

MATIENZO CAVES PROJECT

# LOGBOOK

Year: 2000  
Season: summer

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*Juan Corrin, January 2015*

22, RUSKIN ROAD,  
LITTLE LEVER  
BOLTON

(012)

Dear Jo-Jo :

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Finally found time to write up what we found in Malienzo last month. Enclosed is a blow-up of the Arredondo map, on which I've marked what Andy Pringle and I found near San Miguel, whilst looking for the 'lost' cave I found with Pedro several years ago, which still escapes rediscovery. All the features are near a waymarked path which is part of 'GR75' the 'Senda de los Valles de Cantabria'!

1) Shaft  $\approx$  30m deep, concealed in a patch of rough karst and bushes, on a generally open hillside about 100m beyond a gate in the track up from San Miguel. It lies in a fork between the track and a very indistinct path that takes a slightly lower route.

2) Large chamber, about 30m  $\times$  20m, behind a partially-concealed stooping-size entrance in a gully running parallel to the path and about 15m back from it, just behind where the path runs between waist-high natural walls formed by clints (very distinctive). All exits seem to close down. Appears largely undisturbed, may well be an archeological site - the floor is mainly limestone. Nearby is a large fissure that might 'go'.

3) 'Small railway tunnel' sized remnant passage, just before a LH 'hairpin' in the track. Lies below the path, concealed by a huge boulder. Drops down steeply towards the bottom of the valley below, almost parallel to the surface and also appears to run back under the path, just having been 'deroofed' by the path. Not investigated - rope would be useful. This feature is only about 100m beyond (2).

1592 I'm sure that the 'lost cave' is in this area: feature (3) seemed vaguely familiar: I may have seen it before, on the visit with Pedro. If possible, I intend having another look in February.

1620? We also found an interesting site near Fresneda. Follow the dry stream bed upstream for 2-300m and a limestone scar will be met about 3m high, with (in November) a stream forming a waterfall over it and sinking immediately. In the corner next to the waterfall and pool is a low bedding which draughted (not a lot, but air temperature and cave temperatures were very similar) and a choked passage about 2m high, full of sediment. We dug a lot of sand out of the bedding, which would appear to 'go'; but needs a properly organised dig. From what Andy told me of Fresneda it looks like it would be an inlet to it, as a stream does come in part way through, and the bedding dips back towards Malienzo.

Joe.

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19/7/00 Checking out the removal of the wobble from the GPS system. Found 1452 at side of the road, just where it should be (to within a couple of metres).

Fuente las Vara Post had been marked in the wrong place and the GPS proved correct. Surface surveys should be a thing of the past.

423 5298(3) 9920(0).

20/7/00 Another wobble check. Late start (6pm) to walk up new track above Cornellante following in Pete's footsteps. Found a few new holes

1507 2m deep shelter

VNS102(8)  
9570(7)

No draught. Just

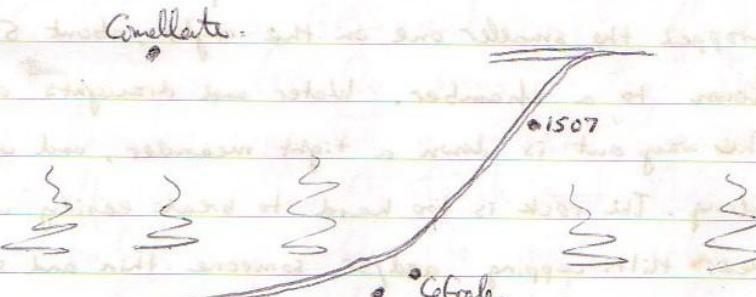
up from back:

1508 15m up from track,

VNS087(8)  
9561(5)

W of Cefrelos.

4m tube closes in.



No draught.

1509 Tube above tree

VNS071(6) ✓ at 1460 leads

9556(7) straight into 10m

undescended patch.

1510 House

1511

b/p

1460

P1509

1510 Croch in a tube for 8m leads to a bouldery/calcite choke  
VNS072(7) which may be worth digging as a continuation can be  
seen. No draught.

1511 Sm to the east of 1510. A narrow tube turns left then right to a choke. Leg 10m. Large, gassy nest at dog leg.

Relocated bottom entrance to Cefrables (just a few metres out)  
in 1460 - not far out. Reexplored to end.

Juan Penny + Jenifer

22/7/00. Juan, Penny Jen, and Pete S. to area around 311.

Many entrances were re-located with Juan's GPS. Then Juan and Pete attempted to push, survey and photograph a new cave. 1512. [In some shakehole as 308?]

- a crawl-in entrance over top of a p.t., to the top of two pitches. We dropped the smaller one on the right, about 5m, to a slot and climb down to a chamber. Water and draughts enter from v. small passages. The way out is down a tight meander, and we could only get half way along. The rock is too hard to break easily with hammer and chisel. It needs Hilti-capping, and/or someone thin and supple. The water can be heard falling a few feet ahead. 1513 was noted east of 179, a fenced-off area with two or three possible entrances - not explored.

GPS grid references

311 5179(3) 9526(6)

179 5181(1) 9519(9)

310

1512 5174(7) 9523(2)

345 Zorro 5176(1) 9524(7)

1513 5185(9) 9522(2)

309 5167(4) 9526(1)

413 Mega Mall 5187(4) 9527(8)

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23/7/00 Another jolly day out, GPSing and finding new caves.

Pete, Lenny, Jen + Ivan walked up TV most track and down to TV Most Cave entrance - draughting out well. Pete has given this cave to the Catalans to finish off.

Then headed off towards Coterón but almost immediately came across site 1514 (new). A prehistoric cave remnant mainly 3m diameter tube with 4 entrances. Some pottery found but need to return to survey ~80m of passage.

Then carried onto Coterón via 1515 where a more appropriately dressed person might find something at the bottom of a large shakehole; 1516 - 3 holes which may connect. Barbed wire fence runs above lower hole and lower hole is full of barbed wire. 1517 is a hole <sup>on</sup> ~~of~~ uphill side of shakehole. Floor can be seen a few metres down.

Went to 266 first for a GPS and couple of photos then dropped down to Coterón for the same. By this time the rumble of thunder suggested a retreat was necessary. Pausing to find shaft 1518 below the track ~~at~~ Pete and Ivan rushed to catch up with the girl, who had run away earlier. Everyone got a good soaking and giant hailstones battering before reaching the car at the bottom of the track.

Returned to German's to find larger hailstones had fallen in La Secuola, ripping leaves from the trees, puncturing holes in Tomar's 2CV canopy roof and covering the pasabolo pitch with a white carpet. Apparently, someone put 2 hailstones in a glass and

couldn't fit another one in.

266  $\nearrow$  Cetona  
 $\nearrow$   $\nearrow$

1514

O<sup>865</sup><sub>TV</sub>

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GPS grid refs for checking / using

0264 5124(6) 9537(7) ✓

~~1513~~

0266 5121(4) 9534(9) ✓

1514 (West) 5164(4) 9498(6) ✓

0406 5150(5) 9502(5) or 405? ✓

1515 5138(4) 9515(5) ✓

0412 5142(3) 9507(8) ✓

1516 5135(3) 9518(2) ✓

0865 5177(1) 9481(7) ✓

1517 5133(8) 9523(3) ✓

1518 5203(3) 9513(2) ✓

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24/7/00 Pete, Dave (989), Penny, Ivan, Jenny out in the same area as yesterday, GPSing and finding new cave.

Site 1519 found at uphill side of new barn down from TV Mast track; needs enlarging to descent about 5m. One entrance on top of another.

Returned to site 1518 - shaft with hogback tree in entrance. Dave descended to a choke about 4m down - a fairly typical intro to Matizero caves. Parallel shaft also appears to choke.

Then headed towards barn well below TV mast depression and came across 1520 covered with sandstone blocks. Dave was volunteered again but found the shaft top too tight, as did Ivan. Pete saved the day and descended 12m to a choke with a tight crack at the southern end.\*

Moved on to the main attraction - surveying site 1514 found yesterday. Over one hundred metres surveyed with some bits of pottery (old) found.

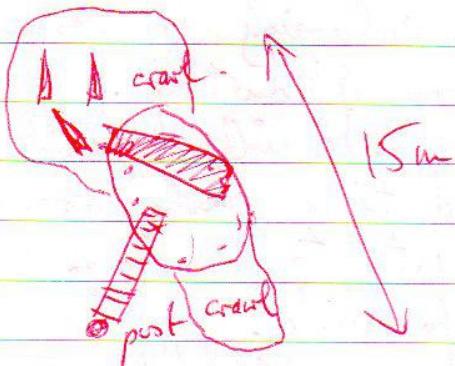
Passage mainly 2-3m high and wider in most places.

Then to site 1515 found yesterday. Pete climbed down at the bottom of the shaft hole into a rift with a 2m climb down to a choke at the end. C=7 d=4

Walked a few metres to 1516 where only the lower hole proved of any interest. After removing the

\* But even thin-man Smith had to have 2 go's getting out.

barbed wire from the entrance went to a fence, Ivan descended past a dodgy doffer to the floor 13m down. The expected choke wasn't immediate and a duck under 2 sides lead to short esp' alleys.



On the way down to the car noticed site 1521 - a narrow shaft with a limestone slab over the top. Undescended about 5m deep.

Then Jenny rediscovered Cueva Adolfo (34) (after many years of having only a 6 fig grid reference).

6m wide and 2m high entrance to cow bones and chokes right and left. Survey in the original 1966 Cuadernos.

GPS grid ref:

1519 5238(8) 9505(1) ✓

1520 5189(6) 9505(2) ✓

1521 5145(8) 9508(1) ✓

0034 5167(2) 9497(8)

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26/7/00 Paul G, Patrick, Ivan, Penny + Jerry + <sup>Dave</sup> prospecting across the back and top of Caves. - with GPS. Relocated a number of holes - see below. Site 885 was descended to the top of the 20m pitch by Paul.

There seemed to be evidence of previous exploration but site was mashed 100m away - never mind.

Site 1524 - 3m deep clothed with sandstone blocks.

Site 1522 - About 50ft deep. Bottom not reached on one ladder.

[site 1523 free to use]

GPS 79 Slim Wendy 5080(3)9721(5)

679 5093(3)9682(4)

885 At base of shaft hole 5138(7)9675(7)

1410 5092(8)9677(0) - [about 300m away from position on map]

1522 5082(4)9698(0)

1524 In depression 5117(0)9678(3)

561 in correct shalehole?

26/7/00 Dave, Tricia and Hugh started rigging 1338 down to the top of Spice Pot and placed another spit to make a Y hang. Ropes for Spice Pot and bottom pitch left in cave, also 20m rope for traverse before bottom pitch. A few bat droppings were seen in the winding rift between Dog Bottoms Pitch and Spice Pot.

27/7/00 Dave, Tricia and Hugh - prospecting on hill south west of Camp Site.

After much fighting with under growth we re-discovered 866 and 140 complete with sketcher and 'lid' or squeeze! Other than a

magnitude of "rat holes" we found a 3 m. wide by 1m high  
opening in <sup>N.W. corner of</sup> an obvious wooded depression approx. 20m. diameter.  
between 867 and 145. (See A on map enclosed), please  
note Grp S. Altitude, prismatic not available? This opening  
closed down after 2 m., but right hand corner continues too  
tight, no draught, possibly used by animals.

Hugh and tricia sensibly returned to base, while I continued to  
2:2 and 2:2 over a largely wooded area between 145 and  
150, only to confirm the existence of 145, 140, 139, 60+  
150 and bugger my ankle! Continuing at same height south east  
of 150 is approx 3m shaft which appears ongoing at <sup>see B</sup> <sup>(1528)</sup>  
base, obvious tree growing out of it - did not descend! Into  
on 150 says other known small caves in its near vicinity,  
is this one? Then took direct route to <sup>Camp</sup> ~~camp~~ thru  
many prickly scratchy things in woods mainly on my arse at  
great speed in the dark and can thus confirm the lack of  
bottomless pits between 150 and camp. — Yorkshire Dale,

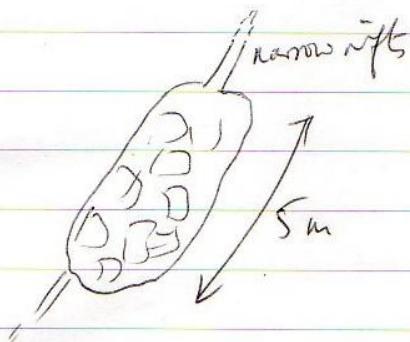
With deep snow below, sand here right now to 09/10/22  
and I'm alone at tip station. Supply bus to Dingleby got off at  
tip surface road, man with sled, that he thought was  
at 150 and going to work up to camp. They walked right on to  
the dinglebus 17.0 about 100 yds. until they arrived

and I'm still waiting for a right bus and now 09/5/22

and am 228 hours here on snow where sun sets at 2:45  
and rises at 10:30. There is 11.0 for water. No water

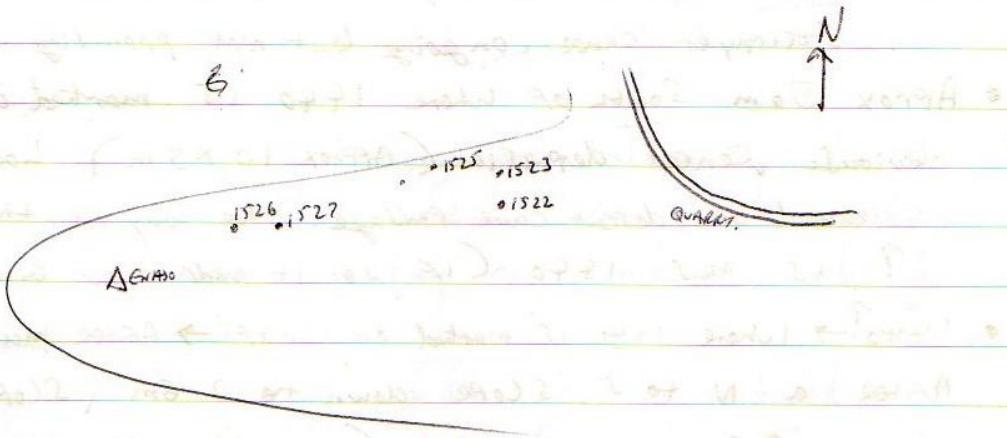
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28/7/00 Pete, Patrick, Penny, Jenny + Ivan up to Enaso to  
carry on with shaft 1522.  
Ivan descended 14m shaft to choke.



1520 (1) 1520	ES
1520 (2) 1520	2521
(c) 2520 (e) 1520	2521
1520 (2) 1520	FF 21

Site 1523 - drop down behind block into small chamber  
with bones in floor. Length = 3m.



1525 Small hole excavated into a small alcove at the base  
of a cliff. Pete - thin man - explores. L = 5m.

1526 Narrow shaft top behind a boulder in a small alcove.  
A 6m shaft choke at base. Ivan descends - then Pete  
t. free the ladder.

1527. A possible dig. Could be a collapsed or filled in entrance.  
Can see down 2m and 3m to the left. Needs excavating.

GPS Positions.

1523 5068(0) 9693(0).

1525 5074(2) 9678(2)

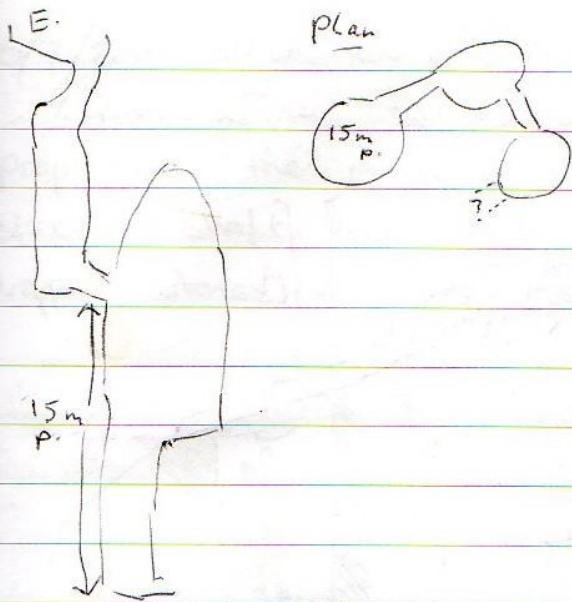
1526 5110(4) 9675(7)

1527 5106(6) 9677(4)

28: 7:00, TRICIA, Hugh and Dave prospecting unexplored shafts.... in  
1338 area.

- 412 → 13m Deep x 2m Diameter cylindrical tube, flat out tube goes off horizontally at bottom. After 5m it needs a stringer cane, ongoing but not promising and no draught.
- Aprox 50m. South of where 1440 is marked on map is obvious fenced depression (Aprox 10x5m.) Looter like roof has collapsed on descent cane passage. No way on thru. Rubble, no draft.  
? is this 1440 (if so it needs New Grid Ref.)
- 1440? → where 1440 is marked on map! → After much bramble fighting:-  
After a N. to S. slope down to 2.6m., slopes west  $55^\circ$  for 4m, pitch 8.3m trending south (vertical). Next pitch 15m deep vertical after approx 2m slope inclining  $60^\circ$  North approx.  $\frac{1}{2}$  down 15m pitch is base of well decorated chamber exceeding height of entrance slot. At bottom of pitch is short stooping passage into well decorated chamber, then crawl to finale chamber, only possible way on is slot in wall (Not climbable and unlikely way on).

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This cave fits description of [343.] which makes G.P.S. relocation a good move!

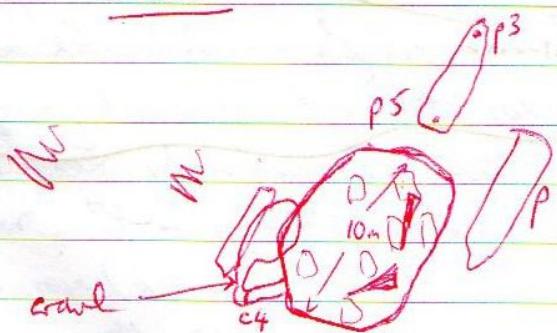
- 2 m Downward choked Rift, 50m S.W. of 444.
- 1517 → 6-7 m Free climbable shaft down to tight slot ongoing in bottom (but unlikely), (located on upper slope of depression)

Yesterdays day

29th July 2010

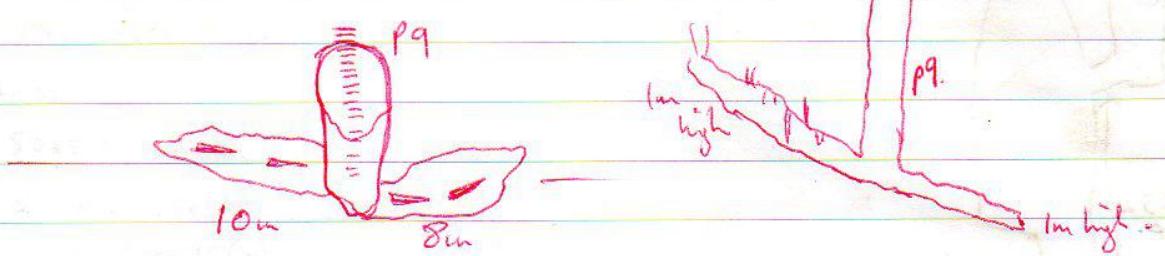
Pabrik, Veronica, Laura, Pete, Andy, Juan up to Vega water tank area to check out feature seen above Cefrals yesterday. Turned out to be an interesting cave with a couple of shafts nearby

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↑  
Site 1530



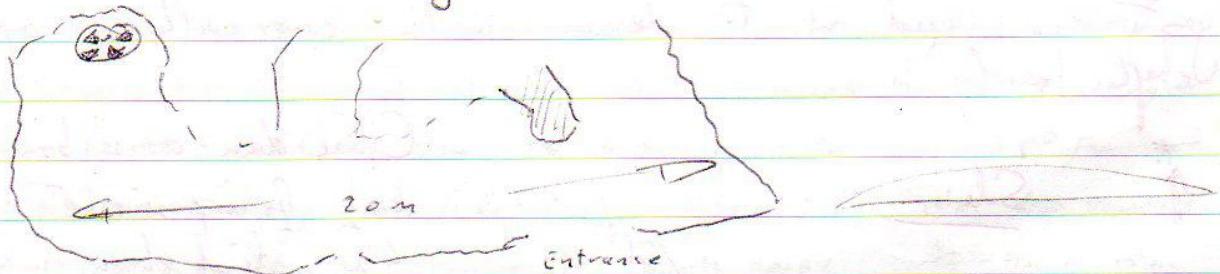
Climb down across boulders to back of impressive entrance to 4m climb down into a small rift. This has a short crawl at the base into a calcined chamber with no way out. d = 10m from top lip.

Then to site 1509 where the boulders at the top were removed to allow Ivan to descend.



Then down to Comellato for photo entrance

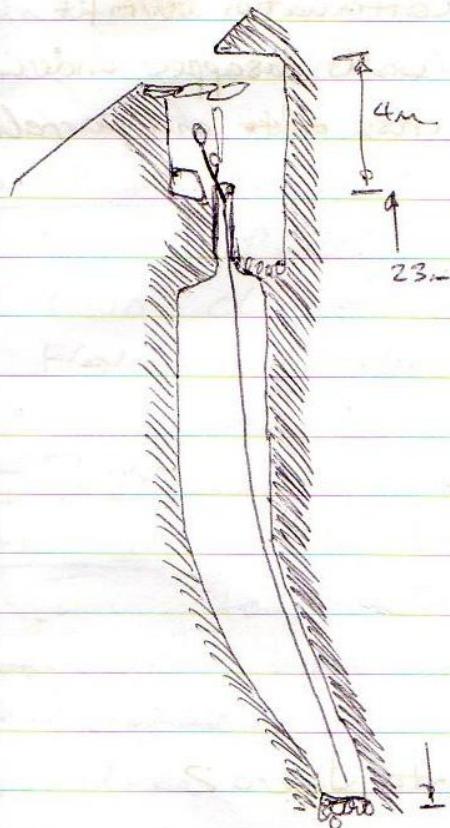
29.7.00 -- Paul. Over to Lantz & Harry's dig at Riano "1496".  
20m or so wide bedding filled with sand, mud + calcite flows. Far left through stall grill to a small pit-choked. Middle route dug through to a point where you can see 10m's of the same diggable stuff. Best point to dig may be down the right hand side. Little or no draught.



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30/7/2000 AN LAWREN + CARMEL KAUWEK SITE 320 - RETURN MATCH

Located hole okay and lump-hammered slot to comfortable proportions then rigged to descend. Turned out to be a nice circular shaft but choked at 23m. No scree slope which dropping stones had suggested. Oh well!

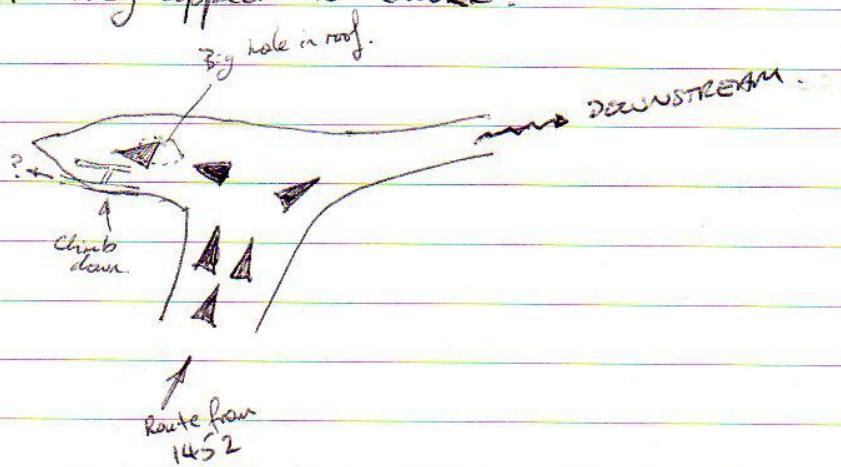


29/7/00 Dave and Hugo continued rigging in 1338

~~to~~ to the bottom of spine pit. Fixed new Thang about halfway down to eliminate rail joints. We have not sorted anything ~~steps~~ to rope yet when swinging into the window leading to sentinel chamber. There is a tackle bag on the end of the rope. This contains a 24 m rope (approx), 12 m, 20m, and a 14m. There is another tackle bag with 50m rope in the entrance.

31/7/2000 HOCE IN THE ROAD (1452) IAN + CARMEL

Went to rig the pitch - found it still rigged from Easter but changed the ropes to clean the one in. Eventually found the upstream continuation. Over the boulders closes down but a climb down on the left side before the end goes through a small slot to deep water. Continuation in rift will be for the wet-suited only as the walls disappear underwater and the bottom is not visible. There are other cross rifts and parallel rifts but they appear to choke.



31/7/2000 Jane, Angie, Penny & Jenny into Jivero 2

Saw 3 crayfish, one 'real' cave <sup>crayfish</sup> creature, with no colour, and the other 2 still with some brown colouring.

Went from the top to the bottom entrance, then turned round and went back.

There was also harvestmen, or something similar, about 4" across.



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8/18/2000 . 1387. Brin &amp; Hugh.

This hole is recorded as draughting well but today was relatively cool. There hardly any air movement in the hole.

We chiseled the entrance out to gain access but the air appears to percolate through rubble. Not very promising.

On the way back we found a small hole about 4 m deep ending in a narrow walk at one side (about 50 mm wide)

~~no draught~~      B 505 ~~4~~ 945 ~~9~~ X 30 TL

1533

30-7-00 Pete, Phil, Steve, Dave. AGUA

to take photos of "Stone Circle".

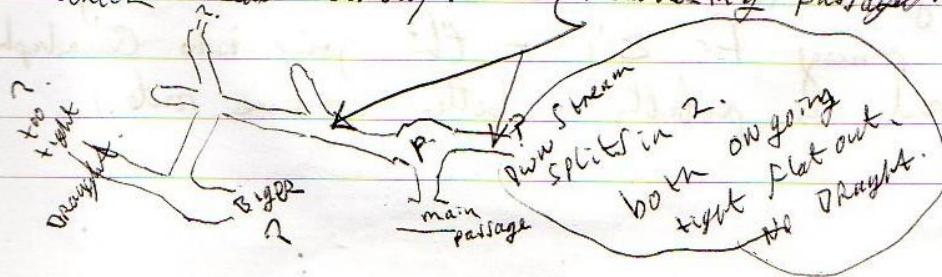
Also climbed up flowstone to Blue Lake.

Floated in Fringe freezor and played water polo.

31-7-00 . Paul, Lantz, Dave.

RIANO 1. :- original entrance silted up needs digging, "30m to South" (Mills 2000, Barrancas) is potential 2nd entrance .... on looking the needs ... an entrenching tool + CROBAR.

- Surveyed caves near original entrance to Hoyuca. 1531 1532
- Tourist trip in Hoyuca to 'Pigs Trotters'.
- where entrance trade route enters 'main drag' before Quadra Plania coming out thru an easy 'squeeze' in small slot - turn left (away from Quadra Plania) approx 10m. Not obvious slot found (on RH) which lead to New. Approx 6m pitch, and lower level stream passage, which needs survey. (meandering passageway.)



Dave H

[01-08-00] Angola, Dave. SIMAS DEL PICÓN (0075)

- Low section under entrance pitch (marked on Survey) did not go, Neither did the "muddy climb up" on the RHT (Having turned RHT before High level traverse). However the top of the climbs did continue horizontally back onto it left (too small).
- ~~At a future~~ • 815 :- Small hole in choke, strong draught, big enough for Caves Baby - No more, closed off - will hopefully come back for Hol!
- 813 :- Strong Draught (and on a cool day), ~~spat~~ 1.5 HRS and much good amount of Earth + Stones, could be large under taking or go directly ... who knows? Dave says

2/8/00. Set out to find to clog up Hoyua. Eventually split up into 2 teams - Ali, Max, Angie, Dave and Ivan dam into new series discovered 2 days ago. All surveyed - about 220m. Just beyond where Dave got to on the 31st Angie had a head-to-head with Pete Gair and Phil surveying in their new passage. With over 400m surveyed in the loop, the ~~one~~ closure error turned out to be 1m!

The low level streamway becomes too low downstream. Upstream splits a number of times and links back to the entrance chamber. See survey for details.

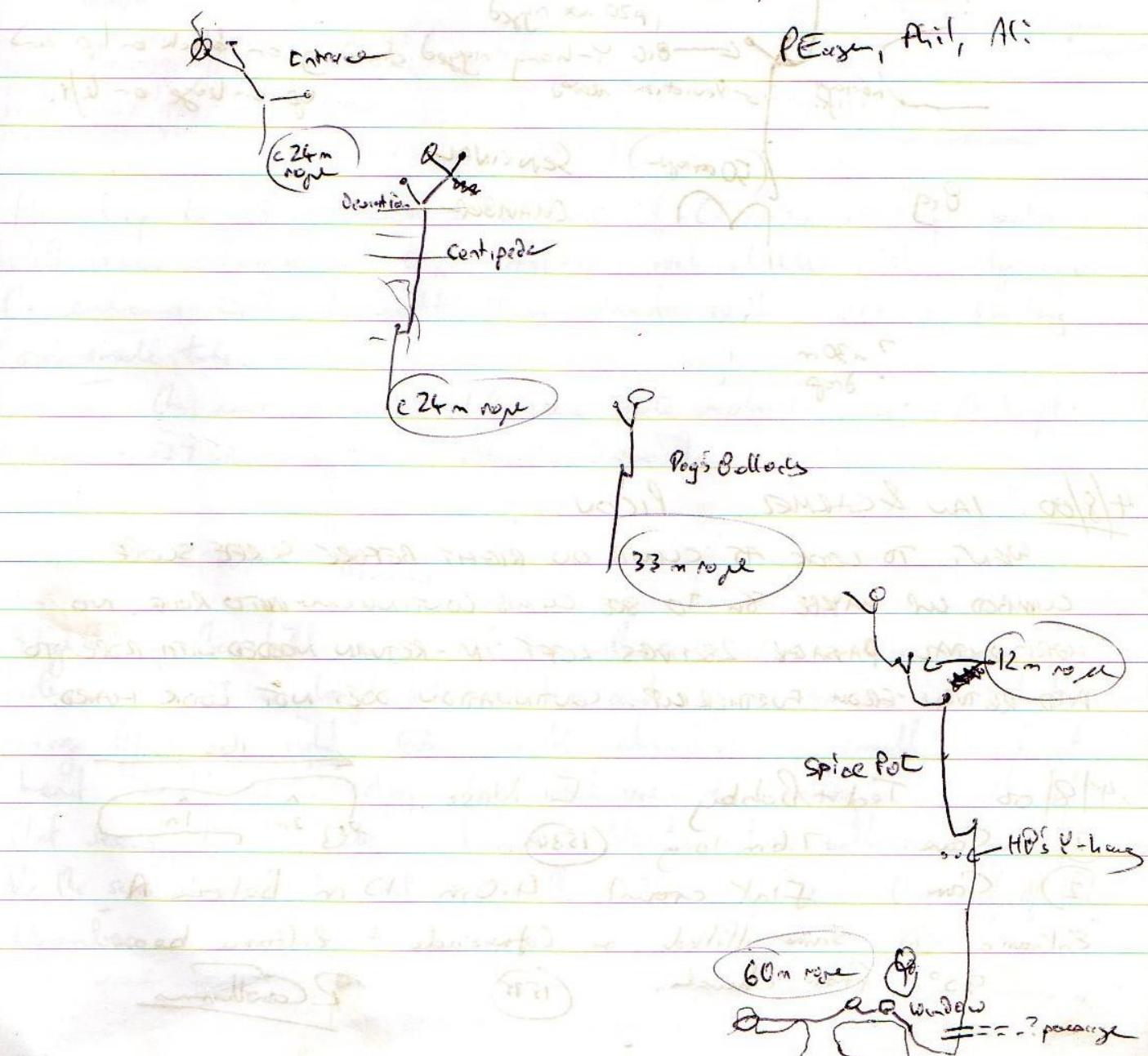
Pete + Phil surveyed bits from the entrance chamber and surveyed the most northerly passage for Z's - this joins into Quadruplet past the square and is probably a better rescue route.

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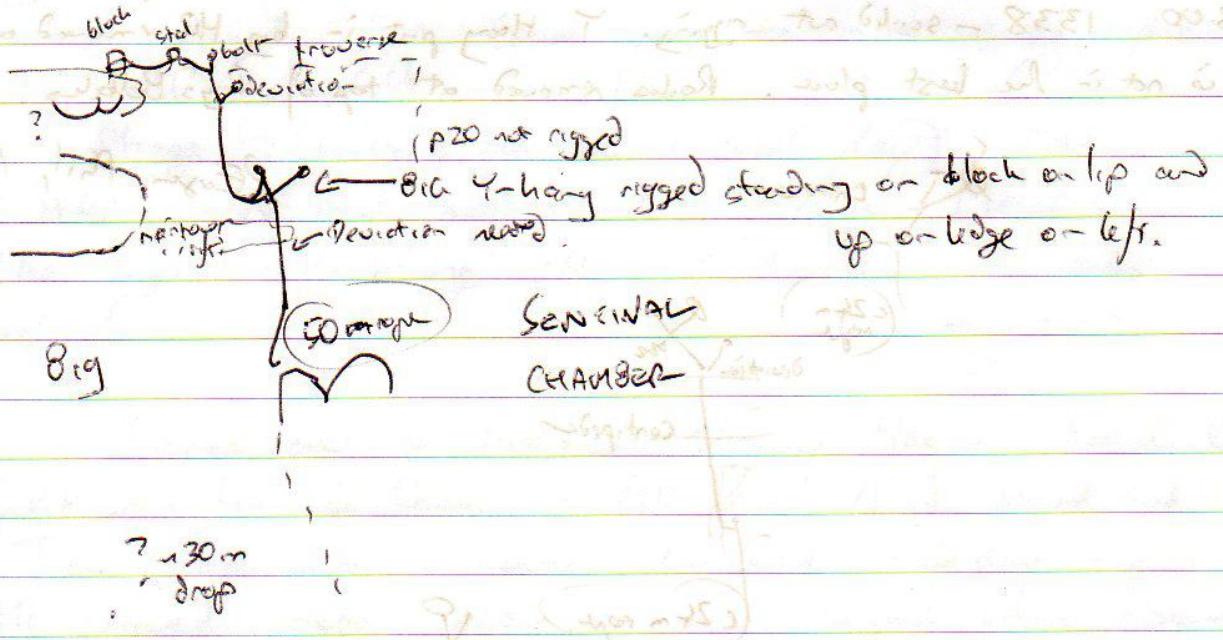
01-08-00 Jivero 2 Patrick, Hannah, Laura,  
 Bethan, Paul, James + Simon.  
 John + David.

"Family tourist trip" to inspect the crayfish.  
 They are all still there.

- 2-8-00 Jivero 2, John + David returned to take photo's of crayfish + other life.  
 3-8-00 1338 - sailed out rigging. T Heavy put in by HB removed as it  
 is not in the best place. Rods removed at top of Pog's Bollards.



At start of sentinel chamber descended first pit in floor other than going to end of traverse, and rigged second drop - need a deviation of overhanging slab for good hang



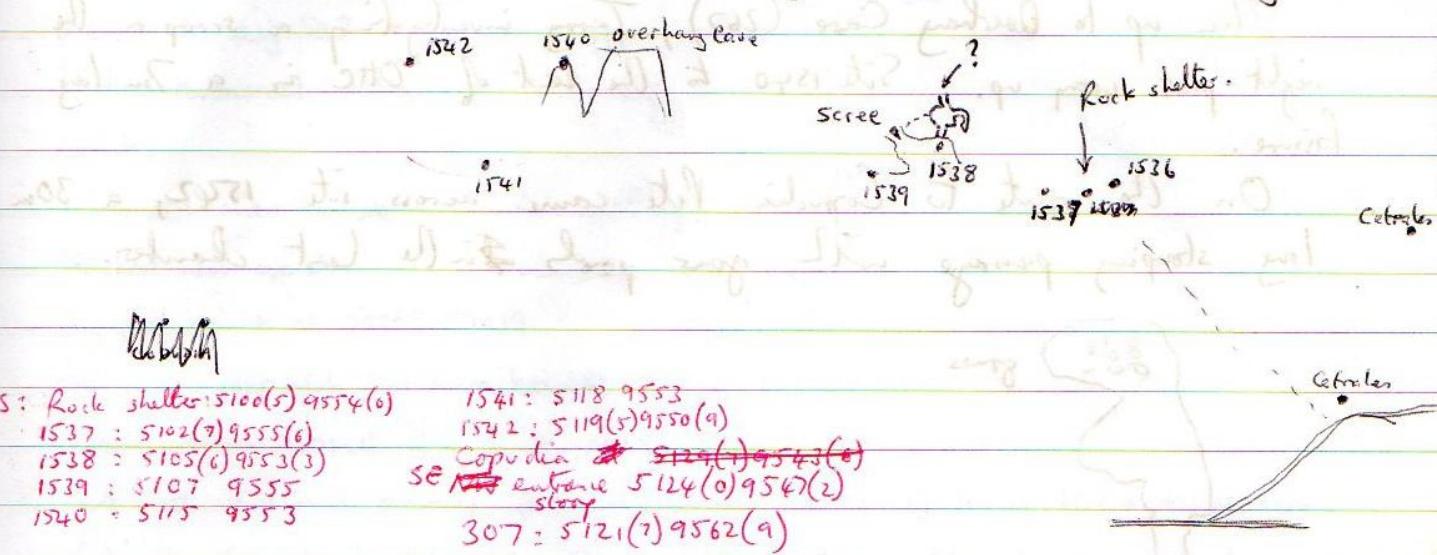
4/8/00 IAN & CARMER PICON.

WENT TO LOOK AT CLIMB ON RIGHT BEFORE SCREE SLOPE.

CLIMBED UP MAYBE 8m TO SEE CLIMB CONTINUATION INTO ROOF, NO HORIZONTAL PASSAGE. 2 SWINGS LEFT IN - RETURN NEEDED WITH ROPE TO AID RETURN FROM FURTHER UP. CONTINUATION DOES NOT LOOK HARD.

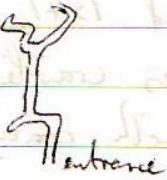
- 4/8/00 Ted + Bobby Ei Nasz.
- ① Cave 7.6m long (1534)
  - ② Cam flat crawl 4.0m 10 m below A
- Entrance ① Same altitude as Cordonade + Entrance bears 90° from church. (1535) R. Cordonade

7/8/00 - South Vega bits between new tank and Copodia.  
 Pete, Terry, Penny & Ivan finding new caves and extending old ones.



Headed up to obvious entrance to east of Cetralas valley, below cliff face. Turned out to be a roof-less rock shelter with bridge over the entrance. 20m to the west Terry explored 1536: <12> 1.5m long, old, small tube.

To the east in same cliff line, Pete explored a room with rift cave. - 1537



About 20m long.

Slightly up the hill to a cliff face with scree slope and a number of holes. 1538 is largest hole at base and is a chamber with short passage off to the right. Straight ahead is a small crawl at head height to a deep down and view down along a small rift that seems to drop into a chamber. Needs return with rope/ladder. Up the scree slope to the east a small entrance joins in the roof of the chamber.

Site 1539 is 6m long walk-in fissure.

Then up to Overhay Cave (267), Terry investigating a scoop on the right part way up. Site 1540 to the east of OTTC is a 7m long fissure.

On the route to Copodia Pete came across site 1542, a 30m long sloping passage with gauze pools in the last chamber.



To Copodia. At the back of the cave found a climb up in the rift which goes over a couple of drops to where it appears.

(but cave might continue down a drop. Ladder/rope needed? to continue down. Needs a return. Possible brought. Photo taken.)

On way back down Terry investigated 1541, near top of small near-vertical section. - 15m of head + knees crawling.

Finally Pete re-found site 307, with crazy paving floor and possible rusty Civil War remains.

4/8/00 Brigg

Tourist trip into Ullswater by Nigel / Angela / Al / Dave.  
Jungle setting better to back through.

4/8/00 - Park Note - Paul S., Tom Stevens

RIGGED CAVE TO HOLE IN WALL & THEN DESCENDED CHAMBER SEEN AT  
EASTER. <sup>SHORT</sup> BUT ROUTE NEEDED TO GET INTO HL PASSAGE

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3/8/00 Cubija valley

Nigel/Bill/Ian/Dave Hodgson

Went to dig 813.

Looked around valley  
first.

'C' is slot shaped hole

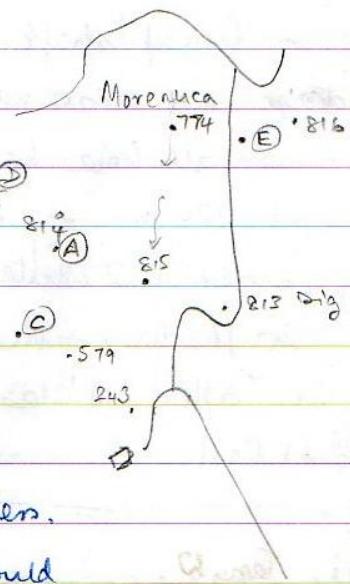
Blocked with no obvious

digging point at 50088.97039

'A' is a tight slot between boulders.

Dave got in about 2m but could not see beyond about another 1m. To N of 'A' is blind depression ('A' at 50136.97074 Alt 301m). Moved up to obvious feature at 'D' (50086.97107 Alt 342m) which is blind depression.

Checked 'E' which is feature by track (50227.97200 Alt 302m) and 'F' (50190.97148 At 284m) before starting dig at 813 (50204.97086). Ian removed boulder with pick. Dug down 2m following draught. Lot of earth needed shifting.  
Long dig.



.7. Mostajo

5/8/00 Enciso

Levi &amp; Nigel.

Potting. Went up at end of La Secada. Features spotted:

(1543) A: 51478/97210 Alt 342m Small cave - no draught. Under hazel tree.

B: 51459/97153 Alt 367m Blind depression

{ C: 51473/97129 small } depressions on N

{ D: 51424/97124 large } side of field with bars

E: 51411/97068 { grass filled depressions

F: 51413/97050 }

F.

G.

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224° 204°

18°

1544

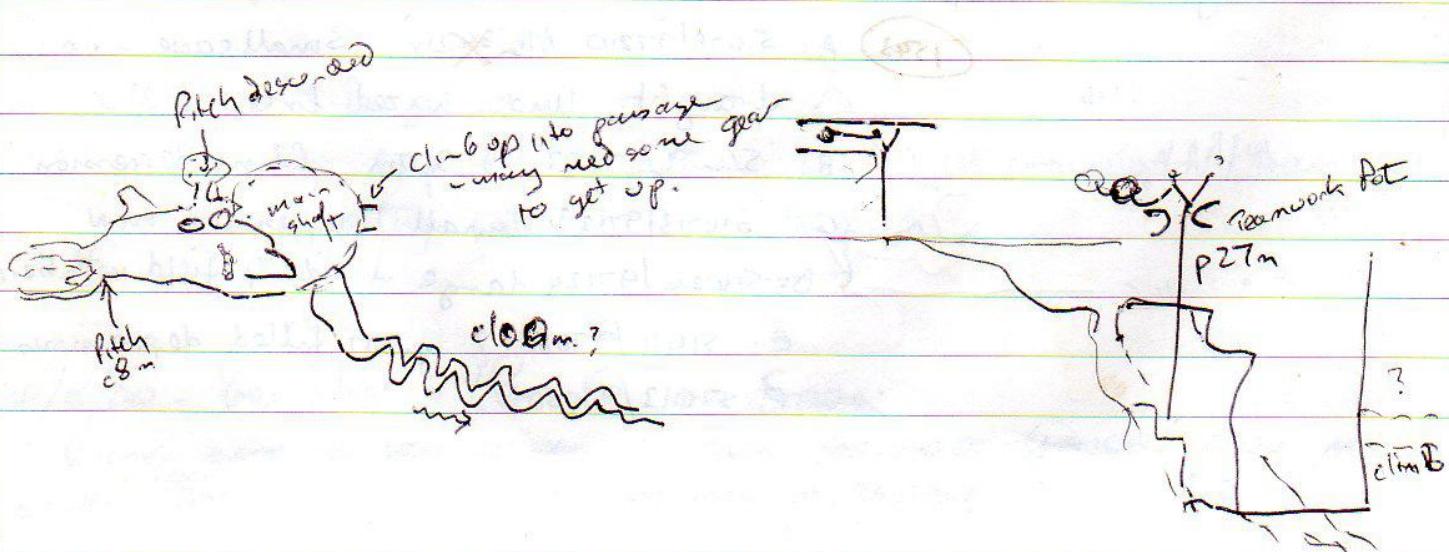
\* G: S1445/96964 - fenced shaft in clinty area. Alt 432m  
Estimate 30ft deep - not descended - sounds dead - no draught

H: S1619/96829 - small hole below sheep track - no extent

M: S1905/96710 Alt 424m - rilly feature covered with  
big boulders by farmer (2 white limestone, 1 yellow) -  
sounds about 20 ft deep - may be worth a visit.  
Dropped back to Bar after 'M' as we were getting cold, wet  
and thoroughly scratched.

5/8/00 Pop-a-Neel - Ali, Tony W.

Rigged had to stop at a 2<sup>o</sup> pitch, and pitch approx 8 m through eye hole into chamber. Rigged pitch on left in terminal chamber - 17 m descent, to climbs down into big shaft seen by traversing in chamber. Roaring stream passage rapidly degenerates to narrow canyon, where easiest way is to climb up at several points. Route partly follows dry seepage. Several side bits are probably seepages. Left passage going at descent under chockstone to stream which runs into small tube with moon-rock floor.



5/8/00 Bobby, Ted, Pete S, Andy Q, Phil, Hilary +

nb Fuentelos Vane → Muella. Task to survey 169 (foster 80m cue)

On the way up from the track which runs around the E side of Muella.

① Pitch on path covered by a plank 10' deep to choke

GPS gave 542 973 altitude 526 5426(2) 9738(4).

② Revisited 896. ref 542 972 | 549. 5429(7) 9725(1)

New description: 2m square entrance in small cliff. Steps cut in L.H. wall lead down to chamber. A rock pool collects drip water in one corner of a chamber 3-4m square. ~ 5m depth 0m

③ Cave located in small shale. Boulder slope of approx 5m meta leads to light soft stones drop 2m.

CR 542 971 ALT 580 5424(0) 9715(8).

④ Relocated entrance to 168 as G.R. 542 971 ALT 589 5422(2)

⑤ Went on and surveyed 169 with digital photo extree.

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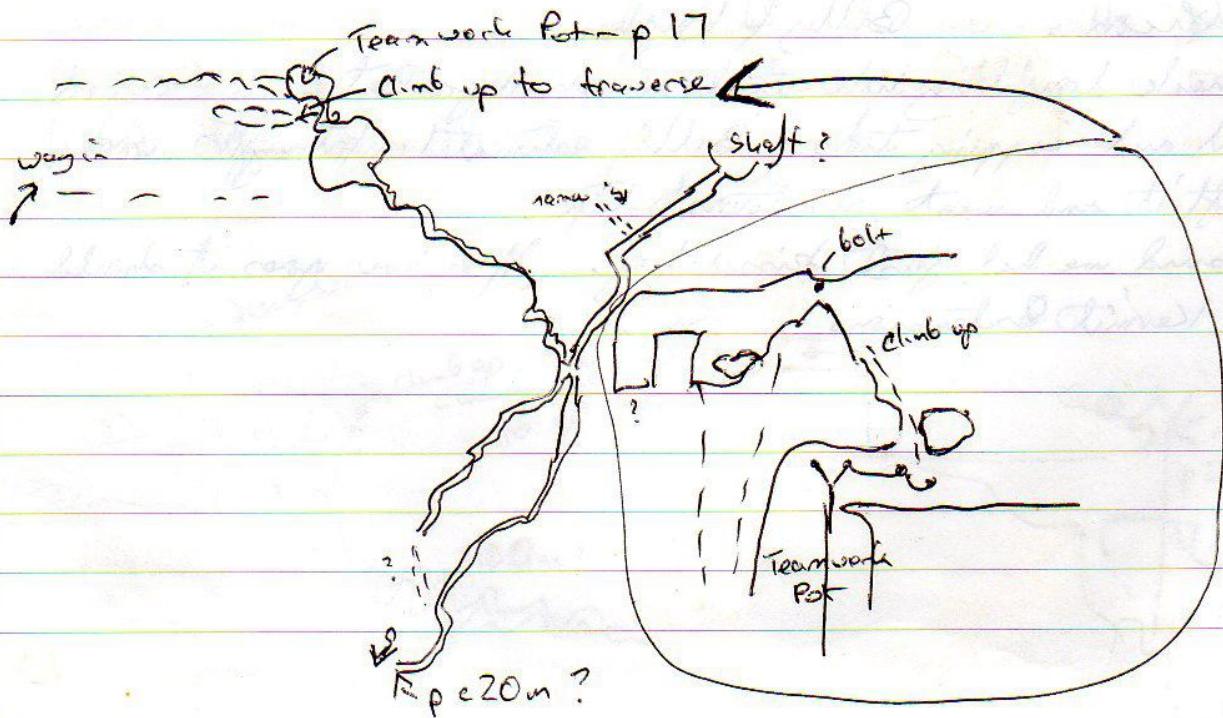
5/8/00 Bacon. Billy & Hugh.

To check droughting hole at bottom of Mega Bat - We came in the drill and rappelling tools. Billy estimated a fortnight's work, so we left it and went on a tourist trip.

Billy said we had just kissed a frog. If it ever goes it should be called Kermit Resurrection.

- 1/8/00 Bobby + Ted. N-Vega → Cubija
- (A) Caves: Earth floored chamber 5m x 2m alt 5105 9629 1547
  - (B) Caves: In higher level set of small cliffs 8m Hands and knees crawl to diggable crawl with way on visible but no drought Altitude 320 GR. 5078 9664 1548
  - (C) Shaft or ? fault line Needed rope for descent Alt 250 GR. 5681 9644 15-20' deep opt. mat. 1549
- Rancho

6/8/00 Papa Noel Ali, Pete E. Surveyed Teamwork Pot stream passage. Turn climb on left into dry passage followed on right to ~20m pitch (undescended), and on left over false floors to crawl into shaft with sound of falling water - not aired. Total ~230m. Then climb up new top of Teamwork Pot to slope of cemented cobbles into window done yesterday by TW. Descended slope through windows to ledge by big block overhanging shaft, FE belayed into passage which connects to a shallow pit - used a ladder to get down.



6/8/00 PST - RAPID - RIGGED ~25m up at top of BIG MESA & CONNECTED

INTO BIG CANYON, THIS IS BETTER WAY IN. ASCENDED INTO DISCO MAX & DOWN QLT CLIMB  
TO DE-QLT. EACH UP LINE PITCH & DESERGED LADDER PITCH THRU' HOLE IN WALL & THEN WENT  
TO REEF PETE + TEL.

7/8/00 Bobby + Ted West side of Caves

- (A) Leaked 83 which from survey seem fine.  
(B) 20 m up base of cliff from 83 obvious (11) 3 m high 2 m wide  
passage in 25 m to a narrow slot + continued ~~1556~~ 94

Decided it was so obvious that it 'must' be known and did not  
push it. 5317 9662

- (C) Rift like entrance in a 34 m cliff. A calcite band across  
about 5' off ground and blocked access underneath. This made access  
difficult so we left it. 36' unexplored.

Alt 565 5338 9664

- (D) Cave in overhang at foot of cliff leads a 20' shaft <sup>up</sup> with  
entrance in side of cliff

5336 9673

(1558)

- (E) 1107 flat crawl at foot of cliff in 10-15' wide low chamber  
peters out after 30'

(F) 1034 located and not explored again

- (G) Cave with stones blocking entrance. Needs a small amount  
of digging. Visible 15' slight draught

5291 9681

(1559)

- (H) 15 m below 1033. Rods to keep livestock out. 5 m bedding crawl. (1560)

- (I) Cave 5289 9681 Walk in to 10 m chamber with  
2 5 m passages off

R. Cuth

(1561)

6/8/00 walk - Terry, Nigel, Len, Bill, Hugh, Trish.

Started at Fuente las Varas and worked down to Mushroom Field identifying sites. Started at fenced shaft on hillside

(1550) (temp no X020 - 52831/98704) 5m blind shaft descended by Lennox.

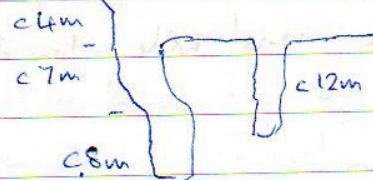
(1551) Moved on to fenced rift (X022 - 52844/98662) estimated 4m deep but not descended. Moved down to wooded area

(1553) (X023 - 52918/98551) could be 'Cave of Six Shafts' described in 1977 by Frank Addis. Entered by Terry who says it's 3 shafts

X023



Ent



c.12m

c.15m

continues v. narrow.

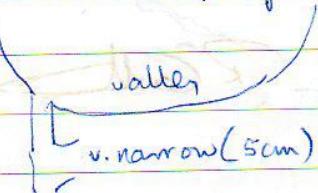
Moved on to large karst feature (wooded valley) with

(1552) draughting holes in field at X026 (52971/98417) and

(1553) X025 (52923/98403). Latter had trees over - removed.

descended 6m deep rift with draught from side (not bottom)

X025



v.narrow

(352) not located although TW thinks he found this on 7/8/00 but 20m to east. 3m square shaft just below fence line c. 10m deep with small tree in

(27)

Relocated shaft ① (351) at X027 (52857 / 98234) with trees over. (351) is described as 4 shafts. Another located at (352) X028 (52916 / 98234). Returned to Bar via Carrascosa.  
— — (All refs by GPS ± c6m)

N.B. (353) was not found despite fairly good landmarks

7/8/00 The Flintstones.

Started at Fuente las Varas quarry below summit.

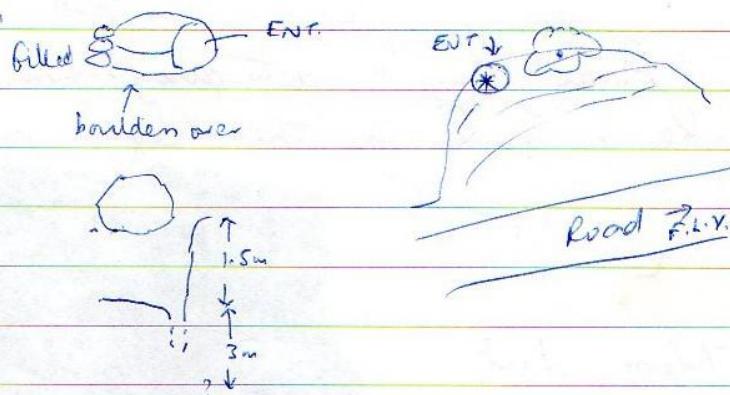
(355) Investigated little rift at X030 (52208 / 98665). Hole in top left corner of quarry mentioned by Tony Clinton. Big boulders above do not need to be removed as they protect rift which is c. 60 cm wide but blocked.

Continues very narrow  
below entrance hole.

Old stal in walls. Appears  
to be a local widening of rift.

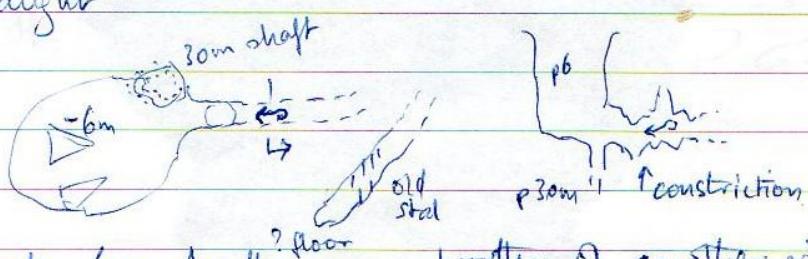
No draught except when wind

blew which suggests a connexion to other rifts in quarry.



Went over to (311) checked GPS at 51798 / 95263.

Cleared rift at top of 100' shaft and could see on best needs a bit more work. Removed some projections using stone hammer!  
Still good draught



Can see about 6m further on. Worthy of another visit

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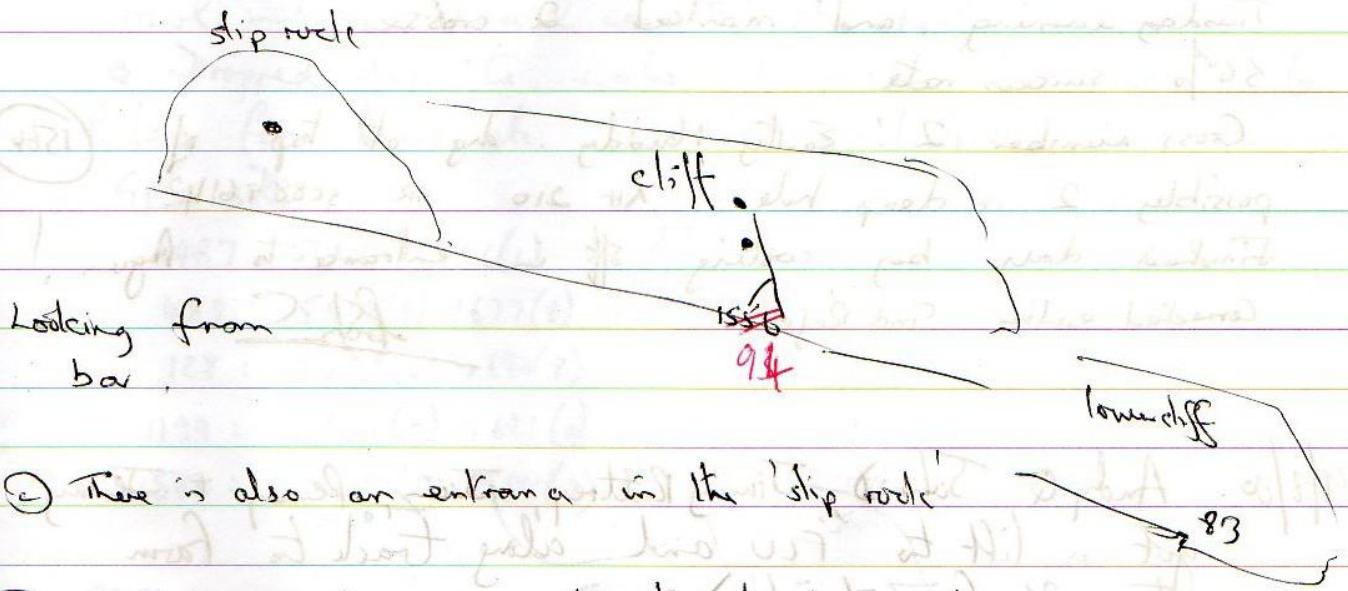
Andy, Julie, Arthur, Penny, Jenny, Joan & Jane with sundry ecologists from Madrid on a "how not to do it" trip down Tucro II + Agua - Jane in 'pot' Julie in skirt, Jenny in sandals + the rest wearing shorts (the Spanish on a fact finding mission). Several crayfish + very large spiders spotted. The only experienced, keen caver among the Spanish fell into the water 3 times but Arthur got through O.K.

Andy Pingle gets away from home + baby by saying he is going on the "Pilgrim route" in N. Spain.



8/8/00 Ted Bobby + Jimmy

- (A) Surveyed 1556 which has a 2<sup>nd</sup> entrance just above and to right of main entrance ~40m with Tantalizing draught in small chamber at end.
- (B) There are entrances in cliff above.



- (C) There is also an entrance in the 'slip rock'
- (D) Walked around corner at this level and noted fairly high up a low cave entrance which might be accessible to a climber. The main Matengzo church bears 19° altitude 500m

The down side: a very large vulture sat in it

- (E) Looked at an entrance in a bit of a fault line on same level + 100m further around.  
Don't bother it don't go!

R. Carroll

9.8.00 Ted + Bibby Cubigo / N Usuga

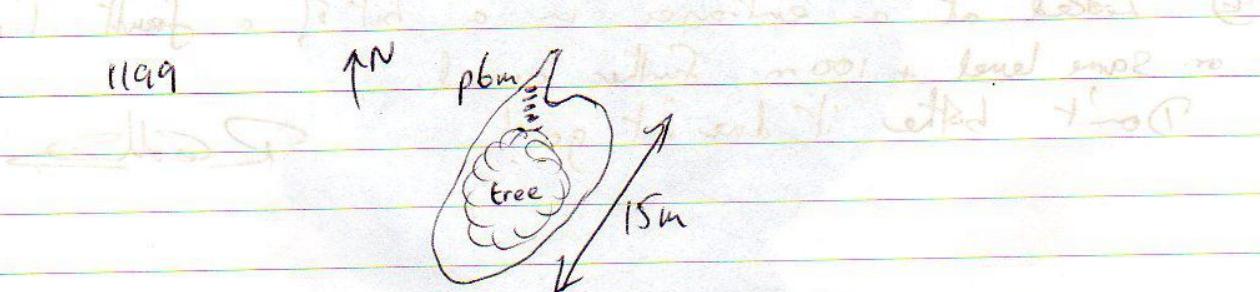
- (A) 1549 Descended + surveyed: Choked nfr 4m deep
- (B) Adjacent to 451, Above tree line at approx Alt 2180  
GR 5082 9608 Dig into 2-3m shaft with slight draught  
Chamber at bottom seems to widen (1563)
- (C) Ted Doused with a match stick over the map on  
Tuesday evening and marked 2 crosses  
50% success rate

Cross number 2! Earthy Muddy dig at top of possibly 2 m deep hole Alt 210 GR 5088 9614 finished day by cutting off in entrance to Agua! Corrected earlier Grid Refs. Bob C

9/8/00. Andy Q, John D, Jimmy Rettrey, Ivan, Lemuel + Jeremy got a lift to FIV and along track to farm turn-off from Linda D.

Then up for a level walk traversing past 489, 487 to home. Lunch at end of overhang.

Then up to 1199, in depression just back from the drop down to Ozona. Turned out to be 6m deep, vegetated depression with tree and choked. Hardly work carrying a ladder.



Temperature then rose for trying to walk across the "face" towards Concebo and Subterranea. All holes under the top cliff turned out to be alveoles. On the way back from the furnace, Andy came across site 1562, a cave which required one rock revision to give a short crawl into a small calcited chamber, 5m long.

Dropped down to waterfall path and came down to Balers for beers, etc. Too hot for hillsides today. 42°C on GPS site:

487: 5410(2) 9666(1) - ??

489: 5418(5) 9677(8) - ??

128: 5420(4) 9690(8)

1199: 5432(8) 9621(0).

1562: 5405(7) 9616(3)

the limestone.

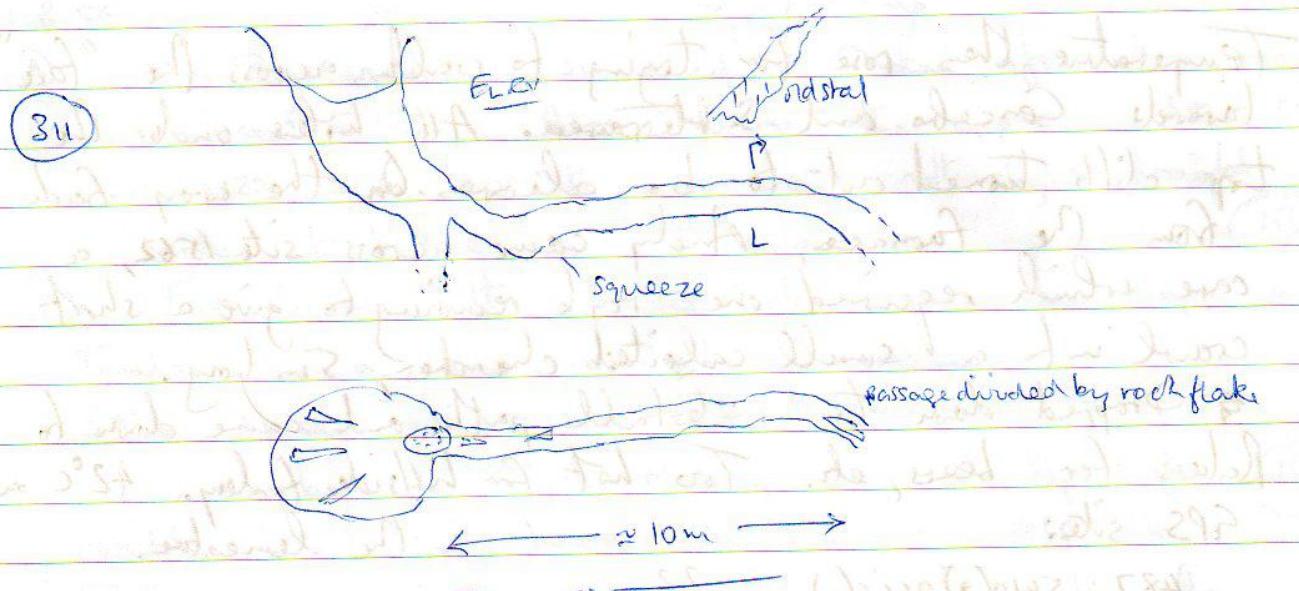
8/8/00 Terry & Nigel. 1538 and Copudia

went up to 1538 with ladder to 'explore' and survey. No progress. Surveyed both exits. On to Copudia to survey. Draught at end comes up hole about 20m deep (+) and 10cm x 20cm section. Surveyed whole cave.

9/8/00 Nigel, Bill, Len, Pepe. 311 and Seldesuto

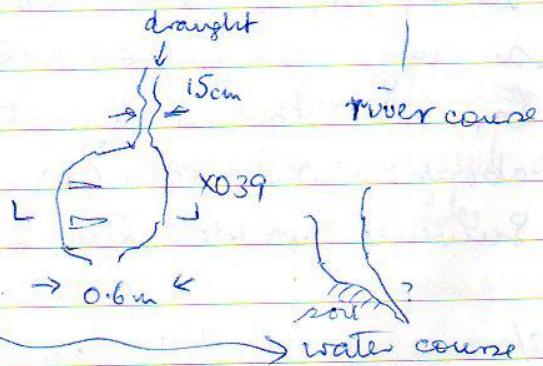
Knocked away constriction in 311 (see 7/8/00) and got on about 6m to where draught comes upwards out of parallel rifts divided by thin rock plate. Left cave. (See over)

311



went on to Seldesuta and located draughting holes at river crossing that have been dug before. Walked across field to next gully and found two more draughting holes (roaring) on opposite banks c. 10m apart. Dug at X039 for a while in solid rock walled rift. Too much like hard work at present. Could be worth another dig but restricted space. Covered with sticks and drift.

X036	49682	94728	
1565	X038	49743	94777
1566	X039	49710	94764



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4-8-00 Paul + John Pagan Noel, (1471) (Repeat)

Rigged pitches into 'Incredible Chamber' thru' hole in the wall and entered chamber below. A squeeze lead plus to head at undescended pitch ~ 25m, climb to HL in chamber examined.

5-8-00, John + Max Pagan Noel.

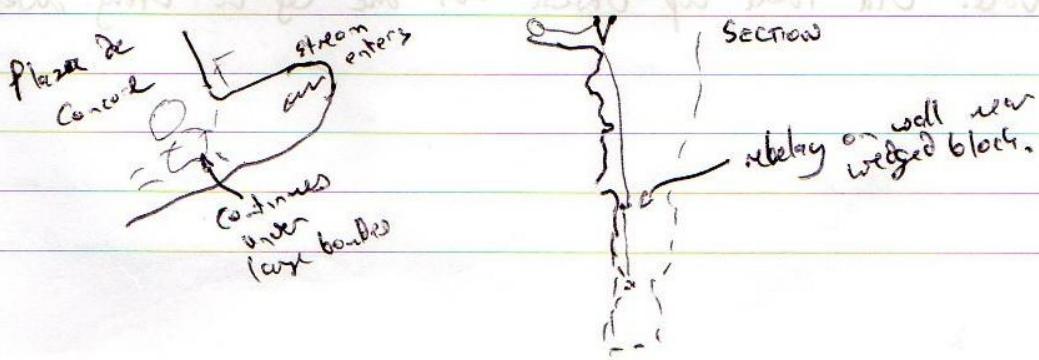
Bolted climb to HL, rigged with ladder to enter 'Disco Maze' a chamber 20m x 50m with nice columns and a rope climb down leading to a # old vadous rift. This enlarges as ovens deep in. A loose shattered slope leads to the head of a 30m (undescended) pitch looking into a massive chamber 'Place de Concorde' Paul + Pete E. joined us after dropping pitch beyond squeeze foul yesterday. Surveyed out. 600+ m in all.

- SIGHT GOES TO NARROW MEANDER - NEEDS RIGGING

7/8-00 Pagan Noel, John, Paul, Pete, Max, Santi, Ali,

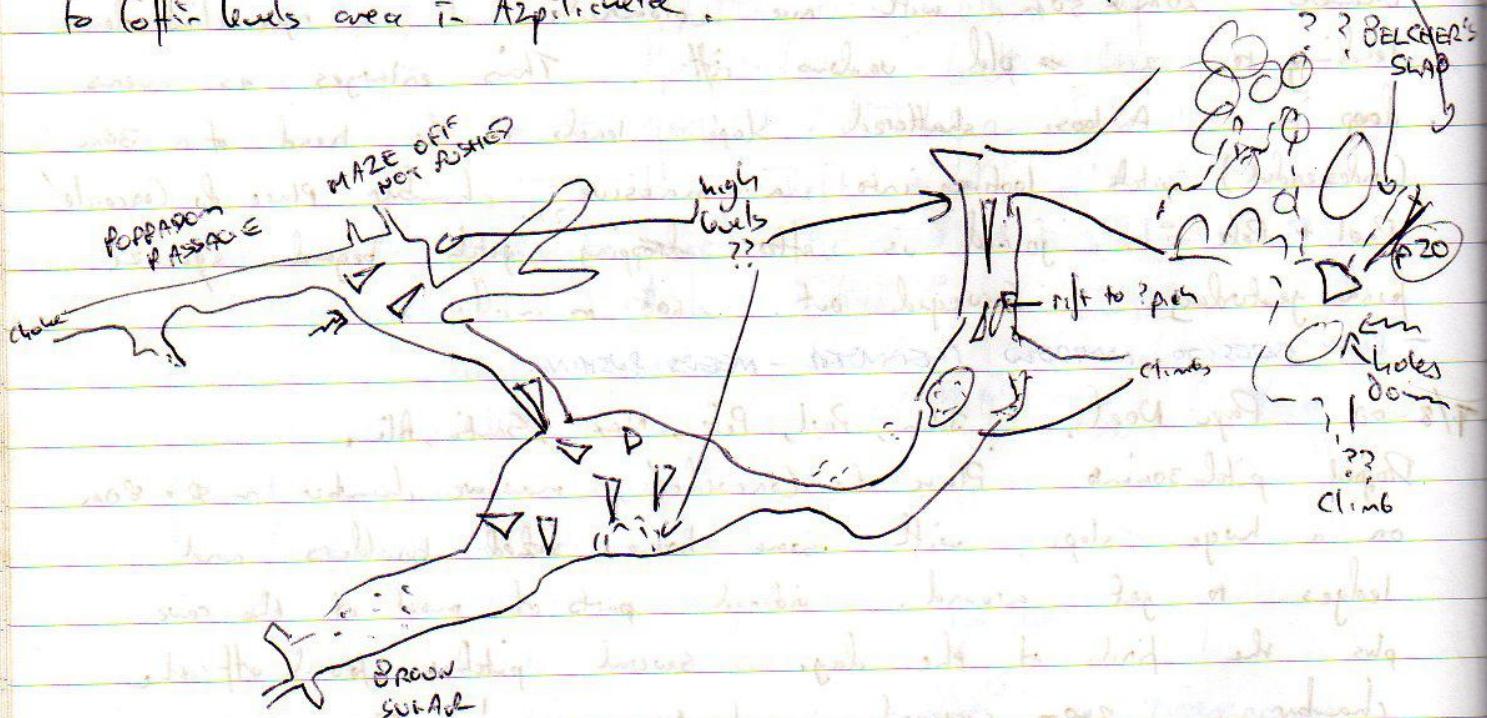
Dropped pitch 30m into 'Place de Concorde', massive chamber ~ 80x80m on a huge slope, with some house sized boulders and ledges to get around. видел parts of most of the cave plus the finds of the day. Several pitches foul off the chamber, 240m surveyed in chamber area! 55

Tumbling Dice Pitch in back corner of Plaza de Concorde descended ~ 25m - ran out of rope 10m short of apparent pitch bottom. AN



9/8/00 H: Paul S, Pete E, Ian Linton, Denton

AN < PS descended Belcher's Slab - c20 m pitch down slab to short drop -reefing on large wedged block. To left at foot holds + boulders, climb up to possible higher level. This area not posted properly. To right eventually found route down through boulders into chamber with many sandy + bedrock passages v. similar to Azpilicueta horizontal levels, 1/2 km surveyed. Ends appear close route down from Plaza de Torrade to Coffin levels area in Azpilicueta.



9/8/00 Coscoven - Phil + Terry + Surrey Pitch in and top passage for detail.

Note: Old route up traverse has one leg in wrong direction. (13-14 courses)

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## CAPTION COMPETITION



Jimmy finally gets even with Pablo

Jim finds the food had run out at the barbecue and turns  
to cannibalism.

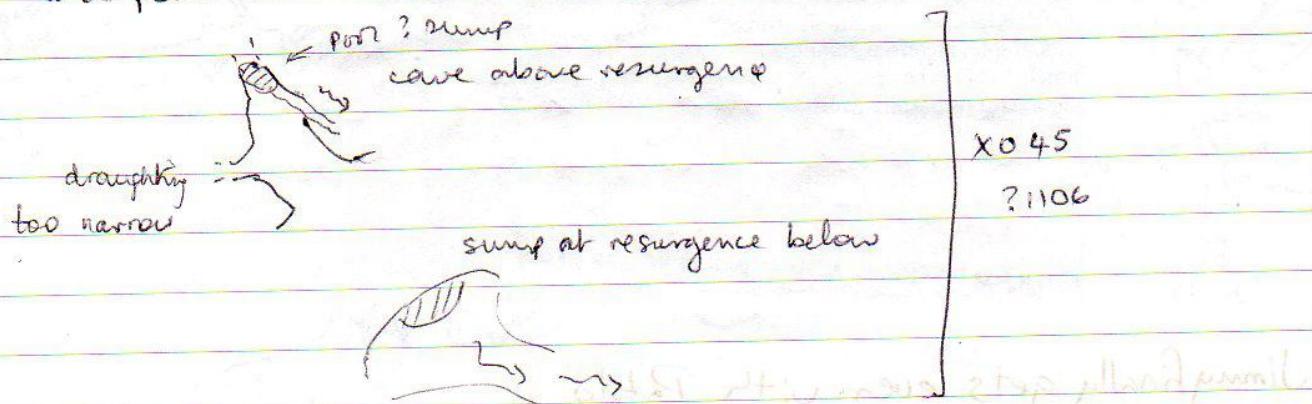
Jim finally gets the sink plunger off his head.

You WILL listen to Jimmy marrowfat singing a sea shanty!

11/8/00 Bill, Len, Nigel, Sue walk round hillside above Savorzana.

Started at 5213/0189 on valley. Large grassy hollow below road but no cave (X042 - 52221/02000).

Skirted east of wood. Blind depression at X043 (52365/02046) and in adjoining field - some very large but no possible cave (X046 - 52429/02069). Then down to resurgence at 52278/02122 (approx) with small cave above drafting slightly. This tallies with (1106) on map although grid ref on card for (1106) has been changed to a place with no cave around! ■■■



Left area, tried to get up the valley at 5235/0185 but jungle impenetrable so skirted area to reach top of valley. Nothing found. Moved to western valley - small spring at X050 (51964/01625) - stream bed below ends at about 51958/01688. Then jungle from there back to road. Nothing promising found. No sites to be numbered.

9/8/00 Phil, Terry W, Max Dobbie + JOANNIE - Codeca - re-running 400m pt passage & Pilch route. No problems

except Terry & Mac could not make Pothole to go in.  
Bougnatine

Pitch numbered 78 with an orange "cow" tag, go between two upright rocks. N.D. porch bolts are natural below around rocks (10m needed in total). 1st pitch 28 m to slope of 4m to 2nd pitch of 26m, one rope will do both with cone - little rub. Follow down to flat floor of a side "crab" through 4m to 600 ft passage - Right for ent., left up our bolder choke to 100 m pitch.

11/8/00 Peter E, Paul S, Ali, Santi

1471

Returned to maze sea photo trip on way with digital camera. Maze turned out to be one passage (mainly) with a few side bits/crevices some to be entered and surveyed.

After the first junction, the left side passage is a caving the RH continues over 300 m to a pitch down at end and pitch part way to end. Mainly whole passage walking with gypsum floors or crusty mud on rock.

A good draught all the way, odd bits to look at on next trip in.

Excited cave and tied all tackle together - plus de la concorde, next trip will de-tangle

Note

~~Entrance needs  
better cover.~~

PL

12 AUG 00 Jimmy RETBAC. 415 in 87

The mystery of the pitches in 415  
is answered. See 87 log book 9 Aug.  
a grade 1 is at the bottom of the  
page. Go to station 50 off the survey.  
On righthand side an ascending tube.  
at the top left is a crawl through to  
a right to right to head of 10m? pitch.  
then through a low bit to head  
of a series of pitch. I used up  
6 ladders and still didn't reach  
the bottom. Throwing rocks revealed  
50' to 100' pitch with a ledge.  
The tube draughts strongly but  
at end of 6 ladders it had disappeared.  
There is a sandy ledge in an  
enlargement at 34m? down, a possible  
place where the draught comes from.  
The <sup>draught</sup> is coming out of the tube.

11/8/00 BBQ at Saenger Alby. Censored; cemented  
international relations with Eco conference in the  
traditional way. His devotion to the national interest  
is commendable.

SEX 39



Come on, lets play catch with this live shell!

14 August 2000.

Hugh descended a bramble covered hole with a fence around it. Depth 20 ft. choked with mud, stones and other rubbish. (GRID: 505315 970435 - approx.)

13th August Ben, Jenny + Ivan. Went to pirate Andy's triangular shadow on a Christmas photo round on the Chever side of Muela. Walked past alleged area noticing nothing of interest around the 3 troughs near the wooden fenced area. Continued to photo 297 using Pete Gass big one. On way back came across 2 velvins and half a dozen covers from ~~SEA~~ pirating somewhere on Muela. Back in time for paella at the Bathers.

14th August Lured by tales of sloping chambers and unexplored passages, told by Pete, Andy Q, Phil Bob and Ivan joined him on a slog up behind his house. Turned out that the site was 68-Sima Fiestra. — two entrances,

Older cave to the NW now number 1556. Plot of 724 metres.

Lead to a 25m pitch. See 1975 Bo publication.

(3) 8/00 Ali, Nigel, Pete E and Pete S in Pavaoar. Trip to try to connect with Azpilicueta/Penada and descend shafts. Ali + Nigel went to maze area and into oxbow on west to try radio contact with Phil/Terry. No contact for 1/2 hr; either the radios not working, rock too thick, or nothing could be heard as Terry was describing a butterfly. Looked around in various holes but no progress. Surveyed an oxbow passage. On way out, looked down passage ending in sandy slope under anastomosis roof. Ali pushed about 3m - worth digging - draughting. Then out to surface detaching. Detail on 8/4/00 trip to follow (they found > 200m).

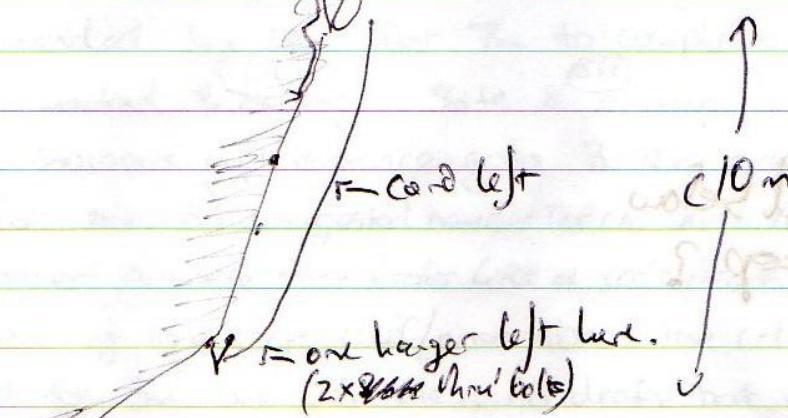
THUR 10 AUG, 00 Jimmy Rattay & Jerry W. walked from San Miguel on the Camino de Ogarrio up to Caseria del Guarda where there are some large shakers. Nothing to report other than the track is now negotiable with a landrover up to this point. It has been extensively widened by the forestry people.

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15/8/00 Torca de Regulon - Ali + Pagan

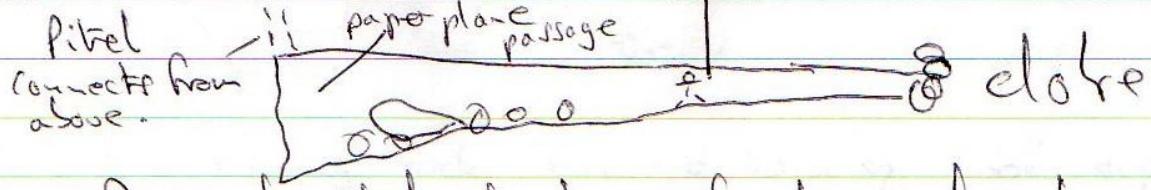
Started downwards boltaroute to get to upper left hand ledge going off past way from shaft. Placed thru bolt at top as spot decoy. From Y-hang PE used nuts or 3 bolts to ~~descend~~ descending exchange wall to top of 45° overhang, where we got scared and ran away!! but first put in Y-hang and left cord to regain this point.

Tree  
1 spf (thru bolt (8mm dia))



13/8/00 Peter + Pedro as part of bigger party. in 1471M

~~Reckled~~ Reckled bottom of large chamber quickly and found pitch down near belchers slab after some searching. Pitch landed in passage going both ways are cloaked in bolder, other ended in chamber. Pitchdown



Dropped pitch at top of large chamber (plus de la Concorde) this was stark pitch in to

(undescended) lead to a meandering passage with junction at gow pool the left branch was surveyed for 150m plus ad is still going with strength, probably heading for pile near hole in wall of incredible clutter.



Pit below  
Jeep?

Detached cave except for rope up disco  
Mose. No connection was made at snow bar  
passage or bypass.

passage as follows. Some of the  
folk had been told that the old man  
was a hermit, but he was not.  
He had been a teacher of the people  
and had taught them well. He had  
taught them many things, but he  
had also taught them to be kind  
to all living creatures. He had  
taught them to be honest and  
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(wh) school spot. To you do big boy or a  
of a big duck low ride (brown) of ab

NORMAN TIM MARIE IAN.  
16/8/2000 NJF, TEW, MNB, ICL MUELA.

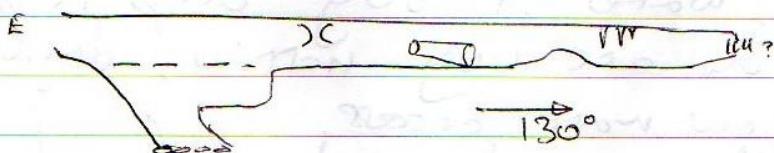
Went to go shaft bashing some undescendeds.

At 320 shalehole decided to sweep search knoll to east as there were no sites on the map. Found small shalehole with small hole in base with hole in rocks above. Tim went in shalehole through 2m tortuous crawl to  $2m \times 2m \times 1.5\varnothing$  chamber (conical) no way on, holes intersect.

Norman found shaft a few meters away covered by large rocks, this was descended by Ian for 7m to complete choke (NAME:-TOP CAT POT) Both sites marked B on map. Site A on map is in rock wall directly above site B - obvious rift entrance goes 3-4m and closes down. (Good locator for site B) (suggested name:-TOP CAT CAVE) All sites close to prominent round-topped pinnacle that looks like a cat's head.

In the base of the rock cliff/nose above the cd is a ~~is~~ phreatic ~~tube~~ tube accessed for 5m but continues, no draft but easy digging the floor out.

Visible from here on the east side of the 320 shalehole is ~~a~~ what looks like a rock shelter but on closer inspection is a large entrance ( $2m \times 3m$ ) ~~is~~ with a sloping floor into a vadose canyon passage. Climb down to floor level goes nowhere. Roof level goes for  $\approx 4cm$  to soft calcite choke with small continuation beyond. Mostly walking passage - entrance marked CM1 in green paint.



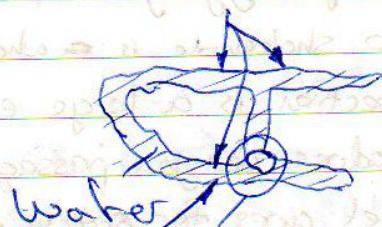
Site E is in base of rock. Entrance 40cm sq. Loose slope down into two intersecting chambers 5m long.

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14/8/00. Cast of 17 into La Cavia. (Ecologist + Bits). Photos taken.

Same cast of 17 into Grutas. Photos taken. Then to FUV bar.

16/8/00 Hole in road Phil, Peters, Ali (a site visited  
Visited wet section previously seen  
by Ian + SUSS. Out and soon find shaft off to send off to  
All narrow + wet on sections and no ref to records I am



(Site marked on map)  
near station?

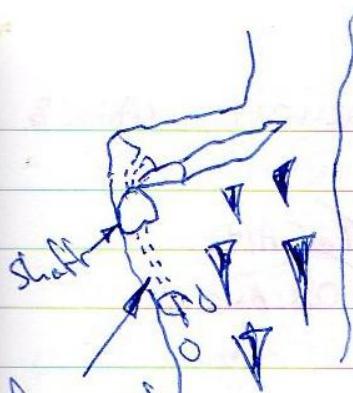
Deep climb down (SQ snow removed)

A climb down between blocks enters a wet section of cave, water is very deep in parts but all ways in are very narrow, drier weather may allow more access.

A small shaft was also entered (marked o - map as ? RH Wall facing into cave)

It was possible to dig from the bottom of the pot to exit on rubble slope, it may be worth digging

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more in the floor, as it appears to be deeper below, but will take a lot of digging out.

A short section of sloping bedding was also dug into but no draft ad section maybe, no possible continuation, stalls in worth digging? root of bedding

Pitch was detached and a traverse line left in to access the hole into main cave.

Reff

18/8/00. Jenny, Ben, Ivan and Matthew O'Donnell cave searching on the same hillside as La Cueva de la Vega (360). Visited the cave first and took some photos. Spread out to scan the hillside up to the Baranda valley. Nothing of interest found.

In the cave, there is a lot of charcoal and possibly pottery at the top right of the cave, past the helictite squeeze. Longer description needed.

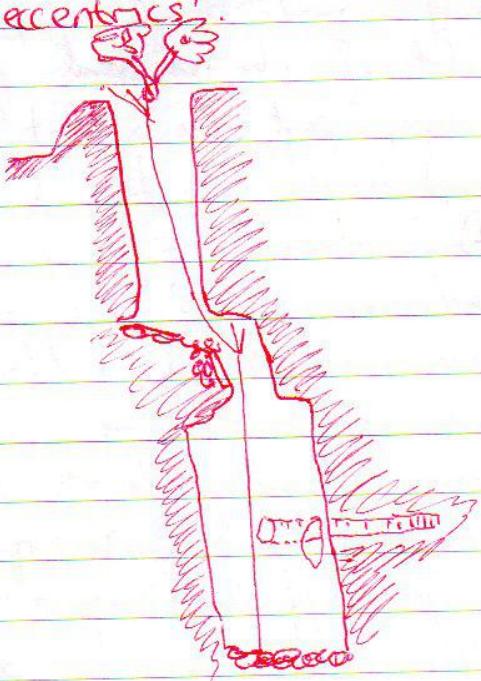
GPS entr. 5055(7) 9615(2)

18/8/2000 Muell/c. IAN, TIM, PETE, NORMAN F, MARK B

GPS Located 1567 5595 9649 554m Alt.  
1568 5595 9647 570m Alt  
1569 5585 9646 570m Alt  
1570 5582 9634

Began search for 324 - never found it but found all those new sites instead.

(1573) 5590 9621 5m deep, choked next to large tree in Shadedhol  
(1574) 5589 9617 8m deep shaft with small tree. Alcove at bottom  
Alt 540m. 5614 960 (1575) Mistletoe Pot. x18m shaft with two intertwined trees  
at top, one oak, one olive tree looking with mistletoe. Choked  
at base but in lower corner is moonlike shaft top and ~6m  
shaft with soft calcite walls ending in complete choke-  
~8m up shaft is low crawl - well decorated with stal and  
'eccentrics'.

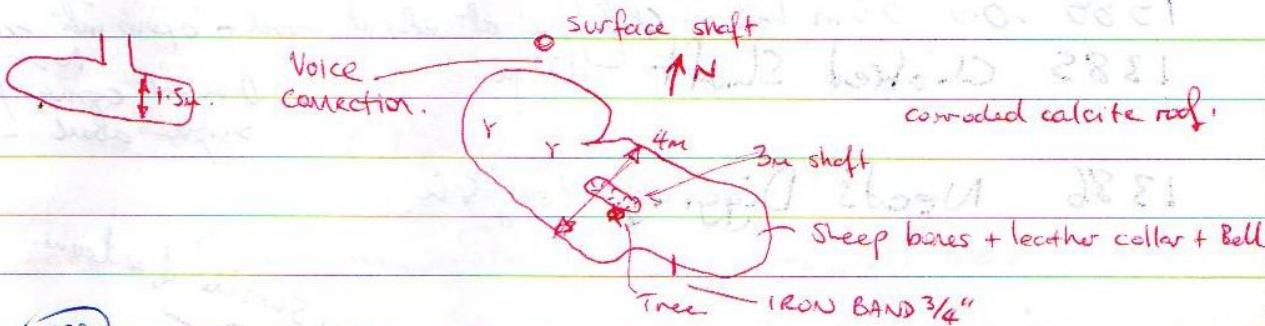


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5605 9605 S end of shakehole. 5m shaft - mud floor. Tight  
 rift continues (too tight!!).

5615 9598 ~~30m~~ SSE of a Mistletoe pot. Low shaft - choked.

5608 9617 3m shaft To 8m long 3m high, 4m wide rift  
 passage. Vocal connection to surface at W end.  
 Leather collar and bell at E end.



5606 9616 5m deep rift. 1m Ø at base - choked

5598 9587 Drafty dig in S. end of big shakehole - needs lots of  
 effort but a promising site!!

5596 9586 15m NW of ↑, drafty dig in cdd shakehole in side of  
 main shakehole

High on W bank of above shakehole, above the tree-line  
 are the following 2 sites.

5595 9583. Shaft with bush (<sup>(9m)</sup> near) shaft with tree to ~~North~~)  
 17m deep, bell shaped shaft - choked.

5591 9582 4m deep choked shaft above previous.

Then we went home, and watched end of bike race.

(after attempting "death by Norton" - Mark & Norman off road action)

17/8/00 Phil, Peter, Ian, Tim  
walked above Tu most towards the Vaccinaria.

GPS 05041 9434 (1584)  
② 5042 9435 (1585)  
③ 5053 9424 (1586)  
④ 5076 9438 (1587)  
1216  
1272  
1390

All fenced shafts  
up to 8m deep.  
Only one needed digging probably  
number ①

1588 0.5x0.6m hole in cliff face at edge of wood - opens into small grotto  
1385 Choked Shaft - 10m

Draught - NO go.  
comes from cracks to  
surface above - Photo  
(P. P. Morris)

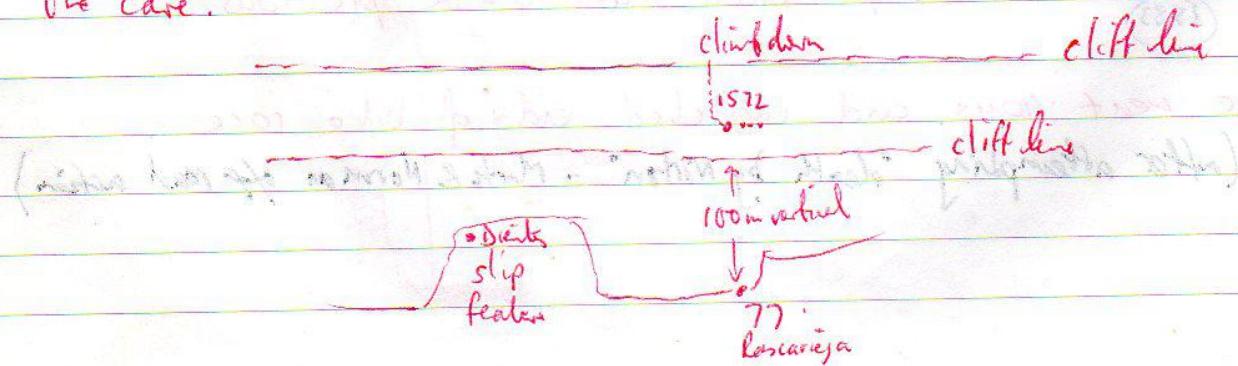
1386 Needs Digging - draughts in

relief? GPS: 5226(8) SW side of limestone  
9637(1) JSE

19/8/00 Pete, Ivan, Claudi +. Cofresedo - archaeologists plan autumn dig.

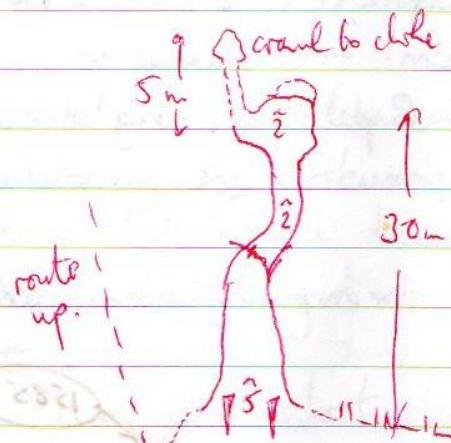
19/8/00 Bob, Ivan, Jenny, Matthew, Andy, Julie, Arthur, Rosie

① Hunt for the caves seen from the Vega Bar last week. Set off from the quarry on El Naro and descended to the tree above the grassy slope seen from the bar. However a straight climb down the limestone to the west of the entrance reaches the cave.



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SPS for 1572 is VNS180(6)9646(8). Entrance about 5m high and  
3m wide goes in about 30m to a crawl on the left and  
a choke.

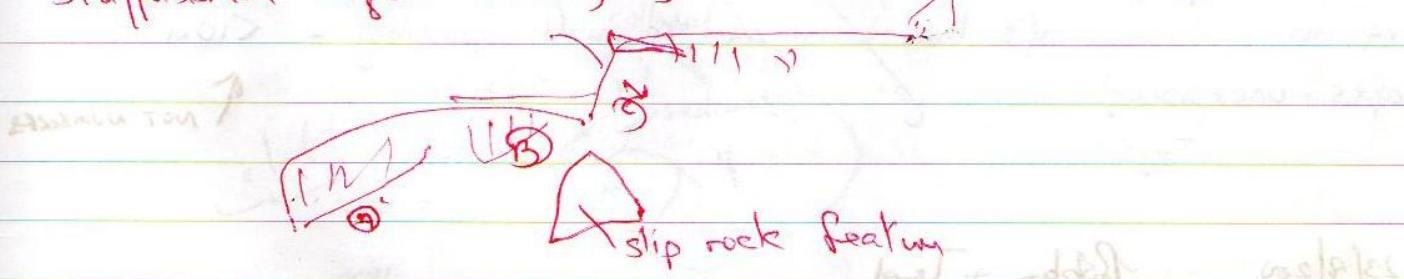


Other small caves to the east are just animal shelters.

② View from Sauceman Street (Bobby + Luke).

After carrying dog to more  
Staffordshire sized walking ground.

Top of Elvass



~~1580~~ 1582

- ~~1580~~ 1581

(A) Freshly fallen hole in ground is 'just a hole full  
of earth' 4-5' deep + could be dropped into to  
make sure it is 'just that'

(B) low coast with way on visible at foot of cliff

~~1585~~ ~~1580~~ C Fairly well hidden 4-5' diameter hole seems  
to have slow sloping down to the right

22/8/2000. IAN + NORMAN.

Top bedding in cliff containing sites 271 - 274 looked interesting through binoculars from the campsite

Rigged in from RH grass ledge to find deep, long alcove.

Absailed in to biggest and most promising looking hole on very vegetated rift line - big alcove.

Moved left again and did a freehanging abseil past the other two alcoves - never mind.

1585

In difficult terrain above cliff found 4m shaft to a base of boulders with gaps - possible continuation visible. Found site 635 about 15m away to NE. While walking back to N end of cliff found a deep shakehole full of trees, did not investigate but right next to it is a rift line with at least 1, possibly 2 <10m shafts - unexplored.

↑ NOT NUMBERS

IAN

23/8/2000 Bibby + Ted

Back to 1563

Dug to enter climb 10' deep to small chamber with 3' to right. To left 15' crawl to small chamber. Tight passage in stal leads to eye hole and way on can be seen. No draught



(51)

24/8/00. John J, Bob + Ivan onto Ensen to look at sites

~~Bob + Ted~~ came across on 19/8/00.

Rose

1587 Is just a 2m deep collapsed earthy depression

1586 At base of SW cliff. Small hole goes into bowl that parallels hillside and becomes too small. Can see 5m in total. No draught. Length = 5m

~~1585 = 184~~

3m drop onto short slope and chamber that runs down from left to right with sediment on the left and possibly in roof. Collapsed chamber?



GPS: 1586 5191(4) 9664(8)

~~1586~~ 184 5188(7) 9667(8)

1587 5194(8) 9663(4)

623 is probably 5181(5) 9669(2) - But the whole of this small depression + caves want re-exploring + positions established

GPS: 5421(8) 9559(4)

26/8/00

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→ GPS: 5425(7) 9575(5)

J + P.

1589 + 1590 ← stones drop about 10m. Needs doing.

Jean + Lucy intended to walk up shallow, flat valley (but parallels road in Ozana). Instead turned east and walked up hill to about Subterranean level. \* On way back down found shaft <sup>1590</sup> covered with large boulder. Removed boulder and could see down to be 2 rocks then 2m more to more rocks. Looks difficult to remove rocks, especially the first which is the cap now down the hole. Rebar + big mesh entrance. <sup>2x ladder having rope required</sup>

\* On way up came across earth stumps that need investigation in colder weather and less vegetation. 1589 is lowest stump in v. shallow valley.

26/8/00 Steve, Sue + Pete, from San Miguel to look for Joe's lost cave

1. 001 1591 5645(3) 9693(0)

2. 002 1592 5637(7) 9699(4)

3. 003 1593 5646(3) 9650(0)

1. Stooping height entrance into a chamber about 12 m long, with a high roof - flattish mud floor. No ways on.
2. Shaft 5-7 m deep; 3 m wide, undescended.
3. Remnant 5m deep, 6m wide, some dead stal. In hazel coppice. Walk-in, all choked up.

27/8 Andy Q, Pete J and Steve M re-survey

La Cavia (86)

Indicates working



# **MATIENZO CAVES PROJECT**