



Piolets d'Or 2019
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Piolets d'Or 2019. Il prestigioso premio di alpinismo andrà in scena durante il Ladek Mountain Festival in Polonia dal 19 al 22 settembre 2019
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Krzysztof Wielicki dopo la sua salita in solitaria del Nanga Parbat nel 1996
Foto di Krzysztof Wielicki



La giuria dei Pioblets d'Or 2019: Sandy Allan, Kazu Amano, Valeri Babanov, Jordi Corominas, Fred Degoulet, Ines Papert, Andrej Štremfelj
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Sono 58 le ascensioni del 2019 inserite nella Big List, dalla quale verranno scelte le salite da premiare con il Pioblets d'Or, il prestigioso premio di alpinismo che tra il 19 e 22 settembre 2019 andrà in scena durante il Ladek Mountain Festival in Polonia. Fanno parte della giuria: Sandy Allan, Kazu Amano, Valeri Babanov, Jordi Corominas, Fred Degoulet, Ines Papert, Andrej Štremfelj.

È stata resa nota ieri dalla organizzazione dei Pioblets d'Or la consueta "big list", l'elenco delle salite alpinistiche più significative ed innovative realizzate nel 2018 dalla quale verrà scelta la lista dei vincitori del Pioblets d'Or 2019 che verrà celebrato durante il Ladek Mountain Festival in Polonia dal 19 al 22 settembre 2019.

Il compito di individuare le salite che meglio rispettano la carta dei Pioblets d'Or è stato affidato ad un giuria internazionale composta da 7 ispettori che certamente non hanno bisogno di presentazioni: lo scozzese Sandy Allan, il giapponese Kazu Amano, il russo Valeri Babanov, lo spagnolo Jordi Corominas, il francese Fred Degoulet, la tedesca Ines Papert e lo sloveno Andrej Štremfelj.

L'elenco comprende 58 salite in tutto il mondo ed è stato compilato da Lindsay Griffin (Senior Editor, American Alpine Journal), con l'aiuto di Dougal MacDonald (Editor in Chief, American Alpine Journal) e Rodolphe Popier (Himalayan Database). Secondo gli organizzatori si tratta di "un elenco rappresentativo di salite significative e innovative nella maggior parte delle regioni montane del mondo, salite durante il 2018, in stile alpino e senza l'uso degli spit. Questo non è un elenco di ascensioni nominate per i Pioblets d'Or e non dovrebbe essere confuso con esso. I gradi sono quelli citati dai primi salitori e sono ancora da confermare. Da notare che alcuni collegamenti web possono rappresentare un quadro non completo degli eventi, ma sono attualmente i migliori disponibili."

Durante la premiazione a settembre verrà assegnato all'alpinista polacco Krzysztof Wielicki il Pioblet d'Or Carrière, ma verranno anche celebrate le vite di alcuni - troppi - alpinisti che purtroppo non ci sono più. Scrivono infatti gli organizzatori "Dall'autunno del 2017 abbiamo assistito a troppi incidenti mortali che coinvolgono alpinisti di alto livello: Hansjörg Auer, David Lama e Jess Roskelley sul Howe Peak; Sergey Glazunov sul Latok I; Christian Huber sull'Uitenhali Tower; Kim Chang-ho sotto Gurja Himal; Tomasz Mackiewicz sul Nanga Parbat; Martin Moran su una montagna innominata di 6477 metri. Né dovremmo dimenticare la tragica perdita di Hayden Kennedy... Siamo stati coscienti quasi costantemente dei pericoli che possono derivare dalla nostra passione per l'alpinismo in stile alpino. Questo settembre, quando i Pioblets d'Or saranno di nuovo ospitati dal Ladek Mountain Festival, noi coglieremo l'occasione per celebrare la vita ed i successi di alcuni di questi alpinisti eccezionali."

ASIA

INDIA

Kishtwar Himalaya, Cerro Kishtwar (6,173m)

Genki Narumi - Yusuki Sato - Hiroki Yamamoto (Japan)
North east face, Aal Iziz Well, 1,500m, VI W5 M6. One bivouac (September).
- alpinist.com/doc/web18/news/wire-new-route-on-cerro-kishtwar-ne-face

Kinnaur, Baspa Valley, Peak (6,050m)

Hansjörg Auer - Max Berger - Muchi Mayr - Guido Untenwäzacher (Austria)
First ascent via southeast face, 1,000m on day. Two bivouacs above base camp at 3,200m (October).
- web.nature.com/news/auers-first-ascent-of-the-unknown-peak-6050m
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/einmilla-salito-in-himalaya-indiano-dal-dream-team-austriaco

Gangotri, Janhukot (6,805m)

Malcolm Bass - Guy Buckingham - Paul Figg (UK)
First ascent via southwest buttress and upper south-southwest ridge, 1,700m, ED1, Scottish IV. Three bivouacs (June)
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/janhukot-prima-salita-nel-himalaya-indiano-da-parce-di-alpinisti-britannici

Garhwal, Changabang (6,864m)

Leo Billon - Sébastien Moatti - Sébastien Ratel (France)
North face (not to summit), 1996 to 1997 British link, 1,200m (40 pitches), A15 M6. Two bivouacs (May).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/changabang-parete-nord-in-stile-alpino-per-francesi-billon-moatti-e-ratel

PAKISTAN

Kachjant (6,015m)

Danny Schoch - Bas Visscher (the Netherlands)
First ascent via northeast ridge, 1,000m, TD-, 60-70°. One bivouac (June/July).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/kachjant-pakistan-prima-salita-per-danny-schoch-e-bas-visscher

Nanga Parbat (8,125m)

Tomasz Mackiewicz (Poland) - Elisabeth Revol (France)
First complete ascent of the northwest (Diamir) face (some new ground), ca 4,000m from base camp. Five bivouacs (January). Mackiewicz died on the descent.
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214680/Nanga-Parbat-Second-Winter-Ascent-First-Complete-Ascent-of-Northwest-Face-and-Rescue
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/sul-soccorso-al-nanga-parbat

Lupghar Sar West (7,157m)

Hansjörg Auer (Austria)
West face, ca 1,000m, M4 55°. Solo, in a day (July).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/hansjorg-auer-i-primi-dettagli-della-solitaria-sul-lupghar-sar-west

Latok I (7,145m)

Ates Cesen - Luka Strazar (Slovenia) - Tom Livingstone (UK)
North ridge face and south face, 2,400m ED+. Six bivouacs (August).
- www.planetmountain.com/it/notizie/interviste/latok-1-intervista-a-ates-cesen

Latok I (7,145m)

Sergey Glazunov - Alexander Gukov (Russia)
North ridge (not to summit, high point on meeting summit ridge), 2,300m. 10 bivouacs (July).
- mountain.ru/article/article_display.php?article_id=8677
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/latok-1-il-report-di-alexander-gukov

Suma Brakk (6,166m)

Fabian Buhl - Alexander Huber (Germany)
South ridge, The Big Easy, 1,100m but 2,200m (56 pitches) of climbing, 5.10+ R A1 M6. Two bivouacs on final ascent, some rope fixed (August).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/choitoi-ri-salita-di-fabian-buhl-alexander-huber-in-pakistan

Hainabrack East Tower (5,650m)

Pete Fasold - Jonathan Schaffer (USA)
South east face, Heintze Broccoli Robbery, 1,100m, 5.11+ A1. Two bivouacs (summer).
- web.1ink.com/collections/future/AAJ

Gasherbrum II (8,034m)

Felix Berg (Germany) - Adam Bielecki (Poland)
Southwest ridge and southwest face (partial new route), ca 700m from last camp on normal route. In a day (July).
- blogs.dw.com/adventuresports/summit-attempts-on-gasherbrum-iv-abandoned/

Changli II (6,250m)

Nelson Neirincq (Belgium) - Jess Roskelley - Kurt Ross (USA)
South face and west ridge, Hard Tellin' not Knowin', M6 A4. One bivouac above high camp (August). Other routes in Lachit Valley.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/ue-nouve-vie-su-montagne-inviolate-nel-karakorum

NEPAL

Himjung (7,092m)

Vitus Auer - Sebastian Fuchs - Stefan Larcher (Austria)
West ridge and traverse of mountain, ca 2,200m from base camp, 55° UIAA III. One bivouac (October/November).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/himjung-in-nepal-nuova-via-su-un-7000m-per-vitus-auer-sebastian-fuchs-stefan-larcher

Langdung (6,386m)

Jesus Ibarz - Edu Recto - Pablo Ruiz (Spain)
Southeast ridge, Bihana, 700m (but 1,500m of climbing), 6c+. In a day after fixing a small amount of rope (October).
- desnivel.com/expediciones/esteban-mena-roberto-jose-morales-y-nico-navarrete-abrendirecta-ecuatoriatar-ai-kyr-ya-sur
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/langdung-nuova-via-nel-himalaya-nepalese

Drangnag Ri (6,757m)

Iñaki Arakistain - Alberto Fernández - Joseba Larrañaga - Mikel Zabaltza (Spain)
Southwest ridge, Bizpenak, 1,500m, ED-, A15 UIAA V. Two bivouacs (October).
- desnivel.com/expediciones/las-vencidas-en-el-drangnag-ri-de-mikel-zabaltza-alberto-fernandez-joseba-larranaga-e-inaiki-arakistain

Lunag Ri (6,895m)

David Lama (Austria)
First ascent via west ridge, 90°. Solo, two bivouacs (October).
rockandice.com/climbing-news/interview-david-lama-on-his-lunag-ri-solo
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/interviste/david-lama-lunag-ri

Kyajo Ri (6,151m)

Zdenek Hak - Marek Holecek (Czech Republic)
West face, north ridge, and northeast face, Lapse of Reason, 1,200m, ED+, M6 W4+ UIAA III+. One bivouac on route (May).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/kyajo-ri-in-nepal-nuova-via-zdenek-holecek-e-zdenek-hak

Pumori (7,161m)

Romeo Popa - Zsolt Torok - Teofil Vitad (Romania)
Southeast face, Le Voyage du Petit Prince, ca 1,400m, ED, M6 A4 R. Five bivouacs (October). Descent southwest ridge and west face.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/pumori-parete-se-nuova-via-rumena-in-himalaya

Sharphu II (6,328m)

Spencer Gray - Avaras Sajus (USA)
First ascent via east face, Samsara, 730m, ED2 A15 M6. Two bivouacs (October), traversed the mountain.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/sharphu-ii-himalaya-salita-da-spencer-gray-avaras-sajus

CHINA

Daxue Shan, Minya Konka (7,556m)

Li Zongli - Xiao Hai (China)
North spur and northeast ridge, 2,800m alpine style from base camp. Three bivouacs (October).
- asian-alpine-e-news.com/asian_alpine_e_new_issue_no43.pdf

KRYGZSTAN

Western Kokshaal-Too, Kyzyl Asker (5,842m)

Evgeny Murin - Ilya Penyaev (Russia)
Southeast face, ca 1,150m (31 pitches), 6B/ED2 7a+ A2 M5. Seven bivouacs (July).
- risk.ru/blog/215659

Djangart Range, Pik Alexander (5,290m)

Line van den Berg - Wout Martens (Netherlands)
North face, Dutch Direct, 800m, TD+, 90°. Descended new route on south side of mountain. Other routes. One bivouac (September).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/kirgyzstan-nouve-vie-olandese-nelle-montagne-del-djangart

GEORGIA

Shkhara (5,203m)

Archil Badriashvili - Giorgi Tephnadze (Georgia)
New route and first winter ascent of south face, 2,500m (60+ pitches), ED2 M5 W15 75-80°. Seven bivouacs (February).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214600/Thirteen-Days-on-Shkhara-A-New-Route-and-First-Winter-Ascent-From-the-South
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/shkhara-parete-sud-nuova-via-e-prima-invernale-nel-caucaso-di-archil-badriashvili-e-giorgi-tepnadze

TAJIKISTAN

Korzhenevskaya (7,105m)

Roman Abildaev - Alexey Ysarytkh (both Russian) - Semen Dvornichenko - Sergey Seliverstov (both Kyrgyzstan)
South face, Ol'cha, ca 2,000m, 60-80°. Five bivouacs (January).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214769/Pik-Korzhenevskaya-South-Face-Ol'cha

NORTH AMERICA

Montana

Cabinet Mountains, A Peak (2,632m)

Scott Coldiron - Jess Roskelley (USA)
Central Couloir, 800m, M7 A15, and other routes. One bivouac (November).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/jess-roskelley-scott-coldiron-salgono-central-couloir-a-peak-cabinet-mountains-usa

ALASKA

Revelation Mountains, Mt Zebebel northeast summit (2,880m)

Usdean Hawthorn - Tom Livingstone (UK)
East face, Fun or Fear, 1,200m, M6+ A16 R 90°. One bivouac (April).
- alpinist.com/doc/web18/news/wire-fun-or-fear-on-zebebel
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/in-alaska-nuova-via-britannica-sul-mt-zebebel-per-livingstone-e-hawthorn

Revelation Mountains, Hydra Peak (2,308m)

Thomas Auvarot - Jeremy Fino - Antoine Rollé (France)
Northeast face, Fa Pa Caou Per Aquí, 600m, ED, M8. In a day (April), and other routes.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/in-alaska-nuove-vie-francesi-sulle-revelation-mountains

West Kahiltna Peak (3,912m)

Nik Mirhashemi - Kurt Ross (USA)
Southwest face, Ride the Bullet, 1,200m, A15+ R M6+ C1. One bivouac (April).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214817/West-Kahiltna-Peak-Southwest-Face-Ride-the-Bullet

Mendenhall Tower, Main tower (2,106m)

Marc André Leclerc (Canada) - Ryan Johnson (USA)
North face, 750m. One bivouac (March), both climbers died on the descent.
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214768/Mendenhall-Tower-North-Face
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/marc-andre-leclerc-ryan-johnson-ufficialmente-dati-ufficialmente-per-scomparsi-in-alaska

Devil's Paw (2,616m)

Brette Harrington - Gabe Hayden (USA)
West face, Sharron Telex, 1,300m, 5.11a. In a day (September).
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/devils-paw-alaska-brette-harrington-gabe-hayden-salgono-parete-ovest

CANADA

Selkirk Mountains, Mt MacDonald (2,883m)

Chris Wright - Graham Zimmerman (USA)
North face, The Indirect American, 1,000m, W14+ M7. Two bivouacs (November).
- planetmountain.com/en/news/alpinismo/chris-wright-graham-zimmerman-add-the-indirect-american-mt-macdonald-canada

Rockies, Mt Temple (3,547m)

Alik Berg (Canada)
East-northeast face, The Milkwater, 1,250m, W14 M4. Solo, in a day (December).
- gripped.com/news/alik-berg-climbs-big-line-mount-temple/

Rockies, Mt Slesse (2,439m)

Marc André Leclerc (Canada) - Tom Livingstone (UK)
East face, Navigator Wall, first winter ascent, 700m, ED1 M7+ R (Scottish VIIIIX). In a day (January).
- alpinist.com/doc/web18/news/wire-navigator-wall-winter-ascent

Rockies, Mt Blane (2,993m)

Brette Harrington (USA) - Rose Pearson (NZ)
West face, Life Compass (a winter-conditions repeat of the 1957 Kahl-Schotten summer route), 980m, TD+, 5.10a, M4+ 80°. In a day (April).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214833/Mt-Blane-West-Face-Life-Compass
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/brette-harrington-e-rose-pearson-aprono-life-compass-nuova-via-di-misto-in-canada

SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA - CHILE

Torres del Paine, Cerro Almirante Nieto (2,440m)
Felipe Bishara - Christian Barra Munoz (Chile)
South-southeast face, Linea de Libertad, ca 700m, 75-90° ice, unstable snow. In a day (August).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214927/Cerro-Almirante-Nieto-South-Face-Linea-de-Libertad
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/cerro-almirante-nieto-nuova-via-nel-torri-del-paine-patagonia

Southern Patagonia, Cerro Riso Patron Sur (2,350m)

Matteo della Bordella (Italy) - Silvan Schupbach (Switzerland)
First ascent, southwest face-King Kong, 900m, M7+ 90°. In a day (February).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214754/Cerro-Riso-Patrn-Sur-Southwest-Face
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/matteo-della-bordella-e-king-kong-al-cerro-riso-patron-sud-in-patagonia

Cerro San Lorenzo, south pillar (El Faro, 3,150m)

Martin Elias (Spain) - François Poncet - Jerome Sullivan (both France)
La Mitagrosa, 1,200m, 6a M17 A3. One bivouac (October).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214925/Cerro-San-Lorenzo-South-Pillar-El-Faro
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/patagonia-el-faro-salita-martin-elias-francois-poncet-gerome-sullivan

Northern Patagonia, Punta Pantagruel (2,410m)

Felipe Cancino (Chile) - Max Fisher (Canada) - Willy Oppenheim (USA)
First ascent via east face, Brisa Suave, 350m, M6 C1 70°. In a day (September). In a day (February).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214737/Northern-Patagonian-Icefield-Punta-Pantagruel-and-Cerro-Fantasma

BOLIVIA

Sajama (6,542m)

Robert Rauch (Bolivia/Germany)
Solo, in a day (August).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214888/Sajama-West-Face-and-Northwest-Ridge-Days-to-Remember

Mururata (5,871m)

Ethan Berman - Brian Houle (USA)
Southwest face, Power to the Process, 750m, W15 M5. In a day (July).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214766/Cerro-Willia-Salla-oma-Southwest-Ridge-Cerro-Arkhatá-Southeast-Face-The-Keep-Mururata-South-Face-Power-to-the-Process

PERU

Cordillera Vilcanota, Campa II (ca 5,650m)

Luis Corboy (USA) - Macario Crispin (Peru) - Duncan McDaniel (USA)
West face, 600m, A13 M4 85°. In a day (August).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214924/Jampa-II-West-Face

Cordillera Huayhuash, Jurau A (5,640m)

Jose Maria Andres - Samuel Gomez (Spain)
Northeast face, Chanchos y Chacras, not to summit, 1,000m, 6c M4+ 65°. In a day (September). Two bivouacs (June).
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214872/Jurau-A-and-Jurau-B-New-Routes-Not-To-Summits-Disambiguation-and-Notes-on-2018-Climbs

Cordillera Blanca, Nevado Huantsan (6,395m)

Dovdin Crispin (Peru) - Nathan Heald (USA) - Arttu Pyykkänen (Finland) - Javier Reyes (Chile) - Johannes Suikkänen (Finland) - Javier Reyes (Chile) - Johannes Suikkänen (Finland)
South ridge - west summit to main summit, across Circus, 1,200m, ED, W14 M5. One bivouac on final push (July). Several ropes placed on initial section.
- publications.americanalpineclub.org/articles/13201214962/Nevado-Huantsan-South-Ridge-West-Summit-to-Main-Summit

AUSTRALASIA

NEW ZEALAND

Darran Mountains, Mt Suter (2,094m)

Ben Dare (NZ)
South face, Elysium, 750m, A15. Solo, in a day (July).
- alpineiteam.co.nz/2018/new-route-%E2%80%93-south-face-mt-suter

Southern Alps, Mt Percy Smith (2,465m)

Ben Dare (NZ)
Southwest face, The Promise, 700m, W14 M5+ A0. Solo, in a day (October).
- alpineiteam.co.nz/2018/new-route-%E2%80%93-southwest-face-mt-percy-smith
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/ben-dare-apre-in-solitaria-una-nuova-via-sul-monte-percy-smith-in-nuova-zelanda

Southern Alps, Mt Cook (3,764m)

Caleb Jennings - Kim Ladiges (NZ)
South (Sheila) face, Pilgrim, 900m, W15 M6. In a day (September).
- alpineiteam.co.nz/2018/new-route-sheila-face-aoraki-mount-cook-route-beta
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/nuova-zelanda-ancora-una-nuova-via-sulla-sud-del-monte-cook

Southern Alps, Mt Cook (3,764m)

Rose (Shearson-Sam Waetford (NZ)
South (Sheila) face, Ministry of Silly Walks, 800m, W14 W14. In a day (September).
- alpineiteam.co.nz/2018/second-new-route-sheila-face-aorakimount-cook

ANTARCTICA

Pirrit Hills, Mount Tidd (2,444m)

Antoine Bletton - Sébastien Moatti (France)
North face, Coming in from the Cold, 800m, TD, W14 M4. In a day (January), and other routes by the GHI-MI expedition.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/arrampicata-in-antartide-nuove-vie-francesi-nelle-selvagge-pirrit-hills

EUROPE

Norway

Senja, Breilinden (1,001m)
Greg Boswell (UK) - Jeff Mercier (France)
North face, 600m, ED; Finnkona, northwest face, 400m, M8 W15+. Seven hard routes in eight days (February).
- utclimbing.com/news/2018/02/senja_new_routing_spre_e_boswell_and_mercier-71491

Lofoten, Stortinden (866m)

Sami Modenius (Finland) - Chris Wright (USA)
North face, Way Out West, 800m, M7 A0 95°. One day (February).
No current link, future AAJ.

Gudvangen Region, The Kraken

Phillipe Batoux - Aymeric Clouet - Michel Coronotte (France)
800m, VI/6+ M6. One day (February).
- pbatoux.wixsite.com/Verticaladventures/single-post/2018/02/22/Big-ice-climbs-in-Norway

Alps

Mont Blanc (4,808m), Miage (northwest) face

Simon Richardson (UK) - Micha Rinn (Germany)
Perfect Storm, 700m, ED1, 6a+. One bivouac on pillar (August), traversed mountain.
- planetmountain.com/it/notizie/alpinismo/miage-tempesta-perfetta-nuova-via-sul-monte-bianco-per-simon-richardson-e-michael-rinn

Grandes Jorasses (4,208m), east face

Max Bonniot - Pierre Labbre - Manu Romain (France)
Groucho Marx FFA, 700m, ED+, 7b. In a day (June).
- max