

## ANNUAL SEMINAR 2019

The Himalayan Club will hold the **Annual Seminar** on **Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. It is open to all members and their guests. Some leading mountaineers and explorers will present audio-visuals and illustrated talks on various topics.

**Venue:** Swatantryaveer Savarkar Auditorium, Veer Savarkar Marg, Shivaji Park, Dadar W, Mumbai.

**Time:** Sunday, **17 Feb 2019**, 11:00 am - 6:00 pm.

**Registration fee: Rs. 350/-** per person. (It will include lunch, tea and snacks.)

### HOW TO REGISTER:

1. **Pay online** on our website: [www.himalayanclub.org/payments/](http://www.himalayanclub.org/payments/)
2. **Email:** [events@himalayanclub.org](mailto:events@himalayanclub.org)
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Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019

10.30 am	<b>Registration</b>
11:00 am	<b>Inauguration and Lighting of lamp</b> by the Chief Guest
11:10 am	<b>Welcome address</b> by the President of the Himalayan Club
11:15 am	<b>Inaugural Address</b> by Chief Guest
11:25 am	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KAIVAN MISTRY MEMORIAL LECTURE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRANS HIMACHAL 2018</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Peter Van Geit</b></p> <p>Peter Van Geit is a Belgian based in Chennai and has made Ultra Journeys his way of life. He will talk about his solo crossings of 40 passes in Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir over 75 days, and his life as an explorer and Ultra sportsman.</p> <p>Peter Van Geit has explored the Himalaya on his Enfield; he founded the Chennai Trekking Club which has 40,000 members(!) and has done significant work in rescue, relief and rehabilitation during the Chennai 2015 floods and 2018 cyclone Gaja calamities. In recent years he has been in love with long distance running. He has completed several 500-700K ultra runs in last few years in Pangi and Spiti.</p>
12:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CLIMBS WITH ALEX LOWE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Steve Swenson</b></p> <p>Steve will talk about his partnership with Alex including their first ascent of Kwangde Nup (Nepal), their attempt on the Kangshung face of Mt Everest and the work being done by the Alex Lowe Foundation in Nepal. One of the major efforts of the ALF is the famous Khumbu Climbing Centre that has trained over 500 Sherpas.</p>

	Steve Swenson grew up in Seattle and started climbing in the nearby Cascade Mountains. He has been climbing for over a half century with over twenty expeditions to South Asia including ascents of K2 and Everest without supplemental oxygen. He was part of a team that won the 2012 Piolet d'Or award for the first ascent of Saser Kangri II (7518 m). He has retired from a long career as a consulting engineering in projects related to water and wastewater infrastructure projects. He is past president of the American Alpine Club and current board member of the Seattle Mountaineers.
1:30 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>'LOWER' THE RISK, GREATER THE ADVENTURE!</b> <b>Shantanu Pandit</b></p> <p>As adventure sports have become a way of life for young people around the world and the fever is catching on in India as well. However, it has brought in its wake a spate of agencies, willing to organize the sport; several of these have no credentials for dealing with emergencies in the mountains, rivers or high up in the air. It is now time to step in and create a framework for safe adventure and risk management. Shantanu, who is part of a team involved in drafting safety guidelines in adventure, will make a short presentation on the work of this panel.</p>
3:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panel Discussion: RISK MANAGEMENT IN ADVENTURE SPORT</b></p> <p><b>Participants:</b> Steve Swenson, Peter Van Geit, Shantanu Pandit, Vasant Limaye and Amod Khopkar <b>Moderator:</b> Divyesh Muni</p>
4:00 pm	<b>Tea</b>
4:30 pm	<b>JAGDISH NANAVATI AWARD CEREMONY AND PRESENTATION</b>
4:45 pm	<b>KEKOO NAOROJI BOOK AWARD</b>
5:00 pm	<b>Steve Swenson : <i>Karakoram - Climbing through the Kashmir Conflict</i></b>
6:00 pm	<b>Vote of Thanks</b>

### THE HIMALAYAN CLUB - ANNUAL DINNER

The Himalayan Club Annual Dinner will be on **Saturday 16 February 2019** at 8:30 pm at the Cabage Patch, The Willingdon Sports Club, K. Khadye Marg, Tulsiwadi, Mumbai 400034.

It will give us all a good opportunity to interact with speakers and members of the Himalayan Club. All are invited to join!

**Contribution:** Rs. 1,000/- per person.