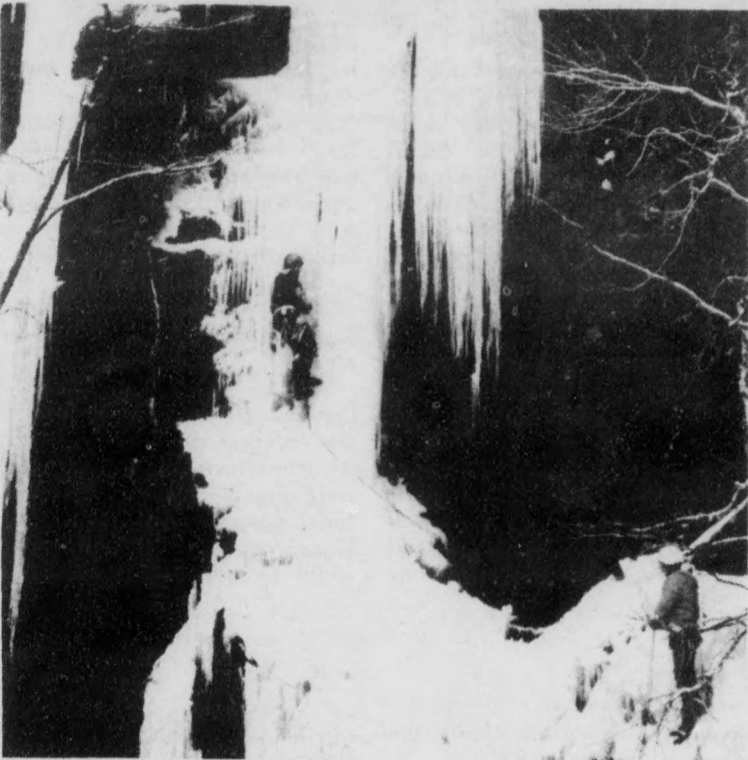


# New Brunswick Rock and Ice Club in second year



The New Brunswick Rock and Ice Club eagerly awaits the influx of students this September to resume its second year of activities at UNB. The club received an unexpected welcome last year when over 80 members enrolled at the introductory meeting. We are hoping for a similar reception this year to justify the substantial grant awarded to the club by the Physical Education Department. This money is being used to purchase basic equipment for use in the newly organized climbing schools. Instruction will be provided over a 3 day course to provide beginners with sufficient knowledge to venture onto the rocks by themselves.

A nucleus of 12 - 15 members has extensively developed the climbing potential around Fredericton over the past year so that the area now boasts 8 fine climbing crags. These areas, and the club, received national recognition when details were included in an

article printed in the 1978 edition of the Canadian Alpine Journal. A guidebook is also in preparation to provide a record of ascents for the future use of climbers in the area. The book will include details of both rock and ice routes such as the magnificent icicle shown here. Gilles Lacroix and Fred Doucette are shown tackling the crux of "Cave Fever". This 170' ice climb is situated near Welsford and is the

hardest climb in the vicinity. An introductory meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 20th September at 7:30 p.m. in Bailey 146. Details and benefits of membership will be discussed together with a slide and movie show on climbing.

Come along and find out if climbing is your sort of excitement.

## Courses offered

The following non-credit courses are being offered by the UNB Computing Centre. Unless otherwise noted, all lectures are scheduled from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Head Hall. Those planning to attend APL File Handling should be familiar with Job Control Language.

Any comments on the courses given and/or suggestions for other to be offered, please contact Ursula at 453-4473.

COURSE	No. of Lectures	Dates(s)	Location	INSTRUCTOR
Intro. to Computing Centre	1	Sept. 18	D-1	W.A. Mersereau
Intro. to Statistical Pack.	2	Sept. 19, 21	D-1	W.A. Mersereau
Utilities	1	Sept. 20	D-1	W.A. Mersereau
Intro. to JCL	2	Sept. 25, 27	D-1	Bonita Mackler
Intro. to APL	2	Sept. 26, 28	D-1	D.G. MacNeil
RJE/RJO	1	Oct. 3	D-1	F. M. Lasser
APL File Handling	1	Oct. 5	D-1	Bonita Mackler

\* On September 18 and 25, lectures will begin at 4:30 p.m.

## French course to start

Starting this term, UNB is offering a program leading to a Certificate of Proficiency in French. It will serve both French and non-French majors within the university and members of the community who want to acquire facility in the language without taking a degree in French.

The certificate was approved by the UNB Senate at the July meeting, and will be available to students on both campuses. The program is administered by the division of humanities and languages (UNBSJ) and the department of romance languages (UNBF).

Grade 12 level French or its equivalent will be necessary for entry into the certificate program, which will include four required full year courses. (Students who

do not have grade 12 French can take FREN 1200 to become eligible.) The courses will be offered in regular sessions and extension classes.

A key aspect of the program, as presented by romance languages chairman Robert Whalen, will be a battery of comprehensive exams, currently being developed at UNB. Upon completion of coursework, students will be tested on speaking, oral comprehension, reading comprehension and writing proficiency. The grades will be entered on their transcripts. The first set of exams will be held in spring, 1980.

Second language needs differ among graduates, Prof. Whalen pointed out. For example, one graduate could go on to a job for

which oral comprehension and speaking ability are sufficient, while another student might aspire to a post which requires

good understanding of written material and minimal comprehension of spoken French, he explained.

The certificate program's four-part grading system will give students, prospective employers and other academic institutions a clear indication of the skills acquired, Prof. Whalen said.



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