

*Koyo Zom, Hindu Raj.* Bruce and Harry Hooker, Neville Jordison, Bruce Littlewood, Rob Wild and I climbed for five weeks in the Koyo Zom group at the head of the Chitral valley in July and August. Permission to climb Thui II was refused at the eleventh hour; hence our knowledge of Koyo Zom was sparse. Nevertheless, after two weeks' reconnaissance on the Chatiboi, Pechus and Koyo glaciers, we agreed to establish a high camp at 16,500 feet, two days from Base Camp at Pechus village, for an attempt on Koyo Zom by the east ridge. On August 6 Littlewood and Wild made the first ascent of a snow peak (19,800 feet) east of Koyo Zom. The weather was predictable—two or three days of low cloud and snow every five or six days. The attempt on Koyo Zom was planned with this in mind. On August 16 the two Hookers retreated from the east ridge after a light-weight alpine attempt from the second high camp on the upper plateau. Littlewood and Wild bivouacked at 21,000 feet on the next day and reached the summit (22,545 feet) on August 18. Their descent was made more interesting by a 200-foot fall at 22,000 feet, fortunately without serious injury. At the upper plateau, they met the Hooker twins, who had just climbed the two adjacent 20,000-foot peaks.

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*Kakhari, Hindu Raj.* Our 1973 expedition consisted of Karl-Heinz Boss, leader, Erich Fend, Peter Trappel, Manfred Bilger and me. After an approach by the Ushu valley we placed Base Camp on the east bank of the Kachhikhani Glacier. We made three ascents in the Hindu Raj, west of the glacier: Kakhani (19,262 feet) on August 16, 1973 by Schurr, Trappel, P 5150 (16,897 feet) on August 7 by Boss, Bilger and P 5250 (17,225 feet) on August 9 by Schurr. Kakhani was first climbed by the English climbers Collister and Metcalfe in 1968. The two last peaks were measured by aneroid.

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*Tirich Mir West III.* Organized by the Groupe Universitaire de Montagne et de Ski, we had as our goal the ascent of one of the last two 7000-meter peaks of the Hindu Kush, either Tirich Mir West II or III, both about 7400 meters or 24,279 feet. Led by Guy Lucazeau and me, the team was otherwise composed of Marie-Françoise Amy, Marc Breuil, Pierre Chapoutot, Jacques Kelle, Jean-François Lemoine, Jacques Mambre, Gérard Pistillo, Michel Pompei, Sylvain Sarthou and Dr. Jean Emond. Pakistani Captain Parwez Minhaj was liaison officer. We had three high-altitude porters, notable for their experience and effectiveness. We all got to Chitral on July 6 and traveled to Mushgol by jeep on the 7th. On July 8, with 86 porters, we crossed the Zani Pass at 12,730 feet and reached Shagrom. From there, in two days, we