

7TH DECEMBER

I woke up at 11.00am as per usual in my routine here at camp 1. However, today Luis gave us the thumbs up to move up to camp 3. We packed the things that were to remain at camp 1 and with extremely heavy packs we tramped out of camp at around 12.30pm. We did some filming en route prior to reaching the headwall and then we all focused on getting up the 2,000ft snow wall that takes us to the ridge leading up to camp 3. We finally arrived at camp 3 in just under 5 hours and i was seriously hating my pack at this point. As soon as we arrived in camp i saw Andronicos group and Verns group whom i was delighted to see had taken a restday after getting a battering from the high winds on the headwall yesterday. We then started to build a snow wall around our tent which is arduous work when you have carried a heavy pack 3,000 ft upwards for 5 hours. Im now sitting in my tent sending my dispatch and writing emails. Its amazing the technology that enables us to do that in the middle of Antarctica. Im hoping that we will be able to go for the summit tomorrow. Fingers crossed.