

▶ 10a. The Gerlan Heights VI 5 * 320m

A mixed route that relies on well-frozen turf which crosses the top of *Scimitar Hill* P1 then up the tower on the right. Start 10m below the *Central Gully* cave, 10m above the ice streak of *Scimitar Hill*. The 1st main pitch is bold for its 1st half and follows a slight left trending line.

P1 4 55m P1 of Central Gully.

P2 3 50m P2 of *Central Gully* to a belay 5m down from the cave.

P3 5 45m Climb the initial groove for 5m and continue in the same line until a steep pull right gains a ledge. Easier climbing leads to a belay in a right facing corner below a wide scope (*Scimitar Hill* crosses just below this belay, and belays at the base of the rock spur on the left).

P4 4 40m Climb up and right heading for the groove in the left side of the tower/buttress above. Climb the groove and belay on a large very tall spike.

P5 4 40m The upper tower is climbed by cracks on left allowing an exit left just below the top of this upper tower.

P6/7 1 100m Climb the upper slope to the top. [Chris Parkin, Tim Neill, Mark 'Baggy' Richards 29.11.10]

▶ 10. Scimitar Hill V 5 ** 360m

A superb and truly mixed route with ice, turf and rock breaking out from a position high in *Central Gully*.

P1 4 55m P1 of Central Gully.

P2 3 50m P2 of *Central Gully* to an ice streak on the right wall 20m below the cave.

P3 5 45m Climb the ice streak to where it ends and move right on turf and iced rock to good gear in block. Head back left on turf to a thin exit onto easier ground and continue up to the base of a large block. Traverse beneath this and climb up and leftwards to a belay ledge overlooking *Central Gully* at the foot of a short sharp rib.

P4 4 35m Climb the left side of the rib for 30m to a short off width formed by a large flake. Climb this to a belay on large spikes.

P5 4/5 35m From the top left spike climb the short wall using the narrow turf line to a large 'walkway' ledge below a 2nd rib. Climb the left side of this up cracks and past spikes to top the rib.

P6 2 20m Up easy ground and exit via a crack in the right wall of a diagonal slot to complete the technical climbing.

P7/8 1 120m Easy ground leads to the summit ridge. [Chris Parkin, Paul Platt 02.01.2010]

▶ 11. Gallipoli V 5 *** 360m

A fantastic expedition weaving a devious, yet logical line to reach a hidden upper gully where an enigmatic crux awaits.

P1 4 55m Climb the initial icefalls of *Central Gully* to reach a belay on the right.

P2 2/3 50m Make a steep step up on the right and womble up the snow slope to a nut/cam belay just down and right of a thin icefall.

P3 4 35m Climb up the groove on the right side of the icefall. Continue up snowy/ turfy ground, trending leftwards to reach a peg belay at a small overhang.

P4 4/5 35m Traverse left heading for an obvious chimney slot running up the back of a prominent pinnacle. Squirm up this to reach an open groove. Climb the groove (poor protection) to easier ground and higher up a good crack belay and tiny stance on the right.