

**Event**

Introduction to rock climbing at the Eardley Escarpment near Luskville in Quebec. This is an event sponsored by the Venturer Advisors Forum.

**Schedule**

Friday September 25<sup>th</sup>

Depart Merrickville from the community centre at 6:30pm. One vehicle (Stew's minivan) for all participants.

Arrive campsite approximately 8:00pm.

Setup camp.

Travel distance approximately 100km.

Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup>

Climbing from 8:00am to 4:00pm at *Home Cliff*.

A bag lunch to be made in the morning as we will not be returning to the campsite for lunch.

Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup>

Climbing from 7:45am to 1:00pm at *The Western Cwm*. This is a 15 minute drive from the campsite.

A bag lunch to be made in the morning as we will not be returning to the campsite for lunch.

Return to campsite to complete cleaning and packing of equipment.

Depart campsite approximately 3:00pm.

Arrive Merrickville approximately 5:00pm.

Final cleaning of equipment in community centre if necessary.

Equipment to be emptied from the cargo trailer and stored in the tractor trailer.

Pickup by parents at McConnell's yard at approximately 6:00pm. Parents to be called with exact pick up time; they will be given approximately half an hour notice.

**Participants**

Robert Sargent and an estimated seven Venturers.

Second leader coverage will be provided by all the leaders at the event.

**Campsite**

Camping will be at:

Ferme de la montagne (Laframboise family)

440 Chemin Cregheur

Luskville, Quebec

No campfires allowed.

Porta-potties will be available.

No water will be available.

This is an open field; very few trees around the perimeter.

**Sleeping Accommodations**

Venturers will be sleeping in tents. Adults will be sleeping in separate tents.

### Cooking and Dining

As the campsite is an open field with no trees to support a shelter, a pop-up shelter (10'x20') will be used for cooking and dining. Venturers will plan the menu ahead of time, and cook the meals over propane stoves.

### In Case of Emergency

- Two first aid kits will be on site.
- A backboard will be on site (provided by the instructors).
- Casualties will be evacuated on foot to the road and taken to hospital by leaders if applicable, or transferred to an ambulance.
- Closest hospital is Centre Hospitalier des vallees de l'Outaouais, Pavillon de Hull, 116 Boulevard Lionel Emond, Hull, (819) 595-6000.

### Financial Budget

Item	Youth - Canoe
Event Fee, six Venturers @ \$15 each	\$90
Food - \$20 * 8	\$160
Transportation – 2 x 100km	\$60
Propane	\$10
<b>Budget Total</b>	<b>\$320</b>
<b>Budget Total / Venturer</b>	<b>\$53</b>
Levy in lieu of dues	\$10
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$63</b>
<b>Advertised Total / Venturer</b>	<b>\$65</b>

Truck fuel costs billed at 25 cents/km. Car fuel costs billed at 15 cents/km.

### Risks

- *Minor injuries:* Treated with first aid kit.
- *Major injuries:* Evacuation to parking area and transport to hospital; alternatively a leader will be sent to fetch medical personal by returning to the parking area and driving to a telephone to summon paramedics.
- *Falling rocks:* All persons are required to wear a helmet at all times near the cliff.
- *Falling:* All persons are required to wear a harness at all times near the cliff and to be belayed by two other people while climbing or rappelling.

### Climbing

Though the Merrickville leaders and senior youth have received appropriate training for taking the remaining youth climbing without an instructor, the climbing at this camp will be under the supervision of Christiaan Burchell, a Venturer leader and climbing instructor with the Alpine Club of Canada. The Saturday climbs will be at *Home Cliff* with most climbs in the 5.1 to 5.3 range with a few 5.6 to 5.8 climbs for the more experienced Venturers. On the Sunday we will be at *The Western Cwm* with most of the climbs in the 5.3 to 5.7 range, including a very nice crack climb.

**Personal Climbing Equipment (for us)**

Harness, Equator+, small, 2  
 Harness, Equator+, medium, 2  
 Harness, Equator+, large, 1  
 Helmet, Altios, small, 2  
 Helmet, Altios, large, 4  
 Shoes, pair, 6

**Personal Climbing Equipment (for loan)**

Harness, Equator+, small, 4  
 Harness, Equator+, medium, 7  
 Harness, Equator+, large, 2  
 Harness, Cosmic, 6  
 Helmets, Eldrid & Camp, 10  
 Helmet, Altios, small, 2  
 Helmet, Altios, large, 4

**Common Climbing Equipment**

Carabiners, locking, 24  
 Sling, nylon, single, 1  
 Sling, nylon, double, 4  
 Sling, Spectra, single, 1  
 Sling, Spectra, double, 2  
 Rope, dynamic, 11mm, 60m, 3  
 Belay device, 3  
 Quick draws, 20  
 Nuts & cams  
 Prusik loops, 3

**Anchors**

Many of the anchor stations used will be bolted. In general, each route will thus require seven locking carabiners (one for each bolt, two for the sling/rope connection, one for the belay device, one to attach the belayer, and one to attach the secondary belayer), one double sling, and one belay device.

**Harness Sizes**

Manufacturer	Model	Size	Waist (cm)	Waist (in)
Rock Empire	Cosmic	One size	N/A	N/A
Rock Empire	Equator+	Small	63 - 76	25 - 30
Rock Empire	Equator+	Medium	72 - 85	29 - 34
Rock Empire	Equator+	Large	80 - 93	32 - 37

**Helmet Sizes**

Manufacturer	Model	Size	Head (cm)	Head (in)
Camp	Rock Star	One size	52-60	21 - 23½
Eldrid	Junior	One size	48-58	19 - 23
Petzl	Altios	1	48 - 56	19 - 22
Petzl	Altios	2	56 - 61	22 - 24

**Personal Kit List**

Sleeping bag  
Sleeping pad (optional)  
Torch  
Change of clothes (several)  
Change of footwear  
Trousers  
Long sleeved shirt  
Towel  
Sweater or sweat shirt  
Rain jacket  
Rain pants (optional)  
Pyjamas  
Pillow (optional)  
Wash kit: tooth brush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, chapstick, etc.  
Mess kit: plate, bowl, cup, knife, fork, spoon in mesh bag  
Water bottle  
Sunscreen  
Insect repellent  
Hat  
Baseball cap  
Kleenex  
Knapsack  
Sneakers  
Approach shoes (optional)  
Hiking boots (optional)  
Sunglasses (optional)  
Pocket knife (optional)  
Folding chair (optional)  
Soccer ball (optional)  
Climbing harness (optional)  
Climbing shoes (optional)

No electronic games.

**Menu**

Friday

Supper

Brown bag from home or eat before departure

Saturday

Breakfast

Corn pops, milk, oatmeal

Lunch

Sandwiches (hamburger buns, sliced meat, lettuce)

Supper

Hamburgers, hamburger buns, ketchup, relish, mustard

Sunday

Breakfast

Corn pops, milk, oatmeal

Lunch

Sandwiches (hamburger buns, sliced meat, lettuce)

Snacks

Potato chips

Drinks

Water

Juice crystals

**Common Camping Equipment**

Tents, Scout, 3  
 Ground sheets, 3  
 Tent pegs, 21  
 Shelter, pop-up, 10'x20'  
 Tarps, small, 2 (for shelter side walls)  
 Baler twine  
 First aid kit  
 Dish soap  
 Toilet paper  
 Garbage bags, large  
 Pot sets, 2  
 Toaster, stove top, 2  
 Frying pan  
 Griddle  
 Lanterns, propane, 2  
 Mantels, spare, 6  
 Propane, 1 lb, 8  
 Stove, 2 burner, propane, 2  
 Basins, washing, 2  
 Water containers, 3, full  
 Tea towel  
 Dish cloth  
 Spatula, 2  
 Scrubbing pad, nylon  
 Cooler  
 Ice packs, 3  
 Cheese slicer  
 Ziploc bags, small (for sandwiches)  
 Ziploc bags, large  
 Garbage bag holder  
 Tables, Cub, 2

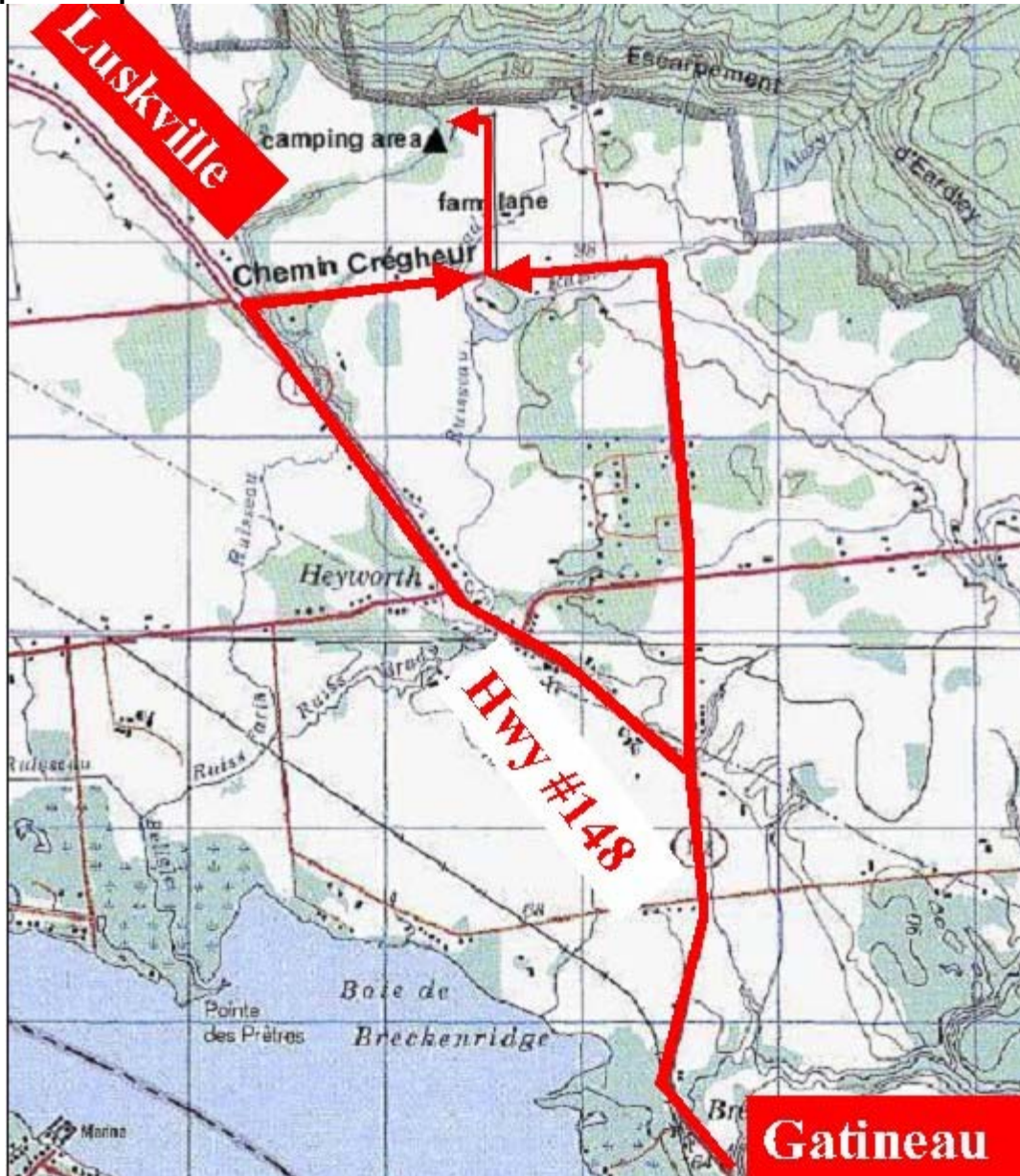
**Allan's Extra Equipment**

Climbing training notes  
 Route descriptions from *Climbing Around Ottawa*  
 Sheath knife  
 Multi-tool  
 Thermometer  
 CDs  
 Trip plan  
 Watch  
 Camera  
 Camera spare battery  
 Mobile telephone  
 Mobile telephone car charger  
 Book  
 Physical fitness forms  
 Tent (poles, pegs, ground sheet)  
 Headlamp  
 Lantern, battery  
 First aid kit  
 Truck garbage container w/bags  
 Briefcase  
 Weather forecast  
 Chair, folding  
 Shaver  
 Contact lens solution  
 Notebook & pencil  
 Kleenex  
 Playing cards, 2 packs  
 Single cup coffee maker  
 Coffee filters, #2, 5  
 Duct tape  
 Matches, 1 box  
 Tinfoil  
 Paper towel  
 Compass

### Directions

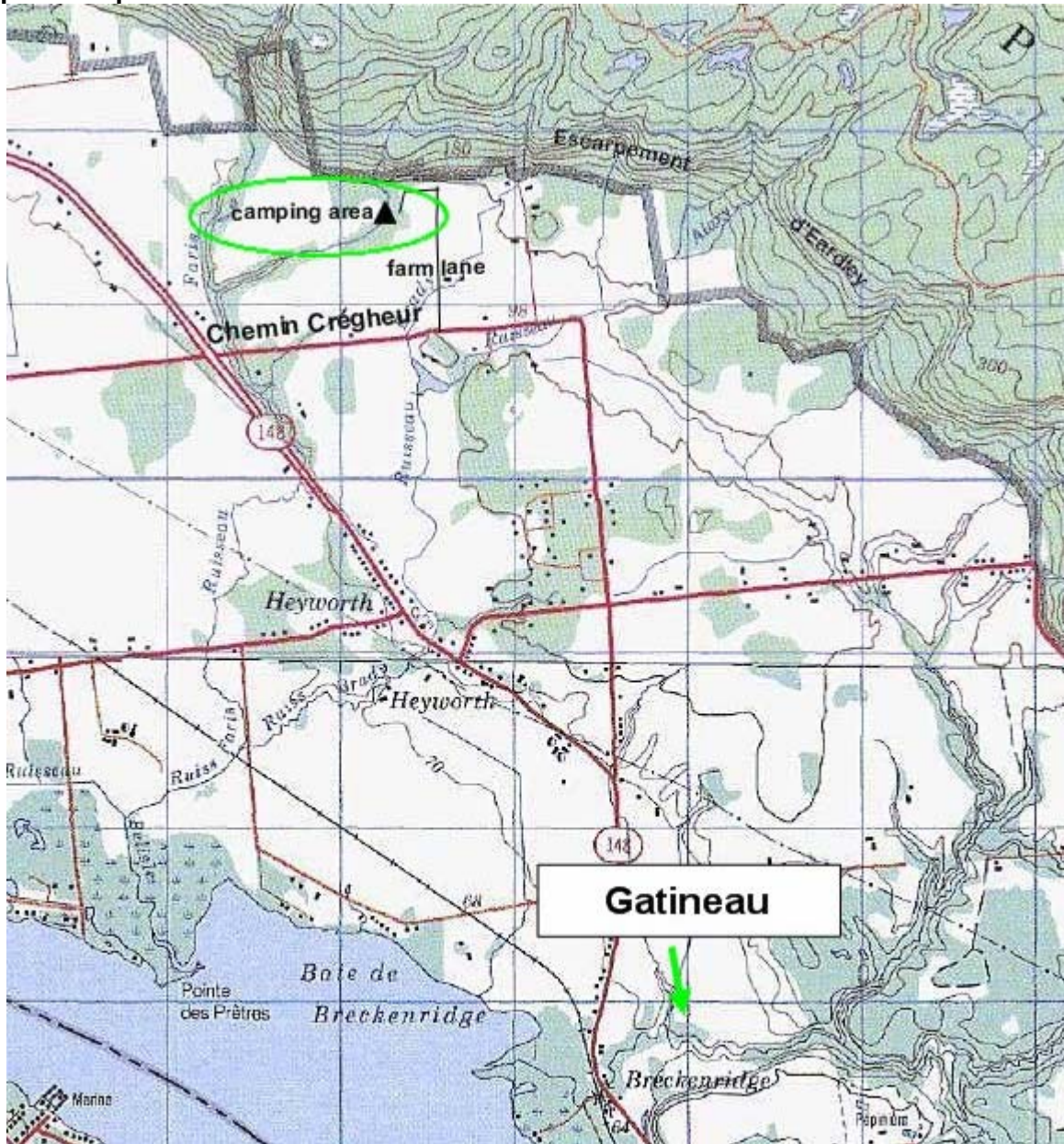
Leave Gatineau via Hwy #148, west bound from Aylmer area towards Lusville. Hwy #148 will turn from a two lane highway to a four lane divided highway, approx 1 km on the 4 lane divided highway there is a road to the right, Chemin Cregheur, take this right. Continue on it for approx 2 kms, there is a small parking lot on your right and then a blind corner to the right, on your left you will see a farm road (trail through the field), take this trail (be careful – it is not a road). Follow the pylons and keep them to your left (please do not drive across the fields). If you follow the pylons they will bring you directly to the camping area. If you get to the entrance to Laframboise Farm (on your left) you have missed the entrance.

### Map to Campsite



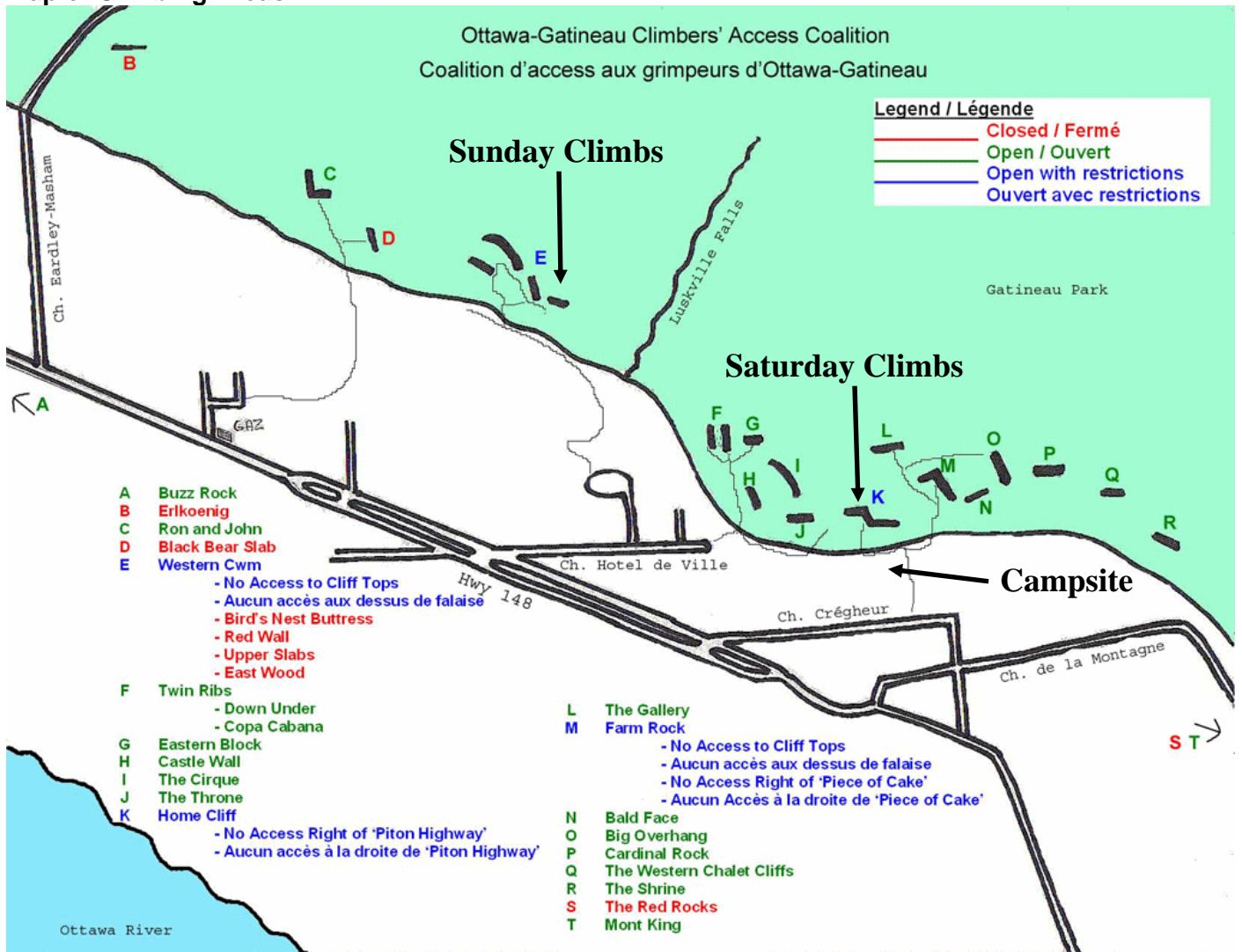


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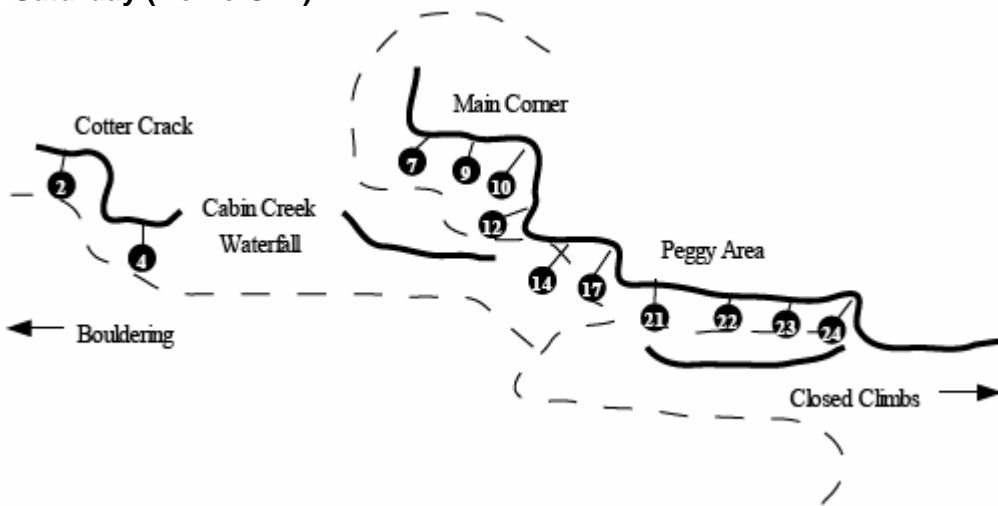




Map of Climbing Areas



Saturday (Home Cliff)

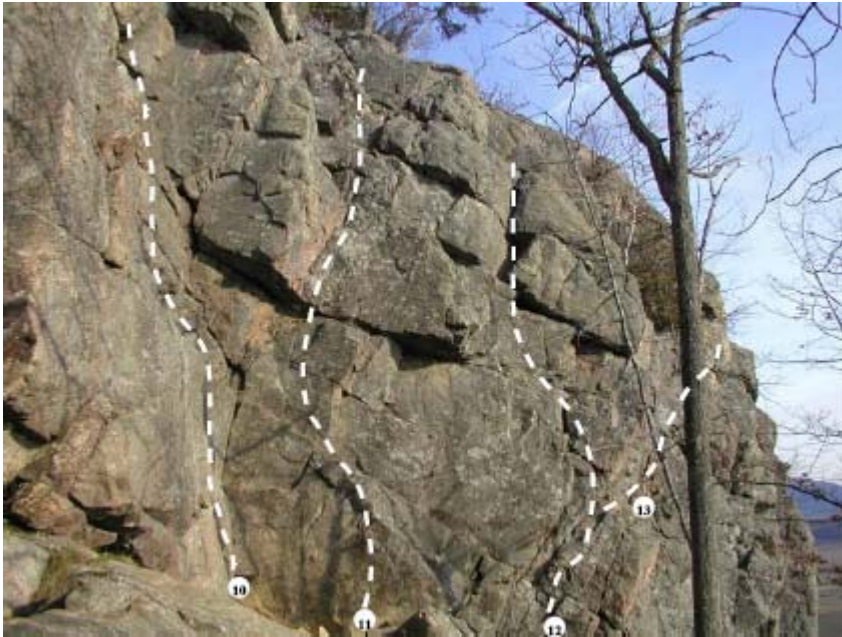


Route	Name	Grade
5	Broken Corner	5.3
6	Little Yellow Fucker	5.9
7	Crack and Block	5.3
8	K5	5.1
9	One Up	5.7
10	Main Corner	5.3
11	Inside Corner	5.3
12	Back to the Wall	5.3
13	Arete and Ramp	5.3
14	Direttissima	5.11a
15	???	5.12a
16	Patriation	5.8
17	Peggy	5.7+
18	Magical Mystery Tour	5.6

Main Corner



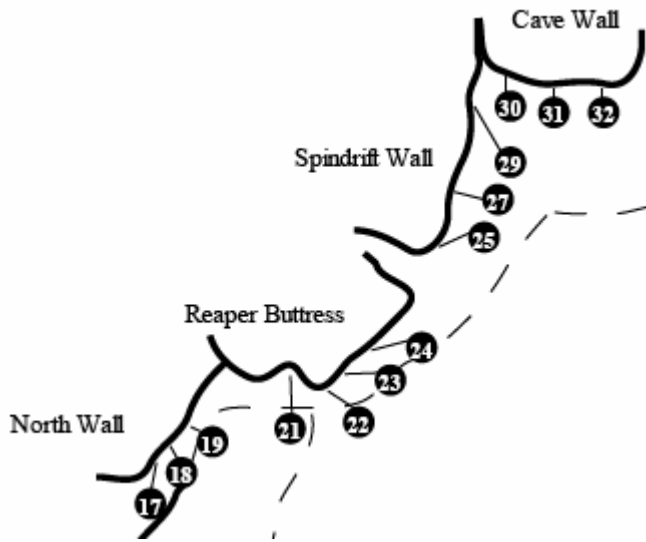
**Main Corner**



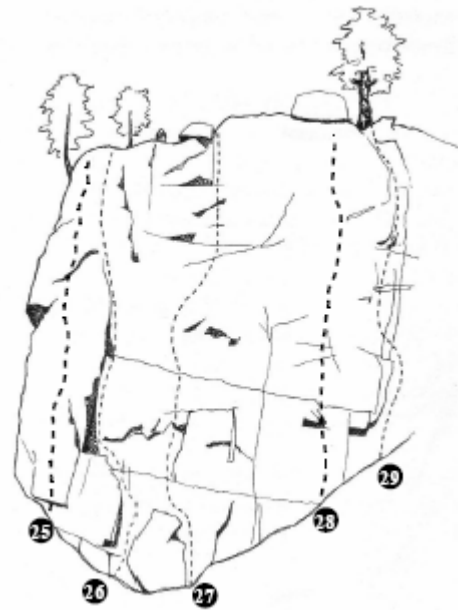
**Peggy Area**



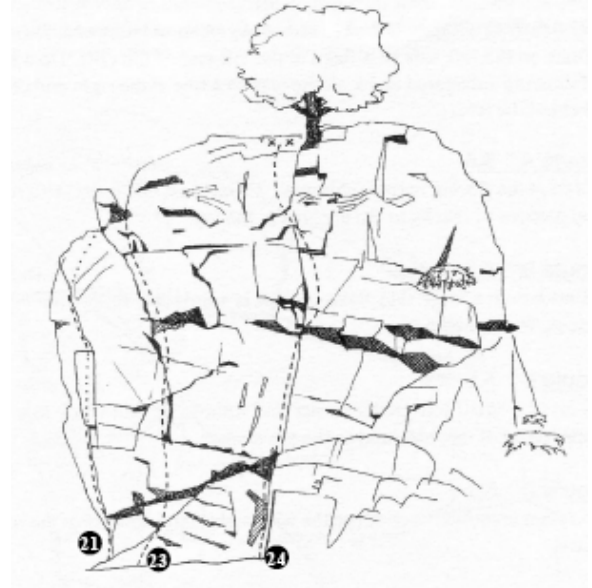
Sunday (Western Cwm)



Spindrift Wall



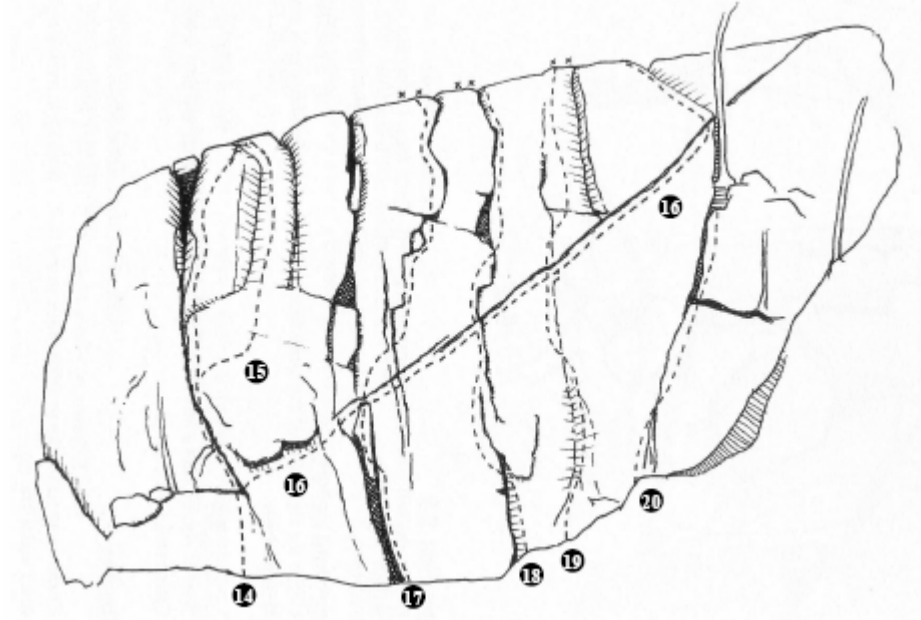
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Route	Name	Grade
14	The Canopy	5.4
15	Bunny Corner	5.4
16	Still Another Climb	5.4
17	Route A	5.5
18	Route B	5.4
19	Route C	5.5
20	Route D	5.1
21	Mr. Toady's Dihedral	5.8
22	Krispy Kreme	5.11a
23	The Reaper	5.9
24	Jugness	5.5
25	Bolt Line #1	5.6
26	Adas Route	5.1
27	Ground Zero	5.3
28	Bolt Line #3	5.3
29	Arachnophobia	5.3
30	Al on the Run	5.11c
31	Security	5.10d
32	Neruda	5.6
33	Probation	5.8+



North Wall



Cave Wall

