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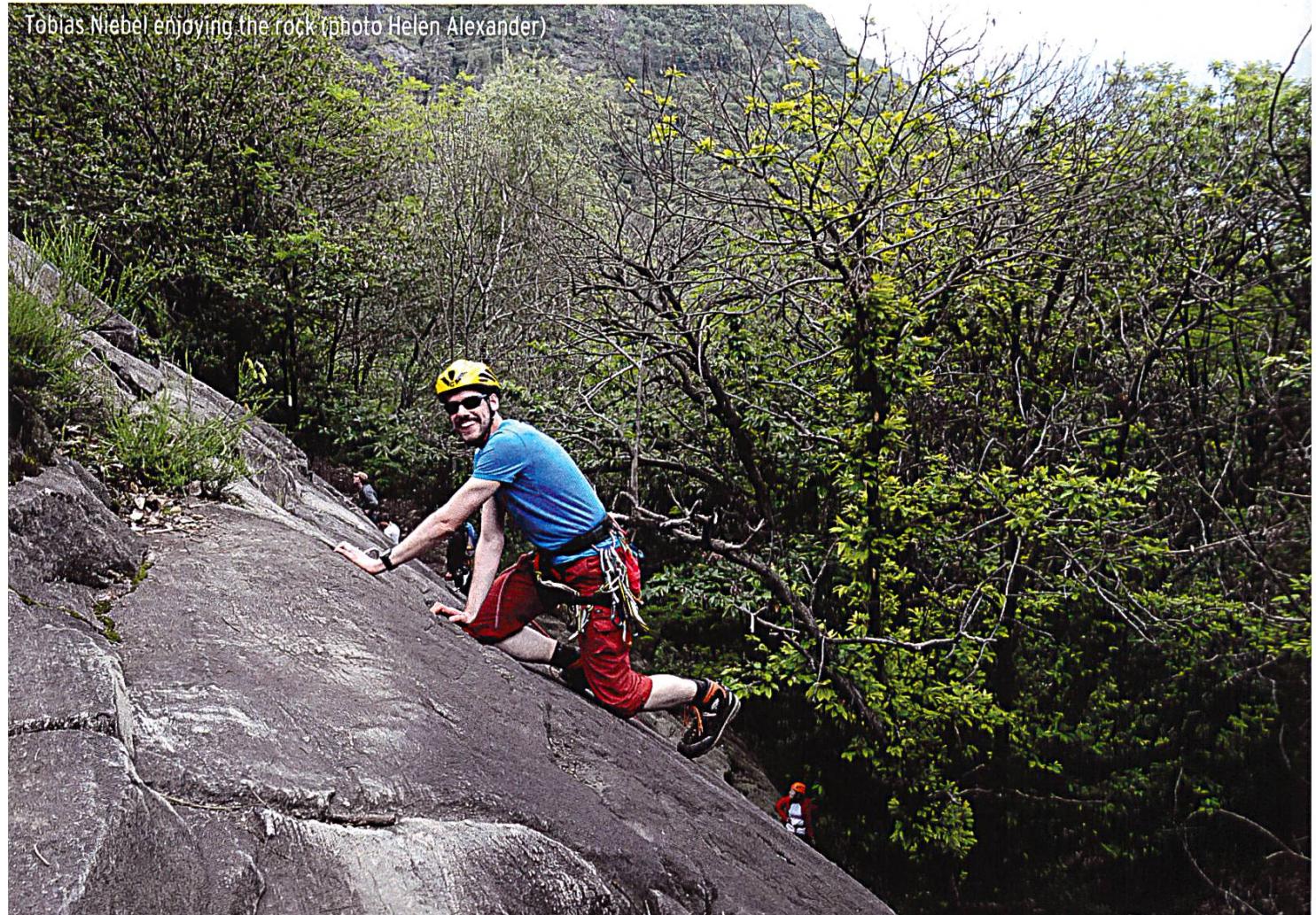
ALPSTEIN CLIMBING WEEKEND IN TICINO

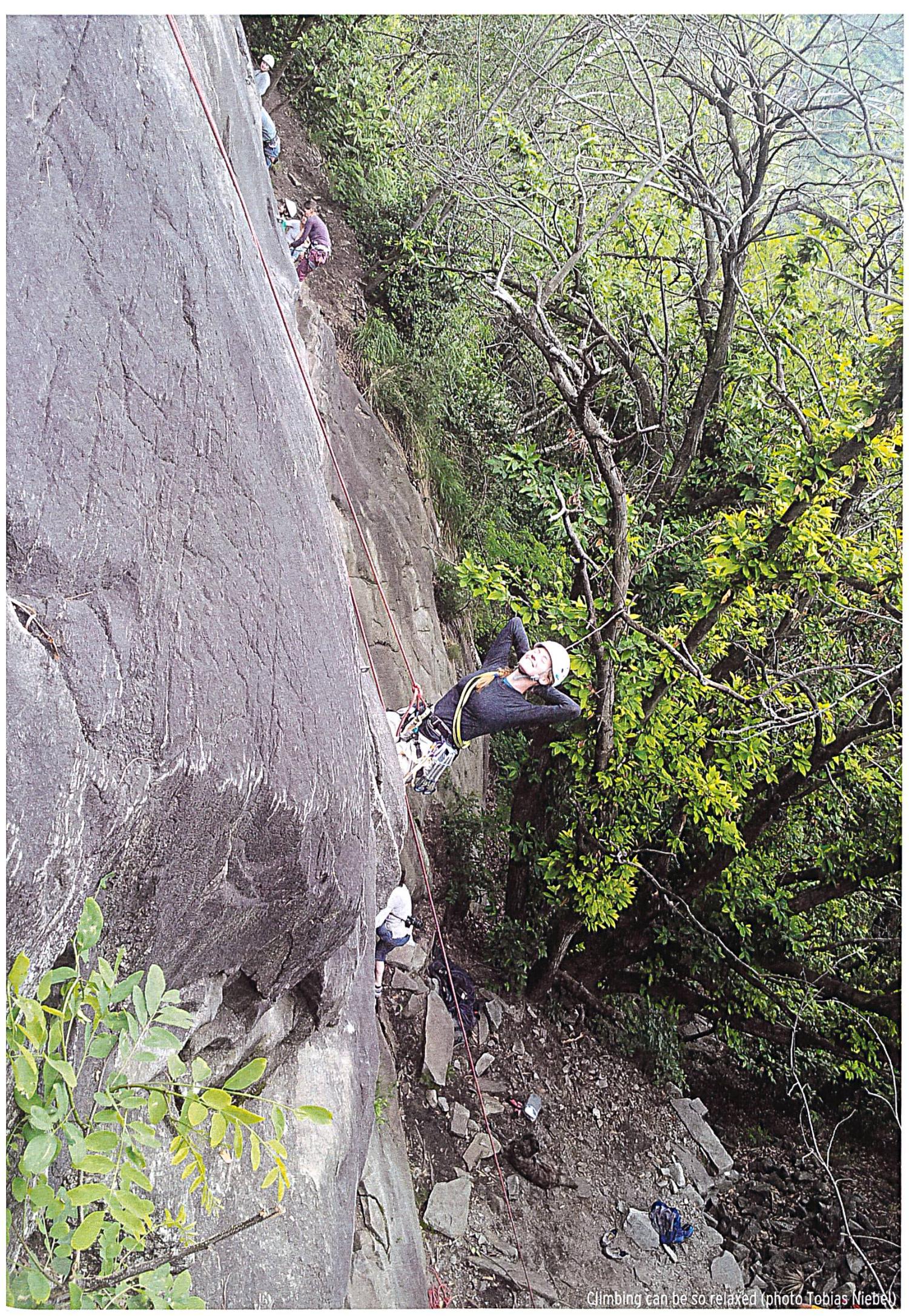
Since the Alpstein climbing weekend of 2014 had to be cancelled due to bad weather, we wanted to give it another try a year later. The plan was to use the long Pentecost weekend in May 2015 to camp near Bollenwees, as in the past. However, as the date got closer, the weather forecast predicted heavy rain. So even the idea of staying at the Furgglenalp instead of camping had to be abandoned. Since once again the weather forecast for the South was good or at least better, a much smaller group than initially registered for the Alpstein decided to go to Ponte Brolla. Among us were Helen Alexander, Wolfgang Fischer, Christopher Nowzohour

and myself from the AACZ, a member of the AAC Basel and three other climbing friends. We appreciated the big tent offered by the Piccolo Paradiso campground as a dry place to cook and eat. Explaining the climbs at Ponte Brolla is probably unnecessary: granite, slabs, bolts, a variety of difficulties and many climbers. During the day, we split up into small teams and climbed independently, depending on level and gusto. So despite the rain in the North, we had another nice and relaxed climbing weekend in the sunny South.

Tobias Niebel

Tobias Niebel enjoying the rock (photo Helen Alexander)





Climbing can be so relaxed (photo Tobias Niebel)