

MATIENZO CAVES PROJECT

LOGBOOK

Year: 1988

Season: summer

Logbook pages scanned to jpg then combined into a pdf file using <http://smallpdf.com/>

Juan Corrin, January 2015

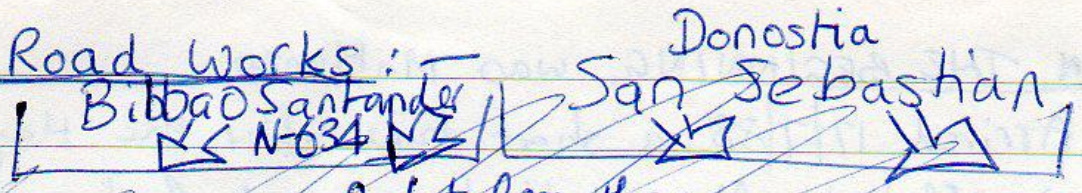
IN THE BEGINNING was Matienzo.

Arrived 17/7/88, a short time after the Haymarket Caring Club, to discover that missed Pedro by a few minutes. Came down via France, via circuitous route (Clermont Ferrand etc) and discovered Lot Valley. Lots of caves ^(Grottes de Foissac), limestone, steam train, very friendly bar(s). Arrived Bastille Day to sample local equivalent of a Spanish Fiesta. Boogied till 2 am+. Next evening determined to have quiet night, went to local bar/restaurant to discover band having meal on next table. Evening evolved into full blown piz-^{up}, with blokes playing trombone/clarinet/trumpet/tenor sax/snare drum/bass drum. Got pressed onto playing bass drum to tunes never even heard before. Escaped very pissed at a respectable time by Matienzo standards. Next day stuck head into French caves, bumped into French bloke underground, looking at Matienzo-style stuff (no, perhaps not as large).

Several days later, passed amazing Spanish road works in tunnel near San Sebastian. (PTO)

Should have been 4 lanes wide, suddenly without warning reduced to 2 or 3, all contradictory road markings, complete with wagon sticking out, blocking one lane.

Spanish Road Works:



A lot less than
4 lanes wide

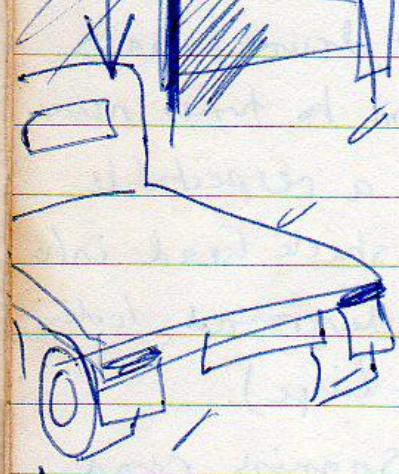
Wagon
Sticking
Out

TUNNEL

Scaffolding

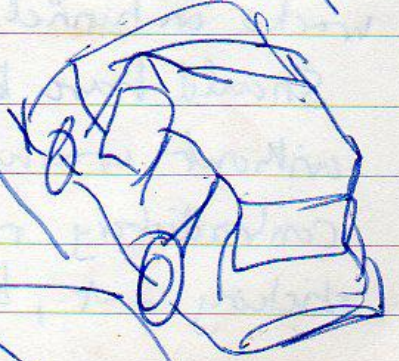
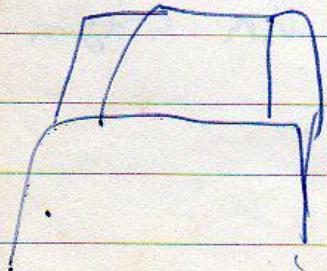
Contradictory
Road
Markings

Very
late
Road
Signs



SHIT!!!

MERDE!



18/7/88 Tourist trip down Agua. Joe, Jim, Dave, Pete, John
One wet suit, 4 Alpinex + waterproof overalls.

4 hrs trip. Lots of lardy olive oil tins, Repsol / Cepsa cans, a freezer etc etc. Must be 300 tonnes of scrap metal down there.

Emerged into thunderstorm - lot of heavy rain for good part of next 2 days.

20/7/88 Trip down Renada - Jim, Joe, Dave, Pete, John.
Basic demonstration trip, for Haymarket CC, to familiarise themselves with Renada for Cokron / Azpilicueta throughtrips. Went in to find $\approx 18''$ of water in first part before 2nd entrance. Lake present in old end of cave, good knee deep. Also present just before blowhole, similar depth. Muddy bits quite wet also. Duck much same as always, tho' good flow through - inlet on other side very noisy. Quick stomp up Sanatogen, to discover Azpilicueta ladders derigged. Tested markers back out, by getting HCC to lead. Up main drag to Castle Hall, tried in vain to find bottom of 220' pitch. Then along Gallery of Dead / Ghost Lake to (belatedly) find bootlace passage. Turned back at pitch to 2 Sumps Passage, despite loads of lamp

problems, (carbides) out of Renada in approx
1 1/2 hours.

23/7/88 Over beyond top of Ason Valley to La Gandara
then up to --- to spend hour or two wandering over
Scottish-type hillside (mucho heather) looking for Mega shaft.
Eventually discovered, near where we started. Very
impressive - dry valley turns vertical. Big shaft with
very large ledge halfway down. Probable 100 m
straight drop from overhanging top. Pedro & Spanish
carvers/archeologists looking (with some success) for flints.
Rest of us looking for flints / wondering at huge depths
below. Very impressive place.

25th July 1988.

Mostajo - complete with dead cow.

Young MUSS (MUAUSS) were dragged along by Pedro - rigged two pitches & descended to survey point P19. Turned left* and looked at a supposedly unexplored bit, but there were footprints there. Pedro went across a traverse where no one had been. Fixed a line and we all crossed. Knocked a couple of stabs out that were blocking the passage and carried on into a new bit. Explored for an hour or so - several passages leading off and quite a few pitches going down that could be explored.

Estimated length - several hundred metres or so, plenty of potential.

Hoping to go back and survey somewhere pretty soon.

Excuse the writing and lack of literacy - it's now the early hours of the morning in Hexmans Bar.

Nick

*I have been corrected - actually we turned right here not left. You were correct in the first place. You turn left.

27.7.88. Volvo - Jane & Toby.

Went for a recon. Surveyed to 2nd boulder in passage. Is open to bedding plane looked at last year but has been flooded - no footmarks - & maybe recently as there is not any vegetation growing in the entrance as there was last year. Came out & jungle-bashed above the road in the valley above Volvo - Nothing found.

27/7/88 (ACTUALLY 28/7/88) (late night)

MUSTASA - DEAD COW STILL PRESENT

DAVE MIKE CARL & ANDY - REMOVED LADDERS FROM ENTRANCE PITCH SO ONLY SRT LEFT. CARRIED TWO LADDERS & SHORT SRT ROPE TO ENTRANCE OF NEW STUFF. MIKE LEARNED TO BOLT & FIT IN NEW RIGGING ACROSS PIT FROM KNOWN TO NEW STUFF. REST SURVEYED FROM P20. FOLLOWED MAIN WAY INTO NEW STUFF IGNORING EASY SQUEEZE INTO DESCENDING RIFT. SURVEYED TO PAST P21 INTO LARGE CHAMBER WITH VERY HEAVY DRIP FROM ROOF & HO-SOX PITCHES IN FLOOR. REACHED LIMIT - OF STOMACH ENDURANCE WAY ON IS PROBABLY ACROSS A TRAVERSE TO ROOF OF CHAMBER. OTHER WAY TO RIGHT LEADS TO ~~THE~~ TIGHTER RIFT PASSAGE. TOMORROW (TODAY) MAY ATTEMPT TO BOLT TRAVERSE OR - MAY JUST GOSS AROUND WITH TRAPS. HOLES IN FLOOR ~~AND~~ APPARENTLY ~~RECENT~~ LOWER LEVEL 30m below

DESCRIBED ~~AS~~ AS PEGGUSTING STRAEM LTC - AVOIDER.

The Mega Santander Trip - Pablo - driving Rob & Nick.

Reported 7:30 am!! Raining very hard Santander very grim in rain in industrial rather zone.

Wander through miles of passages with shops on all sides, but never a bar when you want one. Dinner of bread & amarettos in square doors strange looks from local fauna.

After sunbathing period on beach planned shopping for camping essentials in an hour before Pablo ~~off~~ gives return lift back to Matanzas. Hour lost as owner of watch vineyard Spanish ~~farm~~ which was actually 1 hour slow so no time for shopping, so fort stamping to Renault garage to get lift back - Stop at variety of cars & watch Pablo ~~make~~ make "load of money" - very impressed - how can I do it. Return to "camp-site" for Mustajo men to cook their dinner - they don't come back so we cook our own & depart to bar. End of log

IMAGINE RETURNING FROM HARD MEGA TRIP... TO FIND SANTANDER MEN HAVE ^(STUFFED DOWN) ASSUMED ALL BLOODY CHOICE FOOD ETC.....

'OH --- HELLO LADS --- SAVED YOU A RAW POTATO --- GACK.

P.S. Santander is the hardest trip so far. All these wimps who've just done Mostajo have got nothing on us. We brewed the beach in the heat of the midday sun.

Dave has been robbed for his Premier.

A football day has been decided upon.

28/7/88 Agua, Photo trip Dave ^(H.C.C) Jim, Mike ^(H.C.C)
Surveying new passage Peter + John ^(H.C.C).

Photo trip went off with no problems, photos taken at ramp + end ie stairs etc.

Surveyed above Cx (station sprayed on wall) just before cascades, at sharp right hand bend. Climbed over flake to about 4m above station, traversed forward to enter high rift passage on left.

Passage floored with calcite flowers, which broke under foot. Followed floor about 60m (approx) till calcite and rock met. Further back along the passage there were a few side passages,

one with two entrances which led to two small chambers with shafts + ~~columns~~ columns. Before passage with two entrances very near to end of main passage a small entrance seemed to have slight ~~draft~~ draught, with further passage ahead.

Approx 20m from start at passage by climbing up rift (which is about 8m high) a small passage was entered, which quickly became a tight body size tube, this reached a T junction, to the left a chamber (small was entered) and to the right further climbing gained a passage, ~~it~~ which choked with mud rubble etc, but appeared to carry on, with slight ~~draft (out)~~ draught (out).

Back in the main passage, virtually below high level a passage was entered starting as a hole but quickly becoming a high rift, one side calcite ~~flowers~~ ^{flowers} and the other mud. This was followed for about 15m, after 5m turning 90° approx heading back

to main Agua stream but with a mud tube rising in roof.

All passages surveyed were dry and very small compared to Agua main stream i.e. 1m average width, but very high above stream is Agua.

28/07/88.

EMBOSCADOS

JANE & TOBY

Trip to look at end choke. Draughts to left & right hand sides. Going back tomorrow with bar (as in crow not as in pissed) & hammer.

Various side passages need surveying but don't look promising. Climb on left hand side (going going) is well worth another look. Goat shit stinks. My round, going to bar (as in pissed not as in crow) tell stories of glory after next trip.

28/7/88 Bob ^(rubbish), ^{2/3} Alasdair (all right), Photo trip in P. 200m.
28/7/88. MUAUSS - Nick/Rob/Dave.

Off lower ~~Mostajo~~ yet again. Traversed across an easy pitch at the end of yesterday's survey. Found caverns measureless to man but we thought we'd have a bash at surveying anyway and managed to get 70m or so down on

paper. Stopped by a large pitch (ie about 50ft or so) ~ hoping to drag some ladders in tomorrow and bottom it. Got out in time for the bar - hence the poor quality of this write-up. Also seem to have splashed a load of red wine over this logbook - Hope no-one notices.

We are just sitting here waiting for our survey to get onto the computer but Haymarket have done something strange with the Aqua survey and are trying to sort it out at the moment so we've got nothing better to do than scribble in this logbook.

Wingnut couldn't stand the pace in Mostajo today so he went off down Aqua instead. So to partly his fault that we're sitting here writing all this rubbish.

One day I'll get round to writing something in here when Zim isn't totally pissed. Then maybe someone will be able to make some sense out of it.

THE END.

29/7/88. June, Carl, Andy - Volvo.

General examination of upper levels. Began to dig out gravelly crawl in right hand branch which was pushed to more passage in '75 & is now blocked again.

29/7/88. Maloja
Emboscados

Descended cave + reached end of survey of 27/7/88
Followed Traverse to left into new stuff of 28/9/88
descended large pitch at end (to follow) Mike Riley
& Salford Phil surveyed back to survey point. Also
surveyed new passage of 27/7/88. Found bypass to
Traverse. Good job we did as this had been demerged.
On return Phil joked "hope they haven't demerged the
itches" (Golden Void bypass). You guessed it. Voices
were heard by Phil and Mike at the bottom of the pitch but
"they" still demerged and took 4 hrs to return and
remerge the itches

The other side of the story from the large pitch :-

The council for the defense has the right of
reply :-

Nick, Dave & Steve ~~z~~ dropped some ladders down
the pitch at the end of yesterday's survey & descended.
Pushed a couple of large passages - Steve decided
to get lost ~~to~~ in a massive boulder chide and
found some carbide at the bottom - it obviously
connects with something known. Surveyed after even-
tually finding him and thought it would be a

~~30/7/88.~~
~~Toad in the Hole~~ } see forward *

good idea to de-rig on the way out as there was nothing else worth looking at. Dropped all the ladders through the crawls to the entrance pitch only to find Mike & Phil's SRT gear at the bottom of the entrance pitch. Thought "Oh dear, what have we done?" or words to that effect. Steve went out to tell everyone else what had happened while me and Dave went back to re-rig so that Mike & Phil could get out. Got out eventually at about 3:00 a.m.

All in all, a pretty good trip. Good trip is not how I describe a 4hr wait. - what about four hours

* 30/7/88.

dragging tackle back & forth?

TOAD IN THE HOLE.

I REST MY CASE

ATTEMPT TO ~~ABANDON~~ ABANDON MIKE FOREVER FAILED

NEXT TIME.....

Right end of original chock, over the top. Various gears near entrance worth climbing - bolts required for mere mortals.

30/7/88

Tony & Sam playing with radios went over towards Fuente las Varas and drove round to wards Seadura via the Idiots' Bar. Probably refound #205 and further round the hill. Sam discovered a 3' square hole leading to a meandering ~~big~~ rift and a 70' pitch. Probably been explored by Spind as a log over entrance. More holes may be in jungle area lower down.

30/7/88

Toad in C'hole

Baz Arthur Alasdair Pedro + Bobby

To Right hand draught? Fitted new bolts to "up" pitch. Down "down" pitch and at far end of main chamber short squeeze/crawl into chamber.

Dig in floor. Draughts from straight on and from above. Difficult digging to avoid calcified bits still a good draught!!

29/7/88

Baz, Toby, Alasdair, Jua, Bobby

Dug in choke at end of Emboscadas for a few hours. Needs patience → a bit sludgy (technical term) Draught still there but seemed variable

29/7/88

Peter + John (GLEC)

Shaft Bashing above Renarda(3) in large depression.

Very depressing day in the depression, constant drizzle, and not much luck.

located known shafts, but one was only 11m deep split 5m from bottom (hole 63k?) supposed to be 30m+ . Found and tagged two flat out crawly one 25ft long and possibly inhabited by fox. All in all a poor day

- 31/7/88. 1. Shafts near Coosima. - slides taken JSE
2. Underground in Toad.
 3. Overground Toad. - slides taken JSE.
 4. Toby Graham Volvo.
 5. Shaft - Tom
 6. Cascares.

Toad surface.

Bobby + Queen leave the v/c group at 2 pm.
 Explore 038 Callie's Kiboko, finding gas mask, and then onto
 molehills site. No contact at all from 4 → 5.30.

Set packs up. One draughting dig found and 4m away
 on 8m shaft - also draughting out. Both ~~drafts~~^{draughting} as goodwell
 as Toad. Must return. (685)

31/7/88 Shafts near Cadisera 686, 687, 688.
Peter, John, Pedro, Phil

3 holes were descended, the first was approx 15m deep blind pot with flat bottom. A small rift in the side leads to a flat wall about 2m in. The pipe was rigged with one bolt and rock backup.

The second pot was approx 80m deep, broken by a large ledge, plus smaller ledge below, which were avoided by positioning bolt out on left wall.

Just below first ledge a passage entered with small stream but appeared to be choked with calcite. The bottom of the pot was flat, with no obvious stream. There were two small outlets one choked with mud, and filled with water. The other after a small amount of digging appeared to carry on to the right, but very small & yarrow (body size).

The third pot entered had a 8m pipe which landed at.

the top of boulder slope, the boulder slope ~~descended~~ led down to a passage which choked at high and low level, the high level having a small chamber above. At the bottom of the boulder slope a 2m climb using aid (slings) ~~descended~~ led to a 8m phreatic tube, which closed down, the bottom ~~consisting~~ built up with calcite.

At the ~~base~~ base of the entrance pit a tight squeeze up, led to a small chamber choked above with boulders.

At the base of the boulder choke there appeared to be a way on, but small, requiring the moving of large boulders.

31/7/88 Beware The D.C.C. have arrived!!! To Cave and Drink not always in that order!!! only taken 4 hours to get here.

31/7/88 Graham, Angie, Jane & Toby. Vouvo.

Went into the R. hand passage. Loded at everything but could not find any strong draught. G + I pushed 20m past point on survey marked as being tight. A small passage leads to a sump. This was partially bailed with the result that the way out also became sumped. This was corrected & an exit made. A quick look down the L. hand passage proved that the bedding is still blowing a gale. We will be taking a drill in sometime but ----

31/7/88 ABOVE SOLUEJO. / SECADURA (see Temp. Jane 30/7/88) Shaft descended to about 70' to Sapine ledge leading to further drop. This was descended about 30 feet in a shaft about 20' dia, rods where crashing down at least another 100'. ~~had~~ had to come back because Mene was a fuck off bull somewhere in the area, and it was getting dark and the rope was too short.

31 July 88 Toad: Jim D, Baz, Big One, Pak (underground),
Bobby, Juan (surface).

Trip to right hand arm to try and get
a BURP fix. Took wrong turn. Arrived at
radio point with minutes to spare. Surface
set failed within seconds of underground
set starting to transmit. Looking up
100' away tends to imply that the
end of the cave is not +10m. Several
new/misced/unrecorded passages looked at.

Big passage across pit on right above
40' pitch has not been looked at.
Lots and lots still to find.

31/7/88 CARCAVESO Terry, Alastair, Mike (w/ingint), Bob, Nick and
Dave tried to go but lights failed!

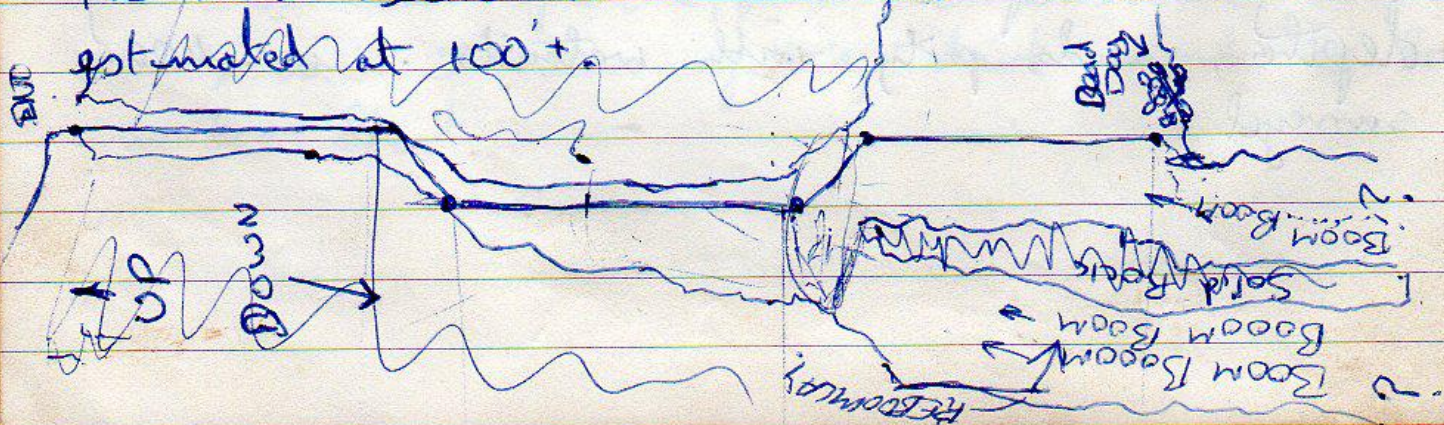
Started series of Down Survey but failed to find
the through route ended up by surveying most of
the dry passages of the water/stream level through
for the maze to the Candy Shop. Couldn't
survey lots of the river as water swimming
depths, needs party with wetsuits. Circa 400m
surveyed.

1/8/88. Juan + Pat to 685. Descent shaft to daylight, rift, about 5" wide; also run-in lower down a hole which closes any lower continuation.

Dig was has boulders loose and ready to remove. Opposite side of valley and slighting up faulnd 690 - 2x1m shaft top in trees. 30ft deep with wide ledge halfway down. Not yet tagged. Excellent dig as howling gale emerges from bouldery floor.

1/8/88. 689 - Toly + Graham. TORCA ANDANDO. (WALKER TORCA)

Due to problems with the drill no survey was done. ~~The~~ 1st part of shaft is 50' to a Boulder slope to the 2nd part probably another 50' to large ledge ~~with~~ with two ways down one seems to be about 200' the other about 50' the other was descended to a dead dog (Pathologist's report on dog, died chasing cow found on same ledge Verdit Misadventure, rocks were thrown down the next section which was not descended but estimated at 100'+



1.8.88 Cueva del Agua.

looked at climb to +100 extension - looks like top end of a high-level overbow. Requires a rope for the less aviation-minded. End is a draughting dig. Arthur & Alasdair

1/8/88. JD. 900m new surveyed in Cueva del Agua from the Light Frigate. ↓

22.88 (Tuesday) Rick John Helen Jill
Gone to ~~White~~ Horse cave.
Wild

Muela Domestic easy trip

2/2/88. Roy, Juan (above) and Pat + Wingnut in Toad
Molephoning. Good reception at 50m depth at 1st
RH corner. Poor reception at 85m depth at the top
of the sloping pitch. But this was partly due to
thunders.

2/8/88 (1) Alastair + Rob walking Seldesubs.

#691 1' dia hole in wooded hillside. Easy dig. Draughting.

215° mag from 685, 50 m S of valley bottom.

*692 5m shaft in scar - not descended. Tight - c 30cm wide. Need crowbar & lump hammer to open top.

Draughting.

692A. Tube on joint 145° mag. Tight, needs digging. Can see in 5m+.

692B. Shaft. 2m to choke, stones go down 2-3m below. No draught.

692C. Shaft choked at 2m no draught.

*693 Undersanded shaft by small tree. 10m+. Opens out below. Draughting.

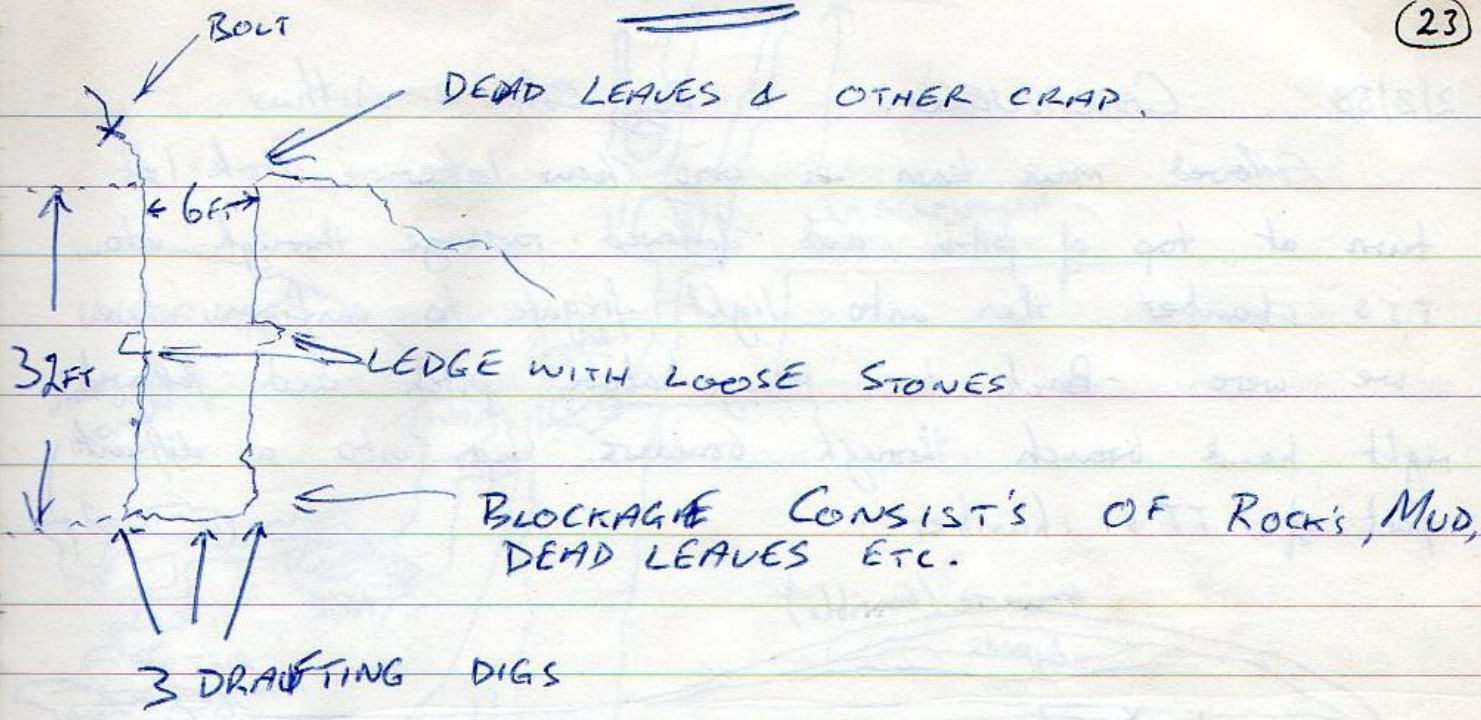
* Tagged.

2.8.88. Bobby Ken + Howard.

Return to 685 + 690. 20+ buckets rock etc removed from 690. Needs gardening at surface + ledge 1/2 way down to stop bits falling in digger - Boulder blocking shakehole entrance at 685 demolished. Squeeze to 10ft drop. Some loose rock. Bottom choked. Draft seems to come from 685 shaft. Needs large scale dig. Inspected hillside between 690 + Arenal. nothing obvious.

690

(23)



2/2/88 Well done the Carcavueso team. It looks like I dont have to go down that shit hole called Volvo again!

Buffshit - There's even more reason to get in Volvo now!!

IS ~~BO~~ JUAN CORRINS FOREHEAD A

DAVE ELLIOT BOLT ROUTE?

Lanc Mills.

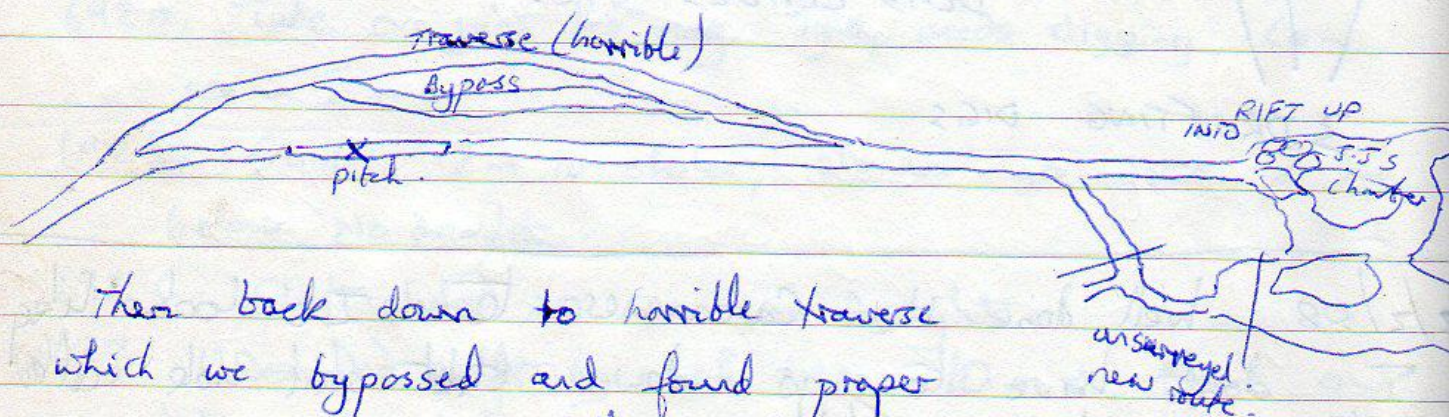
J. CORRIN & CO COMPUTER DATING.
 Jane & Angie require computerised data base shafting practise.
 No hangs less than 12m. No loose rocks.
 Serious offers only. Genuine 1st times.

2/2/88

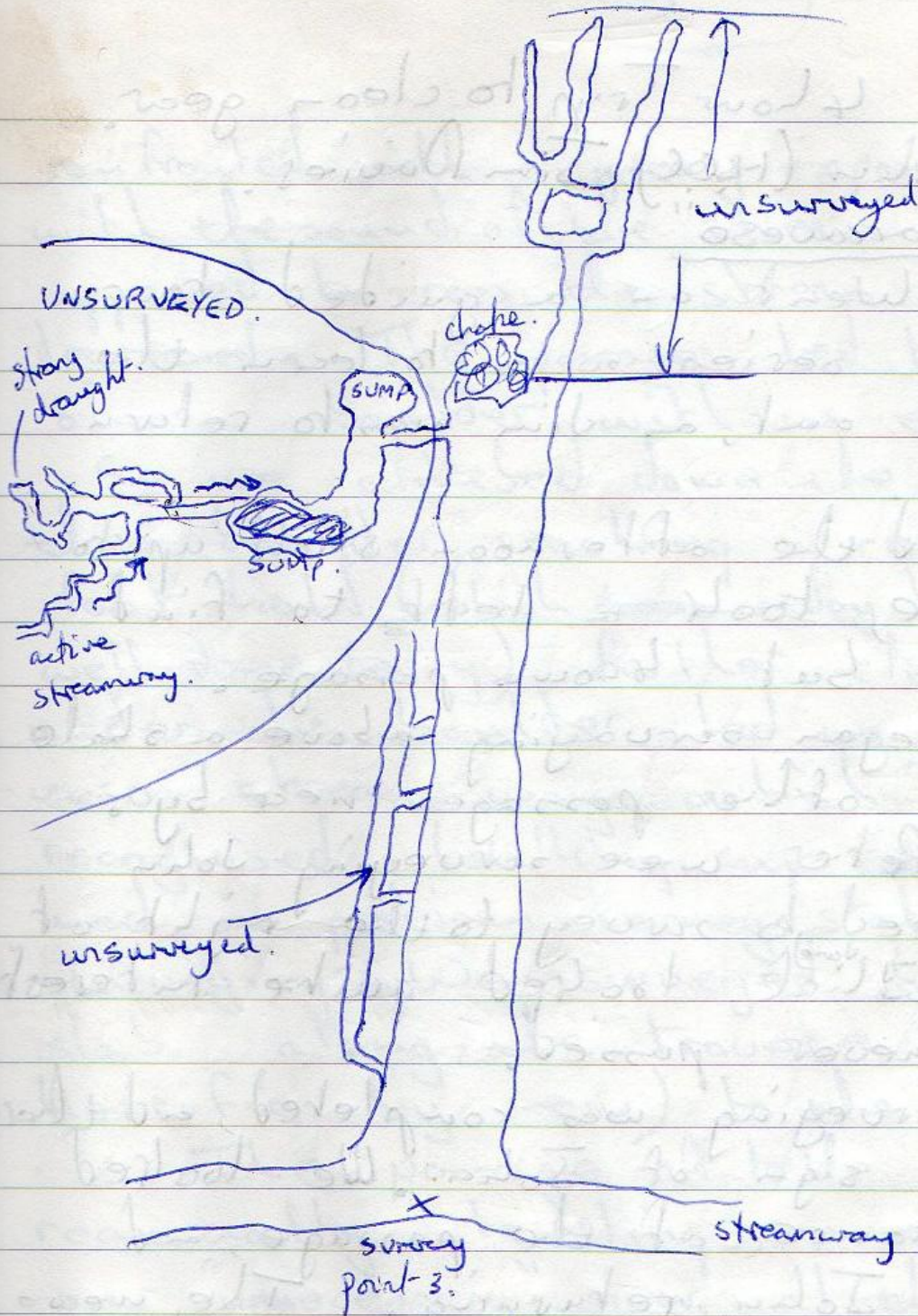
CARCAVUESO.

OPD
Bag, Colin & Arthur.

Followed main team in, one hour later. Took left turn at top of pitch and followed passage through into T.J.'s chamber, then onto light frigate to confirm where we were. Back to passage above pitch and followed right hand branch through boulders up into a different part of T.J.'s chamber.



Then back down to horrible traverse which we bypassed and found proper way on to new stuff. Followed main route to survey point 3 and turned left into unbrodden passage. Large main ~~drag~~ run-in with an active streamway down to the left and a phreatic moze straight ahead. Met T. Terry and the Haymarket crew and helped them survey back to point 3. There are at least 300 metres of unsurveyed passage at the end of the main passage, also there is a separate rift in the left hand side of the main passage with lots of communicating passages.



Here a deth today's lesson

before returning
 the water is
 out of the
 water is

1/8/88 Short 4 hour Trip to clean gear.
Peter, John (H.C.C.) Jim Davies.
"Corcaueso"


~~Went~~ Went on a guided tour
of entrance series, so as to learn the
way in and out, as Jim was to return
quite early.

Followed the afternoon stroll up to
the frigate, took a left to find
unsurveyed but known passage.

We began surveying above a shale
dome with other passages near by.
As Jim & Peter were surveying John
was despatched to survey to the right of
the dome, ^(Facing dome) which looked quite interes-
ing, but never passed.

The surveying was completed, and there
was still no sign of John. We looked
at the entrance of the passage, and
could hear John returning. The news
was that he had walked, climbed, thud
etc about 100m to walking size passage
before returning.

We quickly returned to pass two
junctions on our left, and were



confronted with a greasy exposed traverse, ~~we~~ with the sound of the stream below. We appeared to cross the stream as the sound decreased. The passage led to the top of a boulder with no easy way down.


So we climbed down the corner of the boulder, reaching a cross for a foot hold (which ~~was~~ one day later was destroyed well done terry) further climbing down under the boulder, led us to the Carcavero stream-way, which Jim quickly recognised. Walking up stream, we used a previous survey station to begin surveying. We surveyed back up the slab, along the traverse (which was horrific by now) to the first junction.

The passage off to the right looked reasonably interesting, so we left all our "unnecessary" gear at the junction, and began following the passage, which at first was not too easy going. The going got easier and we passed a further passage on the left section. Easy going led to a climb down

to a block with mud formations. The passage now was about 3×2 m and led up to a large passage, with a domed roof, and slots in the floor.

The obvious way forward was about 8 m to the right then ^{turn} left.

At both sides of the large passage there were obviously, other ways on, but sticking to the main drag, the passage was easy going 6 high \times 5 wide with a curtain ~~to~~ formation in the roof. At the end of this passage there were boulders low down, a bedding plain above, and a drafting cloke hole to the right, with stal formations. We took a low level route through the boulders, to climb out level with the bedding plain, and more stals.

We were now standing in a very impressive passage  with mud banks about 2 m high at either side.

We were now very sick about leaving our gear behind, but thankfully we had took along the

surveying equipment.

Easy walking through a pool, past a few strange holes in the floor, led to more very large passage, full with large boulders covered in mud. We stuck to the right wall, even though we could see large passage running off, straight ahead. We could hear a stream ahead, so continued to traverse until we could climb down to the stream. (getting down mud banks is easy) The water we found was clear, confirming that it was not Carcavoso water. Walking up stream, we came to a blank wall, with a large passage running off at 60° to our right.

At this point we had to call a halt, our chart trip was well out of hand, and began surveying back.

We followed the same route back, until we came to the bedding plane, using mainly 20m survey legs.

At the bedding we went through, instead of under, which proved a much easier way back to the Doved passage. Passed the mud formation, we began looking at the passage to the right (and surveying). A hole in the floor (slot) led down to the river, which we thought might make a good ladder pitel, allowing a safe way into Cereaveso. This passage led us back to the original passage we had come in on i.e. bypassing the horrendous traverse, and the climb down the block. We back tracked over the slot surveying on the way.

We carried on out, to where we had left our gear, and back to the frigate, to get a further matching surveying station, noting another passage to the right. \$

At the frigate we decided it would be a better way ~~out~~ out, to go back to the traverse, down the slabs and into the streamway.

From the streamway we climbed back up into the entrance series, and out of the cave. It was now about 10 o'clock, we had been down for 8 hrs, and surveyed what we estimated to be not much short of 1 hr. Jim's wetsuit trousers were completely open from knee to knee, and had been for the best part of the trip. Jim is obviously a hard crawler, requiring noⁿ protection to the nether region. Both troll suits gained many new tears, one due to a short slide come fall by John.

At the stream all equipment was washed (plus personal) and a very old ~~jumper~~ jumper, became a pair of pants.

Got back to campsite and back to bar well tired, but with huge smiles, ready to slowly reveal all (909m of passage) and still going.

Robert Egan.

John D

(Jim)

JUAN'S SPELLING

FUCK CAVE

OFF - ALSO

○ EMB HANSON OSCADOS

All with YOUNG
AND BEAUTIFUL WIVES.

3 KNACKERED OLD SHITS DOG THE TERMINAL
CHORE (TOP LEFT) - EASY DIGGING - VERY OLD
DUE TO DRAUGHT OR DRAFT GOING OUT OF
+ GOING INTO LARGE BLACK SPACES. THIS
EXAGGERATED ARTHRITIC PROCLIVITIES OF
EVEN THE YOUNGEST MEMBER SO DG HAD
TO BE ABANDONED.

FURTHER ATTENTION WOULD
CERTAINLY BE REWARDED
IF GIVEN BY MORE AGILE
AND INTERESTED PARTIES!!!

(LOOK AT THE SURVEY)

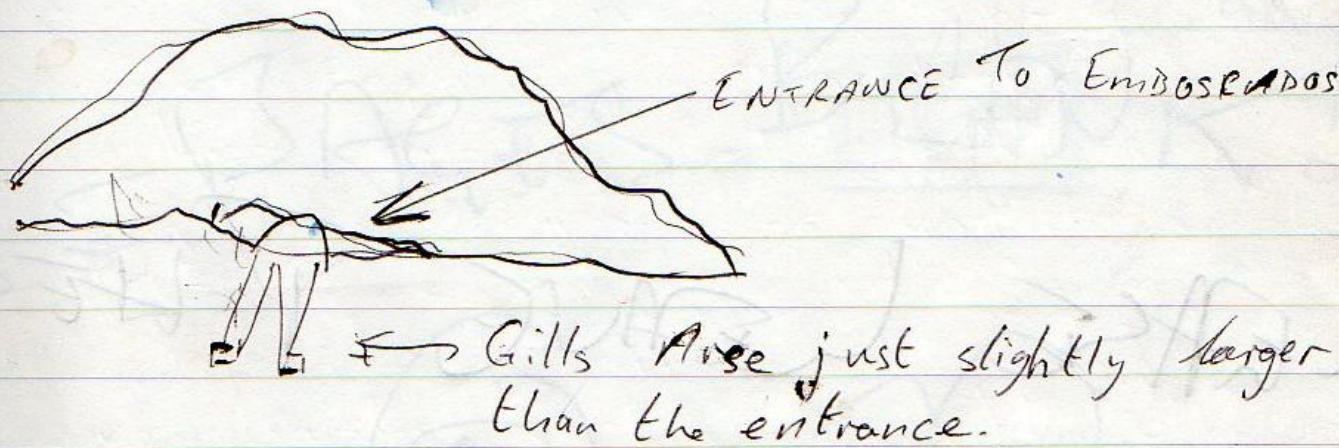
Bob Gill + Bobby

As above. Howard + Gill did a tourist trip Gill using
her Archaeological skill to recognise various bird +
rodent bones. Howard just buggering about as usual.
Howard + Gill +

2/8/88 Crecareus - day 2 in extension
Qui Tar 11 Bay etc

At this point Bobby + Julie departed to
hunt for the Painted caves of Mondonedo
in Galicia.

Have a nice time everyone!



but ... she's not a great guide for nothing.
DVB DVB DVB at all & by hook or by flat, she
squeezed her nose in & to!!! A multitude
of brusque, bulky, lurch, luggers manifested themselves
& do!!! what a waste.

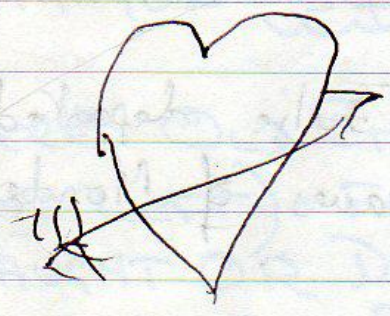
↑
She's spouting Gobshite again

22

June's Spelling

Tough

Columns



Columns



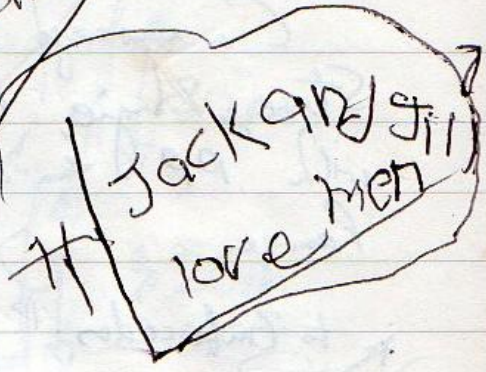
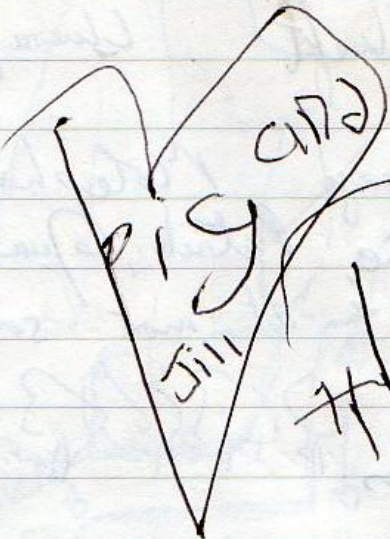
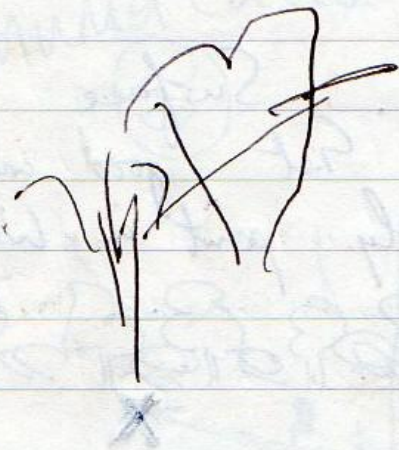
PLEASE LEAVE THE

Jim bottom

going to the toilet

Columns

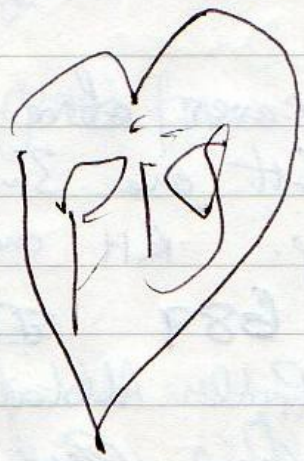
~~Sinder Terry~~



== PAGES BLANK!



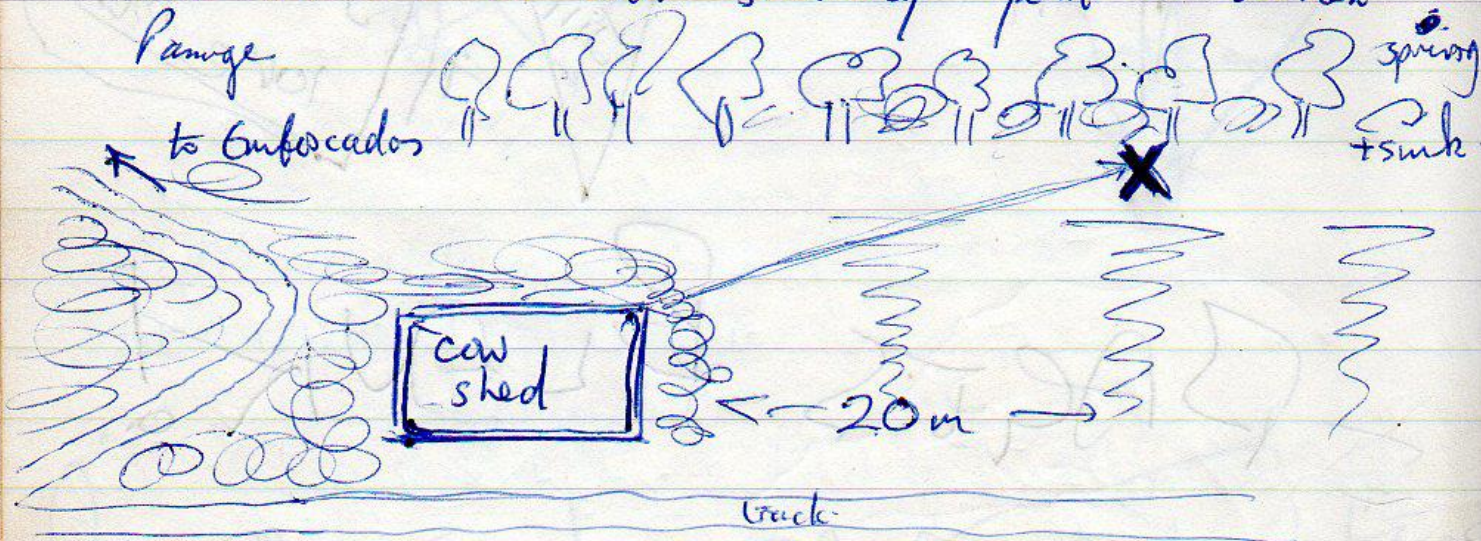
Colin the Cauliflower



JOAN WILL NOT DISAPPROVE

4/8/88. Shaft Urua/Secadon - Trea Andando.

Carcarejo Molephoning. Surface
Steve, Angie, Patrick, Juan. Get good contact
with PP # at most southerly point in Western
Range



Found 2 caves above phoning point on second cliff
line. Lft one 3m high closes in to short
~~cave~~ stoop. RH one - - - Crawl to ~~narrow~~ ^{closing down} point

4/8/88 689 TORCA ANDANDO.

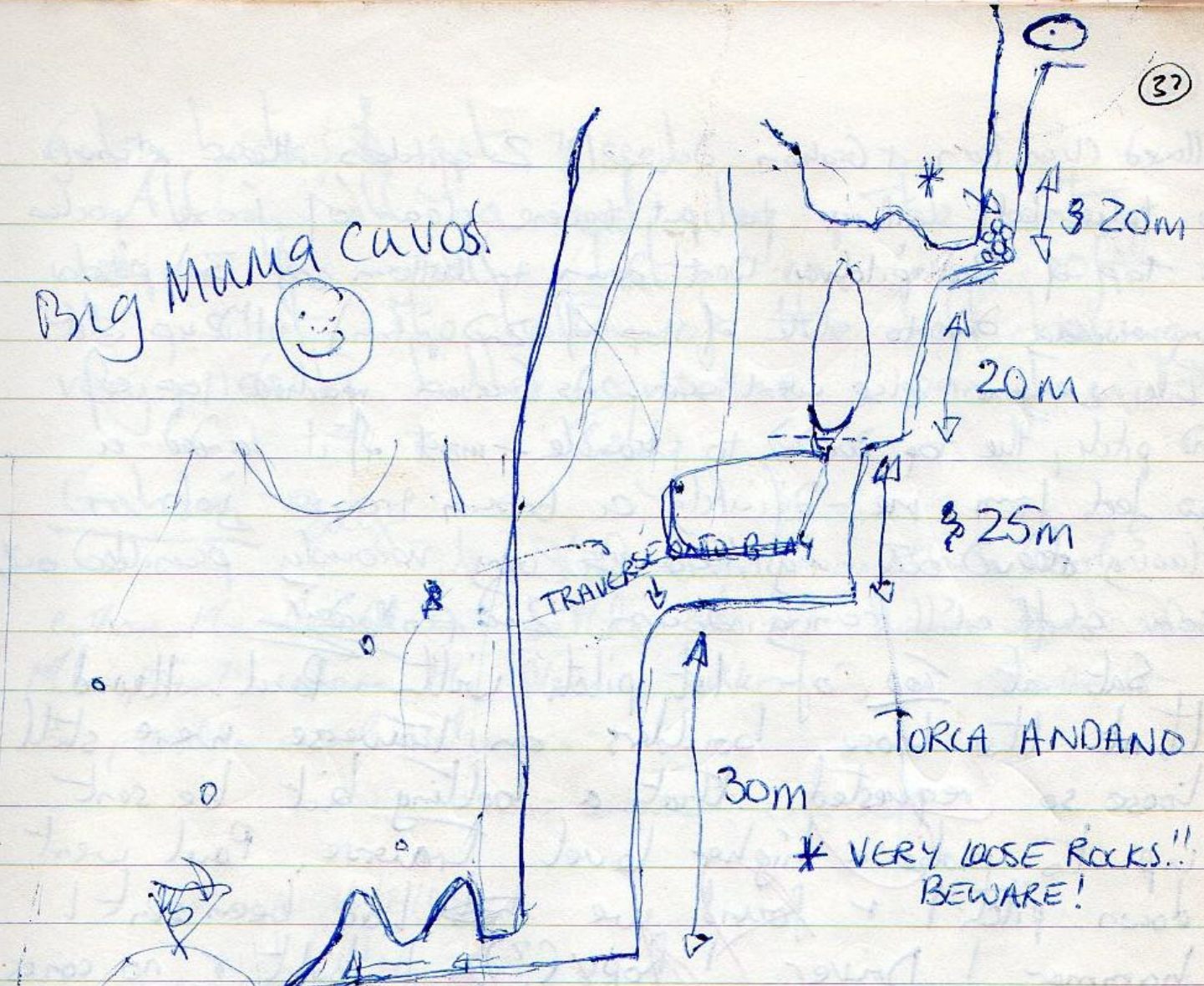
Chas Fran Paul Alistair Graham Tobry.

Clashed down after 300ft (nearly all vertical). Small
stream flowed into salted bedding. We beat
a hasty retreat when rocks to ~~shards~~
started to rain down the pitches

Big Muma Caves



(37)



STREAM
SOME
WEEDS DIGGING.

very good fun dodging
rocks!

* VERY LOOSE ROCKS!!
BEWARE!

TORCA ANDANO

Turned up late, got lost on way, went to get more rope from campsite as it was going! when we n' they got back they'd found bottom. So we went jungle barking and got out t' legs. Found several chiked shafts. Got knocked out, but good fun! Watch out for the rock!

Followed Chris For + Graham down 1st 2 pitches, then returned to take bolt kit up to put traverse clear of loose rocks at top of 2nd pitch. Went down to bottom of 3rd pitch (very wrooosy due to state of top of 2nd pitch). Hid up inlet while everyone else went out. As Graham reached top of 2nd pitch, the top decided to trundle - most of it landed a few feet from me - definitely a brown trouser job!

Having ~~heard~~ out my trousers very wrooosy pissed out, some stuff still coming down 2nd p. Kardair

Sat at top of 1st pitch with Paul. Heard that the loose boulders on traverse were still loose so requested that a bolting kit be sent up to make a higher level traverse. Paul went down pitch 1 & found we ~~had~~ had been sent 1 hammer 1 Driver 1 Rope (?) 1 bolt & no cones. Back to campsite for more bolts & 1 cone. Took another rope along (300') for Glory. Met the rest on way over who had found the shaft closed down (~~not~~ very surprising) & that the boulders had fallen (not surprising). Went down to survey & debate but boulders were mobile & got hit by debris falling from under the large block which makes pitch 1 belay. Came out. Jungle bashed & found big O. (ZERO) Got scabbed, got burnt.

got back, & got pissed.

All in all a bad day. The writing was on the wall but now most of it is at the bottom of the shaft having very nearly killed someone enough said? today.

Graham says to still work another look when the boulders settle down since just above the point where the stream dries is a climb to a possible continuation.

Curcuroso 4/8/85.

Nick / Peter / John.

Got down by about 2:00 p.m. Phil did a radiolocation, something. We went off to the end of the last survey and dropped a ladder down the pitch - surveyed 80-90m and ended up in a draughting boulder choke. Coming back we managed to drop a ladder in a deep pool - couldn't be bothered to swim in it. Surveyed that, then went back and surveyed a bit that had been coched up before. Decided to throw our last ladder down the pitch - ended up being it in the sink. All in all a long day & ~~shit~~

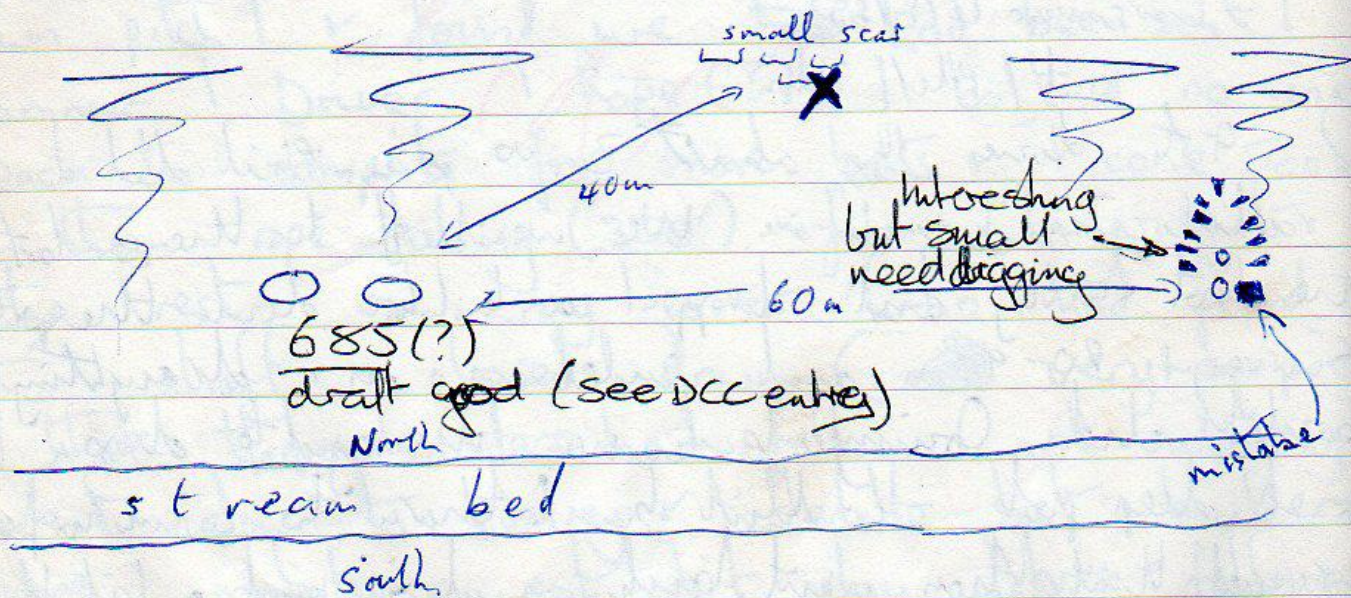
approx 10m/hr. Spent most of the time up to our waists in cold water, in dry suits, never again.

The latest, recorded insurphic of it-fo in a computer was ^{noted} recorded as 1.30, possibly a record.

[Signature] HCC

5/8/88

Toad ① Molephing - Juan, Jane, Toby
② Underground



5/8/88. Alasdair & Rob. 110

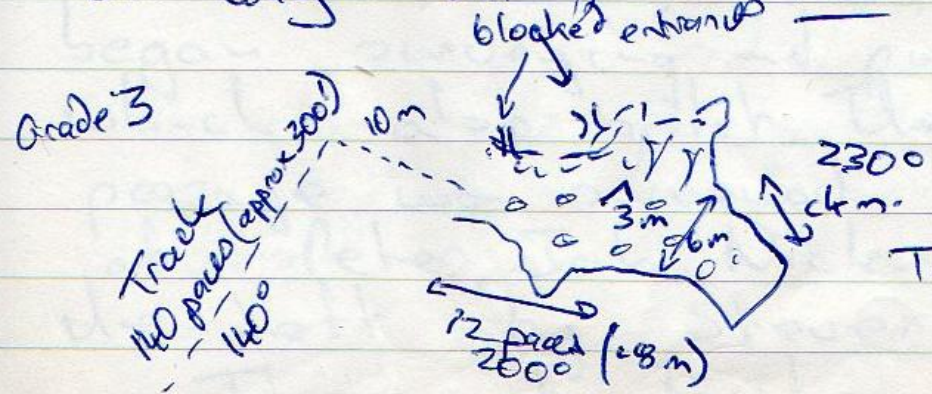
Surveyed 297. Lengths ~~440~~ m.

~~long~~ wide chamber, passage on left with Grob-pottery. Ends at constriction - lump hammer needed - opens beyond, draughting. On right climb up stal slope to high chamber. ~~is outside~~ holes in roof need climbing - void above. Red writing (Spanish) on walls. Several small side bds - one bop in roof (not surveyed). ^{Entrance - tunnel (man-made)} into field below ~~edge~~ taking water from drips in cave roof.

Found several shafts, but didn't have maps so grid ref. only approx. 45504 96750 - bottom of shakehole immediately S. of one ~~of~~ containing trees (inspected by Haymer & lads), a 5m dia dam can see into chamber. A shaft prob. c 10m immediately above - not seen closely.

45517 ~~9687~~ 9687 - a ~~deep~~ shaft, walled round, prob. c 10m deep, quite large. Tree growing in it. looked for 321 to tag it could only find a rock shelter in the indicated location so tagged it.

On way down found real 321



Position marked on map is wrong.
TAG NEEDS MOVING TO THIS.

8m by 6m ellipse
Shelf
↓

Survey of 653 - 5m path descended to depression.
Went to the left (west) very small & dry. Heading
NW into little small wash on bottom of fringe.
Which at head height becomes more & more
narrow & becomes choked with boulders crawl for
10-15m to flat dead end of caliche & mud. In
beginning of same wash often to stand on fringe at 90°
to wash - becomes too narrow to pass very quickly
on either side. Going South Part from lowest part
of chamber floor settled up slot.
That's it. Rob

~~1~~²-8-88 Carcaveso (2nd Pushing Trip)
Peter, John, Nick as members of a
Larger party (Terry, Steve, Phil)

The usual route was taken into
new area including locating the position
for the ladder pitel, bypassing slippery
slab and muddy traverse.

After securing the ladder, and
walking to the furthest point reach
on the 3-8-88, we followed the
clean stream inlet, noting a further
inlet to the right^①. Approx 600m
from this a further inlet was seen
to the left^②. After reach the
end of the main passage the party
split (as above) to survey separate
parts of the cave.

Peter, John, Steve, Nick and Terry
began surveying and pushing inlet^②,
which also split. The right hand
passage was surveyed by a combination
of Peter, John, Nick + Terry, and
the left by Steve + Terry.

The party to the right climbed

up over a boulder, and followed
reasonable passage for a short time,
until the passage became a boulder
choke, separated by small chambers
(ie 2x2). It then became necessary
to squeeze in water, and scramble
around boulders, to gain the next
chamber. This was repeated until
further progress became impossible,
but with the choke still going, and
a rising out draft to the left.

DRAFT

~~11-8-88~~ 4-8-88 Corcaueso (3rd Pushing Trip)
Peter, John, Nick as members of
a larger party (ie Phil, Andy).

Again the usual route was taken,
but with considerable amounts of water
flowing at the entrance, a slight
variation was taken.

After setting up the mole phone,
at a calcined boulder choke, we
left Phil and Andy, and headed
for inlet ① from the previous
day. We followed

the passage to a point, where the previous day Phil et were halted by a mud traverse.

We passed the traverse over deep water (over body depth) to climb up rocks to the right, through a square passage, to the top of the latter pitch. The ladder was rigged from rocks, wedged in the floor. At the bottom of the ladder, we headed up stream to boulders. Through the boulders the passage opened out slightly, and changed to a high rift, with a parallel rift to the left, which avoids the water, until half way along, where the water was only waist deep. After the rift, more water led, back into further boulders, with many ways on the easiest being a climb up slightly to the right. The main water appeared to disappear under the boulders but water could be heard ahead. Further climbing up through boulders led

to a clean water inlet coming in from boulders with shale and limestone rubble. A fairly strong draught was blowing in from the roof.

30.8.88 Toad in Mole

Team Hank, Steve & Wingnut.

Tourist trip with mole phone, took a survey kit, just in case! Met Andy H & Karl at start of traverse after chocolate slice crawl, they'd been left behind by pushing party (Jim D, and Steve (Big) plus another) They were a bit pissed off. Paul Smith

Put line on Traverse, much to Hank's relief!!

Took Mole phone to just past 4 way junction at end of right hand extension (from last year) - I know what I'm on about (?)

Arrived $\frac{1}{4}$ of an hour late, set up gear, made contact immediately (Luck?)

Much banging of rocks on surface and underground followed. Hank & Wingnut thought they heard something, I wasn't too sure (?)

Finished Pissing about with Mark Stone
(sorry about the writing (& spelling!) I'm
1/2 pissed) (make that 2/3)

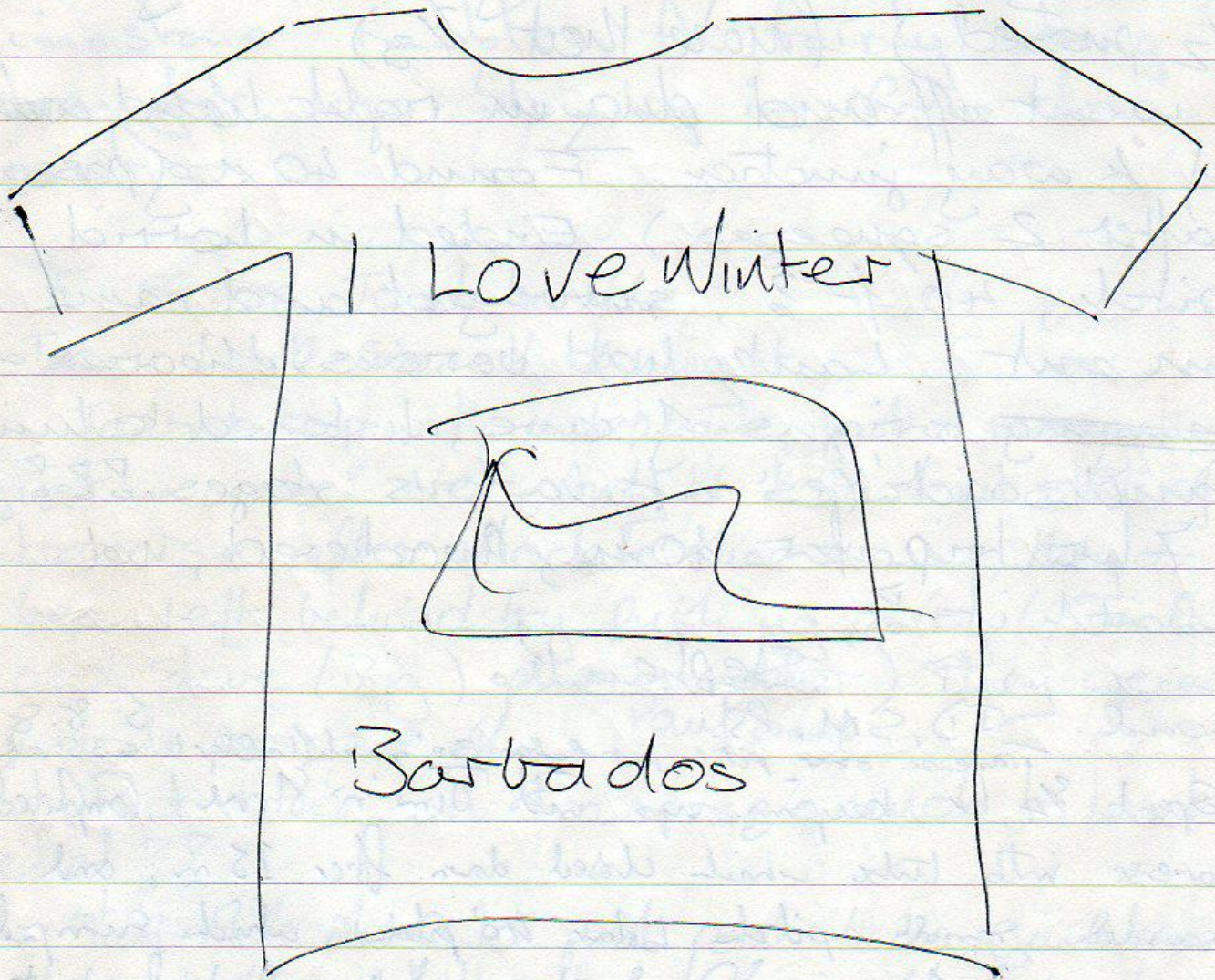
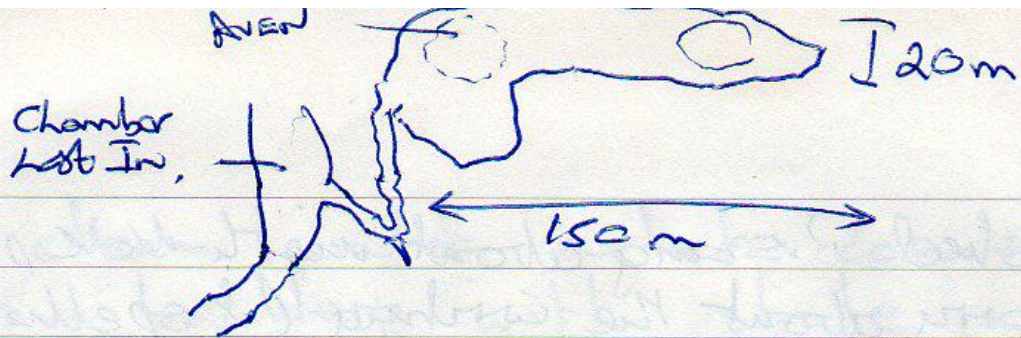
went off and dug in right hand wall
of 4 way junction. Found 40 m of passage
(after 2 squeezes) Ended in horrid
pitch, 40 ft?, surveyed and came
on out, Lank had various theories on
~~origins~~ origins of cave, listened to him
and said 'yes' at various stages !!!

The trip for 40 m, knackered, not
worth it?

Stephen K.

Toad. JD, SM, PS. 5. 8. 88.

Traverse over pitch just before 30' pitch (ladder to new stuff).
Spent 1/4 hr keeping up with Jim n' Steve, completed
traverse into tube which closed down after 15 m, and
descended small pitch below 40' pitch which sumped.
Then we got worried about Andy and Karl, but
met Steve who said they were just behind so Jim
waited while Steve and I went on. Right of 'T' junction
and up 2 chimneys to chamber. Here we couldn't find
the way or spent 1/2 hr grovelling around, Jim swearing
it was around here somewhere. In looking in various cracks
bushes found big chamber. Gave back to look at it.
Didn't even know where I was in Toad, Nor did Jim.



what The Fuck does this mean?
— See Big Steve for further questions...

608088

Dye testing in Chestnut tree hole. Hank & Steve R. Made a total hash of putting in bolts and rigging for SRT, (due to lack of ladders) Mainly due to inexperience in SRT rigging.

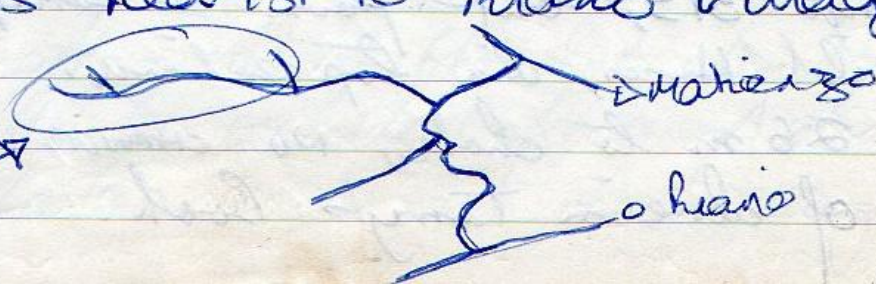
went to end of hole and placed dye in stream, at about 2030 pm

Came back to large chamber looked at mud, sandstone and pebble filled end, too frightened to climb up, obvious fall in roof, Hank said it must go (??) needs going back to.

Exited cave at death march pace, Hank forgot how to SRT, attached foot loops to main 'D' maillon, then he wondered why he didn't go any - where when he pushed up his top jammer ? - Daft bastard !

Spent rest of afternoon looking at shake holes near ist to Hano village - see read map

around here.



6/8/88

Vanilla Walk Quer + Toby. Looking at inlet.
Saw dye come through from Cleatant. Tourist trip to Obvious Truck

6/8/88 Cancavense. Ardy Hall, Paul Sainle, Chase Frankland

First trip into '86 extensions since floods last week. Lot of ponded water in main passage.

Lower passage below bridge sumped. Sewers of Doom entered. Still could not find Steves

Inlet. Lots of string left by Terry

Very easy to trip over! Choke at end of Candy Shop pushed but got too tight - choked up.

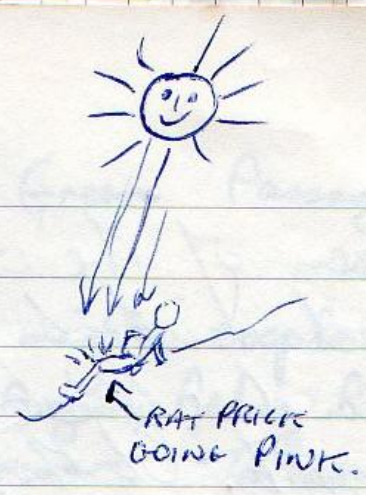
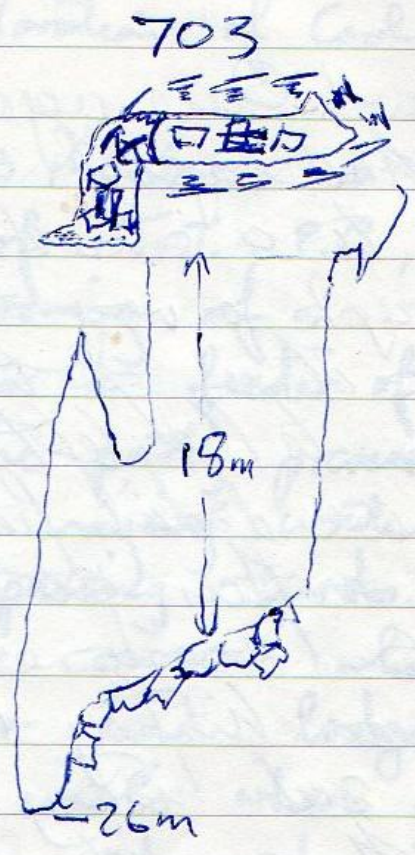
About 100 m of passage (hands & knees) entered on east side of Candy Shop. Set of to

sway upstream towards sump - instruments knocked - very pissed off so we came out.

6/8/88 MUFLA - Phil P., Terry, Pedro, Kaitpik Aladair, & Graham

V. hot walk up hill 100+°C, looked at several holes ~~area~~ in area of 314 etc, could not find 315, but found a surveyed Hole of the Wild Horses, via top entrance New Hole 703. 26 m to choke, NO CHANCE OF A DIG.

Details of above in Terry's Book.



7/8/88 - Feb 18 Nook S.
Embascadog.

Set off at 3pm after receiving instructions from Toby. Set off again at 4pm after receiving instructions from Juan. Got to cave entrance at 4.15 and set off crow bar in hand. Got to choke at end of passage and up to choke. Nook barely dives on Stole 1 get a rush of blood & climb up slanting shaft to calcified choke. A stone and covered Nook's warts out exclaiming the

grottoes of the wall. Once again a rush of blood and I find myself slipping up a mud slope to a small chamber to the right. Go through a very tight squeeze and agree that it is grotty. Unbeknownst to us the dog is to the left from the mud slope. That is why we didn't find cavers measurable to men on this particular trip.

On the way out I examine cave walls for signs of human history. Nick is ~~busy~~ busy destroying such history by attacking a blind piton with a crowbar; ~~by~~ moving a large boulder. Eventually he decides loosening the surrounding boulders isn't very effective anyway and goes down - regretting covering the rubble 6 inches above his head 30 seconds later after much grumbling & gasping his head returns "fuck me, then doesn't go anywhere and there's no doonight (spelling) exit cave & surface roads with amount of dirt we have managed to cover ourselves up. Suggest me of JCB. Reforeme - 3 knowled old slits on Emb Hangan Oscador(?) at beginning of month.

Rob

7/8/88 Carcavuso.

53

The Great Exploration of Cool Green Passage.

From Junction 3 chamber a mighty exploration team consisting of T.T., P.P., Angie, Pedro, Ralpoh followed the booming of a river. Tortuous passages led to a feeder of the main Carcavuso sink and the party pressed on upstream ignoring the raging water and the battering of passing turds. Green pools lay above the river where Tuans dye of 3 days ago had lodged. Upstream terminated in crawls where water entered from the roof. A cold water inlet (swimming virtually no airspace) was rapidly visited. The survey was taken downstream to a sump and via rift passages to Junction 3 chamber. Everybody went out except T.T. who attempted to get terminally lost in another river inlet close to the the cabined boulder chole (radiolosty) Rescued by Steve Jim and Paul.

Up ladder along to 'Arch Chamber' above all joints in floor. Tried to follow joints to roof level but traversing of desperate. Dropped ladder down ~~biggest~~ one and followed it to main stream. Came out: ~~Damian~~ * in 'open' passage. New stuff could've been walked into. * off ladder on left hand side in obvious place.

Terry tried to cut himself in half by belaying to a boulder / piece which moved when he put his weight on the ladder. "I know I'll boot it down to wedge it across the rift so we can belay to it, it'll be bomb-proof" He did and instead of jamming it rocked over and hit the deck. Better luck next time!!!

Surveyed rifts from Streamway and the over chamber. Then stomped up new stuff and down Barn Passage. After ~~put~~ ^{part} gawking about stopped for a nook, then heard these shouts. It was Terry, lost, with a failing light. Surveyed from Barn Passage the Streamway very smelly and 'orrible looking.

Headed out with Terry but from top of ladder surveyed towards Frigate to try and find error, but couldn't. Good Trip, some 350ms surveyed. P.S.

Long slide & start

8/8/88.

(9)

Riano 1 - Lank & Tiger team! Connected crystal mines
in the sky to main passage - can now reach main pass.
~~road~~ without a pitch. searched about in floor
of one arm of main passage, found ~~80~~ 40 ft ledge and
Wall ~~above road~~ big Aven with lots of water down
it, 30 ft to floor ~ 100 ft or more up. Finished
day surveying previously found passage.

6/8/88. (Slightly out of order.) Nick & Rob.

Carcunapueso - Mission - Ladder retrieval.

Went in pretty early - 10:30 or so, found our way
in through the entrance without too much difficulty -
fished around in the streamway for 10 mins or so -
found the ladder there without any trouble at all.
Pushed on into the cave but completely failed to
find the way to the other ladder. Spent several
hours wandering around and familiarising ourselves
with the layout of the cave. Have carried in
a six foot pole in and left it for when we return
to get the other ladder. Spent the evening trying
to memorise the survey.

8/8/88 Baz Patrick Sue & Lenny
walking aback above Toad, — on corner of
missing map. Several holes/depressions found that
need revisiting with map & tackle.

8/8/88 - Canaveseas . Jim Davis Andy Hall
Nine hours surveying in Sewers of Doom!
Long piece of orange string now through
main bit. Twenty closed loops - I think
I'm going ~~to~~^{to} have a nervous breakdown.
About 100m of river passage surveyed
upstream from Candy Shop towards Swamp? in
Canaveseas I. Deep water beyond with noise
of rapids - needs pushing (wetsuits), WATCH OUT
FOR THE BLACK STRING GARROTTS!!

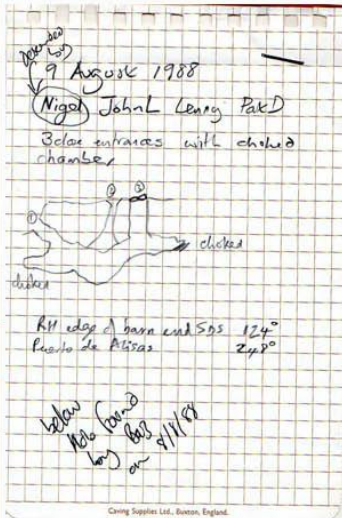
8/8/88 - Toad Nigel, Colin, Howard
Quick trip to look around 87 extensions. Howard
stopped at squeeze. Colin and Nigel went on for
a while then stopped before climbs up. Spirit willing
but flesh weak. (Bowels worse). Liz walked around
on surface re-finding shafts Baz had found an hour
before.

9/8/88 Tsd

9/8/88 Carcasses survey

road - Steve H, Rob, Silvio Trusotta & Paul.
 2 parties; Nick & Steve descended pitch at end of passage found by Steve & Phil C. last year, 40ft pitch, needed both - both in wrong place rubs badly 3ft down! Up climb on opposite side of chamber into large passages and more large avents, heads off to choose series by entrance, completely wanked off by climbing over hanging death, exited cave slowly.

2nd Team & Passed off down to sand junction turned right (thru into ~~new~~ new chamber previously found by Phil & Jim Davies Surveyed by chamber estimated at 150m - was actually around 50m - (roughly) - any estimated distance on metres convert to feet. wandered about found plenty of avents. to left of ~~passage~~ chamber found passage above floor towards the passage found by & Surveyed by Jim Davies - hereafter named the "Lost Series" ~~at~~ I had mega problems with my



Quote 1. Does ~~these~~ ^{this} mean I'm a Bolton
Mole because I've come to the
Fau pissed signed Susie Ratpniek

Quote 2. If you want ~~to be~~ to be a
man ~~the~~ with us Women. Sup
up. Hilary ~~to John~~
Travolta.

Quote 3. I'm from ~~the~~ ~~where~~ ~~you~~
/ ~~that's~~ ~~up~~ ~~where~~ ~~wanker~~ ~~Travolta~~
comes from.

Quote 4. This log book
is ~~to~~ ~~serious~~ ~~what's~~ ~~happened~~
to the ~~of~~ ~~ton~~ we want met
wishes

Quote 5, ~~Do you know~~ Terry
I like you when you drink.
Sun H.P.

Quote 6, LET YOU TELL YOU THATS
JOHN FLOW IS A PRICK, AND A
NICK. ("gob on legs")

Nick reply The woman
is Spain and wonderful
and ~~the~~ truthful.

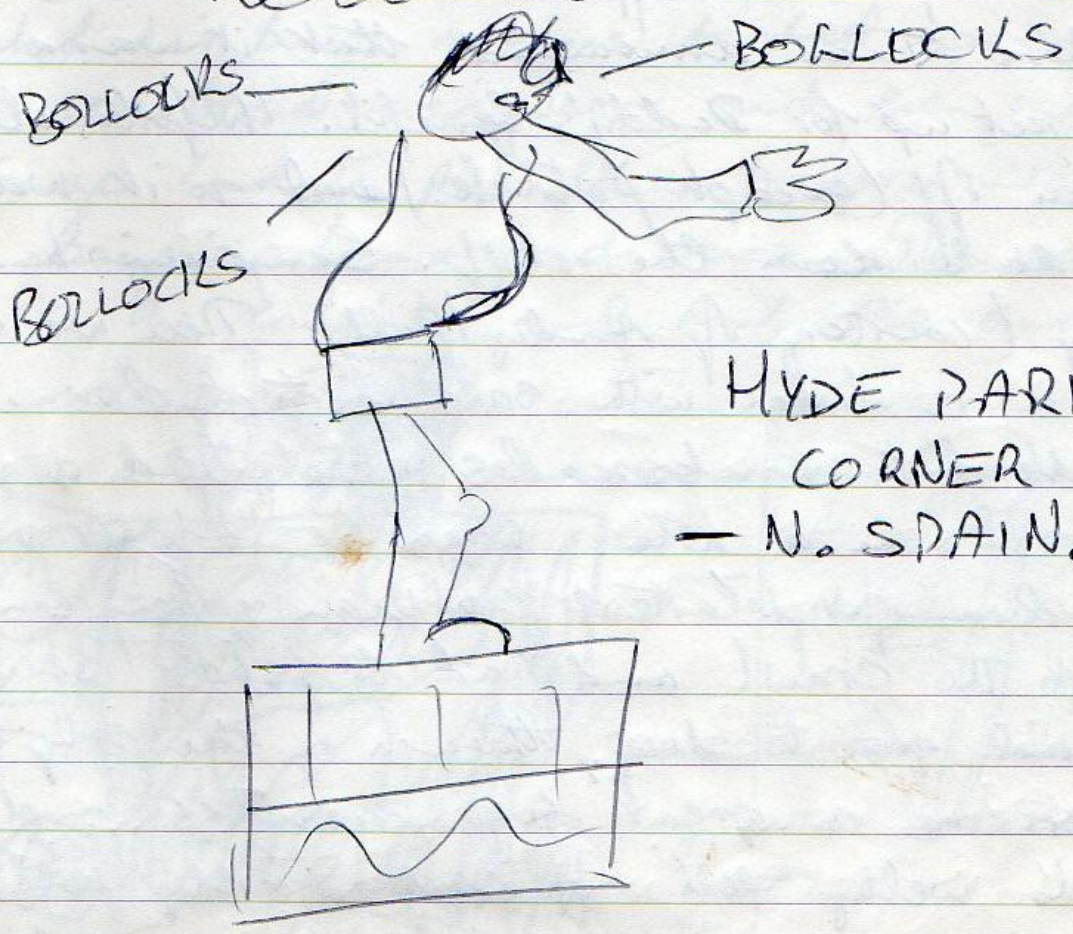
What a load of rubbish.
The women here cant even write properly -
especially floozie surie - -
Whatever this drink is, its good stuff.
- Thank you Phil.



carbide - Steve knew I needed it but still
didn't leave any for me. So no new
passage was discovered due to his ~~or~~
cook-up. Struggled back with grotty electric
back up which lasted 10 minutes. Therefore
went all the way back with Pedro on my left.
Eventually come back to Hernan's Bar
to be collected off by Juan by not
having enough carbide - as if it was
my fault. Found I surveyed 70m of
the chamber got to survey point of
Don Dares on as I say the "last
series". I have just been called an amateur.
Who here is a professional I ask. I wish I
was.



The Flowerpot men
he born!

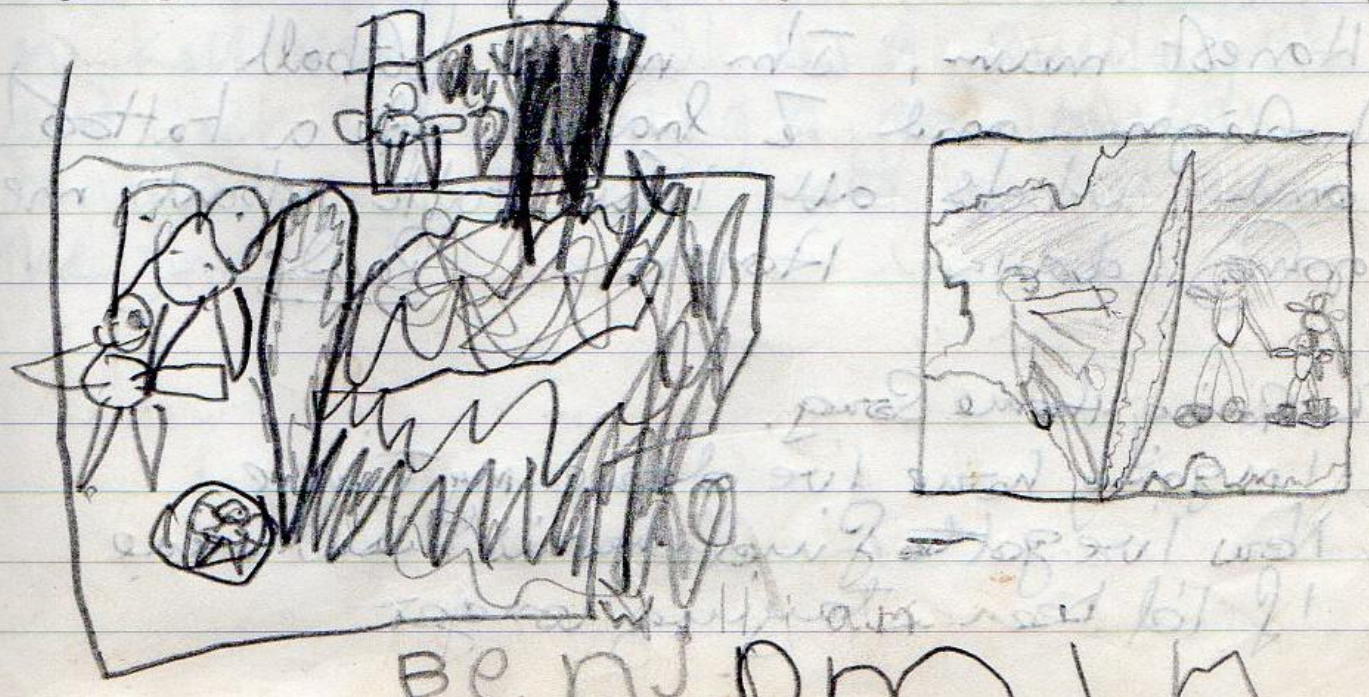


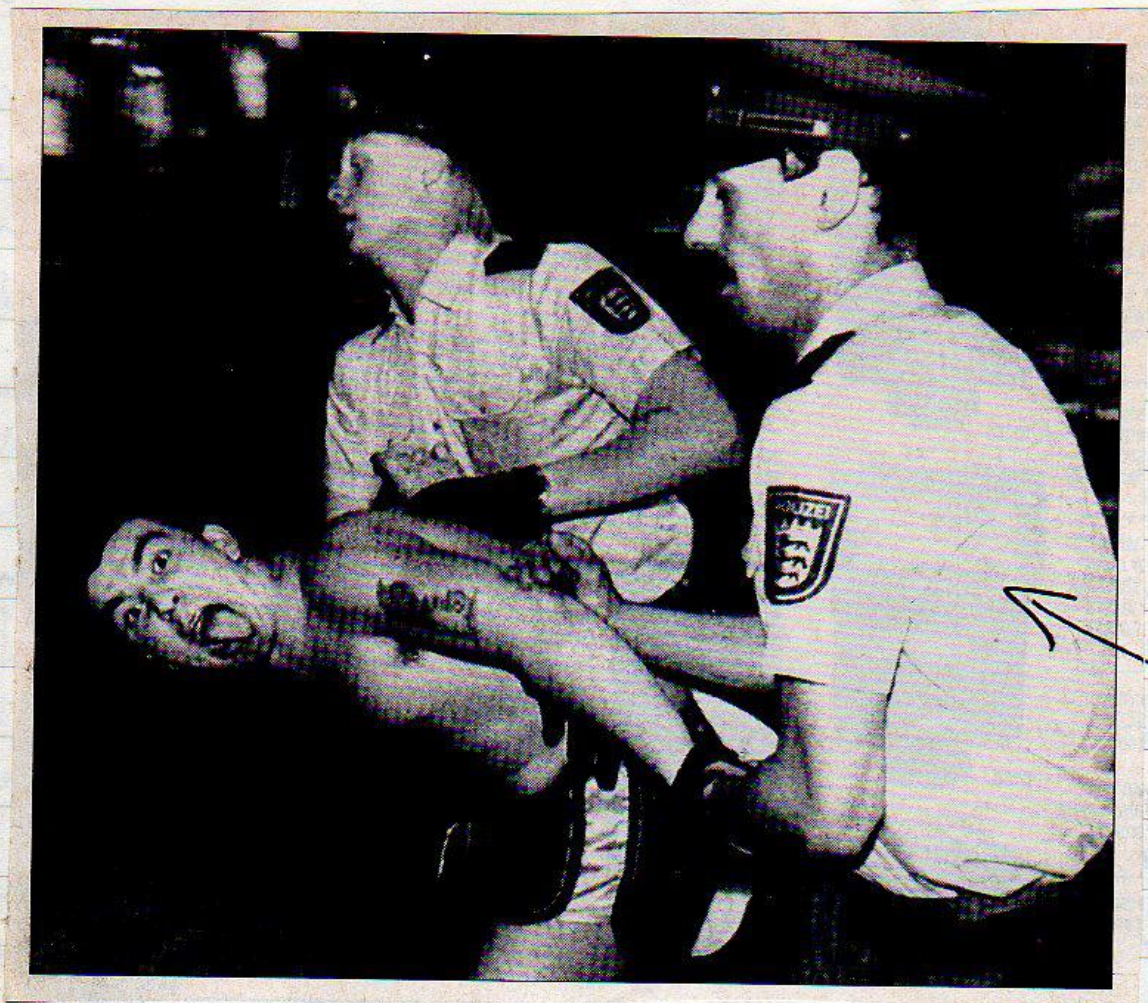
Emboscados - Again - Seems to be a popular trip this year.

William, Benjamin & Samuel.

Daddy went off ahead as usual and left us behind, so had to come back. We followed Juan, Steve and Patrick^{Angy} who were looking for holes to connect to the new caravanserai stuff. We heard Juan shouting to Steve & Phil who (he said) were coming out of a new hole, so we climbed up this cliff to meet them. When we got there Juan announced that it was a practical joke set up for Daddy's benefit. Unfortunately they all ran off (except Patrick) and so it was difficult to get back down the cliff. Benjamin had a wobbly (courtesy of Andy Hall). Then we had lunch on a ledge with Samuel tied down. Then we walked to Emboscados which had a poly bag with rocks in a hole. When we took it out a huge draught started. William & Benjamin went through the crawl and had to slide Samuel, who had gone to sleep, through on the poly bag. We were in a great big passage and Samuel's welly fell off and Daddy fell over. We went down a slope with gromet ports in it

and traversed round a hole in the bottom, then
 up a slope to a corner where there were rocks in
 the floor (fallen from the roof). William went
 up and looked at all the holes, so Benjamin
 decided he'd check. We found one slot which
 ended after a long way. After that we went
 back to the entrance and Samuel crawled
 through without banging his head. Found some
 matches and went back along a path by a
 barrow, looked at some holes, sat hazel nuts
 looked at swallowtailed butterflies. Then Benjamin
 wrecked his knees on some barbed wire and
 there was blood everywhere and everyone in
 Matuzgo had to put their fingers in their
 ears. Benjamin has a loud voice. Then we got
 back to the campsite and had tea and cake.





Phil's
Press
Gang!

- You WILL GO DOWN HOYEN?

Honest man, I'm not a football
hobgoblin and I haven't got a tattoo!
and who's all this talk about me
going down Hoyen, Paul

The Going Home Song.

I'm going home I've done my time
Now I've gotta find what is hisit mine
If I'd been staying longer

I'd have gone down Hoyou too
A freindly little hole

10/8/88.

- ① Bay + JCC holes on N Vega
- ② Photo trip Caranago.
- ③ San Antonio resurgence.

- [713]

② Photo trip Caranago -

Andy Hall should drop teaching and join the Army - would ~~not~~ snip him down to the ground - we had 5 slaves and 5 slave units, 2 million tones of mud and a Sergeant Major - Andy had a good shooting range but didn't manage to kill any of us!! It's a smelly place and felt like having a good vom on somebody's head, but saved us till after the bar!!!??!!

10/8/88. N. Vega shaft - boshing trip. 101

(1) Bag, Lenny & John Lally.

Ascended side valley near end of Vega valley where Patrick & I walked up the other day.

Re-discovered 364 and 365 on way up.

Pushed small crawl at back of 365 into another stalled up chamber with no draught and no sign of anywhere to progress. Then onto 699 where a poke with a crowbar showed solid walls about 4" wide crack with fairly strong draught for such a cold day, no chance of pushing it without chemical persuasion. Above 699 and slightly higher up is a hole with a tree in it (700). Descended 10' to a small rocky ledge with a further 30' pitch which was not descended since the entire floor could be seen and no way off was visible there was also no draught. Ascending further up the hill every shakehole was checked out but no draught could be detected in any of them and none were deeper than 10'.

Reaching the col the large shakehole (25' dia.)
 with a tree in it was descended. (701)
 This was 25' to a floor with trees growing
 and a further walk down of 15' to
 a complete draughtless choke. We then
 wandered about for a further couple of
~~the~~ hours finding nothing of significance
 and went to the bar.

(105)



pat
11/8/88.

- ① Toad
- ② Toad.
- ③ Cocumuzo
- ④ Cueva Anis walk. — cool building + bebed-wire shaft below road. (707)

11/8/88

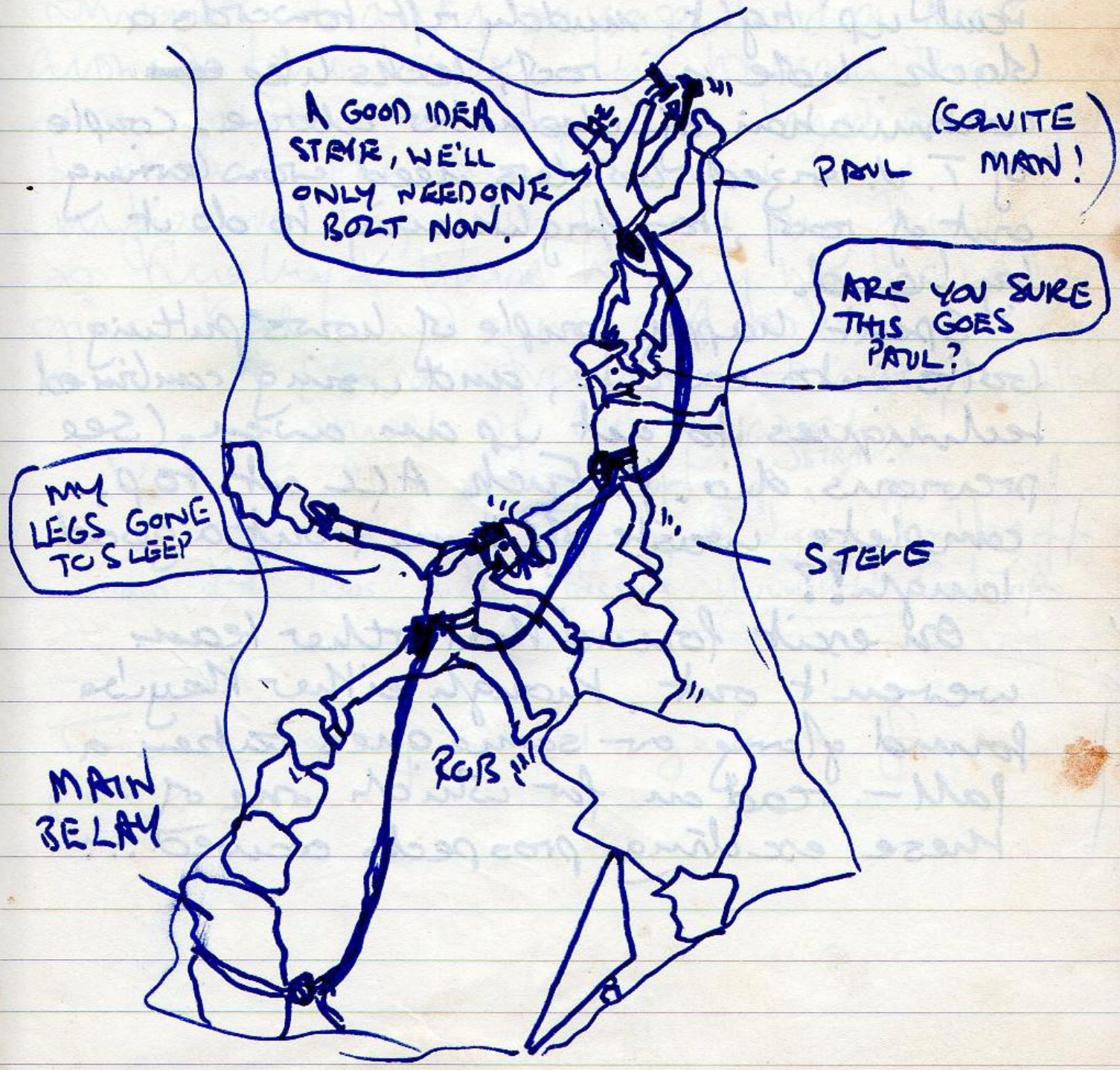
Toad Jim D Terry Pat D

Probing at end of western arm (limit of 87 finds). After climbing around in various ref lobes Jim finds the way on and literally drags Pat & Terry up an awkward climb up. All work off into stamping glory down Two Wols series; around ~~and~~ and down more upward moves with Jim acting as Selay and into a large area with lots of loose boulders on the edge of a 3sec drop. Terry's gardening upsets Jim who has visions of the key stone being knocked out. Lots of sandy stumps end at break dawn area with stall & lots of draught. Survey out with Terry's light and Patricia's health failing. Exit at 11pm which was better than the 9pm midnight estimate / idea of time in the cave.

~~Paul is Pighas not~~

LESSON 32 B : COMBINED TECHNIQUES

BY. P. STAVILLI / S. LUNIGHT / R. AMNES.



TOAD: Rob, Steve Paul.

Pushing holes in roof of big chamber at end of left hand cone (above calcite climb) Paul up tight muddy rift towards a black hole in roof, looks like ~~con~~ continuation of chamber above. Couple of T.V. sized boulders need crow barring out of roof, too frightening to do it by hand.

Spent happy couple of hours putting bolts into calcite, and using combined techniques to get up an over. (See previous dia.) Fuck ALL at top, complete waste of time, but a good laugh!?

On exit found that other team weren't out, though either they've found glang or some ones taken a fall - read on for which one of these exciting prospects occurred...

FINALLY!! (73)

Carawazo? 11. 8. 88. 3⁴⁵pm

Fran, Tony, Jane, Caz

was good, but it still smells bad,
Went towards smacks - but diverted
towards Wanky passage, had a mess
around found mesquite to man that
was piddling on her - We tried, or I tried,
but all the same it was well

Compressive, Tag just burnt my fingers
so finally I have to say no to another
gin bag and am off to bed -

Love Fran xx - Paint stand the
Smell of Carawazo shit!

Went to Rhino. & turned left up ^{STRAW?} a passage. End
is no go. Fran found stuff by digging boulders off
main drag. Was Pudding Passage. UNLUCK!! Good trip

This sorry, till get a fresh
page.

MATES - IN ALL places - see Angie for
how to blow one up.

1 SOLVITE MAN?

SOLVITE MAN.

SPLATT!

PAUL

VERY
MUDDY
INDEED!

DO YOU KNOW
IF YOU TAKE
A FLIGHT AT
THIS YOU STICK
LIKE SHIT!

KNOP OFF
PAUL!

STEVE



provide them and I'll blow the fuckers up!!

3000

2 MUSS



1 MUAMUSS

1 MICE UP Saver or under

+ 1 NCC

& NO ONE ELSE

What the fuck

goin' on 
- We're leaving!!! 

682

10/8/88

Dead Donkey Nest (703ish)

Cordoba - Isl

John Sully, Talking Terry & Landa.

Cordoba?

Pozo del Mula Muerta y las Bolsas

trip to investigate shaft found by Terry ^{Plankies}
last year. J.L. foolishly took SRT gear
to was used as the expendable. Terry
says there was a 5 metre drop, followed
by a 6 metre drop into a chamber with
2 holes leading off + dead donkey +
2 cementing plastic bags.

Cave was battered w/ SRT using
Yips' hand & rope protection. 2 holes are still
there, but chamber reached by Terry previously
could not be entered due to recent collapse.
Digging needed. Donkey bones + plastic bags still
there. Unstable floor is unstable, unsanitary and
should be avoided by anyone with an I.Q.
of more than 10.

Quote.

Terry Whitaker - "Be careful with that drill fahn,
it's a very good bit but it's got"
John Sully hands to Terry - who promptly
tries to dig up the road with it.

12/8/88 AZPILICUESTA - PAUL STACEY, GUY JACKSON.

RIGHT

RIGGED TO BOTTOM (NOT THE BOTTOM, BUT THE NEW SIDE-SHOOT ~~LEFT~~
 & HAND SIDE OF BIG PASSAGE ON FIRST FLAT LEVEL AFTER P24).
 DESPITE LOSING 1 PITON, DESTROYING BOLT DRIVER ON FIRST BOLT
 WE TRIED TO PUT IN, & 3 OTHER MEMBERS (THRU BOREHOLE) WHILEST WE
 TRIED TO EXTRACT BROKEN DRIVER) WE HAVE LEFT ROUTE RIGGED
 (P24 NEEDS 2ND BOLT TO BE LOCATED). DRAUGHT WAS TERRIFICALLY
 IN EVEN IN NEW RH SERIES*.

ONLY THING FOUND WAS 1987 SURVEY BOOK - AFTER WIPING FIRST
 PAGE BLANK TRYING TO ASCERTAIN IF IT WAS OURS WE DECIDED TO EXIT
 GUESSING THAT BY THE TIME WE RETURNED TO CAMP, DINNER WOULD BE
 COOKED & READY. IT WAS!



* BOTTOM OF RH SERIES: ~ 30m PITON TO BE DESCENDED - FLOOR
 OF PITON IS LARGE BUBBLERY AREA WITH SOUND OF WATER FALLING,
 POSSIBLE WAY OFF.

?? Dix in 1987??

209

Same team of 3. Cave surveyed.
 Serpentine chamber with a few side
 passages leading off. One dragging
 slightly - but too small - easy sandy
 etc. just drippy areas. Hole down into
 lower boulder chamber - left as for entrance -
 but no way on - but unstable.
 Lark gave a bearing of 397° on the survey. (Shouldn't it)

(15)
Staggered out of the cave TT having surveyed approx 400m in a 100m cave, "loop closure" he calls it. Fought our way through the jungle to the track where John C, courageously volunteers to take the gear back whilst Iark & TT fight the now killing death vines to find cave No 705. all of 20m long 6m x 6m. Took a long time to get out of the vegetation and back to the car.

AZPILICUETA
RM SERIES. UNDESCENDED PITCH
(SHIT PIT AREA)

(79)

I'LL TRY TO BE AS
CAREFUL AS I CAN



1987 SURVEY
BOOK RE-DISCOVERED

PAUL STACEY,
GUY JACKSON

13/8/88 AZPILICUETA - PAUL STACEY, GUY JACKSON, CARL GIBBS

CONTINUED WHERE WE LEFT OFF FROM CAR BEFORE BOLTED &
DESCENDED 40FT PITCH INTO CHAMBER (PASSING A TARE SLING
ON THE WAY DOWN!) BEDDING PLANE AT BOTTOM SHOWS SIGN OF
^{WHICH WASN'T OURS} MUDDY COVERS HAVING BEEN THERE BEFORE. I THOUGHT
THIS WAS MEANT TO BE VIRGIN PASSAGE! ? BEDDING VERY
WELL DECORATED WITH STRONG DRAUGHT GOING IN. RIFT IN
BEDDING.
NEEDS UNDER TO DESCEND INTO LARGER PASSAGE BELOW,
TOWARDS UN-DESCENDED PITCH (VISOFT).

ON RETURN TO THE GAR WE WERE INFORMED ^{THAT} THE NEW
PASSAGE WASN'T NEW AT ALL, BUT HAD BEEN PUSHED ^{AND} ~~OUT~~
NOT SURVEYED THE YEAR BEFORE. WILL RETURN LATER IN THE WEEK
WHEN ALL OUR GEAR IS LEAN.



11th. Aug.

Quote. Talking Terry. to John.

"Look for the triangular hole
its about 20" square"

Quote. Salford Phil.

"Margaret Thatcher is the most
evil person since Hitler."

* all who agree - sign below.

John Pally - Wants Mills

L. Dickinson

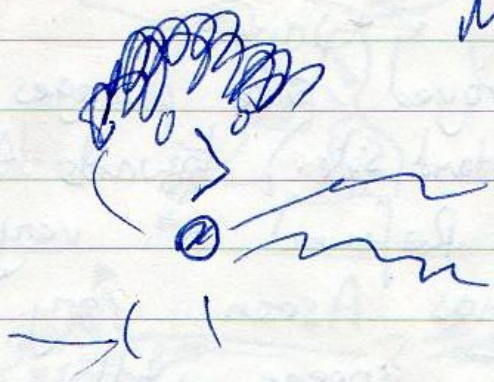
12th. Aug.

Big argument in the bar.....

The party from the Swans have just arrived --
things are declining rapidly!!!

↙

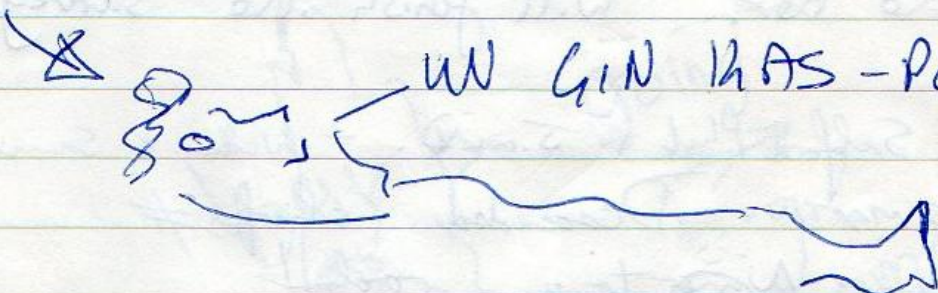
Dellock's things are just looking up.



MAGGIE TO
RUCES
SPAIN

O.k. O.O
??????
O.O O.O

DENNIS

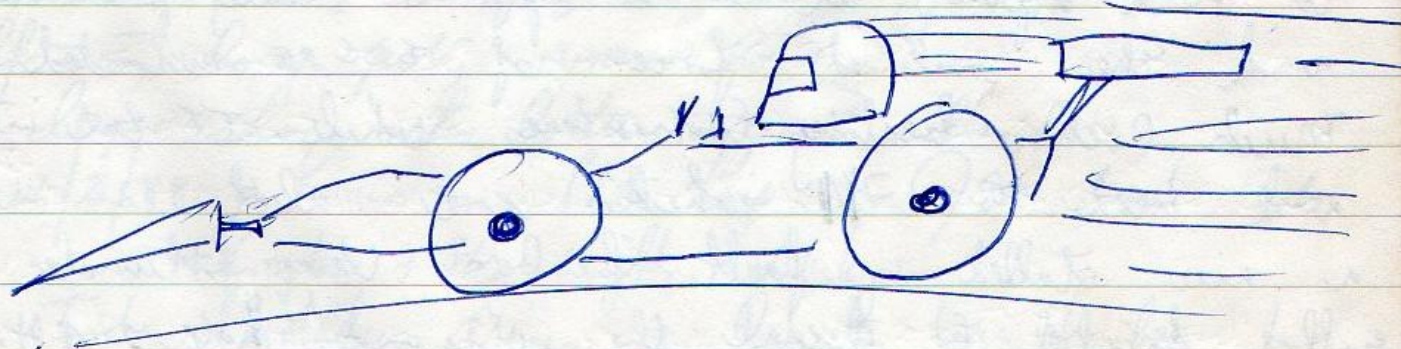


W GIN HAS - POR FA VOR

O.O
O.O

hank has cramp in his welly,

JUAN DRIVES HOME



13/08/82

RENADA Toby & Tape.

Surveyed side passages off ~~Stuffed~~ Stuffed Monk, (L. Hand Side.) towards Appilicuetu. One climb looks good. Refound a very well decorated chamber which has seen very little traffic.

Pushed a tight sneeze with 'stet (Tinkle Tinkle)' into a small muddy choked chamber. Came back to the bar. Will finish the survey later.

T.T. Pedro, Safford Phil & Sam D. + William & Samuel above BOS main. Descended shafts #

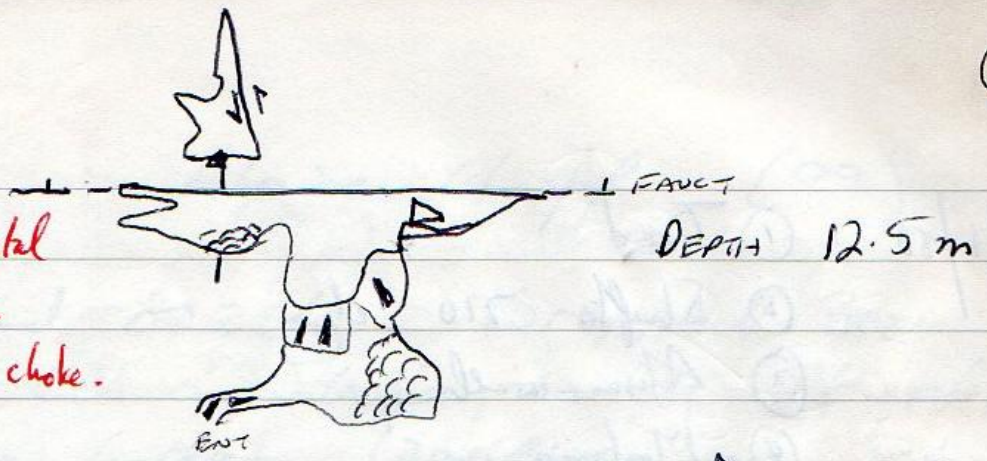
First bolt your Nine to a rock!

T.T. descended # 706 about 11m to a solid bedded floor. No draught in a small faulted shaft. After being forced down a fissure in which nocho dropped a long way T.T. was inserted to head depth at which point sanity prevailed and the combined force of SDC & Co extracted him. Much rock beating took place while T.T. lost interest and went to # 710 which went about 12m into a nice stilled up fault chamber. Very fortunate as Safford decided to descent the original hole. After going down 45m he re-emerged and was dug and hauled out by T.T. & Sam.

Cont

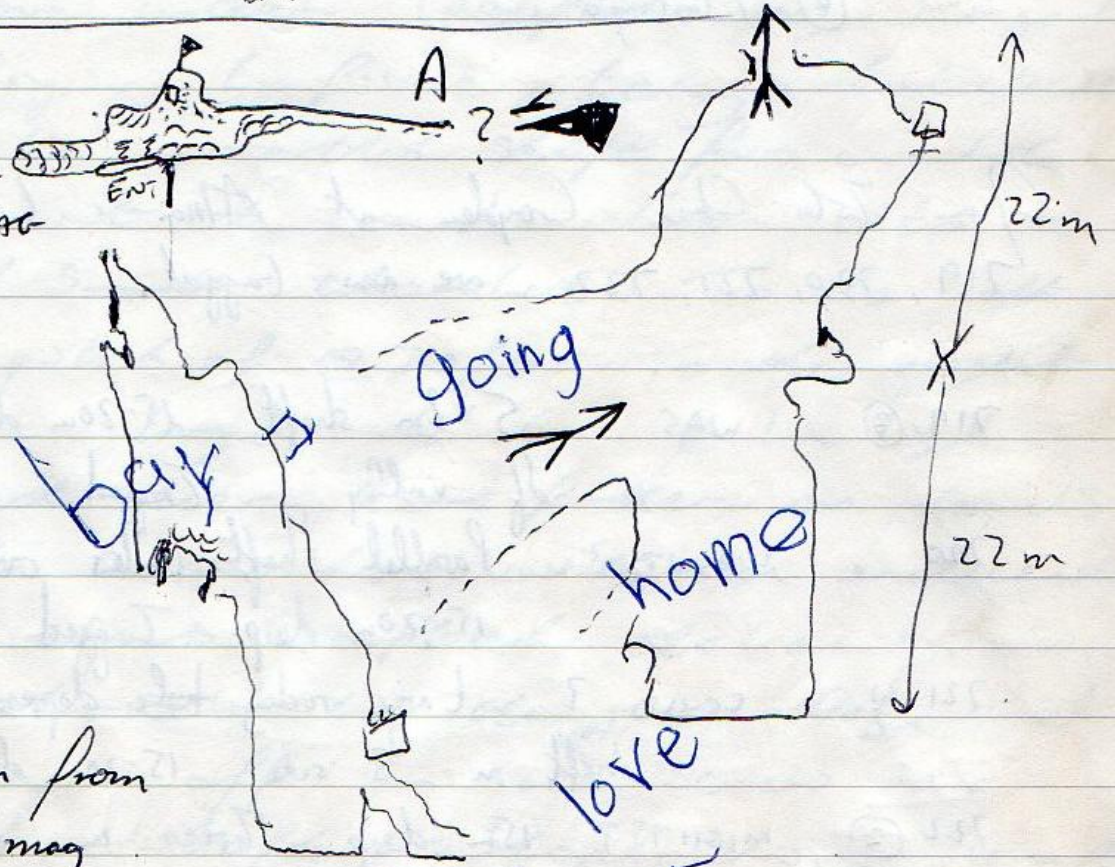
711

"4m climb - belay to stal
rope length deep. 12m
to chamber 20ft long - choke.



710

FAULT at 127° MAG



710 is 15m from
711 on 290 mag

Rift at A need swinging into about
half way down pot, appears to
go deeper than other bottom, good draught.

13/8/88 Riaño 1 Photo trip. Guam, Lank, Toba
+ Crayden + Steve Knight + Nick.
Into Crystal Mines + then to large chamber

14/2/88

- ① Toad
- ② Shafts 710 etc
- ③ Alisas walking
- ④ Molajo.

Qua, Toño Chin Coyden at Alisa + La Calzadilla.
719, 720, 721, 722 are now tagged.

719 ③ WAS ? 5x2m shaft 15-20m deep. On LH side
of valley Tagged

~~720~~ WASN'T ? Parallel shafts under overhang in rift.
15-20m deep. Tagged

721 ① COULD ? Large rocky ~~hole~~ depression has walled up
shaft on S side 15-20m deep. Large trees.

722 ② MIGHT ? 15m deep. Trees in entrance
+ subid.

Other hole on Plot is about 5m deep but could
be deeper. 50m NW of 721.

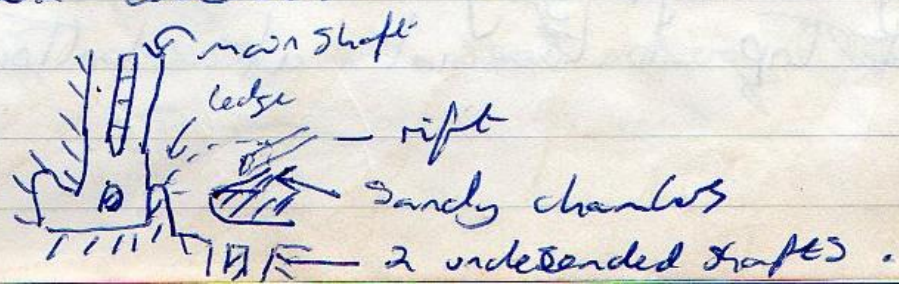
13/8/88

Alpine Choff (99)

Ed and Milly. Dropped the main shaft to a ledge on the rt about 50ft above bottom (about 1000m). Played around trying to fix a cakey but decided to leave the parallel shaft for a while.

Traversed out rt and down into a number of small chambers. To the left a blind pitch of @ 70ft. To the right there is a large chamber @ 1m high with stak everywhere further on leads to a rift 200m long with an undescended pitch of about 40 feet the end.

We returned to the ^{1005E} ledge and abraded down off an ice screw in a crack about 60ft a slope down leads to 2 shafts set apart which looked about 700ft? deep. Belaying seemed impossible (a good excuse) so we wimped out. Long push back out no for at all.



Mastajo - Steve & Nick. Rugged Entrance
and Golden void for S.R.T. Dead cow
smelling very much! New bolts on G.V.
We came
We rigged
We saw
We came out! and I hope you wiped
up after!

Stomping above Toad.

Ces, Sarah, Ian

Stomped up above Toad, found a shaft, dropped
it into a pile of bones. Then found shaft
number 83b just next door. We'll have
to junk about this one

710 TOBY & ROB.

T.T. Told us that we could get the car
there. We couldn't (AGAIN)

Entrance is not obvious. 45m shaft with
small chambers at bottom. Lots of reb points.
Well worth another visit to place re-belays
& gain entry to rift going into the hillside.
Draughts at top but not at bottom.

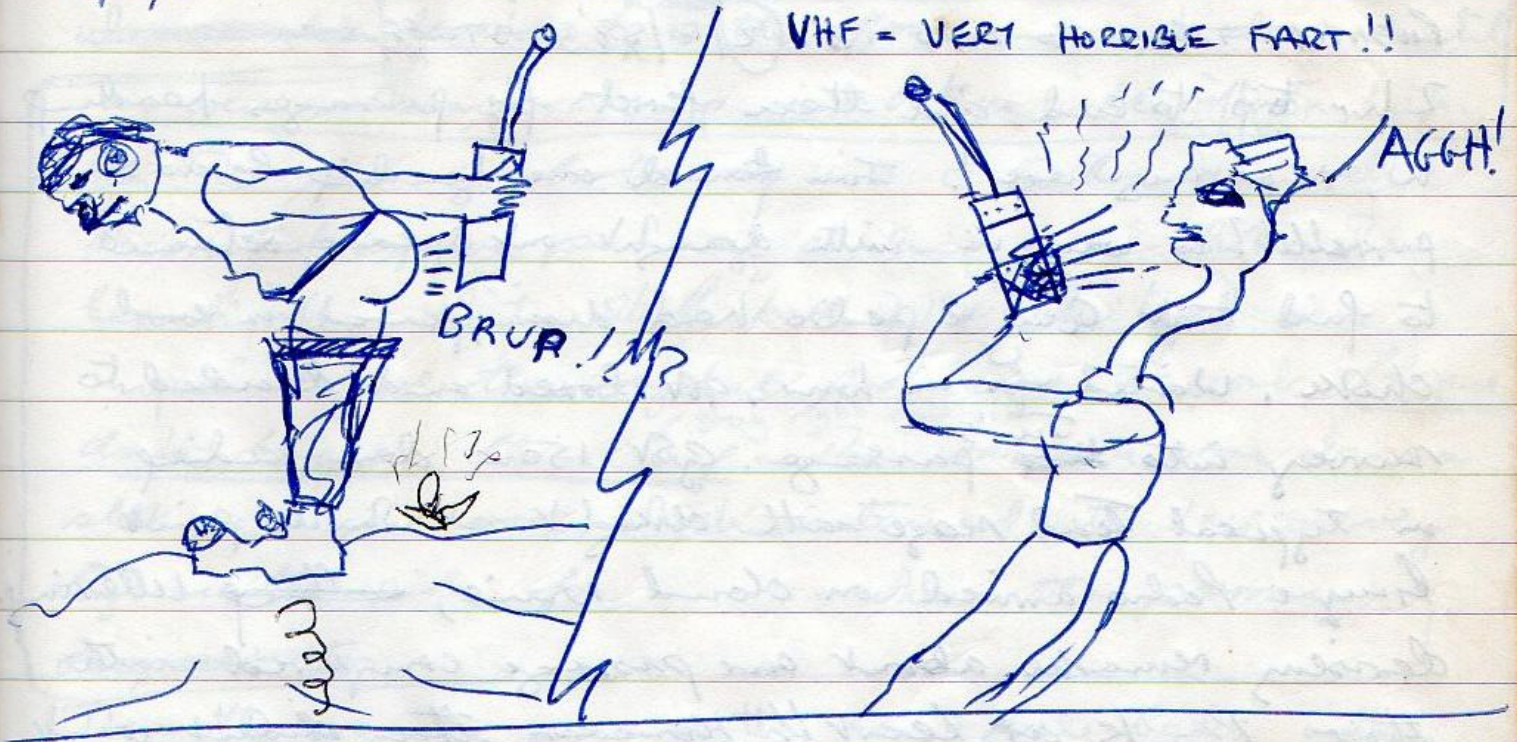
THIS PAGE CONTAINS THE SPECIAL SCATTUM N' SWIFF COMPOUND.

(87)

14/8/88

TOBO DOES HIS BIT FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.....

VHF = VERY HORRIBLE FART!!



14-8-88

(714)

John L, Paul L + MIKE (Croydon)

Up to 471 to investigate underused pitch.
moved device - couldn't find it. so found
land near are instead (714). small rift
entrance in dirt gets bigger - 2 ~~25~~
5 metre pit into steep caliche slope - leads to
10 metre pit into large chamber. - no way a
rice formations + dead dog (bones only).

Toad. 14/8/88. Jim, Patrick, Pedro, Guy, Carl.

PUSHING TRIP TO END OF 12/8/88'S STUFF.

2 hr trip to end and then forest for passages heading W, N or anywhere! Jim found one heading back south parallel? to way in with draught out of cave, returned to find that Guy & Pedro had disappeared in end choke. Waited for an hour, got boxed and decided to survey into ~~the~~ ^{Jim's} passage. Got 150m done ending in typical Toad maze with draught at which point Guy & Pedro arrived on cloud nine, ~~saying~~ uttering derisive remarks about our passage compared with their 1 1/2 k at least!! However they didn't want to go back to survey it because it would take far too long. There followed a walloping about session with JD, Patrick & Carl attempting to continue surveying, but the passage had done a Toad and disintegrated into a phreatic rift maze with holes everywhere. We decided to go back to the start, meanwhile Jim worked on Guy to go and survey his stuff and look at what Pedro said were the best stal in Mateniz that he'd seen 150 m of girdling persuaded Guy to persuade the rest that they were going to survey and photograph the new stuff. A climb up and round the ~~to~~ Curtini choke lead to some crossrifts with step across to an impressively round tube 1.5m diam,

with old potholes in the floor, leading on for m. ~~to~~
~~where it~~ developed ^{a slot} in the floor and got deeper until
 we were sideways caving in a 0.4m wide rift 5m high.

Then the passage broke out into a 5m x 5m very well
 decorated square passage ending in a choke. The
 beautifully white ~~stal~~ "hall" of 13" (mini type) were
 impressive and the crystal pools were way out. Please
don't bugger them up. ^{stay right going in} The way on was down a
 slot - mini sewers which continued with 1m swway
 legs on the side for m when the passage
~~disappeared to~~

Then the way on was in the soap plate beds with
 typical breakdown boulders, hanging roofs etc. Some
 ways off but end still goes.

We surveyed out *ala presto con gasiosa* to a turn
 choke in 2 hrs. Then headed for the bar hyperbolick-
 ally, left the cave rigged and went out for 1.30 pm
 when we heard Salford making sure he could pack
 up his caving gear.

Toad (11/8/88) Jim, PATRICK, TEARY
 To find way into last series and look for?
 Found way in obvious passage & left about second
 climb up. Stopped on to TD40 where we hunted
 around for last lost bit, but no luck ↖ See 11/1/85

15/8/88 PAUL STACE, CHRIS RY, MIKE LATHAM. SHAFT SEARCHING ABOVE HAS
TAGGED 714 FROM DAY BEFORE, TAGGED NEW SITE 712 -
SHAFT OF ABOUT 50 FT. WASN'T DESCENDED. (Reference needed).
Another hole to west - see Chris.

TODAY 14/8/88 GUY, JIM, PEDRO, PATRICK, CARL.

Got to end of 14/8/88 new stuff in 12h. Jim, Carl +
Patrick went off perreting while Guy + Pedro roped up
climb into breakdown. Over this into area of complex
rifts - not pushed to any conclusion. Returning
to head of climb Pedro found passage leading
past curtain into chamber. BSLD step leads into
winding passage which ^{follows straight all the way} ~~branches~~ ^{flows} out into large well
decorated passage. Much excitement. Continues, then
pushed short way along sandy crawl - not concluded
Hole in R wall at end of big passage led on +
on to breakdown area where we perreted around
before finding a way on through some small windy
stuff to more large passage. Couldnt find an excuse
for stopping, but gave up when we reached
another small sandy crawl. Returned to find Jim,
Patrick + Carl surveying their bit. After much
winseing (from me + Pedro) - Jim persuaded us
to return to survey our bit (Cloud nine?)
Couple of hours later saw us back at the
rope climb. Left cave rigged to continue

with explosion (Wednesday?) *Cery*

15/08/88 PEDRO, JANE, TOBY.

Shaft no. 728 above Emboscados. Pedro fell down the first 5' and announced that we'd found it.

15' pitch leads to boulder floor & traverse in rift. Descended in 3 places: 1 tight after only a few feet (far end) 1 to short traverse & pitch of maybe 60'. 1 tight after 20' ish. As there were only 2 ladders not down other holes this trip was not conclusive. Going back on 16th with the 2 ladders from Carcarueso so people going in Carc. (if any) will have to use the old way in.

15/08/88 - Shaft 720 - Toby & Rob
underground
- John overground
- Steve & Iank
somewhere else,

into chamber - rig traverse over first shaft
out second shaft - descend down to pebble
floor c 20' down. Pitch through diagonal slit
in wall to left - rigged & descended c 20' to
flat caliche floor & no way on - pebbles continue
to drop down through small Gits. Ascent to
pebble chamber. Another pitch descended from here.

25' - descended - pebble floor - tight bit for 6' going down - again v tight no way on - with up same way as calcite chamber.

Back from pebble chamber around halfway onto chamber swinging to left. Climb 10' down into it. Pebble chute - no way on - slit shows onto another pit that cannot be entered on top covered on stones, muddy calcite etc - would need moving & then descending. Climb on ascending - another pit slightly to right of previous - ~~no~~ no way on pebble floor.

Back at top. Examine 1st of parallel shafts that we traversed earlier. Look down - 15' to pebble floor - not descended ~~no~~ no way on apparent.

Summary - place full of shafts which are not very deep with boulders at bottom - only exception calcite floor chamber - pebbles dropped down small holes down tight holes - covered on calcite - continue to drop for some way. Does not look promising. Also found a bolt that was not put in by us. owners of bolt unknown.

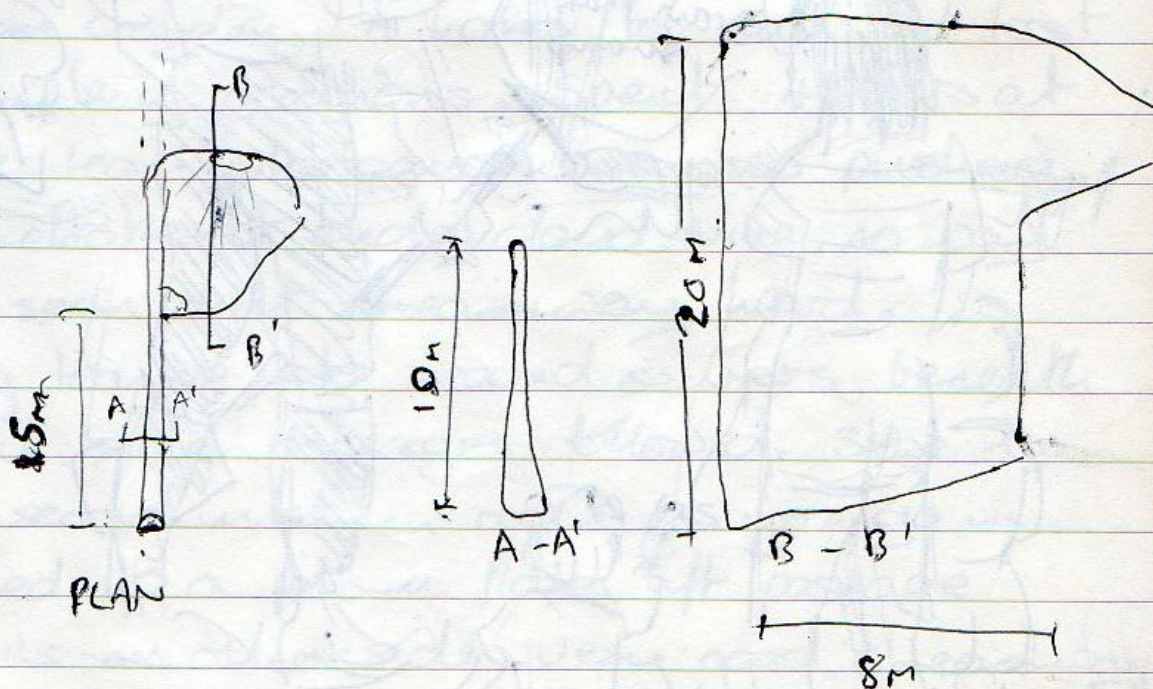
Rob

probably
French

Get back 681 bag from Jim!
Sketch for 714
Reference for 712

16/8/88. Retrieve Caraway's ladder + Curbscades survey
LT passage

Sketch - 714



a new fuente for Matanzas



Do something useful Jim Drain that swamp

oh dear

water pipe

"Why is Toad so pointless?"

17/8/88.

- ① Toad
- ② ~~Day~~ Coveron, Nuts Passage
- ③ Codicera
- ④ Photos in Quiero 2. + another look at 246
- ⑤ 635.

Toad - Pushing trip to Cloud Nine. 7 in party Steve K, Tobo, Toby also Paul, Guy, Corland Paul from Croxden. 4 hours to end, got lost on a couple of occasions. Spent 4 hours at end, one team photographing two pushing. Pushed choke at end of cloud Nine, no way through seen, but streamway heard.

Pushing teams into second sewers, beneath cloud nine, side passages followed. Steve & Toby up second inlet on right, as you go in. Surveyed to a pit in floor, rift passage continues on other side, very good streamway heard. Climbed down hole in floor $\frac{3}{4}$ of way into passage, followed draft, but closed down. Managed to find a way to

bottom of pitch, the head of which we had been at earlier. No sound of water at bottom.

Traverse needs to be done, possibility that stream heard here leads under boulders at end of Cloud Nine.

Second team to end of second sewers plus photographing. Details to follow...

Coveron - Nuts Passage. (17-8-83)

General note around by John & I Feb. Nothing significant was found in Mat of the old stump. Nuts passage was then re-located at base of caliche slope in narrow rift. tube exhibits a very strong drought - good caliche rattle. apparently been pushed by seep in '75 but not easily accessible to normal sized people - easy digging though.

(97)

Job 17/8/88 Guy Paul Carl Mike Tony Toby Steve.
Pushed on from JD200 @ end of 2nd sewers
in Cloud 9 for $\approx 150m$ to junction. (L) \rightarrow area
of breakdown, tube in roof closes down + (R) \rightarrow
large rift passage to hole in floor - still going.

By

Quotes

"Most people's arseholes close up as I approach them" - Juan Corrin.

18/8/88 COVERON - NUTS PASSAGE

After about $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs digging access to NUTS PASSAGE
ACHIEVED. Draught traced up left hand series of
crawling (hands & knees) to several strongly draughting
holes. Approx 120 ft surveyed.

Toad

Cueva enigmática

pasando

por el alma de la montaña

sin objetivo

buscando un sitio

donde le pueda ocurrir

18.8.88.

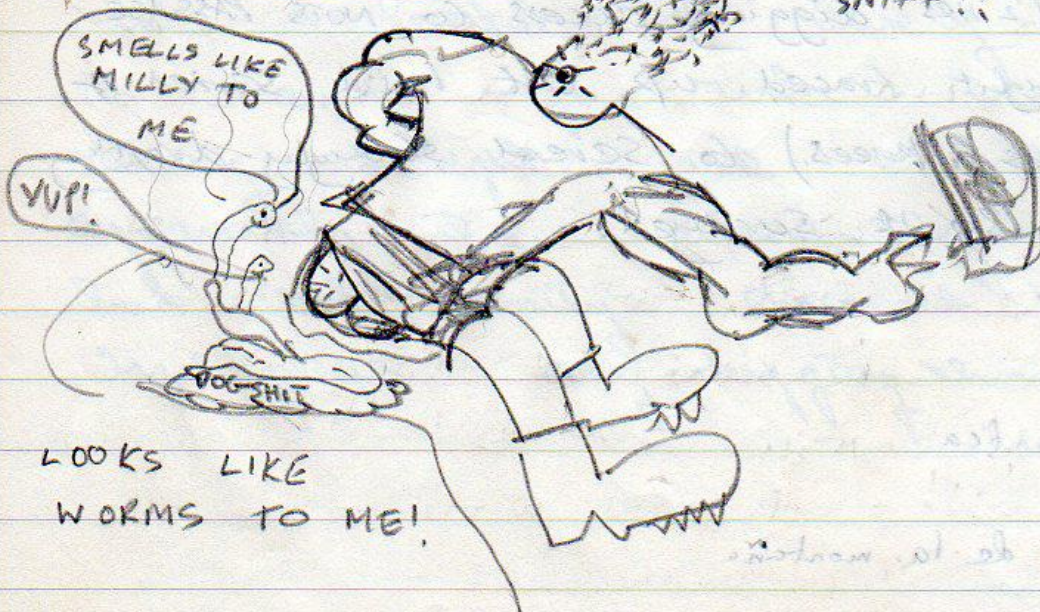


- CARL FEELING A BIT ILL AFTER HIS BIRTHDAY PISS UP!

Manaña es FRIDAY.

SMELLY LIKE SHIT
TO ME

SMIFF!!



LOOKS LIKE WORMS TO ME!

Codesera (39)

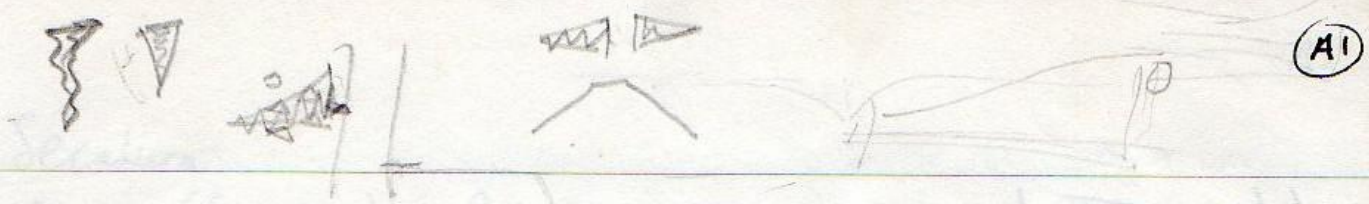
A trip with a cast of ~~millions~~ millions including COS, Tim, Rich, Martin, Chism, with a special guest appearance from "THE ROPE" (who's rope?) Got to the entrada, mega early (12:30 ish), and Tim, Rich and Chis went off towards the 95m drop whilst Cos and Martin went to fight the "traverse". Cos traversed around and bunged a ~~bolts~~ bolts in above a rusty spanish peg which was then used as a deviation(ish) Meanwhile back at the hard bit Tim, Rich and Chism looked down in the face and chanced the mega traverse around the 95m pitch. Rich fixed 4 bolts round edge and all members traversed on \Rightarrow 20 m into passage on left hand wall about 4m up small opposing Spotted ~~climber~~ climbed in after 4 m passage split - left hand went for \approx 15 m then choked. R.H. went as crawl for \approx 30-40 m. to traverse at top of meandering right mega deep \approx 95m? (returned to this on the way out and Rich chanced the traverse to follow right to definite pitch of similar depth

to main ~~depth~~-pitch.) followed ^{main} a came
 to end [as many before] poked
 around but could find no way
 on - will return to second pitch
 found earlier in next couple of
 days -

Meanwhile

Sarah cannot
 spell!

Having rigged (the traverse, absailed the last
 20' ft and on to solid ground again. Cos and
 Martin ~~went~~^{spat} $\times 10$ cave hunting and very soon
 realized that the Spanish survey was not
 very much like the actual cave. Found
 a few 10's of M's of solution tubes
 and the start of one, draughting, which was
 just a bit too tricky to get into (leave
 it to danger Dick). Carried on to the
 end where the roof met a rubble slope.
 Then surveyed out to the end of the traverse,
 but only did the main passages. Solution
 tubes need to be done. The sketch looks
 not a lot like the Spanish survey, so far...
 Stupid Specs!!!!!!

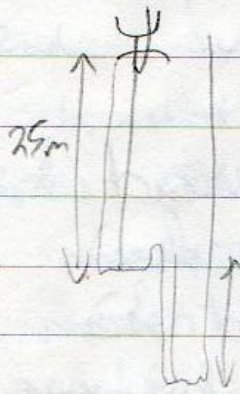


(A1)

19/8/88 JUAN, TOBO, PAUL & GUY SHAFT-BASHING @ LAS CALZADILLAS

721 - GUY & PAUL; 722 - PAUL; CHOKED (TWIN) SHAFT

~ 15m DEEP



LARGE RIFT WITH
PARAPET, LEADING
TO CHOKED FLOOR
ABUNDANCE OF SHITTY
5m MOONMILK EVERYWHERE.

719 - PAUL; CHOKED SHAFT, ~ 15m

19/3/88 COVERON - CHRIS, STEVE, LANK. (NUTS PASSAGE)

RETURN TO NUTS PASSAGE TO PROFFLE AT DRAUGHTING HOLES.
LANK, NOT AT ALL IMPRESSED, COMMENTS "OH GOOD, LETS ENCUMBER
OURSELF WITH AS MUCH IRONWARE AS WE CAN FIND ON THE
CAMPSITE AND GO CRAWLING THROUGH SMALL PASSAGES" (HE WAS NOT
HAPPY!!) RIGHT HAND PASSAGE CHECKED - NO GO. POKED ABOUT AND
TOOK PICTURES IN REST OF CAVE. GOOD DRAUGHT COMING DOWN
FROM THE TREE CLIMB AT END OF TREE PASSAGE. LANK FOUND
A CLIMB UP TO SOMEWHERE WHERE FLOWING WATER COULD
BE HEARD. - SEE LANK FOR LOCATION -

Chris

20/8/88

① Toad

② Apiliceta.

③ Pete + Chris Secadwa.

- 729 Cuernavaca Domingo Lopez.
See 1:10000 map.

TOAD - RESURVEY

Give up with orange pen, can't read it.
Resurvey of up and down stream from
bottom of ^{40%} 30' pitch. Milley and Ed from
PPCC surveyed up to Aven. Tobo & Steve
from Boulder chamber to 4 way junction.
Survey of Toad now ⁱvirtually complete.

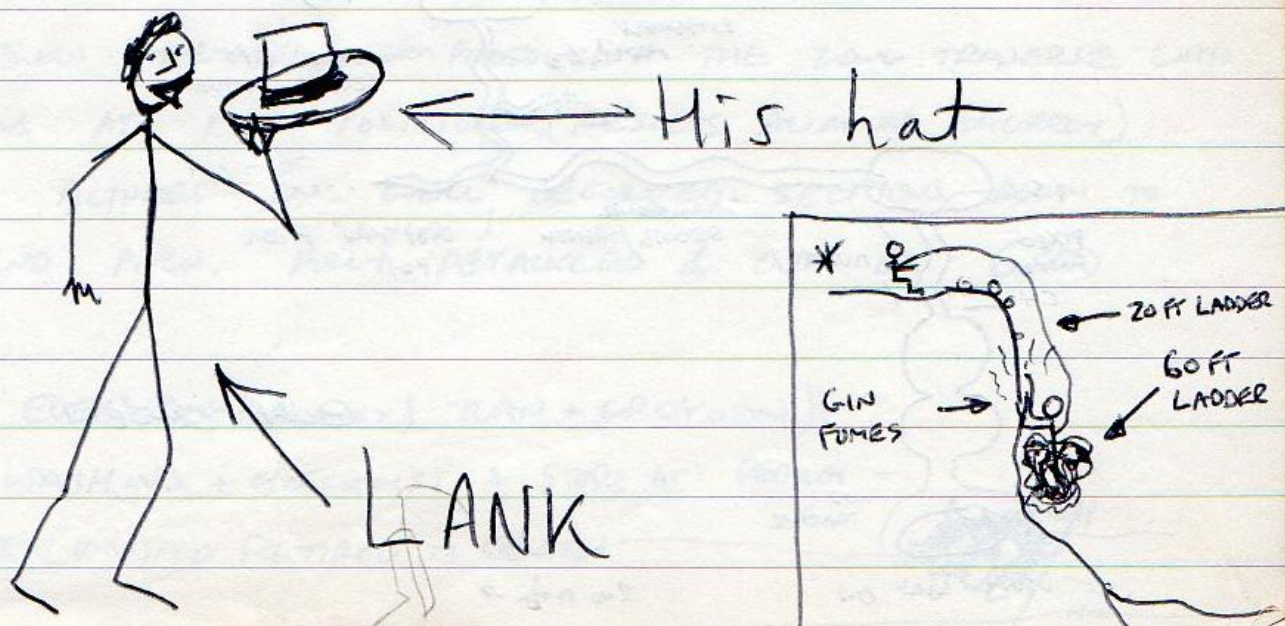
Secadura

Chris (Croyden) + Pedro

1st. Quick trip to cave behind Cueva de Otero. Chris descended pitch - 40 ft to choker. * 632

2nd. Survey of Cueva Chica. 91 m. - involving rope climb to short passage up and downstream. 631

3rd. Told about and located and first exploration of Cueva de Domingo Lopez in San Mames. Chris made the first trip - limited to only 8 mins. Locals promised that its One kilometre long. Lank is going to eat his hat if its more than 100 metres.

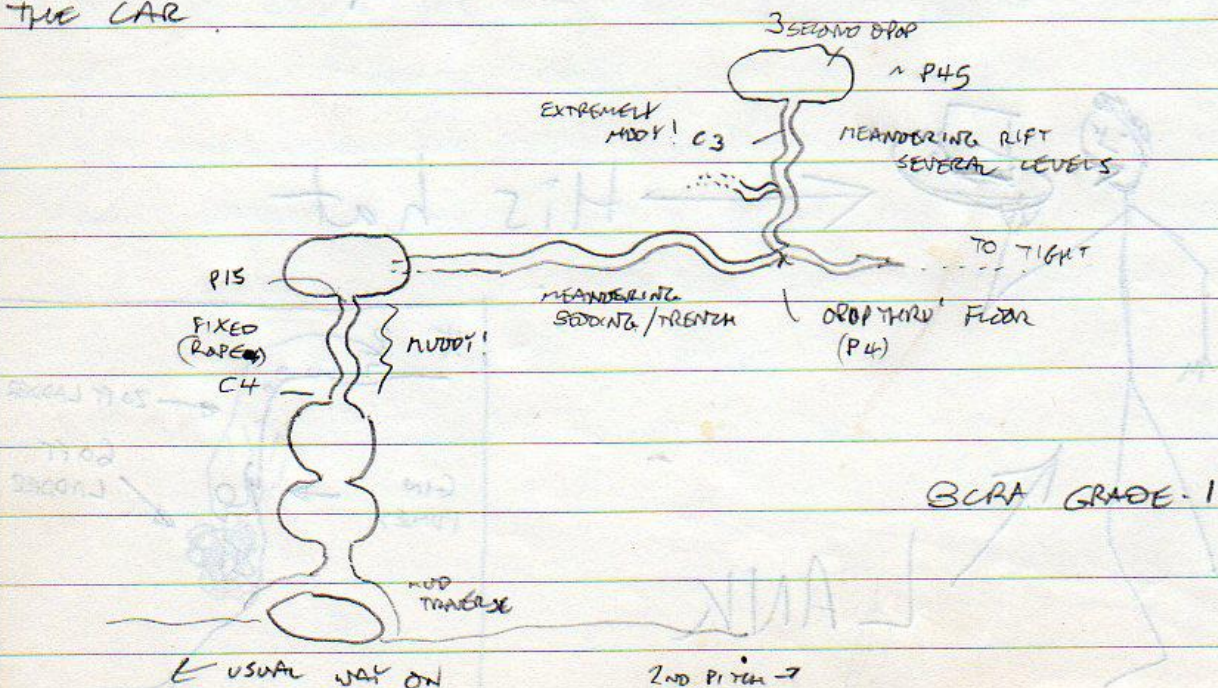


20/8/88 AZPILICUETA DE RIG FROM NEW RM BIT

PAUL STACEY, CARL GIBBS & MIKE CATHAM

UPON REACHING & FINALLY LOCATING NEW (PARTLY DESCENDED) PITCH THE SITUATION WAS DEEMED TOO DEEPERATE TO PUSH NEW PITCH i.e. MOST WALLS AT PITCH HEAD WERE COVERED WITH ~ 8 INCHES OF MUD & WHERE NOT, LIMESTONE RESEMBLED A MAGNIFIED VIEW OF A PIECE OF STALE BREAD. EVERYBODY GOT COVERED WITH STICKY CLAY BY THE TIME NEW PITCH WAS REACHED & SO A SURVEY OUT WAS ALSO DEEMED VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE AS WELL.

NEW PITCH NEEDS A LONG BELAY BACK-UP PASSAGE TO START OF PITCH HEAD, WHERE GOOD ROCK STARTS & THEN SRT'D FROM THEN ON. PITCH GIVES A CLEAR 3 SECOND DROP & IS QUITE WIDE (~ 15 FT DIAMETER) UNGLORIOUS RETURN WAS MADE OUT WITH EVERYBODY ENDING UP WITH TWO LARGE TACKLE BAGS EACH. FIASCO WAS CONCLUDED AS WE GOT LOST IN THE DARK ON THE HILL ON THE WAY BACK FROM THE CAVE TO THE CAR.



WHILST ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE A DRY PITON WE FOUND ONE TAPE, ONE PLASTIC BAG FULL OF SURVEY MARKERS, ONE GELT DRIVER & A COMPLETE SET OF SURVEY NOTES OF THE PASSAGE FROM LAST YEARS EXPEDITION! DO WE GET THE IMPRESSION THEY WEREN'T ENJOYING IT EITHER! >

P.S. ONE THE MOST ABRUPTING TRIPS I'VE HAD FOR SOME WHILE & I CAN STATE THAT I'M NEVER GOING BACK THERE EVER AGAIN.



SKIP A DAY parabolo etc.

22/8/88

- 1. Cochera
- 2. Toad detachle
- 3. Mostajo detachle + photograph.

MOSTASO DE-TACKLING :- JUAN, PAUL S., CARL, GUY, CHRIS, MIKE GOT BUZZED BY FLIES & BEETLES FROM THE NOW INFAMOUS DEAD COW. JUAN ATTEMPTED TO PHOTOGRAPH THE LONG TRAVERSE WITH FLASHGUNS AT FIVE POSITIONS. (RESULTS AWAITED EAGERLY). FURTHER PICTURES IN WELL DECORATED SECTIONS DOWN TO THE 2ND PITON. FULLY DETACKLED & OUT BY 6PM.

24/8/88. EVERYBODY (ALMOST) JUAN + CROYDEN

GEAR WASHING + CHECKLIST & STORE AT DEOROS - WHEN FINISHED RETIRED TO BEACH.



- SECADUZA

notes??

24/8/88 - GUY S, CARL & CHRIS - CUEVA DE DOMINGO LOPEZ.
RETURNED TO PUSH, SURVEY & PHOTOGRAPH BEYOND KNOWN
LIMIT. CLOSED DOWN AFTER A FURTHER 8-10 m !!
SURVEYED LENGTH 45 m. GOOD SIZE PASSAGE - 5m x 10m.
JUST 'ENDS'. A FURTHER SHORT WALK ON SOUTHERN
SIDE OF VALLEY IN PASTURE SHOWED UP NOTHING NEW.

Mike has Toad, Montajo Slides,
will bring to conference.

Pete sending slide of Toad.

Carl will have kinetic slides.

Andy Hall Carcavaezgo slides.

MATIENZO CAVES PROJECT