

15 meters and the most, four pitches. This is the third new route climbed by Slovenes on the Cerro Torre.

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*Cerro Torre, Cleaning of Fixed Rope.* Discovering that over 1000 meters of fixed rope had been left during the filming of an ascent of Cerro Torre, Austrian Tommy Bonapace and a companion were helicoptered to the summit of the mountain. They spent the next two days stripping the Maestri Compressor Route of this mess of fixed rope.

*Climbing Season in the Fitz Roy-Cerro Torre Area, 1994-95.* [The time between the Patagonian season and our going to press is always so short that it is difficult to have a complete record. For that reason, we are grateful to Chis Breemer, who has just returned from there, for writing this report in early March.—*Editor*.] Tremendous new routes were climbed on Fitz Roy, Torre Egger, Saint Exupéry, Cerro Stanhardt and Cerro Torre. Two of the finest were done on Fitz Roy. Italians Andrea Sarchi, Lorenzo Nadali and Mauro Girardi alpine-style made the first ascent of *Ensueño* (VI, 6c/7a, A1) on the northwest side of Fitz Roy, immediately right of the *Supercanaleta*. Following a beautiful 1500-meter buttress, they climbed 36 new pitches before joining the *Supercanaleta*, which they ascended to the summit. Climbing for five days, they encountered one 10-foot section of aid and were also fortunate enough to find bivouac ledges stocked with snow and large enough for a tent. When I left, Germans Kurt Albert and Bernd Arnold were working on a new route on the 1500-meter east pillar of Fitz Roy. Starting just left of *Corazón*, they discovered a continuous system of beautiful cracks with no climbing harder than 5.12a. Near the top of the pillar, Arnold was injured by rockfall and they had to retreat to Base Camp. They were planning to reascend their route and continue to Fitz Roy's summit. French climbers did one of the most difficult aid routes, *Le Petit Prince*, on the east face of Saint Exupéry. [See below.] American Charlie Fowler teamed up with Argentine Rolando Garabotti and climbed Saint Exupéry, Rafael (also called *Innominata*) and Poincenot between January 24 and 27. On Saint Exupéry, the pair climbed a new 700-meter route right of the *Claro de Luna*. Waking the next morning to continuing good weather, they climbed the original west-face/southwest-ridge route to the summit of Rafael. Taking a rest day on the 26th, they were delighted to find continuing good weather and on the 27th, they climbed the Carrington-Rouse route on Poincenot, a route Fowler compares to climbing El Capitan in a day. On the other side of the valley, on the east buttress of Torre Egger, Jay Smith, Conrad Anker and Steve Gerberding completed *Badlands* (VI, 5.10, A3, WI4). Following a steep, dark wall to the right of the 1986/87 Slovene route, they eventually exited onto a steep ice smear that led to the base of the summit