

MAY 5TH

We got up leisurely at around 11.00am - i have to tell you that when im not climbing i never wake up at this time, im normally up by 7.30am!! Its really nice to wake up when the sun has somewhat warmed the tent. Clark cooked a great breakfast of pancakes - he really can cook some great stuff from our mess tent - it really puts my cooking skills to shame. The day passed fairly quickly, i caught up on some dispatches which iv just been too tired or cold to write at the end of each day. When i came out of my tent for lunch at about 4pm the weather had turned a little windy and the clouds had settled into our camp with some snow starting. One team did a short carry up the headwall before turning back as the weather started to deteriorate. We have a couple of teams on the same programme as ourselves, 3 IT guys from UBS in Zurich and two 54 year old twin brothers Jerry and Terry Humphrey and jerrys son Jeremy whom was with his dad and his uncle but doing his own thing - sounded like he was an amazing athlete.

The weather was by now bad and we were told that if the weather looked remotely unstable tomorrow would be another rest day. Its not a bad part of our acclimatisation progress but it also might mean that we dont have a rest day up at our high camp prior to attempting our summit bid.

Another frigid night in Alaska!