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### COMING EVENTS

- 16 December - Bull Run Mountain, Va.
- 23 December - Great Falls, Md. (Purple Horse Area)
- 29 December - 1 January - New Year's Eve Party - Details below.

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"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

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### NEW YEAR'S WEEKEND

Somebody will lead this weekend affair at Corbin Cabin. Commissary will be by individual cars. Call PATC for directions. Call Jane Showacre, UN-4-0535, for additional information.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR"

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### NEVENBER MEETING

Many thanks to another excellent show of slides by Arnold Wexler of Peruvian life and country and to our equally excellent hosts, the Rowlands, for a successful (once the projector was replaced) meeting.

### DISCOVERY! DISCOVERY!

We print this with the idea that someone may want to try some more new rocks. Eventually a trip can be scheduled to the general region just west of Winchester, including Ice Mountain, and several other rocks near our new find, COVE RIDGES.

On Monday, four of us drove west of Winchester on Route 50 to Gore a small town just this side of the turn leading to Ice Mt. We turned left off Route 50 on county road 704. It is hard to see the small post with the route number on it but it is right in the center of Gore. We proceeded several miles to a very small road, county 683, leading to the left. A mile or so up this brings one to a clear view of a long rock ridge, which I think could best be reached by parking here and crossing a farmers field. However, we drove on through a boy scout camp, between two smaller cliffs, and along a much poorer road. This brought us in back of our rock ridge.

We crossed some woodland and scrambled up onto the flake. There seem to be several good leads of at least two rope lengths on its face. Then we scrambled along the actual ridge which drops on both sides and is quite long. The possibilities for all kinds of traverses look promising. We did not try to traverse the entire cliff, because we had no rope and there were very vertical parts to it!

Our route out of the county was by way of county 70<sup>4</sup> southward just over the W. Va. line on back roads to Route 259, a paved highway. At a town called Highview we got a very good look at our escarpment and one other, a cliff up high, nearer Route 50.

The survey map of this area calls our ridge COVE RIDGES.



Betty Kauffman  
Bob and Bobby Burchell  
Mrs. Susan Burchell

#### UPS AND DOWNS

19 August 1956 - Lost, lost, lost..... (that was a beach trip).

23 September 1956 - Cupid's Bower Island, Md. - Somebody was there.

30 September 1956 - Great Falls, Md.

Bob Adams & Family	Don Feder	Johnnie Reed	Elna Thiele
Pat Alden	Jim Hawkins	Jimmy Shipley	Richard Usen
Cedric Beckjord	Dave Heilbron	Laurene Smith	Chuck Wettling
Joyce Ann Clyde	Betty Johnson	Eddie Sparrow	Arnold Wexler
Claire Dupont	Don Julie	Bob Spindler	Ed Worrell
Jackie Dupont	Peg Keister	Alan Talbert	Blondie Worrell

After an unpromising start, the day turned out to be a beautiful one for climbing, lolling in the sun, and other pleasant diversions.

The climbers split into roughly three groups. Several beginners worked out on or near Sturgeon's Struggle, while various tigers went up the Red Overhang, which was Eddie Sparrow's first climb. Bob Spindler and Don Feder distinguished themselves by climbing the Red Overhang across the face. Another group worked on two unnamed climbs across the draw from the Red Overhang. In the afternoon Jimmy, Arnold, Art, and Bob Adams climbed the Little Handhold That Isn't There. (These names slay me).

Peg, Jim Hawkins, and Ed Worrell each led teams up Peg's Progress, a most interesting lead climb. Dick, Don, and Alan, who tried unsuccessfully to remove one of Jim's pitons, are still wondering how he put it in.

After climbing, people went their various ways, leaving only Arnold, Chuck, and Alan, who had dinner at the Seven Seas Restaurant.

ANON.

7 October 1956 - Herzog Island, Md.

Don Hubbard	Chuck Wettling	Victor Petrukhin	Arnold Wexler
John Christian	Betty Johnson	Johnnie Reed	And some other
Alan Talbert	Alice Marshall	Peg Keister	whose names I
Rommy Vildzius	Adams Family	Ed Worrell	can't recall.

This was a memorial trip as Don made a rare appearance - and as leader gave the younger set quite a work out. Everyone started wet - some even waist wet - after following Don across a shallow river crossing to get to the island.

Chairman's Chimney fell to a number of climbers despite the help of the on-lookers. This was an active day but two months later your reporter just doesn't remember what all happened.

J.C.

FROELICHE WEIHNACHTEN!

14 October 1956 - Carderock, Md.

Judy Augustine	Jackie Dupont	Chris Scoredos	Ed Sparrow
Joan Cardon	Don Feder	Jane Scoredos	Bob Spindler
Phil Cardon	Doris Jankowitz	Eric Scoredos	Alan Talbert
Cindy Cardon	Terry Jankowitz	John Scoredos	Tommy Tucker
Pat Creegan	Betty Johnson	Jim Shipley	Tad Windrush
Joyce Glyde	Shirley Jackson	Marshall Shore	Eddie Willmann
Bob Davis	Koasnt Family	Larry Shore	Dick Usen
Jack Deasey	Art Lembeck	Guri Shore	<u>Pittsburger S. C.:</u>
Leila Deasy	Bob Mundy	Mignonne Shore	Jean Rodman
Pat Deasy	Tom Marshall	John Shore	Sayre Rodman
Steve Derdeyn	Mike Nicholson	Jane Showacre	Bob Dufty
Earl Donovan	Leigh Ortenburger	Stanley Solomon	Ginny Dick
Marc Dupont	Irene Ortenburger	Lawrence Smith	Rick Dill
Claire Dupont	Pete Peterson	Bob Schnauss	Kay Thompson

The day was marked by several great events. First the Pittsburghers were here in force. Second the great cleanup campaign which after a hesitant beginning wound up with all hands helping clear out the underbrush from the rocks between the Beginners Crack and the ascent of the Billie goat Trail. What do you know! There were rocks hidden behind the bushes! Third event was the Lemmy Stick fad, which did not last, thank goodness. A great deal of time was put in on Oscar and just about everybody had a chance to practice. And Don Feder finally did the Chris-Wex-Don.

B.S.

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"DON'T DRINK TOO MUCH EGGNOG"

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman Jane Showacre appointed Johnnie Reed and Arnold Wexler as a nominating committee for candidates for next year's offices.

WHO'S NEXT?

The Editor desires to resign his post to become an ordinary citizen and mountaineer. Those interested in being Editor of UP ROPE should call John at SO-5-7700 extension 23200 during the day or drop a card.

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NEW MOTHER

The Worrell's announce the arrival of a seven pounds twelve and one half ounce baby boy named Frank Henry on Friday, November 30. He is reported teething on carabiners already.

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