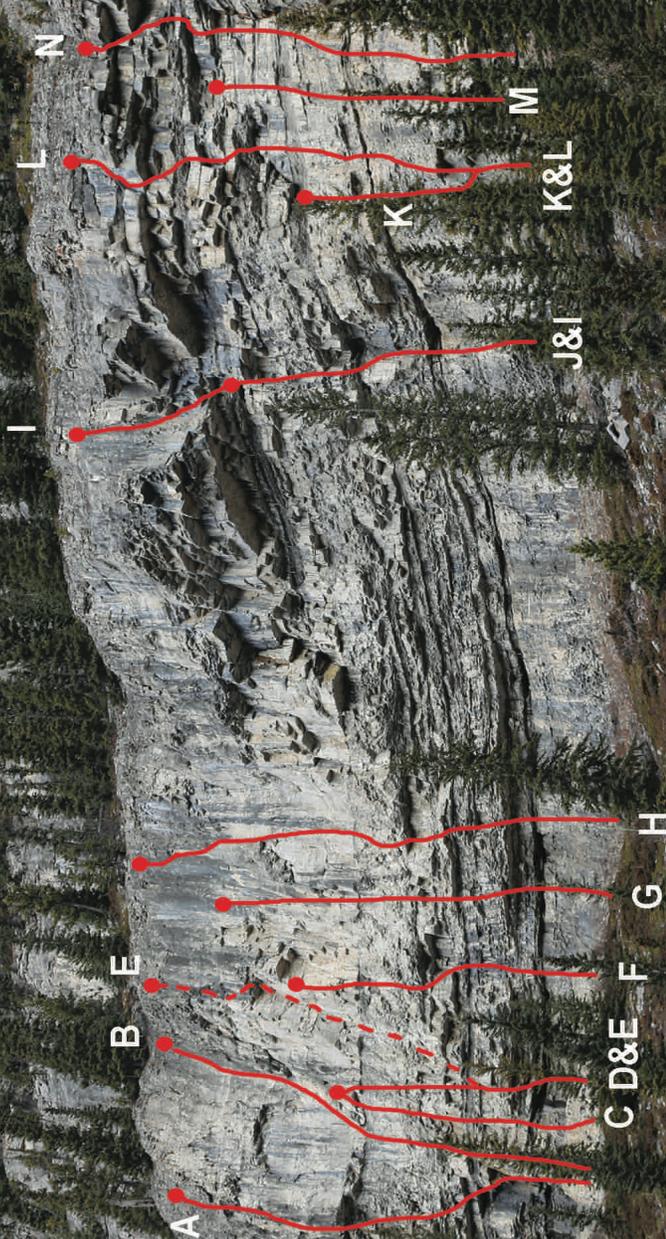


The Dust Bowl



- A) Larry's Groove ** S-5.12a
- B) Heat Trap ** S-5.11a
- C) Fossil Fool * S-5.11c
- D) Winter Fun ** S-5.12b
- E) Steamin' Spring ** S-12b
- F) The Stone Rose * S-5.12a
- G) Closed Project S-5.13
- H) The Desktop Dream ** S-5.12a

- I) Hail Larry ** 5.11c
- J) The Ostrander *** S-5.11c
- K) House Of Pancakes * S-5.11a
- L) Good to the last Drop ** S-5.11c
- M) The Boss of Choss * S-5.11a
- N) Fecal Matters ** S-11a

The Dust Bowl

The routes described below are detailed from left to right (west to east). **Note:** There are two bolted 5.10 routes located roughly 150m west (left) of the climb *Larry's Groove* the left most route found at the Dust Bowl. To reach these obscure warm up climbs, traverse the base of the cliff westward from the Dust Bowl to reach a prominent V-dip in the scree slope below the curving cliff line. This small, short venue is called **Moose Cove**. The two bolted lines are found in close proximity. The first is *Rocky & Bullwinkle Play Tag* * S-5.10c/d, 17m with a tricky opening sequence and 5m to the right *Squirrel Power* * S-5.10b, 17m also from the same top anchor as *Squirrel Power*. There is a third problem called *Bullwinkle's Big Ride* * TR-5.10a, 17m, which is an intermittent crack line up better quality gray rock 2m to the right. This line was only top roped to the bolted anchor with directional gear but never bolted. These routes were established roughly 15 years ago by Andy Genereux and Richard Melville during a one-day effort. At the time the thinking was to try and keep a bit of traditional flavor to some of the climbs at the Moose Mountain Crags but the pairing never returned. This bit of cliff line and further west again seems too hold significant potential for more moderate entry level climbs in the sun to be established, adding some much needed lower-end diversity to the mostly harder fare found to the east on this long south facing wall.

1) Project:

Jason Adam & Brook Bell, bolted spring 2020

New bolts and cleaning on a reworked shunt problem of Larry's that still needs to be completed, its located about 15m left of the climb *Larry's Groove*.

2) Project:

Jason Adam & Brook Bell, bolted spring 2020

Another reworked project of Larry's with new bolts still needing completion found 12m left of *Larry's Groove*.

3) Larry's Groove * S-5.12a, 28m

Lawrence Ostrander, lead bolted Andy Genereux, 2001

Pumpy climbing, the crux is negotiating the roof at two-thirds height. Slightly more spacious bolting on this sustained pitch.

4) Heat Trap ** S-5.11a, 30m

Andy Genereux, March 2001

Considered one of the better warm up pitches at this steep sector. It leans right into the corner at the top of the wall.

5) Fossil Fool * S-5.11b/c, 22m

Andy Genereux, April 2002

Sustained 5.11 climbing to reach a shared anchor with Winter Fun on a small ledge. Andy left draws on this rig overnight during the build and some creeps stole them before he got back the next morning. Karma gets everyone in the end!

6) Winter Fun ** S-5.12b, 22m

Andy Genereux, March 2001

Recommend a stick-clip for the first bolt to turn the roof (crux), sustained devious technical crimp climbing continues to the anchor on this short but powerful climb.

7) Steamin' Spring ** S-5.12b, 30m, 11 bolts

Nigel Slater, May 2010

Break right into a groove after the second bolt of Winter Fun finishing to the top of the wall.

8) The Stone Rose * S-5.12a, 25m

Nigel Slater, 2014

Has a fixed chain draws for cleaning.

9) Closed Project: S-5.13?

Unknown

Fixed chain draws.

10) The Desktop Dream ** S-5.12a, 28m, 17 bolts

Nigel Slater, May 2001

Nigel Slater, Extended Version, October 2013

Fixed chain draws. A burly climb on the bottom half with technical flare required for topping off the pitch. Be sure to enjoy this worthwhile rig over the full distance passing a midway anchor.

11) Beyond Blonde * S-5.12a, 25m

Nigel Slater, May 2013

Dynamic climbing leads through the roofs.

12) A Night On The Moose ** S-5.12c/d, 30m

Nigel Slater, June 2012

Variety and quality, one gets hard pulls but still needs to have a technical touch to finish on this fine climb. Break left out from The Ginger Ninja avoiding the strapped block (vintage Larry O) under the first roof. A steep first half to a midway rest, then stem the groove above to crimp your way past a cruxy finish.

13) The Ginger Ninja ** S-5.12a, 25m

Nigel Slater, May 2012

Burly climbing through bulges to a difficult crux finish, climbers may find this more difficult than some of its 5.12a brethren lines found at this venue.

14) Black Gold ** S-5.11d/12a, 23m

Nigel Slater, September 2011

Starts immediately left of *The Shedding's* and works left and then up past pumpy climbing through bulges.

15) The Shedding's ** S-5.12b, 24m

Nigel Slater, September 2011

This is a sustained affair with a couple tricky bits, which makes this a hard on-sight.

16) K.F.S. * S-5.12a, 25m, 8 bolts

Nigel Slater, August 2013

Big moves with a crux section working past hard crimps to the top. Two-fixed chain draws help for back cleaning.

17) Boom & Bust ** S-5.12b, 25m

Nigel Slater, August 2011

Basically this climb is a jug haul with just enough variety to keep things interesting technically. Anyone want to try for a no-hands knee-bar?

17a) Bangers & Mash * S-5.13b/c, 25m, 12 clips**

Adam Currie, May 2017

Extension to Boom and Bust 12b, continue up and left into the series of roofs and a dihedral for 3 spaced out bolts to a set of drop in anchors at the top of the wall on the right after the last roof. Some original rusty bolts from the 80's are present but not usable. Follow new retro bolts up and left and back right to the new anchors. Originally bolted by the late Larry Ostrander and partially retro-bolted by Marcus Norman. "Thanks for the permission and vision for such a classic old school route." Adam

18) Jalapeño * S-5.12a, 25m

Nigel Slater, 2014

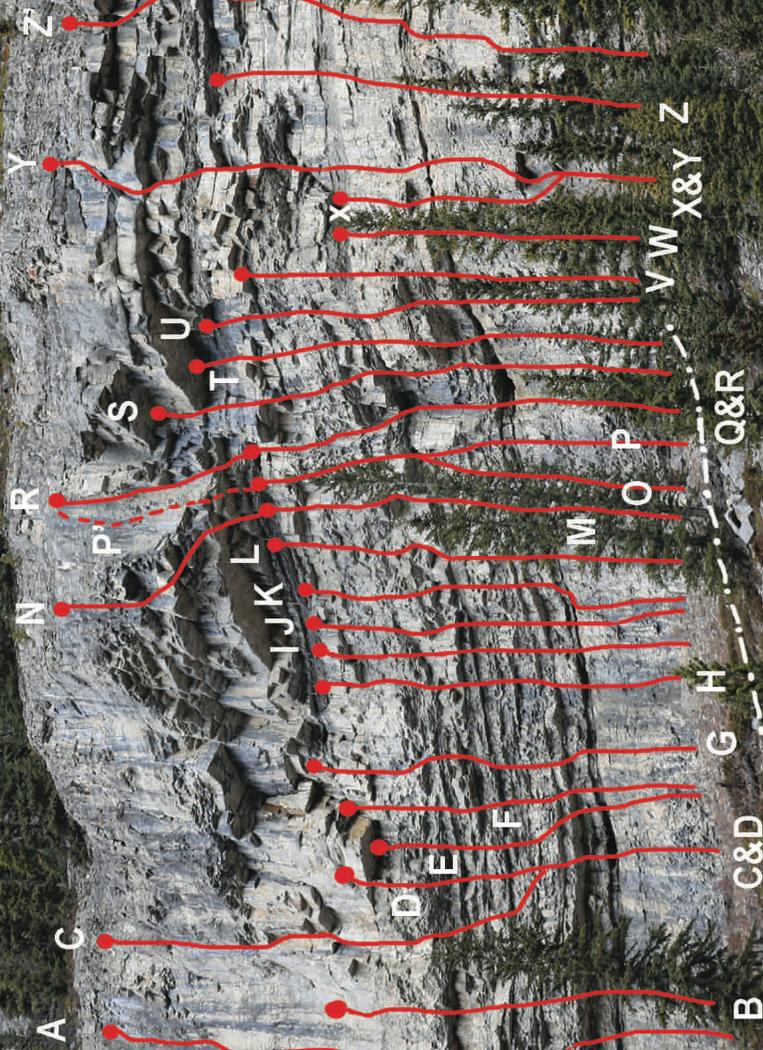
This route follows line of green hangers left of Larryngitis. May be more difficult now – a key clipping hold failed back in March of 2016.

19) Larryngitis * S-5.12a, 25m

Larry Ostrander, lead bolted by Nigel Slater, June 2011

Another of Larry Ostrander's shunting problems converted into a lead climb by Nigel.

The Dust Bowl / Right



- A) **The Desktop Dream** ** S-5.12a, 15 bolts
- B) **Beyond Blonde** ** S-12a, 9 bolts
- C) **A Night at the Moose** *** S-5.12d, 15 bolts
- D) **The Ginger Ninja** ** S-12a, 9 bolts
- E) **Black Gold** ** S-5.11d, 7bolts
- F) **The Sheddings** * S-5.12b, 8 bolts
- G) **XFS** *** S-5.12a, 8 bolts

- H) **Boom and Bust** * S-5.12b, 10 bolts
- I) **Jalapeno** * S-5.12b, 10 bolts
- J) **Laryngitis** * S-5.12a, 10 bolts
- K) **The Dark Arts** ** 11d, 10 bolts
- L) **Residue** S-5.12a, 10 bolts
- M) **Donkey Attack** ** S-5.12a, 10 bolts
- N) **Sackdollar** S-5.12c, 16 bolts
- O) **Abnormalation Left** ** S-5.12a
- P) **Abnormalation Right** * S-5.12c
- P') **Project 5.13**
- Q) **The Ostrander** *** S-5.11c, 10 bolts
- R) **Hail Larry** * S-5.11c, 15 bolts
- S) **Cold Turkey** ** S-5.12a, 12 bolts
- T) **Half-hour Harry** ** S-5.11d, 10 bolts
- U) **The Population Bomb** ** S-5.12a, 10 bolts
- V) **Hoof-it** ** S-5.11b, 9 bolts
- W) **Rock 'n' Rages** * S-5.11a, 7 bolts
- X) **The House of Pancakes** * S-5.11a, 7 bolts
- Y) **Good to the Last Drop** ** S-5.11c, 12 bolts
- Z) **The Boss of Closs** * S-5.11a, 10 bolts
- Z') **Fecal Matters** * S-5.11a, 10 bolts

20) **The Dark Arts ** S-5.11d, 25m**

Nigel Slater, May 2011

Good climbing. If you like a circus move or two, this route is probably for you!

21) **Residue ** S-5.12a, 25m, 10 clips**

Larry Ostrander, bolted by Nigel Slater, October 2015

Straight up the wall immediately left of Donkey Attack. Ten bolts to reach the lower off anchor below a roof.

22) **Donkey Attack *** S-5.12a, 25m**

Lawrence Ostrander, bolted by Daren Tremaine, 2000

Another Moose Mountain classic, a stiff opening series yields to an easier than it looks roof pull near the top. Keep right at roof (another bolt line follows closely to the left). Stick clip the first high bolt.

23) **Abnormanation Left * S-5.12a, 25m**

Marcus Norman, 2001

Most folks climb a few moves up *Donkey Attack* to start then work right onto this line merging with the right hand version at about half height. At the top it is confusing and sketchy to the anchors.

24) **Abnormanation Right * S-5.12c, 25 m**

Marcus Norman, 2001

Start directly up steep face just right of Donkey Attack. Make sure to stick-clip the first bolt, as the crux is a hard boulder problem getting up to this bolt. Alternately start to the right on *The Ostrander* and work back left for a tricky 5.12-sequence. You may notice that the second glue-in bolt was removed – it was removed purposefully. Continue to next bolt without difficulties.

25) **The Ostrander *** S-5.11c, 25m**

Lawrence Ostrander, lead bolted by Roger Chayer, 2001

It's hard not to smile while climbing this popular obvious line located just 4m left of where the access trail arrives. Take the first line of glue-in bolts to an anchor at two-thirds height. Stick clip the first high bolt.

26) **Sockdolager S-5.12c, 30m**

Daren Tremaine, 2001

This extension above the route Donkey Attack houses some sketchy climbing up past massive roof blocks. Hopefully, no one is around if one of these bombs releases.

27) **Project 13?**

Unknown

Essentially climb Abnormanation Right into a contrived stiffer boulder problem at the lip, thus avoiding the easier entrance into Hail Larry on the right. Stay out on face holds above roofs for full value, avoiding the corner system of Hail Larry.

28) **Hail Larry! ** S-5.11a, 30m**

Marcus Norman, 2005

Essentially this is an extension to *The Ostrander* route, stay to left on face holds above roofs for full value, avoiding the chossy corner.

29) **Cold Turkey ** S-5.12a, 27m**

Nigel Slater and Marcus Norman, 2012

Excellent climbing over much of this pitch, having a fantastic crux finishing sequence. Avoid clipping the anchor on *Half-hour Harry* under the roof on the right. Make the extra moves up past the left side of the roof to gain the real anchors 2m higher. It's worth it!

30) **Half-hour Harry ** S-5.11d, 25m**

Larry Ostrander, lead bolted by Nigel Slater, May 2011

A good route with steady climbing to the anchor below a large roof at two-thirds height.

31) **The Population Bomb S-5.12a, 25m**

Nigel Slater, 2011

As the access trail arrives at the base of the wall there is a single chain link anchor at the base of the wall. This route leaves left of this anchor and snakes a path past overlaps on steady bulgy face climbing to a tricky finish to reach the anchor below a large roof at two-thirds height.

32) **Hoof-it! ** S-5.11c, 20 m**

Nigel Slater, April 2011

At the access trail meets the wall at a chain link single bolt anchor. This climbs to the right with jugs to gain the first roof. This pitch provides a good intro to the Dust Bowl experience.

33) **Rock'n Rages ** S-5.11b, 17 m**

Nigel Slater, November 2010

Another short warm up climb nothing special but the grade makes it popular.

34) **The House of Pancakes * S-5.11a, 17m**

Lawrence Ostrander, lead bolted by Daren Tremaine, 2001

Had a new first bolt added after a key hold broke resulting in a ground fall trying to clip what is now the second bolt. A stiff start leads left onto more obscure face climbing. A short but sustained technical route.

35) **Good 'till the Last Drop ** S-5.11c, 30m**

Lawrence Ostrander, lead bolted by Andy Genereux, 2001

Pack-rat deposits have made a key hold disappear under this smelly encrusted slime for a significantly harder crux at two-thirds height. This bit needs re-cleaning, for now the rat droppings are not easily avoided and the holds not positive.

The final two completed climbs at the right side of the Dust Bowl come into the sun a bit earlier. Both make for nice warm up pitches for the harder fare to the left if nothing else.

36) **The Boss of Choss * S-5.11a, 20m**

Marcus Norman & Nigel Slater 2012

The name might say it all! The grade is its biggest redeeming quality of this climb.

37) **Fecal Matters ** S-5.10d/11a, 28m**

Lawrence Ostrander, lead bolted by Andy Genereux, 2001

The major pack-rat waste station is easily avoided on your way to the juggy finish on this classic Dust Bowl warm-up. These slimy mounds of Rat droppings although a visual detraction are not a factor for climbing. Rap rings at the top.

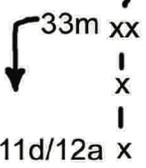
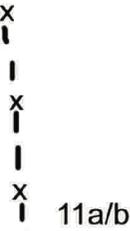
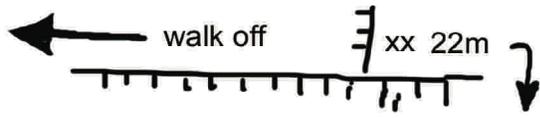
38) **Project S-5.12b, 20m,**

Ross Suchy bolted a new project several meters left of the climb *Moose Meat* in January of 2021.

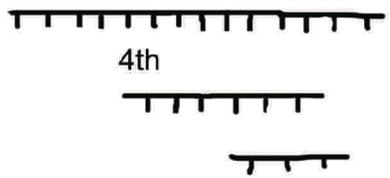
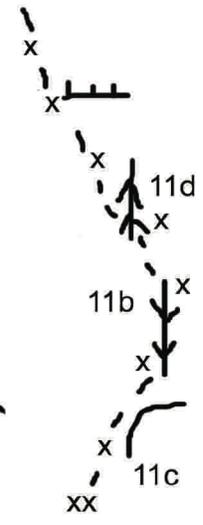
39) **Moose Meat ** S-5.11d/12a, 70m**

Andy Genereux, June 2017

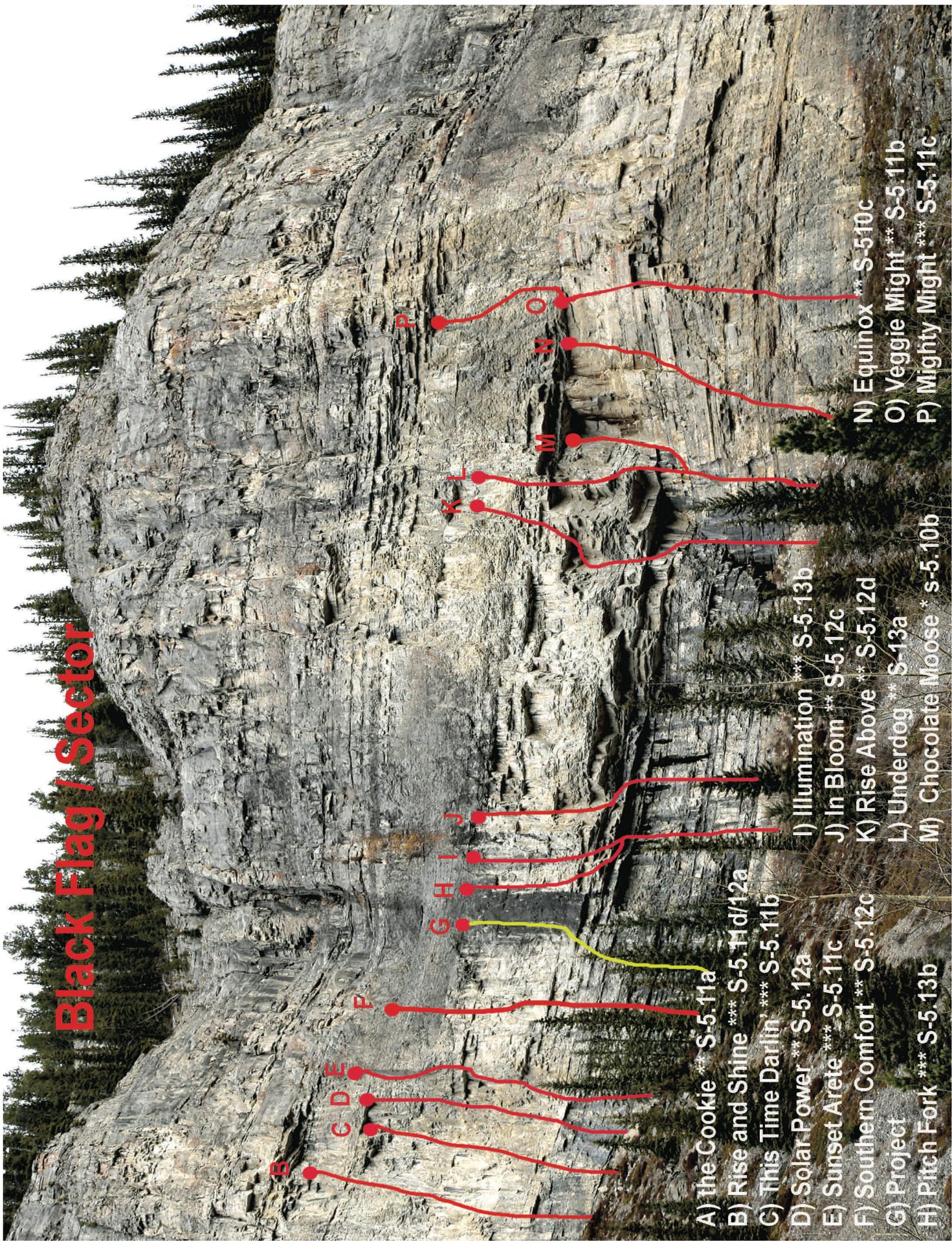
This 2-pitch climb is located roughly 70m right (east of the right most route in the Dust Bowl called *Fecal Matters*). Formally this old project had some tat and a couple leaver biners that were visible on the bottom of the first pitch. In the spring of 2017 after a ten year absence Genereux returned to his forgotten line, reworked the first pitch moving the bottom section a few meters right to a more climbable break. The first pitch is 33m long and is the so called money pitch on this two-pitch climb. The first pitch has multiple 5.11+ crux sections over sustained technical face climbing with the final crux just below the anchor. The upper pitch goes a lot easier with a short technical 5.11b face section overcoming a tricky bit directly above the hanging belay leading up onto easier mid-5.10 ground on the 22m long second pitch.



Moose Meat ** S-5.11d/12a, 60m, 14 clips



Black Flag / Sector



- A) The Cookie ** S-5.11a
- B) Rise and Shine *** S-5.11d/12a
- C) This Time Darlin' *** S-5.11b
- D) Solar Power ** S-5.12a
- E) Sunset Arete *** S-5.11c
- F) Southern Comfort ** S-5.12c
- G) Project
- H) Pitch Fork *** S-5.13b

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- I) Illumination *** S-5.13b
- J) In Bloom ** S-5.12c
- K) Rise Above ** S-5.12d
- L) Underdog ** S-13a
- M) Chocolate Moose * s-5.10b
- N) Equinox ** S-5.10c
- O) Veggie Might ** S-5.11b
- P) Mighty Might *** S-5.11c

Black Flag

The Black Flag Sector is a newly developed section of south facing cliff line established with a huge effort by Ross Suchy over the past three years. It is located roughly halfway between the **Dust Bowl** and the **Moose Patch Left** sectors found on the north side of the access road. Named after the obvious black seepage stain in the middle of the sector that resembles a big black hanging flag over the roofs. Also for Ross and his personal liking for the American punk rock band by that same name. Like many other sectors at Moose Mountain Larry Ostrander had been there first with a very difficult two pitch shunting problem back in the mid-nineties.

The best way to approach this sector is via the trail up to the **Moose Patch** sectors then head left (west) along the base of the cliff on a faint trail for 5-10 minutes to reach this steep segment of the crag line. Ross Suchy has been responsible for all the route development to date at the **Black Flag / Sector**. He recommends taking along a stick clip due to the friable rock quality on the lower part of the wall, Ross assures me that things get much better as climbers gain a little height. This stick clip application would apply to a number of other routes at Moose Mountain as well. From my experience climbing with Ross expect the grades on these routes to possibly be a little stiff but the climbing like most routes in the area to be quite good. I have climbed on about a third of the routes at Black Flag and can attest to these climbs being a fun but physical day out. Get ready to be pumped! An outstanding winter venue with a clear sky and no wind it only requires a few degrees to climb in a t-shirt here in mid-winter. The routes all looked to be very good but most are challenging endurance test pieces especially in the upper grades.

There is still lots of potential for new development to make this sector truly exceptional. Its southern exposure makes this an excellent winter, late spring and fall option for climbers along with the Dust Bowl and the Moose Patch sectors located a few minutes walk to either side, enjoy. Best avoided on hot summer days. Or mid summer come early and bail by mid day as the sun comes onto the wall and head to the shady side of the valley.

The Cookie ** S-5.11a/b, 20m, 8 clips

Ross Suchy, March 2020

The left most route in the sector located about 10m left of the climb *Rise and Shine*, found slightly off the left edge of the photo topo below. Make a couple hard moves up to gain a large flake on the left. Move up the corner before making a couple more difficult moves to gain the face above.

Rise and Shine *** S-5.11d/12a, 22m, 9 clips

Ross Suchy, March 2019

Insecure holds getting to the second bolt using a stick-clip is a good idea on this route. Work through a small overlap and continue up on very good rock to reach a good rest. The deceptively steep finish has two options. Pick your best beta and hope for the best.

This Time Darlin' *** S-5.11b, 20m, 9 clips

Ross Suchy, April 2019

A devious and cruxy section works past the first three bolts (a stick clip is recommended) into a shallow corner. Climb the corner at the top make an exposed sequence back left to clip the anchor.

Solar Power ** S-5.12a, 25m, 14 clips

Ross Suchy, January 2019

The first two thirds of the route climbs over somewhat easier terrain. Enjoy the good rest at the under cling. The final four bolts are sustained and pumpy to reach the anchor.

Sunset Arête *** S-5.11c/d, 20m, 12 clips

Ross Suchy, April 2019

A popular route in the sector. It has it all: hard crimps, big throws, and very technical climbing through three distinct crux sections with fairly good rest points in between, enjoy.

Southern Comfort ** S-5.12c/d 20m, 10 clips

Ross Suchy, December 2020

The latest from Ross located 5m right of *Sunshine Arête*. It was established with ice drips hanging from the wall in early December. Powerful and sustained on the lower wall.

Project

Located 5m left of the start for *Illumination* and *Pitch Fork* combined start it looks to be another hard 5.13 project. Ross is still working, it awaits cooler temps drier conditions later this fall or winter to try and see Ross send his project.

Pitch Fork *** S-5.13b, 25m, 14 clips

Ross Suchy, March 2020

Shares the same start as the first half of the route *Illumination* before branching out left. After climbing the first crux on *Illumination* grab a quick rest on small holds with bad feet, traverse left then launch into the difficult sustained crux sequence. With a pump building, from here every move feels hard until just before the anchor. The route finishes just to the right side of the obvious Black Flag stain feature in the middle of the wall.

Illumination *** S-5.13b, 25m, 14 clips

Ross Suchy, April 2019

The first route bolted in the sector and the one that immediately showed the sector's potential for high quality hard steep climbing. Climb up a sequence of hard bouldery moves until a rest below the big roof. From the rest try to get it all back. Above make big moves on hard powerful sustained climbing to the anchor.

In Bloom ** S-5.12c, 25m, 11 clips

Ross Suchy, September 2019

Some very steep climbing with some big reaches to get you to under the big roof for a good rest. Make a high clip then Ross recommends coming back to the rest and try and fully recover before starting up the difficult crux. A bit of an awkward rest is available in the corner which leads to a crimping move out left to a pumpy finish.

Rise Above *** S-5.12d, 30m, 14 clips

Ross Suchy, October 2019

This route snakes its way up some very steep ground and requires some not so obvious beta to make it work. It starts on a lower angled face for two bolts then heads out left on overhanging terrain. Having 5 extendable draws (shoulder length) will really assist to reduce rope drag. Climbers may notice some old hardware from Larry Ostrander in the vicinity of this climb which dates back to the late eighties and early nineties.

Underdog ** S-5.13a, 25m, 13 clips

Ross Suchy, October 2019

Climbs easier lower angled rock to the ledge (5.10), clip the next two bolts on the steeper wall then come back down. From here, you will climb left of the bolts and up to a vicious boulder problem. Make sure the belayer is paying strict attention as there is potential for a ledge fall or to strike the lower angled face if the critical dead point misses. Milk the rest afterward before more pumpy climbing heads to the anchor.

Chocolate Moose * S-5.10b/c, 21m, 9 clips

Ross Suchy, April 2020

This is a variation off the route *Underdog* giving another moderate entry to the sector to warm up on. Climb the first 6 bolts on the route *Underdog* then this moderate option takes the corner on the right past three bolts to reach a sub anchor below the roof. Named after the all the rat poo in the corner.

Equinox ** S-5.10c, 20m, 11 clips

Ross Suchy, July 2019

Put up on the day of the fall equinox. It slants up and right over some scrappy rock past the first three bolts the rock and climbing both improve with romping jugs up to the anchor under the roof. This climb starts 5m right of *Underdog*.

Veggie Might ** S-5.11a/b, 24m, 11 clips

Ross Suchy, August 2019

Some technically sequenced climbing over the first half which can be quite pumpy. Then the upper half eases up somewhat to reach the anchor below the right end of the small roof.

Mighty Might *** S-5.11c/d, 33m, 17clips

Ross Suchy (extension), June 2020

This is an engaging 6 bolt extension to the route *Veggie Might*. It works over the small roof and regains the physical nature to the lower climbing. Sustained to reach the upper anchor. Reported by Ross to be very good and well worth the weight of carrying some extra draws.

The Moose Patch Left and Right

This older sector has a south facing aspect and some of the earliest lead problems developed at the Moose Mountain Crag. Nearly all the climbs are 5.11 & 5.12 and offer sustained technical face climbing. Some of the older climbs have slightly more spacious bolt spacing than the modern standard. I have included the topo drawing for the Left half of the sector as not much has changed on this part the past few years. However, the **Moose Patch Right** has had quite a bit of new development three years ago that is worth mentioning and these newer route details are included below.

To access all climbs at the Moose Patch continue west up the access road from **Larry's Gym** for approximately 300m and look for a dark patch of rock on the right/north side of the road. There is a rock Carin by some aspen trees 15m above the road that marks the start of the short access trail which ascends the slope to the base of this dark colored patch of rock. The left side of this obvious badge of darker colored rock defines the left most edge of the **Moose Patch Right** sector. To reach the **Moose Patch Left** sector involves traversing left/West along the base of the cliff for roughly 50m to reach the route *Moose Knuckle*.

The Moose Patch Right

This right section of cliff saw significant new development in the summer of 2018 by Andy Genereux, with 5 new routes completed and Andy working on two more projects at seasons end. During the process he also upgraded the midway "**Rescue Ledge**" anchors on the two mixed traditional routes *A Moose Once Bit My Sister* and *Moose Bites Can Be Nasty*. In the line of fixing up old things Andy also re-bolted and re-cleaned the *Mystery Route* replacing all the carbon steel bolts with new stainless steel studs and adding a second ring-bolt to the top anchor. Also adding two bolts to reach the "Rescue Ledge" more safely. As well adding a base anchor bolt to facilitate rope soloing. This moderate pitch is quite fun, housing some of the better more consistent rock on this part of the wall. Also it being the easiest route in the sector should prove to be a popular warm-up climb for the more difficult fare found to the left.

Movie Moose ** S-11d/12a, 30m

Andy Genereux, July 2018

A movie crew working on the access road resulted in a change of venue from the Painted Wall and this route was the result. It turned out to be a fun but harder technical challenge than hoped for. Located a few meters right of *Spring Moose* it climbs a sustained face to reach a shallow corner with devious moves over a bulge to finish through the steeper upper chert band to the anchor.

Change of Plan ** S-11d/12a, 30m

Andy Genereux, July 2018

There was an old anchor on this route, which was replaced with new ring-bolts and stainless steel studs. No other hardware was found. Very sustained through a continuously technical and devious upper half on this pitch.

Harder Than it Looked ** S-12a/b, 30m

Andy Genereux July 2018

Several cruxy bits lower down lead to a challenging and continuous upper section that works up to the left side of a big flake (more solid than it looks) then shifts leftward onto delicate moves before finishing up on a sustained series of thin face moves. Lots of 11+ climbing before you get to a fine belay ledge. Sustained overall with several funky problems presenting a real cerebral challenge working through this longer technical mind-field on the upper wall.

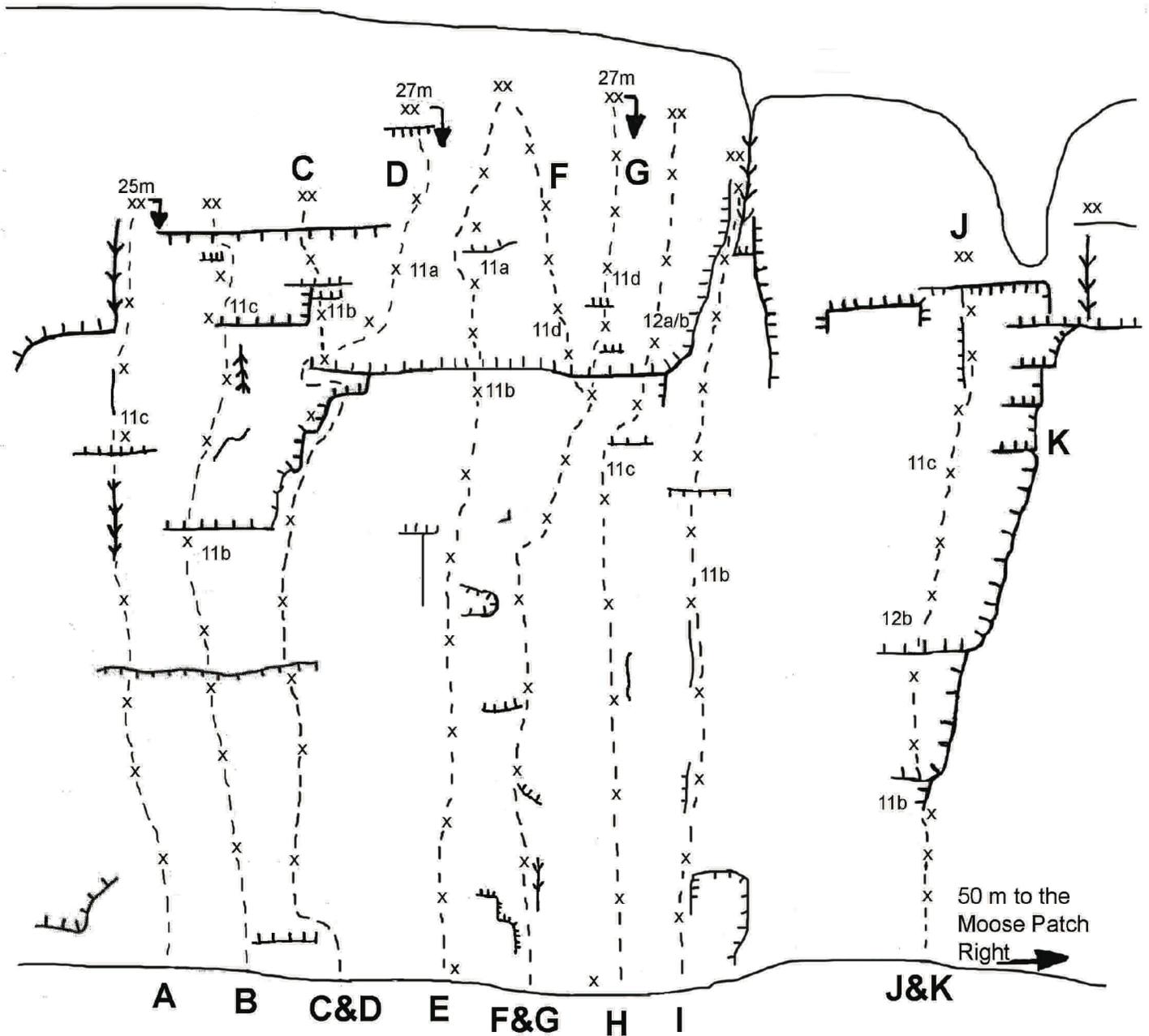
A Moose Once Bit My Sister M-5.11a, 75m, gear to 3"

Allan Derbyshire & Choc Quinn, June 2016

This mixed traditional protection route is comprised of two pitches to the top of the wall. Overall the cleaning effort could have been better. Be aware of the potential for loose sections on both pitches. The original marginal mid-station on the "**Rescue Ledge**" was upgraded to new stainless studs and ring-bolts. Replacing the rather sad looking 30-40 year old anchor with a self-drive bolt and a heavily rusted fixed piton dating from mountain rescue courses back in the late seventies or thereabouts left behind by the first ascent team.

To Start: Located 25m, right (east) of the climb *Spring Moose* the right most routes found at the Moose Patch Right Sector in the guidebook (*Sport Climbs of The Canadian Rockies*). Look for bolts leading to a V-groove just left of obvious large roof. **Caution:** The first bolt looks to be situated unreasonably high with sketchy looking rock quality below. There seems the possibility of getting some gear in a shallow right facing corner before angling rightward to the first bolt.

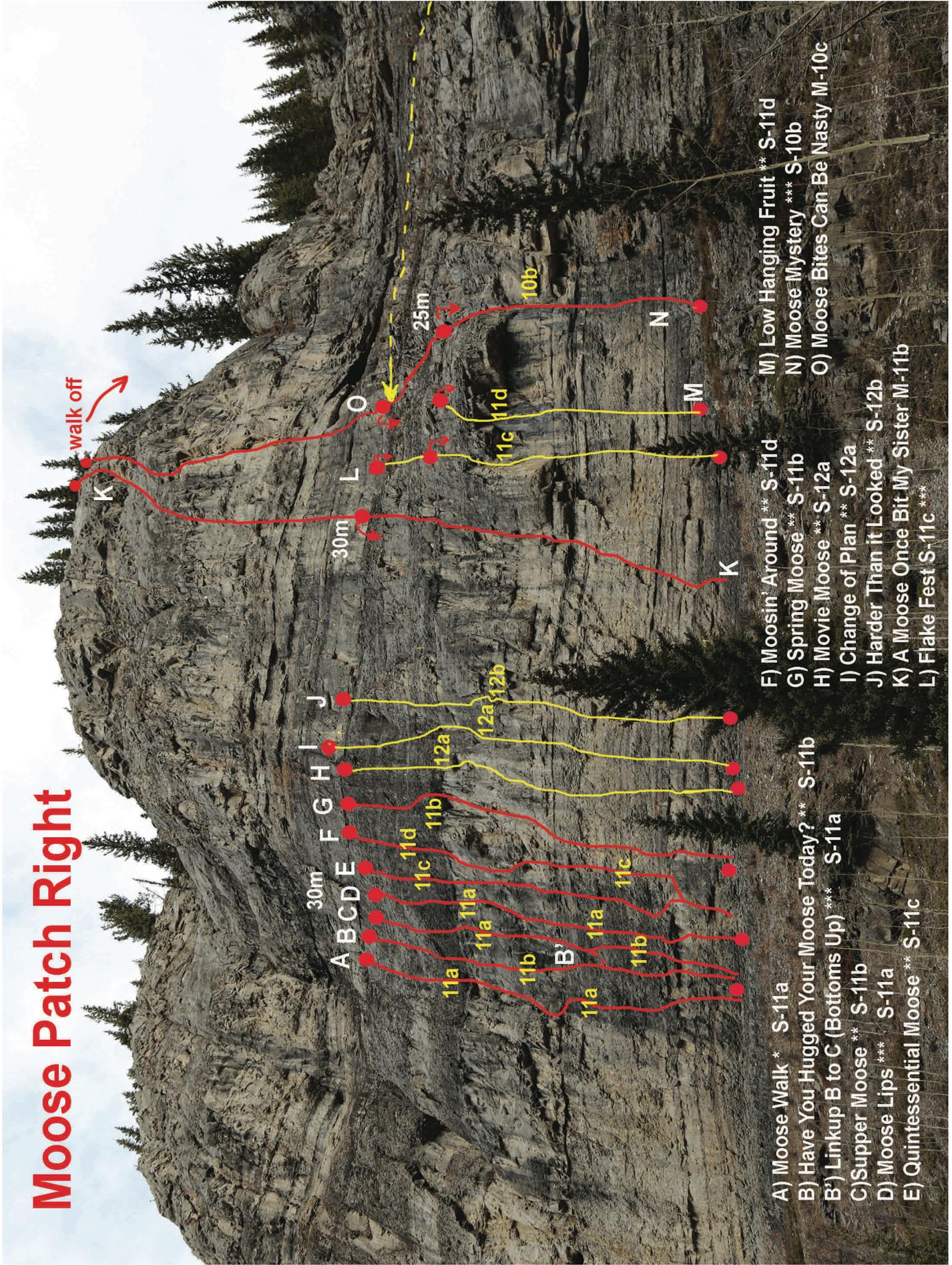
Note: The reference to gear being useful for the second pitch. So it would seem prudent to have a small rack of gear to succeed and possibly better protect the leader on this "old styled" sport like route!



The Moose Patch Left Side

A	I Fall to Pieces **	11c
B	Shattered Logic *	11c
C	Spring Clean Up *	11b
D	Spring Clean Out **	11a
E	Beauty Score***	11b
F	Seasonal Fine Tuning *	11c/d
G	Seasonal Adjustment ***	11d
H	Working the Patch **	12a
I	The Moose is Loose **	11b
J	Moose Knuckle ***	12b
K	Project	

Moose Patch Right



- A) Moose Walk * S-11a
- B) Have You Hugged Your Moose Today? ** S-11b
- B') Linkup B to C (Bottoms Up) *** S-11a
- C) Supper Moose ** S-11b
- D) Moose Lips *** S-11a
- E) Quintessential Moose ** S-11c
- F) Moosin' Around ** S-11d
- G) Spring Moose ** S-11b
- H) Movie Moose ** S-12a
- I) Change of Plan ** S-12a
- J) Harder Than it Looked ** S-12b
- K) A Moose Once Bit My Sister M-11b
- L) Flake Fest S-11c ***
- M) Low Hanging Fruit ** S-11d
- N) Moose Mystery *** S-10b
- O) Moose Bites Can Be Nasty M-10c

P1: 30m, 5.11a (9 bolts). Angle up and slightly rightward to reach the crux moving up through the V-groove. Belay on ledge with new ring-bolts to belay (**Caution** very high first bolt over suspect rock).

P2: 45m, 5.10c/d (10 bolts). From the new ring-bolt anchor (rusty piton above), look left around a short corner for a bolt above. Crux on the pitch is overcoming an overhanging section. Then, work up a left-facing corner (some 2" cams useful) to a ledge. Climb right of an arête, then step left and continue to top of crag to reach a large tree to belay.

Descent: There is no top anchor. Walk off east (climbers right) 15-20m and then scramble down the slope to reach the access ledge. Once there rappel off 30m from one of several new ring-bolt anchors.

Flake Fest * S-5.11c, 26m**

Andy Genereux, August 2018

A really fun pitch that climbs a twisting upper corner section through the left side of the big roof to reach a ring-bolt anchor 4m below the access ledge. Climbers have to trust pulling on the big hollow sounding flake at the bottom of the corner to get up and into the crux sequence. It held my fat ass so it should be good to go for most normal sized people.

Low Hanging Fruit ** S-5.11c, 25m

Andy Genereux, August 2018

Some cruxy technical bits of face climbing through the middle section leads up through the center of the roof with some steep burly moves on good holds to finish to a ring-bolt anchor slightly hidden on the right.

Moose Mystery * S-5.10b, 23m**

First ascent unknown

The route has been around for around 10-15 years but not much was known about the grade or who built it until it was utilized as a starting pitch for *Moose Bites Can Be Nasty* M-5.10c, gear to 3" found on the upper wall above the access (Rescue) ledge. In 2018 this pitch was retro-bolted, upgrading all the existing hardware to stainless and also adding a proper ring-bolt anchor at the top of the initial pitch. Two **NEW** protection bolts now protect the easier terrain above the original first anchor to reach the "Rescue Ledge"/ belay to protect parties that are continuing up onto the upper pitch of *Moose Bites Can Be Nasty*. This lovely lower pitch climbs the face entering a corner dihedral (reasonable trad gear possible here), the line was originally a fully bolted affair and this status remains as the original builder intended. Despite being bolted it proves to be quite a fun outing. Be sure to enjoy it's the only moderate warm-up in the entire sector.

Moose Bites Can Be Nasty M-5.10c, gear to 3", 25m from the rescue ledge

Allan Derbyshire and Dennis Kok, July 2016

This route is accessed by climbing the route *Moose Mystery* from this anchor continue up past two more bolts to access the "Rescue Ledge". *Moose Bites* climbs above the ring bolt anchor off the right side of the upper "Rescue Ledge", expect somewhat pushy climbing at the grade with possibly some questionable rock. There is no top anchor. Use a large tree to belay at the top. The walk off to the right 15m as depicted in the cliff photo then scramble back down to reach the "Rescue Ledge". From the ledge rappel off one using one of the ring-bolt anchors located above the big ledge 30m to reach the ground.