

Mount Baring and Dolomite Tower, 1992. Dolomite Tower is a 1300-foot-high vertical pillar of very fine, compact metamorphic rock adjacent to Mount Baring in the North Cascades. In June of 1992, I climbed over four days a rib on the right side of the north face (5.11a). In July, I returned with Laurel Black to climb the east corner, using rap-bolt techniques on a few pitches (5.11c). Using similar methods in August, Bryan Burdo, Paul Woodrun, Alex Cudkowicz and I put in another north face route (5.12a, A0). In September, on the 2600-foot-high north face of Mount Baring itself, Woodrun and I climbed "Oatmeal Man" (5.11c). Finally, in October, Laura Woods and I climbed Baring's east face (5.10d). All routes except the last were Grade Vs and were of about 14 pitches.

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Belltower Point. Steve Must and I made a new route on the north face of the first prominent rock formation at the entrance of the canyon of the Popo Agie River in July. It featured long slab runouts and some good cracks (II, 5.6).

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New Yosemite Routes. Eric Kohl added four new routes to Yosemite's walls in 1993. In April, he soloed *Indecision Time* (VI, 5.7, A4), just east of the Ribbon Falls amphitheater. The eight-pitch route climbs the center of the Hourglass formation and continues up to Sherwood Forest. In June, he climbed *Abstract Expressionist* (VI, 5.9, A5) on El Capitan, an eight-pitch variant between Zenyatta Mondatta and Zodiac, joining Zenyatta Mondatta at its ninth pitch. In July, he soloed another major route on the Nine O'Clock Wall above Glacier Point Apron. The 14-pitch *Express Checkout* (VI, 5.8, A5) ascends the major "splash" of orange lichen and a giant roof left of Ice Age before joining that route for the final four leads. Teaming up with Jason Torlano, in August Kohl climbed a five-pitch route on Mount Broderick, left of Unemployment Line.

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Yosemite Climbing, 1991-1993. Some climbs done in past years were not recorded and so this reflects not only climbs in 1993 but some earlier ones. Eric Kohl, who has never publicized any of his climbs, recently reported to *Mountain Review* the best of his six new routes, on El Capitan four of which were done solo. *Plastic Surgery Disaster* (VI, 5.8, A5), which Kohl feels is of especially high quality, was climbed solo in May, 1991. It starts between "Born under a Bad Sign" and "Bad to the Bone," goes through the center of the Devil's Tower, crosses "Born" to follow a line between "Born" and "Lunar Eclipse."