

peak the Vinson Massif in Antarctica. Canadian Pat Morrow made his ascent on November 19 and our member Gerry Roach reached the summit on December 13.

CAUCASUS

Caucasus, 1984. David Broadhead and I spent three weeks in the Baksan valley of the central Caucasus in the summer of 1984. We made ascents of Ushba North by its north ridge, the north face of Ullu-Kara-Tau, a traverse of Dongus-Orun and Nakra, an ascent of Jangtugan and a traverse of the east and west peaks of Elbrus. An attempt on the north face of Ullu-Tay-Chana was repulsed in the face of high temperatures. The range is not much frequented by Western mountaineers, although it offers challenges of high order. Traversing long ridges or attempting long mixed or icy faces give the best objectives. The following points are worth bearing in mind: 1. In 1984, \$800 covered everything from Moscow back to Moscow; 2. We found no hindrance in attempting any climb we wished, though occasionally we had to be strong minded; 3. Control times are given, but they are generous. In any event, radios are carried by all parties; 4. There is no helicopter rescue service; 5. Some dried food might be worth taking; 6. Sportingly, there are no weather forecasts, maps or guides, and the only hut is on Elbrus.

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ASIA

Corections in "Classification of the Himalaya" in A.A.J., 1985. The Bhutaneese section still remains rather poorly defined. We misspelled Lunana on pages 111 and 112. Captain Mohan S. Kohli has articles in the *Himalayan Journal*, volume 41 on pages 137 to 143 and in the *Alpine Journal*, 1985 on pages 18 to 20 which give slightly different spellings and altitudes for some of the peaks. At present, there is no way to be sure of what is accurate since spellings and altitudes seem to vary even in communications from the Bhutanese government. The A.A.J. compilation leaned heavily on the excellent work done by the Swiss scholar, Augusto Gansser, and his associates.

The altitude for Namcha Barwa should have been given as 7762 meters (25,466 feet) instead of 7782 meters.

P 7385 on page 115 was incorrectly placed in the Kumbhakarna subsection but it clearly belongs in the Northern Kangchenjunga subsection, being the west peak of Kangbachen.

A second Avalanche Peak (6443 meters, 21,140 feet; 30° 54' 42" N, 70° 17' 03" E) should have appeared on page 140 in the Northeastern Gangotri subsection.