SALSA ON ICE REPORT: 14 December 2017

Weather:
Mostly Cloudy, Winds Light and Variable, temperature minus -5°C

SALSA Traverse Team on Ice: Steve Zellerhoff, Kevin Williams, Fabian Valdez
Allen O’Bannon, James King

SALSA E&O on Ice: Billy Collins

Traverse and E&O Update

• Today brought better weather and with it came a lot of progress! Everything here seems to revolve around the weather and when things do clear up, the whole station bounces into action.
• This morning was spent prepping gear, editing photos, and coming up with interview questions for James and Allen.
• After lunch, I made another trip down to Hut Point with our main camera and although winds were still a factor, I was able to nail down several of the shots I had trouble with over the past few days.
• This evening, I interviewed SALSA Equipment Operator, James King and SALSA mountaineer Allen O’Bannon who were very helpful in taking time after hours to help me set up, shoot the interviews and then break down.
• The batteries arrived!!! I will be picking them tomorrow morning and doing a test flight with our drone tomorrow afternoon.
• The SALSA traverse is now expected to arrive in Camp 20 Friday!
• Our Twin Otter flight to Camp 20 is schedule to fly on Saturday.

• Report by Billy Collins

A screenshot from my interview with SALSA Mountaineer Allen O’Bannon