

# LOGBOOK

Year: 2007

Season: summer

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*Juan Corrin, January 2015*

# Rescatado un espeleólogo madrileño de una cueva de Matienzo

MAZTE

Varios heridos en un accidente de tráfico ocurrido en Penagos

REDACCIÓN SANTANDER

El servicio de espeleosocorro del Gobierno de Cantabria rescató ayer a un espeleólogo de Madrid. E.G.R., que quedó atrapado de madrugada en una cueva de Matienzo (Ruesga). El espeleólogo, de 33 años, hacía la ruta de la Torca de Azpilicueta a Reñada junto a siete personas más, pertenecientes al Club de Espeleólogos 'Ciencias de la Tierra' de la Escuela de Ingenieros de Minas de Madrid. A las 5.55 de la mañana, el espeleólogo se encontró con que no podía pasar por un pozo estrecho de la cavidad, situado a 260 metros de profundidad y a 1.500 metros de la salida, por lo que sus compañeros alertaron al Servicio de Emergencias 112, que puso de inmediato en marcha el dispositivo de Protección Civil del Gobierno de Cantabria. El servicio de espeleosocorro, apoyado por la Guardia Civil y las agrupaciones de Protección Civil de Castro Urdiales y Colindres, se introdujo en la cueva y logró rescatarle a las 12.30 horas de ayer, sano y salvo.

## EXTRA for 28/7/07 El Pilón

Depression on valley side. Presumed to be **cave 299**  
0455482 4796704

Collapsed chamber, marked by a tree, with 2 ways off. The main chamber is on the eastern side which involves a climb down flowstone, passing abundant stal to a calcite choke. The western route ends after 10feet into a choke.

On the same track as 2733 Horsefly Pot (gps coordinates 0455250,4796964)

A small amount of a cave unearthed by the electricity board whilst excavating the track up the hill. This track incurred the wrath of many a local, who decided that the cave was maybe of special scientific interest and it might be used to halt progress of the disliked track.

Some local archeologists were brought in to study the cave. They claimed it was nothing special, so the electricity board covered over the entrance and continued with the track. Although it has been entered by some local spanish archeologists, very little is known as to the extent of the passage (presumably very little), however there is a faint draught.

(This cave has not been refound - see 29/7/07)



27/7/07 Big Steve, Ivan, Penny, Susan + Julie up from  
Codrivers car park to site 2360, found 2 years ago  
and left to 'native'.

Big dresser (blocking way down a p15m) was dropped 1m to  
completely block the way down. Now needs capping etc.

Walked back down via Ciesra ~~ham~~ Lammes. The  
shakeshole here is almost filled with large rocks associated  
with the new mobile phone mast. The entrance to the  
cave appears to be open (just). (1325)

28/7/07 Big Steve, Phil + Juan back up to site 2360. Capped the boulder  
blocking the way down + Steve descended to choke @ 17.3m  
down.

Walked up to top of track via :-

2655 (photo).

1342 GPS to put it in the right place + photo. 30T 4794872  
0452105 1503

This is a cave (not a shaft) walk into rift about 2m deep.

On the left is a <sup>trif</sup> deeper section that doesn't look promising  
(photo).

2732 New hole. Small shakeshole contains bouldery dig. <sup>on right</sup> No  
draught. 30T 0452056  
4794871 ↑495



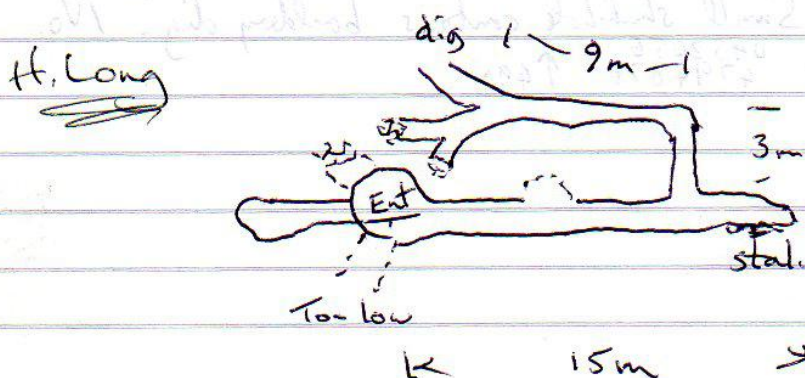
2733

28-07-07 Ian, Pedro, Carmaz. - UP THE RAS TRACK FROM EL PILON (SIDE OF MOELA) TO CHECK OUT CAVE COVERED BY ELECTRICITY BOARD. WOULD NEED SOME EFFORT REED TO UNCOVER. SIGHT DRAFT GPS LOGS SUPPLIED. LOTS OF ROOSTING + OLD CARCASS ALONG THE TRACK IN VARIOUS SMALL POCKETS.

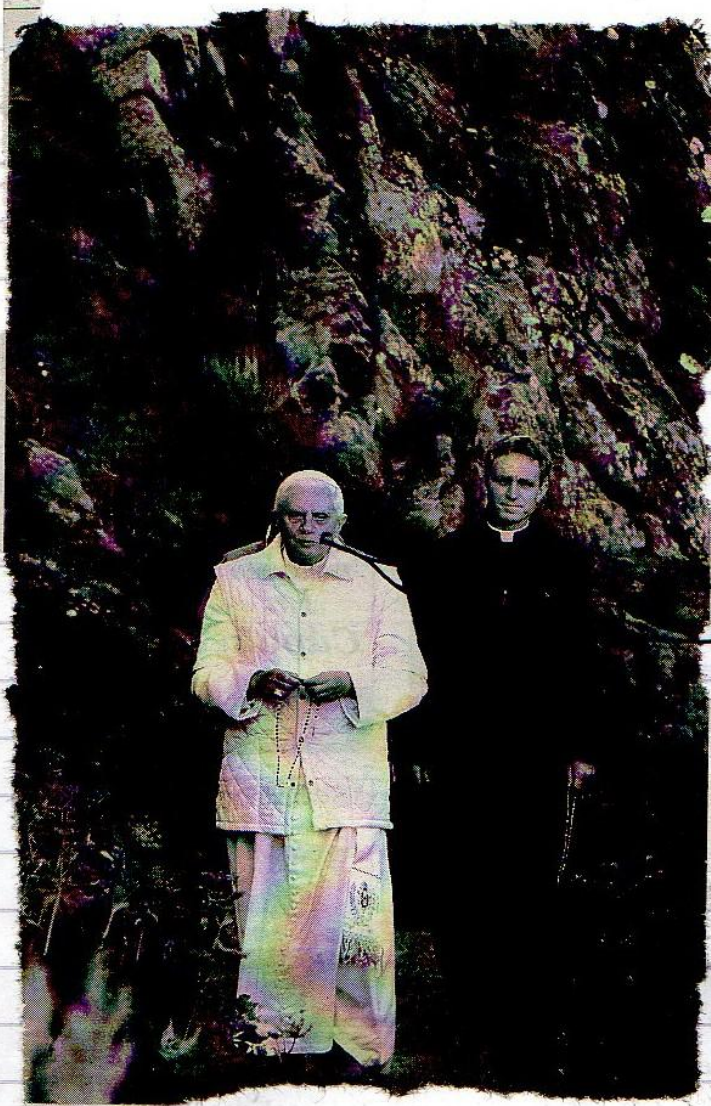
CHECKED OUT A ~~DEEP~~ TREE FILLED DEPRESSION ON SIDE OF HILLSIDE NOT FAR FROM WHERE THE TRACK CURRENTLY TERMINATES - PHOTOD + GPSD. CREEP ROPE ~~REPEATING~~, IT TURNS OUT TO BE (294)

28/07/07 Riano Harry, Chris, John, Abi, + Gary Rhodes  
2686 - To be called SHAG POT!!

5m ladder climb to debris floor + then slope down to - 7.5m in large rift. This ended after 15m from ladder but 6m back from end is crawl under left wall. This splits - left branch splits again - left passage to a choke and voice connection to bottom of pitel, right passage could rejoin the main righthand branch. This one ends at mud choke which will dig easily. Bottom of vertical at entrance has 3 more passages - one at head height with old stal. is too low, ~~other~~ Main passage goes to small chamber and the other one is a choked undercut with voice connection to crawl. Total length about 40m.







This GPS JUAN  
GAVE US SAYS 2360  
IS JUST HERE! But  
I SEE FUCK ALL!

28/07/07. After that went to site 2685 - Prophet's Cave.  
ENTRANCE DUG OUT, SHORT CROWN WITH MUD SLOPE DUG FOR 3 METRE.  
TO SLOPE INTO RIFT PASSAGE. CLIMB OF 12 METRE. PASSAGE UNDER  
RIFT GORE TO RIFTS FOR APPROX 20 METRE. THROUGH EYE HOLE RIGHT  
IN FRONT. RIFT GORE TO LOW CRAWLS. + MORE RIFTS WITH AGENS  
LENGTH APPROX 30 METRE. DEPTH APPROX 15 METRE.

CARIS SMITH.



29/7/07 Arenal DCI Simon Dillon, Allen Berg, Nigel Dobson  
Straightforward trip into Foam Dome. ~~Reached~~ went to far  
end following draught and climbed down 15-20m in various  
crawls and muddy chambers. Passage showed signs of being  
visited but washed by water. Mostly muddy but some  
clean-washed. Some rifts - too tight - but took stones down  
another 10m. Eventually lost draught but Allen opened up  
passage moving boulders into mudslope (difficult to reverse) to  
small chamber with hole from which stream could be heard!  
Other way on could be seen but too tight. Returned out.  
may go back again!

29/7/07 Rianio - Juan, Harry, Chris, John, Abi + Gary.  
We all got into The Prophet's Cave (2685) + whilst  
John + Harry got on with the survey, Chris, Abi + Gary  
dug into various oddments ending in avens, whilst Juan  
just made a nuisance of himself poking his video  
camera into other people's faces! Finished the place, with  
no real prospects for extending it, and the surveyed  
length was 96m, plus about another 15m not surveyed,



2733

29 July 2007 - Big Steve, Pedro, Phil P, with Carmen in support (well she read a book).  
Horsefly Pot - 0455241:4796964 468m alt



On RHS of new track that leads up from near farm at end of track at back of Muela. Cave/pot is where road rises up on right at junction above farm and past the spring/water trough. Took some time to get in as drill bit (Hilti) did not drill very well, I then found the cutting tips had fallen off! Able to use on snapper and with the help of hammer we made it big enough for Pedro to get in - all this being plagued by horseflies! Pot some 5m deep to sharp rock and rifts in floor - no go. Cave above is part of same cave that seems to have been cut into/away by new road. Cave Pedro was told about (walk into chamber) could not be found but seems to be covered up completely by road.

With Horsefly not going we went to Bar and then to Riaño to look at "back door" dig into Uzueka (107) - on way found Harry, Juan and Co who have just got out of the new 100m long nice and clean cave! 2685



2691

Dig at "back door" had slumped in since Easter. Took some half an hour to remove mud that has fallen in onto pallets and other shoring. Good outward draught from hole at foot of left face. It is clear that only the right face is solid rock and the other two faces need support prior to digging out bottom - prob a days good dig with full length spades etc. May need man size pipe in at end to give good access.

All met up at FLV Bar on way back.





|      | Add 3 hours on to these | Zone | Easting | Northing | Photo      |                                                        | Position of GPS                  |
|------|-------------------------|------|---------|----------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|      | 30/07/2007 11:31 30T    |      | 448.922 | 4799.284 |            | Parked car at junction in road                         |                                  |
| 926  | 30/07/2007 11:47 30T    |      | 448.801 | 4799.268 |            | Small shakehole                                        | In                               |
| 926a |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
| 927  | 30/07/2007 11:48 30T    |      | 448.814 | 4799.260 | 1167       | Small shakehole close to 926                           | In                               |
| 928  | 30/07/2007 11:57 30T    |      | 448.780 | 4799.291 | 1168       | Large rock-walled hole                                 | In                               |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | Rift on side of road, c.1m deep                        | In                               |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
| 929  | 30/07/2007 12:10 30T    |      | 448.556 | 4799.280 | 1170       | Impenetrable hollow                                    | In                               |
| 930  | 30/07/2007 12:19 30T    |      | 448.578 | 4799.253 | 1172       | Larger part of double shakehole                        | west side                        |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
| 930a |                         |      |         |          | 1173       | Smaller part of above                                  |                                  |
| 931  | 30/07/2007 12:20 30T    |      | 448.565 | 4799.247 |            | Choked shakehole                                       | No draught                       |
| 932  | 30/07/2007 12:22 30T    |      | 448.525 | 4799.229 |            | Choked shakehole                                       | north side                       |
| 933  | 30/07/2007 12:24 30T    |      | 448.476 | 4799.216 |            | Choked shallow shakehole                               | north side                       |
| 933a |                         |      |         |          |            | Choked deep shakehole                                  | No draught                       |
| 934  | 30/07/2007 12:53 30T    |      | 448.357 | 4799.404 |            | West end of choked rift running WNW-ESE along hillside | Between the two In               |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
| 935  | 30/07/2007 12:56 30T    |      | 448.396 | 4799.389 | 1174       | East end of ditto                                      | No draught                       |
| 936  | 30/07/2007 13:20 30T    |      | 448.030 | 4799.510 | 1175       | Hollow - choked                                        | In                               |
| 937  | 30/07/2007 13:33 30T    |      | 447.853 | 4799.584 | 1176, 1177 | NOT CAVE - location of photos of big depression        | In                               |
| 938  | 30/07/2007 14:17 30T    |      | 447.741 | 4799.524 | 1178, 1179 | Hollow - choked: artificially walled                   | SW side                          |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | Shallow closed valley to NE, no stream                 |                                  |
| 939  | 30/07/2007 14:30 30T    |      | 447.635 | 4799.428 |            | Choked shakehole                                       | No draught                       |
| 940  | 30/07/2007 14:43 30T    |      | 447.510 | 4799.346 |            | Choked shakeholes, smaller to west                     | north side south                 |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | No draught                                             |                                  |
| 941  | 30/07/2007 14:49 30T    |      | 447.480 | 4799.324 |            | Choked shakehole in cow field                          | Blocked                          |
|      |                         |      |         |          |            | In                                                     |                                  |
| 942  | 30/07/2007 00:00 30T    |      | 447.700 | 4799.200 | Approx     | Huge depression marked as hill on map                  | Did not enter - knackered by now |

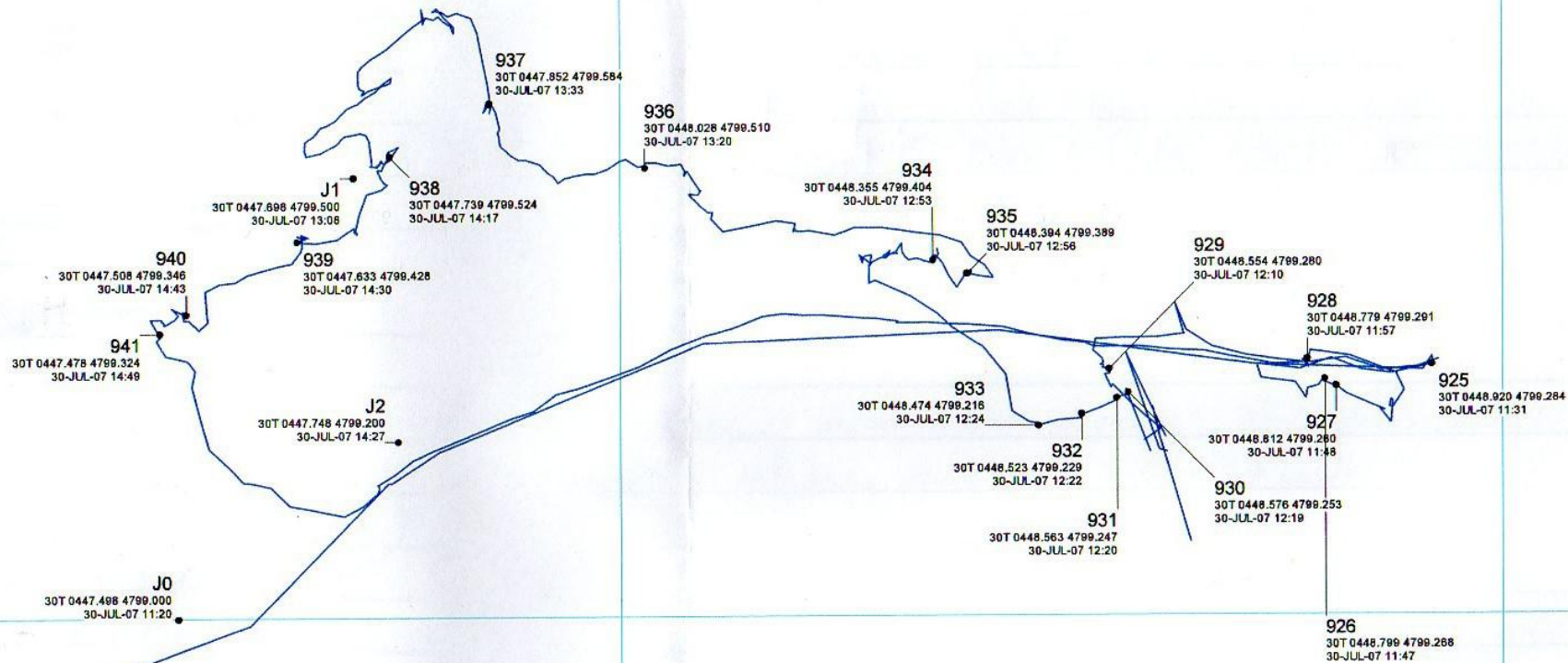
Nigel  
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30/7/07

No draughts !! Bugger.  
Quite recent.



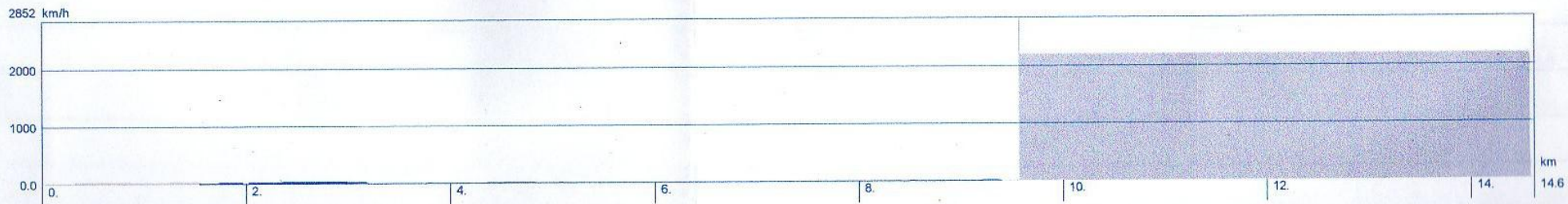
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30/07

Harry, John + Chris - 2638 - Boghole

Went to dig at end of Up Above Passage and after some effort Chris got thro' a crawl to top of climb down to Down Below Passage! Ahead went to a climb up thro' boulders to a corner. From there, the only way on was a sideways crawl which ended just back from a corner which may have been caveable beyond. Retreated + down climb to Down Below Passage and to far end. Got thro' dig at upper route into sandy floored crawl and out into taller bit with highly dangerous roof and the place closed down into small, choked routes on - draught coming from the left. Not very promising. The shingle choked route at lower level from old end wasn't any better, so we photographed our way back out after 5 hrs.

H.L.

31/07/07

J.R.

Allan Barry & Simon Dillon.

366

Had a look in ~~A~~ J.R. S.R.T used to descend pitch. Investigated all avenus part way down by penduluming into them. 35m rope needed to reach floor (including tree belay) & maybe 3m spare on the floor.

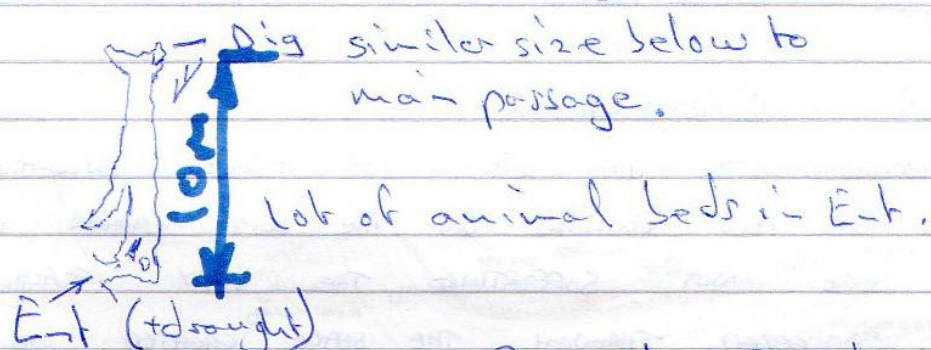
~~Floor of pitch~~ ⚡ Drafting continuation at bottom of pitch bends sharply left but too tight. 4 snappers should give a view around the bend but still tight.

The shakehole appears to have other possibilities but all will drop into the same pitch at some point. This becomes obvious when viewed from below.



31/7/07 Henry, John, Chris, Peter.  
2692 (Bumble Cave)

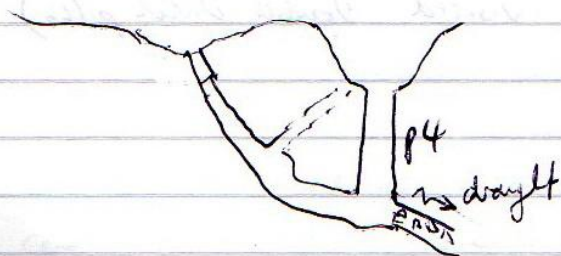
Dug into 2692 right down to left then  
easy short section of passage to a draughting  
dig. A short section of passage leads back  
towards entrance with animal beds in it.



See Henry, John, Chris for other Finds

*[Signature]*

31/7/07 Phil, Hilary, Penny, Juan to Lastrilla area - walked up and over  
from Cubija in scorching weather. First to site 2663 - a rift  
at base of densely vegetated depression. Phil descended first to spot  
draught disappearing down v. tight, rocky, ~~filling~~ sloping bedding. Then Juan  
went down to find passage up that PP had missed. This climbed  
up to a small hole on side of shale hole and also up to another  
hole in a shale hole to the NW out of which JC emerged.



Then wandered up hill in  
even better conditions to  
new site 2734 which is a  
2m drop under a sloping slab  
to a small hole (unexplored).

Further up hill, Phil dropped a 4m shaft to a mud floored rift  
and a large toad. (2735). Then on the way back Juan crawled into  
2736, a 5m long cave where it was possible to stand up after a  
flat out entrance squeeze/crawl. Conditions were a bit cooler @ the

Bakers →



2734 30T 04 4959<sub>8</sub> 4796364 ↑ ~~379~~ 384

2735 30T 04 4954<sub>0</sub> 479630<sub>4</sub> ↑ ~~398~~ 403

2736 30T 04 4957<sub>0</sub> 479627<sub>8</sub> ↑ ~~380~~ 388

29.7.07

PETER, NGEL, PAUL, DAVE + FOOTLEG.

SITE 2649 - MARI'S ERECTION

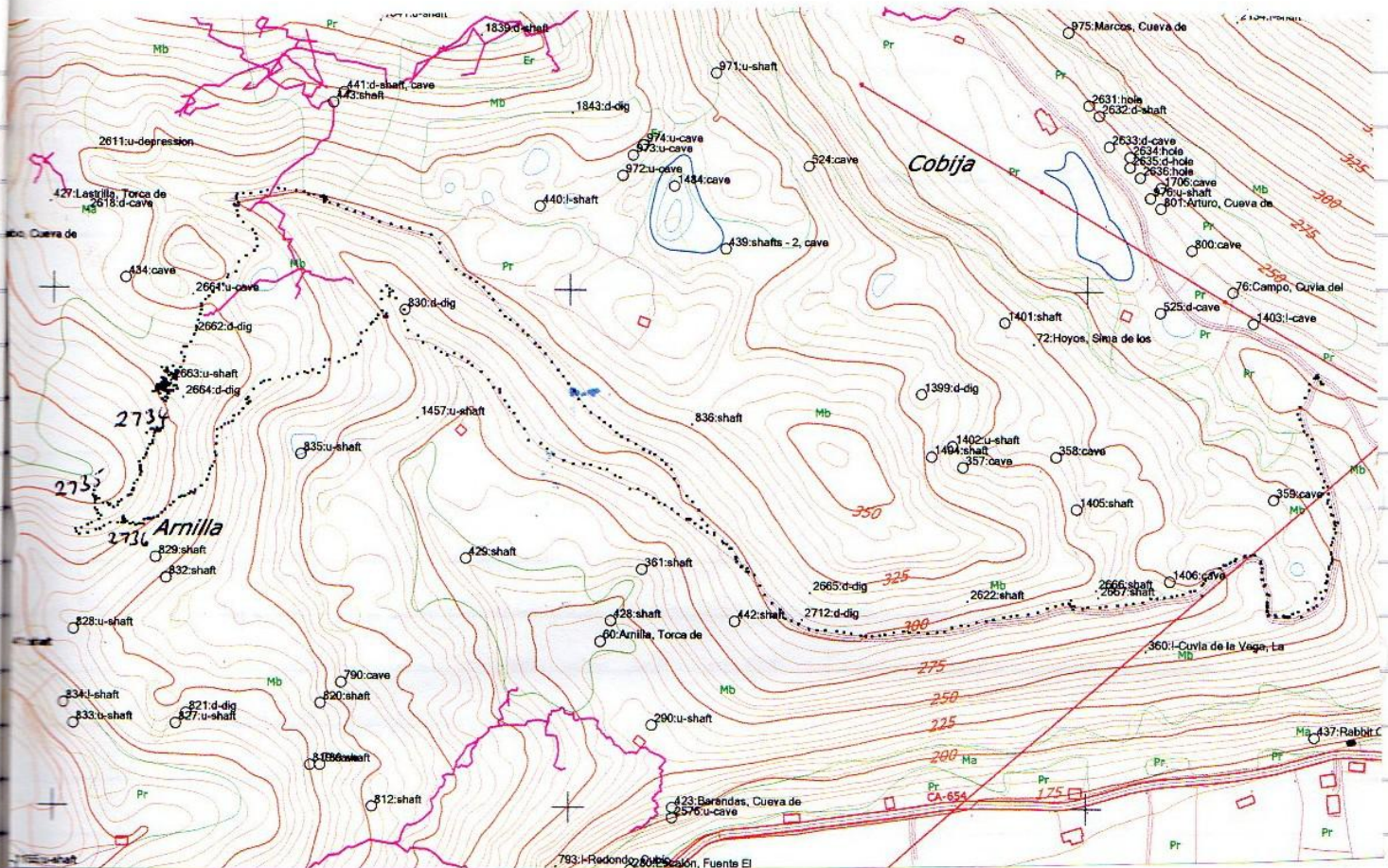
DESCENDED TO THE LIMIT OF PREVIOUS EXPLORATION.  
REMOVED A FEW BOULDER ON THE LEFT AFTER CHECKING  
THEY WERE NOT SUPPORTING THE ~~VERY~~ FRAGILE LOOKING  
ROOF. SQUEEZED THROUGH THE SPACE CREATED TO A PASSAGE  
OF HANDS AND KNEES CRAWLING. FIRST RIGHT TURN HAD A  
POSSIBLE LEAD KNEEGANG WORK. THE MAIN PASSAGE EVENTUALLY  
LEAD TO A SQUEEZE WHICH WAS TOO TIGHT AND NEEDED  
CAPPING - WE THINK THIS WAY IS GOING USTREAM AND GETTING  
LESS PROBLEMS THROUGH.

1/8/07 - Mike Bottomley, Tom Baker, Patrick Warren  
Vallina - Swirl chamber, past The Man Trap, to end. Left a  
bold step leads to a climb up into Bird World (ip/s from  
Pole Eragon). The climb and bold step are now rigged with  
climbing rope which can be left in, or taken out as  
desired. 3 1/2 hr trip (we also visited Double Butch pitch).



GPS back for Castilla walk - 31/7/17

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01/08/07 - New Cave (Hole in the wall) Allan Berry, Simon Dillon

Went back to an interesting surface choke above Aranel. Moved boulders blocking the entrance to gain access to crawling size phreatic passage (after an initial tight squeeze). This lead after 11m to a calcite blockage. A very small chamber could be seen beyond through a small hole. A few hours of enlarging with hiltcaps and a hammer + bar allowed us to squeeze into the chamber. This gave a view past a further blockage into a wide-open large rift pitch. We could look both upwards to no conclusion and downwards to no conclusion. Dropping stones down the pitch allowed us to estimate its depth at around 10m. ~~The rift pitch~~ Not much work is required to gain access to this pitch. We will return tomorrow.

Location: 0449070 Alt: ~~276m~~ 278m  
4715008 285m



31/07/07 H.L., Chris Smith + J. Clarke - Virgins area.

Parked by rising at picnic area, and walked along the bank to the east, then up into the wood. Chris found ~~a~~ a draughting (out) dig at 04537879. 4802029, then John found several entrances close together. The first was a pitch onto a slope going off out of sight, then there were 2 small holes, and a sloping entrance blowing out well. Chris went for a look + reported at least 25m of large passage, then a dig.

(2737)

(2738)

(2739)

When we finished there we walked down to a depression and I found an open entrance at 0453971. 4802149 Alt 120m. This went for about 15m to an easy dig with open passage beyond. — COERCION CAVE

Back at the car we met Peter Egan and we looked at 2692 (Bumble Cave) - see his log entry.

01/08/07 H.L., C.S., J.C., P.E. + A+G Rhoder - Virgins area.

Back to area seen yesterday and Peter, Chris + John started on survey of 2737 whilst the rest of us went down 2738 to chase the source of the draught. This wasn't at the end choke but was an over narrow slot up in left wall about 3m back. Started capping it out and by time the surveyors got to us it was possible to just about see down the 7 or 8m rift beyond. Needs more capping to make it possible to rig + get onto a ladder.

Packed up there with about 160m surveyed in the 2 holes, and went down to 2739. Chris + John got thru dig ok and on into about 30-40m of steeply descending passage. At same time Garg looked at a tight, uphill inlet passage at foot of climb down at entrance. This quickly broke out into good, open passage along the strike. Peter, Abi + I joined him and we went on for about 100m (with inlets + outlets not

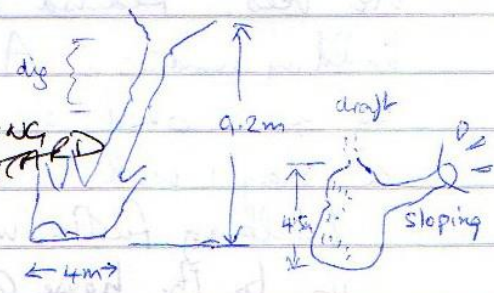


included to the top of a ramp down the steep dip. Gary + Abi went an estimated 50 metres further to an end of the main passage but with a number of side passages left un-explored. Total length of cave seen so far is about 200m.

31/7/07 and 01/08/07 (2741) TB, PC, ND, JC, M?, KR

DCC wander up to 366 and check out various holes in area such as 1015/6/7. Wandered a bit further west and found deep valley but no draughts at VN 5140(2) 9763(2). Tom found hole to one side with draught at VN 5140(2) 9763(4). Started digging down and reached about 2m down and could see 3m on.

Returned next day; completed dig by breaking through into open sloping shaft down to floor at -9.2m. Small draught enters from lowest point. Phil P. joined dig and exposed probable way on - right echo. Will return soon to dig.



walls of chamber ~~covered in yellow~~ ? lichen to gave name Mustard Pot.

02/08/07 Hole in the wall and New cave (Nineo) (2741) Allan Berry, Simon Dillon

After speaking with Juan ~~we~~ about a cave we had seen yesterday it became apparent that, despite the very large entrance, it was a new discovery. After setting of a snapper in 'hole in the wall' we returned to this 'large entrance' to investigate further. The large entrance chamber had a few potential digs and some bones were found in the entrance to one of these. The bones appear to be that of a human baby. The bones were left in the cave after being photographed. We then returned to 'hole in the wall' and blasted through into a large 'rift-like' chamber requiring SRT / ladder to get into. Unfortunately the cave does not ~~draw~~ draft and so the smoke from



the snappers had filled the continuation chamber. We therefore set off one last snapper to widen the pitch-head before returning to camp. We will go back tomorrow with SRT kit and enter the new chamber.

2/8/07 Phil, Hilary, Juan, Pen walking round De Seldembo area, checking up on the Dec. Started at site 2740 and while waiting for snappers to set off, we had our picnic. Also obtained grid ref for Baby Skull Cave (2741). Picked up track above the field here and walked up valley through the trees. Reached site 2743 (new) at the base of field with building remains. A wet area (possibly stream sink) is drained by a choked but well draughting area. May be worth a day's work.

Walking further up through trees and open fields brought us to the house @ Torca Corrada (780). Walked along track to the top of the Toad valley and dropped down here to the valley bottom. (On the way down came across site 2744 (new) a large shalehole with a 10m<sup>high</sup> scar and an interesting bouldery dig @ the base. Also photos taken of sites 430, 1248, ~~258~~ and GPS of 430.)

Crossed valley bottom and left Penny to go for her Spanish lesson. The remaining 3 followed the GPS instructions to the Baby Skull Cave, taking photos etc. MAP + ROUTE follows →

2/08 Abi, Gary + H.L. went into 2738 and finished the capping. The pitch got too tight before reaching the floor - further work would <sup>be</sup> very hard. In the meantime Chris, John, Ali + Pete had gone to 2739 and got on with the surveying. See any log entry of theirs for what they saw.

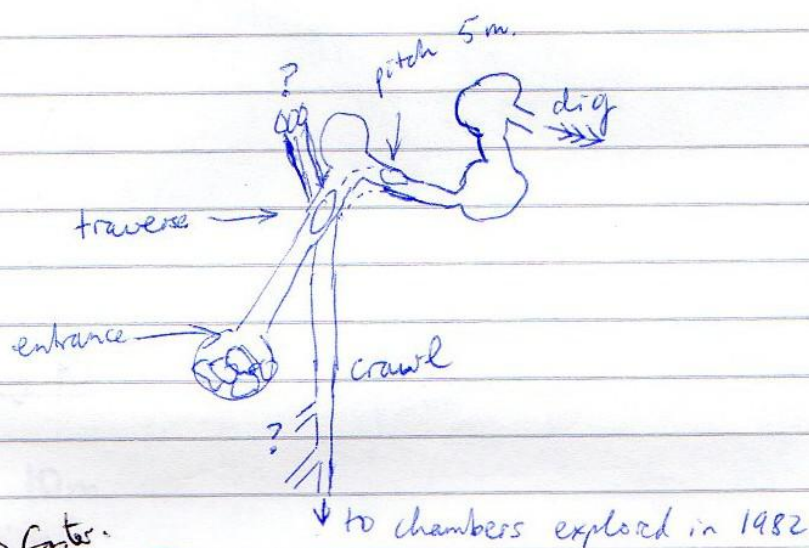
H.L.



373 Cueva del Bosque Big Steve, Pete S.

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary trip to a cave first explored by Squirrel, Juan and Penny in 1982.

Surveyed and photographed. An extension was made through a couple of chambers to a draughting crawl that needs digging out. Good potential. Several side passages seen but not entered.



First found @ Easter.

(2745)

29/7/07 Footleg, Paul Dold, Dave Garman, Pete Adams, Nigel Cass. Dug open new site near Prize Cock Pot which was entered by Nigel, Dave, Paul & Pete. Short way inside a rock blocks a draughting way on, which needs capping to remove it. GPS fix was taken. Named the site "blow dry". Photos left on computer. 452246, 4800563 Alt. 214m X? 275m







Chris Cann + John Southworth 3/8/07.

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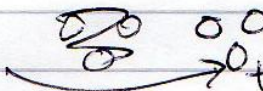
2746 10m up track on R side. Small cave entr. - no draught.

0454322 4797413 @ track

2747 0454237 4797385 @ cave 20m accuracy.

Small cave 2m long - animal bones. Tree @ entrance

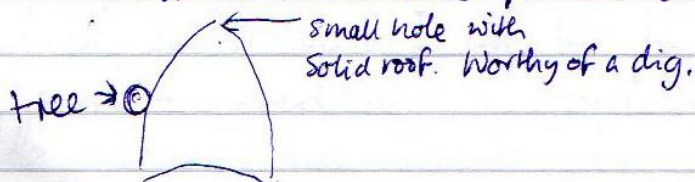
2748. 0454907 4797241 12m accuracy ↑ 465.  
2m deep closed shaft

1464 Reposition under  tree.

Gary Rhodes & Abby Rhodes 3/8/07 (See map overleaf)

2749 10m from track narrow rift. Passage closes down to narrow rift (8" <sup>deep</sup> to 4" wide). Height ca. 30" closing down to 20". Length 1.5m. Beyond it appears to open out to left, right & forwards with depth of 1.5' to 2' (45°).  
Bat hanging in cave.

2750 Pit opposite 2749 on left hand side of track. with beech tree. Shattered formations from a collapsed cave 1.3 x 2.5m.



2751 Man-made entrance to a ? fridge. Good draft. Soft sandy floor, moist.

2752 Laddered shaft (8m) 0.5m short - onto large shelf



8058



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30/7/07 Lluera - Scaling Pole Operations

Footleg, Paul Dold, Dane Garman, Pete Adams, Nigel Cass.

Armed with the Matienzo <sup>magic</sup> scaling pole, we set off to look at some leads spotted at Easter. The first just up the boulder slope from the bottom of the ladder pitch was just reachable with the pole and gave access to a 1m x 2m passage which unfortunately emerged on a balcony overlooking the ladder pitch. However a sediment filled side passage branches off and could be dug.

We continued with the scaling pole down the main passage and used it to gain access to the roof passage in order to bypass the lake and enter the fault chamber passage heading North. Our next lead was an active aven on the left hand side about half way along this passage. The scaling pole quickly gained us access to the top of the waterfall where a climb up through a hole between boulders gained access to a draughting streamway. We briefly got excited before finding a pile of spent carbide round the next bend. Beyond that the stream emerged from boulders with no way open to continue. Not to be thwarted, we started pulling out smaller rocks from a hole which was enlarged, but still too small to pass. If we could chip the corner off one offending boulder it would be possible to pass. So I requested a suitable tool from our choice selection of weapons of cave destruction. Handed a chisel and hammer I hit the boulder at the point we wanted the point removed and it instantly cracked in half down the middle nowhere near where I had hit it and a large half dropped into my lap as I wedged my self across the rift! Paul came to assist me remove it without me following it down the boulder heap. The hole was now passable! Beyond a fairly spacious boulder choke presented numerous possible ways on which were mostly dead-ends. The route through is found by following the

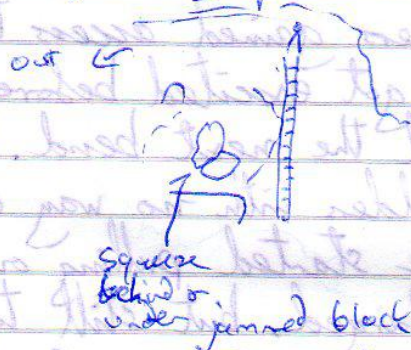


water until the bottom of an aven is reached. Chimneying up in one corner and more squeezing between boulders after an exposed climb over a boulder above the aven climb gained a walking stream passage, which unfortunately became flat out after a few metres. But we did not push that however because a big black space above caught our eye. This turned out to be the bottom of a steeply sloping chamber with a plan area of  $\sim 20 \times 30\text{m}$ . At the top of this two passages head off about 80m above the level of the fault chamber extension where we started with the scaling pole. Surveyed out from this point, planning to return to explore further tomorrow. Footleg

3.8.07 Cobedol - Ali, Petr E, Patrick Waver, Andy Mord.

To inlet in Just an Inlet cca at Easter.

On way in find by-pass to 5m pitch into Pinacle Passage



Inlet starts as low crawl with strong draught, soon enlarges at corner where hole on right connects to Just an Inlet? Continuing upstream, boulder pile is reached, climb up leads to break down chamber's rifts. Stream is rejoined & leads to aven  $\sim 25\text{m}$  high. Before this route through rifts leads to 5m climb to another streamway, followed upstream to chamber/over a continuation to narrow draughting slot. Downstream explored 25m continues with good draught. High but not fully explored.



2/8/07 2739 AI: Peter, Chris, John

Chris John surveyed down slope about 30m or crawl to right way on?

AI: Pete surveyed into cave, took photo's and checked out side passage.

From Ent up slope through narrow section quickly opens to walking passage with tree roots and some examples of vine cane? (white stuff growing from twig).

Start sections of passage on left (leading in) connect back to main passage.

At a low section the cave turns left sharply down slope, path way down a tube on the left leads to a sump/very low air space.

Main way on ~~left~~ splits straight ahead continues small (needs pushing).

Rtl steep up hill crawl enters section of rift with block (loose, needs removing) way on continues small.

4/8/07 2501

Gary & Abby Rhodes

Boulder removed to reveal narrow sloping rift. Rtl wall of rift proved to be nothing more than a flake. This caved out and enabled Gary to become thoroughly stranded at the bottom of a ~~10~~ 3m climb into small chamber. Looking outwards <sup>above</sup> ~~at~~ Ltl floor is steep descending calcified roof through which a small gap into darkness leads on to? PTO



Looking upwards, onwards, the RH wall is a flake of ca 200mm thick. This would need removing with caps to enlarge the entrance. This done, the floor should be nothing more than a bucket and rope dig. No noticeable draft!

03/08/07.

<sup>(2740)</sup> 'Hole in the wall' & Phil Pappard dig + more

<sup>(2743)</sup>

Allan Berry  
Simon Dillon  
Kearon Rooney

Went back to 'Hole in the wall' and found pitch was now accessible. Kicked loose stuff down pitch and Allan Berry used SRT to get onto pitch. (Backed up to tree outside cave and bolted left hand wall a couple of meters back from pitch head). Looking up the pitch seemed to show a hole giving access to a chamber / passage but we had no tackle to investigate this. We went down the pitch to a reasonable size chamber (approx 6m long by 4m long). This has a couple of possible digs - one which you can drop stones down and hear them rattle away but too tight (approx 3 inches). Surveyed the cave with Simon Dillon also dropping down the pitch to survey the chamber. Pitch is approx 7m to boulder pile plus a further 3m to lowest point.

After this we went to look at a ~~flat~~ <sup>2743</sup> dig with Phil Pappard in the same valley. Good draft was made even better by digging earth & rocks out. We can now see a couple meters into what looks like the top of a rift. ~~table~~

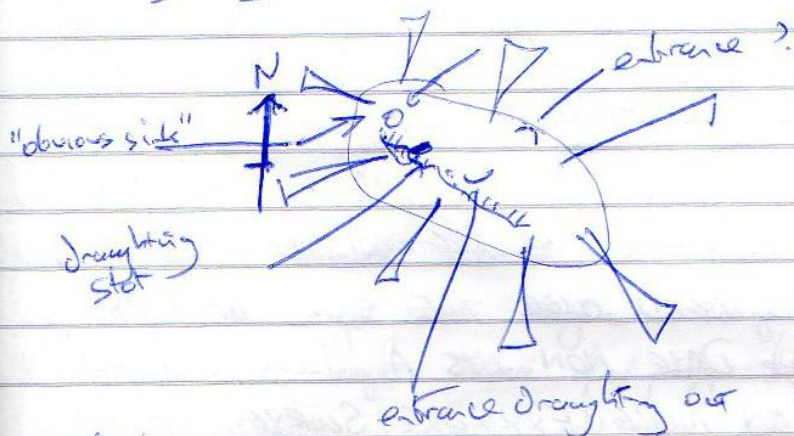
While Allan & Phil were looking at this, Simon & Kearon walked directly up-hill and after removing a couple of rock found a drafting entrance. Unfortunately we had no torches so we will return in a couple of days.

<sup>(2753)</sup>



4/8/07 Cobble area. Aneill, Peayer.

921 - slightly dug out entrance to slot, strongly draughting in, PE set in to slot down with blocks reading moving, seems to open out below. Probably needs taking off rod from surface to do this easily - not a major job. This connects to "obvious sink".



Smoke from fire outside entrance sucked straight down the hole. Outside temp. -37C

~~3/08/07~~ 4/08/07

4/8/07 EL BIGGO LIFE THE UNIVERSE & EVERYTHING EXTENSIVE

PAUL DOLD, DAN, PUNCHY DAVE.

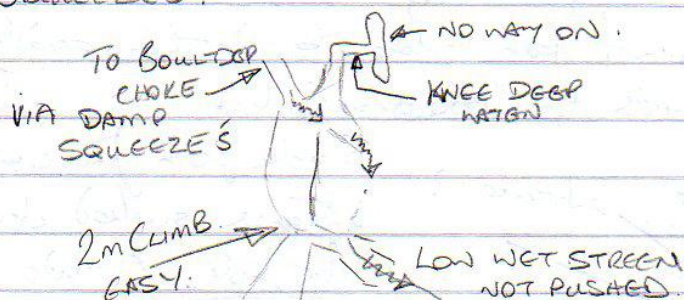
SURVEYED PRITTY PASSAGE TO A BOULDER CHOKER, SLIGHT DRAUGHT BUT NO OBVIOUS WAY ON.

HAD A LOOK AT THE HOLE ON RIGHT OF PASSAGE BEFORE MINI TORNADO STAL JUNCTION, AND LOW AND BEHOLD MORE EASY GOING PASSAGE WITH GOOD DRAUGHT & PLENTY OF LEADS TO GO BACK FOR. INCLUDING A LARGE ECHOING POT IN THE FLOOR. (NOTE 1) DAVE STARTS TO GO QUIET! RED ROOM LOOKS INTERESTING LOOSE!! ROOF!! ALSO BEWARE SANDY MAN TRAPS IN FLOOR. (NOTE 2) DAN NEED TO CAME WITH 2 SETS OF PANTS?

WE DECIDED PITCHES TO THE BIG RED NOB ROOM AND MEET THE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC AND SUPER MOTIVATED?? CAMRA SQUAD. WE SURVEYED ON UP THE SANDY SAMP BYPASS. (NOTE 3) DAVE'S BODY LANGUAGE IS STARTING TO TELL US HE LOSING THE WILL TO SURVIVE AND HIS REPEYS ARE GETTING SHORT AND SHARP, DAN & PAUL TURN INTO MR MOTIVATORS AND REALISE THIS IS HAVING A NEGATIVE AFFECT. "STILL ALWAYS LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE"



SANDY SWAMP BYPASS END AT THE MOMENT AT A DRAUGHTING  
BOULDER CHOKER (CAPPING REQUIRED) DON'T FORGET THE  
DAMP SQUEEZES.



WE RETURNED TO THE POINT WHERE WE ARE ABOVE THE SWAMP  
AND DECIDED TO FOLLOW DAVE'S LEAD OVER THE SWAMP IN EASY  
LONG PHREATIC RIFT, (NOTE 4) DAVE NOW HAS A KILLER TWINKLE IN  
HIS EYE AT THE PROSPECT ON MORE FXXKING SURVEYING.  
THIS PASSAGE IS STILL GOING (REFF THE GRABBING GRIMMOUNDS)  
HOLE IN FLOOR WITH GOOD ECHO LOOKS PROMISING. <sup>??</sup> WITH THE  
THREAT OF HAVING A TAPE MEASURE INSERTED WHERE THE SUN DON'T  
SHINE WE DECIDED THIS WAS A GOOD TIME TO STOP AND MAKE OUR WAY OUT  
OF THE CAVE.

PAUL DOLD

31.7.07 Uluva - Big Bang Burger Bar & Beyond.

Peter Adams, Paul Dold, Fortleg, Nigel Cass, Dave Gorman, Gary Cullen  
We quickly (about 2 hours) returned to the large chamber  
discovered in "Scaling Pole Operations". Partly due to having left  
all the ladders in place the previous day much to the  
distress of everyone else in Mahanoo who were wondering  
where all the ladders had gone. Due to multiple chiro readings of 42,  
we had decided to call these new passages and  
chambers "Like the Universe and Everything Else". The large  
chamber reached last time was named "The Big Bang Burger  
Bar" and the flat area in the far corner turned  
into our resting/snacking spot.



Today mission was to survey into the large passage leading off this corner of the chamber. The others were left to do on the way back (this didn't happen as we were too tired).

Descending into the near flat passage we were soon romping along with nice long tape measure lengths. Dave was running ahead getting good survey points. Nigel and Peter were tape monkeys. Paul did instruments while Footleg doodled in his notebook.

Shortly Dave announced a T-junction which was more of a Y. We continued ahead following the obvious walking passage. A large deep hole was traversed round on route and a sandy crawl to the left ignored. But just as everyone thought it would never end it did - with a large cluster of pretty stalks and a wall.

At this point we relaxed and started surveying the sandy crawl until we got to a convenient point to stop - still looks promising onwards. Peter and Dave dropped down a deep tight hole in the floor for a beer bet and eventually managed to break out - more down there potentially.

Peter & Nigel had a quick look up the upstream fork of the Y which slowly gets progressively tighter as you progress. There is a river near the start, potentially free climbable for the brave.

Everyone was tired at this point so the return trip to food & beer was started. This was easier than previous days as we'd bolted some ladders in and enlarged a few squeezes on the way in - Gary is larger than the rest of us.

- Peter A.

2.8.07 Llucma - Life the universe and down the pit.

Peter Adams, Paul Bald, Footleg, Nigel Cass, Dave Gorman.

Today we decided to start by looking down the large pit half way along the passage surveyed in the previous entry. While Paul & Dave looked this the other 3 of us surveyed up the Y fork examined by Peter & Nigel.



the previous day. We took this until a convenient fork and blockage on the larger of the two directions. The other is open but very tight. we didn't explore too far.

Returning to the pit we found Paul and Dave had descended, enlarged a squeeze to just very tight rather than stupid and busy bottling a second drop.

Promise of a visible horizontal passage brought us all down although it turns out that Paul has problems telling the difference between horizontal passages and third vertical pitches. We forgive him though once a forth short drop landed us on the floor of a huge chamber. Sloping floors of very loose boulders continued to be a theme. Obvious features were some very long straws and a huge red robe of a shul approx 1m high.

2 large passages head out of one side. The left hand one quickly reaches a choke which we spent minimal time examining. The right hand one goes for some distance before reaching a pool of water - probably but not verified as a sump. There is a possible sump bypass leaving this passage about 70m before the sump.

Everyone was cheerful on the return trip although we had started to realise that we were taking more kit in than out every day and a desigging nightmare was building.

- Peter Adams

### 3.8.07 Llueva - Swimming Rat Day.

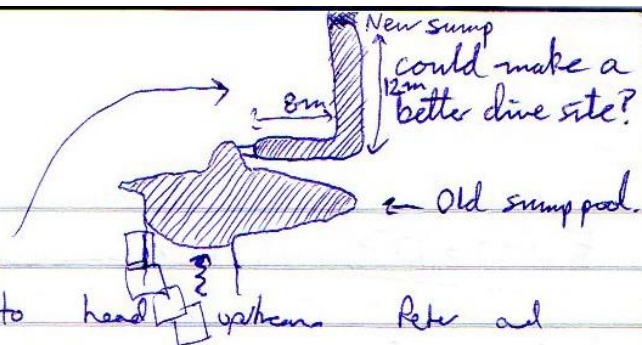
Paul Add, Footley, Nigel Cross, Dave Gamm, Peter Adams.

Tired from previous long days out we decided to have a rest day in the Llueva stream way.

First we swam to the downstream sump. Nigel & Peter used a unique swimming technique which resembled controlled drowning. Paul and Footley found a short passage near the sump.



which seems to not be on the survey



After some playing we decided to head upstream. Peter and Nigel took the quick swim and walked the main chamber. The others used the small network to emerge half way along. Climbing through the slippery passages on the left of main passage allowed access to the swim to the upstream sump. The three successfully swimming went through for a 30 minute explore. Rebin was near the leap of the high ledge into the lake. Boats we had brought in on a previous trip were removed. Finally some kit actually leaving this cave.

-Peter A.

4.8.07 A Buge camera crew.

Peter Adams, Nigel Carr and Footleg

Took millions of photos with footleg directing of Buge Bar, Orange Nob Chamber and side passages.

Camera flashes get very heavy when held at arms length over drops for long periods of time. Hope fully the results will be good.

When finished we waited in the buge bar for the surveying team until we eventually realised they had left with out us.

Ladder had been removed from bypass but rope remained.

They had helpfully left the life line for the main long ladder at the top of the pitch leaving us with a nice tired unprotected climb - grrr! They did leave us a car and a beer though so they're not all bad.

Scaling poles finally moved towards the exit - currently at the bottom of main pitch

-Peter



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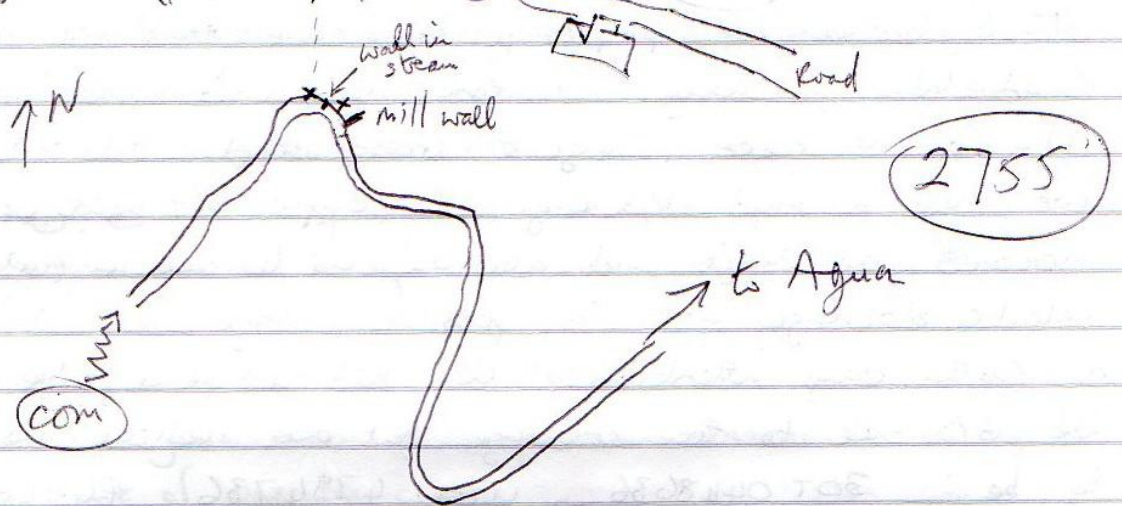
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NOTE - SITES 143 + 144 marked on map  
shown to team.



by JCFG (29)  
 5/8/07 Andy, Julie, Joan + Penny show the water sinks where the water disappears in the Comellante → Agua stream bed during v. dry weather, e.g. summer 2006.



X and X mark the places in the streambed where the water sinks - there was a discernable 'whirlpool' at the eastern X. JCFG says that the farmer keeps the sinks blocked so that the river usually flows beyond the holes. He also said that in 2006 he could hear water falling underground at the sink holes.

Eastern X is at ~ 307 0450892 4795924

4/8/07

Phil, Pete, Juan + Emilio, Jesús, Carmen and Rocío (archaeologists and assistants) to 3 sites for archaeological purposes.

Six people into **Pig Nut Cave 2523** where Jesús declared the long bone to be bear. He found a layer of bones in the sediment at the base of the entrance slope.

Then over to Seldesuto to **cave 2741** with human baby skulls and other bones. Jesús declared that they were the bones of 2 babies, fairly modern. Lunch, wine and various smokes here.

Then off to **Arenal** where, after various flints and bones were discovered, Emilio declared that the sediments at the right hand cave were very good for future digging. Juan



05/08/07

New Caves

Allan Berry, Simon Dillon

Vega Valley

(2753)

+ Kearen Rooney

Went to look at a possible new cave that we had found late yesterday. Entrance lead into approximately 12m of decorated passage. Good draft. At end of 12m we met a mud blockage. A couple of hours of digging increased the draft and allowed us to see a further calcite blockage with a possible passage beyond. Needs a further days attention. We had a few problems with the GPS due to tree coverage but we believe the location to be: 30T 0448636 UTM: 4794736 El: 403m

(2754)

After this we thrashed up hill through foliage to find 30T 0448512 UTM: 4794616 El: 457m. (Shag-A)

We then went on to find another ~~possible~~ entrance at 30T 0448801 UTM: 4794705 El: 389m.

And a further cave at:

(2311)

30T 0448531 UTM: 4794590 El: 428m. (Higher)

And a further cave at:

(2757)

(372)

30T 0448801 UTM: 4794705 El: 389m. (Allan)

4/08 H.L. Riano area.

Covered the area between the two roads down into Riano. The only point of interest was at the top of a broad, shallow valley just over the fence into the wooded area. This was a 2m deep hole covered with timber but it was all in earth with no sign of bedrock GPS 0451877. 4801245 Alt. 244m.

(2759)



05/08 H.L. area on hillside above Nacimiento del Campiazo.

- 1) Tight slot sloping down under rock outcrop on side of big depression just below road. Very strong outward draught. Top 2 to 3 metres is too tight but looks to widen out below.

GPS 0452167.4801952 Alt. 152m.

- 2) Uphill slightly + west of 1) is a low opening under a shelf. Needs hammer + chisel to open. 2m drop and then a bend to the left.

GPS 0452141.4801980 Alt. 165m.

- 3) In small scar just below fence junction. Needs 10 min dig to get into 5m+ of passable cave.

GPS 0452140.4802108 Alt. 134m.

- 4) Dig into bedding in undercut to east of 3) with 3m visible

GPS 0452166.4802094 Alt. 135m.

- 5) Steeply dipping crawl under sandstone outcrop. Needs 5 min dig to 4 metres passable passage. There is another small tube about 15 metres east of 5)

GPS 0452184.4802104 Alt. 114m.

- 6) Beside old track under a shattered outcrop. One block needs a bar to move it to enter a rift.

GPS 0452238.4802079 Alt. 111m.

NOTE ALL THE ABOVE (EXCEPT 1) + 2) ARE UPHILL JUST TO THE WEST OF CAMPIAZO DEL NACIMIENTO.

See map overleaf of walked area.

05-08 Gary & Abby Rhodes.

2756 300mm wide rift opening up to 400mm - Boulders & soil floor, loose-looking. Depth 1.8m. Not promising.

2757 Free-climbable entrance. Jagged rock, loose boulders. 3m down to boulder floor with loose fill. Around



2458 - Pit ca. 2.5m deep, 1m wide by 0.5m.

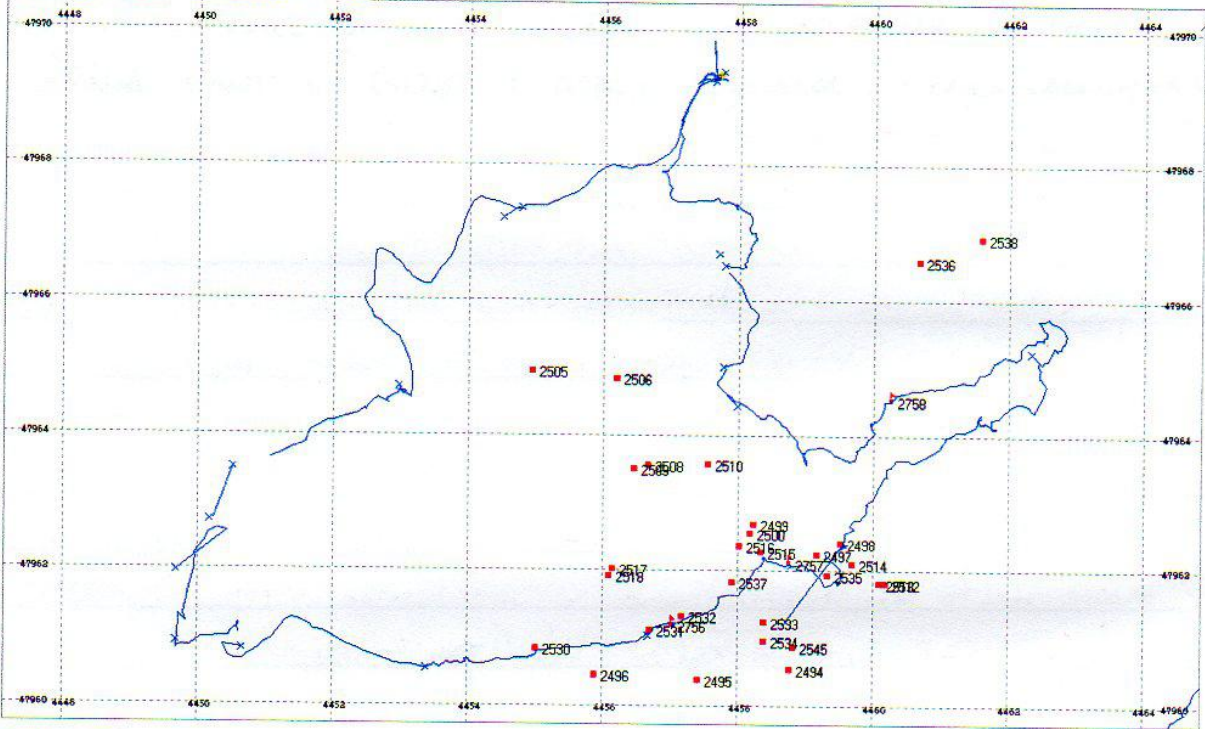
Solid floor of compact stone/gravel. Free-climbable. No potential.

edges descends further 1.2m to a flat floor in an area with undercut. Visible space of ca. 0.5m (floor to ceiling). Easily diggable with rope+wire.

V. sharp rock. Draught present.

2498 - Shaft Daylight pit - free climbable. Deepest point 3m. Rubble + shit floor. At lowest point noticeable draft through gaps in boulders. Seems to continue as straight shaft down but full of crap.

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05/08 H.C. El Torno area

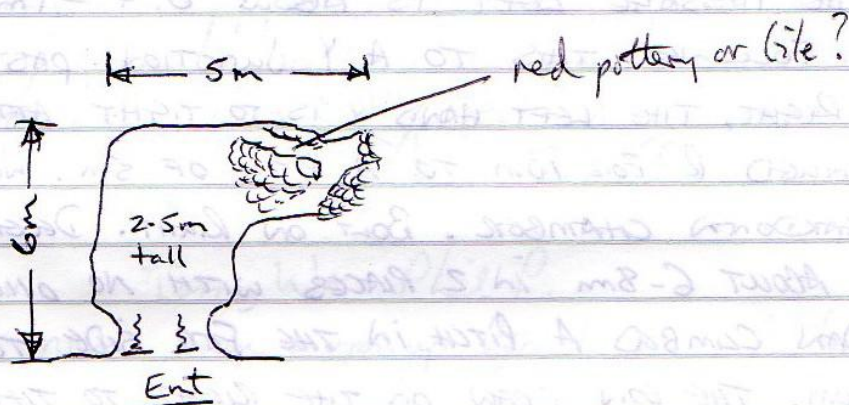
(2766) Walked up to scar at top edge of wood and just thro' the fence was a bank up to some horizontal tree trunk with, beyond, a walk in entrance. Inside sloped down and then turned to the right where a stal. screen blocked the way on with several routes continuing forward. As no one knew where I was I turned back at that point. 60 or 70m along scar to the east was a possible dig into a crawl. Had a look at 2415 down by road - draughting out strongly on a hot day.

(2767)



06/07<sup>08</sup> H.L., J. Corrin, C. Smith + J. Clarke - Above El Torno.

Walked up to entrance (2766) seen yesterday and we all went in. 5 minutes later we all went out again as the passage was blocked by stal. Three routes over + under the stal, all joined again but no way on. Bits of (medieval?) pottery seen - photographed by Juan.



(dig)

Had a brief look at other places along same scar, including 2767 but nothing really promising.

We all stumbled round in the jungle for a while before going back to the car and then down to 2415 which was still draughting out, but not as strongly as yesterday, on a cool day. Moved some debris around, and with one big block 'snapped' it would be a relatively easy dig on downwards.

6/8/07

2738 'Slaves Cave' - Gary & Abby.

Returned here to follow another draughting prospect which has a definite sound connection to ~~the~~ last place we copped out. Removed approx. 9ft of rock downwards following the cold draft. We are now able to see a possible ledge/floor maybe 12ft away.

To be continued... brrr it's cold!

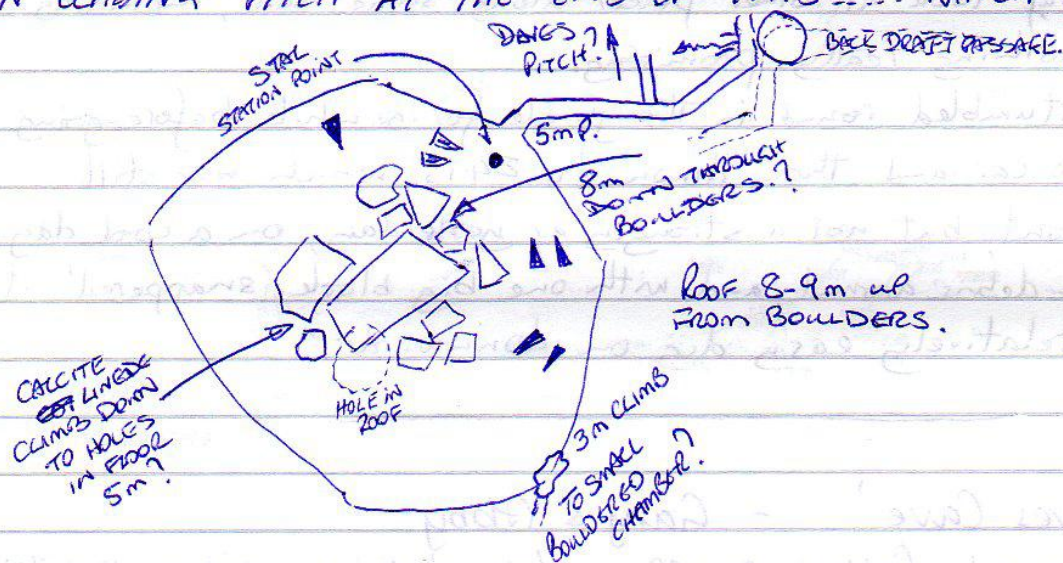
There's something about Abby!?!?



6/8/07. EL BIGGO POT IN BACKDRAFT PASSAGE.

PAUL DOLD, DAN H., DAVE G.

WE DESCENDED THE POT IN BACKDRAFT PASSAGE 15m APPROX TO FIND ANOTHER POT RISING ON THE RIGHT THIS HAS BEEN CONNECTED BY VOICE TO BACKDRAFT PASSAGE. A SMALL STREAM DISAPPEARS JUST BEYOND THE FIRST AVION BUT IS TOO TIGHT AFTER ABOUT 2m. THE PASSAGE LEFT IS ABOUT 0.7 - 1m WIDE AND VERY SNARLY WE FOLLOWED THIS TO A Y JUNCTION PAST A LOW CRAW ON THE RIGHT, THE LEFT HAND Y IS TOO TIGHT AFTER 10m ISH SO WE CONTINUED R FOR 10m TO A PITCH OF 5m. WE DESCENDED THIS TO A BREAKDOWN CHAMBER. BOLT ON RIGHT. DESCENDED THROUGH Boulders ABOUT 6-8m IN 2 PLACES WITH NO OBVIOUS WAY ON OF. DRAFT? DAN CLIMBED A PITCH IN THE FAR SIDE TO ANOTHER Boulder FILLED ROOM. THE LOW CRAW ON THE RIGHT TO THE PITCH MEETS THE STREAM I ENTERED AT THE BACK OF THE AVION. DAVE HAS FOUND AN ECHOING PITCH AT THE END OF THIS.... WATCH THIS SPACE.....



Paul Dold.

7/8/07 Huerto Rey John Clarke, Chris Smith + Pete Goya  
to canal (1m higher)  
C/o meets a blank wall @ end.



03/08/07

Ideopuerta.

Jim Chandler - Dan.

Dan descended a shaft and looked at others just off track from Fuente Moreno. Belt not in our area. Talked to local farmer and he pointed out that there was a "deep" shaft on the hillside opposite. Situated just below a stand of eucalyptus and below the tracks. This needs to be investigated - in our area.

site 2768. lfc.

6/8/07 Laava Terry W + Phil P.

Trip to look at new area a open up top of 2nd Pitch. Set off with Paul, Dan & Dave but they had no survey tape + I left my DISTO behind - so we went back for it + gave to Dan. Scan trip into cave with drill, capping gear etc + due to route finding as new only the two of us. Opened up 2nd pitch top with 20 caps. New area needs better rigging now there will be more trips in particular: SRT rope on pitch up in choke with extra spit at top; rope on survey climb up to top of choke etc. A few markers to ~~show~~ show way through choke would speed up trip for people who had not been in before. Had to free climb ladder on exit as life line rope was at top.

7/8/07

2738 - 'Slaves Cave' - Gary & Abby.

Continued capping downwards to make large enough to lower video camera (strapped onto helmet). After much cursing and swearing, caverns unmeasurable to mankind were located. Snappers would make easy work of this! Depth approx 20 feet. (video). Draft entices more work.

2769 - Went for wander after above & found small hole ca. 2.5/3m deep, sandy floor, echos. Need to return with ladder + GPS.



7/8/07 PCU, CC, TB, + JS

REMOVED 826 (CROWN) AS - 2

THEY WENT TO DIG IN SITE 151

SHAW EXTENSION TO DEAD END = 3

SHAW DIG IN SITE 2770 (FOUND BY JONES)

4 - LOWS GROUND MAY HAVE BEEN DAMAGED YESTERDAY

6/8/07 0921, (Cobad) long Billy Geoff Peger A Neel

Opened up entrance to gain choked up quickly closed to drop down into boulder chamber. Slope down into 10m wide passage/chamber choked on N side & at end. Possible dgs on S side, but ~~at~~ draught in entrance lost - need to return on good draught day.  
Length 52 m depth 14m.

7/8/07 Cobad, A Neel, P Stacey

Returned to inlets off Just an Inlet. Surveyed rest of high level - no ways on found. Climb down into stream bed but downstream passage too tight. Continued pushing second inlet downstream - low & orrible, eventually rejoined Just an Inlet as expected.

Showered PS Meander Passage & start of streamway or way out.

8/8/07 BIGGO Paul Dond, Dave Gorman, Don, Alan, Nigel & Simon?

THE PITCH WAS RE-THROWN AT THE POT IN BACKDRAFT PASSAGE BY DON & DAVE WHILST MYSELF & ALAN TIED IN THE STATION 26 OF BACKDRAFT TO STATION 9 OF THE NORTH PASSAGE FROM THE BUDGER BAT. THIS LEFT DOG TANNON & SIMON ASLEEP SOMEWHERE? DAVE & DON TOOK THE BOLTING KIT AND DRILL AND STARTED RIGGING THE PITCH AT THE END OF WARD'S CRAWL. AGAIN THIS LEFT MYSELF & ALAN TO SURVEY DOWN BACKDRAFT POT DOWN TO CRAP COMPASS CHAMBER THEN DOWN TO THE PITCH HEAD. STATION 13!!!.



Once I arrived at the pitch head I was welcomed by Dave and Dan both of whom were full of tails of Big Passage (3k???) from the bottom of the pitches. I put my set kit on and had to go and have a look for myself. I estimate around 35m of total pitch depth, Pitch 1 = 20m ish Pitch 2 10m ish and after a sandy walk of about 8m a climb down of about 5m. This enters a passage of good size 15m wide + and 12m tall. I went right over boulders then meet a sandy gravelly steep climb (loose) at this point the passage glissens with Gipsom cristles. From this part of the cave care must be taken with where you walk incase formations are damaged. After a wide L/H bend walking down + round boulders past a fine red/orange (ginger) stalagmite and a 3m straw column the passage continued for 150m ish to a stop. Dave has told of a passage continuing from the up-slope climb on the right of this corner, he also went left from the base of the last 5m climb down he climbed over boulders for about 20min to a dark limestone shaly wall and the passage reduced in size to approx 3m x 3m ish.

Paul Dodd

7/8/07

Blow dry hole, Dave Garman, Paul Dodd, Dan

It was time we had a rest day, so the 'enlargement' of the second squeeze was planned.

Dan had several snappers to use so I had the task of drilling the first shot hole. After putting in the snapper and packing it down we waited on the surface with the excitement of knowing we were finally going to blow something up?? With a small pop the snapper went off, it was dud. Second time <sup>pop</sup> lucky? After the second attempt which failed I had to go to the car and upon my return found Dan had proceeded to just drill the roof out of the



way! Once through the squeeze there was a small chamber with a very tight silted up which bends round to the right with 4m visibility into it. Dan was down a hole in the floor pushing a tight passage, which eventually was enlarged by snappers. It was obvious this passage did not go and the draught had also been lost. I had a look and directly behind this <sup>crawl</sup> pass there is a crack in the rock where the draught is coming from - this needs extensive digging as it is not large enough to fit down but I managed to look down and see the muddy floor sloping down away from me.

At this we called it a day - no survey!

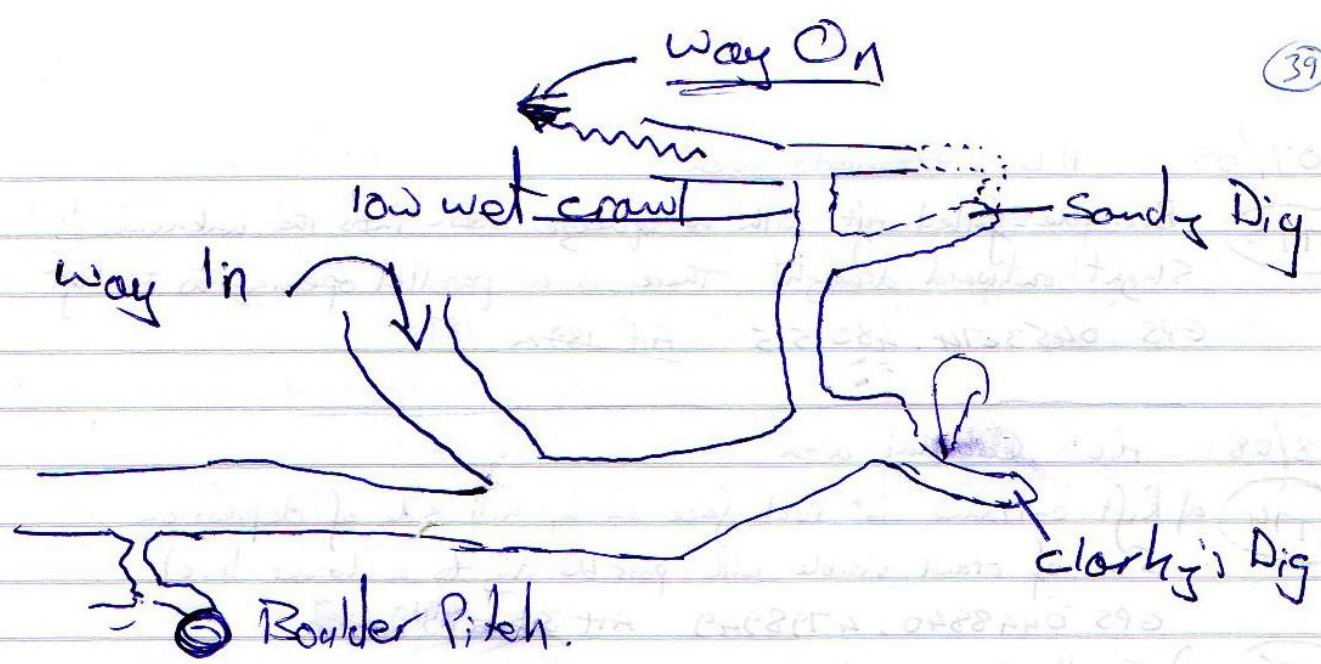
Dave Gorman

8/8/07 Snottite

Dan H, Smithy, Clarke, Andy P.

Harvey Long to write up surface stuff elsewhere. CS, SC & AP went to down stream end of cave to snapper rock of low wet crawl. Just as first snapper was fixed Dan arrived. After approx one hour of digging Dan got into the wet crawl. He could not get through, however he could see to left & right at T junction. Left is down stream 20 meters ish of crawling sized passage could been seen. Right (upstream) will connect with sandy dig to the right of wet crawl. The sandy dig route is now preferred way to continue down stream.





Two other points of interest were visited at this end of the cave:

- Clarky's Dig up mud slope on RHS was dug for approx 1 body length. Clarky to give details.

- Boulder Pitch on L.H.S. (going up after inlet) was addressed by Don.

Drop Down THROUGH VERY LOOSE BOULDER CHOKER INTO SMALL CHAMBER. A WAY ON CAN BE SEEN THROUGH BOULDERS. WITH AN OUTWARD DRAUGHT. APPROX 6M TO BOTTOM. CLIMB OUT VERY AWKWARD AS IS V. LOOSE. A WAY ON COULD BE RUN THROUGH FLOOR.

Strong drafts near the entrance indicated other areas which warranted attention.

There is more to find in this cave

Andy P. J.C. WENT TO HELP ANDY USE SNAPPERS ON LOW WET CRAWL. 3 SNAPPERS USED. A BYPASS OF THIS CRAWL SEEMS BEST WAY ON. STRONG DRAUGHT LOCATED ON WAY OUT NEAR ENTRANCE. NEEDS A GOOD LOOK, Y.A. Hub



07/08 H.L. Fresno area

- (2773) Bramble-filled rift with a squeeze down into the unknown!  
Slight outward draught. There is a parallel opening to the left  
GPS 0453674. 4801515 Alt. ~~189m~~ 183

08/08 H.L. Cobodal area

- (2774) a) Right entrance in rock face on up-hill side of depression.  
5m of crawl visible with possible dig to a lower level.  
GPS 0448840. 4798949 Alt. ~~310m~~ 319
- (2775) b) Small, 3m walk in cave above house - well choked.  
GPS 0449004. 4798882 Alt. ~~305m~~ 311
- (2776) c) On right side of concrete track up to house, with a few rocks removed it would be possible to crawl on one side for 3 metres to a corner  
GPS 0448948. 4798775 Alt. ~~260m~~ 267
- (2777) d) Tight entrance in scar needs a hammer to get into 4m shaft with possible passage at bottom. Slight out draught.  
GPS 0448572. 4798743 Alt. ~~243m~~ 245
- (2778) e) Fenced 4m deep shaft - nearly all in earth. Looks choked  
GPS 0448357. 4798762 Alt. ~~217m~~ 219
- (2779) f) Tight shaft 4 or 5m deep in side of horseshoe shaped rock walled depression with trees.  
GPS 0448277. 4798117 Alt. ~~211m~~ 220?

09/08 H.L. Rianio

Wandered around in, and on the side of the valley down to the Rianio Cave resurgence. The main things of note were a cold store down from the house near the junction of the two roads into Rianio. On down valley is side gully coming in from the right and part way up under a part cut down tree is a narrow slot with a very strong outward draught. Also, in the gully next to the slot are further points blowing out.

- (2783) GPS 0451791. 4800713 Alt. ~~153m~~ 142



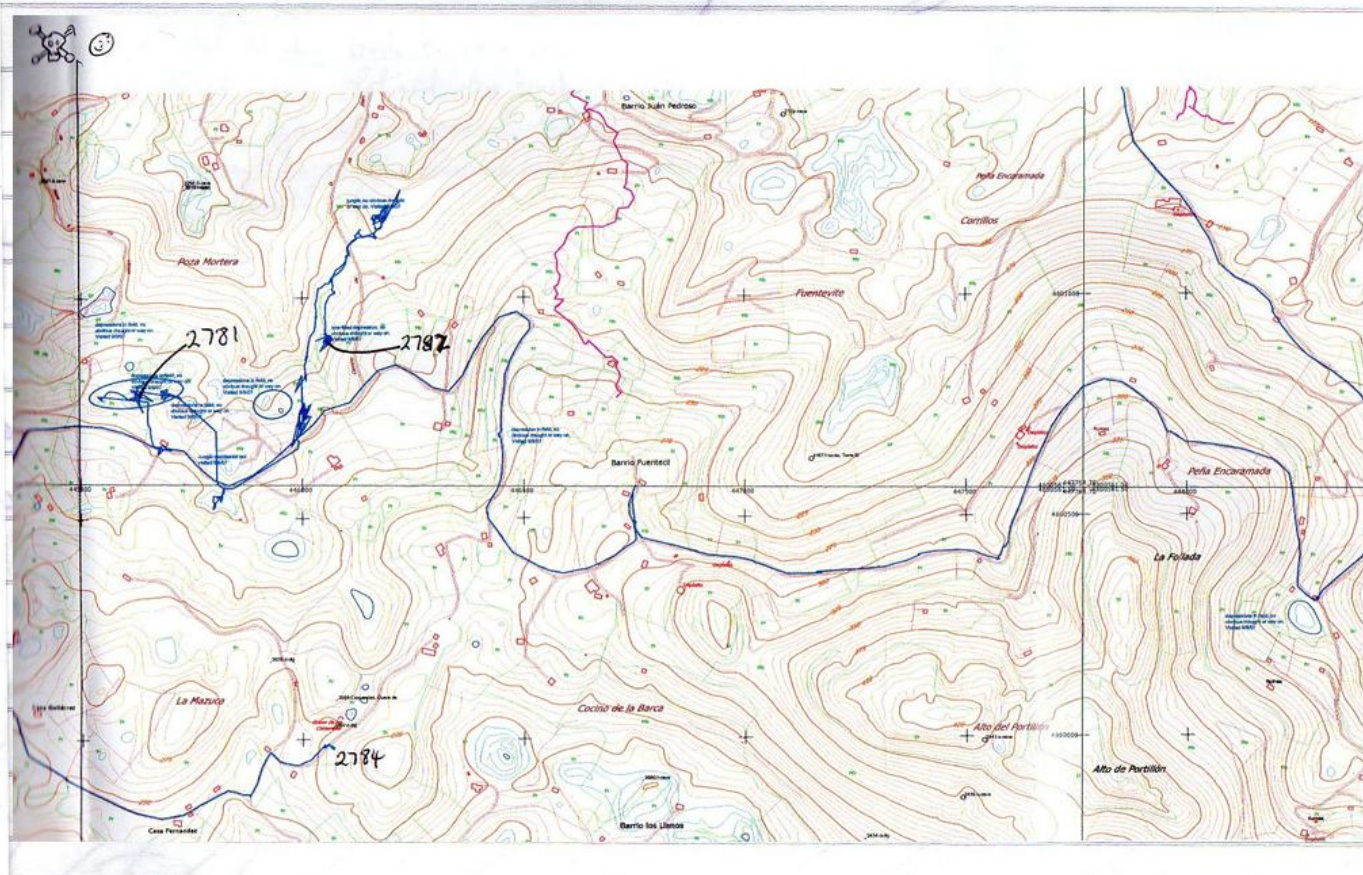
Juan + Andy P. — See map below

4/8/07

Educational day out with Pangle. Drove up at Barrio Minas to site 2784, apparently sniggered + explored at Easter but not documented, ( $D=10$ , Echoing pitch (p10) to chambers). Photo + GPS.

Drove round to depressions at extreme west of area south of 'Pozza Montero' Site 2781 — jungle-filled depression with tiny slots under sandstone above the base. Biggest is a 3m long through-trip used by animals. Photo  
Other depressions — no go — in this area — see map. GPS

Walled N along track to road then across road down to another j-f depression. Returned along track and off on uphill side found a tyre-filled depression (with some jungle). Undercut on S side may be a low cave or just an undercut (site 2782). Then drove down to near end of Aguarua to investigate another j-f depression. The final j-f depression investigated was at La Follada, 1½ km east of the last depression — see map.





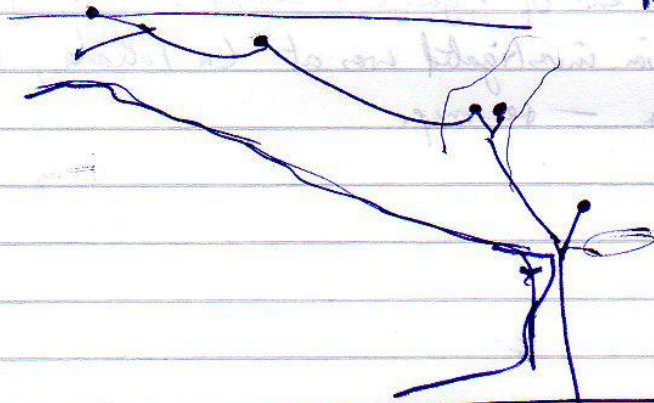
9/8/2007 Ali, Phil, Terry. Lueva.

A rigging trip, mainly aimed at protecting the climbs & pitches found by Footleg, Paul & Dave Gorman. This was done.

2/8/07 Ali, Patrick Warren.

Biggo - rigged extreme pitch with 2 new bolts on LH side & deviation off fluke.

This was replaced on 9/7/07 with bolt but rock failed as seen as TW started descending the pitch. Replaced with an existing bolt but gives slight nub point, need a jular bolt on LH side. Needs ? 40m rope.



3-4 5, or 8th. FOX HAT JERANKE C. SMITH  
WENT BACK TO PREVIOUS YEARS DIG TO USE CRAPS AND  
SNAPPERS TO ENLARGE FIRST CORNER OF TWO. NEEDS  
A BIT MORE WORK YET. J.C.



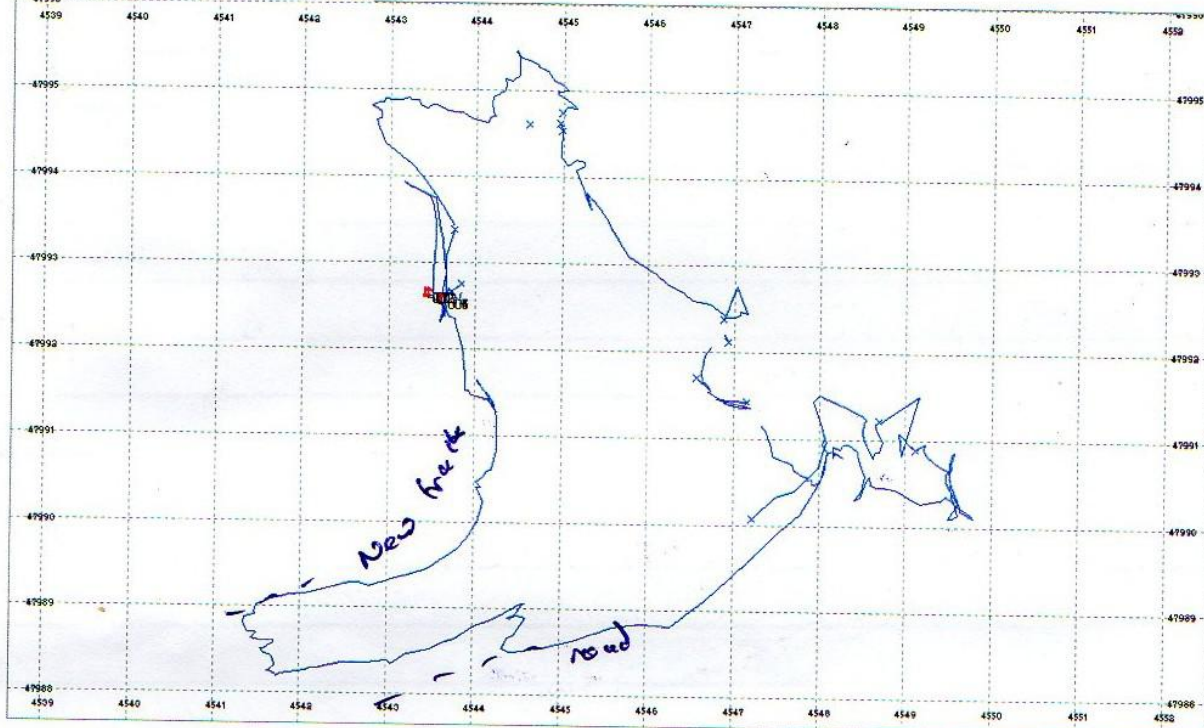
10/8/07 Ali Neill, Payer

Ridge between Iluvaca & Secadura. Trud to find Torca Andado 689.

Found 20-30 m shift covered by boulder in side of new track. Vague possibility Ali is 689. - 2785X  $\equiv$  689

Also a v. higher tube  $\approx$  20m further along track. - 2786.

Plot of AliPete.txt 10/08/2007 18:44:57



Scale 1:8307

10/8/07

Visit to "size up" the job of digging 2228 in La Pituna. Found that eucalyptus trees have been felled.

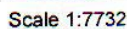
Due to this it would be a major task to get to the dig. This is because of the many trunks/branches left at the site & the effect of the heavy plant/machinery used during the felling of the trees.

Andy

~~10/8/07 Robbed - A small & P Strong. Found surveying H.T. channels & some stream passage which was too unpleasant, failed to start up tank~~



Pete S, Phil, Fran + Steve - day out with archaeologists in Secadova - Giulio, Camer and Natasa.



A = Otter 2    B = Otter 4    C = 3 Rivers Case    D = Small Case  
E = Domingo Lopez @ San Marcos

looked at passage noted on right in Pinacle Passage. Small dragging passage with hard junctures. Climb into H.L. Silt on left. Main way on led through numerous dyes & squeezes to dig not far from cave entrance. Near start a short passage connected to climb up to long pitch, making another bypass to the pitch, & easiest way to Pinacle Passage & for the round trip.

[illegible]



9/8/07 Peter, Paul, Harry, Dan, Biggo  
Survey trip.

Entered cave via new series of pitches  
to large new un-surveyed passage.

Surveyed to left first, passage split  
into three one end no way on other  
two ends draughting boulder chokes  
(not pushed) A flash bulb was found  
placed on the wall of rift from  
previous visit from old cave.

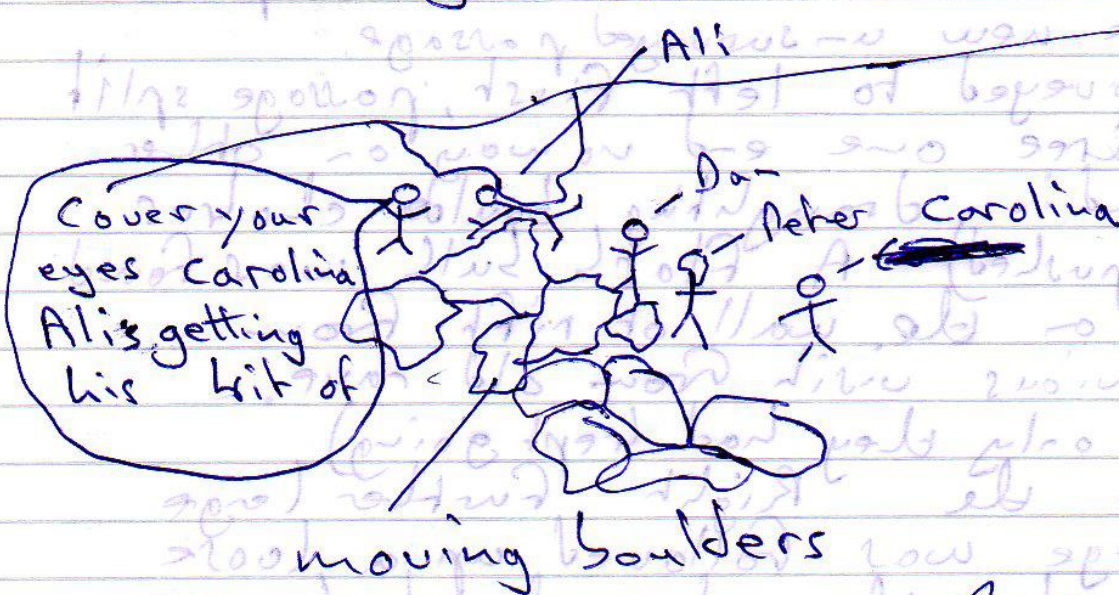
(If only they had kept going)  
To the Right further large  
passage was followed up a loose  
climb to the edge of darkness  
two ways on. down slope to choke?  
up slope through plate beds to  
solid choke no way on.  
exited cave via newly rigged climb  
and pitch (much easier way)  
12hr trip km surveyed.

11/8/07 Peter, Dan, Paul, Ali, Carolina  
photo trip + find flash bulb from  
main cave.

Searched around climb down  
near RH bypass? . Followed many small  
ways on (most still going) with draughts  
but could not find connection. Went back  
to columns to photo + found connection  
in the floor of chamber. This is a  
short climb down through boulders to low  
section into rift passage with flash bulb.  
Took photos + surveyed connection. A good  
trip was had by all pto



Large chamber was entered and found to be previously known Gromma few days before.



2 August - DCC rent-a-dig team (Ken, Tony, Bill, Nigel, Pete)

Catch up report on how we spent a day rediscovering Cueva del Zorro (0345) and 1512. Before we started, Tony Bittelbank descended 0310 on ladders and checked side passage - see sketch.

~~Other~~ ~~was~~ identified

be ~~was~~, ~~was~~

various other holes visited. Detail to follow!

Watch this space.

BLOCKED AND DEAD ANIMALS

MORE DEAD ANIMALS

RETURNED A BIT LOWER

NOT A BAD COPY - MUST TAIL HARDER \*



7 August. Nigel D + team

went to Jivaro 2. On way up track off main road, passed a fenced shaft at 0453872 4795249 which does not seem to correspond to anything on map. May need to be checked.



— " — DID NOT BOUYER TO DESCEND

PLEASE TRY HARDER!

11 August Nigel D

walk from Puerto Cruz Usano to Ciguatera. Numerous holes, GPS and photo some but they need a closer look. Notes to follow.

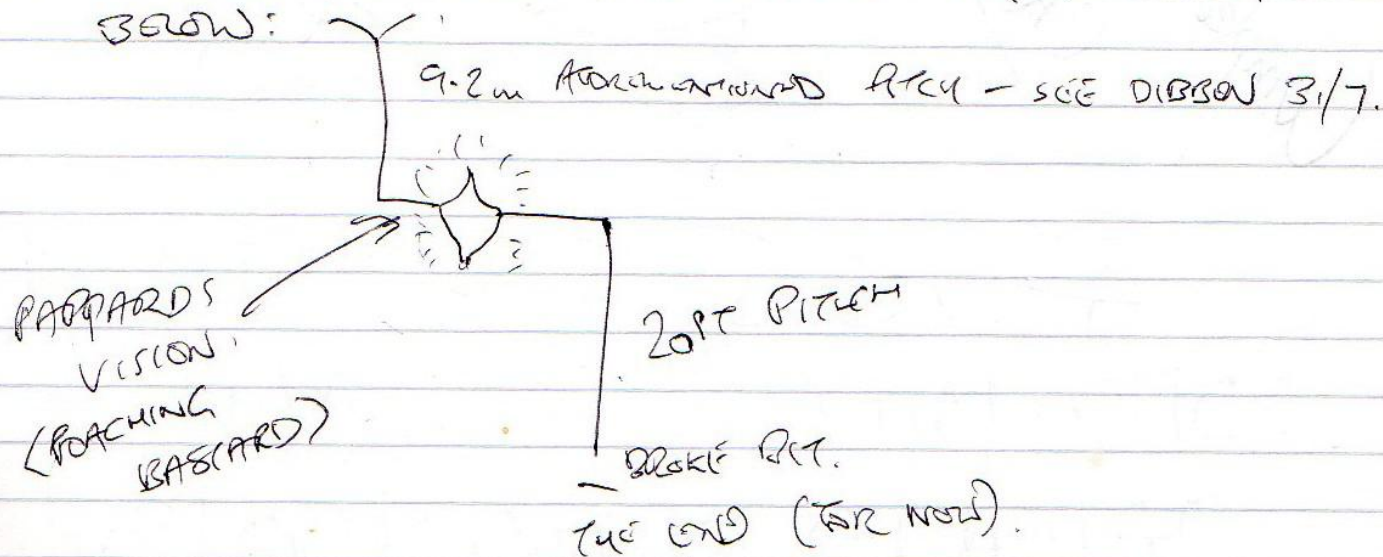
— " — MORE DETAIL NEEDED - MUST TRY HARDER!  
NO STARS.

12 AUGUST. — MUSTARD POT. (AND YESTERDAY AS DCC, INCLUDING LEANY, WELL).

FORCED ONES WAY THROUGH TO VIRGIN PASSAGE.  
DISTINCTIVE SHAPE.

BANGED INTO DEFLOWERED SUBMISSION

FOUND 20' PITCH AND BROKE DIG., SURVEY  
BELOW:





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

KIERAN

Liz:  
Promised your  
mum, I would  
take care of you -  
FAILED!!

Cumpleaños feliz!!  
CAROL

ABQ



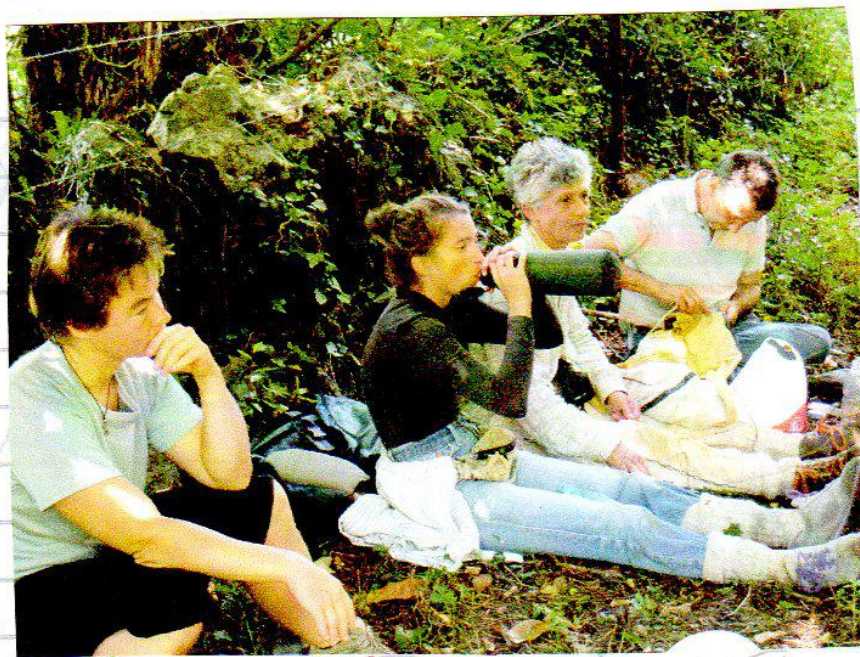


MATTIENZO 2007  
AMATEUR DRAMATICS.  
CLOCKWORK ORANGE!



11/Aug/07

Lunch ↓



A day out  
in Secadora  
to

Otero 2 & 4

3 Rivers Cave

New One Newby

Cueva de  
Domingo Lopez

Taon, Big Steve

Corman & Pedro

Phil, & Spanish

archaeological group (Corman, Emilio &

Lunch taken at 3 Rivers Cave — NO. Ruins in sight!  
incl wine etc. Then off to Domingo Lopez to look

effects of  
wine, cave  
& smoke



at more  
bones, stones  
& shells —  
cave found  
to have been  
extended from  
where Pete  
found it, by  
local children  
with a ball  
of string

300m surveyed to sail chack!



I don't believe that!! (51)

12/8/07 Don H & Andy P  
Site 1874 Cueva de las Esquimadulas  
(formally known as Snottite)

Returned to downstream dig. Made good progress removing sand. A flooding draught issued from the way on.

13/8/07 Rob E & Andy P  
Returned to 1874 enlarged dug crawl to allow easy digging at end. Diggle 3 looked for next shift.

8/8/07 Phil & Juan, Penny Hilary - Walk in the woods  
@ Idempuerta. Phil has 3 sites (shifts near start/finish) 2771 and 2772. + 2796

See 3 pages on

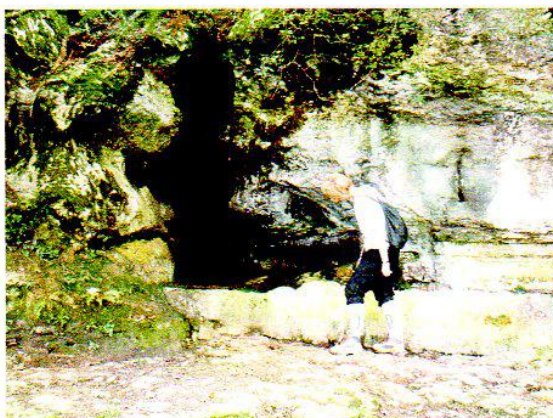
14/8/07 Diggle 3 Andy P.  
Returned to 1874. Continued to dig in sand. Can now see into hole seen by Don from wet way on 8/8/07. A return is planned



13 August Phil and Hilary – above road to Celeron - LLueva

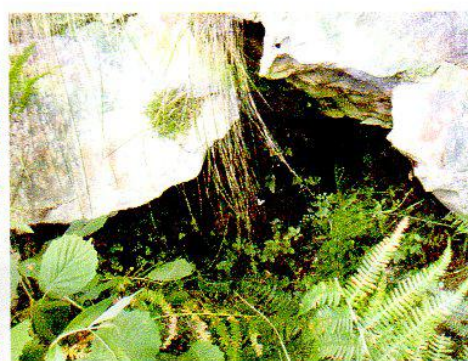
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Trough cave – rift  
type cave behind  
water trough –  
cave only a 2m to  
stall blockage –  
would need major  
effort to dig.

2792



Gps 336m alt –  
0454377:4799586  
Hazel cave  
Hard to find cave at  
base of small cliff  
behind hazel tree and  
bracken. Low entrance  
to 5m long crawl on  
your side – Not explored  
and can't see what  
happens at end. Small  
outward draught  
(summer 24 deg C) and  
small flow of water.

2794



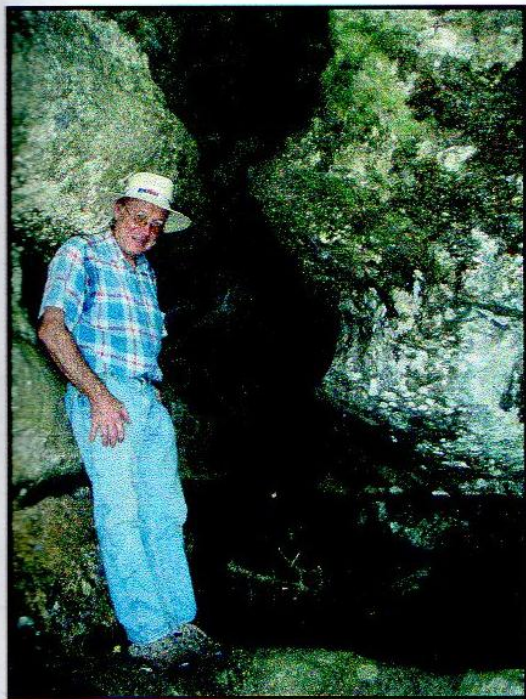
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Shaft  
Shaft at side of new track above road to  
Celeron. Looks like it was opened up  
when road was made. Hole blocked by  
large rock, Disto showed it was 6m to  
floor but rocks then roll and drop more -  
could be 20m deep? This hole and the  
Trough cave were noted by Pete Egan a  
few days ago.

2795





**14/8/07 John, Linda, Penny, Bobby and Juan** into the **Piedrashitas** area above where the new passages in Biggo are supposed to be heading. Turned east at the Idiot's Bar then south at Venta de los Percales to park on the track just before two barns. After the initial slopes in fields, it became apparent that the lower sections of this hillside, where Biggo might just poke out, are serious jungle and probably better tackled in winter. A couple of interesting jungle-filled



depressions were noted (see map). Climbed up to escape from the jungle to find sites

**2791** @ 30T 0454520 4799631 Alt 292m : small 2m deep choked hole.

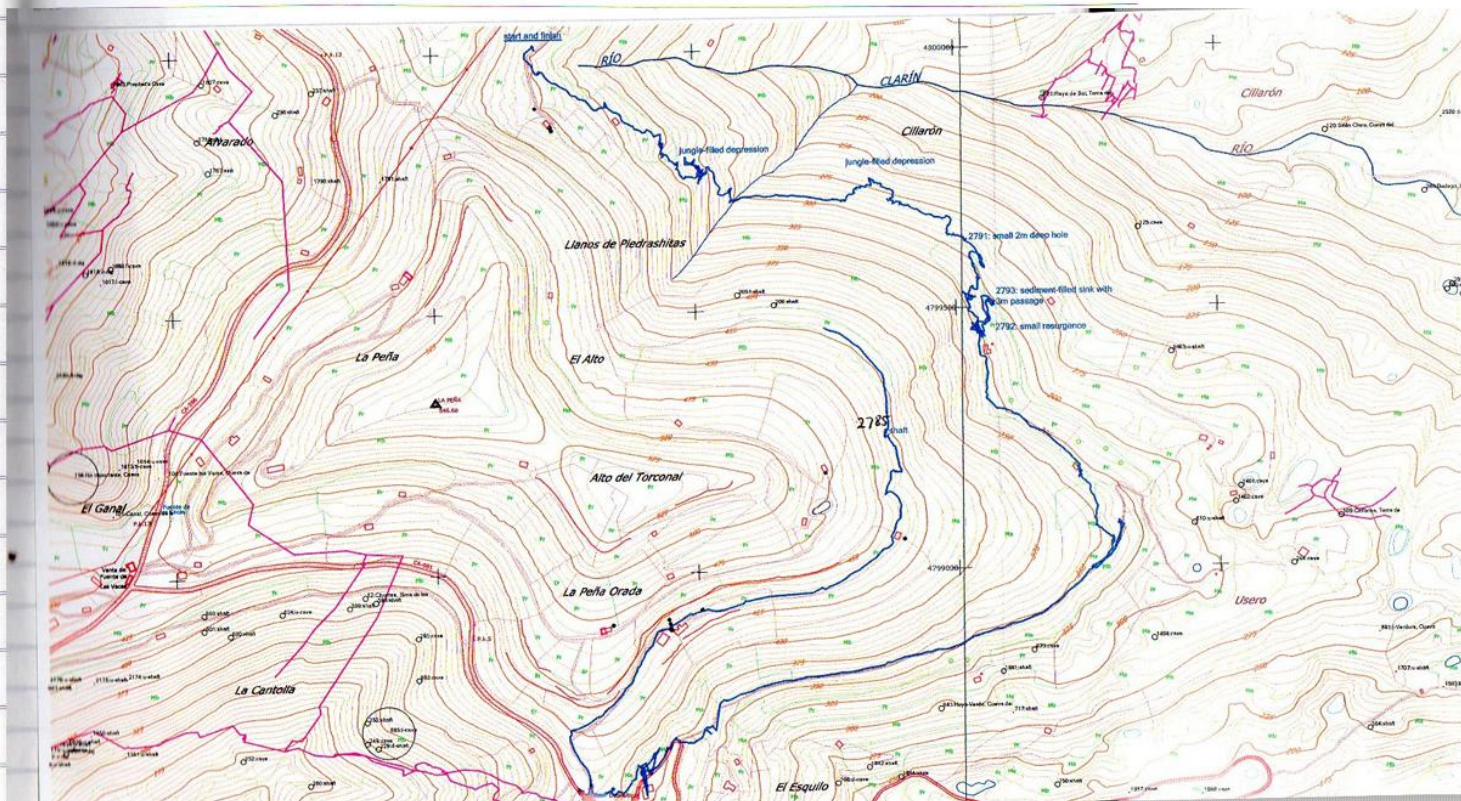
**2792** @ 30T 0454537 4799463 Alt 328m: a rift resurgence with bedding passage to a flat out crawl which may dig. Some cold draught.

**2793** @ 30T 0454565 4799514 Alt 300m : supposed sediment-filled sink for site 2792. Large blue plastic containers litter the floor and there is 3m of small passage to a supposed choke.

Carried on south and west to eventually arrive at the Voto picnic area at the top of Lluva valley, via the Cillarón road. Climbed north up the road to reach a track which eventually brought us back to the cars, passing the "new" shaft spotted yesterday and the day before.

*\* See yesterday!*

Site 2792





8 August 2007 - Ideopuerta area - Phil P; Juan; Penny; Hilary

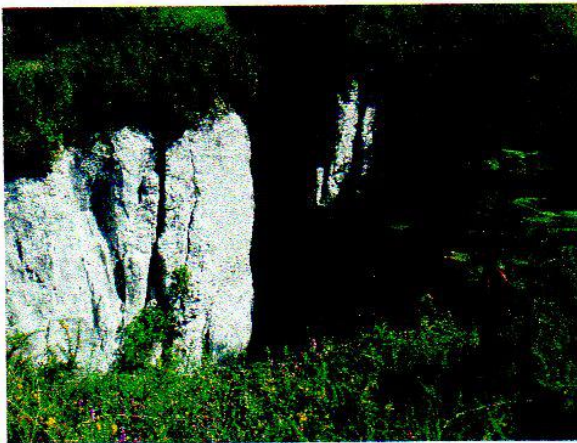
Site 1 2771

Just below 1972 (40m) - GPS lost. Possible dig or cave - needs gear to get past brambles.



Site 2

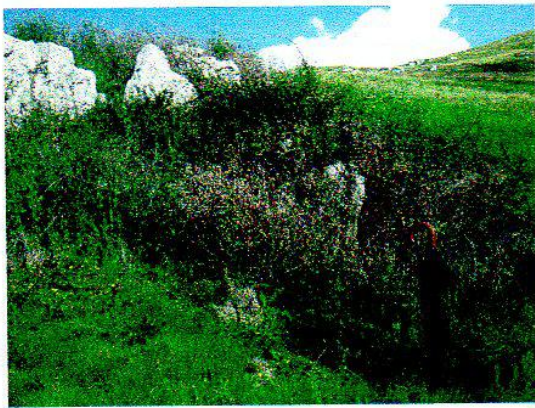
2772



<sup>407</sup>  
399m gps 0446689:4796230

Fenced off area to next to field above rough ground. Rift in south looks to be a shaft - not looked at.

Site 3



2796

Possible cave or dig some 5m to north of site 2 - gps lost. In photo site 2 is in mid distance.

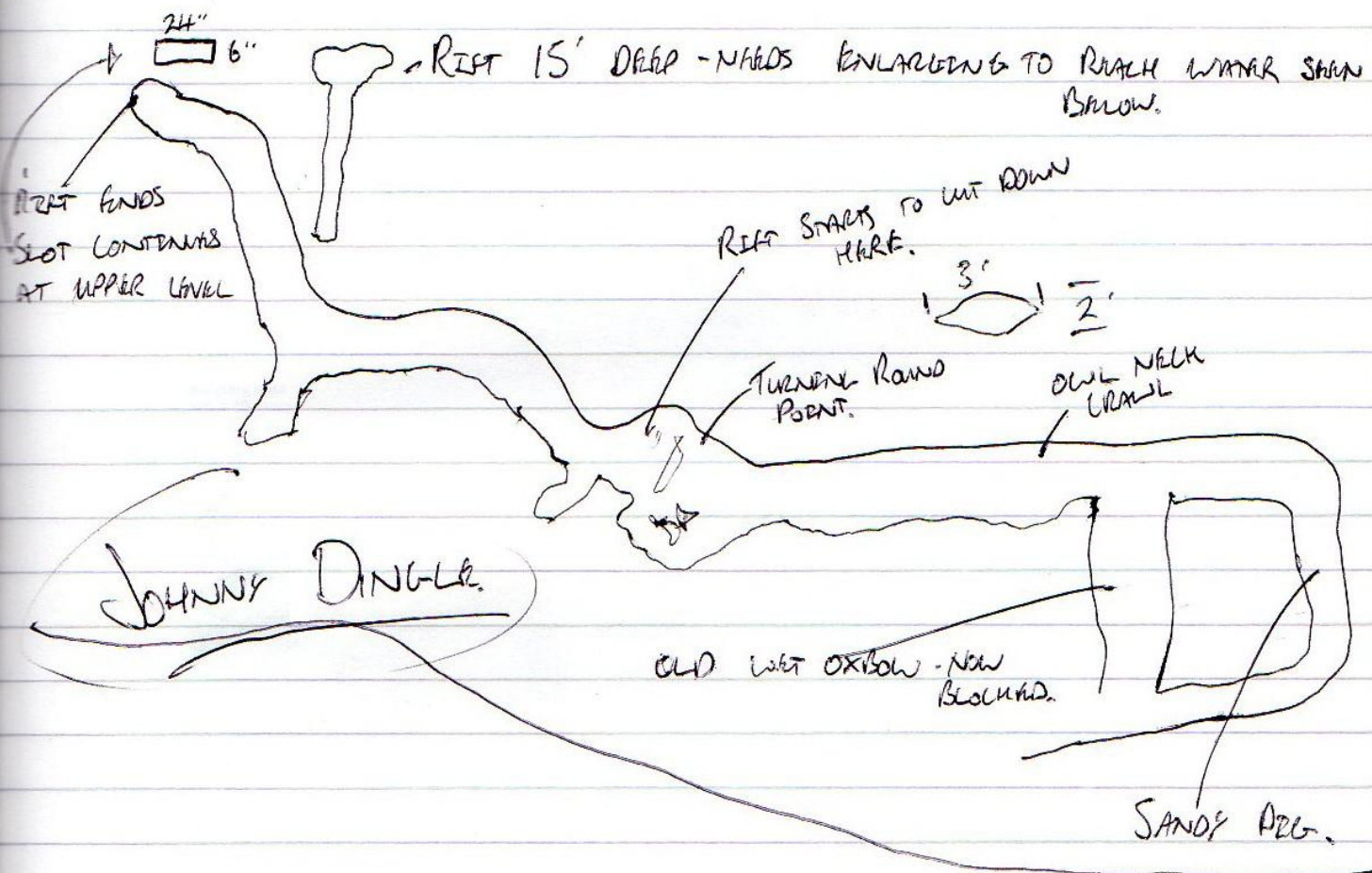
Also from 3 Aug

1306 - photo and gps 263m 0449133:4795016

546poss- photo and gps 268m 0449135:4795017



15/8/07 John Dingle (3) & Andy  
 Returned to 1874 & dug into tube seen by Dan on 8/8/02  
 This is now "Owl Neck Crawl". John pushed into this  
 see sketch below. A return is planned

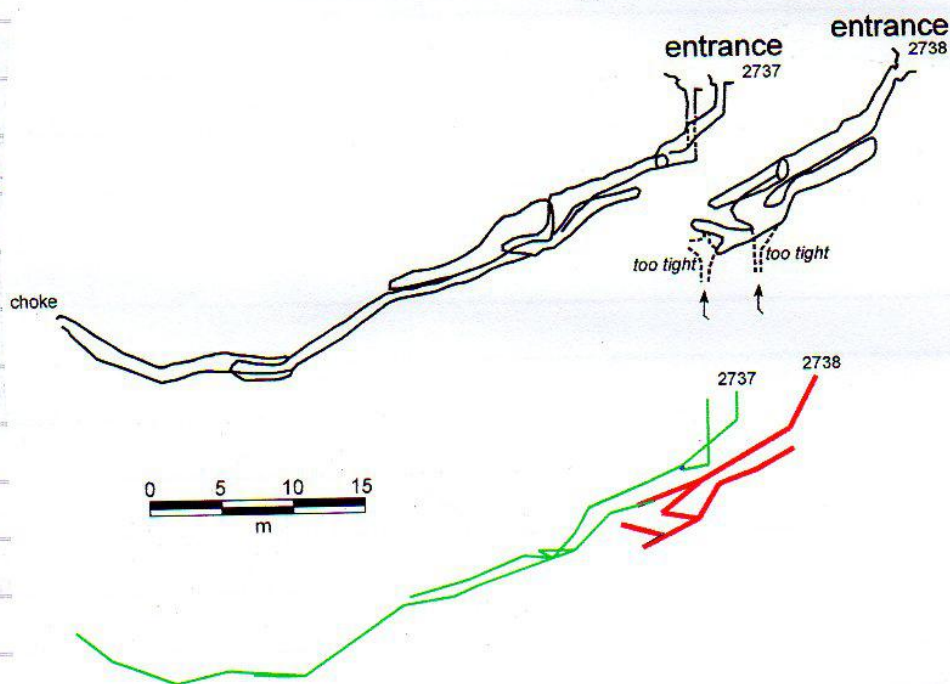
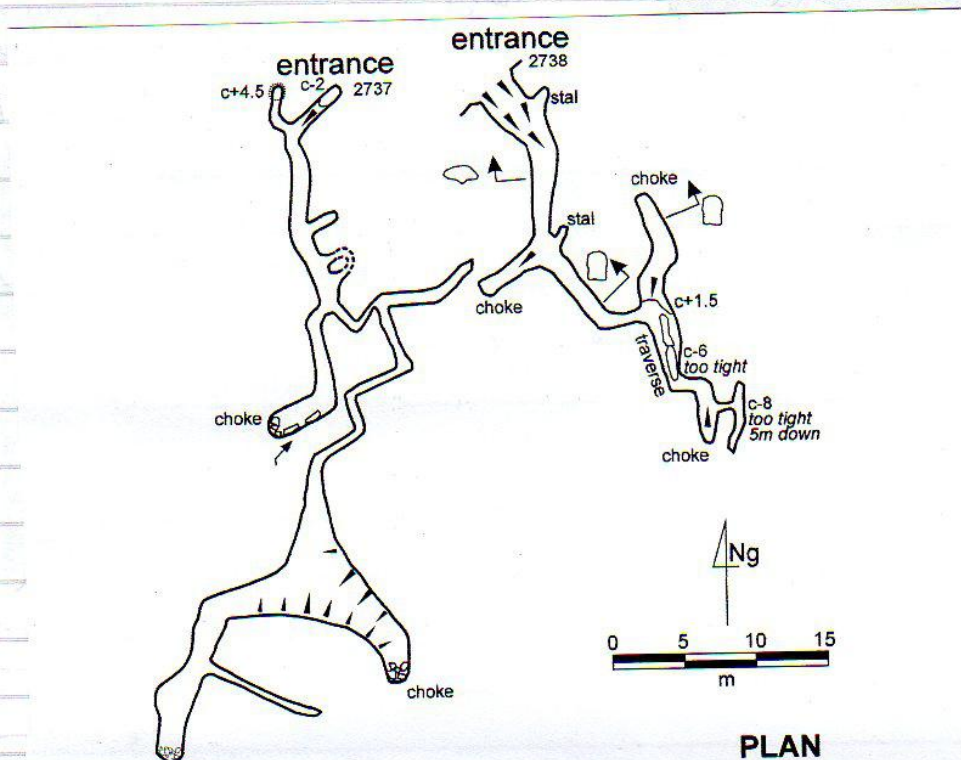


13-8-07 Dan, Carol, Ali. Biggo.

Surveyed RH Bypass, or Palace Lane Passage - 200 m of sloping/crawling passage ending at choke sloping up with weeds visible at top. No draught.

15/8/07 Tattlers - roof pulley set up. 3m depth gained.





### Site 2737: Freedom Pot and site 2738: Slaves' Cave, Fresnedo

2737: 30T 0453981 4802043 Altitude 147m Length 111m Depth 20m

2738: 30T 0453992 4802043 Altitude 148m Length 53m Depth 12m

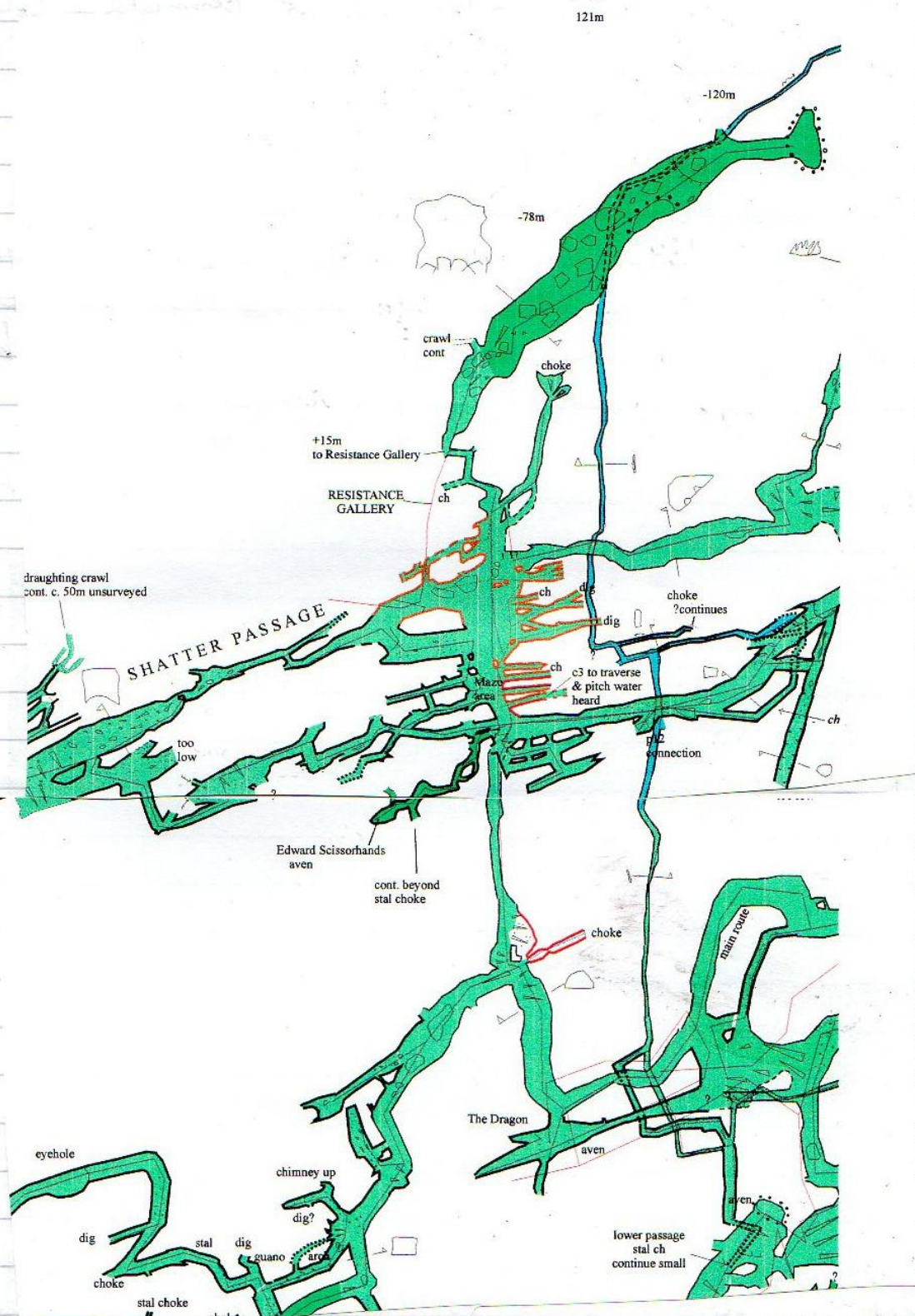
Surveyed 2007 to BCRA 5c

Drawn by HL



18/8/07 Anzill, Pange Valley I

(57)



Surveyed 100 m in max area - bits outlined in red.



2795

16/8/07 ~~John~~ Duke Pot in Janyad at Bosmatin - hole covered by side with Dick which was not happy when PE prodded with his stick. AN, PE

16/8/07 Dan H John Dingle (3) Andy f  
Dairy Dig 1189. Snappers + Cops used to remove right hand side of "on your side" crawl to allow digging / spoil removed at small chamber where draught comes from. Andy f.

16/8/07 Cobardal - "Wounded Knee" Series, Carol, Pedro, Phil.

Trip to explore, survey, and photograph passages found on an earlier visit.\* Keeping right through the maze we reached a wider passage that sloped down eventually coming to water - somewhere in Meander Passage? To the left a passage headed back to a climb and a chamber full of white stal. Phil took off his boots to explore. Other passages came to an area with collapsed blocks etc probably from a surface shaft. Altogether at least five passages were followed all ending apparently with little potential.

\* This visit (Jenny, Michael, Carol, Pedro) went to check the passage that goes off on the right at the start of Meander Passage, explored by Neil and Becca in 2004 (it has no name - suggest "NB Passage") as the survey showed it as having no end. In fact it finishes in a stal and clay choke. We looked at all the side passages but found nothing of any note. However we did spot the start of "Wounded Knee Series" in the roof on the left at the start of Meander Passage.



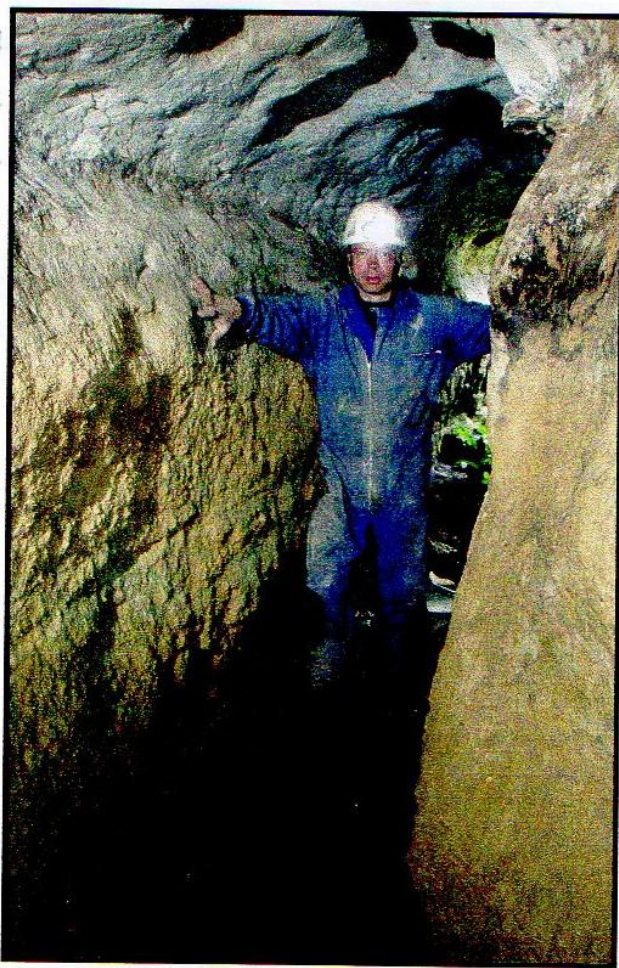
17/3/07 Dairy Dig - part 1. Andy P, Dingle 3, Dan + Botes  
 Tsam later

Wandered up to Dairy Dig - snappers, GPS, photos etc. Gaining better access to lower dig - even though draught appears to come from the top.

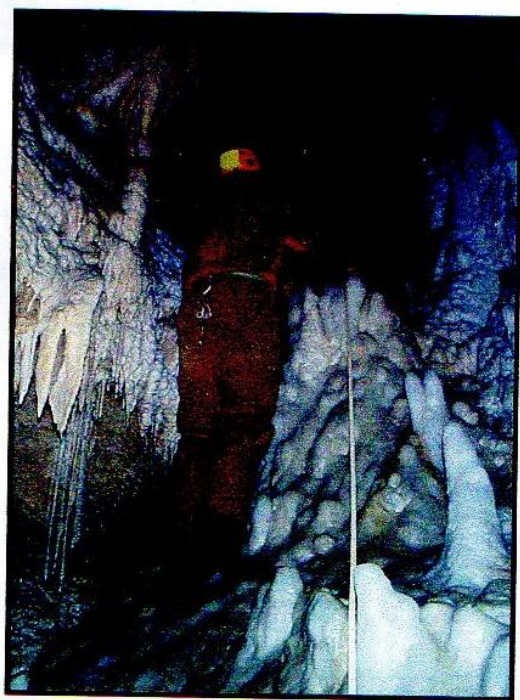
1189 GPS 307 0452931 4795062

Climbed above for a few metres to (presumably) 1252, draughting slot (swapped wrongly with 1253 on map). 1252 GPS @ 307 0452944 4795046. Then higher up saw the walk-in entrance to site ~~1253~~ 1253 Dead Fox Passage. Check @ end looks very diggable - and draughts.

1253 GPS @ 307 0452980 4795039



1253 Dead Fox Passage



PP Surveying 'Wounded Knee' in wetsuit socks.



13/8/07 Cobadal - Phil P.

after Bean meal, quick trip to top of second pitch to get gear left 3 weeks before - no problems, water levels low, bag heavy!

17/18-8-07 Dead Fox Passage

Digging floor out at end to access forward dig. Stopped by layer of caliche.

Draught may be local weather?

Billy

20/8/07 El Biggo. Dave G + Bob T - Eldon. Tour of new bits. After drop down in boulders + right along sand right - came at into larger stuff. Before climbing up into new big passage, noted small pit in left hand wall at floor level. about 8" high + 18" wide. Opened up into what appears to be bedding plane. Needs slight alteration to allow entry - draughting out.

21/8/07. Dave G + Bob T.

Daisy dig. No draught from anywhere, but, following Andy P's advice, made incursions into rock/clay (mainly clay) in chamber accessed by enlarged entrance - cautioning of snappers. Gained approx 6' but very wet mud + difficult to stick.

Heard 'rumblings' from bouldered blockage on 3 occasions (in distance). May be wind (?) from oven above. Squashed like the noise you get when dropping in a kangaroo mine + slopes above start to collapse.

22/8/07. Dave G + Bob T. De-rigged Biggo. Couldn't get past bottom of boulder choke at foot of 1st pitch as water very high (++++) therefore unable to get in to expand entrance to possible extension seen on 20/8/07. Heavy rain for days made river passage lethal without traverse line in place. Very fast moving. Stream running out of passage above entrance. Flowing past entrance at every floor of shale-hole before disappearing down slot in floor - approx 15' long + quite noisy.

PM - looked at 'dead fox passage'. Had a poke but looks like a big job to get under clay + boulder infill. Couldn't see any caliche (see above). No draught - at all, whatsoever in any way, shape or form. But in roof above dig. Back to daisy dig. No draught. Liquid →



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27  
mud in lower dig, just as we left it yesterday. Odd 'gurbling' noises coming from  
base of dig. Not Bobi gutti as he was still outside.

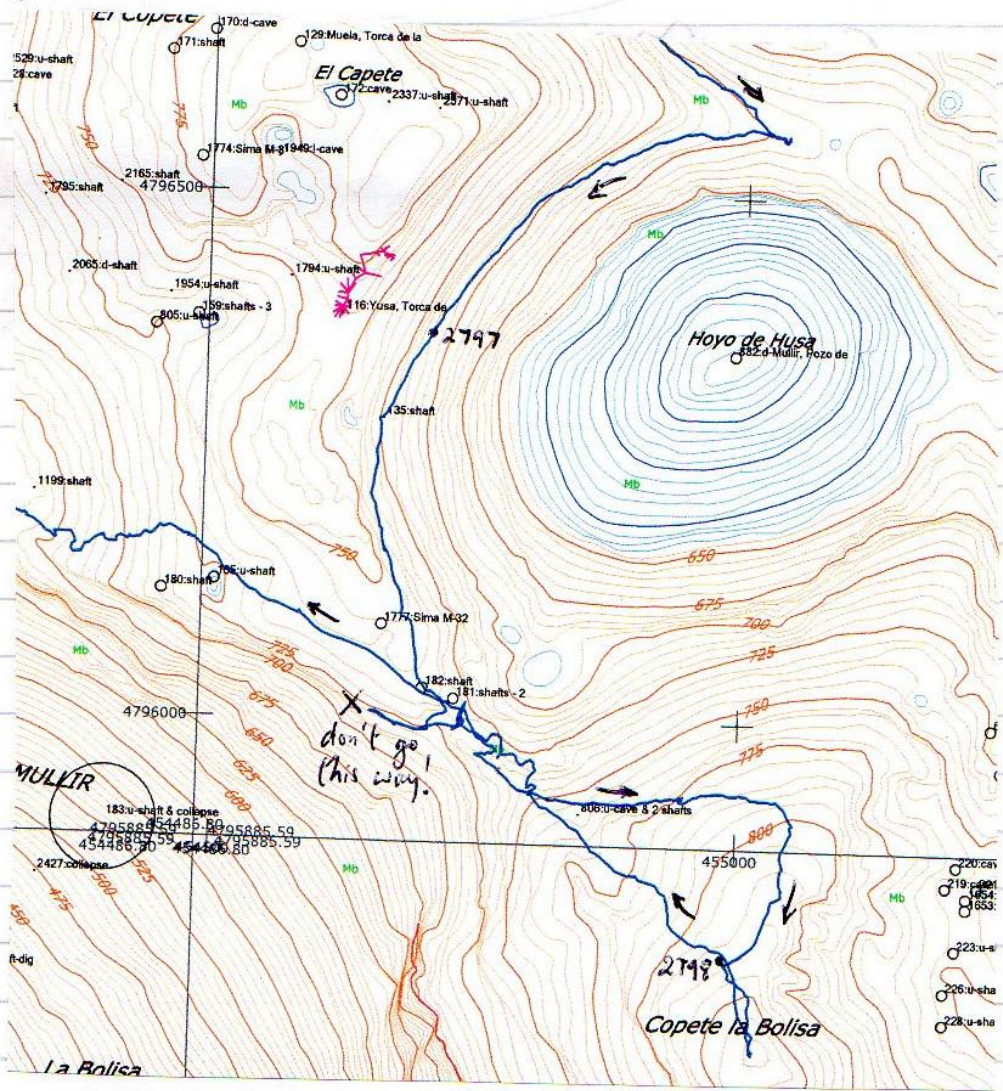
26/8/07 Juan, Penny, John + Linda walk from Matienzo/Llueva  
col to the Baker's, via Hoya de Yusa and the summit of  
Muller.

2 'new' sites → 0454704 4796368 ↑ 710

2797 on the side of the Hoya de Yusa. About 10m deep shaft, u/x.

0454990 4795774 ↑ ~~710~~ 814 Young Tree in entrance

2798 Near the summit of Muller. About 5m deep with  
an entrance slope - seems choked.



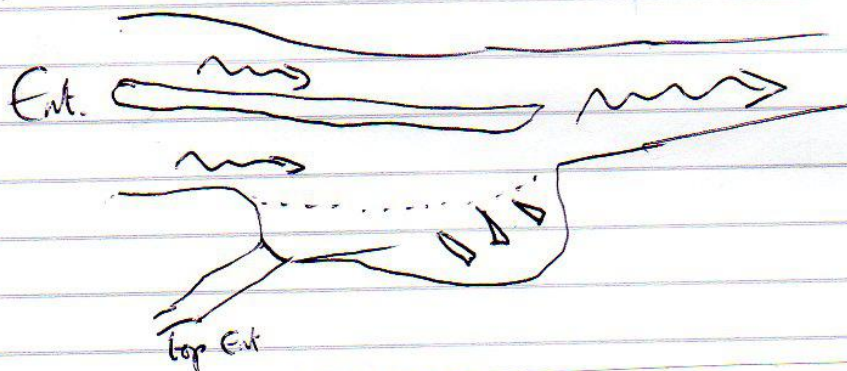


23/8/07 Lenny + Joan into Agua through the top entrance to get pictures of entrance chamber in 'flood'.

Water @ bridge flowing silently over weir

Causeway partly under water, but conditions in cave disappointing

To get good photos, backlit by the entrance in high flood conditions, it should be OK to enter through the top entrance and drop down into the caliche. If water has reached here it should only be a shallow backwater. It should be straight forward to get to the higher formations and get an excellent shot of foaming water across the whole of Agua chamber. Best @ 'midday' when the sun should be shining in the entrance.



#### Summer 07 Lengths Surveyed Summary

| site | name                   | new survey | total length | depth |
|------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| 114  | Cueva Lluvia           | 3789       | 49096        | 100   |
| 1930 | Sumidero de Cobadal    | 831        | 7362         | 102   |
| 729  | Cueva de Domingo Lopez | 295        | 295          | 10    |
| 2739 | cave                   | 185        | 185          | 20    |
| 373  | Cueva del Bosque       | 149        | 149+         | 28    |
| 2737 | cave                   | 111        | 111          | 20    |
| 733  | Cueva Vallina          | 110        | 31201        | 157   |
| 2685 | Prophet's Cave         | 97         | 97           | 10    |
| 2519 | Cueva de Huerto Rey    | 55         | 633          | 35    |
| 2738 | Slave's Cave           | 53         | 53           | 12    |
| 921  | cave                   | 52         | 52           | 14    |
| 2740 | cave                   | 24         | 24           | 12    |
| 2789 | Three Rivers Cave      | 18         | 18           |       |
| 2741 | Two Skulls Cave        | 10         | 10           | 4     |

surveyed 5779 m



**Easter plus Summer 07 Lengths Surveyed Summary**

| site | name                   | new survey | total length | depth |
|------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| 114  | Cueva Lluvia           | 4010       | 49096        | 100   |
| 1930 | Sumidero de Cobadal    | 1095       | 7362         | 102   |
| 258  | Toad in the Hole       | 855        | 7386         | 95    |
| 105  | Cueva Riaño            | 605        | 45306        |       |
| 729  | Cueva de Domingo Lopez | 295        | 295          | 10    |
| 2713 | Cueva Toca             | 266        | 266          | 19    |
| 2366 | Cueva del Torno        | 221        | 3022         |       |
| 2638 | Boghole                | 205        | 205          | 15    |
| 2739 | cave                   | 185        | 185          | 20    |
| 373  | Cueva del Bosque       | 149        | 149+         | 28    |
| 2519 | Cueva de Huerto Rey    | 112        | 633          | 35    |
| 1332 | Juan Lombrero          | 115        | 1533         | 195   |
| 2693 | San Miguel cave        | 114        | 114          | 12    |
| 2737 | cave                   | 111        | 111          | 20    |
| 733  | Cueva Vallina          | 110        | 31201        | 157   |
| 2649 | Mareserection          | 110        | 110          | 11    |
| 2437 | Torca Kunka            | 99         | >99          | 44    |
| 2685 | Prophet's Cave         | 97         | 97           | 10    |
| 1491 | Papá Noel              | 92         | 31451        |       |
| 839  | Virgin 3               | 79         | 79           |       |
| 2738 | Slave's Cave           | 53         | 53           | 12    |
| 921  | cave                   | 52         | 52           | 14    |
| 413  | Meja Mujer             | 42         | 442          | 80    |
| 1391 | Volcano                | 36         | 70           | 28    |
| 581  | Flappies World         | 31         | 31           | 5     |
| 2740 | cave                   | 24         | 24           | 12    |
| 2596 | Petirrojo              | 20         | 20           | 14    |
| 2789 | Three Rivers Cave      | 18         | 18           |       |
| 2595 | Prize Cock Pot         | 17         | 17           | 13    |
| 2640 | Violent Violet         | 15         | 15           |       |
| 2461 | cave                   | 14         | 14           |       |
| 2741 | Two Skulls Cave        | 10         | 10           | 4     |
|      |                        |            |              |       |
|      | surveyed               | 9257       |              |       |



26/8/07 Bobby + Dog 2

La Cueva 177

Spotted small cave <sup>(2637)</sup> 5m below + 10m to left (east) of entrance.

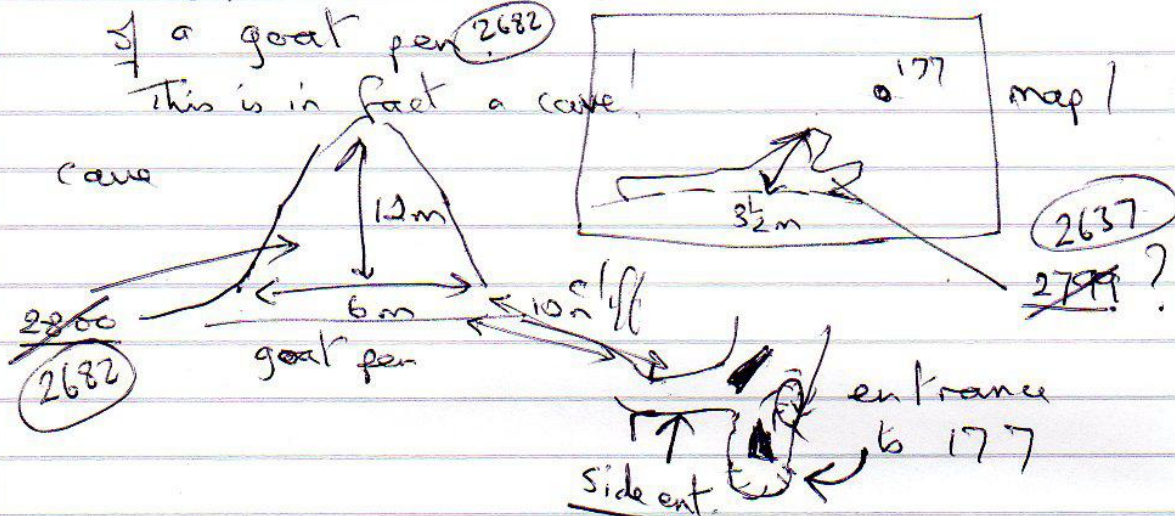
27/8/07. Checking out yesterday.

Cave is in small cliff more a rock shelter <sup>(2637)</sup>

3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> metres of passage at RH end

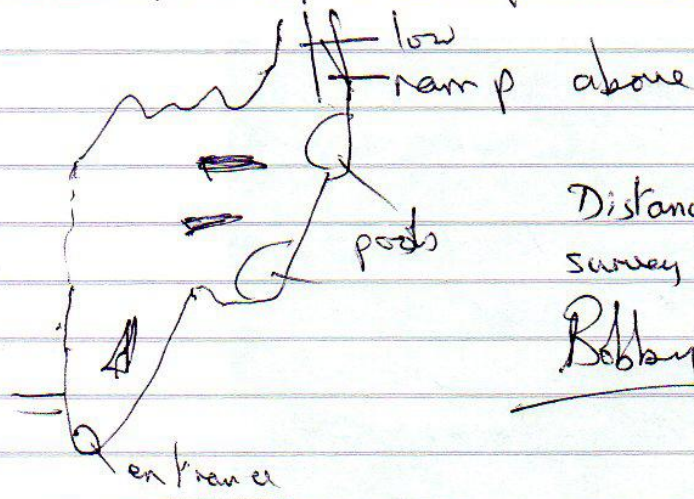
Noted 2nd entrance to Cueva has a view of a goat pen <sup>(2682)</sup>

This is in fact a cave!



Inside goat pen entrance 2m high, 6m wide  
closes down at 12m End is blocked by oil drum  
no draught

At bottom of <sup>entrance</sup> main chamber in 177 noted  
a ramp leading up above the low bit  
Cannot tell from ~~if~~ notes if this has been explored.



Distances measured with  
survey tape.

Bobby Entrances photographed



30-8-07 Bobby + Dog 2.

Went to area above phone mast.

15' to 2347 to get map bearings followed cliff down and went up fault zone. Top of this was explored with Ted, returned around the end of the hill.

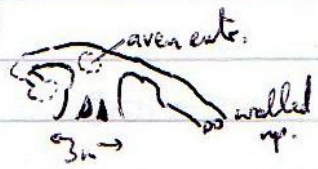
Found a shaft which may be 2360 v. well hidden. Stone drops and then settles about no sight of pine tree.

Bobby

31/8/07 Bob, John + Jim. Walk low down on S side of El Neco to check out JCFG's theory about Cifrenedo + Patatal possibly appearing again @ the surface. Found 2689 - 4m long stoop with stony floor + arch @ entrance. 30T 0451413 4796262 ↑ 211m. Saw that Lara-Lennon had gorge around entrance. Refound 993 - actually 12m long @ 30T 0451644 4796286 ↑ 235

Also refound top entrance patch to Patatal

(993)

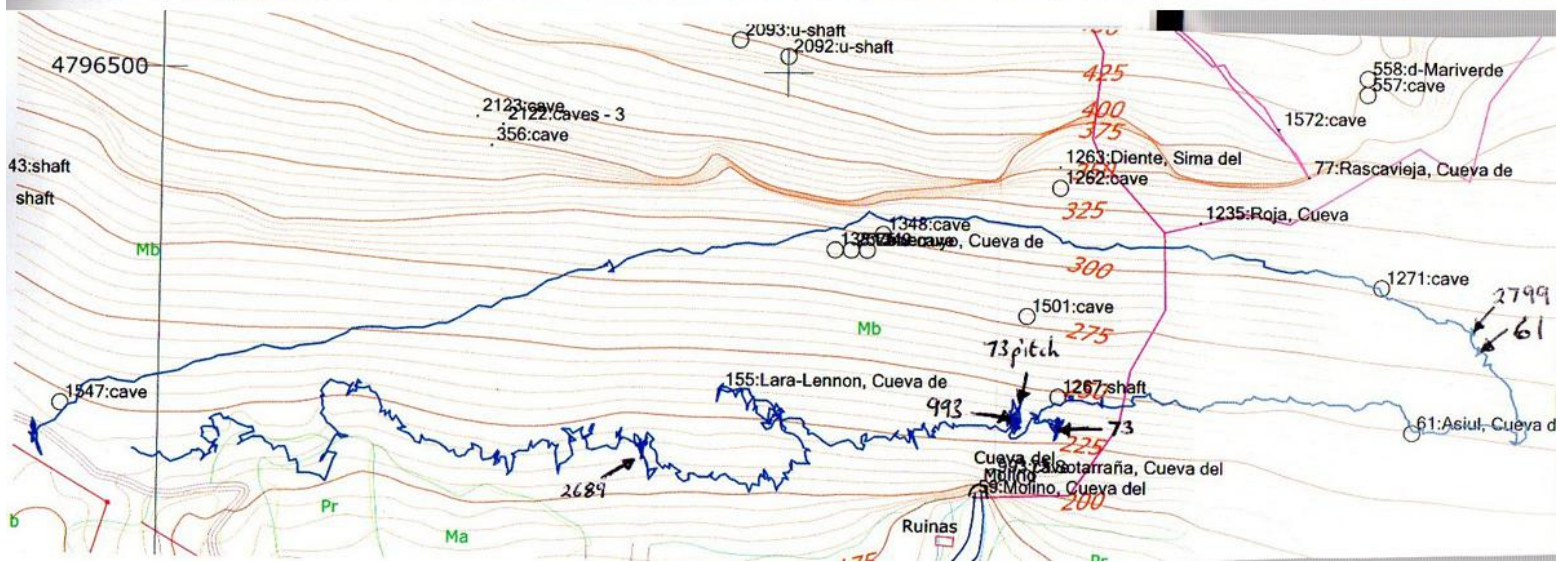


@ 30T 0451646 4796292 ↑ 240. Prongs of fence bent.

GPS of Patatal @ 30T 0451671 4796282 ↑ 232

Finally went looking for 61: Asial. Found it 35m

above orig. position @ 30T 045193, 4796331. Cave has a walk-in entrance + good formations. 15m above is a 2m drop into an open chamber in sandy limestone (2799). Took photos in Asial. 30T 0451927 4796344 ↑ 292





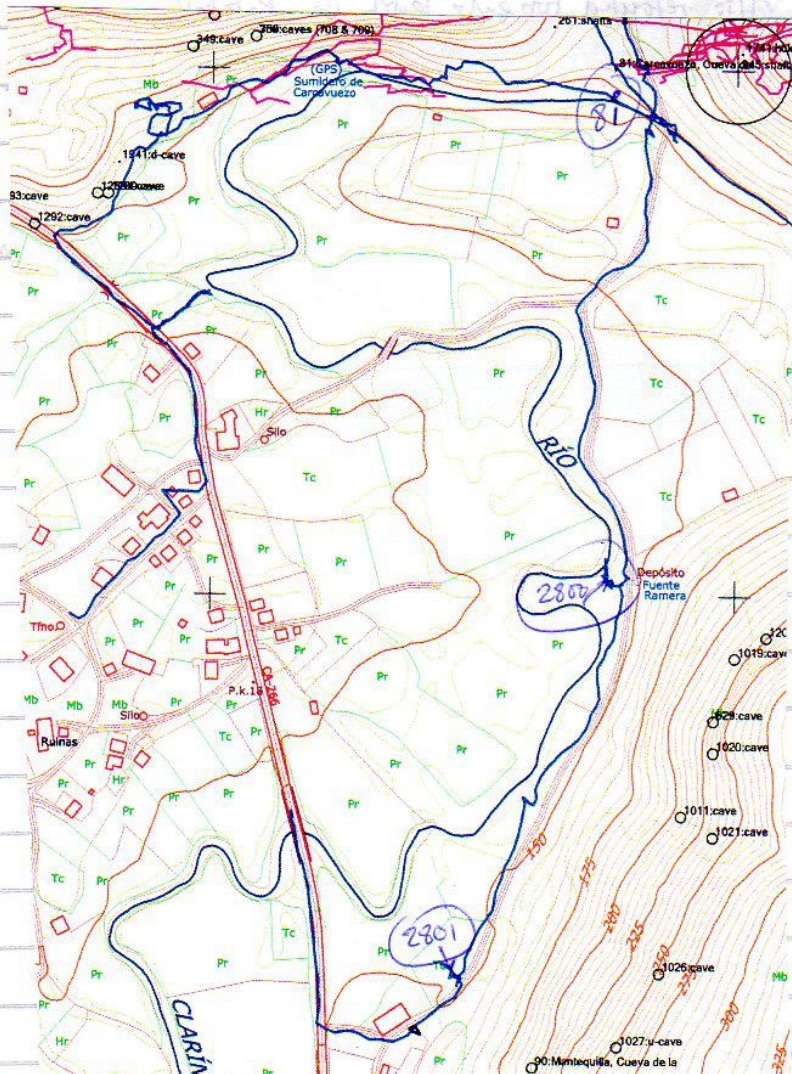
4/9/07 Juan + Perry - Tuesday afternoon stroll down to Cocavueso and beyond. Resurgence @ Fuente Ramera needs a number so it can have 2800. On the other side of the track is the actual normal weather resurgence with new steps cut down to it and a ~~per~~ manual pump with a memorial plaque (to Antonio) attached.

Another resurgence (with flowing water) found further along track near the 1st group of houses. Resurgence is on W of track and is well built over (2801).

New GPS for Cocavueso 81 @ 30T 0452875 4797973 ↑140

→ 2800 @ 30T 0452876 4797516 ↑144

2 <sup>tiny</sup> small caves @ actual resurgence 2801 @ 30T 0452734 4797133 ↑145





8/9/07 Golden Plover, Great + Jack Wren. Juan Sotomayor  
 Linda Lawrence census can be moved.

EXAMINATION OF AREA ABOVE LOS BOYANES

PAVED JIFF ACROSS BUNDLE OUTSIDE WATERWORKS BEAMER.  
 WALKING WEST ACROSS FIELD LEADS TO TRACK RUNNING SE,  
 UP TO A SPLIT WHERE RIGHT TAKES YOU INTO AN  
 OPEN FIELD WITH A BOUNDARY DEPRESSION.

SITE 1103 IS AT THE TOP OF THIS FIELD AND TO  
 THE WEST.

FROM 1103 ENTRANCE THE BUILDING WITH RED  
 ROOF IS  $340^\circ$  MAG.

GPS FOR ~~2103~~ 1103 ENT

0455657-4799405. ALT 100m <sup>9m</sup> ~~10m~~

1103 HAS A SLOPE INWARD DRAGGOT REMOVING  
 SOME Boulders ALLOWED A WALKER INTO  
 A CHAMBER BIG ENOUGH FOR 2 PEOPLE.

A SMALL GAP IN Boulders VERY PROBABLE BY VERY  
 THIN PEOPLE  $\sim$  LEADS TO A LARGER PASSAGE,  
 EXPLORATION CONTINUES . . . .

15m TO THE WEST OF 1103 A 3m CURVE OF  
 THE FENCE LEADS TO A NEW? ENTRANCE  
 START TO SEND PUEBLOS TO TURN.

9/9 + 10/9 Further digging in 1103. Used joss sticks but  
 only found draught @ end of day after digging out mud  
 in bedding plane.

Draught goes down in boulders at base of entrance  
 slope.

Note - Entrance is unstable - boulders may need adjuvating  
 etc



Juan

I forgot to give details of the hole near 2360.

Follow base of cliff down from 2347 to the fault area. Almost immediately is a diagonal climb/path up. Continue following the top of the cliff down. The hole is within 20 - 30 metres further on, between a small holly-oak and a stunted small almost leafless tree near the cliff edge.

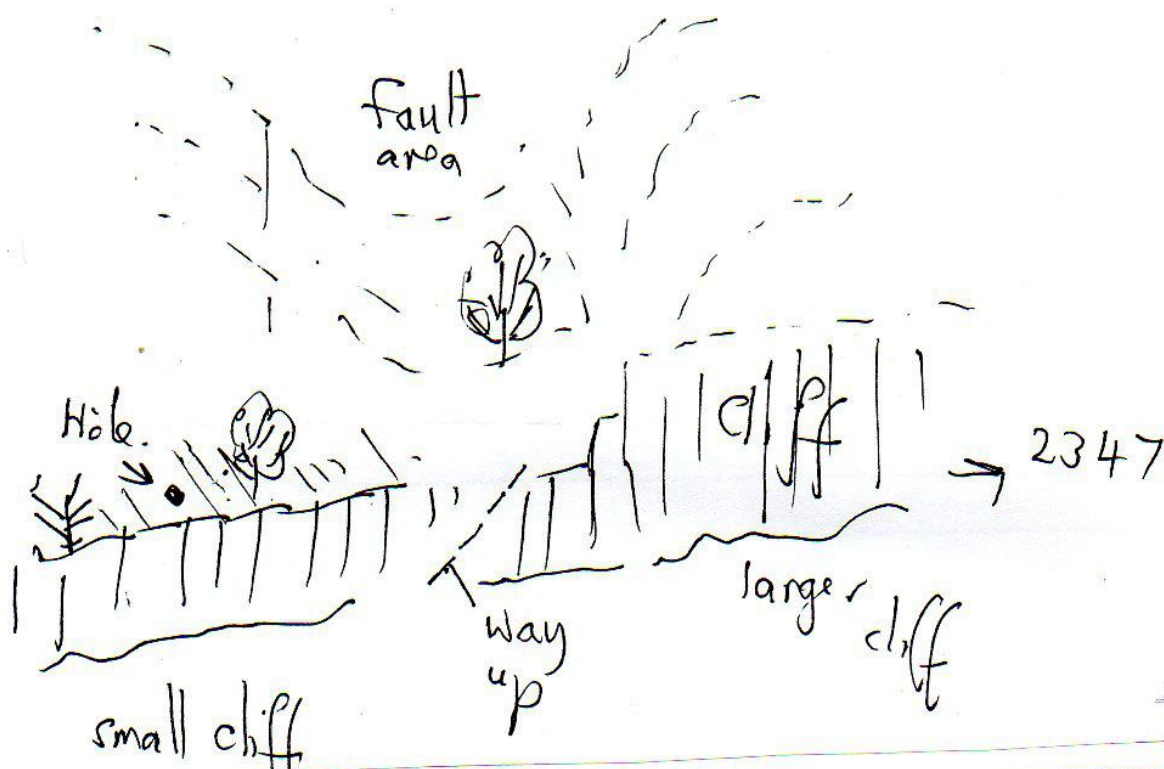
The hole is about two metres from the cliff edge, but no sign of light from the cliff in a small clint on the west side/corner, well obscured by long grass.

Photos developed, but the goat pen one failed (2639) enclosed ~~2630~~ and the hole above, Bobby

2802

2682

2637



~~2630~~

Probably 2637





→ cliff

Hole ? near 2360.

2802

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## **MATIENZO CAVES PROJECT**