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Dear Explorers,

A list of online resources which may be useful for those planning expeditions. These are all external links, so OUEC can take no responsibility for their content.

If you are planning an expedition, do speak to other club members. We've set up a [group](#) to find other expedition members and we encourage our members to chat to the committee as between us we have a range of expedition experience (or if we don't have the advice ourselves, we may know someone that does). Our weekly talks & workshops are a great place to find explorers with similar interests!

It is often helpful when writing a proposal to look at previous ones for guidance – we have uploaded some examples to the OUEC website or contact us if you would like a more up to date one and we can try and pass one on.

Please do let us know if there are any resources that you have found helpful and that are not listed here, to make life easier for future expeditioners.

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- ☞ The OUEC has various books and documents (including copies of the Bulletin, the journal the club used to produce) in the Bodleian library, stored with the Oxford Mountaineering Library. Contact the committee if you'd like us to show you where it is.
- ☞ We also keep some archives (stored in Swindon) that can be requested for consultation at the Weston Library. More can also be found by searching on SOLO. Possibly a source of future expedition inspiration?  
<http://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/dept/scwmss/wmss/online/modern/ouec/ouec.html> -
- ☞ <http://www.spitsbergenretraced.com/content/Spitsbergen%20Retraced%20Expedition%20Report.pdf> - Expedition report from a University Expedition to Svalbard a few years back. Takes you through most of the steps you need to consider to plan a major expedition, and has details about logistics which are probably useful if you are going on an arctic expedition. There's a thorough first aid kit list at the end which is useful for putting together an expedition first aid kit.
- ☞ <https://greenlandmapping2018.wordpress.com> - Blog from my expedition to Greenland this past summer. We tried to document some of our personal experiences of expedition planning in the hope that people might find it useful/vaguely helpful.
- ☞ <https://thebusinessofadventure.com/> - Has a lot of articles relevant to expedition funding including grants, sponsorship, crowdfunding and social media strategy
- ☞ <https://thenextchallenge.org/resources/> - a lot of articles on many aspects of expedition planning, written and curated by adventurer Tim Moss

- ☞ <https://www.alastairhumphreys.com/more/expedition-planning-advice/> - A list of articles from adventurer Alastair Humphreys relevant to expedition planning and getting funding.
- ☞ <https://www.alpkit.com/company/sponsorship-> Advice from Alpkit on a good sponsorship pitch
- ☞ <https://www.rgs.org/in-the-field/advice-training/> - A wide range of resources from the RGS on most aspects of expedition planning. Probably one of the best websites out there for planning a scientific/geographical expedition so well worth spending a while searching around the site.
- ☞ <https://www.thebmc.co.uk/media/files/international/2017%20Expeditions/Exped%20Report%20Latest.pdf> - A detailed report from a (non-university) expedition to Greenland in 2017, from a group that came to speak to us last year. Again, lots of detail about logistics and things you need to consider on a major expedition.