

dreds of feet and basically circumnavigated half the mountain, returning to camp at dusk to a worried Wade.

The ice is diminishing at an alarming rate and according to Ian Wade, author of the guide book, it will be nonexistent in five to 10 years.

STEPHEN KOCH

*Mount Kilimanjaro, Hein Glacier, Snowboard Attempt.* Wade McKoy and I climbed to 17,000 feet on the Hein Glacier route, which proved much steeper and icier than the photos in the guide showed. We lost a lot of time by belaying most of the route and were forced to retreat to catch a flight. After 21 hours of climbing we got back to our camp to find it completely gone. Our "guide" and porters brought it down, assuming we were going to descend the Arrow route back to Borranco. Another two hours of tricky route finding brought us back to the hut and our porters, who were relieved to see us.

STEPHEN KOCH

*Kilimanjaro.* Drew Sparn, age 11, reached the summit of Africa's Mount Kilimanjaro and shares the title as the youngest person ever to reach that 19,340 foot summit. He summited via the Machame route.

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### NORWAY

*Trollveggen and Mongejura Enchainment.* Last summer in the Romsdal Valley, Robert Casperson and Geir Arne Bore managed to free climb both the Swedish Route on the Troll Wall (Trollveggen) and Mongejura's South Pillar in one continuous effort. That equals 50 pitches of free climbing at up to 5.11 in a 27-hour push. Plus the approaches!

JAN WESTBY, *Tyrili Klatreklubb Osolo*

*Troll Wall, Rimmon Route, First Female Solo Ascent.* The route I did was the Rimmon Route. It is about 800 meters and 20 pitches long. In addition, one has to climb two pitches to get to the wall. I began my solo ascent on