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Dear Harish,

Although I have not yet read through the rich contents of *Himalayan Journal* (HJ 66), which arrived last week.

I was interested in the reference in article No.1 concerning the origin of the Himalayan Club (HC) emblem. The outline drawing submitted by C R Cooke to the Club's committee was approved but not formally adopted, nor generally used. When I took over as Hon Secretary in 1950 and was involved in writing the minutes of committee meetings J B Auden, who was then Vice-President, produced a handsome design drawn by his wife based upon Cooke's initial draft. It was unanimously approved and officially adopted for use on Club notepaper and Newsletters.

The emblem was first emblazoned on the front page of *HJ* 22 in 1959-60, and has since retained that position in a more discreet form. The emblem was copied for the first HC tie which was produced by Phelps & Co a leading men's outfitters in Calcutta.

Kind regards, and best wishes for 2011.

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PS. I much enjoyed reading Aamir Ali's contribution.