

tower is within the Horseshoe Rincon, across from the Potash Mine and was reached via Hurrah Pass down Kain Creek, southwest of Moab.

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*Tusher Canyon, Moab Area.* On October 23, Brian Takei and I climbed *Walden's Room* (II, 5.10, A1, 3 pitches) on the House of Putterman. We left only one point of aid on this fabulous, new, 220-foot butte. On October 30, Luke Laeser and I climbed *Putterman's Outhouse* (5.9, A1), a new, 60-foot, previously unclimbed tower. That same day, we two climbed *Putterman's Pinkies* (5.10), a beautiful 80-foot crack climb. Luke Laeser and I did three one-pitch climbs on the Aiguille du Putterman, which rises at the intersection of Highways 313 and 191: *L'Offwidth du Putterman* (5.9) on November 13, *Putterman Pour Tout* (5.9) and *Putterman au Printemps* both on November 19. On Easter Sunday, Tom Sherman and Jim Angione climbed *The Golden Book* (II, 5.8, A3) near Echo Pinnacle, the last formation on the south wall.

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*More Moab Area Climbs.* Jay Smith and his wife Jo climbed *King Crimson* (5.11, 2 pitches) in the spring. The route is at the far right edge of the south face of Parriot Mesa. Also on the south face, the farthest left splinter crack, just right of Yoga Master, *A Fat Crack Named Desire* (5.11, 4 pitches) was climbed by Keith Reynolds and Bob Novellino. Rob Slater has now climbed all the routes on the *Fisher Towers* and the *Mystery Towers* listed in the Bjørnstad *Desert Rock* climbing guide. Other ascents in the Mystery Towers were second ascents of climbs first done in October 1969 by Bill Forrest and Don Briggs: *Gothic Nightmare* (IV, 5.8, A3, 5 pitches) by Slater, John Sherman, Mike O'Donnel and Al Torrisi in May 1993; *Pink Pussycat* (5.9) by Slater, Torrisi and Jim Bodenhamer in November 1994; *Doric Column* (IV, 5.9, A2, 5 pitches) by Steve Bartlett and Chip Lee in April 1992 (third ascent in June 1992 by Slater and Sherman); *The Citadel* (IV, 5.7, A3, 5 pitches) in June 1992 by Slater and Sherman. Torrisi, Slater, Bodenhamer and Barry Roberts climbed *Cubic Sister* (5.11, A1) in November 1994. This is the first tower right of Baby Sister in the Sister Superior group. *Junior Buttress of the Convent* (IV, 5.10, A2, 4 pitches) was climbed by its south ridge by Slater, Bodenhamer and Bruce Hunter.

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*River Road Area, Dolofright, Spring 1994.* Along River Road, between Moab and Castle Valley and above Big Bend between Mile Markers 7 and 8, rises Dolomite Spire. It was first climbed with aid by Layton Kor, Joy Kor and Kordell Kor. It received its first free ascent this year. Tom Gilje and his wife Julie climbed *Dolofright*, a three-pitch route on the southwest arête of Dolomite Spire. It is reported to be sporty, with 25-foot runouts between bolts and wired stoppers behind flakes. The route has no moves harder than 5.11a but was given

an 11c rating to keep the less-than-serious from getting into trouble. Dan Osman made the second ascent, confirming the route's quality.

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*River Road Area.* During Jeff Lowe's honeymoon with Teri Ebel, they established a new route, a hard, wide crack 200 feet left of Artist's Tears, three miles up River Road from Moab. It ascends 30 feet of aid (climbed years ago by an unknown party) before launching off into two pitches of wide crack. *Acquired Taste* is rated II, 5.12a/b. Craig Luebben and Jeff Achey climbed *Sorcerers' Crossing* with two points of aid in April and then returned to make the first free ascent with Kennon Harvey. Jeff suggests the route may be the hardest wide-crack spire in the Canyonlands at 5.11+. The Sorcerer is located above Mile Marker 3 on the River Road. Jay Smith and his wife Jo have established several notable routes on the Wingate walls above the River Road. Above the bouldering area on the right just beyond Big Bend, they put up *Avalon* (5.10+). Above the top of the hill at Mile Marker 11, they climbed four routes: *Girly Man* (5.10+), on the Pleasure-Pain Wall, *Whips and Chains* (5.11), *S and M* (5.10+) and *Bring You Pleasure* (5.10+). With Paul Teare he did *Take the Pain* (5.10a).

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*New Routes in Canyonlands National Park, Island in the Sky District, 1992-3.* I made the following new routes. In February, 1992, David Lindy and I climbed *Thracian Mare*, a curving seam on the narrow west face (III, 5.8, A3+); this is in Taylor Canyon next to Moses. In February, 1992, Mike Woods and I climbed *Sandcastle*, starting up the southwest side to the notch between the island and the spire before continuing up the northern prow (IV, 5.8, A3); located in Buck Canyon, it is the third spire in the Monster Tower Washer-woman Arch area. In April, 1993, Wood, Lindy and I climbed the *Cauldrons* via a crack system dividing the twin summits on the south face (II, 5.10, A1); this is located in Hell Roaring Canyon between the Witch and the Warlock. In May, 1993, Chris Sircello and I climbed the south face to the notch and then the north face to the top of *Outlaw Spire* (also known as Hardscrabble Spire; III, 5.10, A3); this is located at the top of Hardscrabble Hill.

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*Canyonlands National Park, Island in the Sky District.* In October, Jon Burnham and Bill Duncan climbed *Chortler's Joy* (II, 5.9, A1, 3 pitches) on Candlestick Spire by first the west and then the north face. Jim Bodenhamer and Al Torrisi made the first ascent of *Sandcastle* (III, 5.10, A2, 5 pitches) by the northwest face. This rises just west of Washer Woman Tower on the White Rim of the Island in the Sky. In July, Galen Howell, Sonja Paspal and Steve Swenke