

CANADA

Yukon Territory

Climbing Season in Kluane National Park, Icefield Ranges, St. Elias Mountains. Mountaineering in the St. Elias Mountains was greatly reduced this summer as there were only ten groups in all. The following were successful. Americans Jim Himmes, David Rogers, Stanleigh Cole and James Thompson climbed Mount Logan by its east ridge. Canadians Willi Pfisterer, Ron Chambers, Rick Staley, Doug Burles, Darro Stinson, Claire Israelson, Bruce Sundo, Hal Morrison, Kevin McLaughlin and Lloyd Freese successfully climbed McArthur Peak. Americans Greg Grange, Peter Dea, Steve Monfredo and Andrew Lapkass traversed Logan, climbing the east ridge and descending the King Trench route. Canadians Will Black, David Charlebois, David Hammer and Calvin McDonald climbed Mount Steele by what is probably a new route between Mounts Steele and Walsh. Americans Franz Mohling, Turan Barut and Stephen Jensen were killed when their party was struck by an avalanche while in their camp at 15,000 feet on a north ridge of Mount Logan. The survivors, Paul O'Sullivan, Jim Ebersole, Doug Johnson and Kenneth Nolan were evacuated from the mountain at a later date. In all 56 people spent 906 man-days in the icefields of the park.

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Tombstone Mountains Correction. On the last line of page 161 of *A.A.J.*, 1982 Mount Monolith is incorrectly given as Mount Mordith.

Coast Range

Noel Peak, Stikine Icecap. Between June 27 and July 18, Stacia Cronin, Jay McCubbrey, Peter VanderNailen, Tony Watkin, Beverly Wilson, David Wilson, Les Wilson, and I visited the northern Stikine Icecap of British Columbia. Our primary objective was Noel Peak (10,040 feet), which we believed unclimbed. We flew by float plane from Edontenajon Lake on the Stewart-Cassiar Highway to a Base Camp on Chutine Lake (1000 feet). I'd used this camp on previous trips in 1978 and 1980. We made an airdrop of food and fuel on the icecap at 6500 feet about ten miles south of the lake. Within three days we had gained the icecap and collected our supplies. Using homemade drags, constructed from heavy plastic sheeting by Les, we skiied south across the undulating icecap another twenty miles to the base of Noel Peak. A high camp was established at 7700 feet, just below an impressive rock buttress, on the northwest ridge. On July 6 all but Stacia and Peter crossed the glacier at the base of the west face to tackle the southwest ridge. Actually, this proved to be a series of parallel arêtes rather than a single ridge. We climbed a rotten