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## INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE 2007 REPORT & FORWARD PLAN 2008

### Summary of Key Achievements & Outputs for 2007

- Grant aid and/or support to 33 British overseas expeditions.
- Holding a very successful international winter meet in February-March at Glenmore Lodge, Scotland.
- Close liaison with the Mount Everest Foundation, Sports Council for Wales and Mountaineering Council of Scotland on the distribution of Overseas Expeditions Awards.
- Consolidating an electronic database of expedition reports from 1990 to the present day.
- Providing an International Voice on potential access problems and negotiations with foreign governments e.g. Denali, and the Nepal Himalaya.
- Progressing the arrangement of a Julie Tullis Award for female mountaineering.
- Nominating British climbers for international gatherings.

### Forward Plan for 2008

- Using remaining funds to help British Expeditions maintain their high standard of objectives and success.
- Negotiating further funding for 2008-2009.
- Trying to arrange an international rock climbing meet in the spring.
- Liaison with several other organizations that may want to administer their awards independently or through the charitable trust of the Mount Everest Foundation
- Other ways of publicizing our expedition success, now that the Kendal Film Festival is no longer to hold the annual MEF/BMC Expedition Lectures.
- Arranging representation on, and support for, foreign meets, international exchanges etc.
- Representation on and work with the UIAA is currently dependent on the future structure, support from, and administration of this international body.
- Forging a greater liaison with the Alpine Club on international affairs.
- Finding ways of maintaining the future of our international meets.
- Continue updating and expanding the Expeditions Database with web publication of expedition reports.

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