

pitches of an ice gully to the summit. In March we teamed with three other New Zealanders to go to the Lago Onelli for 25 days. After good weather while packing to our camp near the foot of Cerro Heim, it rained for the other 21 days. Our attempt on Cerro Heim was turned back by bad weather.

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*Paine Chico Este Correction and Torre Paine Norte.* In the *A.A.J.*, 1977 on page 234 it stated that Paine Chico Este had been climbed for the third time. This was actually the fourth ascent since members of our club had made a previous ascent. In December of 1976 Ricardo Tylka, leader, Marcelo Aguilar, Peter Friedrich, Fernando Heredia, Werner Lion and Alberto Vrabec arrived at the Estancia Cerro Paine to attempt the Torre Central. Continuous stormy weather kept them from their objective, but they managed to climb the Torre Norte twice, Heredia and Lion on January 16 and Aguilar, Friedrich and Tylka on the 18th. When leaving the area, Heredia and Tylka made the third ascent of Paine Chico Este by the Zuck-Teufel route.

HÉCTOR CUIÑAS, *Centro Andino Buenos Aires*

*The Mummer, Paine Group.* Phillip Stuart Dawson and I made the first ascent of the Mummer on December 7, 1976 by a route on the southwest face above the Mummer Cuerno Segundo (or Cuerno Norte) col. From a snow cave at the base of the rock, we fixed our climbing ropes up a few pitches in the same place attempted by Dave Nicol's expedition a year previously\*. We were unpleasantly surprised to find about ten expansion bolts in unnecessary positions on these first few pitches. On December 6 we headed for the top but were forced to bivouac about eight pitches from the top. The next day we made the summit and rappelled down to reach Base Camp that night. The route was on excellent rock with some mixed climbing near the top. It was mostly UIAA V, but one pitch was VI and another A4, where Dawson took a fall. It was about 20 pitches. We took hammocks but there were suitable ledges high up on the route.

DAVID MALCOLM CHEESMOND, *South Africa*

*Fortress Attempt, Paine Group.* In February British climbers under the leadership of Keith Myhill made an unsuccessful attempt on the southeast face of the Fortress.

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\* There has been confusion about the names in the Paine Group. In *A.A.J.*, 1977, p. 234 we gave David Nicol's account but the names of Blade and Mummer were interchanged. It would seem that the names most commonly accepted are from south to north as follows: Cuerno Principal, Cuerno Segundo (or Cuerno Norte), Mummer, Blade, Sword, Fortress.