Encourage me to try other areas
- Don't know

15. How many years have you been a trail user? ..... [     yr]

16. What is your age? ..... [     ]

17. If you are a member of an outdoor recreation organization, specify the organization (e.g., The Mountaineers, Sierra Club).

18. What comments or recommendations do you have about recreation information?

Thank you for your time and interest in providing this input. Please turn in your completed form to the person who gave it to you or mail it to this address.



University of Washington  
Urban Data Center  
21 More Hall (FX-10)  
Seattle, Wa. 98195

Please complete them and bring to the next BoeAlps meeting and give them to Dave Curran. Or mail the completed surveys to Faith Szafranski at Mail Stop 9C-02 by June 20.

## RANGER STATIONS

Elwha  
480 Hot Springs road.  
Port Angeles, WA 98362 452-9191

Heart of the Hills  
Rt. 5 Box 876  
Port Angeles, WA 98362 452-2713

Hob  
Star Rt. 1 Box 650  
Forks, WA 98331 374-6925

Kalaloch  
Star Rt. 1 Box 2200  
Forks, WA 98331 962-2283

Lake Crescent  
Star Route 1, Box 10  
Port Angeles, WA 98362 928-3380

Mora  
Star Route 2 Box 170  
Forks, WA 98331 374-5460

Quinault River  
Rt. 2 Box 76  
Aganda Park, WA 98526 288-2444

Staircase  
Box 186  
Hoodsport, WA 98548 877-5569

Lake Ozette  
Clallam Bay, WA 98326 963-2725

NO PHONE:  
Dosewallips (write Brinnon, WA 98320)  
Soleduck (Write c/o Lake Crescent)

Resorts  
Kalaloch Beach Ocean Village  
Rt. 1  
Clearwater, WA 98399 962-2271

Lake Crescent Lodge and Soleduck Hot Springs  
Star Route 1  
Port Angeles, WA 98362 928-3211

Lake Crescent Log Cabin Resort  
Rt. 1 Box 416  
Port Angeles, WA 98362  
928-3245

La Push Ocean Park  
La Push, WA 98350 374-5267

National Park Concessions Inc.  
Star Rt. 1  
Port Angeles, WA 928-3211

National Park Service  
Pacific Northwest Region  
523 Fourth and Pike Building  
Seattle, WA 98101 442-4830

North Cascades Complex  
NPS  
Sedro Wooley, WA 98284  
Backcountry Desk: 873-4590

Mount Rainier National Park  
Longmire, WA 98397  
Backcountry Desk: 569-2238  
Headquarters: 569-2211

United States Forest Service  
Department Of Agriculture  
Ranger Districts:

Forks, WA 98331 374-6522

Hoodsport, WA 98548 877-5254

Olympia WA 98501 943-7200

Quilicene, WA 98376 765-3368

Quinalt, WA 98575 288-2525

Shelton, WA 98584 426-8265

NPS-USFS Recreation Info  
Seattle WA 442-0170  
FTS Direct: 8-399-0170

Keep these phone numbers handy!

County Sheriffs Emergency Numbers

Chelan: 509-663-2636  
Clallam: 206-452-2333  
Grays Harbor: 206-532-3284  
Jefferson: 206-385-3831  
King: 206-344-3830  
Kitsap: 206-876-7101 \*  
Kittitas: 509-925-9858  
Lewis: 206-748-8887  
Mason: 206-426-9766  
Okanogan: 206-422-3130  
Pierce: 206-593-4970  
Skagit: 206-336-3146  
Skamania: 509-427-5626  
Snohomish: 206-258-2484  
Whatcom: 206-676-6711  
Yakima: 509-575-4342

\* after regular hours call 911

Misc. Numbers

Wash. State Ferries Info: 206-464-6400  
Seattle MRC Call Center : 206-488-8580  
Snow Cond. Report : 206-442-SNOW  
State Weather : 206-285-3710  
Pass Report : 206-464-6010

Park Service

North Cascades: 206-873-4500  
Mt. Rainier: 206-569-2211  
Olympic: 206-452-9235

Forest Service - Main Offices

Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie: 206-442-5400  
Colville: 509-684-5221  
Gifford Pinchot: 206-696-4041  
Okanogan: 509-422-2704  
Olympic: 206-434-9534  
Wenatchee: 509-662-4223

Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Districts

Baker River: 206-853-2851  
Darrington: 206-436-1155  
Glacier: 206-599-2714  
Verlot: 206-691-7791  
North Bend: 206-888-1421  
Skykomish: 206-677-2414  
White River: 206-825-2517

Okanogan Districts

Twisp: 509-997-2131  
Winthrop: 509-996-2266

Wenatchee Districts

Chelan: 509-682-2576  
Cle Elum: 509-674-4411  
Ellensburg: 509-962-9813  
Entiat: 509-784-1511  
Lake Wenatchee: 509-763-3103

Gifford Pinchot Districts

St. Helens: 206-238-5244  
Mt. Adams: 509-395-2501

Olympic Districts

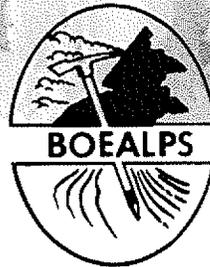
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JULY MEETING

### ANNUAL PICNIC AT CAMP LONG

**DATE:** Wednesday, July 8, 1981  
**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Camp Long – 35th S.W. and S.W. Dawson, West Seattle  
 (see map below)

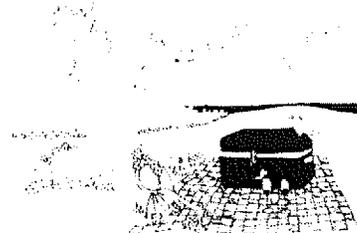
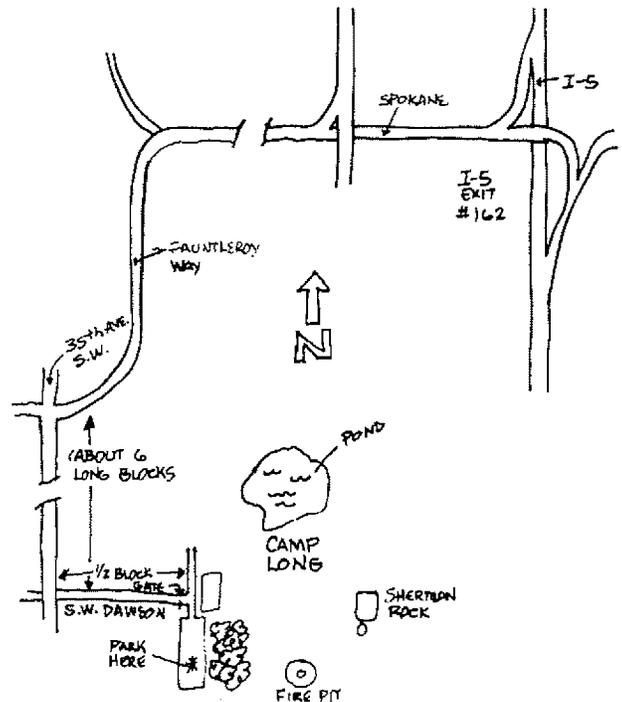
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Time again for our picnic at Camp Long. Bring the whole family... This is always a good time to meet people you haven't seen in awhile - they seem to come out of the woodwork for this one.

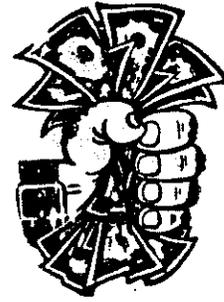
Bring your tennis shoes, climbing boots and rock gear. The club will provide: Hot dogs, rolls, condiments, a fire and hotdog roasting sticks, potato chips, cold drinks, and napkins, plates and utensils. You are asked to bring one other item per family to add to the feast according to the first letter of your last name:

- (A-F) Dessert (cake, pie, ice cream, cookies, watermelon, etc.)
- (G-P) Salad (green, fruit, jello, potato, macaroni, carrot, etc.)
- (Q-Z) Side dish (baked beans, vegetable dish, ham, fried chicken, etc.)

**ACTIVITIES:** Eating and picnicing, socializing, equipment swap, climbing practice on Sherman Rock, volleyball, frisbee, and anything else you wish to bring to play. The equipment swap will feature some of our older club equipment and any climbing gear that you wish to sell or swap.



# TREASURY ACTIVITY...



## BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY MAY 15 TO JUNE 15, 1981

### Balance, May 15, 1981

Checking	\$9,659.77	
Savings	136.18	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$9,801.65

### Receipts

Dues	\$21.00	
Total		\$21.00

### Disbursements

Board Meeting	\$25.00	
Climb Class Refund	39.00	
McKinley Climb	2,396.00	
Climbing Course	4,602.50	
June Speaker	50.00	
Meeting Refreshments	36.00	
Library Book	18.00	
Sierra Club Brochures	22.80	
Total		\$7,188.30

### Balance, June 15, 1981

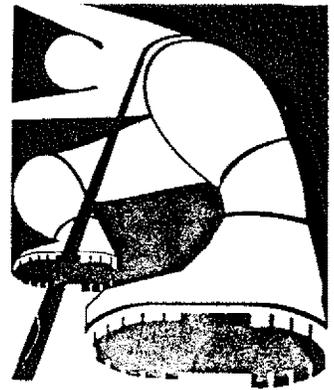
Checking	\$2,492.47	
Savings	136.18	
Petty Cash	5.70	
Total		\$2,634.35

# CONGRATULATIONS!



... to the 124 students who just completed the BoeAlps Climbing Course. We hope to see you at meetings and leading some climbs. We're always looking for volunteers! Hope to see you.

# CLIMBING REPORTS....



## COLCHUCK PEAK (8,705') – NORTHEAST FACE COULOIR – JUNE 7, 1981

Having endured the eternal rains of spring in Western Washington for several weeks, our group of three drove east Sunday morning in search of the legendary sun on the east side. Our objective was Colchuck Peak in the Stuart Range. This area offers some of the best Alpine and Rock Climbing in the Central Cascades, and the generally good weather makes it all the more attractive.

After an early start of about 3:30 a.m. from Seattle, we arrived at the Colchuck/Stuart Lake Trailhead at 6:00 a.m. Gray skies greeted us as we packed up for the hike in. We were somewhat hopeful, though, since the cloud ceiling was well above the peaks in the area. An invigorating hike of 4.5 miles (1,900' gain) to Colchuck Lake took 1.5 hours. After hiking to the South end of the Lake, we stopped to 'Gear Up' for the climb. The Northeast face couloir rises from the end of the Westernmost lateral moraine of the Colchuck Glacier at a 45-degree angle to meet the crest of the North Buttress of Colchuck Peak, and is obvious from lake. The route we chose follows this couloir to the top of the buttress, then along the buttress to the Summit.

We had no sooner hoisted our packs for the climb when the clouds rolled in and it started to snow, which it continued to do for the rest of the day. The sometimes heavy snowfall, wind, and poor visibility made the climb seem like a winter ascent. Upon entering the couloir we found the snow to be extremely frozen and impossible for step kicking. Fortunately, the route had been climbed recently (probably the day before) and steps from the previous party saved a lot of front-pointing and ankle-wrenching. Even with the steps, crampons were a necessity in parts of the couloir.

The crux of the climb was reached after climbing about 150-200' up the couloir. Here, a rock step required some tricky maneuvering with crampons over verglassed rock for about 20' (about 5.6, with barely adequate protection). This section would be easier with better conditions, above the step, steep snow was followed for another 800' to the crest of the buttress. A 700' upward traverse on steep snow (about 200' below the crest on the west side) was followed to a final series of gullies which led to the summit structure (hard ice in some short sections). Another 100' of rock scrambling (class 3) brought us to the summit at 12:45 p.m.

A brisk wind and 25 degree temperature shortened our summit stay somewhat. We descended easily via the 'normal' route to the Dragontail Colchuck Col, and from there to the Lake. The hike out was uneventful and wet.

Climbers on this trip were: Mark Dale, Dave Larson, and Steve Mittendorf.

## CHAIR PEAK – MAY 23, 1981

Three climbers met in North Bend and drove to the main Alpental Parking lot. An easy hike up the Snow Lakes Trail in bright sun and some step kicking up the basin put us at the base of the East Face in 2½ hours. Alternating leads directly up the face gained the summit four hours later. No difficulties were encountered on this class 4 to 5 route, but progress was slow due to excessive rope handling with only one rope for three climbers. Meanwhile the weather deteriorated to a comfortable gray overcast for our summit break.

The descent was made from the backside of the summit (the regular gulley was too easy) which required some scrambling to get to the South chimney route. One rappel put us on the steep snow which was down climbed and glistaded to the basin and then the hike out to the car. The outing took a total of 12 hours due to the extra rope handling, and an unhurried pace associated with an enjoyable climb with pleasant companions.

Climbers were: Bob Mondrzyk, Dave Curran and Jerry Baillie

## ZIG ZAG RIVER RAFTING – WENATCHEE RIVER – JUNE 20, 1981

Der weekend for our Saturday raft trip on der Wenatchee River looked positively hopeless weather wise as we climbed into der van Friday morning. I hadn't seen der sun in more than a week. But our positive thinking soon changed all that and over der pass der sun was out (as usual) - makes you think they built Seattle on der wrong side of der mountains. We located our camp site at Johnny Creek Campground and headed into town. We had about five hours to kill before any of der others (who worked that day) would be arriving. I now know every nook, crack & cranny in Leavenworth. It's not as big as I had remembered.

Finally at 8:30 p.m. we ran into a few of der others from BoeAlps and headed to der Tyrol Cocktail Lounge. They had der only band you could dance to (sort of) in town...and boy were they bad. First they slapped us with a \$2.50 cover charge which included one drink then they made us listen to der band, who never really did get it together. We kept waiting for our favorites, i.e....Joy to the World and Proud Mary. Three of us (der smart ones) left around midnight to try and get a half way decent sleep before der raft trip. Next morning we met about half in town for breakfast then met der rest in front of Der Berger Haus (somethin' like that) at 10:00 a.m. for additional instructions and directions.

Finally! Into the boats and were off (let the water fights begin) we didn't waste anytime. Make sure you get in a boat with mostly guys cause they paddle fast. The first half hour was relatively calm (except for the fights), I got drenched. We went through our first set of rapids called Chumsticks, we lost our first person overboard at Devils Eye, and she loved it! Last before lunch came Rock N' Roll (and we did).

The Zig Zag vans met us with our lunches, had fires going and hot chocolate made. After a nice long lunch, it was back in the boats and over the Diversion Dam (about a 4-5 foot drop), especially nice after lunch.

The rest of the trip really picked up and one set of rapids really sets in my mind: Snap Dragon...the boat seemed to go into a hole and we lost 4 people (all on the left side) including the guide. I got knocked on my back in the boat and with a full wetsuit on you feel like a turtle on your back.

A few more water fights and a few more sets of rapids (can't remember all of the names) took us into our final destination of Cashmere for a bus ride back to our cars. This was my first rafting trip and certainly not my last, next time I want something rougher! I would recommend this to anyone.

Rafters were: Greg & Donna Cox, Brad McCarrol, John West, Al Casale, Sherry Thompson, Todd Johnstone, Tom, Maria, Kim, Marsha, Sue (don't know their last names) and Judy Swapp

## THE MT. RAINIER AND MT. HOOD TRAGEDIES OF JUNE 21, 1981

- 11 Climbers killed by icefall while ascending the Ingraham Glacier on Mt. Rainier at 11,000 feet.
- 5 Climbers killed in a chain-reaction fall while descending Mt. Hood's Elliot Glacier.

My feelings immediately are sorrow and dismay. Sorrow for the friends and loved ones of those that lost their lives, dismay that a sport and experience that I and so many others enjoy can result in tragedy. But the possibility of tragedy is something that accompanies us in all walks of life.

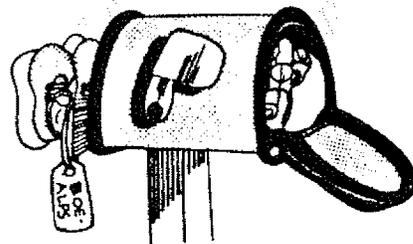
Why do men and women climb mountains? The often quoted replies of history's great mountaineers give good reasons. Mine can be stated as a "revitalization of the spirit." The mountains represent nature in all its beauty, in its tranquility, in its ferocity, in its magnificence. Nature is there for the mountaineer to be a part of for a short time. Mountaineering fills my soul with peace and happiness. After my weekday activities, I can look forward to my attempt on the weekends to meet the mountains on their terms. They challenge me, make me show my strength, my determination, and my judgment to obtain my goal: The high places. This challenge, nature's beauty, and the friendships made while attempting to meet nature on its terms revitalizes my spirit.

I am sure that my feelings in part were shared by those that lost their lives this weekend. The tragedy could have just as easily taken me. Will this fact stop me from climbing mountains? No, for that which I gain from mountaineering is very much a part of what my life is worth living for.

I feel that I have lost close friends, brothers sharing a common experience. I feel sorrow, but I know that we must accept that which life gives to us, and live on.

Anonymous.

# NOTES FROM ALL OVER...



## McKINLEY CLIMB

The BoeAlps McKinley Climb led by Phil Ehrsler was somewhat successful. Some made it, and some didn't. Hope to see a report next month in the Echo...(yeah, that's a big hint)

## MT. RAINIER – JULY 10-11-12

Route: Tahoma Glacier - Strong Physical Condition is a must the route is long and tiring.

Contact: Steve Mittendorf - (Work) 237-6517 (Home) 237-6517

## TEE-SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE

1982 Everest Expedition Tee-Shirts are still available from Dave Curran at a price of \$10.00.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

JULY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4th of July
5	6	7	8 Annual Picnic Camp Long 5:00 p.m.	9	10 Mt. Rainier Tahoma Glacier	11 Mt. Rainier Tahoma Glacier
12 Mt. Rainier Tahoma Glacier	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## IT'S COMIN' UP

AUGUST						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 p.m. (New Cafe)	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Sportswest 10K Run 
16	17	18	19 Watermelon 5 mile Run	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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<i>Programs.....</i>	<i>Jeff Bland.....</i>	<i>05-07.....</i>	<i>342-5376</i>	<i>Librarian.....</i>	<i>Jerry Sommerman.....</i>	<i>1E-57</i>	



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### AUGUST MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 1981

7:30 P.M.

BSRL (NEW CAFETERIA)

#### Program

**HIKING AND CLIMBING IN THE BUGABOOS & ALONG THE BANFF-JASPER HIGHWAY**

by

**JERRY SOMMERMAN**

Climbing and hiking in the Bugaboos and along the BANFF-JASPER Highway. The Bugaboos are Granite Pinnacles located in the Canadian Interior Range of British Columbia. The BANFF-JASPER Highway along the B.C. - Alberta border is one of the truly magnificent scenery roads of the world. With hiking and climbing to match. The program is a composite of several trips into the area.

## MINUTES – BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, July 15, 1981 – Judy Swapp's house

Members Present: Dave Curran, Steve Mittendorf, Bob Mondrzyk, Dave Long, Dave Larson, Jerry Sommerman, Jerry Baillie and Don Taylor

### TOPICS:

Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs - 50th Annual Convention August 28, 1981, Bozeman, MT.

- Asking for resolutions
- Rick Jali is Vice President of F.W.O.C. - to be contacted to represent BoeAlps
- Story in Echo

Boeing Recreation Activity Fair - 2nd or 3rd Sunday of September

- Steve Mittendorf volunteered to be contact and coordinate help
- Volunteers and suggestions needed

Election Committee Formation

- Elections at September meeting
- Dave Larson chairs the committee
- Volunteers and nominations needed
- Emphasis on utilizing new members

Conservation

- Information on forest planning
- Washington congressmen delaying submission of group decision on WA wilderness bill pending results of similar legislation in CA.
- Important to continue letter writing

Mazamas newsletters are circulating among board members

- Information and ideas for Boealps application

Recreation Interface

- Must be submitted to recreation by Wednesday noon of preceding week for Boeing News
- Meetings must be planned one month in advance
- Inform Recreation of special events and contact changes

Program Suggestions

- Establish contact with other area clubs to trade ideas, etc.
- Mike and amp for meeting speakers
- Need new area since current meeting site is unsuitable

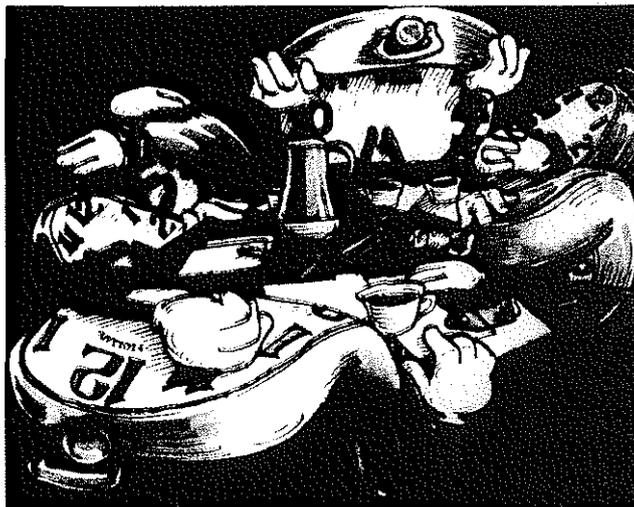
Climbing Class

- The class is too large and causing an apparent drop in quality
- Refresher courses, seminars, etc. necessary to continue education
- Presidents talk
  - Club climbs
  - Climb ratings
  - Qualification
  - First Aid

Club Climbs

- Need leaders!
- Periodic list of climbs for upcoming season - Jerry Baillie and committee for fall
- Creation of leader guidelines including responsibilities, establishment of participant qualifications, and right of refusal
- Need climb rating and qualification scheme

Executive picnic at Walt Bauermeister's place July 24, 1981



Respectfully submitted

Dave Long

# TREASURY ACTIVITY...

## BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY – JUNE 15 TO JULY 15, 1981

• Balance June 15, 1981		
• Checking	\$2,492.47	
• Savings	136.18	
• Petty Cash	5.70	
• Total		\$2,634.35
• Receipts		
• Dues	\$28.00	
• Interest on Savings	1.78	
• Total		\$29.78
• Disbursements		
• Picnic	\$135.00	
• Board Meeting	46.02	
• Total		\$181.02
• Balance July 15, 1981		
• Checking	\$2,339.45	
• Savings	137.96	
• Petty Cash	5.70	
• Total		\$2,483.11



## HINTS ON HOW TO KEEP YOUR ECHO COMING

Each month, several club members fail to get their ECHO. Usually there is one of three reasons:

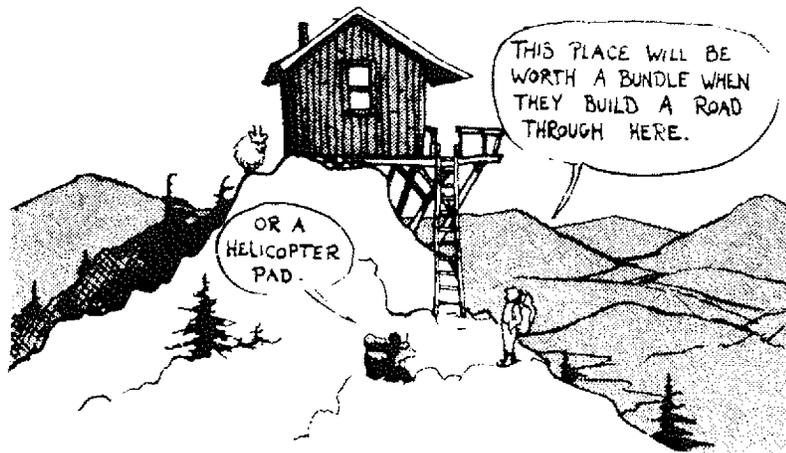
1. The member has moved without notifying the BoeAlps membership chairman of the new address.
2. The member has not notified Boeing of an address change, or...
3. The member has left Boeing without notifying the membership chairman.

The ECHO'S are addressed as follows: Envelopes are ordered every three months. When a member sends in a change-of-address, the envelopes in stock are hand corrected. When envelopes are reordered, the membership chairman sends in non-Boeing address changes. The company will not accept address changes for employees. Employee envelopes are automatically labeled with the address in the personnel file. When an employee quits, his name is automatically dropped from the roster without any notification coming to the membership chairman. With nearly 400 members, it is not feasible to check each new envelope to make sure that address changes have been made and that no one has been dropped.

Here is the proper procedure to follow:

1. When you move, notify the BoeAlps membership chairman.
2. If you are a Boeing employee, keep the address in your personnel file up-to-date.
3. If you leave Boeing (even for a leave of absence) notify the membership chairman so that your name can be transferred to the non-Boeing list.

These steps will assure that you will continue to receive your Echo and will make the jobs of the Membership Chairman and Echo Editor a lot easier .



## WASHINGTON WILDERNESS BILL

Washington congressmen are holding off submission of a group decision concerning the Washington Wilderness Bill while debate continues on a California Wilderness Bill before the House Interior Committee.

"Release" language is the main issue and the outcome will effect the direction of the Washington Wilderness Bill. It is important to continue writing letters to your congressional representatives and make your opinions known. Urge your friends to write also.

## YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN FOREST PLANNING

The U. S. Forest Service has entered a new era of forest planning. The Forest Management Act of 1976 requires that all National Forests in the United States produce 10-year plans to deal with management of all resources: Timber production, fish and wildlife habitat, livestock grazing, road and trail construction, recreational development, firewood gathering, mining control and mitigation, watershed protection, wilderness designation and further planning. This process is getting started as the Reagan Administration is putting renewed emphasis on economic development of public lands and with a former Louisiana-Pacific Timber Co. executive appointed head of the Forest Service. If you have a particular area or activity you are interested in, now is the time to get involved.

There are nine major steps in the process, with provision for public participation through public meetings, newsletters and individual letters. You can participate in the following ways:

- Identify the issues you want the Forest Service to address in the Management Plans.
- Develop standards for creating and evaluating alternative Management Plans.
- Develop and evaluate alternatives that address the issues you care about in the National Forests.
- Comment on the draft and final Environmental Impact Statements.

There is a catch. Any persons challenging a final Forest Plan must show that they participated in the planning process and previously raised the specific issues they are protesting. So it is imperative that concerned citizens get involved now, in the beginning stages of the Forest Plans, and that participation is documented in writing.

You don't have to be an expert to participate, all that is required is an interest in, and commitment to, the National Forest lands. The Forest Service is required by law to manage the land for sustained production of all multiple-use resources and needs to know what you value most in the national forests.

To get involved, write the forest supervisor of each forest you are concerned about (addresses below) and ask to be put on the mailing list to receive "Forest Plan Reports" and the draft and final environmental impact statements. Contact Ken Gersten of the Washington Wilderness Coalition (P.O. Box 5691, Seattle Wa. 98105) if you are interested in coordinating with other people working on the Forest Plans.

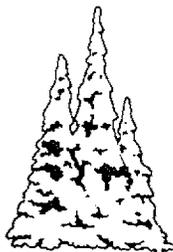
You can make a difference. The changing political climate makes it more important than ever for citizens to speak out against commodity-dominated forest management plans that do not provide for the non-commodity forest uses essential to maintaining healthy and productive forests in the long run.

Get involved and spread the word to other concerned forest users!

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Federal Building  
Colville, WA 99114  
(509) 684-3711

Forest Supervisor  
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Vancouver, WA 98660  
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Forest Supervisor  
Mt. Baker/Snoqualmie Nat'l Forest  
1601 Second Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98101  
(206) 442-5400



Forest Supervisor  
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Okanogan, WA 98840  
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Forest Supervisor  
Olympic National Forest  
P.O. Box 2288  
Olympia, WA 98507  
(206) 753-9535

Forest Supervisor  
Wenatchee National Forest  
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Wenatchee, WA 98801  
(509) 66204335

Forest Supervisor  
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Pendleton, OR 97801  
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## BOEALPS LIBRARY

Check out of the materials will be through the Boeing mail. If there are any questions or suggestions or donations which you wish to make concerning the library, please contact Jerry Sommerman at home, 938-4896, through the Boeing mail, or at work, 773-9778.

The book check out procedure is as follows:

1. Contact Jerry Sommerman, include your name, mail stop, work phone and materials you want to check out.
2. The librarian will mail the material to you through the Boeing mail. The due date is three weeks from the date of mailing.
3. On or before the due date return the material to Jerry Sommerman (via M/S 1E-57).

Only club members are eligible for this service. The person checking out the material is responsible for returning it.

Listed below is material now available. Additional purchases are being made and we are still asking for donations. Please contribute.

ABC of Avalanche Safety by E.R. Lachapelle	Climbing Guide to Shawangunk Rock Climbs
Across the Olympic Mountains Press Exp. 1989-90	Climbing Guide to Yosemite Valley
Advanced Rockcraft by Royal Robbins	Climbing Mount Whitney
American Alpine Journals 1970-1980 11 issues	Epics of Everest by Wibberley
Annapurna by Maurice Herzog	Gervasutti's Climbs by Giusto Gervasutti
Ascent of Denali by Stuck/Harper	Hawaiian Camping by Shirley Rizeuto
Ascent of Rum Doodle by W.E. Bowman	High Points of the States by Frank Ashley
Basic Rockcraft by Royal Robbins	Hiking the Teton Backcountry
British Mountaineers by F.S. Smythe	Hiking the Yellowstone Backcountry
Challenge of the N. Cascades by Fred Beckey	K2 The Savage Mountain by Houston/Bates
Climbing Guide to Colorado Mountains by Robert Ormes	Mont Blanc Massif - 100 Finest Routes by Gaston Rebuffat
Climbing Guide to the High Sierras by Steve Roper	The Mountain World, 1953, 1954, 1955
Climbing Guide to the Interior Ranges of British Columbia N	Mountains of the World Handbook
Climbing Guide to the Interior Ranges of British Columbia S	Sivalaya, 8,000 Meter Peaks by Baume
Climbing Guide to Lake Tahoe Region	Snowshoeing by Gene Prater
Climbing Guide to Lumpy Ridge Area (Rocky Mt. Nat'l Park)	Storm and Sorrow by Craig
Climbing Guide to Oregon	Swaramandal by Pat Ament
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mts. of Canada (North)	Tales of a Western Mountaineer by Rusk
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mts. Of Canada (South)	Yosemite Nat'l Park (Natural History) by J. Schaffer
Climbing Guide to Rocky Mt. Nat'l Park	Subscriptions to off Belay and Summit and assorted mag.

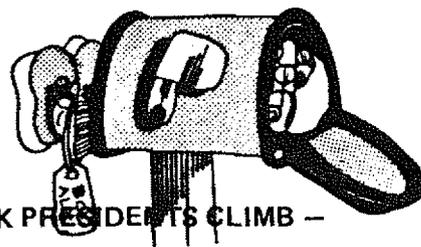
### New Additions Include:

Big Wall Climbing by Doug Scott  
Canadian Alpine Journal 1980  
Everest the Hard Way by Doug Scott  
Expedition Planner by Boyd Everett

# NOTES FROM ALL OVER...

## SOUTHERN PICKETTS – AUGUST 15 THRU 30

Southern Picketts - One or two weeks possible. Call Jerry Sommerman at 773-9778 (Work) or 938-4896 (Home). Very strenuous – 5th class required!



## ANNUAL BLACK PEAK PRESIDENTS CLIMB – SEPTEMBER 26 & 27

Once again, our outgoing president shall lead a climb on Black Peak in the North Cascades. The trip begins at Rainy Pass and takes in 6 miles of fine vistas on the way to Wing Lake at the base of Black Peak. The climb is of moderate difficulty but has the potential for lots of excitement. Maximum size of the climbing party is 12. For details, contact Dave Curran.

## F.W.O.C. 50TH ANNUAL CONVENTION – AUGUST 28-30

The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs (F.W.O.C.) 50th Annual Convention will be held in Bozeman, MT. August 28-30, 1981. Anyone is invited to attend and represent the BoeAlps. Interested parties should contact Dave Curran.

## BOEING RECREATION ACTIVITY FAIR

Boeing Recreation will sponsor an activity fair on the second or third Sunday in September. Look for details in the Boeing News. The BoeAlps plan to have a booth providing information on our club. Ideas, suggestions, and volunteers are needed for this endeavor. Please contact Steve Mittendorf.

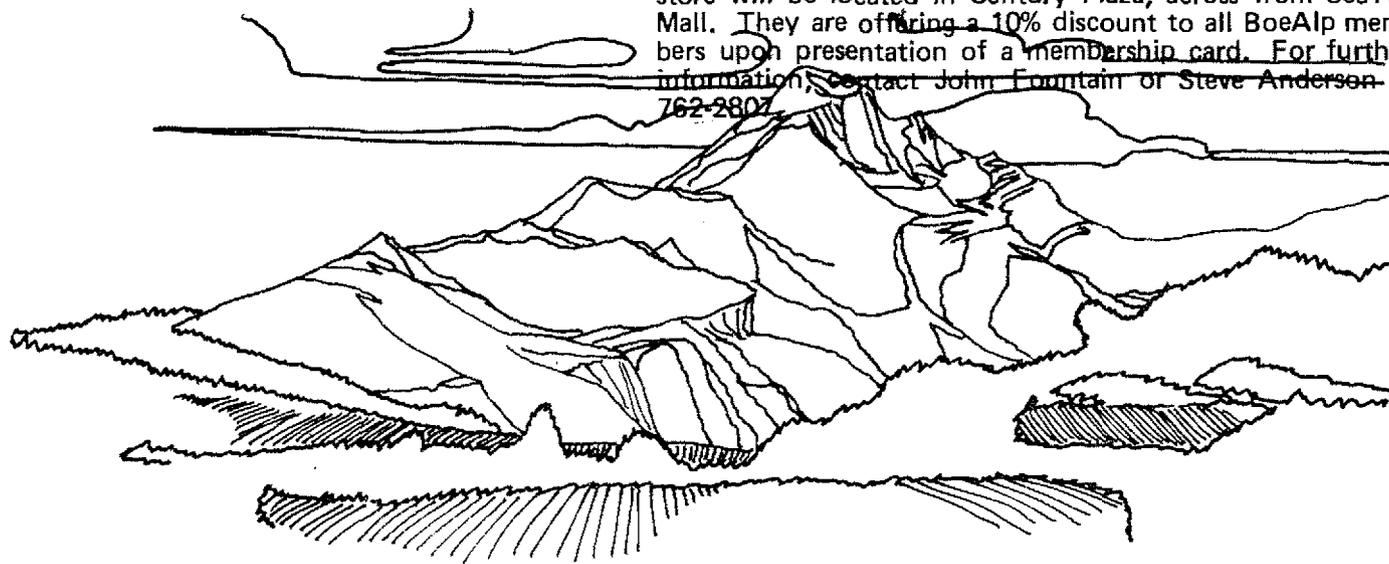
## ELECTIONS COMING FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING

Club elections will be held at the September meeting. A nomination committee is being formed. If you are interested in serving the club in some capacity or would like to suggest someone else, contact Dave Larson. New members and recent climbing class graduates are particularly urged to participate.



## NEW CLIMBING/HIKING STORE TO OPEN

A new store called "High Cascade" specializing in hiking and mountaineering equipment, will open September 1st. The store will be located in Century Plaza, across from SeaTac Mall. They are offering a 10% discount to all BoeAlp members upon presentation of a membership card. For further information, contact John Fountain or Steve Anderson at 762-2807.



# CLIMBING REPORTS....

## MT CONSTANCE (7,743 FT – 2360 m) – JUNE 27-28

The mountain was playing games with us. For two lovely summer days (Wednesday and Thursday) Mt. Constance looked across the Sound into my living room, then (on Friday and Saturday) it hid in the clouds and fog as the weekend arrived. But on Saturday morning we set out anyway; 4 of us driving around from Seattle, and 2 of us hopping ferries across the Sound from Everett, to meet at the roadhead in the eastern Olympics.

Blue sky and even sun peaked through the clouds as we crossed the Sound and drove up the Dosewallips River to the place where the trail to Lake Constance goes up from the road (elevation 1,450 ft - 440 m). And I do mean up! A sign at the start says 1,036 m in 3.2 km (3,400 ft in 2 miles)! Fortunately there are lots of handholds (trees and roots), but we really didn't need an inadvertant variation that led us up the face of a cliff!

The trail goes like this for one mile, to a relatively flat place, then it gets steep! In some places, it was almost hand over hand, with mountain goats staring at us quizzically. Finally we got to the lake, now in a dense fog, in about 3½ hours from the road.

We made camp, watched more mountain goats, and looked for the other side of the lake. Towards dusk, it did appear, and, hoping for the best, we prepared for an early start. At 0400 it was clear, so at 0500 we set out. We were soon rewarded with a view of the Brothers and other peaks in early morning sunlight.

The route description in the Mountaineers Climbers Guide to the Olympics is essentially correct. We went up the canyon north of the lake and west of the peak to the north chute near Crystal Pass. We then cramponed up the chute on good, hard snow to the summit ridge. From there the route gets a bit tricky; it turns immediately left and goes along a ridge to a crossing to the east side. Fortunately, the route is well marked with painted white circles.

We followed the white Cherrio's to the start of the "Terrible Traverse". Then the fun began. Al chose not to go on, Bruce and Mike charged ahead to do a high variation, Rob ended up doing the College Route with another party, and Bob and I did the "conventional" Terrible Traverse following still another party. It was now a lovely day, about as nice as it ever gets; with clear, warm sun and no wind. We could see forever; Baker, Glacier Peak, Rainier, Adams and St. Helens were all easily visible. The snow had softened enough that the Traverse was easy and pleasant. From there is was an easy ascent to the summit (after a U-turn to approach the summit block from the north), where we had a leisurely lunch and enjoyed the fine view in all directions.

From there it was all down. The weather was deteriorating so we left the summit at noon and descended with little difficulty, although we had to crampon down the chute as well. We felt bits of rain and even snow at times but the weather held, back to base and even to the road.

Climbers: Bob Eramia, Rick Jali, Mike Peterson, Bruce Thurner, Al Wainwright, and Rob Wigenhorn.

Climbing times: Road to Camp (Lake Constance) - 3½ hours — Camp to Summit - 6 hours — Summit to Camp - 3 hours — Camp to Road - 2½ hours.

Culinary note: The Kingston Inn, at the Kingston Terminal for the ferry to Edmonds, serves good food extremely rapidly. We ordered a full dinner during a 45 minute wait for the next ferry, and had plenty of time to enjoy it and take a walk on the pier afterwards.

## BOEALPS PICNIC

The annual BoeAlps picnic was held on Wednesday, July 8th at Camp Long. There was plenty of good food and fellowship among the 75 attendees. The weather was some of the best for the summer. Activities included volleyball, some rock climbing on Schurman Rock, equipment swapping and lots of socializing. A good time was had by all.

## MT STUART – JUNE 27-28

Some members of the "Red Team" of this and last years basic mountaineering class ascended Mount Stuart. The trip was longer than planned originally. We hiked into the Turnpike trail - Ingalls trail campground, at the base of the Cascadian Couloir. Our route was over Ingalls pass to Ingalls Lake, then down the Lake out fall to the campsite. The shorter route, over Longs Pass, was missed because the turnoff to Longs Pass from the Ingalls Pass trail was poorly marked.

The trip to the summit, on Sunday, took six hours. It was necessary to do the final thousand feet with crampons, and the trip from the false summit to the main summit was mixed snow, ice and rock climbing. The traverse was done roped. There was some exposure above Ulrichs Couloir and the presence of huge cornices made the traverse interesting.

The descent was done in less than 2 hours from the false summit due to much improved snow conditions. The trip out over Longs Pass was uneventful. We stopped in Cle-Elum for dinner and arrived in Seattle about midnight Sunday.

Those participating: Larry Miller, Steve Lamotta, Dave Willard, Lorna Willard, Dianne Willard, Dick Moeller, John Palmer, Ted Tranz, Ron Witte, and Jack Leicester.

## MT TEMPLE RANGE – JULY 3-5

After the usual disorder prior to any climb, we left Seattle around 9:00 Thursday evening. Using the Snow Creek trailhead parking lot as a mattress, we slept under the stars. Rips reveille at 5:00 A. M. brought loud objections since this was to be a leisurely trip. It proved to be a wise decision because we took advantage of the early morning shade. The trail could be hostile later in the day.

It took three leisurely hours to travel the five miles to Nada Lake. We didn't realize it but the mosquitos controlled our pace. If one keeps moving they don't bother as much so rest stops were very short.

Our approach was via the Nada Creek drainage which consists of an elusive path along the talus slope until the rock band is reached. This rock band is about 50 feet of 4th class with no visible alternatives. Above the rock band, travel is simplified by fantastic views and thinning underbrush. Jerry braved a waterfall shower which immediately caused a lot of bellowing.

Basecamp was established near Musky Lakelet and an attempt made on the Black Pyramid. Defeat is attributed to route finding and listlessness. By 8:30 P. M. the bugs were "pigging out" at basecamp.

The first assult Saturday was on Comet Spire. After scouting around on the southwest ridge we decided that the 4th class route must be a "Beckey 4th class" (low 5th class) right on the ridge crest. After a lunch hour on the summit, we rappelled down. Plenty of webbing should be available to position the rappel rope over the edge for retrieval. Early afternoon left us with the choice of a swim or another peak. Real hard core climbers, huh? The thought of bugs ruled out the swim so we headed for Mt. Temple. Most of the ascent to the west col was via a snow finger with minimal rock scrambling. From the notch the 5.3 slab looks blank. Closer investigation yeilds good holds although it seems steeper than 65 degrees. Summit time was at a premium since it was approaching 6:00 P. M.. One long interesting rappel put us down to the col and headed for supper and bed.

Sunday morning brought overcast skies and rain. Being the hard core climbers that we are, we packed up and headed out. The path is easier to follow going downhill and an arm rappel made short work of the rock band. Omelets and beer in Leavenworth put the finishing touch to a fine outing.

Main courses were: Dave Larson, Jerry Baillie and Rip Stevenson.

## MT BAKER – JULY 18

On Saturday, seven climbers fought many adversities to meet at Schreiber Meadows for an attempt to climb Mt. Baker via the Easton Glacier route. Our plan was to climb as high as possible on Saturday with the saddle at 9,000 feet the goal. As we started up from the parking area at 3,200 feet, the weather was intermittent rain. We met 2 climbers coming down who had reached the summit. They suggested a good camp near the crater. Unfortunately, just as we were going to get on Easton Glacier at 6,000 feet, the weather turned worse with whiteout conditions prevailing. We decided to camp and hope for better weather Sunday morning. Sunday morning was even worse so we packed up and headed back down the mountain.

Climbers: Joan Rosenstock, Mike Terry, Bruce Pirie, Dan Shonka, Jeff Bialer, Jean West, and Dave Long.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

AUGUST						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 P. M.	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Southern Picketts Aug 15-30
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

## IT'S COMIN' UP

SEPTEMBER						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 High Cascade Grand Opening	2	3 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 P.M. (Elections)	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Pres. Climb Black Peak
27 Pres. Climb Black Peak	28 FWOC Convention	29 FWOC Convention	30 FWOC Convention			

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## ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

At this month's meeting the Executive Officers will be elected for the coming year. Candidates (nominated by the nominating committee) for the offices thus far include:

### **President**      **Vice President**

- Steve Mittendorf
- Bob Mondrzyk
- Judy Swapp

### **Treasurer**      **Secretary**

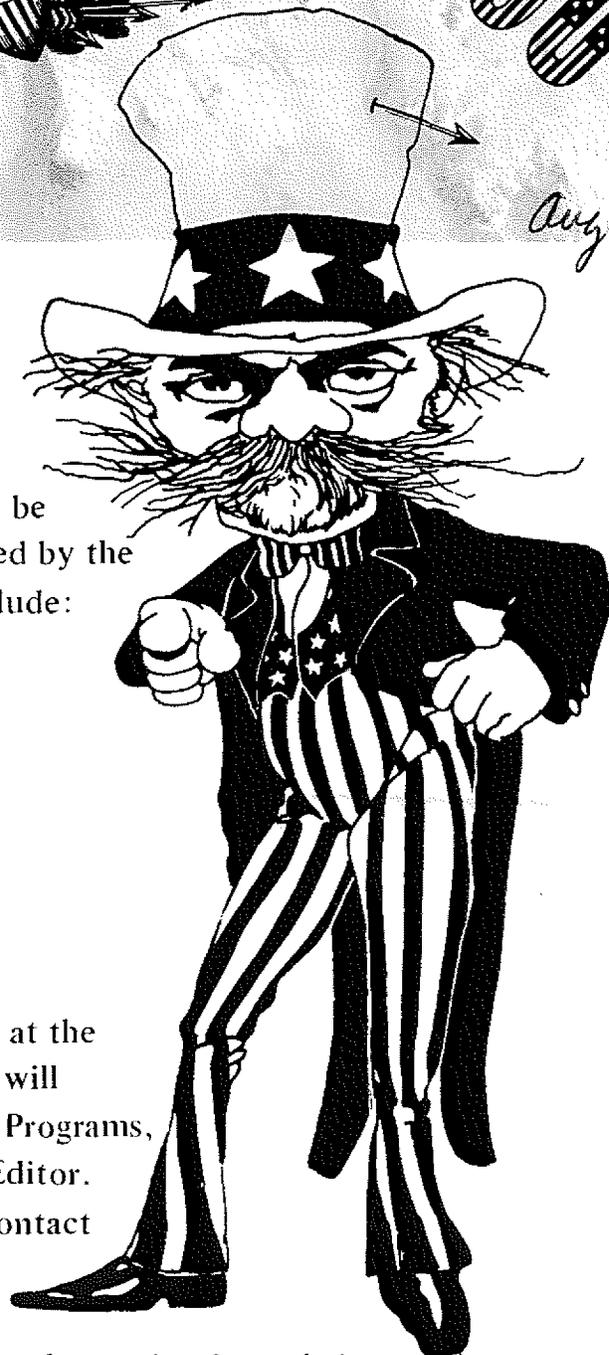
- John Kokes
- Diane Hunt
- Mark Moorleghen
- Dave Long
- Gene Sevigny
- Eric Marsh

Nominations will be open from the floor Thursday at the meeting. Once the executive board is elected they will appoint persons to fill the positions of: Activities, Programs, Equipment, Membership, Conservation and Echo Editor.

Anyone interested in one of the positions should contact one of the current executive officers or chairmen.

Remember that the club is only as good as the

members make it, so consider getting involved and volunteering for a chairmanship.



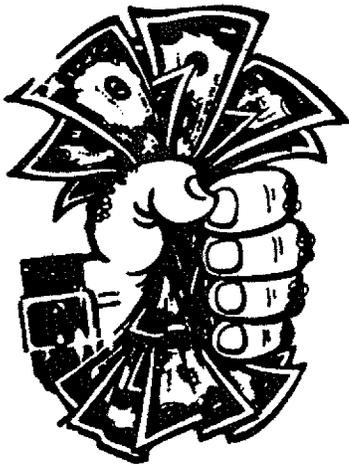


**PROGRAM (TBD)**

Due to **TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES** the program regularly seen at this time has been **CANCELLED** to bring you a **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**.

The **PROGRAM** will be announced at the BoeAlps meeting by the Program Director **JEFF BLAND**.





# TREASURY REPORT

## BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY – JULY 15 THRU AUGUST 13, 1981

Balance, July 15, 1981			
Checking	\$2,339.45		
Savings	137.96		
Petty Cash	5.20		
Total			\$2,483.11
Receipts			
Dues	\$14.00		
Company Funds	400.00		
Total			\$414.00
Disbursed			
Executive Board and Class Instructors dinner	\$125.00		
August Meeting Refreshments	19.00		
August Speaker	50.00		
Total			\$194.00
Balance, August 13, 1981			
Checking	\$2,565.15		
Savings	137.96		
Petty Cash	0		
Total			\$2,703.11

**MT ADAMS NORTH RIDGE (12,276 FT.) – SEPT 19-20**

One of the **BIG ONES!** Fairly direct and a non-technical route.  
Contact Rojer Rolling at 773-8033.

**EARLY WINTER SPIRE – N CASCADES – SEPT 19**

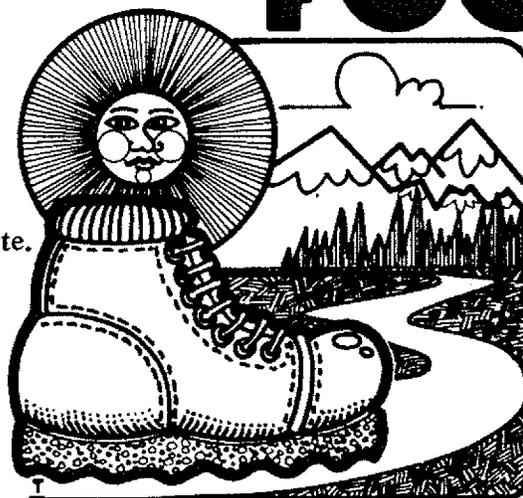
Drive and car camp Friday night at Washington Pass. Climb on Saturday morning. This is a Class 4.0. Contact Charles Thompson at 237-1870 or 488-1019.

**ANNUAL PRESIDENTS BLACK PEAK CLIMB – SEPT 26-27**

Join our **OUTGOING** President, on a fine alpine scramble. The larches at Wing Lake should be showing there fall colors. Contact Dave Curran at 251-3748.

**ENCHANTMENT LAKES – 1ST WEEKEND IN OCTOBER**

Join me in a 3 day climb of the Enchantment Lakes. Beautiful this time of the year. Contact Jerry Baillie at 655-3223.



**FOOT  
LOOSE**

# CLIMBING REPORTS

## TWIN SISTERS

It was Seafair Sunday - time for parties, celebration, hydro races, zoo time. Time to get out of town for the day. Our sluggish group of four were northward bound from Seattle at 4:00 A.M. Sunday morning, hoping for some fun climbing and relief from the heat in the Twin Sisters range, due West of Mt. Baker.

After making the usual amount of wrong turns, we finally parked the car below the clearcut on the South side of the West Ridge of the North Twin. Roads are not clearly marked and the guidebook for this area is somewhat confusing, even on clear days. Our initial objective was the West ridge of the North Twin and, time permitting, the Northeast ridge of the South Twin.

We left the car about 7:30 and bushwhacked our way up the clearcut, then through lighter brush to the ridgetop. From there we pretty much followed the ridge crest, taking hints from the route description now and then to avoid obstacles. The rock in this area is unique to the Cascades and not found anywhere else. It is excellent for climbing, very solid and rough textured, in addition to having a pleasant orange-red color. The ridge was Class 3 and 4 climbing with increasing exposure and narrowness towards the summit. We didn't rope up which speeded the ascent quite a bit and gave an enjoyable freedom to move on the rock. We were on the summit in less than 3 hours from the car.

We had been blessed with shade on most of the route, but now it was time to suffer. After a short stay on the North Twin summit, we began to descend the South face and were exposed to the sweltering heat which would stay with us the rest of the day. We broke out the rope for one short rappel, the only time we used it. Rather than descend the entire distance to the basin, we attempted to traverse towards the col that we had to cross to climb the South Twin (hereafter known as the 'Larson Traverse'). This proved to be quite exciting due to loose boulders which all seemed to want to join their friends in the basin below.

Eventually we did drop into the basin, rather than waste time roping on the traverse, which was becoming increasingly difficult. Here, Glen decided he had had enough of this madness and would wait for our return. The rest of us dragged ourselves up and over the col on Class 4 and easy Class 5 rock, trying not to trip over our tongues which now resembled those of panting dogs. Hot, hot, hot. Crossing the Sisters Glacier proved a welcome cool breeze. We gained the Northeast Ridge with no difficulty and once on the crest it only took 30 minutes to reach the summit of the South Twin. The ridge was mostly a rock pile, but most of the boulders were well-behaved. We descended the same ridge and retraced our route to the col, crossing at an easier spot North of our approach.

We then met Glen at the bottom of the basin and dragged ourselves onto the car, after some more sweating, cussing, and beating brush. We arrived at about 6:00 P.M.. On the drive out two gates that were open that morning had been closed by Georgia-Pacific due to high fire hazard in the area. Fortunately, they weren't locked.

The climbers on this trip were: Glen Brindeiro, Mark Dale, Dave Larson, and Rip Stevensen.



## BEARS BREAST (7,197 FT) – JULY 31 - AUGUST 2

We left Seattle at 7:00 A.M. with hopes of a Bears Breast to Overcoat Traverse, but our plans were quickly modified. The Middle Fork of the Snoqualmie River road is washed out about 4 miles from the trailhead to Dutch Miller Gap. It also should be noted that the maximum! speed over most of the “open” section was 20 mph due to chuckholes. It took over an hour from North Bend to the washout.

Undaunted we marched up the road for 1.5 hours to find the trailhead. The sun burnt the low clouds by noon. At Pedro Camp, a lovely spot, we took a long break, boots came off and feet went into the creek. It was 3:00 P.M. and all hopes of climbing Bears Breast that day were officially vanquished. Soon Dutch Miller Gap was reached and a search for a good camp ensued. We considered climbing around the North side of Lake Ivanhoe but eventually decided to drop 350 ft. to the Lake and then gain 350 ft. back on the wooded rib just N.E. of Lake Ivanhoe. No good water on the Rib! But it was now 13 miles from the road, so we camped anyway.

The mountain is impressive, 2,000 ft walls all around. We searched and found the proper “gulley”. It is on the far left and arches to the right. The climbing is exposed Class 3 up to the summit tower notch. It took 3 hours to reach the summit tower notch, 10:00 A.M.

We looked at the lower chimmney wondering how we would climb it. It was completely overhung and disappeared out of sight. We soon found the easier ledges and roped up for the attack. After the easy ledges a large ramp reaches the base of the correct upper chimmney and a fixed pin. We were 30 ft. below (directly) the overhanging chockstone. The first move above the pin was difficult, swinging outside the chimmney. The chockstone was climbed with advise from the belayer directly below. He could see the nubbins better than the climber. Finally with much grunting and groaning, the move went. The ascent was still steep, 70o but is was just wide enough for the body to wiggle in it comfortably. Another pin, then out onto the face for 15 ft. and back into the narrowing chimmney (six inches). One more difficult move near the top, and the summit was ours. Over 2.5 hours of difficult climbing above the notch.

Clear sky prevailed. We could see all of the name peaks in the area but were most impressed with our own peak. The “easiest” route up was not so easy, F5.6. Beckey rates it Class 4-5. It took 5 hours and six 75 ft. rappels to return to camp (dead tired). Had we not lost the route down low, we may have been able to downclimb all except the top three rappels.

Sunday proved to be a long day out (13.0 miles). We saw only two people from Friday morning to Sunday afternoon (both single women). As we neared the trailhead the melee of confusion about Goldmeyer Hot Springs dawned on us. There were 50-100 people looking for the place, we still don't know of its whereabouts. In peticular two strong looking young men with day packs asked us “are we near the second bench in the valley where the views open up?”, we were stunned. They were 3 miles from the trailhead and then it was 6 miles to Pedro Camp and good views. Bob calmly reported they weren't approaching the second bench in the valley, but that the trailhead was just a few miles ahead. Laughter carried us home.

Note: Only second time Bears Breast was climbed this year.

Climbers were Bob Mondryzk and Jerry Baillie

## MT. BAKER – COLEMAN GLACIER - JULY 25-26

Early Saturday morning we had a pleasant hike up the Kulshan cabin trail which was snow free to the base of the glacier where we roped up. The setting was perfect: Clear blue skies, sunny and warm, green meadows sprinkled with wildflowers, waterfalls of melting snow, marmots scampering about and the white glistening mountain calling us on. There were numerous crevasses in every direction from cracks to gaping holes. We set up camp at 8,000 feet about 3:00 P.M. and relaxed to the beautiful views of Canada before us. As the sun slowly set and we settled for the evening, we viewed the whole color spectrum on the horizon and listened to the sounds of cheer and defeat of the electronic football game from the tent next door.

The next morning we made our way through a massive ice fall which had broken off and crossed our path the week before. We made the summit by noon and enjoyed summit views and group pictures only minutes before the winds talked us into descending in which we glissaded (thank God!) most of the way back to camp and then off the glacier.

It was a fantastic weekend for all of us and a great birthday gift for myself.

Climbers were: John Bartella, Jeff and Diane Hunt, Dan and Sue Belleville, Tom Walker, Mark Barnett, Roger Sausy and Dan and Cher Rudd.

## MT. MAUDE – NORTH FACE by Mark Dale

This was one climb I have had my eyes on for several years, but never had quite the combination of time, weather, and interested people to do it. However, the July 4th weekend proved to be prime time for this venture into the Entiat, and Kerry Ritland and myself set out on Friday morning with high hopes for good weather and a challenging climb.

The Chiwawa River - Phelps Creek roads provided a very dusty and bone-jarring ride to the trail-head. Rather than use the standard approach to Leroy Basin via the Phelps Creek and Leroy Creek trails, we opted to follow the longer but much more scenic Carne Mountain trail which would take us to Upper Ice Lake, our planned camp spot. This trail takes one directly up to a beautiful high route which follows a ridgetop overlooking the Entiat Valley on one side and the Phelps Creek valley on the other. Views of the North side of Glacier Peak, Mt. Clarke, and numerous other spectacular summits were reward enough for the strenuous hike to the ridge top. The trail was hard to follow in spots due to snow on parts of the ridge and eventually fades out before the final pass above Upper Ice Lake. Routefinding was not too difficult, however.

We reached Upper Ice Lake after 8.5 hours of hard hiking. This lake is one of the most scenic spots I have encountered in the Cascades, and is seldom used as a camp. We were surprised to find only two other people sharing the lake over the weekend, especially considering the mobs that normally occur just about anywhere you go on the July 4th holiday.

We arose Saturday morning to begin the climb, anticipating an all day ascent since the rating is Grade III. Dropping over a pass above the lake and skirting a rock buttress found us traversing under the Entiat icefall towards our route. This section was done in a 'Bat-out-of-hell' fashion, since one is exposed to debris coming from the icefall here. Fortunately there was no activity that morning, although large blocks of ice along the traverse indicated some recent ice avalanches had occurred.

Once under the North face we scrambled some wet Class 3-4 slabs to the beginning of the snow/ice section of the route. There was no ice encountered but the snow was less than ideal, being very soft and 'greasy'. We chose to stay on the left side of the face due to snow slides coming down and several very large cornices overhanging the central and right-hand side. Due to the snow conditions and the need to move quickly we opted not to rope up. The slope varied from about 40-50 degrees, being increasingly steeper towards the top. Due to the soft snow, a side-stroke swimming technique was required to overcome one very steep pitch.

After kicking many steps for about 2,000 ft., we found ourselves on the summit, less than 4 hours from camp. The climb was definitely not a Grade III that day, although if the face was all ice (as it might be later in the season) it could live up to its rating.

Views from the summit were great, and we headed down after about a 1.5 hour stay. Some nice glissades down the South shoulder got us back to camp in no time. The hike out Sunday was uneventful (we used the Leroy Creek trail for a descent) except for crossing Leroy Creek which was somewhat high (no bridge).



# CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 P.M.	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Early Winter Spire	19 Early Winter Spire Mt. Adams
20 Mt. Adams	21	22	23	24	25	26 Black Peak Presidents Climb
27 Black Peak Presidents Climb	28	29	30			

## a look ahead...

OCTOBER						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 BoeAlps Mtg. 7:30 P.M.	2	3 Enchantments
4 Enchantments	5	6	7	8 Yom Kippur	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween

As of this printing, my year as Echo Editor is officially over! I would sincerely like to thank several people for their help and support they have given me in the past year.

Dave Curran for your calmness and understanding when the Echo was late (due to printing difficulties), Don Taylor for your promptness in supplying me with lists and lists of people and addresses I never knew what to do with, Bob Mondryzk for your fantastic on-time, everytime Treasury Reports, Dave Larson for getting me out of a tight jam by bringing the Echo's to me, Dave Long for spending part of a night writing articles for me, and the rest of the Board Members for getting their articles to me (with little difficulties).

I have really enjoyed putting this newsletter together (well, most of the time) and wish the new Echo Editor(s) patience and understanding. I will give you any support you may need...except for yelling at the printers...they know who I am.

Judy Swapp



**THE END.**

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OCTOBER MEETING  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1981

7:30 P.M.

BSRL (NEW CAFETERIA)



### THE DEADLY ERROR CHOCK TALK

Do you know the most common error in using chocks? In any given climbing area many leading climbers are making it - unknowingly, of course. Unfortunately, most climbers don't even recognize their mistake when a fall "zippers" most of their nuts. [WOW!?!?! ed.] What about you?!!!!

The basics of chock craft, clean climbing, equipment types and limitations, and especially the potential DEADLY ERROR will be the topics of this seminar conducted by Ray Smuteck, long-time climber and climbing school director.

# It's election day:

Garbage  
rates may go  
up 70 cents

**Conservative  
Party wins**

**Strike**

**'Candidate'  
makes pitch for high office**

DATELINE BSRL:

OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

Elections for members of the Board of Directors were held at the September general meetings. After minutes of heated campaigning, heavy handshaking, and rather terse speechmaking the smoke finally cleared to produce the following results.

PRESIDENT ----- Dave Larson  
VICE-PRESIDENT - Judy Swapp  
TREASURER ----- John Kokes  
SECRETARY ----- Dave Long  
PAST PRESIDENT - Dave Curran

The following people were appointed by the new Board to head the various committees.

ACTIVITIES --- Mike Fishkow  
CONSERVATION - Cheryl Rudd  
ECHO EDITORS - Mike & Georgia Liebhaber  
EQUIPMENT ---- Greg Cox  
LIBRARIAN ---- Jerry Sommerman  
MEMBERSHIP --- Randy Hieronymous  
PROGRAMS ----- Bob Mondrzyk

We would like to congratulate all of the newly elected Board members and to thank everyone for their participation in this years election. We are looking forward to another great year.

The past year has been a very enjoyable one for me as President of BOEALPS. The time spent at board meetings, on the phone planning club activities, and taking care of club business was a small price to pay for all the good times I've had and friendships made during the year. I thank the outgoing Officers and Chairpersons for their support in directing the club. I congratulate the new Board members on their appointments.

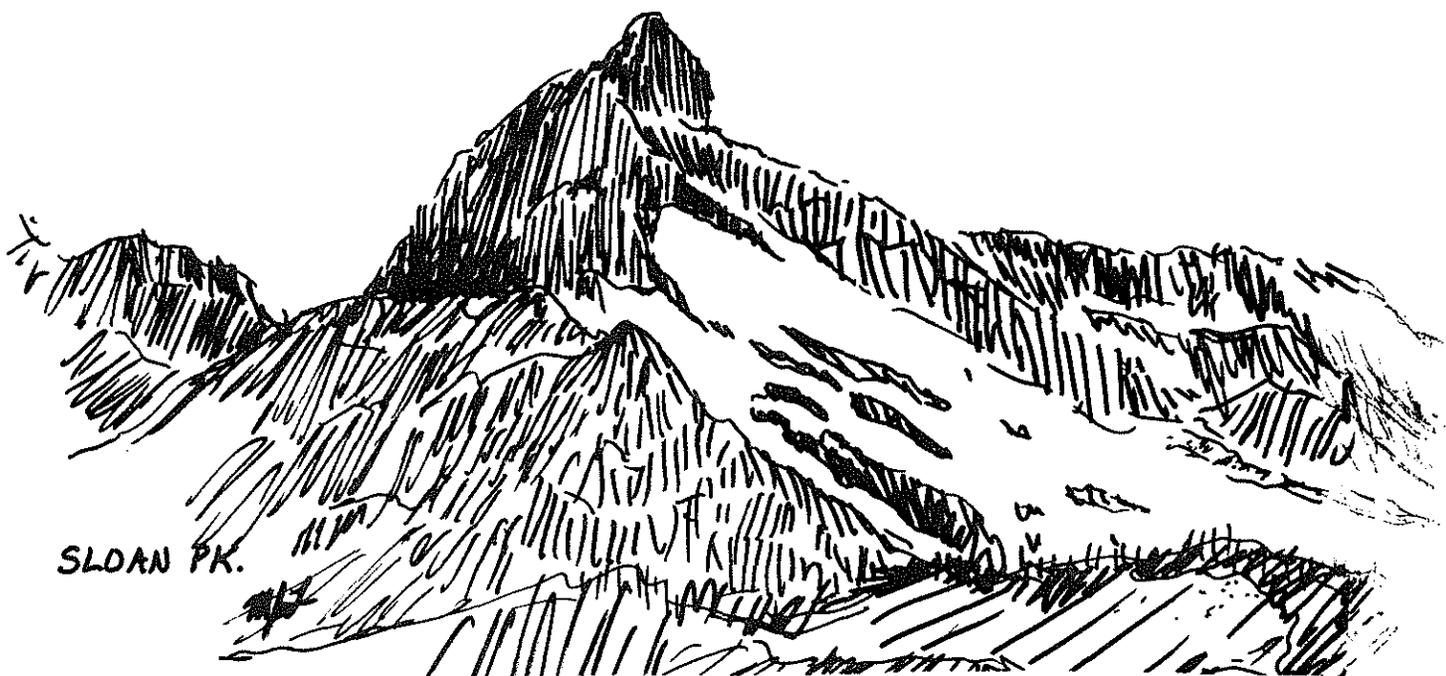
Our club has grown at a phenomenal rate for the past five years. We now have close to 400 members ( there were 150 members in 1976 ). Last spring we had 120 students in our climbing class ( 45 in 1976 ). Long time members (5 years!) can easily remember when two dozen people at a meeting was average. Now the average is 75. The question arises of where are the other 325 BOEALPERS? Are they out on Wednesday evening climbs?! This question has led me to wonder whether or not the club has been encouraging active member participation.

I see one of the main goals of the incoming board members as the structuring of club activities to provide the opportunity for increased participation in club activities. The club needs more scheduled outings of all levels of ability advertised in the newsletter. I am speaking of hikes as well as climbs, snowshoe trips, crosscountry ski trips, etc.

During the past year the Board members have attempted to provide activities, more conservation orientated information, and interesting programs (the auction combined with a movie for example) to name a few. The main stumbling block we encountered was finding leaders for outings and finding out what everyone would like to be doing as members of the club.

I encourage all of you in the coming year to let the Board members know what you are thinking, what you would like to be doing in the club, and to volunteer to lead an activity. The Board members cannot be expected to remain "guns ho" for twelve months if they see no signs of participation from club members.

Let's make the coming year a fun and profitable one for all BOEALPERS.





# TREASURY REPORT

BOEALPS TREASURY ACTIVITY FOR AUGUST 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1981

BALANCE, AUGUST 15, 1981

CHECKING .....	\$2565.15	
SAVINGS .....	\$ 137.96	
TOTAL .....		\$2703.11

RECEIPTS

R.E.I. DIVIDEND .....	\$ 79.19	
TOTAL .....		\$ 79.19

DISBURSED

FEDRTN. WSTRN. OUTDOOR CLUBS .	\$ 22.00	
TENT REPAIR .....	\$ 10.00	
SEPT. SPEAKER .....	\$ 50.00	
SEA. MTN. RESCUE .....	\$ 150.00	
LIBRARY .....	\$ 156.15	
TOTAL .....		\$ 388.15

BALANCE, SEPTEMBER 15, 1981

CHECKING .....	\$2256.19	
SAVINGS .....	\$ 137.96	
TOTAL .....		\$2394.15

# CALENDAR

OCTOBER						
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## ENCHANTMENT LAKES – 1ST WEEKEND IN OCTOBER

Join me in a 3 day climb of the Enchantment Lakes. Beautiful this time of the year. Contact Jerry Baillie at 655-3223.

# CLIMBING REPORTS

CLIMB REPORT -- SAHALE PEAK August 15 and 16

Rising bright and early Saturday, our intrepid duo met at Denny's in Eastgate for some fueling up at 5 a.m. Thus satisfied and having narrowed our climbing alternatives to three peaks, we headed north. Half way to Mt. Vernon we decided to sample this year's scenery in the North Cascades and try Sahale.

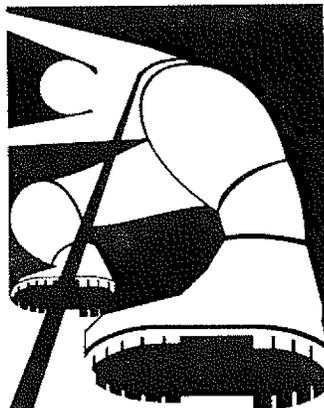
Upon reaching Marblemount we were dismayed to learn that the Cascade Pass road was closed three miles from the trailhead. But, undaunted, we continued on. Flip set a fast pace up the road and trail, not seeming to notice the rising temperature. Rest stops were few and quick, since the flies ignored our warning slaps, preferring to die kamikaze style. The pass was reached in 85 degree head and 6.7 miles. Trudging up the Sahale arm another two miles, we reached the glacier under the watchful eyes of the local ranger. Warning: you must camp on the permanent snowfield, glacier, or rocks (above the second moraine). At least the flies stayed down in the vegetation. The view was spectacular from camp (7500') looking south toward Glacier Peak and mountains in between.

The morning was a late start, with Flip preferring to doze in the sun. The smell of coffee soon roused him, however, and we were off towards the peak less than one thousand feet above. Avoiding the brown spots trailing Flip and his chew, we climbed snow, sloping up to 60 degrees, to the summit rock. After some refreshment we climbed the final 100 feet of class 3 or 4 rock unroped, via the south face proper (some exposure). The view from the top was terrific, looking from Baker to Glacier Peak and most of the North Cascades around us. Climbers were spotted on El Dorado and Forbidden Peaks. Our original intent was to attempt Boston Peak too, but a survey of the rock, conversations with other climbers about how loose it is, and lack of time changed our minds.

After basking in the sun a bit longer we made room on the summit for other climbers and rappelled down 75 feet (two ropes would have been advantageous here). We down climbed the rest and enjoyed a long glissade back to camp. The trip out through the flies was a long, downhill run, and we were out by 5 p.m.

The peak could be done in a long day (12 hours) or one could vary the approach and try 30 to 60 degree ice on the Quien Sabe Glacier to the North by coming through Boston Basin.

The climbers were: Steve Mason and Flip Wells





MT. ADAMS; NORTH RIDGE; 12,276ft.; AUGUST 15-16

A late start can sure make a difference when you are climbing. We met in Tacoma for breakfast at 6:30 a.m. We reached the trailhead at Killen Creek at 11:00 a.m. It was only five miles to high camp ( a real easy 5 miles ). Once at high camp we decided to go up one ridge higher because of the crowds. We found a flat camp with a good water supply at 8,000 ft. Around 9:30 p.m. we went to bed and tried to sleep; the mosquitos were terrible and at night they were even worse ( I slept out form the tent and ended up swatting bugs all night ). The moon came out and I have NEVER seen it shine so brightly. It woke everyone up. Fred got up and passed the Jungle Juice around to keep the buss from biting and we finally got to sleep. At 4:00 a.m. the alarm went off. We had a warm breeze blowing when we left to climb at 5:00 a.m.

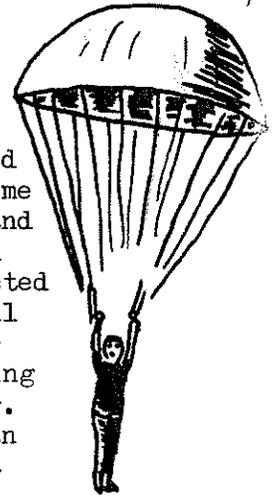
This route doesn't require a rope and we didnt need crampons in this weather so there were no real slow-ups. We hiked up a snowfield and then onto the rocks. It was rock for most of the climb. I didn't realize how steep it was until we came down. The rock is all volcanic and covered with loose sand and gravel (partly from St. Helens') so it was virtually two steps up and one slide back. Hand-holds on the rock were plentiful but you couldn't trust anything to hang on to. Fred Beckey rates this as a Class 1 climb, but he has six people who strongly disagree with him. The ridge was very steep and each step was taken with great care. At one of the steeper parts on the ridge we decided it would be best to split into two groups of three because of the loose rock. The first group left and we gave them 10 minutes before our group started out. At one point we got off the route and found ourselves on a cliff wall. We had to backtrack and climb up a short, rock face to get back on the route. It took us 5 1/2 hours to get to the top of the ridge before we reached snow. The snow was a welcome relief, but soft in places and quite often you would fall through. Up towards the summit dome the smell of sulfer was almost overwhelming, but the higher we went the less it smelled. The summit sure looked good to me and I was surprised to see approximately 20 people sittins on top wearing jeans, carrying sticks ( for ice axes ), and little or no gear. There's something discouraging about working hard on a climb to the summit and finding out there's a much easier way that's almost an afternoon stroll for people 60 and over.

The route is well defined and offers views of the North side of Mt. Adams and the Mt. Adams Glacier. After about an hour on the top we started down. The climb down seemed steep. I was amazed we had climbed up it. We got to base camp at 3:30 p.m. with very sore toes from being jammed in our boots on the way down. After an hours rest we packed up and left. After reaching the truck and dinner on the way home, we got back around 12 midnight; which makes for a long day on Sunday.

Climbers were: Fred Boitano; Jerry and Margie Froyent; Dan Webster; Lorraine Carnahan; and Judy Suss.

THREE MEMBERS GET HIGH! (and this ain't no mountain story!)

I had a goal! and on September 13, myself and two others accomplished that goal. The Boeing Skydiving Club newsletters had been haunting me for a long time to make that "first jump" - Finally we set our day and at 6 p.m. Saturday we went to Issaquah Airport for our ground school training. Most of the time was spent in the classroom being instructed by Rocky Kenoyer, with a short break to practice on an airplane still on the ground. At 10:30 p.m. we commenced and were instructed to be back at 7:30 a.m. for more training. Sunday we completed our training at around 10 a.m.. We were told we'd start jumping in about an hour. In the meantime, we watched our instructor and 17 others form a human chain to break their own world record falling from four airplanes at 11,000 feet.



Finally! It was time! There were eight plane loads planned for our class-three jumpers at a time. We were in the seventh load. At 1 p.m. we geared-up and crawled in the plane. Our instructions had been run over and over and over, on the procedure and on the count. John West was the first in and the last to jump. I got in next and John Kokes got in last and faced the door. I'd never seen such an expressionless face. Rocky sat next to the pilot on a stool facing us to call out directions. At 2,800 ft., Rocky called out the first instruction to John. "In the door." John put his feet out the door and onto a small bar. The next instruction came. "On the step." He took hold of the wing strut and pulled himself out (his nose over the wheel, facing the airplane) With his right leg up and out he hopped on one foot to the edge of the bar, waiting for that "fatal" slap on the thigh (indicating to let go), and head up, watching the plane as he fell to form an arch, all-the-while counting out loud "ARCH THOUSAND, TWO THOUSAND, THREE THOUSAND, FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE THOUSAND, CHECK CANOPY, BIG, ROUND, SYMMETRICAL". If it wasn't that, you were to "very calmly" pull your reserve.

My turn. I inched into position "In the door", "On the step", (the wind is terrifically strong). As I hopped on one foot to the edge of the bar I watched my foot carefully (not wanting to hop off it). "SLAP" I let go! My God- What an experience! I counted "ARCH THOUSAND" and closed my eyes. I felt like I was tumbling and when I opened my eyes and said "SIX THOUSAND; oh shit, oh shit, oh shit, it's opened". That's when I came to - I don't remember anything inbetween. It was so peaceful and deathly silent. We were to follow an arrow at the drop site on which way to turn our chutes so there wasn't much time to look around. I was looking up to watch John jump and watching my arrow at the same time. Finally the arrow folded up and the guy directing me ran and started yelling more directions; "legs together, look at the horizon, prepare for impact." When I hit it was a jarring effect through my whole body. We were taught to roll to absorb the impact (it must have worked, I'm still here!).

I think I'd like to go once more (although I don't know why) to remember what I did and to keep my eyes open. Loads of pictures were taken and I'm really excited to see them because, as I said, I don't remember much of the jump.

I think I'll stick to mountain climbing!

Judy Swapp

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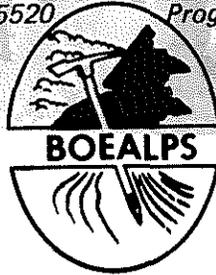


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NOVEMBER MEETING  
THURSDAY NOV. 5, 1981

7:30 P.M.

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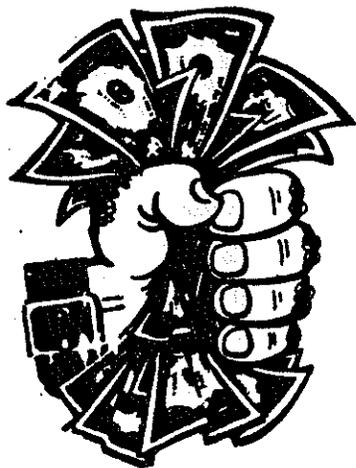
### IN THIS ISSUE:

- \* TWO NEW ROUTES !
- \* CONSERVATION REPORT
- \* BOOK LIST

### NOVEMBER PROGRAM

THE 100 HIGHEST PEAKS IN WASHINGTON  
by Russ Kroeker

Can't think of where to go this weekend? Well you're just not trying. Russ Kroeker has been climbing about 55 mountains per year since he came to Washington in 1974. In the process, he has climbed the 100 highest. Russ will show and tell us about some of his favorite climbs at this month's meeting.



# TREASURY REPORT

## BOEALPS TREASURY REPORT

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BALANCE AS OF SEPTEMBER 16, 1981

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CHECKING .....	2216.69	
SAVINGS .....	137.75	
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TOTAL .....		\$2354.44

RECEIPTS:  
NONE

DISBURSMENTS:

OCTOBER SPEAKER .....	50.00	
OCTOBER MEETING REFRESHMENTS .....	40.90	
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS .....	40.00	
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TOTAL .....		\$130.90

BALANCE AS OF OCTOBER 10, 1981

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CHECKING .....	2085.79	
SAVINGS .....	137.75	
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TOTAL .....		\$2223.54

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As your new Conservation Chairman, I am looking forward to providing the club with information on environmental issues. I am seeking interested persons to serve on the Conservation Committee. We can work together with other organizations (Sierra Club, Washington Wilderness Coalition, etc.) on important issues. I understand that most of you are stressed for time. Any amount of time that you can offer to give suggestions, advice, or help out will be appreciated. Please contact me at 337-1822 (Home - Everett) or send a message c/o Dan Rudd (M/S 4A-18).

My personal priority lies in preservation of wilderness and wildlife habitat which encompasses a host of inter-related issues, such as air and water quality.

Remember, our environmental values depend on all of us to protect. If your favorite trail, climbing route, National Forest, or wilderness area is being overtaken by logging, development, mining, or the oil industry, you only have yourself to blame for not getting involved in its preservation.

You CAN make a difference!



# ACTIVITIES

NOVEMBER						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 ECHO DEADLINE	13	14 MT. WASHINGTON
15 MT. WASHINGTON	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 BEACH HIKE 	27 BEACH HIKE	28 BEACH HIKE
29 BEACH HIKE	30					

## TURKEY DAY - WEEKEND BEACH HIKE

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 This trip is becoming an annual event. Spend a weekend on the Washington coast camping and hiking. Maybe we'll even find the trail this year! Contact Dave Larson at 251-0212.

## MT. WASHINGTON - SOUTHERN OLYMPICS

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 May be a fun climb if the weather is good. Might be snow, rain, sun or all three. Approx. 3,500ft. gain in 3-4 miles. Planning on leaving Saturday, climbing (weather permitting) and returning on Sunday. Contact Mike Liebhaber at 237-8320.

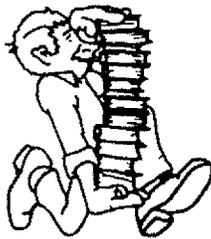
## X-COUNTRY SKI LESSONS

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 To be taught by Faith Szafranski. See December's ECHO for more details.

## ACTIVITY NOTE:

Due to the transition of the seasons, November's activities may seem sparse. Hopefully we'll get lots and lots of snow in the months to come. Look for snowshoe and cross-country skiing trips in December.

For Activities info contact Mike Fishkow at 237-5520 (M/S 9R-38).



# BOOK NEWS....

## THE NEW BOEALPS LIBRARY

Check out of the materials will be through the Boeing mail. If there are any questions or suggestions or donations which you wish to make concerning the library, please contact Jerry Sommerman at home, 938-4896, or through the Boeing mail.

WORK 773-9778

The book check out procedure will be as follows:

1. Send a note to Jerry Sommerman (via M/S 1E-57). Include on the note your name, Mail Stop, work phone and materials you want to check out.
2. The librarian will mail the material to you through the Boeing mail. The due date is three weeks from the date of mailing.
3. On or before the due date return the material to Jerry Sommerman (via M/S 1E-57).

Only club members are eligible for this service. The person checking out the material is responsible for returning it.

Below is a list of material now available. Additional purchases are being made and we are still asking you for donations. Please contribute.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| ABC OF AVALANCHE SAFETY                                            | GRAND CANYON - TIME AND RIVER FLOWING      |
| ACROSS THE OLYMPIC MOUNTAINS                                       | GERVASUTTI'S CLIMBS                        |
| ADVANCED ROCKCRAFT                                                 | HAWAIIAN CAMPING                           |
| AMERICAN ALPINE JOURNALS 1970-1981                                 | HIGHPOINTS OF THE STATES                   |
| ANNAPURNA                                                          | HIKING BIGFOOT COUNTRY - N. CAL, S. ORG    |
| ASCENT OF DENALI                                                   | HIKING GREAT BASIN - HIGH DESERT           |
| ASCENT OF KUM DOODLE                                               | HIKING THE TETON BACKCOUNTRY               |
| BASIC ROCKCRAFT                                                    | HIKING THE YELLOWSTONE BACKCOUNTRY         |
| BIG WALL CLIMBING                                                  | K2 THE SAVAGE MOUNTAIN                     |
| BRITISH MOUNTAINEERS                                               | MOUNTAIN SICKNESS-PREVENTION AND TREATMENT |
| CANADIAN ALPINE JOURNAL-1980                                       | MONT BLANC MASSIF-100 FINEST ROUTES        |
| CHALLENGE OF THE NORTH CASCADES                                    | THE MOUNTAIN WORLD-1953                    |
| CLIMBING GUIDES:                                                   |                                            |
| COLORADO MOUNTAINS , HIGH SIERRA , INTERIOR RANGE OF B.C. NORTH    |                                            |
| BLACK HILL NEEDLES, DEVILS TOWER, ELDORADO,                        |                                            |
| JOSHUA TREE NAT MON, TAHQUITZ AND SUICIDE ROCKS                    |                                            |
| ROCKY MOUNTAIN NAT PARK, WIND RIVERS, WASATCH GRANITE              |                                            |
| INTERIOR RANGE OF B.C. SOUTH , LAKE TAHOE , LUMPY RIDGE ,          |                                            |
| OREGON , ROCKY MINS OF CANADA NORTH , ROCKY MINS OF CANADA SOUTH , |                                            |
| ROCKY MTN NAT PARK , SHAWANGUNK ROCK CLIMBS , YOSEMITE             |                                            |
| CLIMBING ICE                                                       |                                            |
| CLIMBING MOUNT WHITNEY                                             |                                            |
| CORDILLERAS BLANCA AND HUAYHUASH                                   | THE MOUNTAIN WORLD-1954                    |
| EPICS OF EVEREST                                                   | THE MOUNTAIN WORLD-1955                    |
| EVEREST THE HARD WAY                                               | MOUNTAINS OF THE WORLD HANDBOOK            |
| EXPLORING KATMAI NAT MON                                           | SIVALAYA, 8000 METER PEAKS                 |
| EXPLORING MCKINLEY NAT PARK                                        | SWARAMANDAL                                |
| EXPLORING PRINCE WILLIAMS SOUND                                    | TALES OF A WESTERN MOUNTAINEER             |
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# CLIMBING REPORTS

NEW ROUTE !!

SOUTHERN PICKETTS, AUGUST 15 - 24th  
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Good weather prevailed on this ten day trip into the Southern Pickett range. We really had only one bad day and that was the day we went into the range. The sun beating down, 90 degree heat, 80 lb. packs, and no water to be found for six hours!! Certainly doesn't sound like the North Cascades does it? Fortunately, after the first day we could enjoy the warm good weather.

We used the camp below the Chopping Block as a base camp for day climbs. This is one of the truly fine campspots of the world. Super views over to the unclimbed North face of Mt. Triumph, running water, a heated swimming pool for bathing and good access to all of the peaks of the Southern Picketts.

The heated pool was for real. The snow melt would come down granite slabs, be warmed by solar power, and gather in a chest deep pool at swimming pool temperature. The after climb bath became our daily ritual.

Counting all the routes done in ascent and decent we did 14 on seven different peaks. They included the Chopping Block, Terror, McMillian, East McMillian ( including a NEW ROUTE on the East ridge by Jerry Baillie, Mark Dale, and Doug Sanders ), Inspiration, Pyramid, and Degenhard.

Some of the most interesting climbing was along heather benches and in the gullies getting to where the route descriptions start. So, don't assume it's easy just because it's not mentioned in the guide book.

Party members were: Jerry Sommerman, Argis Moruss, Jerry Baillie, Mark Dale, Doug Sanders, Kerry Ritland, Shawn Witlowe, Bruce Byers, and Nadine Byers.



## SUMMER (?) WEATHER ON MT. ADAMS

The omens were all bad for our last shot at a summer ascent of the north ridge of Mt. Adams on September 19 and 20. First there was the weather, with rain falling in Seattle Friday night and a forecast for unsettled weather through the weekend. Then, only seven climbers actually showed up, out of the eleven that had signed up.

The late morning/early afternoon hike to base camp at 7,000 ft. was relatively easy, although the weather was somewhat dreary, but not actually raining. Finding water was a bit of a problem, but a trickle at the base of the snow field was finally located. Almost as soon as camp was set up we were "treated" to a rain/snow shower. We actually got several views of the mountain before dark, but the wind never stopped and the temperature was down to 25 degrees by dark. This, of course, terminated the water supply.

Sunday morning we were hiking as soon as it was light enough to do so. The weather was forbidding, but the cloud cover was above the summit. Mt. Rainier was visible to the north. There was a cloud layer below, also. Sunrise generated beautiful orange and yellow filigree on the underside of the gray. Three and a half hours after leaving camp the temperature had dropped to 22 degrees and the wind was blowing at 40 to 50 mph. The two cloud layers were almost together, leaving the summit with a cloud cap. When in the full force of the wind, walking on the narrow parts of the ridge was difficult. We were miserable, and it looked worse further up. It was a tough decision, but we finally gave up our objective and returned without bagging the summit.

The return to the car was uneventful except for the three who took the wrong turn. The four who knew it kept looking for them and wondering, but all ended well.

Climbers were: Roger Rollins, Jerry Clingan, Art Darr, John Albrecht, Steve Lematta, Larry Miller, and Bob Wickes.

TYPESHIN PEAK 8320'+

September 11-13, 1981

Friday, 7:30 am--a rendezvous at Renton Aviation. Jack, Dee, Dave L. and Dave C. appeared out of the fog to meet pilot Tom Kent and the Cessna 310 Turbo floatplane that would carry them out of the chill Seattle air. Spirited conversation ensued as expectations and enthusiasms about the trip were exchanged. All helped load the carefully weighed gear into the pontoons and cabin, then watched as the pilot meticulously checked out and fueled the plane. It was then transported by forklift to the water's edge and docked, ready for take-off.

In spite of the early hour, the air was charged with excitement as we waited anxiously for a "window" through which we could ascend above the swirling cloud cover. By 9:00 am we still had not left the ground but the experienced eye of our pilot detected a slight weakening in the clouds to the north. We boarded the plane and taxied northward. A few minutes later we were airborne--the trip had begun. Flying eastward into the sun we watched in awe, cameras clicking frantically as familiar peaks held their eerie silhouettes above the sea of white below.

Over Index, Baring, Persis and Gunn; then the Del Campo and Monte Cristo group. Volcanoes loomed to the north and south. Amazingly close to Glacier Peak, and on toward Bonanza. Suddenly, Typshin appeared ahead and we swung in close for a preview. Stark and jagged above deep green forest the steep pinnacles jutted up from barren cirques and long scree slopes to a respectable height of 8320'+. The rock gleamed golden in the morning sunlight as our pilot glided past and carefully maneuvered the plane down the Devore Creek valley to set us gently on the northernmost waters of Lake Chelan.

Stepping out into the hot sun, we reflected momentarily on how only a short hour before we had been shivering in the Seattle fog. After conferring briefly with maps, we hoisted packs and proceeded on toward a series of steep switchbacks. Tom, also a climber, (an who, incidentally, was one of the youngest persons to complete the BOEALPS Basic Mountaineering Course, taking the second one ever offered at the age of 14) walked along with us--not anxious to leave the serenity of the mountains. About a mile up the trail we encountered a trail crew about to dynamite a section just

ahead. Fortunately they halted operations to let us pass, or so we thought, until suddenly out of the trees above us there came the sound of a boulder coming our way at freight train speed! It crossed our path just seconds after we took cover. No one furnished an explanation of where it had come from. A bit later, after we had passed the last of the trail crew, there was a blast that literally shook the mountains and echoed through every valley in the region. We were glad they had let us pass before the debris from that explosion came down. Tom had chosen to turn back just before this episode. We hoped he had survived the fireworks. Moving quickly along, we reached our base camp just beyond the 5 mile marker at Bird Creek. With a nearly full moon expected that evening we contemplated a bivouac nearer our goal, but decided on a restful afternoon, a good night's sleep, and an early start next day.

Rising about 5:45 am, the forested valley still dark and cool, we prepared for the long bushwhack ahead. Leaving a warm tent, a comfortable camp, and the familiar trail behind us, we headed into the brush at 7:00 am. Though dense in spots, it was possible to pick a relatively clear path most of the way, passing first through open forest floor, then on through slide areas, meadows and cliffbands.

As we zigzagged up the steep slope it became apparent that our party leader, Jack, was not feeling well enough to complete the trip. Knowing how long he had planned to make this trip, we knew it was a difficult decision for him to choose to turn back. But, respecting his decision and desire that the rest of us continue, we proceeded under the leadership of Dave L.

We worked our way to the southeast ridgeline and a prominent crag where we cached two quarts of water and lightened our packs of "extra" gear. From here we could see much of the steep west face which we would traverse, though a great deal of the route was still obscured from our view. We compared our view with the guidebook description (sketchy) and concurred on the route--at least what we could see of it. It was now about 10:45 am. Dave C. led off, descending slightly on rock ledges and serree toward a large black section of face where we roped up. By 12:30 pm, we had climbed above the blank face along a narrow overhung ledge and ascended a short chimney with a chockstone. Lots of loose rock here. Traversing upward now, Dave L. led to a narrow 200 ft chimney, which we then climbed to the notch on the ridge between two needles. Another short lead around the higher of the two needles, then down about 50 ft on the east side to skirt a large outcrop of rock, and ascend again below the summit block.

After belaying Dee to this point, Dave L. unroped and scrambled up a moderate slope (chute) toward the summit to investigate the next pitch, while Dee belayed Dave C. A few minutes later we heard a frustrated exclamation from above. "Oh shit, I'm stuck! I can't go any further!" It was 5:30 pm. We were tired and the sun would soon be sinking below the horizon. "Oh no--what's wrong?" we inquired, afraid to hear the reply. "I'm on top!" came the elated response.

A quick scramble of about 50', and three ecstatic climbers rejoiced in the successful ascent. Though dusk was approaching rapidly, we took a few minutes to marvel at the views, take pictures (including some precariously contrived hero shots), and read the register. This one didn't take long: with only 8 prior ascents, the last one being a year ago last June, our party became the 9th recorded ascent of Tupshin Peak since the first in 1940. We left our message: "BOEALPS--for Jack Leicester," and our names.

Leaving the summit at 6:00 pm we scrambled quickly back to where we had left the ropes. A full moon was rising, but we would be on the wrong side of the mountain to benefit from the bright glow. "Keep moving--we're introuble," warned our leader (though we weren't altogether certain that the "trouble" of which he spoke would be a result of making the descent in darkness, or the reaction of Jack, waiting back at camp.)

The majority opted to try a different route down in an attempt to cut some climbing time off the descent. We descended directly into a gully on the west face via two rappels from just below the summit block, but discovered it would be unfeasible to get to our 200 ft. chimney and back on route from there--at least in the growing darkness. It was now nearly 8:30 pm. Having already lost valuable time, we decided to ascend a short distance up the gully to the ridge, (done with relative ease), then proceed down the east side to pick up the route back to the notch above the chimney. Two more rappels and a traverse back to the first chimney. It was now after 10:00 pm. Here, the darkness, along with much loose rock made traversing the overhung ledges extremely hazardous. So Dave L. and Dave C. rappelled to the bottom of a gully where it joined another short gully (50'), which could then be climbed back to the ledges, thereby avoiding the treacherous traverse. Dee followed after the two had climbed out of the impending rockfall of the rappel chute. Upon reaching the confluence of the 2 gullies, she discovered that the ropes were caught and would not pull free. A frightening thought, knowing that we needed them to go on. Equally distressing was the prospect of climbing the chimney in the dark to free the ropes.

The dilemma was finally solved by Dee climbing the short chute, rope in hand, clearing it over the rock outcrop between the two gullies as she climbed. It was then passed up to Dave L. who was now positioned at the highest point on the ledges above, providing a good angle from which to extricate the ropes. We all breathed a grateful sigh as the ropes snaked down.

More easy, but belayed traverses and a final scramble up the scree ledges. We reached our cache at 11:53 pm. Having long since run out of water, the two quarts we had left there were precious refreshment for our parched throats. We drank them both on the spot. The worst was over, we thought, so we took time for a bit to eat and a bit of a rest.

Rejuvenated, we once again hoisted packs and headed down the ridge toward the cirque at the head of Bird Creek. Stepping into the loose scree, it carried us hundreds of feet toward the valley floor amidst clouds of dust that rose and swirled around us in the eerie moonlight. About 100 yds or so from the creek, we angled out of the scree and traversed open meadows above the creek bed. Knowing that our camp was situated along the creek, we tried to follow it, but the vegetation soon became impenetrable. Back in the dense forest, the bright moonlight was of little help. The remainder of the trip would be made by flashlight. Not wanting to get too far from the creek, it was difficult to pick an easy route through the dense undergrowth. So we wrestled on through the slide alder and prickly spruce, down slippery creek beds and over, under or around indistinguishable objects lurking in the shadows. Still parched from the long hot day, we stopped only to drink from the few trickling streams we encountered along the way. In his haste to quench his thirst, Dave C. nearly gulped down a frog which appeared in his drinking pool. It apparently had popped out to investigate this strange moonlight commotion.

"Keep moving," prodded our leader once again. "I want to rest, but only in my sleeping bag!" We thrashed on. At 3:16 am, we suddenly stumbled onto the trail, just a few feet from camp. (It's amazing how difficult it is to walk on a trail after 20 hours of off-trail tramping.) Jack's campfire was still smoldering from the 42 pots of water he had boiled while waiting for us. But he had long since given up the vigil and was now snoring peacefully in the tent. Knowing he'd be anxious to hear all the details, we tumbled in and began a lively recounting of events. Laughter ~~was~~ faded into yawns, and finally into ZZZZZZ's. It would soon be dawn.

Sunday morning came all too soon. But the bright sunlight enticed us out of the sack. The plane was to pick us up around 1:00 pm so we had plenty of time to do the 5 downhill miles to the lakeshore. However, upon reaching the dock we found our plane had arrived early. Tom, our pilot, along with Jack and Dave L. who had hiked out early, had struck up an acquaintance with some boaters who offered to take us across the lake to the Steheiken lodge where we enjoyed a pleasant lunch and ice cold beer. Returning to the dock, everyone took a refreshing, though quick, swim in the chilly water (some more willingly than others). A few more photographs while gear was loaded. Then we climbed aboard for the flight home. We took off southward, then swung back for a final look at our mountain and then west, back to the city. In less than an hour, we were standing on another dock--unloading gear.

The end of the adventure? Not quite. While waiting for rides to arrive, Jack decided to go for a couple six-packs to toast the successful trip. In his absence however, Karla Larson arrived, anticipating our thirst and camaraderie with a cooler-full of good ol' Mountain Fresh. Needless to say, the next couple hours were spent right there beneath a slumbering brood of airplanes and fork-lifts while we retold events and made plans for the next adventure, though this one is going to be hard to beat!

Climbers: Jack Leicester, Dave Larson, Dee Urbick, Dave Curran

Pilot: Tom Kent



Bright and early Saturday morning, we saw the stars and drew hopes for a nice three day weekend. We left the cars at Owl Creek Campground and began our trek down the Whitechuck trail at 9:30 am. By 11 am we had covered the five miles to Kennedy Hot Springs, checked out the scenery, and headed back to the Pacific Crest Trail cut-off. This is where Saturday's work began. Until this point we had gained a few hundred feet. But now, in three miles we had to gain about 3,000 ft. - and all before lunch!

We stopped for lunch at 5,600 ft. and sent Dan, Dave, and Jeff to do some scouting about for a "best" campsite. They came back to announce that we were there. Once camp was set and dinner cooked we climbed the ridge to view our route! The ranger at the Hot Springs had told us that rumors had it that Kennedy Glacier was impassible, but, it looked as if we could manuever around some of the crevasses. If the top of the glacier was impassible we could cross over to Frostbite Ridge. The plan was set.

We set out Sunday morning at 5:30. We immediately crossed the ridge and dropped down on to the base of the glacier. We roped up and put on our crampons for the start of the 5000 ft. climb. The first four hours of the climb proved to be uneventful with the crew being able to step over or around any openings. But, ... we'd only just begun. The crevasses were getting wider and we were learning to use the ice axes for anchors and handholds when crossing the crevasses. We were also going farther to get around some of the crevasses.

About 8000 ft., we began to wonder about taking Frostbite Ridge to the summit. Upon investigation, we found that the gap between the glacier and the ridge had committed us to the glacier. We continued on. The ice was steep and hard. As technical advisor, Dave assisted Jeff in finding routes around and ( to the dismay of some ) through crevasses; planting wands and wondering how to make that jump backwards on the way home.

At 9000 ft., it looked like smooth sailing to the top so we had lunch and rested; marveling at the weather and our ascent so far. Any worries about time threatening us were forgotten and we continued on to the final stretch.

What? Another precarious crossing, a steep step-chopping section, but now, the final stretch. And Deja Vu! But now smooth sailing, now the final stretch.

We crested the ridge leading to Pt. 10,308 and saw a disappointing two hundred foot descent before the four hundred foot gain to the summit. No stopping now. Sometimes chopping steps, sometimes a front point maneuver, we climbed the steep slope to reach the summit at 3 pm. A 9 1/2 hour ascent.

There was no question about our descent route. Frostbite Ridge - here we come. The trip down was hurried but uneventful. We wanted to be down before dark. We wore crampons through dirt, sand, and rocks. We took them off to slide on a snowfield. We got fearful glimpses of the sunset and mentally noted sheltered areas as we got out our headlamps. "I found the trail." I've never heard anything nicer.

Boiling water for dinner at 9 pm. Fifteen and 1/2 hours of climbing and descending. I glance over and see boots hanging out of a zipped up tent. Exhausted!

Sue, Dave, Bob, and Dan enjoyed the eye opening hot springs on the way out. It was another five miles to the finish line. A gorgeous three day weekend; a satisfying climb.

Masochists: Jeff and Diane Hunt, Bob Smith, Dan and Sue Belleville, Bob Smith, and Dave Larson.



NEW ROUTE !!

WHITECHUCK MTN. SEPT 13th and SEPT 20th

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You ask why would anyone want to climb Whitechuck Mtn. two weekends in a row? Mark Dale and I were looking for a one day climb and decided on Whitechuck. While looking at it we decided there was a possibility of a NEW ROUTE on the West face and decided to try it. We started at the lowest point below the summit. The climb went very well except for one problem - at the half way point we had the choice of going left or right. We chose the slabs to our right. This forced us into the finishing pitches of the S.W. face route. We realized after descending that we had joined the other route and vowed to come back on the next weekend and complete the new finish to the left.

Whitechuck is surrounded by logging roads and the previous weekend we had taken the logging roads that Becky describes. That turned into a miserable bushwack through high quality Vine Alder. Trying another approach, we found a high road due North of the peak that involved a short pleasant hike up a clear cut to the ridge crest and then along a way trail directly to the face. This took only 45 minutes.

The route went as expected, finishing in the deep chimney left of the summit. It is shown in its entirety in a picture in the Beckey guide book.

**DESCRIPTION:** Start at the lowest point below the summit. Right on a grassy ramp. Left along exposed ledge and ramps. Right on steep slabs, continuing right to Cedar bushes. At far right end of the bushes do a 15 ft. face then left to book [Becky guide]. Above book scramble up and left. Here you can go left up the chimney or right up slabs ( and connect with the S.W. face route in two pitches above the slabs). The left has interesting stemming and chockstone problems plus a tight squeeze or two. There are excellent belay caves in the chimney, one of which requires a thin body to get in to. The belay caves completely protect the belayer from rockfall in the chimney - very nice. We decided to call it:

GREENSCHIST CHIMNEY, WEST FACE

Grade II 5.6

6 roped pitches on 1000 ft. face

Climbers: Jerry Sommerman, Mark Dale, and Jamie Wild



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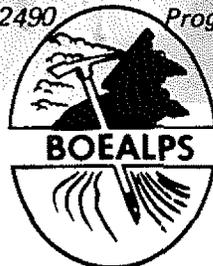


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## DECEMBER MEETING

THURSDAY DEC. 3, 1981

7:30 P.M.

BSRL (NEW CAFETERIA)



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## CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

by John Fuller

Dust off your skis and get ready for winter (it's supposed to snow in Winter). John Fuller will describe cross country mountaineering skiing in the Cascades, Selkirks, and Hawaii. John will present slides and commentary; and will conclude with the film "Cross Country Challenge."

# Holiday



# Greetings

## DECEMBER

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

## JANUARY

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## "1982 SEATTLE KARAKORAM EXPEDITION"

The expedition will make the first American attempt on Gasherbrum II, an 8,000 meter peak ( there are only 14! ) in the Karakoram range of Pakistan. The peak lies fifteen miles to the Southeast of K2, with which it shares most of the same approach route. At 26,361 feet, Gasherbrum II stands as the 13th highest peak in the world. The words gasher (beautiful) and brum (mountain) have their origin in the Balti language which has no written form.

The climbing style will aim at minimizing weight and cost. The route, which is primarily snow and ice, is expected to require fixed line only between three of the lower camps. No oxygen equipment or porters will be used on the mountain (still, the budget is 30 grand!).

We are scheduled to arrive in Rawalpindi on May 1st where as much as two weeks may be spent searching the bazaars for local food staples and supplies and waiting for a flight out to Skardu. Then follows a 14 day trek with 70 porters to the Gasherbrum base camp at 17,000 ft. From this base the summit should be reached in 30 to 40 days.

The expedition consists of eight climbers; four are BOEALP members. Two were formerly with Boeing. The members are:

- Mike Clarke (leader)
- Glen Brindeiro
- Steve Casebolt
- Don Goodman
- Dave Hamby
- Dave McClung

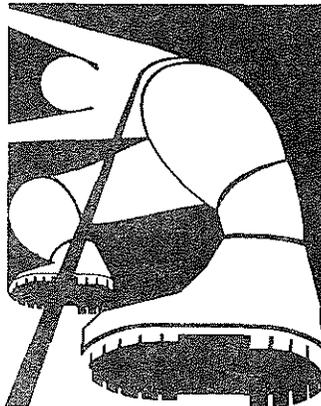
There will also be two physician/climbers. The group will carry the Boeing Summit Pennant.

\*\*\*\*\* EXPEDITION T-SHIRTS \*\*\*\*\*

The 1982 Seattle Karakoram Expedition will have T-Shirts available for sale at the December BOEALPS meeting. The shirts feature a four color design by ART WOLFE and are 100% cotton. Cost is \$10. They should make great Christmas gifts!!!

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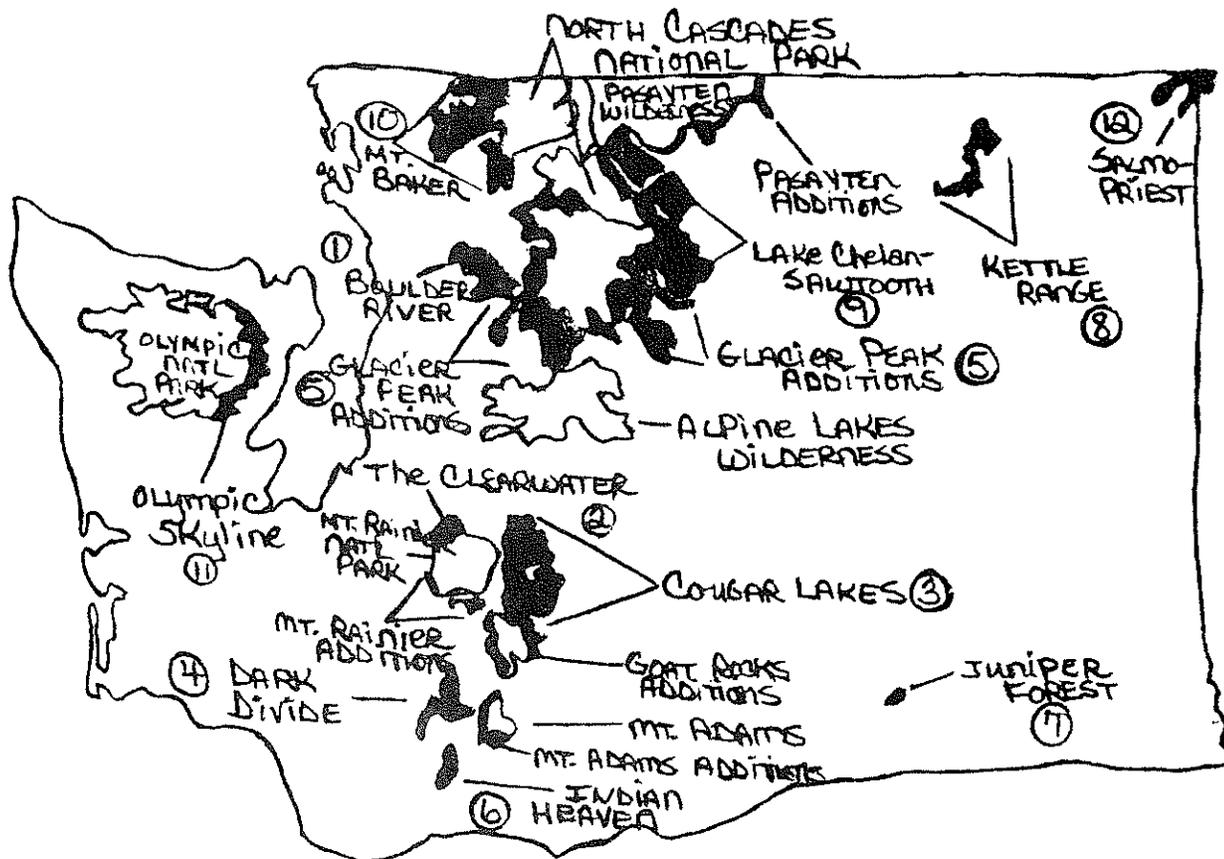
Glenn Brindeiro, for  
1982 Seattle Karakoram Expedition



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The Washington Wilderness Bill is now under consideration so it is very important that we ALL write our Senators and Congressmen. On July 17th the House passed the California Wilderness Bill; the first wilderness bill of this Congress. This sets the stage for other bills on a state by state approach. The areas in the state of Washington that are under consideration for wilderness designation are:

1. Boulder River - West of Glacier Peak Wilderness
2. Clearwater - N. of Mt. Rainier National Park
3. Cougar Lakes - E. of Mt. Rainier Nat. Park
4. Dark Divide - NW of Mt. Adams
5. Glacier Peak additions - Surrounding present border of Glacier Peak Wilderness and are being considered for mining and for logging.
6. Indian Heaven - SW of Mt. Adams
7. Juniper Forest - SE Washington
8. Kettle Range - NE Washington
9. Lake Chelan/Sawtooth - Adjacent to Lake Chelan Recreation Area
10. Mt. Baker - See Mt. Baker article
11. East Olympics
12. Salmo/Priest - NE corner of Washington
13. Others - Additions to Mt. Adams, Goat Rocks, Pasayten, and Mt. Rainier



Please write and express your personal views, knowledge, or experience on your favorite areas or those you believe deserve wilderness protection.

DISTRICT	CONGRESSMAN	ADDRESS
First	Joel Pritchard	Hon. -----
Second	Al Swift	House Office Building
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Sixth	Norm Dicks	
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--WASHINGTON WILDERNESS COALITION

It gives me pleasure to announce that BOEALPS is now a club member of the Washington Wilderness Coalition. The WWC is a coalition of grass roots groups concerned with wilderness preservation in Washington State. They will work with us as a support staff providing professional "political" services.

--SIERRA CLUB

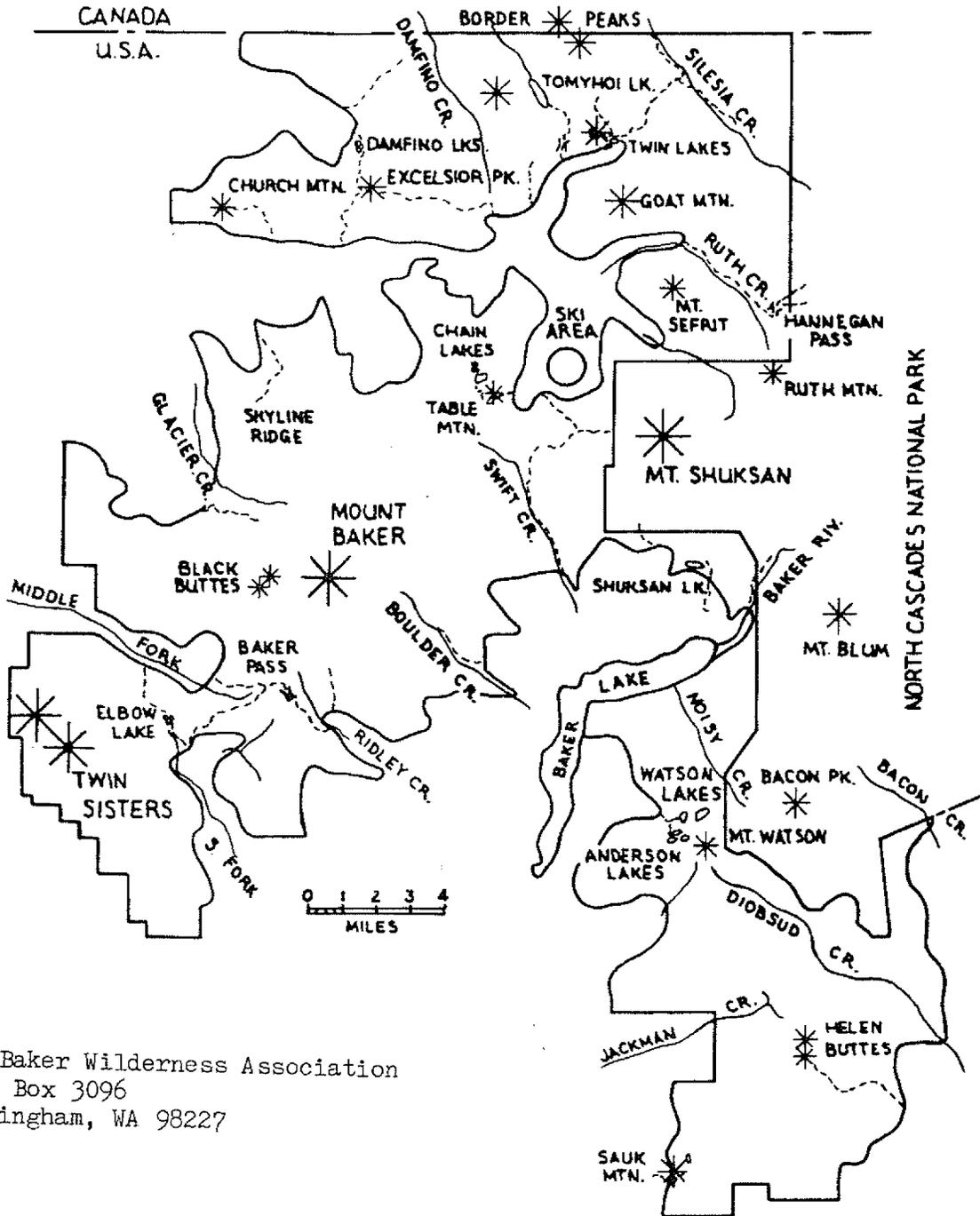
Last month two Sierra Club activists on a visit to Washington D.C. to lobby for the Washington Wilderness Bill turned in "Remove Watt" petitions with 1.1 million signatures! The purpose of the petitions was to point out to Congress and the Reagan Administration there are still a lot of us out here who favor wilderness, wildlife and environmental protection.

--MT. ST. HELENS

The Forest Service has released its Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Mt. St. Helens Land Management Plan. They have chosen Alternative 7 (out of 8 alternatives plus a number of other proposals) as their preference. It would provide an 84,710 acre Interpretive Area for protection of significant geologic and biologic features, while providing for timber salvage and rehabilitation in some of the heavily damaged areas. The alternative has no allowance for wilderness designation, which would prohibit motorized vehicles. This would restrict access and limit research, interpretation and motorized recreational activities. The area was also designated the Nation's first National Volcanic Area on October 20th. The Mt. St. Helens Protective Association's proposal was for a 216,000 acre National Monument.

--MT. BAKER WILDERNESS ASSOCIATION

The Mt. Baker Wilderness Association is a group of approximately 85 members who have been working very hard on the Mt. Baker Wilderness proposal. They have appointed officers, regular meetings, hiking field trips and a monthly newsletter. There are many of us BOEALPS who spend a lot of time hiking, climbing and skiing in the Mt. Baker area that is under wilderness consideration. Won't you please join and help support the proposal? Membership is only \$8.00. You can write the group at the address below or contact me for a membership application.



Mt. Baker Wilderness Association  
P.O. Box 3096  
Bellingham, WA 98227

## THE FEDERATION OF WESTERN OUTDOOR CLUBS

by Rick Jali

Any of you who read the treasury report in the October issue of the Echo may have noticed a cryptic item "Fedrtn. Wstrn. Outdoor Clubs." The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs (FWOC) is a group of 41 clubs, of which BOEALPS is one, which are involved in outdoor sports like climbing, hiking and kayaking and which have active conservation programs. The Federation was founded in 1932 to bring clubs with common concerns together so they could support each other's causes, and together do much more than any one club could do alone.

Historically, the Federation was one of the first organizations to be politically active in support of conservation causes, such as wilderness preservation. Today, there are many organizations such as the Sierra Club (still a member of the FWOC) which powerfully fill this role, but the Federation still effectively serves many clubs, especially smaller ones, which could not support programs of their own.

Most of the clubs in the Federation are small, having only a few hundred, or even a few dozen, members; and most are in the Pacific Northwest. Other clubs are in the Rocky Mountain states, or in California. A few member clubs, like the Mountaineers and some chapters of the Audubon Society, are quite large, and of course the Sierra Club is now huge.

The Federation supports the concerns of member clubs as follows. Every year, usually the weekend before Labor Day, there is an FWOC convention to which delegates from member clubs are invited. This year, the BOEALPS delegate to the FWOC convention, held in Bozeman, Montana on 28-30 August, was Rick Jali, who is also the FWOC Vice President for Western Washington. This is an opportunity to talk about conservation issues and club problems. Each club is also invited to submit resolutions about issues of special concern to it, e.g. establishment of a certain area as wilderness, increased funding for trail construction and maintenance, etc. These resolutions are considered by all the delegates, and, if passed, are sent in the name of the Federation to the government officials concerned. The individual clubs may then use the Federation's name and resolutions in support of their own campaigns to achieve their desired goals. The Federation also has representatives who work at the national and local levels towards implementing these resolutions.

The Federation's help does not end with the convention and its resolutions. There are FWOC representatives both in Seattle and in Washington who continuously advocate conservation goals. The representative in Seattle is Jim Blomquist, who is primarily the Northwest Regional Representative for the Sierra Club. The Washington Rep is Brock Evans, who is the National Rep for the Audubon Society. These men are experienced and enthusiastic fulltime workers in conservation campaigns and politics. Their help and advice is available to member clubs, and can be very useful in achieving the clubs' own conservation goals.

The effectiveness of any conservation campaign depends on the enthusiasm and energy of individual clubs, and eventually on their individual members. But the Federation offers the combined strength and experience of many like-minded people, and makes any such campaign much more effective than it would otherwise be.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fellow BOEALPS Members:

While all of you are looking forward to the holidays, your Board of Directors has been busy forecasting the club's budget for next year and planning the annual banquet. After much discussion, some decisions have been made. First, you should be pleased to learn that our dues will remain the same at \$7.00 per year. A lot of people have assumed that the \$7.00 also includes families. Fortunately, most of our club activities are low key with little expense involved so families are welcomed, in fact, encouraged.

However, the banquet poses a unique problem. Last year the plan was to subsidize \$3.00 of the \$12.00 meal, making the tickets \$9.00 each. This year the Board of Directors decided to handle the banquet in a different manner for a couple of reasons which I wish to share with the general membership. First of all, lacking support from the previous year's officers, last year's officers did not plan for some less than obvious expenses. With the addition of tax, bartenders, gratuities and rental of the aquarium, the actual price was around \$14.50 per meal. The club picked up \$5.50 rather than the planned \$3.00 in addition to the speaker fee. Secondly, your current Board of Directors feels that subsidizing \$6.00 (member and spouse) was out of proportion with \$7.00 annual dues, and can see no reason for the club to subsidize tickets for non-members of BOEALPS.

For these reasons, each \$7.00 paid membership will be entitled to one banquet ticket at the subsidized rate. The club will not subsidize tickets for spouses, family, guests, or non-members. Since about one half of the club's budget comes from the Boeing Recreation Council, this attitude may seem cheap or chicken to some. However, I must remind you that Boeing supports BOEALPS primarily for its employees. As a club we should not jeopardize our position by indiscriminate use of funds for family and friends.

The jump from \$9.00 per ticket to \$16.00 per ticket seems extreme, but the Board of Directors hopes to have a quality meal comparable to last year's. Rather than increase dues we chose to increase the ticket price. We understand that our decisions won't please everybody, but as your Board we feel the general membership should be knowledgeable of reasons for our actions. As members of BOEALPS, feel free to voice your opinions to your officers.

I wish you all a happy holiday season and hope to see you at our banquet.

Your President,

*Don Larson*

1982 BOEALPS ANNUAL BANQUET  
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5th  
DOUBLETREE INN at SOUTHCENTER  
COCTAILS 5:30  
DINNER 7:30

GUEST SPEAKER: ANDREW HARVARD  
FEATURED SUBJECT: MT EVEREST - FIRST ATTEMPT ON EAST FACE, 1981

Andrew will treat us to the premier account of his Everest teams spectacular first-trying ascent of the East face. Although the team did not reach the summit they succeeded in proving that the Tibetan East face could be conquered. The team completed the technically difficult Lower Buttress where they placed 6,000 ft. of fixed rope in conditions reaching class 5.8, A3. They were turned back after 30 days by severe avalanche conditions on the slopes above the buttress.

In addition to the account of the climbing, Andrew will describe his teams travels through the cities of Peking, Lhasa, and Shigtse; giving us a look at life in these seldom visited regions. Set aside the evening of Friday, February 5th for a great show and a get together with friends! Please make your reservations by early January!! For ticket information contact Dave Larson (251-0209) or John Kokes (773-4896). For tickets, fill out the form below.

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NAME -----

MAIL STOP ----- ORGANIZATION -----

MEMBER TICKETS ----- at \$13.00 = -----

ADDITIONAL TICKETS ----- at \$16.00 = -----  
(spouse, guests, other non-members)

TOTAL ENCLOSED ..... \$ -----

Make checks payable to BOEALPS  
Mail this form to: John Kokes M/S 8E-70

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DATE RECEIVED ----- REGISTRATION NUMBER -----

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## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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DATE: 29 OCTOBER 1981

1. Glenn Brindeiro gave the Board a presentation on his upcoming expedition to GASHBRUM II ( 26,361 ft. ). He also spoke about the BOEALPS Pennant that was given to the club by Boeing President Mal Stamper.

The Board voted to let the BOEALPS become a Non-funding sponsor of the Gasherbrum II expedition.

2. It was decided that the CLUB PENNANT needs more exposure. Therefore, the pennant will be carried by the club president on all of his climbs. An annual Pennant Climb was also discussed.
3. A meeting was held during the month to discuss the CLIMBING CLASS. Class size was the main concern. Two concurrent classes were suggested. One would cover climbing, the other would cover alpine scrambling. Cost for both classes would be the same.

The Board voted to let John Pollock organize the courses for us.

4. Past and future EQUIPMENT purchases were taken up next. Two Pieps transmitters were purchased. Club members who use them must supply their own batteries! Our MSR stove has been repaired. Purchase of a tent was also discussed.
5. BOEALPS will not sponsor any CROSS-COUNTRY SKI lessons this year. However, we will provide publicity in the ECHO for those desiring to teach lessons. A BOEALPS X-Country seminar was mentioned.

6. It was noted that more ACTIVITIES are needed.

7. The BANQUET was discussed ( food, speaker, location, etc. ).

8. CONSERVATION: We decided to join The Washington Wilderness Coalition. Annual dues are \$25.00.

9. The total BUDGET for next year is \$17,000. About 14% will come from Boeing Recreation ( maybe ).

10. A change to our current DONATION to the MTN. RESCUE COUNCIL was discussed. No decisions were made.



# TREASURY ACTIVITY...

Treasurer John Kokes is out of town on assignment.  
His column will resume next month.

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Dateline BSRL:

## NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order by President Dave Larson.

1. There were not any minutes from the September meeting.
2. The Treasurer's Report was not read since it was published in the ECHO.
3. Chairmen present reported on their months activity.
4. The membership voted in favor of purchasing a four-man Equinox tent after some discussion.
5. Dave adjourned the business meeting in favor of the program on the 100 highest peaks in Washington by Russ Kroeker. The club wishes to express its appreciation to Russ who refused payment for his efforts.



## MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

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It's dues time again! Since most of us at Boeing change telephones, organizations, address, etc. frequently, we ask that you fill out the membership registration with your current information so the roster can be updated. Annual dues are \$7.00 per individual, payable on January 1 and delinquent on February 1. Retirees do not have to pay dues, but, please indicate "retired" status on the form. Return the form to Randy Hieronymus at M/S 21-02. Make checks to BOEALPS.



**MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION  
BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY**

LAST NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	FIRST NAME & INITIAL		
STREET ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
HOME PHONE	WORK PHONE	SOCIAL SECURITY	
ORGANIZATION	MAIL STOP	AGE	BOEING EMPLOYEE (YES OR NO)

AS YOUR CLUB OFFICERS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING TIME TO RESPOND TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO MAKE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR GRIPES ON THE BACKSIDE.

1. LIST ACTIVITIES (CLIMBING, HIKING, X-C SKIING, SNOWSHOEING, SKI MOUNTAINEERING, OTHER) IN ORDER OF INTEREST: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. LIST CLIMBS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE OFFERED BY BOEALPS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. LIST ACTIVITIES/SEMINARS WHICH YOU ARE WILLING TO ORGANIZE. (INDICATE SEASON OF YEAR):  
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4. LIST TOPICS OF INTEREST FOR BOEALPS MONTHLY PROGRAMS:  
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5. LIST CLUB ACTIVITIES (PICNIC, BANQUET, CONSERVATION, OFFICES, ETC.) FOR WHICH YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER SOME OF YOUR TIME:  
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