

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> '79

Dear Don,

I received your two letters, of Nov 11. and Nov 17 and I am truly happy that all my messages plus the "Livre" de beurre (which means pound of butter) safely arrived.

I am all excited that you start a small replication project and I assure you all my possible support. With this I mean of course back-ground information and more actual samples, not flint knapping technology (of which you are undisputed master). I selected the material in such a way that you need not read much, but only look at pictures. Included you find:

a) copies of 50 drawings of blades from "La Crausette". Disregard the handnotes, which date back from my personal studies.

b.) The sketches I made for the drawings of my article. This is to save time, because my publication will not come out before mid 1980. It so happens that I am convinced that  $3/4$  of what I have to say you can deduct from these drawings plus the comment I added in English

c.) Some fotos to show you the variety of the live de beurse and it's preform and blank.

d.) The set of slides I used for a lecture at the Archaeological Society of Zürich. They speak for themselves (I send you the slides as soon as I have the copies made.)

not included now

At a later date I will supply you with the bulbous-end of some blades from my collection and some more fotos.

From what I know the obsidian is more brittle than the very tough Silx from Grand Pressigny and therefore I am most anxious to see or hear of your results. Should you ever reach the level for a written report in Tebiwa or elsewhere, you can count on me for all the support you should need in terms of materials, literature, fotos and samples etc.

I am sorry about the Celsius and the Fahrenheit. Here are the conversions of all the temperatures mentioned in the tables:

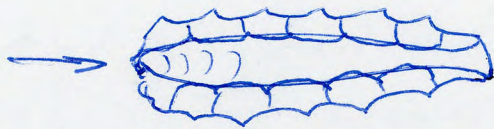
117°C = 242 F	180°C = 356 F	270°C = 518 F	573°C =
163°C = 325 F	230°C = 446 F	300°C = 572 F	= 1063 F

It would be very kind of you if you could indicate me some literature on the Lena River cores or any other "giant size" cores you

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would know of. With "giant size"  
I mean every core or blade above  
10 inches = 25 cm in length, or 12 inches.

I have various live de blurre-cores where  
the last blade went over and down the  
point of the core:



This indicates, that the core was supported with  
a completely free end.

Sorry that this seems like a confused letter,  
but I cannot get ready the film neither!!  
The Christmas rush is everybody getting late  
and I prefer to get this letter in the mail  
just as it is.

Wishing you a very happy Holiday Season  
and a 1980 full of my long giant blades  
I am sincerely yours

Peter