

# Appendix: Record of Australian mountaineering in the Himalaya

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Table 1 Australian Himalayan climbs, 1922–2009 (based on surveys in *Wild* magazine)

Year	Peak, route	Party members	Outcome	Comments
1922	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge/Face, Tibet	George Finch, member of 11-man British expedition	Unsuccessful. Finch and Geoffrey Bruce reached 8350 m using supplementary oxygen.	First serious attempt on Mt Everest. Australian Finch climbed higher than any other human had previously climbed. Finch proved that supplementary oxygen could definitely benefit climbers.
1957	Exploratory expedition, Karakoram, Pakistan	Geoffrey Bratt and Grahame Budd, members of eight-man British expedition led by Eric Shipton	Explored in Siachen Glacier area. Climbed Towitz Peak (6400 m) and Island Peak (6860 m).	Exploratory trip mounted by Imperial College Mountaineering Club.
1960	K12 (7470 m) NW Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Jon Stephenson, member of four-man British expedition	Unsuccessful. Stephenson climbed with porter to 6640 m and solo to 7000 m.	Stephenson first Australian to climb to 7000 m without supplementary oxygen.
1963	Langtang II (6583 m) E Face, Central Nepal	Peter Taylor	Successful. Climbed with four Sherpas. Probably shortest-ever Himalayan expedition. Four days from road to base camp; five days to climb mountain.	Sometimes cited as first Australian expedition to Himalaya; however, Taylor was an itinerant British geologist stationed in Australia for a few years.
1975	Jannu (7710 m) N Face, Eastern Nepal	Geoff Wayatt, member of 12-man New Zealand expedition led by Peter Farrell	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7360 m.	Wayatt first Australian on 'modern' expedition. He and Jim Strang overcame major obstacle of route with bold, alpine-style assault.

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	Mulkila IV (6517 m) W Ridge, Lahoul, India	Michel Altermann (France), Garry Ash, Adrian Blake, Dorothy Brown, Warwick Deacock, Jim Dorrington, Harry Eldridge, Josephine Flood, Terri Jack (UK), Derek Lucas, Peter Morris, Michael Richards, John Ryder, Keith Seddon, John Wanless	Unsuccessful. Reached 6000 m. Six members subsequently climbed Mulkila V (5930 m).	First truly Australian expedition to the Himalaya. Organised and led by Warwick Deacock.
1976	Bethartoli South (6318 m) Gangotri, India	John Atkinson, Peter Marsh, Bob Ryan, Kevin Westren	Successful.	
1977	Changabang (6864 m) E Ridge, Garhwal, India	Charlie Cuthbertson, Andy Henderson, Martin Hendy, Garry Matthew, Malcolm Noble	Unsuccessful. Henderson, Hendy and Noble climbed to within 50 vertical m of summit. Stopped by bad weather.	First of many Australian attempts on this striking and difficult mountain.
	Khumbu trekking peaks Eastern Nepal	Geoff Batten, Mike Douglas, Fergus Fitzgerald, Greg Hodge, Phil Robinson, Mendelt Tillema	Successful.	First Australian ascent of popular trekking peak Imja Tse (Island Peak; 6189 m) and of Parchamo (6187 m).
1978	Dunagiri (7066 m) SW Ridge, Garhwal, India	John Armstrong, Ken Baldwin, Ken Bell, Andy Blakers, Andrew Bond, Keith Burns, Peter Cocker, John Finnigan, Lincoln Hall, Theo Hooy, Tim Macartney-Snape, Charlie Massy, Mark Podkolinski, Ben Sandilands, Martin Stone	Successful. Macartney-Snape reached summit; Hall stopped 200 m short. Epic descent through electrical storm. Hall suffered frostbite. Cocker organised helicopter rescue of Hall from Col Camp.	Most significant of early Australian expeditions. First Australian ascent of 7000 m peak. Launched careers of Tim Macartney-Snape and Lincoln Hall.
1979	Dharamsura (White Sail, 6445 m) SW Ridge, Kulu, India	Peter Allen, Max Berry, Ed Neve, Mike Rheinberger, Andrew Rothfield, Gary Wills	Successful. All but Berry reached summit.	First Australian ascent. Alpine style.
	Angdu Ri (5954 m) NE Ridge, Kulu, India	Mike Rheinberger, Andrew Rothfield	Successful. Both reached summit.	
	Ali Ratna Tibba (5750 m) SW Ridge, Kulu, India	Phil Cullen, Lincoln Hall, Tim Macartney-Snape	Successful. Hall and Macartney-Snape reached summit. They also climbed Geru (5100 m).	First Australian ascent. Alpine style.

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1980	Dhaulagiri I (8167 m) NW Ridge, Central Nepal	Lynne Griffith, member of US women's expedition led by Vera Komarkova	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6500 m. Expedition abandoned when Griffith killed in avalanche.	On first trip to Himalayas, Lynne Griffith killed when avalanche swept Camp II.
	Annapurna III (7555 m) N Face, Central Nepal	Geof Bartram, Adrian Blake, Ken Bowes, Jonathan Chester, Steve Colman, Warwick Deacock, Brian Fearnley (NZ), Jack Higgs, Ray Johnston, Faye Kerr, Steve McDowell, Colin Monteath (NZ), Stafford Morse, Nick Reeves, Richard Schmidt	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 5000 m. Expedition abandoned when Morse, Reeves and Schmidt killed in avalanche.	Worst Australian tragedy ever in Himalaya; compounded when Faye Kerr died of stomach problems in India after expedition.
	Gauri Shankar (7146 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Chris Bennett, Graham Brammer, Wayne Carroll, Pat Cullinan, Mick Hardless, Val Lishman, Jim MacDonald, John Remyense, Paul Richards, Barry Young	Unsuccessful. High point reached: subsidiary summit Tseringma (6333 m).	First Himalayan expedition of Army Alpine Association (AAA). First ascent of Tseringma.
	Changabang (6864 m) E Ridge, Garhwal, India	Peter Allen, Paul Anderson, Max Berry, John Dunlop, Tim Hughes, Pat Miller, Malcolm Noble, Mike Rheinberger, Andrew Rothfield	Successful. Anderson, Rheinberger and Rothfield reached summit.	First Australian ascent. Achievement marred by death of Tim Hughes in fall in Rishi Gorge on walk out.
1981	Shivling (6543 m) E Pillar, Gangotri, India	Greg Child and Rick White, members of international expedition led by Doug Scott	Successful. Georges Bettembourg, Child, Scott and White reached summit after 13-day alpine-style push.	First ascent of E Pillar of Shivling. First Himalayan success for Greg Child.
	Ganesh IV (7102 m) S Face/E Ridge, Central Nepal	Brian Agnew, John Cashman, Roy McDonald, Rob Phillipot, Phil Pitham, Fritz Schaumburg, Dave Simpson, Dave Sloane, Jim Truscott, Zac Zaharias	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 5800 m. Expedition abandoned when Sloane was killed by avalanche that swept Camp II.	Second AAA expedition to Himalaya.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) N Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Hooman Aprin (USA), Lincoln Hall, Andy Henderson, Damien Jones, Tim Macartney-Snape, Ken McMahon, Dave Pluth (USA)	Successful. Hall, Henderson and Macartney-Snape reached summit.	First Australian ascent.

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	Anyemaqen (6282 m) E Face, Kunlun, Central China	Geof Bartram, Lincoln Hall, Andy Henderson, Tim Macartney-Snape, Charlie Massy	Successful. Bartram, Hall, Henderson and Macartney-Snape climbed E Peak (6152 m); Hall and Macartney-Snape traversed to main summit.	First Australian ascent.
	Yalung Kang (8505 m) N Face, Eastern Nepal	Cherie Bremer-Kamp, Chris Chandler (USA)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7800 m.	Bremer-Kamp had been on earlier US expeditions to Dhaulagiri and K2.
1982	Changabang (6864 m) SW Pillar, Garhwal, India	Roddy Mackenzie, Mark Moorhead, Jon Muir, Craig Nottle	Successful. All four climbers reached summit.	Second ascent of route; first in alpine style. Very difficult climb technically; all four climbers on their first Himalayan trip.
	Lhotse (8516 m) N Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Adrian Burgess (UK), Fred From, Peter Hillary (NZ), Paul Moores (UK)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8250 m.	From first Australian to climb more than 8000 m without supplementary oxygen.
	Trisul (7120 m) Garhwal, India	Geof Bartram, John Coulton, Mike Groom, Lincoln Hall, Tim Macartney-Snape and four US climbers	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6800 m. Stopped by sustained, violent storm.	First guided Australian climb in Himalaya. Bartram, Hall and Macartney-Snape were guides.
	Nanda Devi (7816 m) SE Ridge, Garhwal, India	Keith Egerton, Hugh Foxcroft, Tom Millar, Ed Neve, Mike Rheinberger, Gary Wills	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7400 m, by Rheinberger and Wills. Stopped by storm.	Expedition plagued by illness and accidents. Neve and Millar evacuated by helicopter.
	East Kulu expedition Kulu, India	John Burrow, Nick Groves (UK), John Marshall, Brett Ryan, Terry Ryan	Successful. Climbed a number of peaks: Corner Peak (6140 m); Kulu Makalu (5882 m); Tiger Tooth (5980 m); The Dome (5880 m); Shigri Parbat (6640 m).	First Australian ascents.
	Peak 29 (Dakura, 7837 m) S Ridge, Central Nepal	Brian Agnew, member of large British Army expedition	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6000 m.	Expedition plagued by problems including: gear lost in transit, wrong approach to mountain, dispute with local villagers on trek in and horrific snow conditions on 8 km-long ridge.
	Kwangde Shar (6093 m) Eastern Nepal	Mick Chapman, Colin Pont	Successful.	First Australian ascent.

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	Mera Peak (6476 m) N Face (Glacier), Eastern Nepal	Stephen Bunton, Tim Carroll, Jeff Crass, Ivan Dessailly, Mike Myers, Peter Webber and one other climber	Successful. Also climbed Nau Lekh (6363 m).	First Australian ascents.
	Pisang Peak (6091 m) SW Face/Ridge, Central Nepal	Bruce Fox, Ian Ravenscroft, Fritz Schaumburg (guide), Enn Troopold and three other clients	Successful.	First Australian ascent of this trekking peak north of the Annapurna Himal.
1983	Annapurna II (7937 m) S Face, Central Nepal	Mike Groom, Lincoln Hall, Andy Henderson, Tim Macartney-Snape, Greg Mortimer	Successful. Hall, Henderson, Macartney-Snape and Mortimer reached summit after two bivouacs at 7800 m.	First ascent of difficult route on S Face. Second 7000 m peak climbed by Australians.
	Annapurna III (7555 m) SW Face, Central Nepal	Stephen Bunton, Jonathon Chester, Steve McDowell, Adrian Teague, Dave Wagland	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7300 m, by Chester, McDowell and Teague. Turned back on summit ridge by high winds.	
	Makalu (8463 m) SW Pillar, Eastern Nepal	Bill Denz (NZ), Fred From, Peter Hillary (NZ), Mark Moorhead	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7600 m, by From and Moorhead.	Double tragedy as Denz killed in avalanche and Moorhead in fall.
	Lobsang Spire (5715 m) SE Face Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face SW Pillar Karakoram, Pakistan	Greg Child, member of nine-man international expedition led by Doug Scott (UK)	Successful. Child, Scott and Pete Thexton (UK) reached summit of Lobsang Spire.	First ascent of Lobsang Spire. Child later reached 8000 m on Broad Peak but turned back with ailing partner, Pete Thexton, who died of pulmonary oedema on the descent.
	Nilgiri North (7061 m) SE Face, Central Nepal	Peter Allen, Dave Evans, Bruce Fox, Peter Lambert, Terry McCullagh, Phil Pitham, Mark Whetu (NZ), Zac Zaharias	Successful. All except Fox reached summit.	Third 7000 m peak climbed by Australians. First major Himalayan peak climbed by AAA. Fourth ascent of Nilgiri North and second of SE face.
1984	Pumori (7,161 m) SE Face, Eastern Nepal	Geof Bartram and Chris Curry, members of seven-man international expedition	Successful. All seven reached summit.	New route on SE Face. First Australian ascent.

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	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Face, Tibet	Geof Bartram, Lincoln Hall, Andy Henderson, Tim Macartney-Snape, Greg Mortimer	Successful. Macartney-Snape and Mortimer reached summit. Henderson stopped 50 vertical m below summit, suffered severe frostbite to both hands.	Remarkable climb of Mt Everest. First Australian ascent. First ascent of Great Couloir. First ascent of new route without supplementary oxygen. Smallest party ever to climb new route.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) W Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Fred From, Peter Hillary (NZ), Kim Logan (NZ), Roddy Mackenzie, Jon Muir, Craig Nottle	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8200 m, by From and Logan.	Double tragedy as From and Nottle killed in falls from high on W Ridge.
	Kangguru (7010 m) SE Ridge, Central Nepal	Michael Chapman (UK), Greg Martin, Mike Rheinberger	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6930 m, by Rheinberger.	Attempt in winter.
	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) N Face, Eastern Nepal	Cherie Bremer-Kamp, Chris Chandler (USA)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7880 m. Chandler died of cerebral oedema at high point.	Highest altitude reached by Australian woman.
	Khartang (6853 m) NE Face, Eastern Nepal	John Lamb, Ray Vran	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6100 m. Stopped by cold and high winds.	Attempt in winter.
	Tharpu Chuli (Tent Peak, 5500 m) E Face Singu Chuli (Fluted Peak, 501 m) Central Nepal	Peter Lambert, 'Lawdy' Law, David Munro, Andrew Smith, Peter Talbot, Peter Ward	Successful. Attempt on nearby Singu Chuli stopped at 5940 m by deep and dangerous snow.	AAA expedition. First Australian ascent of Tharpu Chuli.
1985	Shivling (6543 m) SW Pillar, Gangotri, India	Brigitte Muir, Jon Muir, Ed Neve, Terry Tremble	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 5900 m. Stopped by bad weather.	
	Mt Everest (8850 m) W Ridge/N Face/N Ridge, Tibet	Peter Allen, Bruce Farmer and Mike Rheinberger, members of 14-man New Zealand expedition led by Austin Brookes	Unsuccessful on all three routes. Severe avalanche problems. High points reached: 7165 m on W Ridge; 7165 m on N Face; 7320 m on N Ridge.	Australian Rheinberger reached high point on all three routes attempted. Farmer had been member of 1981 New Zealand expedition to Molamenqing.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) S Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Robert Staszewski, member of five-man New Zealand expedition	Unsuccessful. Stopped by bad weather and illness of members.	Attempt in winter.

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	Mustagh Ata (7546 m) W Face, Pamir, Western China	Steve McDowell, Jane White, Rick White and other climbers	Unsuccessful. Stopped by early arrival of winter weather.	
	Lhamu Ghang (5009 m) W Face, Eastern Nepal	Greg Bales (Canada), Andrew Borrell and British climber	Successful.	
	Dharamsura (White Sail, 6445 m) SW Ridge, Kulu, India	Frank Moon, Phil Pitham, Zac Zaharias	Successful. All reached 5800 m on first attempt. Pitham reached summit on second attempt climbing alone.	
	North Annapurna region Trekking peaks, Central Nepal	Rick Moor, Derek Murphy, Mick Pezet, Andrew Smith, Jim Strohfeldt, Jim van Gelder, Jeff Williams	Successful. All but Murphy climbed Pisang Peak (6091 m); all except Murphy and Smith climbed Chulu West (6220 m).	AAA expedition. First Australian ascent of Chulu West.
1986	Jannu (7710 m) SW Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Keith Egerton, Don French (NZ), Terry Tremble	Unsuccessful. High Point reached: 7000 m, by French.	Keith Egerton died at 6500 m of oedema.
	Gasherbrum IV (7925 m) NW Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Phil Balsdom, Greg Child, Tim Macartney-Snape, members of eight-man Australian/ US expedition	Successful. Child, Tom Hall-Hargis (USA) and Macartney-Snape reached summit after bivouac at 7860 m.	First ascent of NW Ridge. Second ascent of mountain. Child, Hall-Hargis and Randy Leavitt (USA) later unsuccessful in attempt on E Face of Nameless Tower (6237 m), Trango Group.
	Shivling (6543 m) SW Pillar, Gangotri, India	Graeme Hill, Veronique Hill, Brigitte Muir, Jon Muir	Successful. Graeme Hill, Brigitte Muir and Jon Muir reached summit of W Peak (6505 m).	Ascent took 14 days of continuous climbing in 'capsule' style. Rock pitches up to grade 21, A4. Liaison officer died in freak accident on fixed ropes in earlier attempt.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Karakoram, Pakistan	Brian Agnew, Jonathan Chester, Norm Crookston, Pat Cullinan, Tony Delaney, Peter Lambert, Terry McCullagh, Rick Moor, Derek Murphy, Mick Pezet, Mike Rheinberger, Jim Truscott, Jim van Gelder, Zac Zaharias	Successful. Agnew, Chester, Cullinan, Lambert, McCullagh, Rheinberger, van Gelder and Zaharias reached summit.	First Australian ascent of Broad Peak. Second 8000 m peak climbed by Australians. Cullinan rescued ill German climber on descent.

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	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) SW Face, Eastern Nepal	Shane Chemello, Chris Frost, Mike Groom, Jim Strohfeldt, Jim van Gelder	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8400 m, by Groom.	
	Rimo I (7385 m) S Face/SE Ridge, Eastern Karakoram, India	Roddy Mackenzie, Brett Ryan, Terry Ryan, members of 14-person international expedition led by Peter Hillary (NZ)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6800 m, by Hillary, Skip Horner (USA) and Mackenzie.	One of the highest unclimbed peaks in the world. Expedition had problems with Indian military: film confiscated, Hillary held at gunpoint.
	Langisha Ri (6437 m) S Face, Central Nepal	Simon Cox (NZ), John Goulstone, Marty Hunter (NZ), Steve Upton	Successful.	First Australian ascent.
	Pumori (7145 m) S Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Steve McDonald, member of six-man New Zealand expedition	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6545 m.	
1987	Kedarnath Peak (6940 m, 6830 m, 6500 m) Gangotri, India	Lydia Bradey (NZ), Geoff Little, Brigitte Muir, Jon Muir, Louise Shepherd	Successful. Bradey and Jon Muir reached summit of Kedarnath Dome. Little and Brigitte Muir reached 6250 m.	Jon Muir soloed a traverse of all three peaks in 41 hours. New route, alpine style.
	Gasherbrum I (8068 m) Gasherbrum II (8035 m) Karakoram, Pakistan	Geoff Little and Brigitte Muir, members of 16-person New Zealand expedition	Successful. Bradey, Little and Carol McDermott (NZ) climbed Gasherbrum II by SE Ridge. Unsuccessful on Gasherbrum I, NW Ridge/Face. High point reached: 6800 m.	First Australian ascent. Third 8000 m peak climbed by an Australian. Peak climbed in three-day, alpine-style push from low camp.
	K2 (8611 m) E Face, Karakoram, Pakistan	Greg Child and Tim Macartney-Snape, members of seven-man international expedition led by Doug Scott	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7100 m. Stopped by bad weather and poor snow conditions.	First Australian attempt on world's second-highest peak.
	Changtse (7553 m) N Face, Tibet	Colin Gordon, David Hunter, Glen Nash, John Smart, Rod Turner, Louis Whitton	Successful. Nash and Turner reached summit in four-day, alpine-style push	First Australian ascent. Third ascent of mountain.
	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) SW Face, Eastern Nepal	John Coulton, Mike Groom	Successful. Both reached summit.	First Australian ascent. Fourth 8000 m peak climbed by Australians. Forced bivouac in open at 7900 m on descent. Both suffered severe frostbite.



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	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) W Face, Eastern Nepal	Carol Brand-Maher, Terry Tremble, Jim van Gelder	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7500 m.	
	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Pillar, Eastern Nepal	Peter Hillary (NZ), Kim Logan (NZ), Jon Muir, Mike Rheinberger	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8020 m, by Logan and Rheinberger.	Logan and Rheinberger climbed S Pillar in alpine style from Camp I at 6860 m to high point at 8020 m.
1988	Shivling (6543 m) Kedarnath Dome (6830 m) Gangotri, India	Nic Deka and Jim Duff, members of 17-man international expedition	Successful on Kedarnath Dome. Unsuccessful on S Pillar of Shivling.	
	Kedarnath Dome (6830 m) Gangotri, India	Ydeet Winter-Irving, member of international ski expedition	Successful. Ski descent from summit.	First Australian ski descent of major Himalayan peak.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Brian Agnew, Paul Bayne, Austin Brookes, Pat Cullinan, Chris Curry, Tony Delaney, Bruce Farmer, Peter Lambert, Terry McCullagh, Rick Moor, Jon Muir, Mick Pezet, Phil Pitham, Mike Rheinberger, Andrew Smith, Jim Strohfeldt, Terry Tremble, Jim Truscott, Jim van Gelder, Zac Zaharias	Successful. Bayne, Cullinan and Muir reached summit. All used supplementary oxygen.	Australian Bicentennial Everest Expedition. Second Australian ascent of Mt Everest. First ascent of Mt Everest by South Col route without using Sherpa support on mountain. Eleven climbers reached 8600 m or higher.
	Baruntse (7168 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	John Armstrong, Ken Baldwin, Tom Barcham, Charlie Barton, Ken Bell, John Finnigan, Peter Hodge (USA), Theo Hooy, Peter Lane, Will Steffen	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 7020 m, by Baldwin, Finnigan, Hodge, Hooy, Lane and Steffen. Stopped by dangerous snow conditions on summit ridge.	Armstrong, Baldwin, Bell, Finnigan and Hooy members of 1978 Dunagiri expedition.
	Pumori (7161 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Armando Corvini, Matt Godbold, Richard Howes, Andrew Lock, Ray Vran, Jeff Williams, Scott Woolums (USA)	Successful. Corvini, Howes, Vran and Woolums reached summit.	Corvini suffered frostbite during bivouac on ascent.
	Makalu (8463 m) W Face, Eastern Nepal	Greg Child, member of 11-man international expedition led by Doug Scott	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8100 m. Stopped by evacuation of Rick Allen (UK), injured in avalanche.	

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1989	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Roddy Mackenzie, member of 15-man international expedition	Successful. Mackenzie and Adrian Burgess (UK) reached summit. Both used supplementary oxygen.	Mackenzie sixth Australian to stand on the summit of Mt Everest.
	Mustagh Ata (7546 m) W Face, Pamir, Western China	Ken McConnell and Mike Rheinberger (guide), members of six-man international expedition	Successful. Rheinberger, Shaun Norman (NZ) and two British clients reached summit.	First Australian ascent. Rheinberger climbed mountain on snowshoes.
	Himalchuli West (7540 m) Central Nepal, SW Ridge	Paul Bayne (guide) and Campbell Mercer, members of 12-man international expedition	Successful. Bayne, Russell Brice (NZ), Jan Gangdal (Norway) and Mercer reached summit.	First Australian ascent. Second ascent of mountain. New, technically hard route involving traverse of 3 km-long ridge with 11 major pinnacles.
	Nameless Tower (6237 m) NE Face, Trango Group, Karakoram, Pakistan	Greg Child, Mark Wilford (USA)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 5800 m.	Alpine-style attempt for 13 consecutive days on 1500 m vertical wall. Six days of storm.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Shane Chemello, John Coulton, Paul Gray, Mike Groom, Chris Hawthorne, Stan Pickering	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6750 m, by Coulton and Groom.	
	Peak 5886 (5886 m) S Face, Karakoram, Pakistan	Damien Barrett, Wade Stevens	Successful. Climbed during ski traverse of Biafo-Hispar Glacier system.	
1990	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Eastern Nepal	Tim Macartney-Snape	Successful. Climbed SE Ridge after climbing to 7500 m on W Ridge.	First ascent of entire 8850 m of Mt Everest from sea level to summit. Second ascent of Mt Everest by Macartney-Snape, both without supplementary oxygen.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Tim Ball, Tony Dignan, Mike Groom, Steve McDowell, Jane White, Rick White	Successful. Groom reached summit. Dignan climbed to 8050 m.	First Australian ascent. Second 8000 m peak climbed by Groom.

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	Shisha Pangma(Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Mark Lemaire, member of six-man international expedition	Successful. Russell Brice (NZ), Lemaire, Eirik Tryti (Norway), Olav Ulvund (Norway) and Mark Vallance (UK) reached summit.	First Australian ascent of the central peak. Lemaire had climbed to 7400 m on Changtse in 1988 as member of New Zealand expedition.
	Menlungtse (7181 m) SE Ridge, Tibet	Greg Child, John Roskelly (USA)	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 6450 m. Stopped by dangerous cornices.	Alpine-style attempt on one of highest unclimbed peaks in Himalaya.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge/NE Ridge, Tibet	Chris Curry and Mike Rheinberger, members of nine-man New Zealand expedition	Unsuccessful. High point reached: 8650 m, by Hugh van Noorden (NZ). Curry and Rheinberger reached 8565 m. Stopped by storms and dangerous snow conditions.	Curry's second and Rheinberger's fourth attempt on Mt Everest.
	K2 (8611 m) N Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Greg Child, Lyle Closs, Phil Erschler (USA), Peter Keustler, Greg Mortimer, Steve Swenson (USA), Margaret Werner	Successful. Child, Mortimer and Swenson reached summit. Erschler stopped 200 m short.	First Australian ascent of world's second-highest mountain. Mortimer only Australian to climb world's two highest peaks.
	Mustagh Ata (7546 m) W Face, Pamir, Western China	Paul Bayne, Simon Davis (NZ), Rik Deaton, Philip Milichamp (NZ)	Successful. Bayne and Davis reached summit.	Alpine touring skis used above 6100 m on ascent.
1991	Kedarnath Peak (6940 m) N Face, Gangotri, India	Nevin Agnew, Lance Einam, Mike Kilcullen, Bob Killip, Brian Morrissey, Zac Zaharias and 10 Indian Army members	Successful. Zaharias, Kilcullen and Indian members G. Singh, N. D. Sherpa and M. R. Yadev reached summit.	Yadev descended alone in the dark and was never seen again. First ascent of the North Face.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Face, Tibet	Mike Rheinberger, member of US expedition	Unsuccessful. Rheinberger turned back at 8500 m by high winds.	Rheinberger's fifth Everest attempt.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Warwick Baird, Frank Moon	Successful. Baird reached summit, climbing with Sherpa from Korean Expedition.	First Australian winter ascent.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Ian Collins, Michael Groom, Andrew Lock, Mark Squires	Unsuccessful. High point of 8200 m reached. Stopped by soft snow and high winds.	Groom survived 900 m fall in avalanche.

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1992	Makalu (8463 m) W Face/NW Ridge, Nepal	Mike Rheinberger, member of UK expedition	Unsuccessful. High point of 8250 m reached on NW Ridge. Stopped by deep snow and exhaustion.	Third Australian attempt on Makalu. None successful.
	Nameless Tower (6239 m) S Face, Karakoram, Pakistan	Greg Child, Mark Wilford (USA)	Successful. Both reached summit. New route up S Face.	First Australian ascent. Massive rock fall obliterated part of route climbed days earlier.
	Great Trango Tower (5753 m) Karakoram, Pakistan	Nic Feteris, Geoff Gabites (NZ), Vlad Moroz (Russia), Glenn Singleman	Successful. All four climbed to NE summit. Feteris and Singleman descended by 1500 m BASE jump.	First Australian ascent. Longest BASE jump from a mountain.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SE Ridge/SW Face, Nepal	Kobus Barnard (Canada), Matt Godbold, Richard Howes, Ray Vran	Successful. All four reached summit.	Second ascent of route.
	Cholatse (6440 m) W Face, Nepal	Derek Chinn (NZ), Adam Darragh, Cam Falkner (NZ), Marty Hunter (NZ)	Successful. Darragh soloed the climb in four days after other three had completed alpine-style ascent.	First Australian ascent. First solo ascent.
	Ramdung Go (5930 m) N Face, Nepal	Tony Brennan, Derek Cannon, Peter Cullen, Rhonda Freeman, Joe Kaplun, Frank Kenny, Bob Kenyon, Joanne Kenyon, Brian Laursen, Chris Mayfield, Paul Morton, Bill Proctor, Gordon Stevens, Luke van Beek	Successful. Cannon, Cullen, Freeman, Kaplun, Kenny, Laursen, Mayfield, Proctor, Stevens and van Beek reached summit.	First Australian ascent. AAA expedition.
1993	Makalu (8481 m) W Ridge, Nepal	Warwick Baird, Ian Collins, Michael Groom, Wil King, Jonathan Leicester, Warwick Paten, Mark Squires, Duncan Thomas	Unsuccessful. High point of 7200 m reached. Stopped by severe monsoon conditions.	Attempted two technically difficult routes.
	Dhaulagiri (8167 m) NE Spur, Nepal	Adam Darragh, Matt Godbold, Dave Macleod (NZ), Mick McCourt, Phil Pitham, Stephen Simpson, James Strohfeldt, Pat Waddingham, Mark Watson (UK), Mark Whetu (NZ) and Zac Zaharias, leader of Army Alpine Association expedition	Unsuccessful. High point of 7400 m reached. Stopped by illness and high winds. One Camp IV tent blown off the mountain.	Second Australian attempt on Dhaulagiri. Neither successful.

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	K2 (8611 m) Abruzzi Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Michael Whitehead, member of international expedition	Unsuccessful. High point of 7400 m reached. Stopped by poor weather.	
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Trajce Aleksow, Lobsang Tshering Bhutia (Nepal), Michael Groom, David Hume, Andrew Lock, Tashi Tenzing, Dimitar Todorovski	Successful. Groom and Bhutia reached summit. Bhutia died in fall from 8500 m during descent.	Climb on 40th anniversary of first Everest ascent. Tashi Tenzing, grandson of Tenzing Norgay, who made first ascent of Mt Everest with Edmund Hillary.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Brigitte Muir, Jon Muir, members of international expedition	Muir's reached 7600 m. Stopped by cold and high winds. Four members had earlier reached summit.	
	North Annapurna region, Trekking peaks, Nepal	Members of Sutherland Bushwalking Club, Sydney	Successful. Ascents of Pisang Peak (6091 m), Chulu East (6200 m), Chulu Far East (6059 m) and Thorungtse (6484 m).	First Australian ascents of Chulu East, Chulu Far East and Thorungtse.
	Shivling (6543 m) Garhwal, India	John Dunlop, James Keily	Unsuccessful. Stopped by early winter storm.	
	Cholatse (6440 m) NW Ridge, Nepal	Armando Corvini, John Lamb, David Smith	Unsuccessful. Stopped at 6000 m by lack of fuel and food.	Earlier attempt on W Face stopped by dangerous conditions.
	Hushe region, Karakoram, Pakistan	Erik Oostra, Rolf Oostra, Jeff Sandifort	Successful. Sandifort and Rolf Oostra climbed an unnamed 6300 m peak adjacent to Gondogoro Peak.	Attempt on Gondogoro Peak defeated by poor snow conditions.
	K2 (8611 m) Abruzzi Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Andrew Lock, member of German expedition	Successful. Lock and three German climbers reached summit.	Second Australian ascent of K2; first of Abruzzi Ridge.
1994	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Mike Rheinberger, member of US expedition	Successful. Rheinberger reached summit. First Australian ascent of N Ridge.	Rheinberger died of cerebral oedema on descent after forced bivouac 200 m below summit. New Zealander Mark Whetu made superhuman effort to save Rheinberger; suffered severe frostbite.

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	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Paul O'Byrne, member of Canadian expedition	Successful. O'Byrne reached summit.	
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Paul Carr, Greg Lindsell, Brigitte Muir, members of commercial expedition	Successful. Carr, Lindsell and Muir reached summit.	
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Mike Brennan, Brigitte Muir, Bill Pierson, Babu Chire Sherpa (Nepal), Jon Tinker (UK)	Unsuccessful. Turned back at 6800 m by early monsoon.	Alpine-style attempt.
	K2 (8611 m) Abruzzi Ridge, Karakoram, Pakistan	Michael Groom, member of US expedition	Successful. Groom reached summit by Abruzzi Ridge with Finnish partner.	Previous attempt by S Face failed 30 m from summit. First Australian to climb world's three highest mountains.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Karakoram, Pakistan	Andrew Lock, member of Swedish expedition	Lock reached 8030 m (halfway between the fore-summit and true summit) but retreated in the face of a severe storm.	Lock reached 6500 m on an earlier attempt on a new route on S Ridge.
	Carne Peak (4500 m) Karakoram, Pakistan	Tim Harley, Nigel Murphy	Successful.	New, technical rock route.
	Chongtar (7370 m) W Ridge, Kashgar, China	Colin Monteath, Greg Mortimer, Lucas Trihey, Sue Werner	Successful. Monteath, Mortimer and Trihey reached summit.	First ascent of major unclimbed peak by an Australian team.
	Indradhanush Parbat (6739 m), W Face/W Ridge, Garhwal, India	Sarah Boyal, Gavin Dunmall, Grant Else, Andrew McNeill, Darren Miller, Jamie Serle, Glenn Tempest, Peter Williams	Successful. Serle and Tempest summited by W Face direct; Dunmall and Miller by W Face LHS. Else's ascent was by W Ridge (solo).	First, second and third ascents of mountain previously known only as Chandra Parbat South.
	Kulu/Zanskar region, Trekking peaks, India	David Burnett, Steve Carter, Nick Gust, David Kjar, Rohan Schaap, David Wilson	Successful. Carter, Schaap and Wilson ascended Shingo La Peak (6025 m).	Possible first ascent of Shingo La Peak. Attempt on Hunumann Tibba (6040 m) defeated by poor weather.
	Bhagirathi III (6454 m) SW Pillar, Garhwal, India	Jonathan Chapman, Vera Wong	Successful. Both climbers reached summit by Scottish Route.	Two nights spent on face; bivvy on summit.

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	Kwangde Ri (6187 m) S Ridge, Nepal	Gareth Brown, David Chauval, Matt Godbold, Paul Morton, Matt Rogerson and Matt Walton	Summit reached by Chauval, Godbold and Rogerson.	AAA expedition. First Australian ascent.
	Pumori (7161 m) S Ridge, Nepal	John Barnes (NZ), Grant Dixon, Rolan Eberhard, Stuart Findlay (UK), Hamish Morton (UK) and Wade Stevens	Barnes and Findlay reached summit on 22 October. Dixon, Eberhard and Stevens reached 6700 m.	
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) S Ridge and SW Ridge, Nepal	Andrew Burns, Armando Corvini (leader), Andrew McAuley, David Smith (UK), Rod Willard (USA) and Vera Wong	Successful. McAuley, Willard and Wong reached summit on 8 November. Burns, Corvini and Smith reached summit two days later.	First Australian ascent of this route. Corvini lost all fingers and some toes to frostbite. Three others with frostbite.
	Kusum Kanguru (6369 m) SE Face, Nepal	Alan Adams and David Gardner	Climbed a direct line from the Lungsamba Glacier. Reached summit ridge just east of summit.	
1995	Makalu (8463 m) NW Ridge (French), Nepal	Mark Auricht, Duncan Chessell, David Hume, Paul Rickards, Matt Rolfe and David Tingay	Auricht and Hume reached summit on 8 May. Hume died during the descent from a fall 250 m below summit.	First Australian ascent. Auricht descended alone in the dark.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	George Mallory II, member of US expedition	Reached summit on 14 May.	Second Australian ascent of N Ridge. Grandson of George Mallory participated.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Greg Child on Russell Brice (NZ) Himalayan Experience expedition	Child reached summit.	Tom Whittaker (USA) attempted to make first disabled ascent of Everest. He reached 8300 m.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	James Allen, Kelly Armitage, Mick Chapman (UK), Brigitte Muir, Jon Muir and other members of OTT commercial expedition led by Jon Tinker (UK)	Allen reached summit on 27 May. Brigitte Muir reached 8500 m but head-torch failure forced an all-night open bivvy at 8450 m.	Guided ascent by Allen (22), who became the youngest Australian to climb Everest. Jon Muir's fifth expedition to Mt Everest. Muirs' attempt unguided.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Paul Walters	Reached summit on 29 May.	
	Lhotse (8516 m) W Face, Nepal	Mike Groom and Veikka Gustafsson (Finland)	Groom and Gustafsson reached summit.	First Australian ascent.

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	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Mike Groom	Turned back at 7600 m due to slab avalanches.	
	Tirich Mir (7707 m) N Face, Hindu Kush, Pakistan	Semi-commercial expedition led by David Hamilton (UK) and consisting of Grant Dixon, Rob Levy, four Britons and one Canadian	Dixon and Hamilton reached summit on 17 July.	First Australian ascent.
	Nanda Devi East (7437 m) India	David Chauval, Jim Truscott, Chris White and 80 members of international expedition consisting of Indian, Nepalese, Australian, British and US Army climbers	Truscott and White reached summit. US climber fell to his death during descent.	First Australian ascent of Nanda Devi East and eighth overall ascent.
	Bublimotin (6000 m) Pakistan	Damien Gildea and Mark Nayar	Reached 4700 m.	
	Kusum Kanguru (6369 m) N Buttress, Nepal	Chris Matthews and Matt Rogerson	High point of 5600 m reached. Climb abandoned due to poor snow conditions.	Alpine-style attempt. AAA expedition.
	Nanga Parbat (8126 m) Mazeno Ridge, Pakistan	Sandy Allan (UK), Rick Allen (UK), Voytek Kurtyka (Poland), Andrew Lock and Doug Scott (UK)	Allen, Kurtyka and Lock made it about halfway along the ridge before turning around due to lack of food and time.	The furthest along the long ridge any attempt has reached.
	Khurdopin (6465 m) Pakistan	Members of the Edith Cowan Mountaineering Club	Three members reached 5650 m.	Dangerous conditions and severely corniced ridge forced retreat.
	Tenan Tower (5300 m) Hushoh Puk (5400 m) Nangmar Couloir, Pakistan	Kynan Bazley (NZ) and Vera Wong	Summit of Tenan Tower reached by way of 550 m, 11-pitch rock route. New route of Hushoh Puk by way of couloir but summit not reached.	First ascent of Tenan Tower.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Leonard Harvey and Roman Rosenbaum	Reached summit on 26 September.	Second Australian ascent.
1996	Pyramid Peak (Pathibhara) (7125 m) W (S) Ridge, Nepal	Jon Chapman, Gavin Dunmall, Tim Evans, Morvan Grant, Darren Miller (leader), James Serle, Nicola Sunderland and Scott Welch	Chapman and Dunmall reached 6350 m. Climb abandoned due to strong winds and poor weather.	Only one previous ascent of mountain, from Sikkim side. In 2007, a Slovenian team ascended the Nepalese side.



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	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Col, Nepal	Mike Groom, John Taske and members of Adventure Consultants commercial expedition led by Rob Hall (NZ)	Groom reached summit. His second ascent of Mt Everest.	The 1996 tragedy is documented in Jon Krakauer's book <i>Into Thin Air</i> . Groom was the only guide to survive the tragedy.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Col, Nepal	Brigitte Muir on Henry Todd (UK) Himalayan Guides commercial expedition (non-guided attempt)	Muir reached S Col. Spent two nights during storm that caught out Rob Hall's expedition. Attempt abandoned due to unstable weather.	Muir assisted Beck Weathers off S Col.
	Nanga Parbat (8126 m) Diamir Face, Pakistan	Joan Garcia (Portugal) and Andrew Lock on international expedition including six Poles and one Austrian	Garcia and Lock reached 7500 m. Stopped by bad conditions.	Poles abandoned mountain and took most of the gear while Lock was still on the mountain.
	Thalay Sagar (6904 m) N Face, India	Andrew Lindblade and Athol Whimp (NZ)	Lindblade and Whimp reached 6350 m. Climb abandoned due to cold, snow and avalanche.	Attempt of direct route on 2000 m N Face.
	Karyolung (6511 m) NNW Ridge, Nepal	Tony Parr (leader), Katherine Brandis, Darren Gardner, Glenn Horrocks, Myfawny Lawrence, Guido Simionato	Attempt abandoned at 5700 m due to bad weather.	
1997	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Col, Nepal	Tashi Tenzing on commercial expedition	Reached summit on 23 May.	First grandson of any summiteers. Guided ascent.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Col, Nepal	Brigitte Muir on Mal Duff (UK) non-guided commercial expedition	Muir reached summit on 27 May with Dorje Sherpa and Kipa-Sherpa during perfect weather using oxygen.	First Australian female (unguided) ascent. First Australian husband-and-wife summiteers (Jon Muir, 28 May 1988).
	Dhaulagiri (8167 m) NE Spur, Nepal	Nevin Agnew, Allen Caldwell, Bob Killip, Brian Laursen, Andrew Lock, Andrew Molyneaux, Matt Rogerson, Jon Sparks, Alex van Roy, Matt Walton and Zac Zaharias (leader)	Successful. Lock, Rogerson and Zaharias reached summit in the dark at 9.30 pm on 25 May.	First Australian ascent of Dhaulagiri. Dual AAA expedition to Dhaulagiri and Tukucho.

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	Tukuche (6940 m) and Tukuche South (6690 m) S Ridge, Nepal	Lindsay Adams, Martin Banfield, Robb Clifton, Mike Cook, David Donaldson, Jamie Hackett, Andrea Jopp-McKay, David McKay, David Smith and Alex van Roy (leader)	South summit reached on 3 May by Hackett and van Roy and on 4 May by Adams, Clifton, Cook, Donaldson, Jopp-McKay and McKay. Unable to continue to main summit due to difficult conditions.	AAA expedition. First Australian expedition to Tukuche and first Australian ascent of S Peak.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Geoff Robb on OTT expedition	Unsuccessful. Robb reached 7000 m but abandoned climb due to chest cold.	Billy Pearson (USA) and George Kurtov (Russia) from team climbed new route on N Ridge.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) S Ridge and W Face, Pakistan	Rick Allen (UK) and Andrew Lock	Allen and Lock reached 7100 m attempting new route on S Ridge, climbing higher than any previous attempts. Lock later soloed W Face.	Second Australian ascent of Broad Peak. Lock was first Australian to climb two 8000 m peaks in one year.
	Thalay Sagar (6904 m) N Face, India	Andrew Lindblade and Athol Whimp (NZ)	Lindblade and Whimp reached summit.	First ascent of N Face direct and first Australian ascent of this peak. This route previously defeated 10 other expeditions.
	Shivling (6543 m) W Ridge, Gangotri, India	John Barnes (NZ), Stuart Findlay (UK), Chris Grasswick (Canada) and Wade Stevens	Route out of condition, climb abandoned.	
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) Tibet	Alan Silva, member of international commercial expedition	Reached summit.	
	Makalu II (7680 m) NW Ridge, Nepal	Sue Fear, Matt Gregory and John Maraz	Fear, Gregory and Maraz reached summit.	First Australian ascent.
1998	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Brian Agnew, Simon Blackmore (UK), Ansja de Boer (NZ), Peter Hunt, Ralph Pliner, Geoff Robb and Zac Zaharias on Mountain Works commercial expedition led by Mark Whetu	Successful. De Boer, Pliner, Robb and Whetu reached Central Summit on 20 May.	Pliner and Robb guided ascent. Pliner suffered frostbite to his fingers.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Col, Nepal	Alan Silva, member of international commercial expedition	Reached summit on 26 May after climbing alone from S Col.	

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	Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Paul Walters and Ray Brown (UK)	Reached summit on 9 July.	Second Australian ascent of Gasherbrum II.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Sue Fear and Nima Dorje Tamang (Nepal)	Fear and Nima Dorje reached summit on 24 September.	First Australian female ascent of Cho Oyu and second Australian woman to summit an 8000 m peak.
	Pumori (7161 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Kynan Bazley (NZ), Scott Ferris, Chris Grasswick (Canada), Matthew Jones, John Kelsall, Theo Kossart (leader) and Philip Suisted (NZ)	Successful. Bazley, Ferris and Suisted reached summit on 7 October; Grasswick and Kossart reached summit on 9 October.	Kelsall and Jones both got very sick.
	Nanga Parbat (8126 m) Kinshofer Rute, Pakistan	Alan Hinks (UK) and Andrew Lock	Lock successful. Bivvied on the descent, about 7500 m, while his companions left him.	First Australian ascent.
	Changi Tower (5820 m) and Marpo Brakk (5400 m) Hushe Valley, Pakistan	Ned Norton (NZ), Abby Watkins, Paul Weber (NZ), Vera Wong and Nicola Woolford (NZ)	Watkins, Wong and Woolford reached summit of Marpo Brakk by way of 300 m aid line (grade-20 crux) and Changi Tower Main Peak. N Summit of Changi Tower climbed by Norton and Weber.	First ascent of E Summit of Marpo Brakk. First ascent of Changi Tower Main Peak.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Mark Auricht, Duncan Chessell, Lorne McClurg, Adele Pennington (UK) and David Wilshire	Auricht and Chessell reached summit on 5 December with Pennington and Wilshire on summit the next day.	Second Australian winter ascent.
1999	Makalu (8463 m) French Spur, Nepal	Australian-US expedition with David Bridges (USA), Mike Groom and Lincoln Hall	Bridges and Groom reached summit on 16 May.	Second Australian ascent of Makalu. Groom climbs his sixth 8000-er and has now reached the summit of the six highest mountains in the world.
	Makalu (8463 m) French Spur, Nepal	International Makalu expedition members included Ginette Harrison (UK), Brigitte Muir, Gary Pfisterer (USA; leader), Billy Pierson (USA), Hamish Robertson and seven other climbers	Harrison and Robertson reached summit at 6 pm on 23 May. Muir reached 7600 m; attempt abandoned after death of a close friend, Michael Joergensen (Denmark), from another expedition.	Third Australian ascent of Makalu.

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	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Brian Agnew (leader), Tanya Bylart, Allen Caldwell, Mike Cook, David Donaldson, Steve Graham, Jamie Hackett, Carl Johnson, Bob Killip, Shane Lacey, Peter Lambert, Brian Laursen, Adrian McCallum, Dean McMaster, Andrew Peacock, Brad Reeve, Tim Robathan, Steve Simpson, Stuart Sugden and Zac Zaharias	Successful. Agnew, Bylart, Caldwell, Cook, Donaldson, Graham, Hackett, Johnson, Killip, Lambert, Laursen, McMaster, Peacock, Reeve, Robathan, Simpson and Zaharias reached summit over four days from 25 to 28 May.	World record of 17 climbers from one expedition on an 8000 m summit. A US and an Italian climber rescued by the team in two separate incidents. Bylart was third Australian woman to summit an 8000 m peak. Robathan (21) was youngest Australian to summit an 8000 m peak.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Nepal	Geoff Robb on Himalayan Experience commercial expedition led by Russell Brice (NZ) with five clients and five Sherpas	Successful. Reached summit on 27 May.	
	Gasherbrum I (8068 m) Japanese Couloir and Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Abele Blanc (Italy), Pepe Garces (Spain), Christian Kunter (Italy), Andrew Lock and Waldemar Niklevic (Brazil)	Alpine-style ascent by Lock on G2 with Garces, a return trip of three days after acclimatising and working on G1. Lock then reached summit of G1.	First Australian ascent of Gasherbrum I. Lock was first Australian to climb two 8000 m peaks in one season.
	Dhaulagiri (8167 m) NE Spur, Nepal	Paul Walters	Reached summit.	Second Australian ascent.
	Kedarnath Peak (6940 m) Gangotri, India	Glen Sharrock (leader)	Reached 6800 m. Attempt abandoned due to weather.	
	Kusum Kanguru (6369 m) N Face, Nepal	Brede Arkless (NZ), Duncan Chessell and David Ritchie (UK)	Chessell and Ritchie completed route to summit ridge between W and high summits.	Bivvied on summit ridge. Complete alpine-style ascent of face.
	Island Peak (6189 m) (Imja Tse) S Ridge, Nepal	Duncan Chessell	Chessell reached summit on a possible new route.	Solo ascent.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Duncan Chessell guiding on US commercial expedition	Chessell and four out of five clients reached summit.	Chessell's second ascent of Ama Dablam and third Australian winter ascent.

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	Kedarnath Peak (6940 m) Gangotri, India	Lester Joyce, Chris McElvey, Chris McGrath, Glen Sharrock (leader), Chris Thompson, Steve Turner	Attempts on 16 and 17 September abandoned due to weather and deep snow. McElvey and McGrath reached summit on 18 September.	Proposed climb on Shivling abandoned at advanced base camp on 23 September due to unstable snow.
2000	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Allen Caldwell, Matt Godbold, Roger Grose (leader), Bob Killip, Brian Laursen, Mick McCourt, Adam Scott, Matt Shepley, Stuart Sugden and Matt Walton	Successful. Grose and Laursen reached summit on 16 May, Shepley on 17 May. All other members reached 7500 m.	AAA expedition.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Duncan Chessell guiding on US commercial expedition with Malte Hagge and others	Chessell and Hagge reached summit with two Sherpas.	Hagge guided ascent.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) S Ridge, Nepal	Andrew Lock, leader of Jagged Globe commercial expedition	Lock reached south summit on 16 May and reached summit on 24 May with two other members.	First successful Australian leader of a commercial expedition to Everest. His seventh 8000 m peak.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Roman Rosenbaum on 26-member Hosei University 120th anniversary expedition led by Toshio Nakamura (Japan)	Reached summit on 17 May using oxygen.	Austrian-born Rosenbaum was on a five-year exchange at Hosei University (Japan).
	Jannu (7710 m) N Face, Nepal	Andrew Lindblade and Athol Whimp (NZ)	Lindblade and Whimp reached summit.	Lightweight ascent of N Face–Wall of Shadows.
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Colin Chaplin, Sue Fear, Ian Hibbert and Nawang Jimba Sherpa	Chaplin and Fear abandoned climb at 7400 m after Nawang suffered pulmonary oedema.	Fear dragged Nawang down from Camp III to Camp I, where he recovered.
	Cornice (5882 m) and Workmans Peak (5886 m) Snow Lake, Pakistan	David Duke on 12-person New Zealand Alpine Club expedition led by Judy Reid (NZ)	Duke and Toby Johnson (NZ) reached summit of both peaks in early August.	First Australian ascents. Single-day ascents with up to 1200 m of steep, technical climbing.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Keith Sloane on commercial expedition led by Dave Hiddleston (NZ)	Successful.	Sloane did not summit. Guided climb.

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2001	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge and Lhakpa Ri (7045 m) East Rongbuk Glacier, Tibet	Mark Auricht, Tshering Pande Bhote Sherpa, Duncan Chessell, David Tingay (base camp doctor)	Auricht and Chessell reached summit of Lhakpa Ri in late April. Chessell and Tshering Sherpa reached summit of Mt Everest on 23 May using oxygen. Auricht reached above Third Step before turning back.	First Australian ascent of trekking peak near Mt Everest Advanced Base Camp. Auricht died at Camp III (7900 m) on Mt Everest on 24 May.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Tanya Bylart, Mike Cook, David Donaldson, Roger Grose, Jamie Hackett, Carl Johnson, Bob Killip, Peter Lambert, Brian Laursen, Adrian McCallum, Tim Robathan, Chewang Sherpa, Nima Nuru Sherpa, Jungbu Sherpa (sirdar), Pasang Sherpa, Peter Szypula, Mark Whetu (NZ), Zac Zaharias	Laursen reached summit on 25 May using oxygen, with Sherpas Chewang and Nima. Cook and Zaharias reached 8700 m, above the Third Step. Ten climbers reached 8500 m or higher.	Cameraman Peter Szypula killed by ice avalanche during acclimatisation trek in the Annapurna Sanctuary on 24 March along with family members Michelle and Kathleen (KC) Hackett.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Scott Ferris, Paul Karis (South Africa), Theo Kossart (leader)	Ferris reached high point of 7900 m.	Karis returned early due to pneumonia.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	John Dunlop on UK commercial expedition	Reached 6800 m.	Left after contracting a chest infection. Guided climb.
	Spantik (7027 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Mike Dunjey, Dave Hancock (guide), Kyle Richardson, Mark Sheen on Australian commercial expedition sharing British permit	High point of 6400 m reached in August.	Climb abandoned due to deep snow and dangerous conditions. Guided climb.
	Annapurna IV (7525 m) NW Ridge, Nepal	Simon Fitzclarence, Jenni Fraser, Andrew Mitchell, Martin Pocock, Bridget Quince, David Ridley, Ian Rutherford plus four climbing Sherpas on commercial expedition led by Gary Hayes	High point of 7000 m reached on 22 September by Ridley and Mitchell.	Camp I hit by avalanche with loss of gear. Expedition abandoned due to strong winds and threatening storms. Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	John Taske and Dietmar Voss on commercial expedition led by Dean Staples (NZ)	Unsuccessful. High point of 7700 m reached on 1 October.	Guided climb.

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	Passu Sar (7492 m) NE Face to East Ridge, Batura Massif, Hunza, Pakistan	Colin Chaplin, Damien Gildea (leader), Ian Hibbert, Paul Hudson and Ken Hutt	Climbed abandoned just above 4700 m due to dangerous and difficult icefall.	
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Duncan Chessell (guide) and Peter Weeks on commercial expedition	Summit reached late October.	Guided climb.
	Pumori (7161 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Steve Janssen on five-member international expedition	High point of 6500 m.	
2002	Annapurna IV (7525 m) NW Ridge, Nepal	Robert Fox, Anthony Jamison, Stephen Patrikios, Matthew Rolfe and Allan Wright	High point of 5470 m reached on 30 March by Rolfe.	Base camp buried on 29 April. Expedition abandoned on 4 May due to constant avalanche danger.
	Manaslu (8163 m) NE Face, Nepal	Tracje Aleksov (Alex), Andrew Lock	Lock reached summit on 21 April with Norwegians Jan and Sven Gangdal.	First Australian ascent.
	Manaslu (8163 m) NE Face, Nepal	Brian Laursen, George Lloyd, Greg Mortimer (leader), Andrew Peacock, Geoff Robb, Nawang Sherpa, Nima Sherpa	Laursen, Mortimer, Peacock, Robb and Nawang Sherpa reached summit on 13 May.	Second Australian ascent. Laursen's fourth 8000 m peak.
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Sue Fear and Nima Tamang sharing permit with Belgian expedition	Fear reached Central Summit on 15 May with Pasang Sherpa and Belgian Johan de Bruyn.	First attempt abandoned at 7300 m on 7 May. Nima Tamang became sick on 12 May.
	Lhotse (8516 m) W Face, Nepal	Andrew Lock	Lock reached summit on 16 May climbing solo by way of direct West Face route from 7100 m.	Second Australian ascent and ninth 8000 m peak for Lock.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Tashi Tenzing on Swiss Everest 50th Anniversary Expedition led by Stephane Schaffter	Tenzing reached summit on 16 May using oxygen along with Yves Lambert (Switzerland) and Apa Sherpa.	Tenzing's second ascent of Mt Everest. Yves Lambert is the son of Raymond Lambert.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Robert Geir on international commercial expedition led by Guillermo Benegas	Reached summit on 16 May guided by Scott Woolums using oxygen.	

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	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Robert Meluish and John Taske on commercial expedition led by Bill Crouse (USA)	Successful. Meluish and Taske reached Camp II.	Guided climb.
	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) SW Face, Nepal	Christine Boskov (USA) and Andrew Lock	High point of 7700 m reached.	Climb abandoned due to poor conditions.
	Kedar Dome (6831 m) NW Face, Gangotri, India	Guides Lindsay Abbots (UK), Peter Allen, Mick Chapman (UK; leader), Leonie Berger, Rob Sellers, Gregg Wells plus five others on commercial expedition	Unsuccessful. High point of 6100 m reached in June.	Christian Marx (Austria) skied down from 6000 m. Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Jay Reilly on 30-member international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA)	Reached summit 22 October.	Guided climb.
2003	Pumori (7161 m) SE Face, E Ridge, Nepal	Jay Reilly on international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA)	Reached summit 8 April.	Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Jo Gambi (UK) and Robert Gambi on international commercial expedition led by Russell Brice (NZ)	Husband and wife team of Robert and Jo Gambi reached summit on 27 September.	Guided climb.
	Annapurna IV (7525 m) NW Ridge, Nepal	Kate Carlin, Matt Carlin, Andrew Reilly, David Ridley and Gareth Turner on international commercial expedition led by Gary Hayes	Matt Carlin and Ridley reached high point of 6380 m on 3 October; Reilly also reached high point, on 4 October.	Avalanche took out Camp II on 21 September. Expedition abandoned due to impassable 10 m-wide crevasse. Guided climb.
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Nicola Tsang	Reached summit on 6 October.	Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	David Chiew (leader), Annabelle Cochrane (NZ) and Brett Moule with three Sherpas on Australian commercial expedition	Summit reached by Chiew, Cochrane and Moule on 1 November.	Guided climb.



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	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Chris Kinney, Tony Kinney and Camille Kinney on 29-member international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA); Jay Reilly deputy leader	Summit reached by father, son and daughter team on 23 October.	Camille Kinney youngest woman to summit Ama Dablam. Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face and Labchi Kang (7367 m) Tibet	Duncan Chessell (guide), Robert Jackson, Steve Jansen, Anna Svasadotiar (Iceland), Peter Weeks, Sherpas Tshering Pande Bhote and Jamyang Bhote on commercial expedition	Chessell, Jackson, Jansen, Svasadotiar and Weeks summit Labchi Kang in late April. Chessell and Jackson summit Cho Oyu on 11 May.	Oxygen used for the ascent of Cho Oyu. Guided climbs.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Geoff Robb on commercial expedition with nine other clients and seven Sherpas led by Terry Moore (UK)	Robb reached summit on 11 May with Torre Sunde-Rasmussen (Norway) and two Sherpas.	Robb's fourth 8000 m peak. Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Hayen Brotchie, Jon Castley, Neil Lefevre, Garth Rickert, Alan Silva (leader), Jangbu Sherpa, Grace Tang and Penny Troy	Summit reached by Castley and Tang on 11 May, Brotchie and Silva 12 May, Lefevre and Rickert 13 May and Castley and Troy on 18 May.	Sydney Rockclimbing Club expedition. Jungbu Sherpa summited three times, on 10, 11 and 18 May.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Sue Fear on Russell Brice (NZ) commercial expedition	Reached summit on 31 May.	Self-guided ascent.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Peter Madew on UK commercial expedition	Madew reached 8500 m. Attempt abandoned to assist Conan Harrod (UK) after a US climber fell on him and broke his leg.	Madew suffered third-degree frostbite on both hands. Guided climb.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Nick Dyer on commercial expedition led by Bill Crouse (USA)	Unsuccessful. High point of south summit (8750 m) reached by the expedition on 23 May.	Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Blair Falahey and two Spanish climbers on self-guided expedition	Falahey reached 7700 m. Spanish climbers abandoned the expedition.	Falahey suffered third-degree frostbite to all fingers on 13 May.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Jack Carmody, Paul Carr, Nick Farr, Mick Harvey with Sherpas Tika and Yodha on Victorian Police expedition	High point and top camp at 7400 m reached by Carr, Farr, Tika and Yodha.	Paul Carr died of a blocked cardiovascular artery in tent at top camp.

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	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) Nepal	Mick Parker, Paul Walters and Roland Hunter (UK)	Unsuccessful.	
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Anthony Baldry on commercial expedition led by Dean Staples (NZ)	Unsuccessful.	Guided climb.
	Gasherbrum IV (7925 m) W Face, Pakistan	Andrew Lindblade and Athol Whimp (NZ)	Unsuccessful.	Acclimatisation climb to 7000 m on NW Ridge.
	Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Darren Scott on commercial expedition led by Mike Roberts (NZ)	Scott reached high point of 7000 m on 22 July.	Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Anthony Baldry, Ed Bradley, Piers Buck, Lewis Gomes on commercial expedition led by Mike Roberts (NZ)	Baldry, Buck and Gomes reached summit on 27 September along with eight other members.	Oxygen used during summit climb. Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Mick Parker	Parker reached summit on 5 October, climbing alone from Camp II.	
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Andrew Lock (solo) except with Italians Silvio Mondinelli and Mario on summit day only	Reached summit on 6 October.	Main summit not attempted due to poor conditions. Lock's tenth 8000 m peak.
	Peak 6417 (6417 m) Damodar Himal, Nepal	Anna Brooks, Ken McConnell, Dendi Sherpa and Ongdi Sherpa	Successful. Summit reached on 21 October.	
2004	Pumori (7161 m) SE Face, E Ridge, Nepal	Dan Marino on international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA) with Jay Reilly as deputy leader	Reilly and Marino reached the summit on 23 March.	Reilly's second ascent of Pumori. Guided climb.
	Baruntse (7168 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	George Lloyd on five-member international commercial expedition led by Neville Taylor (UK)	Lloyd reached the expedition high point of 6800 m. Expedition frustrated by complicated crevasse system breaking the SE Ridge.	Second Australian attempt on Baruntse. Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Catherine Carlyle on international commercial expedition led by Jamie McGuinness (NZ)	Reached summit on 14 May.	Carlyle used supplementary oxygen from Camp III. Guided climb.

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	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Andrew Lock on Discovery Channel filming expedition led by Ben Webster (Canada) with Shaunna Bourke (Canada) and Hector Ponce de Leon (Mexico)	Lock reached summit on 16 May.	Lock's second ascent of Mt Everest.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Robert Gambi, Andrew Marquis and Paul Hockey on international commercial expedition led by Bill Crouse (USA)	Gambi and Marquis reached summit on 24 May. Hockey reached 8600 m.	Hockey, a disabled climber, lost his right arm to cancer as a child. Guided climb.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Anthony Baldry and Ed Bradley on international commercial expedition led by Luis Benitez (USA)	Baldry reached summit on 27 May. Bradley reached the south summit (8750 m).	Guided climb.
	Makalu (8481 m) Nepal	Mick Parker on international expedition	Parker turned around at high camp.	Expedition leader reached summit using oxygen.
	Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Ernestine Tjepkema and Steve Hay on international commercial expedition led by Sue Fear	Fear reached summit on 26 July. High point of 6000 m for Tjepkema and Hay.	Fear's fourth 8000 m peak. First Australian female ascent.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Pakistan	Malte Hagge on international commercial expedition led by Jamie McGuinness (NZ)	Hagge reached 7700 m on 26 July.	Hagge returned to Broad Peak after an unsuccessful attempt in 2003. Guided climb.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Pakistan	John Dunlop, Mick Parker and Paul Walters on international expedition led by Roland Hunter (UK)	Parker and Walters reached summit on 27 July.	Third Australian ascent of Broad Peak. Walters's fifth 8000 m peak.
	Spantik (7027 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Rob Findlay, Dave Jackson, Tony Breen and Patrick Hollingworth on 20-member international commercial expedition led by Gary Hayes	Unsuccessful. Expedition high point of Camp II.	Expedition abandoned due to steep and unstable snow. Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Michael Dunjey on international commercial expedition led by Ron Holt (UK)	Reached advanced base camp (5500 m).	Dunjey left due to illness. Guided climb.

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	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	John Cook with two Sherpas	Reached 6400 m on 20 September.	Cook abandoned climb due to cerebral oedema.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Bruce Gibbens	Reached advanced base camp.	Gibbens got chest infection and left ABC on 22 September.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Andrew Lock	Lock reached summit on 25 September from Camp II.	Lock's eleventh 8000 m peak. Solo climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Nic Bendeli, Mick Vander Vlist, George Lloyd, Chris Warner and Zac Zaharias	Zaharias reached summit on 1 October climbing solo from Camp II. Warner reached 8100 m on 2 October.	
	Shisha Pangma(Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Colin Pacey on seven- person international commercial expedition led by David Hamilton (UK)	Pacey reached Central Summit on 8 October.	Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Adam Shepard, Anthony Truscott on international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA) with Jay Reilly as deputy leader	Shepard reached summit on 23, Reilly on 24 and Truscott on 25 October.	Guided climb.
	Lobuje East (6119 m) and Pumori (7161 m) Nepal	Owen Davis, Anthony Smailes and Whiteway	Davis, Smailes and Whiteway reached summit of Lobuje East on 28 October.	Smailes killed on 30 October en route to Pumori base camp. Expedition abandoned.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Jan Anderson, Robert Gambi and Louis Koszteiny on international commercial expedition led by Luis Benitez (USA)	Gambi reached summit on 2 November.	Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Daniel Bull and Brendan O'Mahoney on international commercial expedition led by Tarn Pilkington (NZ)	Bull and O'Mahoney reached summit on 4 November.	Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Tim Colquhoun and Mic Rofe on a range of commercial expeditions	Colquhoun reached summit on 1 November and Rofe on 5 November.	Guided climbs.

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2005	Pumori (7161 m) SE Face, E Ridge, Nepal	Philip Ling and Kirk Morely on international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA) with Jay Reilly as deputy leader	Unsuccessful. High point of 6150 m reached on 23 March.	Guided climb.
	Kula Kangri (7554 m) W Ridge and Jiexiang (6676 m) E Ridge, Tibet	Damien Gildea, Steve Chaplin (UK), Lars Svens (Sweden) and Laila Ojefelt (Sweden)	Unsuccessful. Reached 6200 m on Kula Kangri and 6300 m on Jiexiang.	Continual poor weather thwarted progress.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Tashi Tensing guiding an international commercial expedition	Camp I (6300 m) reached.	
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Mick Parker and one other climber	Unsuccessful, reached 7700 m.	
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Victorian Police team of Nick Farr, Greg Linsdell and John Taylor on commercial expedition led by Kenton Cool (UK)	Farr, Linsdell and Taylor reached the summit on 31 May.	Guided climb.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Rex Pemberton on international commercial expedition led by Eric Simonsen (USA)	Reached summit on 31 May.	Guided climb. Pemberton (20) youngest Australian to climb Mt Everest.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Piers Buck and Gerrard Gosens on New Zealand commercial expedition led by Mike Roberts (NZ)	Buck and Gosens climbed to Camp III. Expedition abandoned on 29 May due to high winds.	Gosens is a congenitally blind climber. Buck left for Tibet on 25 May for attempt from north side. Guided climb.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Paul Hockey and Piers Buck on international commercial expedition led by Dean Staples (NZ) and guide Duncan Chessell	Hockey and Buck reached summit on 5 June.	Hockey is the first Australian disabled climber to climb Everest. Buck joined the expedition in late May. Guided climb.
	Annapurna I (8091 m) North face (French route), Nepal	Andrew Lock, Brendan Cusick (USA) and Charlie Mace (USA). Lock also teamed up with Italians Christian Kuntner, Abele Blanc and Silvio Mondinelli for summit push	Lock reached high point of 6000 m. Expedition abandoned on 18 May after avalanche hit the group above Camp II, injuring four Italians. Kuntner died in Lock's arms at Camp II.	First Australian attempt on Annapurna I.

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	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Simon Andrade on New Zealand commercial expedition led by Mike Roberts (NZ)	Andrade left on 14 September for medical reasons.	Guided climb.
	Lhotse(8516) W Face, Nepal	Blair Falahey	Unsuccessful. Reached 7800 m.	
	K2 (8611 m) Pakistan	Mick Parker and Banjo Bannon (Ireland)	Unsuccessful. Reached 8100 m but abandoned climb due to poor weather.	
	Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Geoff Robb, Zac Zaharias and Ali Shimshal (Pakistan)	Zaharias reached summit on 23 July in whiteout; Robb reached 7800 m. Both climbed from Camp III at 7000 m.	Zaharias's fifth 8000 m peak.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Jen Peedom and Christopher Hallam on international commercial expedition led by Russell Brice (NZ)	Peedom reached summit on 22 September; Hallam reached 7300 m.	Peedom used bottled oxygen from Camp III. Guided climb.
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Warwick Barnes on a international commercial expedition led by Jamie McGuinness (NZ)	Reached summit on 4 October with Pasang Gyelu Sherpa.	Guided climb.
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face and Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026m) N Ridge, Tibet	Andrew Lock guiding Spaniard Inigo de Pineda	Lock reached summit of Cho Oyu on 25 September and Shisha Pangma Central on 8 October.	Lock's second ascent of Cho Oyu and Shisha Pangma Central.
	Amin Brakk (4900 m) and Denbour Tower (4900 m) Hushe Valley, Pakistan	Chris Fitzgerald and Nathan Kukuthas	Fitzgerald and Kukuthas reached summit of Denbour Tower on 29 September. Climb took six days including descent.	New route, One Degree of Separation (17, A5, 12 pitches).
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Andrew McDonald on international commercial expedition led by Dan Mazur (USA) with Jay Reilly as deputy leader	Reilly reached summit on 20 October and McDonald on 22 October.	Reilly's third ascent of Ama Dablam. Guided climb.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	David Ridley and Daniel Fisher on commercial expedition	Ridley and Fisher reached summit on 25 October.	Guided climb.

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	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Shaun McLauchlan and Brian McLauchlan	Unsuccessful. Shaun McLauchlan suffered frostbite on eight toes. Brian McLauchlan had altitude problems.	Father and son team.
	Ama Dablam (6854 m) SW Ridge, Nepal	Anthony Geoghegan, Brad Jackson and Vanessa Wills on 13-member international commercial expedition led by Stuart Remensnyder (USA)	Wills reached summit on 29 October, Jackson on 4 November and Geoghegan on 7 November.	Guided climb.
	Kyajo Ri (6186 m) SE Ridge, Nepal	Armando Corvini (leader), Fil Giles, Graham Franklin-Browne, Cheryl Woods and Adam Liddyard	Unsuccessful. High point of Camp I (5400 m) reached.	Expedition abandoned due to lack of time and poor weather.
2006	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Blair Falahey with two Sherpas	Reached summit on 18 May.	Smallest Australian expedition.
	Mt Everest (8850 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Mike Dillon, Lincoln Hall, Christopher Harris and Richard Harris	Hall reached summit on 25 May. Christopher Harris reached 7300 m.	15-year-old Christopher Harris attempted to become the youngest person to climb Everest. Hall 'died' and revived at 8700 m—rescued by large ground party.
	Manaslu (8163 m) NE Face, Nepal	Sue Fear and Bishnu Gurung	Summit reached 28 May. Died in crevasse fall at 7600 m during descent.	Fear's fifth summit over 8000 m.
	Kangchenjunga (8586 m) SW Face Nepal	Ralf Dujmovits (Germany), Gerlinde Kaltenbrunner (Austria), Veikka Gustafsson (Finland), Hirotaka Takeuchi (Japan), Joao Garcia (Portugal) and Andrew Lock	Lock reached summit on 14 May.	
	Saribung (6328 m) Damodar Himal, Nepal	Peter Allen, Mick Chapman, Nima Lama, Mingma Sherpa and Pasang Nima Sherpa	Successful. Summit reached on 19 May 2006 by Allen, Nima, Mingma and Pasang Nima.	First Australian ascent.
	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Pakistan	Terry Tremble	Reached 7500 m.	

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	Broad Peak (8047 m) W Face, Pakistan	Nic Barclay, Mark Sheen and Mick Parker	Sheen reached Camp IV.	
	Cho Oyu (8201 m) NW Face, Tibet	Blair Falahey	Successful. Falahey reached summit on 20 October.	
2007	Dhaulagiri I (8167 m) NE Ridge, Nepal	Mick Parker	Unsuccessful. Reached 7000 m. Parker fell into crevasse.	Avalanche killed two Spaniards at Camp II, Parker abandoned expedition.
	Lhotse (8516 m) W Face, Nepal	Blair Falahey	Summit reached on 21 May 2007.	Used oxygen from Camp IV.
	Annapurna I (8091 m) N Face (French route), Nepal	Andrew Lock	Reached summit on 24 May.	First Australian ascent.
	Chamser Kangri (6622 m) Ladakh, India	Lindsay Abbotts (UK), Silvana Adams, Peter Allen, Elizabeth Armitage, Bryan Atkins, Mick Chapman, Christine Clarence, Bryan Fruish (UK), Kevin Harkins, Alan Johnston, Bett Koch, Francis Lawrence, Neil Pilling, David Rae and Rahul Sharma (India)	Successful. Summit reached on 23 July 2007 by Harkins and Allen, on 26 July by Harkins, Atkins, Fruish and Lawrence, on 27 July by Allen, Armitage, Haala, Johnston and Pilling and on 28 July by Chapman, Abbotts, Adams, Koch and Clarence.	First Australian ascent. Peregrine Adventures expedition.
	Gasherbrum I (8068 m) Japanese Couloir, Pakistan	Mike Cook, Lesley Gidding, Damien Gildea, Brian Laursen, Mick Parker, Geoff Robb, Dr James Strohfeldt, Mick Vander Vlist, Chris Warner and Zac Zaharias (leader)	Mick Parker reached summit on 29 July. Zaharias, Robb and Warner reached 7400 m on 20 July.	Second Australian ascent of G1.
	Gasherbrum II (8035 m) SE Ridge, Pakistan	Mary Adams, Catherine Carlyle and Blair Falahey (guide) on commercial expedition	Falahey reached 7500 m.	Expedition abandoned due to poor weather and two avalanche deaths (from another team).
	Manaslu (8163 m) NE Face, Nepal	Mick Parker	Unsuccessful.	
	Shisha Pangma (Central Summit) (8026 m) N Ridge, Tibet	Blair Falahey	Reached 7400 m. Climb abandoned after climbing partner died.	



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	Shivling (6543m) W Ridge, India	Noel Eatough, John Morrison, Sean Parkes, Shannon Parkinson, Max Pemberton, Mark Raymond, Matt Rogerson (leader), Shane Saltmarsh, Liam Scarlett and 20 Indian climbers	Rogerson and Pemberton summited on 3 October, plus five Indian climbers.	Indo-Australian military expedition.
2008	Manaslu (8163 m) NE Face, Nepal	Mick Parker and Ben Grayling	Parker reached summit on 14 May; Grayling reached 7800 m.	
	Lhotse (8516 m) W Face, Nepal	Margaret Watroba on DCXP commercial expedition	Watroba reached 6000 m.	
	Makalu (8463 m) Nepal	Andrew Lock	Summited on 21 May 2008.	
	Bhrikuti (6372m) Damodar Himal, Nepal	Mick Chapman, Peter Allen, Elizabeth Armitage, Bett Koch, Bryan Fruish (UK) and Lindsay Abbotts (UK)	Successful. Summit reached on 14 May 2008.	First Australian ascent. Group exited through Mustang.
	Makalu (8463 m) Nepal	Blair Falahey	Unsuccessful. Reached 8000 m.	
	K2 (8611 m) Abruzzi Ridge, Pakistan	Chris Warner and Paul Walters on international expedition led by Mike Farris (USA)	Chirring Dorje Sherpa reached summit on 1 August. Walters reached 8000 m and Warner 6800 m.	Climb abandoned after serac collapse on the bottleneck saw 11 climbers perish.
	K2 (8611 m) Abruzzi Ridge, Pakistan	Mark Sheen on a Dutch expedition	Reached 8000 m.	Delayed his summit attempt due to overcrowding at Camp IV then abandoned climb after serac collapse.
	Dhaulagiri I (8167 m) NE Spur, Nepal	Mick Parker	Reached 6500 m. Abandoned due to poor weather.	
	James Point (4965 m), Nazomi Peak (5300m) and Triple Crown (5800m) NW Ridge, Chhudong Valley, Himachal Pradesh, India	Gemma Woldendorp and Natasha Sebire	Successful. New route on James Point and first ascent of Nazomi Peak and Triple Crown.	Ascent of Triple Crown involved 1000 m of mixed climbing on snow, ice and rock, AD+ 70 degrees.

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	Kyajo Ri (6186 m) SE Route, Nepal	Armando Corvini (leader), Chris Brown, Graham Franklin-Browne, Kerry Flanagan, Greg Holland and Adam Lyddiard	Unsuccessful. Franklin-Browne and Holland reached 5500 m.	
2009	Himlung (7128 m) North Spur of NW Ridge, Nepal	Duncan Chessell (leader), Ian Lord, Damian Mannix, Jock MacLachlan, Jim Morrow (NZ), Katie Sarah, Simon Yates (UK) and Greg Turner	Chessell, Sarah, Morrow and Mannix reached summit on 6 November 2009. Yates and MacLachlan reached 6800 m on 7 November.	First Australian ascent of Himlung.
	Makalu (8463 m) Nepal	Mick Parker and Roland Hunter (UK)	Parker and Hunter reached summit on 21 May.	Parker died in Kathmandu on 4 June, soon after his ascent.
	Shishapangma (8046 m) North Face variant, Tibet	Andrew Lock and Neil Ward (UK)	Lock and Ward reached summit on 2 October.	First Australian ascent of Shishapangma. Lock first Australian to climb all 14 of the 8000 m peaks.
	Saribung (6328 m) Damodar Himal, Nepal	Silvana Adams, Peter Allen, Bryan Atkins, David Casson, Andrew Grandison, Wolfgang Haala, Nevan Wadeson, Alan Johnston, Trevor Klose, David Rae, Sheraz Raza, Alan Tomasic and David Witham	Successful. Summit reached on 17 May 2009 by Atkins, Witham, Tomasic, Casson, Raza, Grandison, Haala, Wadeson, Allen, Lhakpa Tengi Sherpa and Mingma Sherpa.	Peregrine Adventures expedition. Group exited through Mustang.
	Amotsang (6393 m) and Pokarkhan (6345 m) Damodar Himal, Nepal	Damien Gildea and Chris Warner	Reached 5900 m during attempt of new route on the north face of Pokarkhan. No feasible route found on west side of Amotsang.	Exploratory climbing in a newly opened area north of the Marsyandi Valley in Central Nepal.

Notes: This and the following two tables are based on surveys of Australian Himalayan climbs that have been published in *Wild* magazine (nos 40 [Autumn 1991], 55 [Summer 1995], 80 [Autumn 2001], 92 [Autumn 2004] and 100 [Autumn 2006]). The first two surveys were compiled by Will Steffen and the remainder by Zac Zaharias. This table includes all successful Australian ascents of significant Himalayan peaks (generally considered to be above 5500 m), but only first Australian ascents of 'trekking peaks' in Nepal and Tibet. It also includes near ascents on major Himalayan peaks and other unsuccessful attempts, which are considered noteworthy for any reason (for example, technical difficulty, unclimbed peak, death). Where possible, differentiation is made between those summiting as clients on commercial expeditions and those who participate in a commercial expedition in an unguided or free-climbing capacity. Climbers of other nationalities have been listed only when they are notable, have done something of interest, are Sherpas climbing with Australians or are guides. Ascents of Shisha Pangma Central Summit are recognised as an ascent of an 8000-m summit in this survey. From 2006, the table does not include commercial expeditions to Mt Everest, Cho-Oyu, Shisha Pangma and Ama Dablam.

Table 2 Australian ascents of 8000 metre Himalayan peaks, 1984–2009

Peak	Date of first Australian ascent	First Australian(s) to summit	Total number of Australians to reach summit#
Mt Everest (8850 m)	3 October 1984	Tim Macartney-Snape, Greg Mortimer	49
K2 (8611 m)	20 August 1990	Greg Child, Greg Mortimer	4
Kangchenjunga (8586 m)	10 October 1987	John Coulten, Mike Groom	3
Lhotse (8516 m)	6 May 1995	Mike Groom	3
Makalu (8463 m)	8 May 1995	Mark Auricht, David Hume*	6
Cho Oyu (8201 m)	11 May 1990	Mike Groom	36
Dhaulagiri I (8167 m)	25 May 1997	Andrew Lock, Matt Rogerson, Zac Zaharias	4
Manaslu (8163 m)	21 April 2002	Andrew Lock	7
Nanga Parbat (8126 m)	21 July 1998	Andrew Lock	1
Annapurna I (8091 m)	24 May 2007	Andrew Lock	1
Gasherbrum I (8068 m)	17 July 1999	Andrew Lock	2
Broad Peak (8047 m)	16 August 1986	Brian Agnew, Pat Cullinan, Jon Chester, Peter Lambert, Terry McCullagh, Mike Rheinberger, Jim van Gelder, Zac Zaharias	11
Shishapangma (8046 m)	2 October 2009	Andrew Lock	1
Shishapangma Central (8024 m)	26 May 1990	Mark Lemaire	30
Gasherbrum II (8035 m)	16 August 1987	Geoff Little	5

\* Died during the descent

# Does not include multiple ascents

Table 3 Australian Himalayan climbing deaths, 1972–2009\*

Name	Mountain	Year	Cause
Tony Tighe	Mt Everest	1972	Serac collapse
Lynne Griffith	Dhaulagiri I	1980	Avalanche
Stafford Morse	Annapurna III	1980	Avalanche
Nicholas Reeves	Annapurna III	1980	Avalanche
Richard Schmidt	Annapurna III	1980	Avalanche
David Sloane	Ganesh IV	1981	Avalanche
Mark Moorhead	Makalu	1983	Fall
Fred From	Mt Everest	1984	Fall
Craig Nottle	Mt Everest	1984	Fall
Keith Egerton	Jannu	1986	Altitude illness

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Name	Mountain	Year	Cause
Mike Rheinberger	Mt Everest	1994	Cerebral oedema
David Hume	Makalu	1995	Fall
Mark Auricht	Mt Everest	2001	Cerebral oedema
Paul Carr	Cho Oyu	2003	Blocked artery
Sue Fear	Manaslu	2006	Fall in crevasse

\* Deaths that occurred at or above the base camp while on a mountaineering expedition. The table does not include deaths that occurred while trekking in or out of an expedition.

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