

# **Northern Shield / Right Side**

The next nine completed climbs and the one project listed below are located another 2-3 minute walk west along the base of the wall to reach the right side of this technically demanding sector. Here you will find more compact darker colored chert infused rock. The first climb for now that you will encounter is called *Groovy Baby*, it starts about 10m before the base trail climbs a small slope. To the right 4m you will find a obvious shallow groove/corner with the route called *Chocolate*. The first of three nice 5.10b routes in a row. All similar but offering a different flavor. *Chocolate*, *Strawberry* and *Vanilla* enjoy. Two more recently completed routes are found halfway as you head west up the slope to an obvious left facing shallow corner which is the route *Chocolate* and another in-complete project called *Shade Dance* to the right of the corner. An excellent day of technical chert pulling is now on offer at this shady sector, have fun!

# Groovy Baby \*\*\* S-5.10d, 30m, 13 clips

## Andy Genereux, July 2023

A lovely face climb that has steady mid 5.10 climbing with a few bits a little more difficult. A bouldery sequence to leave the ground. Recommend a stick clip to the second bolt. Then head up on excellent technical movement to a small roof. Here either mantel the roof directly (awkward) or move right (a few feet) to overcome this barrier. More sustained face trickery on the head wall to finally celebrate your arrival at the anchor.

# Chocolate \*\* S-5.10b, 30m, 14 clips

#### Andy Genereux, July 2023

Established on lead via rope soloing. Climb the shallow corner/groove to reach a bulging headwall. Here make a few delicate moves to reach somewhat easier climbing. Named after a favorite flavor ice cream flavor of Choc Quinn. He also likes the climb a lot as well. Nice variety of movement.

# Strawberry \*\*\* S-5.10b, 27m, 12 clips

## Andy Genereux, July 2023

Start up stepped ground just as the base trail heads up a small slope. Climb up to an hollow arch/roof feature and surmount the roof. The steeper upper headwall has very nice technical climbing. Established on lead via rope soloing, there is a base bolt for a base anchor.

# Vanilla \*\* S-5.10b, 25m, 11 clips

## Andy Genereux, July 2023

A nice line that works up past the right end of the little arch/roof feature. Nice climbing to reach the upper headwall where things steepen, stay slightly right of the next three bolts as things get a little more intense. **Caution:** At the crux section avoid heading further right into the shallow corner. This has not been cleaned and has loose suspect rock.

# Rain Delay \*\* S-5.10c, 24m, 10 clips

#### Andy Genereux & Choc Quinn, June 2023

Put up on lead via rope solo. Involves pretty good rock with sustained lower angle face climbing. Overall a very nice addition to this sector. The final cleaning was delayed by rain for a few days. A very fun moderate was the end result.

# Chert Blast \*\* S-5.10c, 24m 10 clips

## Andy Genereux & Choc Quinn, June 2023

Delicately work up to an overlap. Make a few hard pulls on chert edges to overcome the roof with steady 5.10 face climbing the entire way to the anchor. A nice technical face climbing experience. Stick clip to the second bolt is useful.

# Need Some Heat \*\* S-5.10c, 23m, 10 clips

## Andy Genereux, rope solo, June 2020

Starts up to a small overlap make thin moves on small chert edges to surmount the lip. Continue up on steady face movement to a bulging section with a few delicate moves at 2/3 height. Somewhat easier climbing continues above to reach a hanging stance with ring bolts.

## Hollow Feeling \*\* S-5.10b/c, 23m, 10 clips

## Andy Genereux, rope solo, June 2020

Make thin moves to reach the first bolt (stick clip recommended) steady face movement leads up to a hollow sounding flake. Climb the right side of the flake and gently move back left at its top. Another hard move before somewhat easier climbing ascends the face directly to a ring bolt anchor.

## Corner Puzzler \*\* S-5.11a, 23m, 10 clips

## Andy Genereux, Bill Rennie & Bill Stark, (F.F.A. Rope soloed by Andy Genereux, June 2020)

Climbs the obvious shallow corner to gain the upper face. The climb was established ground up during wet marginal conditions. It required a second visit to finish the cleaning and it was then red-pointed via rope soloing. The upper portion of the corner provides a short puzzling bouldery crux with easier 5.10 climbing below and above this harder funky bit.

## **Closed Project: Shade Dance**

To the right about 3m of the *Corner Puzzler* anchor is another ring bolt anchor. The proposed line will climb the lower angled face to a bulge then continue up on more moderate looking face climbing to reach this anchor. No cleaning as yet, nor bolts other than the top anchor, which was installed in 2020. Hoping soon that I will get back and sort this out. So much to do so little time.