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Napes Central Area

Crinkler's Crack 65m HVS

A meandering climb, rather superseded by *Amos Moses*. Start as for *Amos Moses* at a right-slanting crack in the large subsidiary buttress, below the right-hand end of the *Dress Circle*.

1 15m. Climb the crack to a large grass ledge and pinnacle.

2 20m. Move right to the foot of a crack near the edge of the buttress. Ascend the crack, and grass ledges, and belay on the right.

3 27m. Descend a couple of metres to the right on grass, and climb to a small ledge up and right, clearly visible on the skyline below the overhangs. Step left and pull into a shallow groove between the overhangs. Climb the crack on the right to a bulge, move left and surmount the bulge, then climb diagonally to the right, to a belay in the crack.

4 21m. Climb up easily to an open V-groove which leads to *Eagle's Nest Ridge*.

First ascent: (19/05/1973) R Valentine, J Wilkinson

Green Gable Crag

Girdle Traverse of Green Gable VS

Start as for *Alpha*.

1. Climb first pitch of *Alpha*, but traverse left above the overhang and belay on a ledge above the overhang.

2. Pitch 3 of *Beta*.

3. *Gamma*.

4. Descend *Delta*.

5. Descend pitch 2 of *Epsilon*.

6. Pitch 1 and 2 of *Epsilon Chimney*.

7. Descend Pitch 3 of *Aaron*.

8. Traverse on to Pitch 2 of *Eta*, ascend to the top of a small chimney.

9. Abseil to the foot of *Fie*. Ascend *Fie* (or *Theta* - reduces standard to S).

10. Descend *North Face*.

First ascent: (17/05/1959) Des Oliver, Ken Ogilvie

Pillar & Ennerdale Archive

Bowness Knott

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Snowstorm 77m S

Start as for *Black Crack Route*.

1 25m. As for *Black Crack Route* to below the *Black Crack*. Then move right and up to belay on an oak tree in the corner.

2 16m. Go up left, climb onto the *Bos'n's Chair* and up a steep slab to a belay in the *Crow's Nest*.

3 18m. Climb the narrow groove, inclining to the right, which is awkward but has good holds to a block belay.

4 18m. Easier slabs to the top.

Original Start

The original start was 10 metres right and climbed the most appalling vegetated slabs to arrive at the same oak tree.

First ascent: 1957 F Crosby, A Watson

Tyrozet 74m S

A poor vegetated route which ricochets between *Black Crack Route*, *Snowstorm* and *Hailstorm*. Start 4 metres right of *Black Crack Route*.

1 30m. Climb a short wall and vegetated rock to an oak tree. Continue up the broken crack to belay by a gnarled holly.

2 12m. Descend left and make for a prominent block on *Snowstorm*. Climb over the block and go rightwards

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to *Hyacinth Chimney* on *Black Crack Route*.

3 12m. Climb the wall immediately behind the tree and move right to belay above the chimney.

4 20m. Step down to the left, then back right to a sloping ledge. Climb the overhanging wall and follow the slabs above to the top.

First ascent: (29/05/1968) DN Greenop , A McGregor, D Bonney

Left Wall E3 5b?

This hard and potentially dangerous route ascends a series of overhanging grooves on the wall between *Skyhook* and *Green Gash* at an overhanging corner. Climb the corner to an easier-angled section and gain the first of the grooves on the wall on the left. The overhanging grooves are ascended with increasing difficulty, and very strenuous moves have to be made on very suspect holds, until it is possible to pull out left near the top of *Skyhook*, and up to the tree belay at the top of *Green Gash*.

F/A Unknown

Bowness Girdle S

Description not known.

F/A Unknown

Pillar Rock

Shamrock

Sirloin Climb 400 feet S

Includes 100 feet of walking near the top. Leader needs 80 feet of rope.

The climb runs up a fairly prominent series of ribs bounding the left edge of the sweep of slabs which form the left wall of *Shamrock Gully*. Starts at the exact corner of the *Gully* which is also the lowest point of the rock. A pleasant route.

(1) 70 feet. Climb the arête on sloping holds for about 30 feet to a slanting slab. Here a move is made round the corner on the right into a groove, after which easier climbing leads to grass ledges. Belay.

(2) 30 feet. Cross a grass shelf to the left and climb the slab above to a long grass shelf below a steep wall. Small flake-belay in a furrow about the middle of the wall.

(3) 60 feet. Starting from the left-hand end of the grass shelf, climb the rib on sloping holds. Soon easier ground is reached and a series of shelves. The only belay appears to be a large block on a subsidiary slab about 15 feet to the left.

(4) 60 feet. Climb a short vertical and obvious crack over on the right to a small ledge below a slab which leads to a large ledge with a good pointed belay.

(5) 100 feet. Scramble over broken ribs and grass ledges to a thread-belay below a prominent sharp rib.

(6) 40 feet. The rib itself is climbed to an excellent hold below a mass of shattered rock where a short traverse is taken into the grassy gully on the left. Thread-belay.

(7) 25 feet. Ascend the gully to grass ledges and a huge block-belay.

(8) 30 feet. An easy scramble to the top of the buttress. Cairn.

First ascent: (28/05/1939) AT Hargreaves, SH Cross, RE Hargreaves, AM Nelson, CJA Cooper

Green Pastures 525 feet S

Leader needs 80 feet of rope. Good ledges and belays.

Lies on the tower immediately left of *Walker's Gully* and starts about 50 feet to the left of that climb below a V-shaped slope of grass. Cairn. The climb is somewhat grassy. 50 feet. Walk easily upwards towards the left to an overhanging corner bounded by a rib on its right.

(1) 55 feet. To attain a small heather ledge round to the right of the rib, a delicate traverse is made. Awkward grass ledges follow and lead to a V-shaped chimney. A small pillar is seen on its right and a fine flake-belay is just above forming the left wall of the chimney.

(2) 15 feet. Climb the V-chimney. The exit is on its right. Belay will be found on a good grass ledge.

(3) 50 feet. Ascend the pleasant chimney just to the right to a grass ledge with a good spike-belay in a crack on the wall above. This chimney is used on the alternative start to Walker's Gully.

(4) 25 feet. The vertical wall, passing the belay, is climbed on good small holds. Awkward grass ledges finish the pitch at a nook with an excellent belay.

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(5) 80 feet. The fluted rib behind the belay is climbed for about 15 feet and leads to extensive grass shelves. Above rises a steep wall with some broken rocks towards its right. These are taken to another grass ledge and thread block-belay near the *Great Heather Shelf*, about 60 feet above the first grass ledges.

(6) 50 feet. A scramble over grass straight ahead to a large detached flake. Belay.

(7) 30 feet. Working slightly left, awkward grass ledges are followed to a belay below a very steep chimney.

(8) 40 feet. From the grass ledge below the chimney descend a few feet by a small crack under the left wall (right looking out). Follow some small ledges to a curious flake at the foot of a groove. Delicate climbing of increasing difficulty brings one to a sloping ledge at the top of the groove leading to a grass corner on the left and a good thread-belay.

(9) 70 feet. Walk up the glacia to the right then follow some grass and a slightly awkward corner. Easy grass ledges follow and an open easy chimney on the left brings another large ledge within reach. (A steep and deeply-cut chimney which continues straight on from the foot of the last easy chimney may be taken, it leads direct to the top of the pitch 10—it is difficult.)

(10) 40 feet. Traverse right over an awkward corner and walk up grass to a good belay in some broken rock on the right.

(11) 35 feet. Cross the grassy corner on the left and climb the steep slab which forms its left wall. At the level of a grass ledge a crack is entered and climbed to a shelf and belay.

(12) 35 feet. A steep slab with good holds is climbed to a cairn. Scrambling leads to the top of Shamrock.

Known to have been repeated by Ken Constable not long after the first ascent, but the lower pitches could not be located in 2007.

First ascent: (07/04/1939) SH Cross, AT Hargreaves, RE Hargreaves, AM Nelson, CJA Cooper

North Face of Low Man

Pedestal Wall 108m S

A rather grassy climb, which nevertheless offers good slab climbing in dry conditions. Seen from below *Green Ledge*, the climb follows a direct line ending at the foot of the *Nor-Nor-West Climb*, making possible 300 metres of continuous climbing to the top of *High Man*. Start 50 metres right of the lowest point of the crag at a pink slab.

1 30m. Climb the shallow right facing groove straight up to below a grass ledge. Step right and continue delicately up the crest of a slabby rib to a big grass slope.

2 18m. Almost straight ahead is a corner. Start up the easy slabby rocks on the right, and go straight up for about 10 metres to a block on the left edge of the slab. Above this a grass ledge is attained.

3 30 m. Continue up a ribbon of slabby rocks to a grass ledge, and climb a short wall on the left of a groove to a grass stance (possible belay). Either move to the right and climb a pleasant steep slab, or go straight up the chimney to a grass ledge.

4 30 m. Work up to the right, then break out left on to a fine slab, which leads to the left end of a long narrow ledge. Continue straight up, keeping well to the right for the last few metres.

Variation Start VS 1938

Climb a thin crack and its right wall 2 metres right of the original route, and continue up the stepped groove above. All as thin as the crack.

F Graham, MW Guinness 10th October 1938.

Originally stepped left onto the original route. Continued directly by **R Kenyon, C King, SJH Reid, 24th July 2005**. However they could not locate pitches 2 - 4.

First ascent: (01/08/1937) RST Chorley, F Graham,

Black Crag

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Left-Hand Route D

Start at a cairn.

1 25'. Moderate climbing to a belay.

2 30'. Up to a grassy corner.

3 20'. Diag trav left.

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4 30'. Work right 10' then straight up ridge.

5 35'. Up rib to belay.

6 25'. Rib climbed on rt to?? ledge.

7 25'. Easy rock.

First ascent: (26/06/1929) A Wood-Johnson, E Wood-Johnson, CJ Astley Cooper, WG Hennessy

Right-Hand Route D

Start at a cairn.

1 30'. To stance.

2 50'. Slab by crack on left, then straight ahead.

3 15'. Trav to right on a rib and in another 30' a belay is found.

4 20'. A rib on left.

First ascent: (26/06/1929) A Wood-Johnson, E Wood-Johnson, CJ Astley Cooper, WG Hennessy