

LOGBOOK

Year: 1996

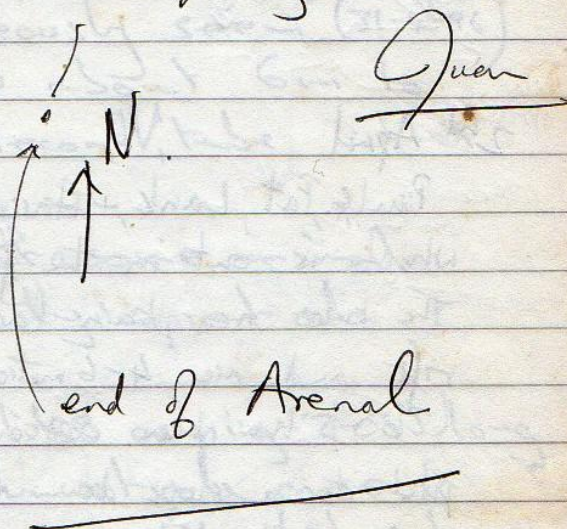
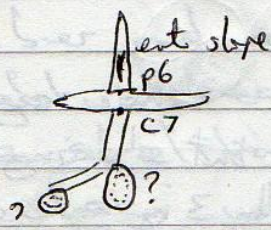
Season: Easter

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Juan Corrin, January 2015

31st March '96

Pete, Bobby and Joan up to site 491, above Arenal. Down entrance slope onto roomy 6m pitch to floor. Two holes down rift connect through a crawl, while the top of the rift closes in. A climb up the wall leads to a hole through into 8m of passage and a large hole in the floor, descended on two ladders by Pete but needing at least another as a further hole could be seen below. A short by R of passage to the right leads to an 8m sloping pitch in a tube. At the base two leads remain, both requiring thinner people than me.



Pat, Harry Long, Paul up gully between Arenal & Toad. Rediscovered 763.

Saw several black holes to the east of Cueva de San... (370)
Need visiting to see what they are.
Visible from parking spot at end of road.

1st April '96 (ha ha!)

Harry, Paul, Pat - walk up through the Mushroom field - Paul down 603 (which $\neq$ had to be pilled ask).

Up into ~~the~~ 800 $\neq$ then around into the wooded gully. Saw possibly unrecorded shaft a right hand side of gully. (260^{now}) - looking up!

On way down by barn at bottom of 'mushroom field', near track, are 2 holes - one may be 93.

2nd April

Paul, Pat, Lank + Harry - 2 holes seen yesterday are not 93 which is out in the field but showing signs of recent collapse. The holes near barn (actually 3 in number) are all along same (261) rift and are 4-6 metres deep and severely choked. Hole in gully (260) has been descended before, but not recorded - is a 6m pitch to a slope down (4m) to a choke.

A small hole in gully by electric cable running down hillside was draughting inward strongly. A dig revealed a slot only about 4 inches wide, so it was covered with rocks. (In the next gully + level with the "^{Ladies dig} ~~maned~~ ~~over~~ dig") Further on round about 30m's below the corner of a wall small open hole - 3m deep + choked.

Comment to Lank.

"What do you want a new wet suit for?"

"Incontinence!"

(Retort in the bar).

2-4-96, 491.

Juan, Paul, Peter, Liz, Ali.

Returned to 491 with Juan completed descent to bottom of shaft. This consisted of a short length of passage with a further hole in the floor. This led to a a leading rift closed at the end. A parallel shaft was entered half way up and a shaft half way has a hole above it which is less than body size but possibly bigger beyond. At the top of this shaft two tubes lead of both too small.

The second hole previously seen (31-4-96) was entered which descend about 6m to a small chamber and a second tube which became too tight after 6 m.

A complete skeleton of some animal probably goat or sheep was lying at the bottom of the shaft.

A bat with a nose like a pig 2"-3" long was seen near the bottom of the cave.

A good fresh trip pitty it did not go to Arenal.

P. Ego.

PS: CHECKED ARENAL AFTERWARDS BOTH WERE DRAUGHTING IN.

3- APR- 96 TORD - PAUL, PETE, LIZ & ALI

PHOTOS TAKEN TO BAZ'S + CHOCOLATE SLICE / TRAVERSE -
OTG IN BAZ'S NOT AS SUCCESSFUL AS HOPED. 25m THRU' OTG
END FOLLOWING V. STRONG INWARD DRAUGHT TO 'HOLELESS' OTG IN
BOULDER. DRAUGHT IN BAZ'S APPEARS TO ALL HEAD TOP LEFT WHEN
FACING FINAL CHOKER.

CAVE LEFT RIGGED. TO CHOCOLATE SLICE

P.T.O.



TOAD - BAZ'S STC

TERMINUS @ STAN
CRAWL INTO CRACKS
AT HIGH LEVEL

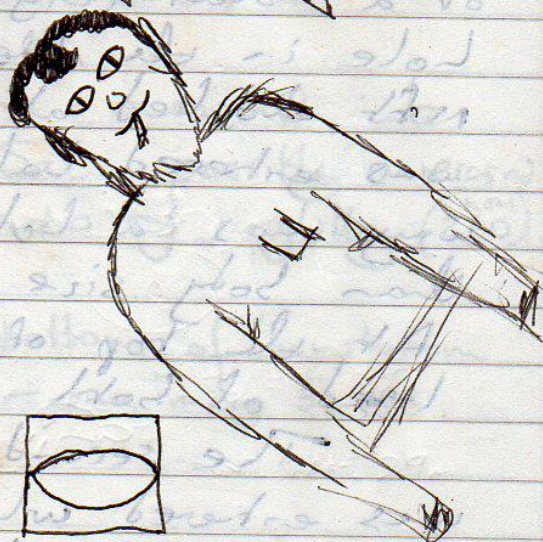
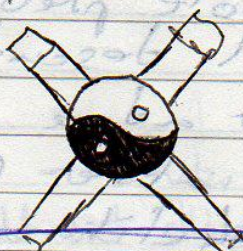


LOW DUG
CRAWL + SQUEEZE

SQUEEZE DOWN INTO
LOWER LEVEL

MAIN
PASSAGE

CALCITE
GRILL



MELVAND
MARIO'S

Mama Tengo ~~pipi~~ en donde ; ~~para~~ ~~adon~~ , en el ~~pedon~~

Bentley (carrera)



Lawrence David John Mill

Paul Lawrence ⑤
E. Lawrence

Elizabeth Cowell
↳ híz - Why Warren?

Pebro Tomás Peter Thomas

↓
Kepa
(Euzkera)

BETRIZ CARRERA

Soraya Santamaría

! Zer moduz!

BETRIZ DÍAZ DE LEZARIBI
PIZARRA
CARRERAS
MILIA

ALAINE 6.
DE NOSOTROS / AS
PARA VOSOTROS / AS

+ Cajiga → Roble → Haritz +
Jaraitona etorken

Cte Alaine

EVSKAL HERRIAN
EVSKARAZ

PREFIERO MATIENZO CITY
MORIR DE PIES 4-3-96
QUE UNIR ARRODILLADO

Cte Guadalupe → Alaine

LA PENIA DE
LOS ANFETAS
MUERTOS CL. AM.

(meant to be round)

4.4. 96

(start)

(12:59am)

(1:08 am)

Today / Tonight was an eclipse of the moon. (12:59 am. Halfway through the Eclipse) (very Interesting it is too)

Jenny Corrie

Esther Giddings

4.7.96. P. Gray P. Eger L. Conell A. Norris

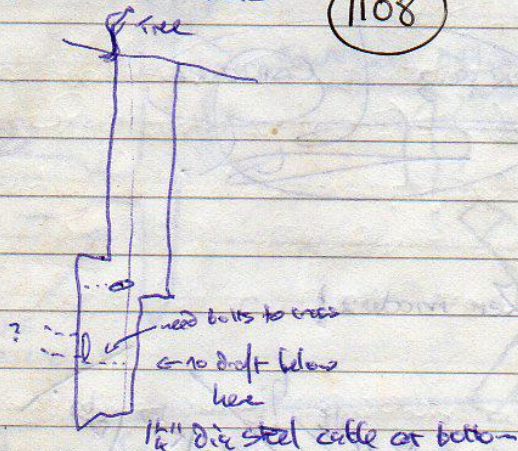
Hisss

A) Shaft 28 m. VN 4865 9392 B) Depth 29.2 m. VN ~~4865~~⁴⁸⁷³ 9390
Torca del Hausen

TORCIA DEL HAUSEN

1108

1109



(3) DENATION OFF HAWTHORN CUSH
NARROW PASSABLE RIFT
- 20m + ?

ENT. SHAFT 29m

c) Just into trees below ridge. 15m deep. UN 48729380

VN 48729380

1110



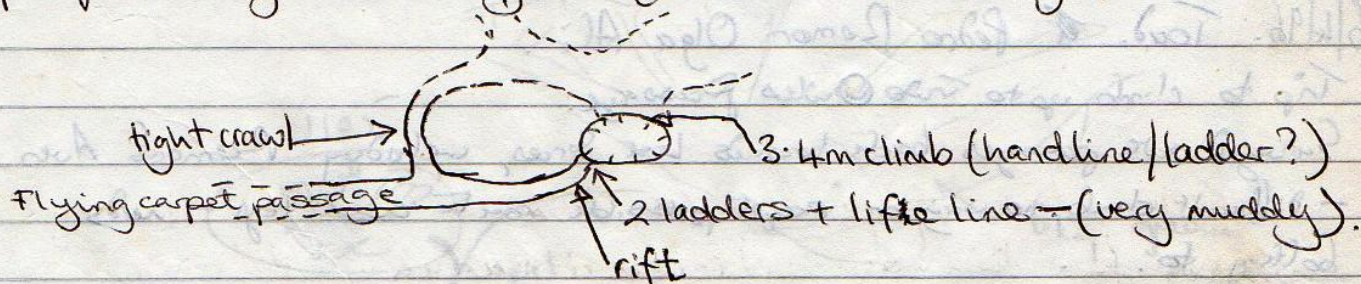
5-4-96 - Harry, Luke, Pat + Paul G. (Age order)

Road from Riano to Estromboraguez? Ended up
Areas back of road above Fuerte Aguanez.
Hill with a big water tank go down to the barn
& below that in a wooded valley a big shaft
with a water in the bottom. However since
we were all in lets not find cone made
we ignored it! The farmer also mentioned
another shaft more round towards Cobodal

so we ignored that as well "Tovea Lones"?
 Round to 'Coboda' for a chat with the
 farmer - Many streets above the farm
 in the valley leading towards Tovea. All want
 looking at - so ~~we~~ we didn't.

Paul G.

5.4.96. Peter F, Liz C, Paul S, Chris, Kieth
 Visit (477). To the end of magic carpet passage.
 On reaching end - dropped the pitch (2 ladders) and
 Pete descended to floor crossed the pit and climbed
 up 3.4 metres into new passage and found the other
 end of the sandy dig had vocal + light connection with
~~the~~ our side of the dig. This seemed as though it
 may be an easier way into the new passage so it
 was dug at from both ~~sides~~ sides, took longer
 than anticipated but as we had already derigged
 the ladder we all perceived and eventually Pete
 popped out. So we entered the new passage via
 this route - it being a narrow crawl with sandy
 floor it is possible to dig out to enlarge for bigger
 people to get through - requires work though.



Through ~~sq~~ crawl passage enlarges and quickly arrive
 at a junction to the left - passage gets smaller +
 continues to a sandy dig to the right passage increases
 in size and reach a large pitch in the floor possibly ~ 50m
 deep. ~~Let~~ at this first pitch a short traverse around to
 left (will need a rope) leads to a passage (unentered) -

The main passage continues ~~both~~ ^{past} further pitches in the floor to a draughting stooping size sandy passage which we left at a junction with a chamber on right - both still going. Basically the new area of passages we looked at fairly quickly and surveyed into the beginning of things is the area needs looking at in more detail, the ^{main} pitches in the floor needs dropping and the traverse around into the unentered passage needs doing.

5/4/96. Vallée. Simon Ali Rob Ferret Remon Olga Phil (Linsing)
Township & photo trip to Swirl (Chamber & top of Double Patch - recovered ladder (now very rusty) left abandoned by last party in last summer - why wasn't it taken out?
Passage in roof in ~~the~~ the Road to Nowhere - c 100m.

Who knows - ramp on right climbed by Simon up through barbed to c 60m well decorated passage with several big drafting eaves -
"Where Who knows Goes".

Walrus passage - side passage linking to main route in 3 places partly surveyed, also links up ramp to passage to Who knows.
Ali.

6/4/96. Toad. Pedro Remon Olga Ali.

Trip to climb up to Two Owles Passage.

Surveyed side passages back towards Lost Series, including Remon's Aven - difficult climb, no way or exact possible route over top - needs bolting to.

Surveyed loop N. of Sandy Junction connecting back in to larger passage further north.

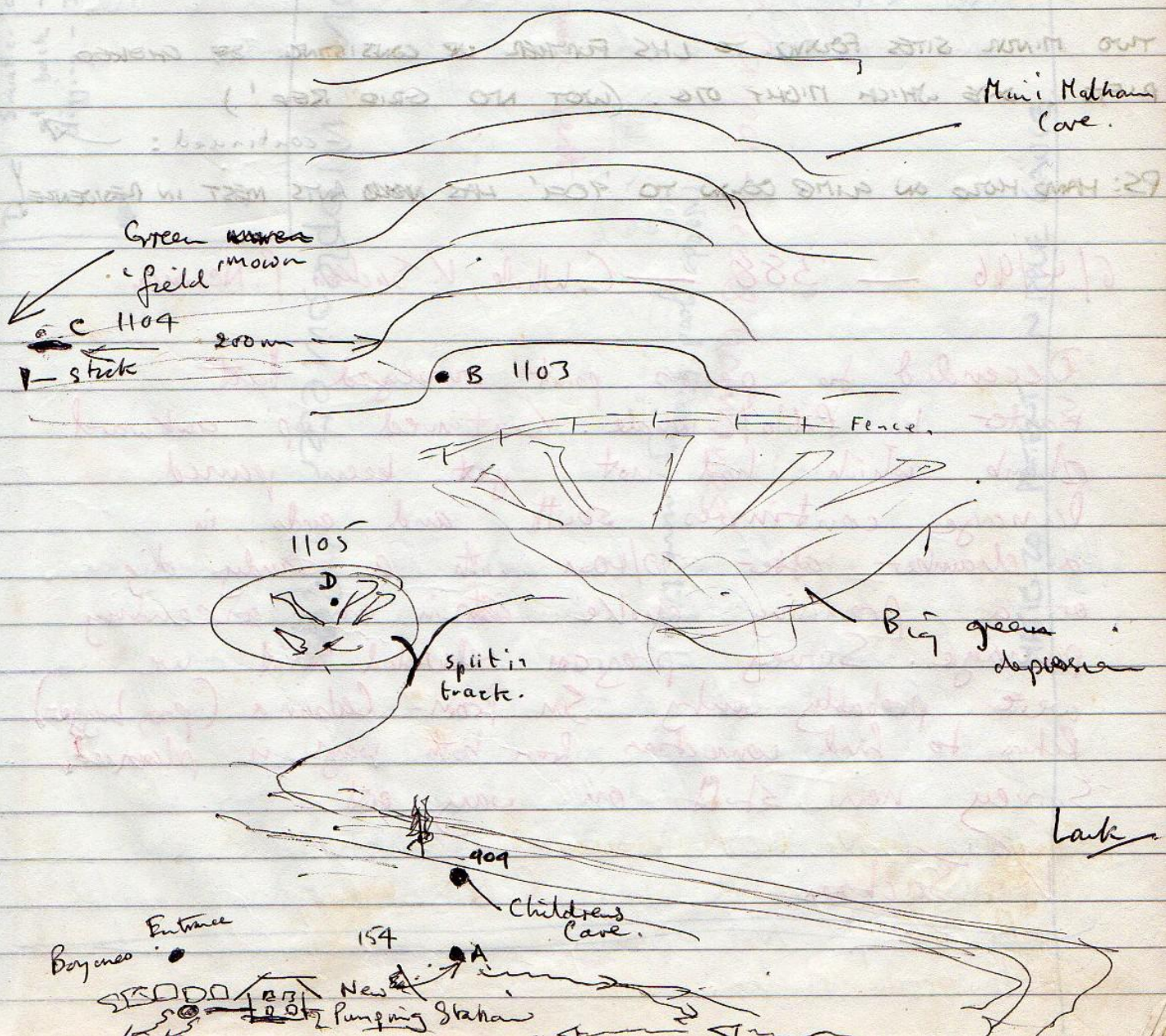
774 = Cueva de la Morenuca

6/4/96 - LANZ, P. STREET, P. GELING, C. FET & H. LONG

VISITED SITE ⁽¹⁰⁵³⁾ BETWEEN HAIR-PIN BENDS ON ROAD TO LUEVA. ROUTE FINDING THRU' JUNGLE FROM HERE EASIER THAN BEFORE. (PARK & WALK UP THE HILL ALMOST DIRECTLY BELOW CAVE BUT SLIGHTLY TO THE LEFT). YET AGAIN WE FORGOT THE 30FT ROPE BUT EXAMINATION OF THE CAVE YIELDED A DEFINITE OUTWARD DRAUGHT & 1 ANONY BARN OWL. CURRENT THEORY IS DRAUGHT EMERGES FROM PIT (AS YET UNDESCENDED).

DROVE ONTO SELADURA & SPENT TIME LOOKING AT POSSIBLE SOYD LONG MASTER ~~MAKER~~ SYSTEM NEAR LARGE BRIDGE ON ROUTE.

SURPRISED TO FIND PUMPING STATION BEING BUILT AT 'LOS GOFONES' REURGENCE, BUT THANKFULLY NO PROBLEM WITH ENTRANCES IN THE VICINITY. FOLLOWING TRASH THRU' UNDERGROWTH FOLLOWING FOUND...



B = TOP OF GREEN DEPRESSION UNDER LARGE OPEN AMPHITHEATRE (MINI-
MAGNUM COVE) - MORE BELOW SMOOTH UNDERCUT - DRAUGHTING -
ROOTS & WOOD NEED REMOVING WITH AXE ETC. BODY SIZED
MORE DESCENDING 6 FT + ? (Down in a smaller depression)

A = WALK IN ENT. PARTLY COVERED IN VINES LEADS TO SMALL CHAMBER
(ENT. IS IN SLOPE TO RHS OF MAIN REBURGENCE). LHS RIFT LEADS TO
LOWER CHAMBER + CHOKER. SHORT GROUND THRU' BESSING DROPS
INTO CANYON WHICH APPEARS TO CARRY ON - NEEDS PUSHING. DRAUGHTING.

C = LOW WIDE ENT ENTERS LARGE FOSSIL REMNANT WITH NO
WAY OUT. CHAMBER = 1.5M LONG x 5M WIDE. LOW-SHEED?

TWO MINOR SITES FOUND TO LHS FURTHER UP CONSISTING OF CHOKED
RIFTS. ONE WHICH MIGHT DO. (WOT NO GRID. REF.)

- continued: ↗

PS: HAND HOLD ON CLIMB DOWN TO '909' HAS ~~WORM~~ ANTS NEST IN RESIDENCE!

6/4/96 — 388 — C. Whale, K. Sackson, P. Newman

Decended to previous point surveyed last
Easter by Pablo/C. Whale. Continued up outward
climb which had not yet been passed.
Passage continues south and ends in
a chamber after 30/40m with a sandy dig
or a promising choke in an ascending
passage. Survey program revealed that we
were probably only 5m from Cabana (poo, bigger).
Return to bird connection from both ways is planned.
Survey new stuff on way out.

K. Sackson.

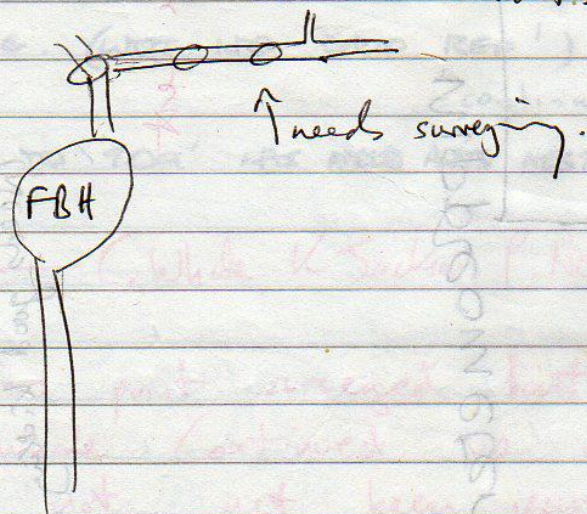
D = Smaller depression to the left of big one. In trees at back - Small cave going 25' or 35', entrance needs digging - Just dried earth. Possibly draughting.

Martian 20. Expedition Nippleometer 1996

LANK
 FTB.
 Boasting
 Paul G.
 Disqualified - Failed hormone test.
 ALI + Rob
 MARCOS (Peano) + JUAN
 Chin White
 Paul Wende
 Julie C.
 (examined)
 FTB
 Paul Slavery
 K. Sacklen
 (Needs good kidney, more like)

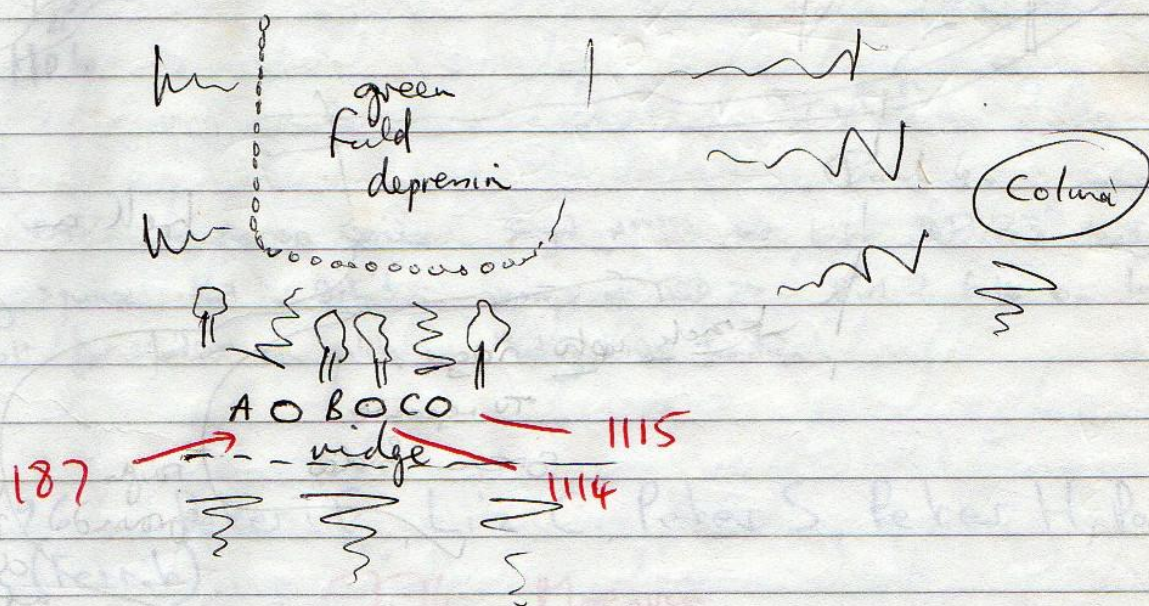
MARTIAN 20 PATIENT NIPPLE GAUGE

4/4/96. Lark, Harry, Paul, Pat, Juan into Uruka where fat man Corin slides through the squeeze while even fatter people struggle. All to Flash Bulb Hall passage where more and rifts on the right is not recognised but was surveyed a few years ago. At the pit beyond Flash Bulb Hall, Paul and Juan explore to the right finding that nearly all the passage has footprints but about 100m at the 2 ends requires surveying. In fact all of this right hand series needs resurveying and the pits in the flow need exploring. The northern end meets a 50m long sandstone boulder run in with roots.



6/6/96 The ascent on the north face of La Colina. Andy, Julie, Arthur, Penny, Juan, Jennifer, Esther and Julie C with 2 ladders and rope walk to the summit past site 271-274 and partake of a very nice picnic. Just before this came across cave site "M19" (No. 1107) — a low bedding with stal pendants — at the base of the highest cliff overlooking the valley. Not explored but seems to be just a low rock shelter.

After lunch, Juan tried to push 1101 only to bottle out at a Δ squeeze. Jenny and Esther tried but Andy pushed through to find the cave closes in. Walked back to the sandy limestone col area of 187. Entered 3 holes with recording:



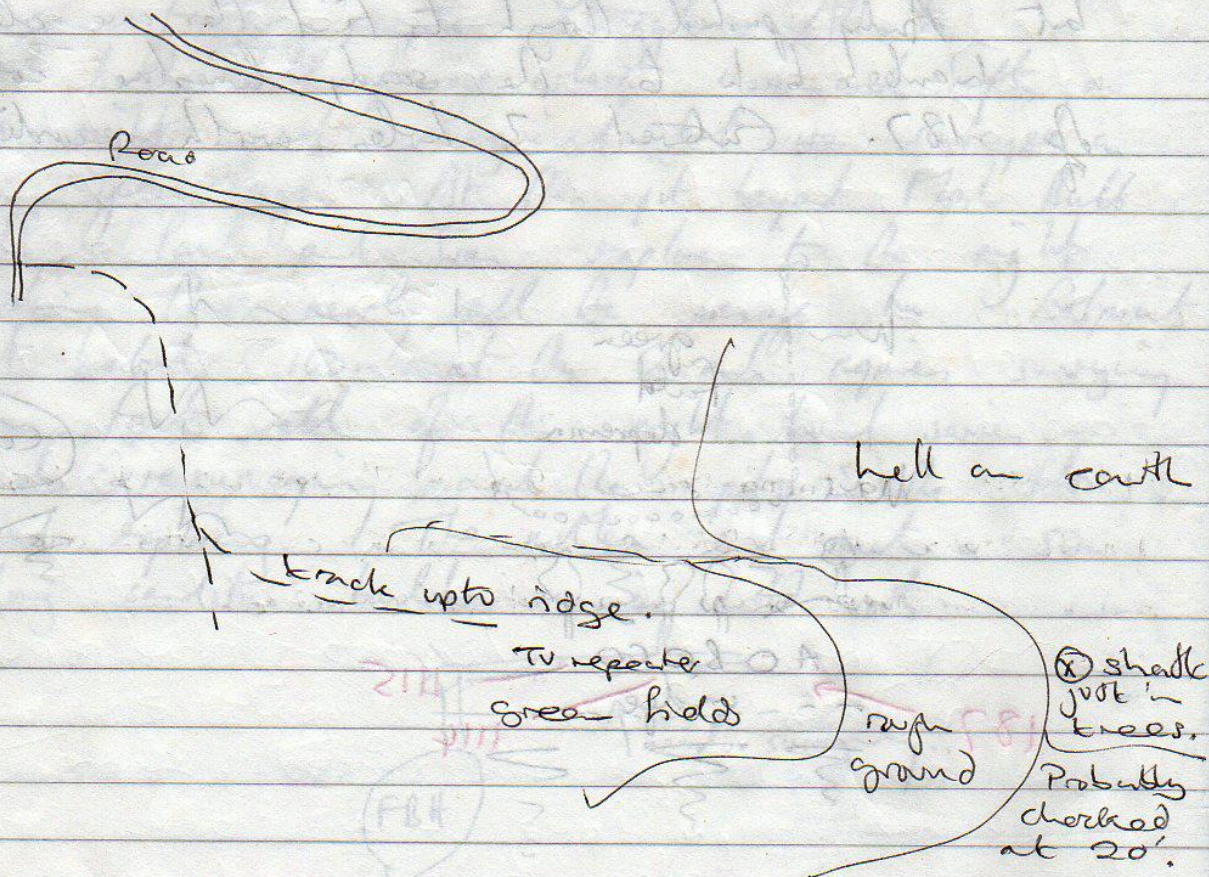
All sites close: A is a 5m climb down past small tree; B is a 7m ladder pitch to a chocked floor; C is 4m rope climb to a chocked floor.

Walked back toward Arthur's Rock, spotting 380 in the distance. Juan, Andy, Jenny & Esther potted about in the formations.

Returned to the car to find Patrick who had walked across the top from Ogario.

note: Arthur's Rock - beyond the cliff line containing sites 271-274 and an excellent view point overlooking La Secada. Arthur Bridgeman - Quin cut his first tooth here during today's assault.

6/6/96 Pat walking from Cruz Uxario (the ridge to Ramalas) up the south edge of Mucella.

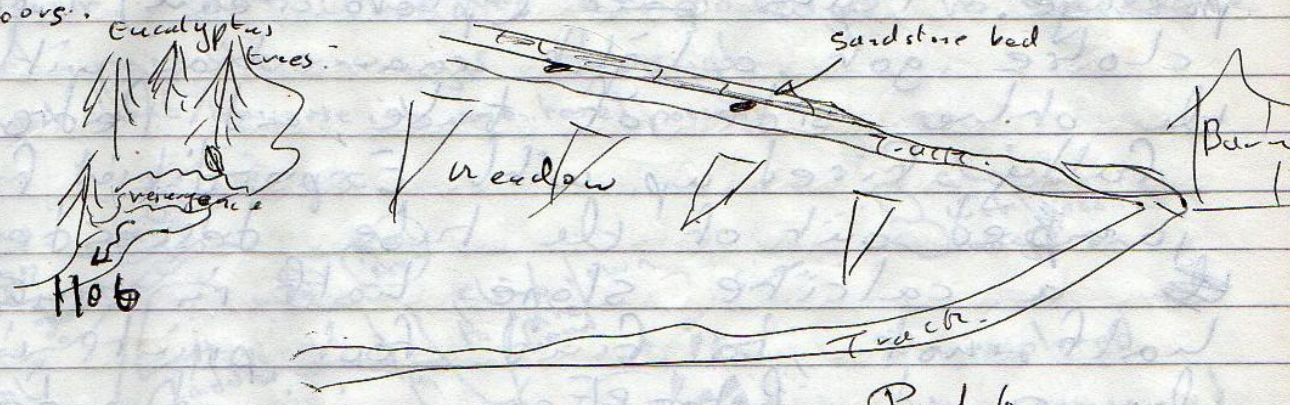


7/4/96 - Lark, Harry Long + Paul G.
Back to 1053 (Between the twin pin beads on the Uxera road) Lark descended the pit 15' - blind. Theory is that it was dug as a defensive. Socket holes in the walls for stemples? Surveyed the cave and out. Possible continuation under the left hand wall (looking in) of the higher tube, but will need digging.

Drove up to the right at San Miguel - good looking area.

Inspected the rising at Solanzano near the equestrian centre. (See Lark for location) Nice clear water rising from boulders - Tapped for a water supply. (Possible dive?)

sloping scalloped rift above with outward draught but too small to enter. In the meadow to the right dipping sandstone bed has 2 or 3 draughting holes with diggable floors.



Paul G.

7/4/96. ROAD. To Cocoa Series. Surveyed passage just before SSD 23 to fight drafting squeeze. Put in debris in passage at SSD 23. Put 2 bolts on traverse & 1 bolt for ladder on pitch at Muddy Series Junction.

7-4-96 Peter E, Liz C, Peter S, Peter H, Paul S Paul (Ferris). 774 Morenuca

Split into two teams: Team one to push end of passages found 5-4-96: Team two to photograph magic carpet series and new passages, and then to push and survey any new leads.

Team two account: photographed into new passages head of large pitch possible connection to Regatta, ran out of film at zero-d pitch head, also possible connection to Regatta. Left camera equipment and headed off to find team one, who were just completing the survey of large chamber at the end of previous limb (5-4-96). Team one had visited the end of passage and found it to close

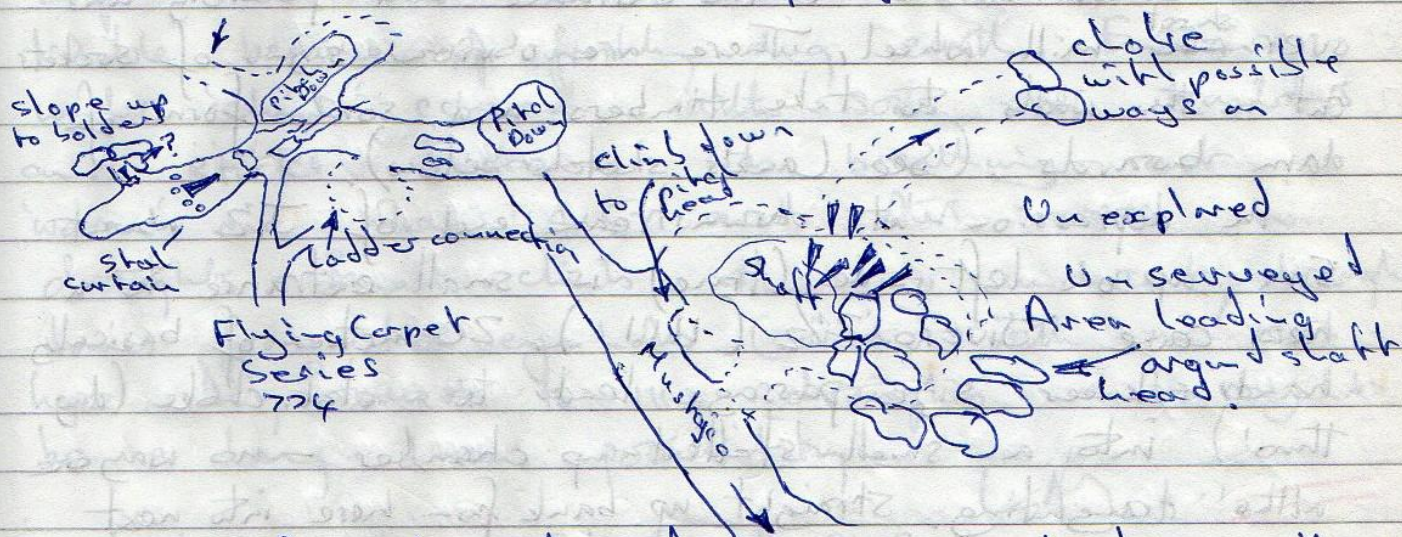
with a tube up in the roof leading to a committing drop down into possible passage. Team ~~two~~ (photo team) visited clove got a light connection with the other side of tube, and Pedro

fully fired up with Expedition Fever jumped out of the tube descended ~~the~~ a calcite slope, half in control half not, to find foot prints in the sand. Peter Eagan joined Pedro (in total control) and we both strolled along sand passage to the head of the Italian pitch, at the end of hedgehog crawl, extending 774 by some 15.6km in one foul swoop.

Team ~~one~~ joined us at the Italian pitch where much shaking of hands, jolly banter and shovels full of bull shit were exchanged. Basking in glory team ~~two~~ then surveyed the previous limit and headed out along with team ~~one~~ picking off bits of passage on the way, the most major being a small meandering passage leading to a large area with more slabs in the floor and enormous formations.

The second to last area visited by team ~~two~~ was a large area of ^{Astamosis} Nashmanuses near the head of the second pitch to Regatta (probably) this consisted of a large area with pendants and possible areas of interest with slabs down, but in one

carver a stark section of passage led to a sand slope at the head of pitel, into about 50-60 metres of passage to a clove with possible ways through. stark climb/traverse into unentered passage



Before leaving the cave we had a quick look at traverse into unentered passage, this required a rope and possibly a bolt. There are plenty good natural belays to start the climb with.

A clove was entered beyond stark curtain and found to have plenty room and black spaces in it, leading right, a good prospect for extending into nowans land.

Note

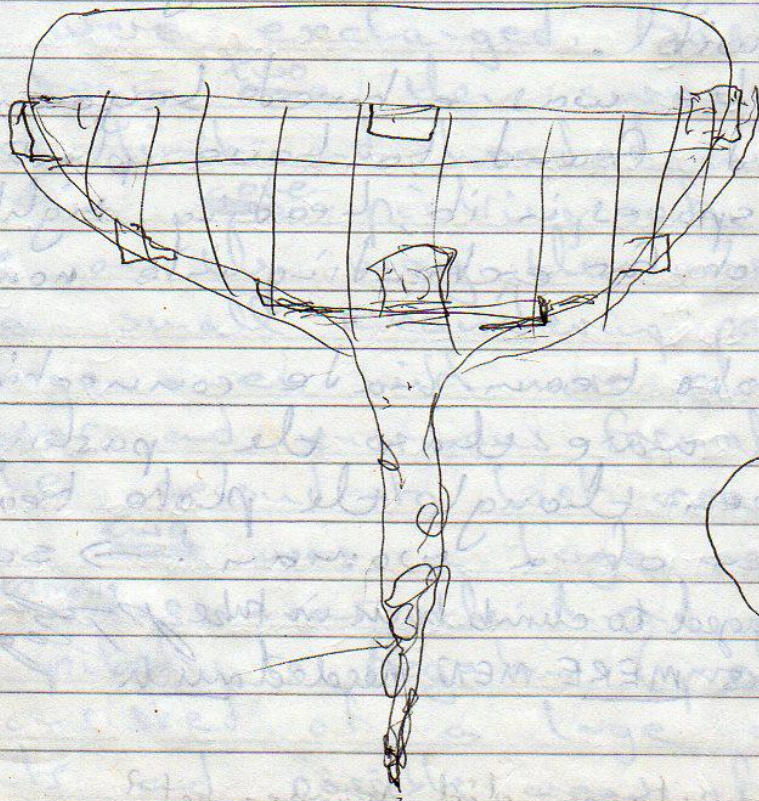
Photo team made connection and surveyed more than the pushing/surveying team even though the photo team had the burden of a woman! → sore point as woman managed to climb back in tube *PT Loga* unaided whereas MERE MEN needed much assistance!

What sort of assistance did Warner get?

NOTE: TEAM ONE OUT CAVE FOR HOUR TO ALLOW FAT MEMBERS OF TEAM TWO !!

8/4/96 Lark Paul Gelling, Pat + Harry Long,
Good photographing trip (by Lark) in Jivero 2,
who noticed that there is an old mill in depression
between Jivero 2 + 3. Examination of the outlet end
of J.2 revealed that there had most likely been a
dam construction in the entrance and possibly an
over-~~run~~^{shoot} mill wheel. There are obvious signs of sockets
cut in the walls to take timbers and some form of
dam boards. (See Lark's sketch below).

In depression at downstream end of J.2 about
5m up on left side (true) is small entrance to a
new cave Jivero 2 1/2 (1111). 20 metres of basically
hands + knees size passage leads to a stal. choke (dug
thru') into a small stalled-up chamber - no way on
altho' draughting. straight up bank from here into next
depression is a rift blocked with boulders + a strong
outward draught. Two hours work didn't produce a
way on so we gave up.



(1112)

(19)

4/4/96. Luke, Juan, Paul, Patrick, Harry.

Pat & Harry had found entrance on previous day. On first hairpin take new track past fresh dumping on left. 707 is a right just after fence across full of smelly dead things. drop down about 20m contour round. Now visible because of freshly dug earth. Entrance under 'chit' covered with sods over boulders and sticks. Entrance was breathing out 'warm' air when 4:5 and others were in draughts. Small climb 4m to undercut, draught comes from two eye holes (solid) with no real hope. Dig? next to 1112 draughts and might be a long term possibility - LM.

8/4/96. Keith, Chris, Rob, Ferret, Phil

Attempted to connect Cabana and 388. One party ~~returned~~ returned to area in 388 found on 6/8/96 and banged for an hour. The other party descended cabana and covered most of the surveyed eastern end and the main passage west to the pitch to Renada. No sound was heard in Cabana. One area not ~~was~~ visited is a small passage from ~~from~~ Station 37 with several pitches. Time did not allow us to rig there. The team in 388 however did say they heard some tapping from Cabana but was very faint. This tapping probably came from the chamber from which the East Wanderers begins. The area beyond station 63 marked as unsurveyed also was also briefly examined and looks worthy of a visit. It is draughting and open.

9/4/96 P. Hall S. Eager L. Conell A. Neill

- 1) Tight entrance, 6m to 6m high over, choked with sand. VN 4973 9447 1116
- 2) Shaft explored c 4 m down. 8-10 m deep hole over it. VN 4984 9458 unrescued 1117
- 3) Small resurgence from ? too tight now. VN 4965 9427 1118
- 4) 15' Shaft explored. VN ~~4942~~ 9410 1119
- 5) Shaft c 5m explored } feared VN 4990 9430 1120
- 6) " Choked } VN 4988 9422 ?? 1121
- 7) 2 Shafts 20 m apart in lap, both covered with boulders, c 20 m + 5 m deep explored. VN ~~4992~~ 9428 1122
- 8) Shaft covered in rocks explored VN 4979 9424 1123
- 9) 10 m Shaft explored 4987 9408 10 1124
- 10) 6 m " " 4985 9406 1125
- 11) 5 m " " 4989 9404 5 1126
- 12) 6 m slope down to mud chole 4993 9406 1127
- 13) Vaccination bot. shot to unrescued shaft c 20 m. 5005 9407 1128
- 14) Cave, sloping down, c 30 m to left & 15 m to right. 5008 9407 1129
- 15) c 10 m Shaft unrescued, ? into chamber or passage. 5013 9405 called near 1130
- 16) Shaft c 10 m on right line 4998 9402 1131
- 17) Shaft unrescued. 4995 9400 1132
- 18) ~~the~~ shaft, needs digging, c 10 m. 5004 9397 1133
- 19) Small Sink. 5023 9395 1134

Many sinks, shafts & holes in area to E of this site. Unexplored

- 20) ~~Small~~ Sink Unexplored 5016 9387 4 1135
- 21) Shaft & rift " 5013 9382 1136
- 22) Shaft c 5 m in joint " 4989 9390 1137
- 23) Slump, ? sink. 4974 9392 3 1138
- 24) Shaft c 10 m " 4978 9378 9 1139
- 25) Wash leads to cave " 4985 9360 1140
- 26) large depression contains two sinks & small cave 4978 9362 1141

All lead into chole, possibly diggable.

- 27) 3x2m 15m shaft marked on A1's map but not here VN 4986 9370 1142

9/4/96.

Man from Coupe says yes!

Pineapples are in season.

Good caves are where I go

Man from Spain falls down cave (Pasito).

I find good going cave!

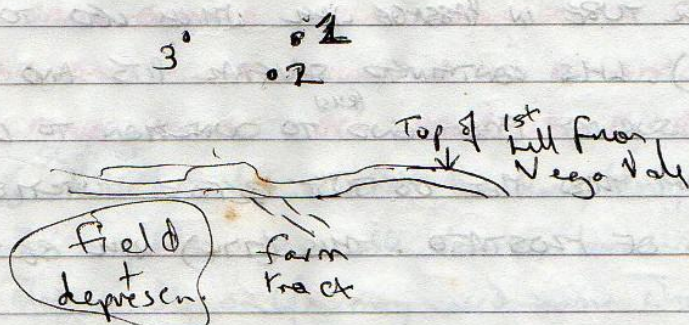
10/4/96 will tell the truth.

9/4/96. Cubija Valley

John D + Linda

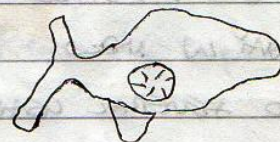
Juan + Penny Lennet + Bobby

To refind + explore shaft spotted during
post new year's day fiesta - walk. Park at 1st
lay-lay on Mostajo track and head for cliff
in cliff line.



VN51009643 ↑ 215

1 pitier 10m opens out



1143

VN50999641 ↑ 265

2

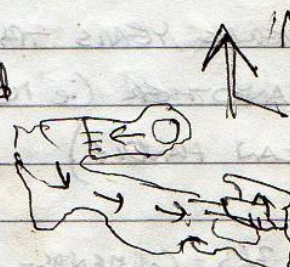
pitier 10 m - does nothing.

1144

VN50969643 ↑ 270

3

came to 10 m pitch and
pretty passage to small
hole in floor - closes in stal.



1145

No drafts no serious prospects.

8/4/96

Chris Rob in 388

in final chamber

extended by 1/2m roof seen to go up and become chossy. Blooey cold in chamber, slight draft from both end and choke.

7-4-96 774 CONT. TEAM ONE ACCOUNT

P. STACEY, P. HALL, P. NEWMAN (FERRET)

RIGGED CAME & PROCEEDED TO DIG OUT CRAWL INTO NEW STUFF. CRAWL ENLARGED THRU' COMBING TACTICS + PETE HALLS LARGE WELLES TO CREATE ENOUGH SPACE FOR ALL BUT THE FATTEST OF CRAWLS. WENT TO PREVIOUS END OF SURVEY & SPLIT TO RECI. ~~THE~~ LIE OF LAND.

RHS EXAMINED TO CHOKER + STAIR TUBE IN PASSAGE WALL WHICH LED TO A CHAMBER (CONNECTION TO MOSTATO). LHS CONTAINED SEVERAL PITS AND APPEARED TO LESS HOLEFUL SO DECIDED TO SURVEY FROM END TO JUNCTION TO LHS. TWO SHAFTS 30m+ FOUND & TEAM TWO MET US JUST BEFORE JUNCTION ON WAY OUT. VISITED BACK END OF MOSTATO - THIS (774) WILL BE THE EASIER WAY IN NOW.

VISITED SEVERAL LEADS BACK TO 'LARGE CHAMBER' CONTAINING ONE SINGLE LARGE COLUMN. FORCED TO FLEE EVENTUALLY DUE TO TIME + PETE HALLS POO. NOTHING TOO GLORIOUS FOUND EXCEPT MORE 30m+ PITS. (HAVING SPENT SEVERAL YEARS TRYING TO FIND CONNECTIONS BETWEEN ONE PHREATIC LEVEL & ANOTHER (i.e. MOSTATO & REGATON) WE NOW SEEM TO HAVE MORE THAN WE CAN HANDLE)

Royal We?

JOEY

9/4/96 363 - COLMENAS - ESCALON. C. FRY, P. STACEY, P. ELSDON

IN WHITE MURDER

CHECKED OUT HIGH-LEVEL SECTION & FIRST ENTERED BY ADRIAN PANIWINK. SEVERAL JUNCTIONS - ALL CLOSED DOWN EXCEPT FOR ONE WHICH DROPPED BACK INTO KNOWN RIFT. SURVEYED OUT. ALSO CHECKED ACTIVE INLET AT FLOOR LEVEL WHICH BROKE INTO CHAMBER FIRST ENTERED BY PAUL STACEY + IN 1985. PASSAGE CONTINUED TO DRAUGHTING DIG EMITTING STREAMWAY WATER. FURTHER INLET

PASSAGE FOLLOWED FOR 20-30m - STILL GOING. 3RD INLET NOT ENTERED
2 CLIMB SITES NOTED.

(DESPITE 2 WEEKS OF DRY WEATHER STREAM IN ENT. SERIES FLOWING WHICH
MEANT A V. WET TRIP - NO WATER SEEN IN RESURGENCE STREAMBED ??).

Ouch | HURT ALL OVER, SHORTER THAN DAREN BUT MUCH MORE PAINFUL
AND A BIT DISTRUCTIVE ON MY CAVING KIT, (PHILLY)

8/4/96 TOOK GPS & WANDERED IN VICINITY OF ATHALIQUENTA ETC. 4 SITES NOTED
AT APPROX POSITIONS AS FOLLOWS:-

Others not on map as

GPS GR is not accurate (?).

A = 2m DEEP RIFT CONTAINING ANIMAL BONES APPROX 20m WEST OF A BALANCED
ROCK 'TOR'. GPS GR 450531^E 4795214^N

B = 3m+ UNDESCENDED CHOKED SHAFT @ GPS GR 450619 E 4794997 N

C = UNDESCENDED 20+ M PITCH INTO CHAMBER WITH GOOD ECHO, REQUIRES ROCK
MOVING FROM ENTRANCE TO TIGHT PITCH-HEAD GPS GR 450468 E 4794902 N
NOW NUMBERED SITE '1113'. 5050 6495

D = SMALL ENTRANCE BETWEEN BOULDERS TO 5m+ SHAFT REQUIRING DIGGING TO
GAIN ENTRY - NOT PROMISING & WILL BE DIFFICULT TO LOCATE. SMALL CAIRN LEFT
IN PLACE ABOVE. GPS NGR 450341 E 4794820 N C.FRT

10/4/96 ^{Shaft at} 4958 9363. ANell, K Sadison, Stump, Ferret, Phil Elson. SITE 1146.

23 m pitch into sizable chamber, loose rock equal into smaller chamber.

Drafting dig on left may need some shoring. Previously explored, ? by
Spanish.

1147 4930 9355 - roomy entrance used by coos, unexplored. Not our area?

1148 4940 9356 - Shaft marked VT22 28m undescended

662 - Drafting. Not entered. 9382

1149 4924 9382 Cave with good draft, may connect to a lower entrance,
not explored

1150 Cave 40m ESE of 661

1151 Cave 30m NE of 661 - 10m chamber, low connection to ladder chamber.

1152 Cave 50m NE of 661 unexplored.

~~4958 9362~~

1153 4967 9352 - sloping hole unexplored.

1154 4976 9351 - steeply descending loose tube above stream side

Reñada III Monday 8th April 1996
Pete Hall & Ali Neill.

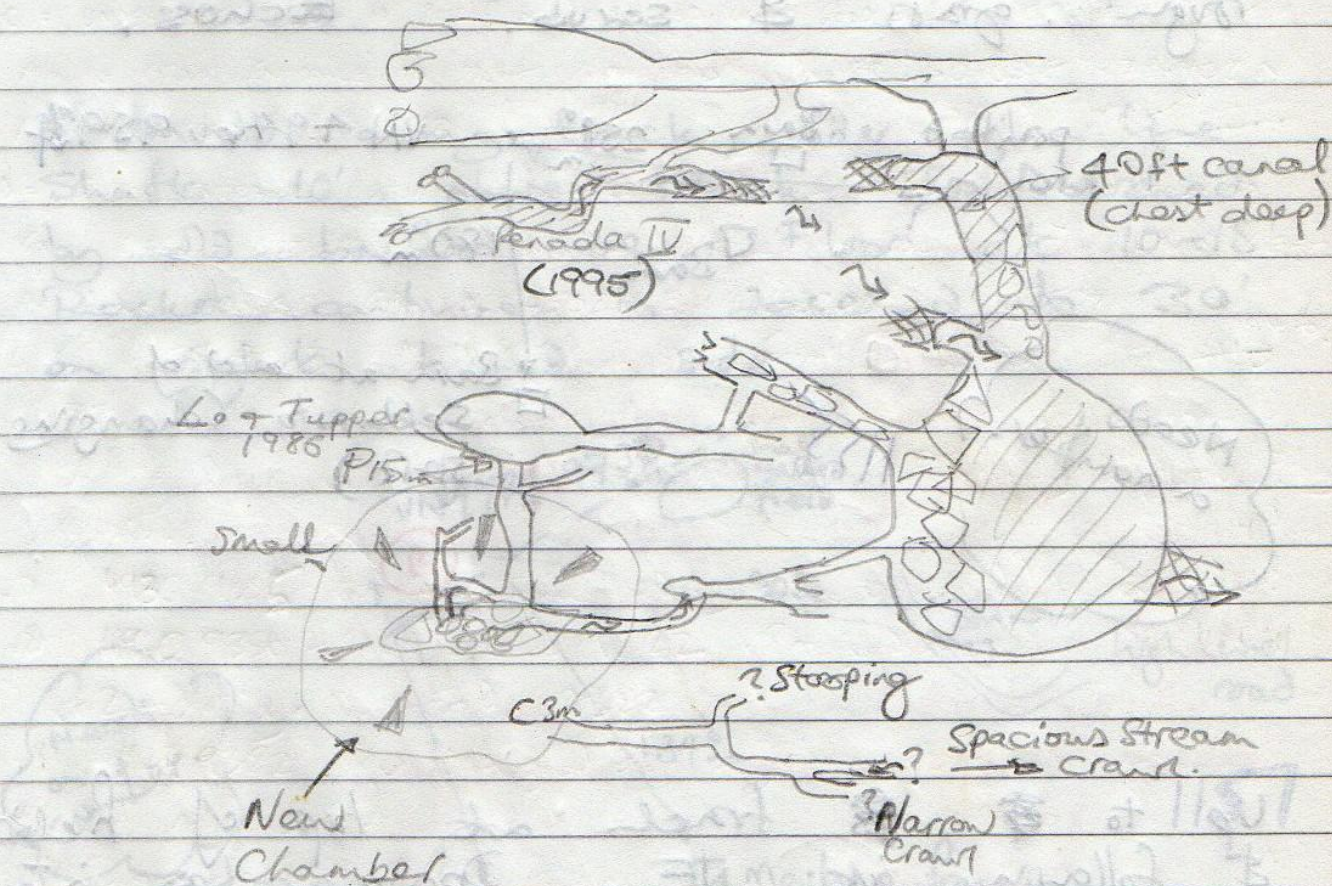
After getting ~~the~~ lost for a bit en route we arrived at the canal at the end of Reñada III with a rubber dinghy courtesy of Plymouth CC. We blew the boat up and paddled across the 40ft stretch of water. From the chamber 2 ways on appeared to connect on the survey. We followed the easiest, a climb up into a narrow high passage ascending. After a while a 12' cascade was reached and climbed from here a wet crawl with a couple of low sections were passed, one of which had to be dug out for Ali.

The water poured down out of a boulder choke and a sandy ascending crawl led to the top of a 40' pitch down to the other branch (not marked on the survey). This was marked: "Big Nose - Tupper Thomas August 1986"
~~Back at the boulder choke~~

A side passage marked "Continues 20m" on the survey did indeed close down after 20m at a helectite grotto.

Back at the boulder choke I crawled off into some narrow crawls whilst Ali found a way up through the boulder choke. I joined him and we popped out in a boulder chamber with a cascade on one side. Climbing up through the boulders led to a 50m diameter chamber with lots of loose boulders & mud on the floor. At one end was a 10 foot cascade at the other, a small passage led off. We surveyed

the chamber then climbed the cascade.
50m of walking ^{inlet} passage led to a fork.
left was a dry stooping passage, but we
followed the inlet to the right. 10m of
crawling through exbows led to another fork
the dry right branch got small and low
but the wet left branch was a crawl.
3m wide 0.8m high with the stream in it
heading east and still going. Only 400m
from Galeria New York in Vallée, although
much lower down.



On the way back we realised the boat wasn't
necessary as the water is only chest deep.
Emerged at 12:30am after 12hr trip.

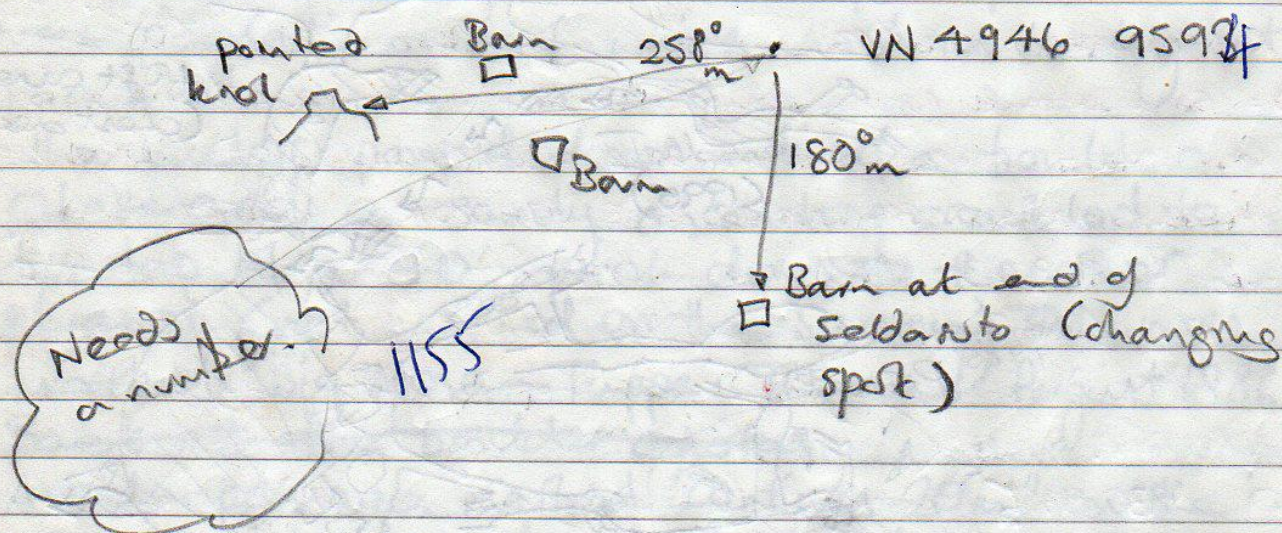
Pete Hall.

10/4/96

Patrick walking up N. Vega hillside to try
to find black hole seen the
previous day from road behind
Vega bar. Hole is probably 362

Up to fields at head of valley
between Toad & Mostajo.

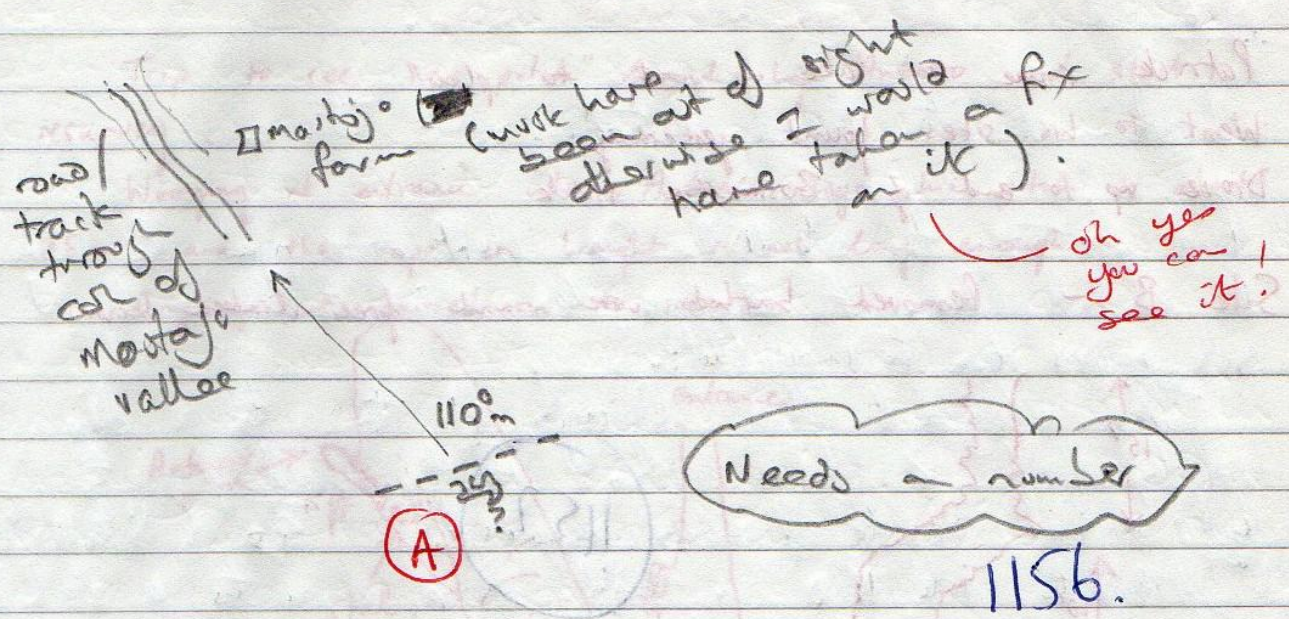
Covered shaft in sandstone bed.
20-30 feet, no draught Area of
rough grass & scrub. Echoes.



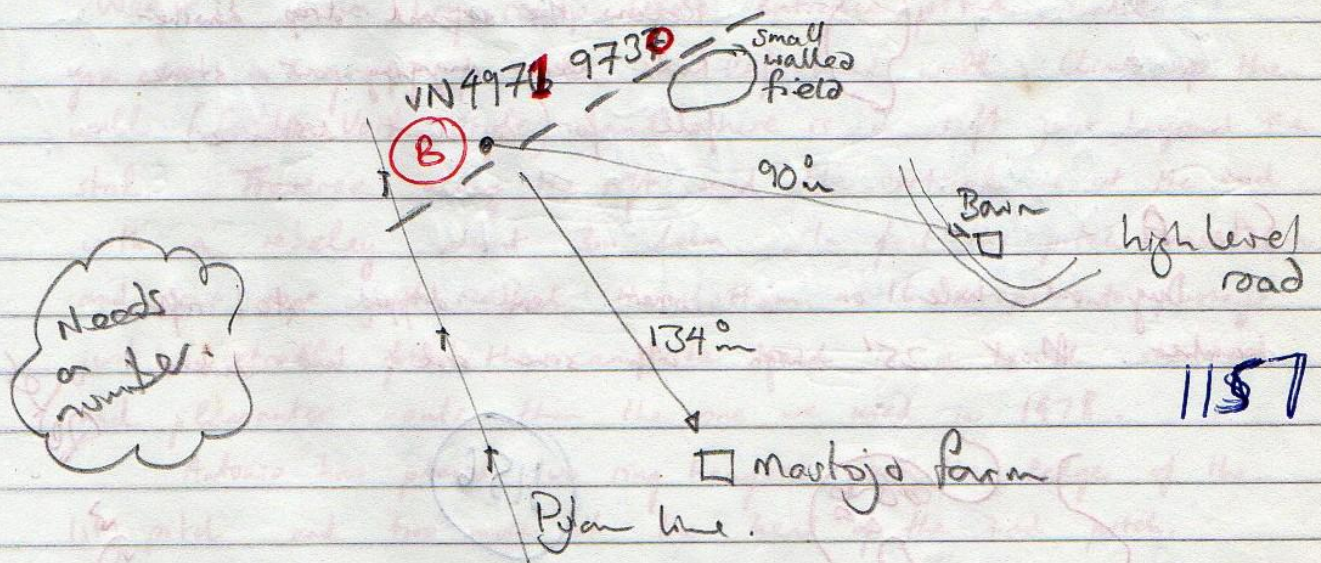
Up to track at top of fields
& following it NE. Degenerates into
a foot path.

Small cave on side of track (uphill
side). Echo from left branch which
turns a corner & descends to right.
No draught.

D. Ault to fix but approx VN4930 9685



continued along track, under pylon line. Shaft 10' above track. Top blocked by old barbed wire. Floor at 10-15'. Rocks continue to descend to 30' on right hand side.



Definitely not 609 or 783.

Out onto fields overlooking Abadal & then down Morajo valley.

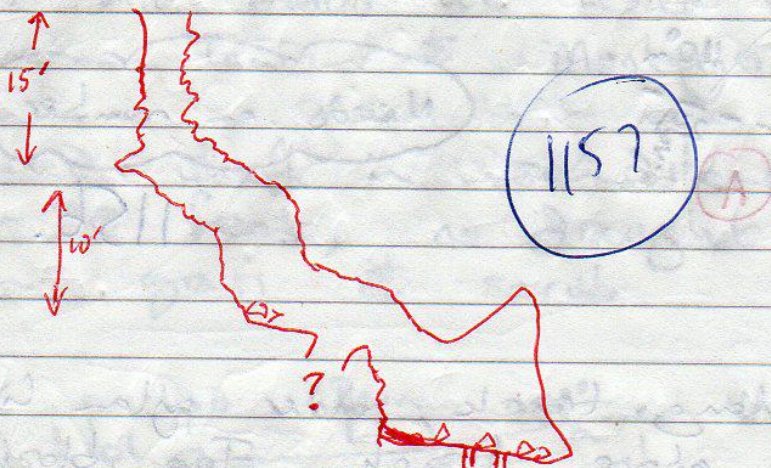
11/4/96 Patrick, Peter Hall, Pete S., Carolina

Patrick came to take us out "to play"

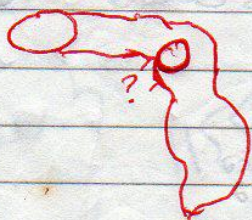
Went to his sites found yesterday

Drove up to end of Bosmartin track

Site B - Removed barbed wire and free-dinked down



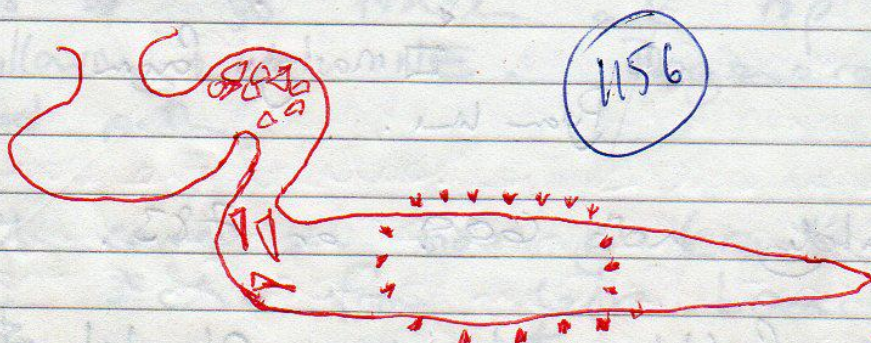
First drop immediately followed by other, and cave turns to the right with a further scramble into a chamber.



Below the second drop, another hole needs digging out, stones fall for a short distance.

Site A -

Dug out hole on a corner and dropped into rift chamber. About 25' high with some stal. but dinked



Excellent afternoon - thank-you. Patrick

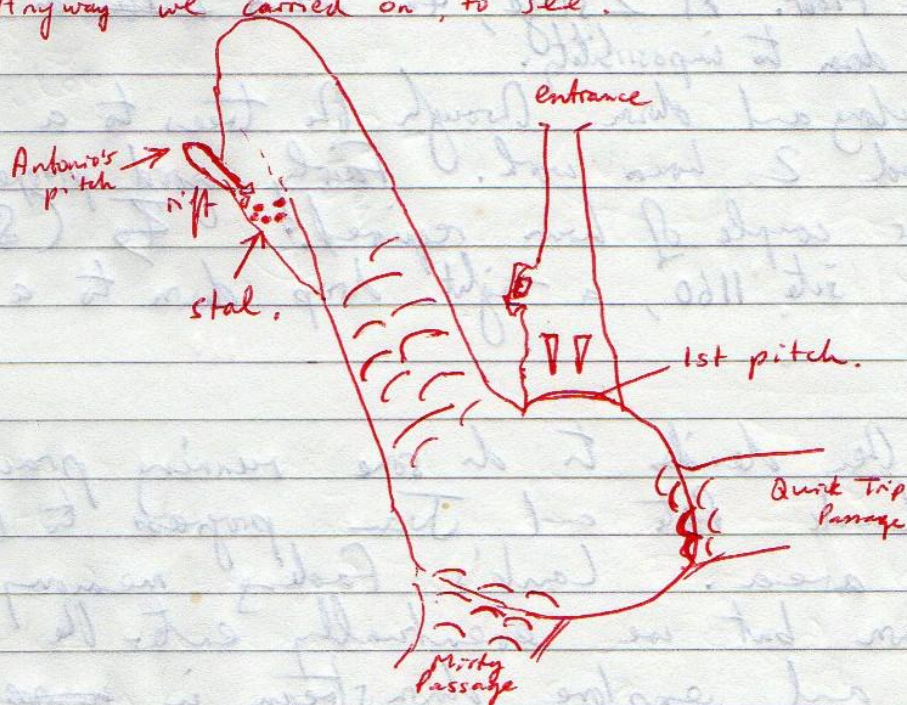
thank you Peter -

9/4/96 Solvirejo - Pete S., Chris (Plymouth), Antonio (Santander)

Trip to see new pitch found by Antonio, and start resurvey.

Worrying at entrance when Antonio says his pitch is about 25m and the rope we brought is not long enough.

Anyway we carried on, to see.



Way is down long ramp below entrance pitch, until you see a group of stal on left-hand wall. Climb up the wall (Golden Void-style) and there is a rift just beyond the stal. Traverse along the rift and the vertical is at the end with a rebelay about 3m down. In fact the pitch was 21m and our rope just reached the bottom. It drops into passage just a stroll from the campsite and is a much shorter and pleasanter route than the one we used in 1978.

Antonio has placed two ring hangers on the ledge of the 1st pitch and two more at the head of the 2nd pitch.

We carried on as far as head of 1st Pitch and surveyed back with no more incidents apart from burning the survey notes.

10/4/96. Lark, Peter Eagan, Liz Corwell, Juan.

Looking at sites found yesterday near Tivero.

First into trees to site 1158. Open shaft drops nicely to 12m to choked floor. A 2 stage, 4m climb to ~~up~~ the N side narrows down to impossibility.

Then along and down through the trees to a dig which had 2 hours work. Fairly good prospects ~~but~~ another couple of hours required. ~~To~~ (Site 1159)
Descriptive Along to site 1160, a tight drop down to a stal grotto.

Liz Ben decides to do some running practice while Lark Pete and Juan progress to the Onillon area. Lark's fading memory lets him down but we eventually enter the middle entrance and explore down stream in ~~very~~ nice streamway. Juan finds stone axe in floor, about $\frac{1}{2}$ way along. Some archaeological and speleological effort needed in this cave!

Onillon. Eastern shaft = 23

Malbujero Western shaft = 1061

Middle walk down entrance = Onillon 2000 = 1062

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