

Enzio and Arturo Bergamaschi (see below) did not get to the summit. French led by F. Rebuffet did get to the top, but the French expedition led by Pierre Eyssette failed. For the American attempt, see below.

*Kun Attempt.* A Colorado Mountain Club group attempted to climb Kun by the northeast ridge. Dick Dietz, Kent Groninger, Cathleen Richards and I left Kargil on June 11. The road was passable by truck only to near Parkachik. On June 12, we rigged a pulley system to cross the Suru River via the cable while our equipment was carried across by horses. Deep snow drifts stopped the horses beyond the river and we got to Base Camp at 14,400 feet along the Shafat Glacier only on June 16. We established Camps I, II, III and IV at 17,000, 18,500, 20,000 and 20,500 feet on June 19, 22, 25 and 26. On June 27, we went for the summit but abandoned the climb in heavy fog and waist-deep snow on a 45° slope.

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*Kun Attempt.* Our expedition was composed of Carla Barbanti, Claudio Ansaloni, Gian Paolo Bassi, Ermanno Boccolari, Giancarlo Calza, Loris Duzzi, Pietro Feretti, Sergio Leoni, Massimo Lugli, Antonella Mezzadri, Luciano Pasquali, Gerardo Re Depaolini, Paolo Tamagnini, Franco Vivarelli, Angelo Zatti and me as leader. Our approach was made difficult by the flooding of the Suru River. Horses could be got only to 4050 meters and the climbers had to carry everything to 4350 meters to Base Camp. We set up Camp I at 5350 meters on July 16, hoping to climb the northeast side. Camp II was established on the 17th after fixing 100 meters of rope and climbing an ice slope for 300 meters to the plateau. Camp III at 6350 meters between Kun and Pinnacle Peak was occupied on July 19. Heavy snows on July 20, 21 and 23 created great avalanche danger and we gave up the attempt on July 26.

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*Kun.* On August 10, our group, guided by Christian Laplace and me, gathered at Base Camp at 4400 meters on the moraine of the Shafat Glacier. Camp I was placed at 5300 meters. Our plan was to divide into two parties, one of which would move up one day ahead of the other. On August 13 and 14, Camp II was established on the snow plateau to the right of the White Needle. All descended to Base Camp for a rest. Camp III was set up on August 17 on the snow plateau at 6300 meters by the first party. On the 18th, Philippe Andral, Roger Albessard, Jean-Claude Létetu, Jean-Michel Meunier, Jean Duffort, Françoise Goudet and I reached the summit in splendid weather. On August 19, Laplace, Danièle Lavalade, Pierre Perisse, Jérôme Latrubesse, Pierre Becquet and Sylvain Pigny got to the top.

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