

LOGBOOK

Year: 2010

Season: Easter

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Juan Corrin, January 2015

EASTER 2010.

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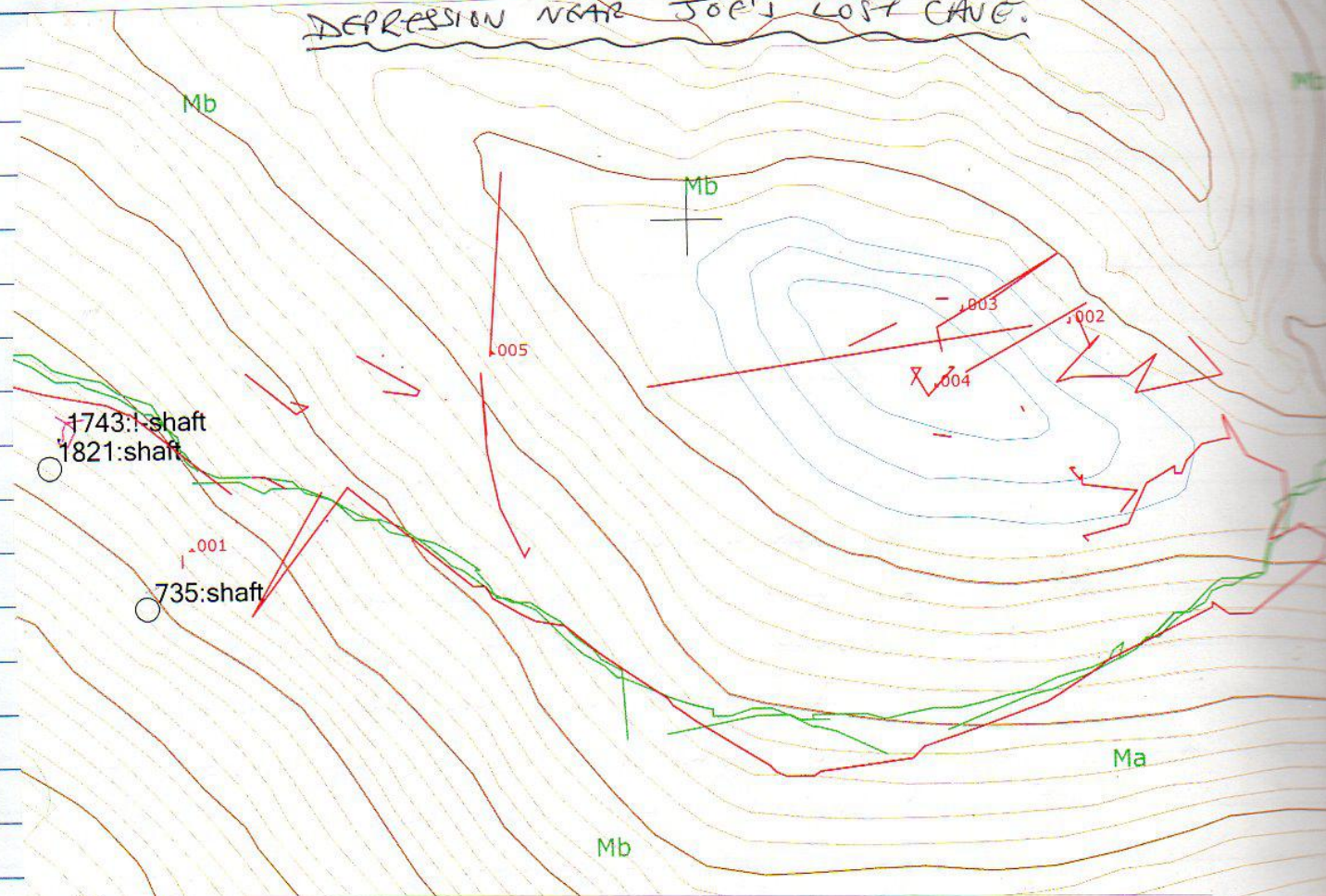
24/3/10. Ian, Juan + Penny. Another look for Joe's lost Cave.
Still lost. Looked around the area shown in the
'92 logbook. (3280)

25/3/10 James Carlisle, Tom Clayton. Short trip down
the sewer to check out lower passage.
Passage is low, wet and ~~and~~ awkward, passed
a few squeezes and awkward points which required
a bit of digging, end is still open with good
draught.

26/3/10. Tom Clayton, James Carlisle. Return to The Sewer
to push the end. Lots of work needed in the 3 Squeezes
to allow James to go. Broke through into much larger
passage, still on Sandstone, with an inlet joining on the left. Large
passage continues in the stream with three large chambers
paved. One of these has a high (15m+) area which can be
free-climbed with no way on at the top. The way on stays
at stream level and smells horrible and contains a ~~large~~
collection of large worms. Ends back in flat out canal
over sandstone which needs digging. Passage out is a complete
****! ~~again~~

27/3/10 SATURDAY Tom, James + Jenny.

DEPRESSION NEAR JOE'S LOST CAVE.



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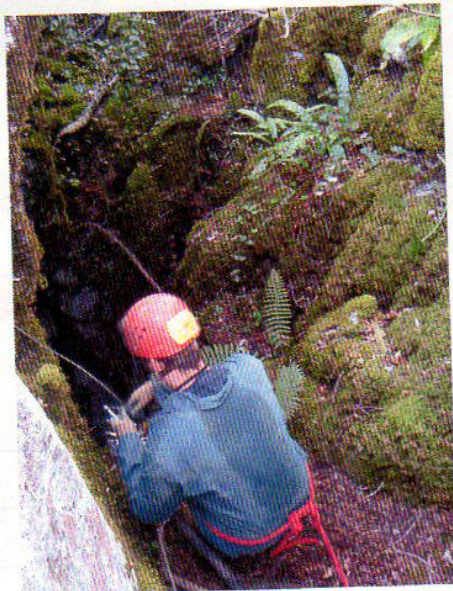
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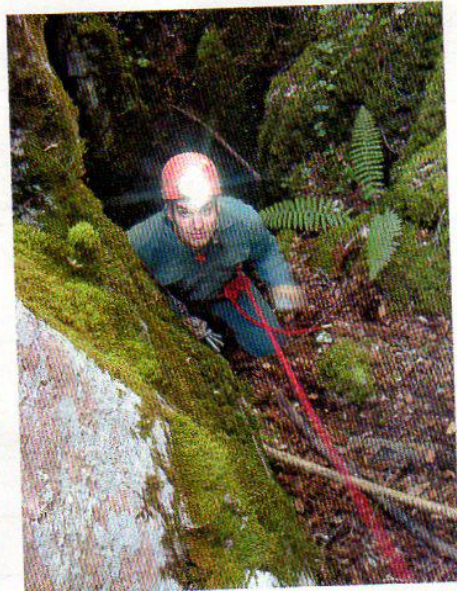
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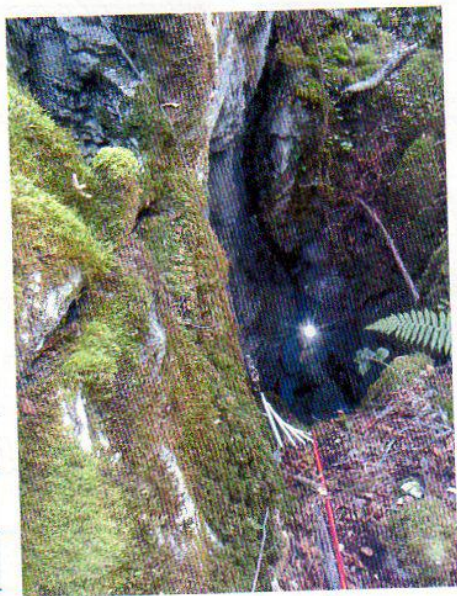
3347 (5)



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3347 (5)

3343: Small cave, short wiggle followed by 2m drop, impossible hole at bottom.

3344: Narrow slot at base of limestone clint, a stones rattle down about 3m.

3345: 7m shaft with no way on at bottom

3346: Large shaft at bottom of depression. shaft about 4ms diameter, drops bells out slightly to a possible sloping ledge about 15m down. Possibly continues back under itself but we didn't have enough tackle to descend that far.

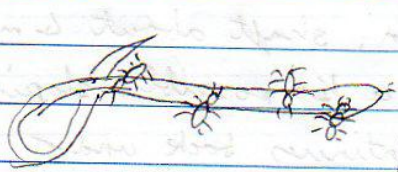
3347: 5m shaft in limestone grike with viable passage at the bottom along the line of the grike. Ladder dropped but passage leads about 5m to a blind alcove.

28/03/10 - Tom Clayton, James Carlisle. The Sewer.

Returned to survey The Sewer, which proved difficult thanks to its ~~modest~~ modest dimensions. The stream ~~under~~ flows away down a sandstone bed. Tom squeezed through to a large bouldery chamber where the stream can be seen continuing as before. A hole down through the boulders was too tight and will need capping. The passage below ~~stays~~ looks to remain tight.

On the return we checked out the other inlet. This went flat-out for 20m or so and then continued. However, a hole up to the right emerged in a large (8m x 10m x 3m) fossil remnant passage. Going right reached a calcite barrier with a continuing crack over the top that will require some strategic stal removal. This didn't look hugely promising but needs to be looked at. At the other end of the chamber was a 30m+ long passage with a notbreathable draught, although this seemed to close down with no obvious way on. We will return soon to close out these leads and survey this passage. It is very likely that it is near to the hillside.

3340 Back
Back on the surface we decided to search for a slightly easier entrance. This. Almost immediately we found an ~~open~~ dark hole beneath a ~~difficult~~ limestone outcrop just up the hill. This led down a slope to a ~~free-drumble~~ patch of about 4m leading to a further drop. This will be pushed tomorrow.



we found a slow-worm.

Covered in ants.

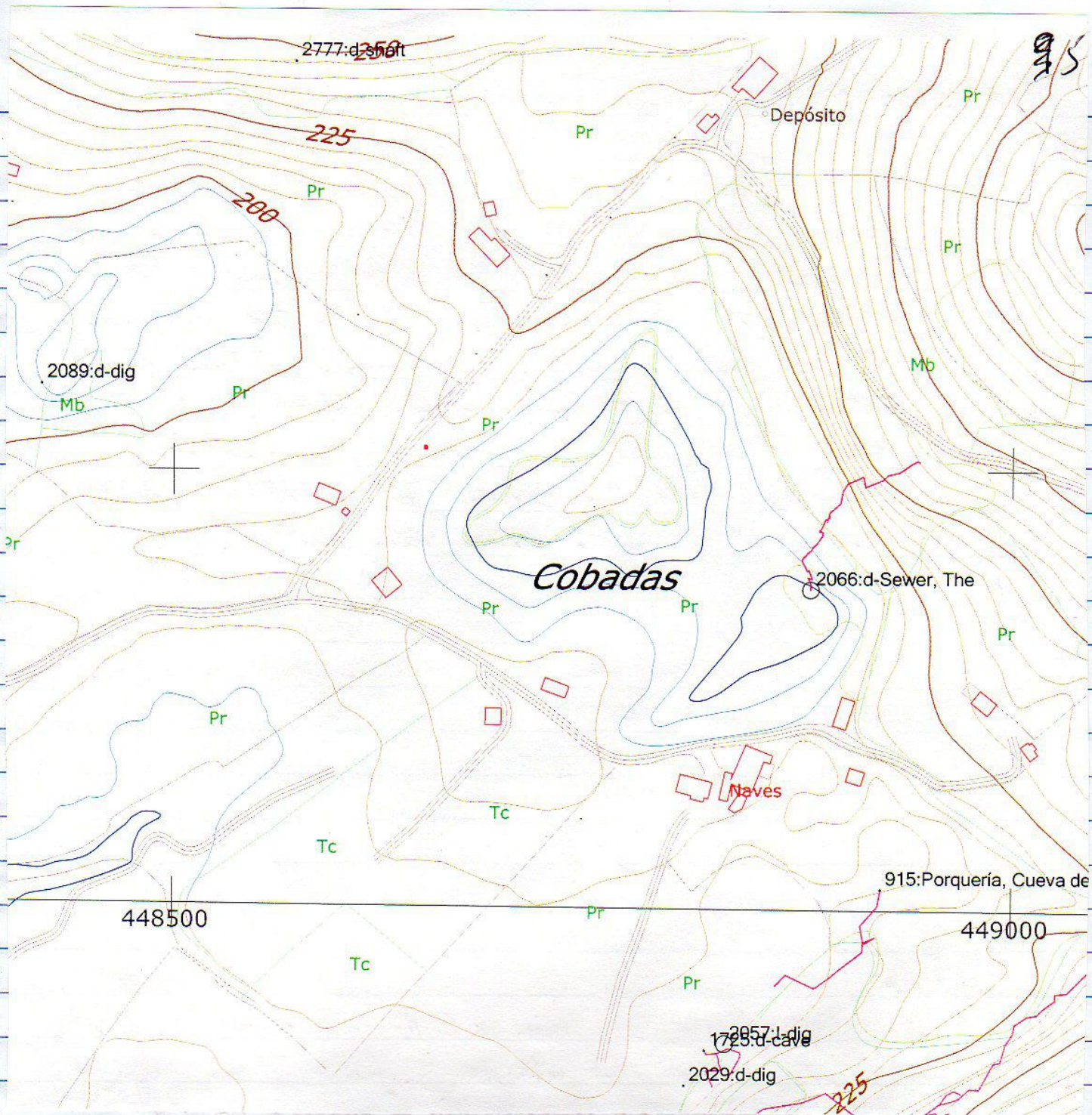
Was the slow-worm eating the ants?

Or the other way round?

YOUR RESIDENT NATURALIST REPLIES: -

MORIBUND SLOW WORM, RAVENOUS ANTS

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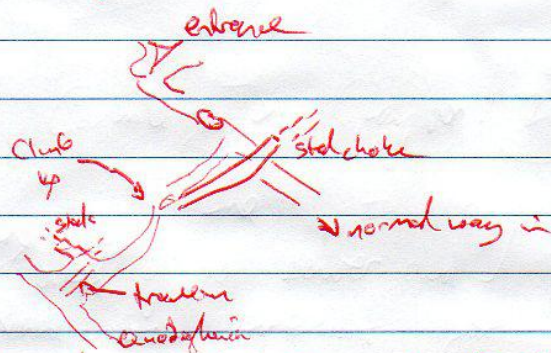
29/3/10: 3346 PREVIOUSLY BASHED SHAFT

James Carlisle, Tom Clayton, Jenny Corrin
We returned to descend the shaft we found before, Entrance shaft was about 30m to a large chamber and a slope down to second pitch. Unfortunately there was spits at the top showing it had been descended previously. Pitch was about 17.5m, ~~There was also~~ but blind at the bottom. There was also a horizontal passage above the second pitch which went for about 20m to some nice pretties.

29/3/10 Uzuoka - Peter Ali.

Passage back towards surface from top of climb in ~~entrance~~ series bypass - still closed, small beyond.

~~Pass~~



PE traversed over top of climb back down to Quadruplexia - nothing.
Passage on right at bottom of climb needs doing.

More area up ladder of Quadruplexia - passages on right left last summer go c 6m - continuing digs, no draft.

30/3/10. Seves 2006. = 30T 0448857 4798415.

(3349) Top rift up to left. = 30T 0448878 4798460.

(3348) New one = 30T 0448742 4798515.

Tom Clayton

The Sever, 30/10/89

Tom Clayton, James Cathie.

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7/11

Went back to push the catfish crowd and survey the river but decided that it, with lots more water going down it today, and the possibility of rain, made it wasn't worth the risk. Instead we:

1. Surveyed the 'upstairs' part of the sewer. We dug him in several places for a few hours, but with no real progress.
2. Explored the previously known steel hole (3349) leading to the narrow rift. Unfortunately this was too bright, as described in the previous description.
3. Searched for new entrances. One in particular (3348) dropped into a 3m deep rift before becoming too bright. There is a possible dry at the bottom. The entrance is ~~behind~~ ^{behind} a shelf ^{up} ^{behind} a shelf ^{up} just right and to the right of where the stream sinks.

30/3/10 Aguaz

Bill Sherrington, Simon Latimer, Dave Gledhill

An acquaint trip into Aguaz and to hopefully deposit gear for birds discovered summer 09/10 (D. Hildred, B. Hildred, et al.) that an excellent place enjoyed several hundred meters of swimming nearly up to snuff one. Entered ^{stream} ^{to} left on right hand a good look round previously enjoyed covers. Passed two easy ducks ignoring passage on the left in favour of the grander stock of things on the right. ~~But~~ Failed to find Dan's leach later in the it was the left hand passage that we should have taken.

30/3/10 Uzueta Dog Series Resurveying Trip
Jenny Corrin, Pete Egan, Ali, Carolina, Smith, Lark

Resurveyed Dog Series from the end of Ali's previous survey. Pushed all passages.

Streamway disappears under boulders to an unknown bog location - some draft in there.

On the way out, the boulder jammed in the rift right at the entrance moved destabilising all the loose material to your left as you look at the entrance. This will take a bit of work to stabilise before the next trip!

31/3/10 James Carhle, Tom Clayton (2066)

Took advantage of the temporary good weather to snuck the final bits of the sewer and push the remaining easy leads. Rain was forecast for later on so we decided to get up early and limit the trip to 3 hours. On our previous visit the stream had been up which shows how quickly it responds to water.

Unfortunately, there is way or could be found and the remaining leads will require more effort. They are:

1. Scaling the 1st aven in the downstream passage below the end of the sewer.
2. A possible horizontal dug ~~at the top of the 1st aven~~ reached by climbing up the 1st aven onto a caliche bank.
3. The downstream continuation on sandstone. A boulder needs to be carried out to expose the stream.

The Sewer - Passage Description Tom Clayton and James Carlisle

Entrance located under a rock arch at the bottom of a drainage gully. Flat-out crawl over cobbles soon reaches a junction. Straight on enters a medium-sized chamber choked at the far end - a possible dog here will require care. Bats have been seen in this area.

Back at the junction, a right turn leads into The Sewer proper. A Contracted crawl past a dog-leg and righthand bend reaches a small cascade, immediately followed by a narrow entry into the first squeeze. The U-bend, ~~flat-out~~ More flat-out crawling reaches The Sludge Dropon Unit, a technical squeeze that is more difficult on the return. ^{Five metres} ~~Approx~~ of awkward thrutching ~~the bend is the end~~ at a slope ^{down} and drops into a pool. Easier going reaches ^{a further passage} ~~the pool~~ out of which is the final squeeze, The Sphre Tank.

The passage soon enlarges at a confluence. Upstream is Effluent Inlet, low for 15m, before a climb up to the right through The Manhole enters a large chamber.

~~A large~~ This is a large fossil passage about 8m wide, ~~with~~ decorated with slabs at its North East end. At the opposite end a small passage ~~heads-off~~ and ~~rejoins~~ Effluent Inlet ^{upstream} of The Manhole (connection unsurveyed). The passage soon ends at a ~~strongly~~ draughting dig.

Downstream from the Confluence passes a curtain on the left and continues walking-size, with occasional stooping, for about 60m. At one point it is possible to climb up an over series ^(cf. illustration Area) containing a ~~large~~ vertical tube in the roof and a horizontal dog. The final chamber has a blind 8m area and two squeezes in the streamway drops into a loose choked area where access back to the streamway requires the removal of blocks by capping.

The ~~streamway~~ ^{streamway} flows upon a sandstone bed and trends in a North-Easterly direction into the hill.

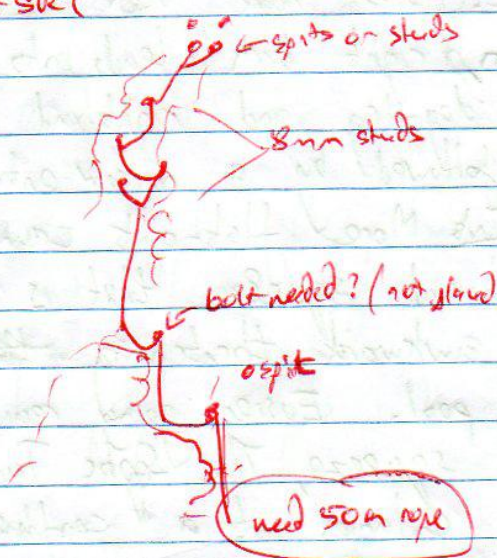
30.3.10 Vukcha - Petre, Lank, Snylen, Cardina, Ali

Went to do heavy work done by Pedro & Steen - Dink better's ref. (AN)

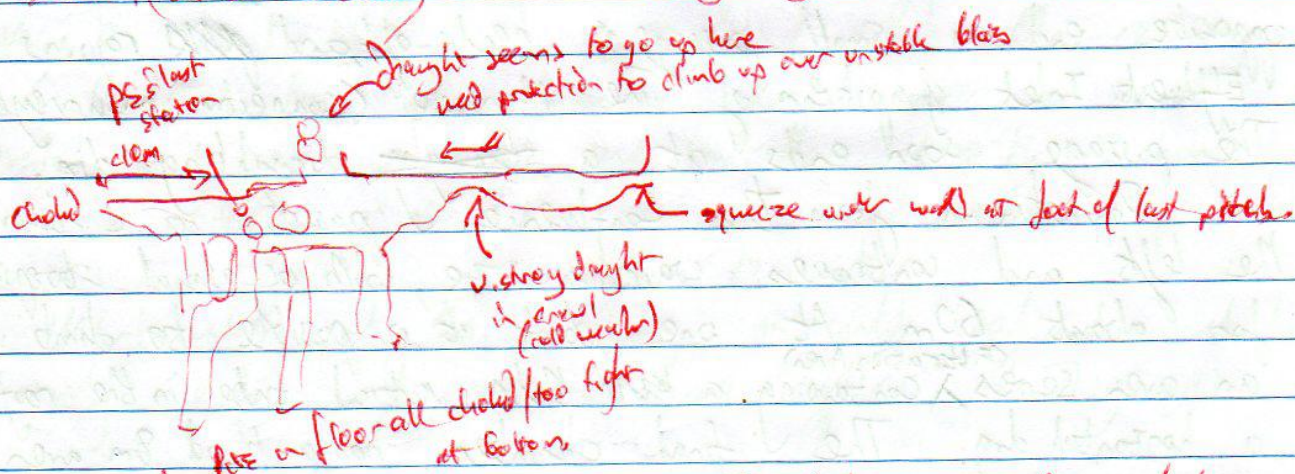
Others rearranged Ray lines.

31.3.10 3300 - Ali & Petre - Lank a surface.

Regged entrance for SRT



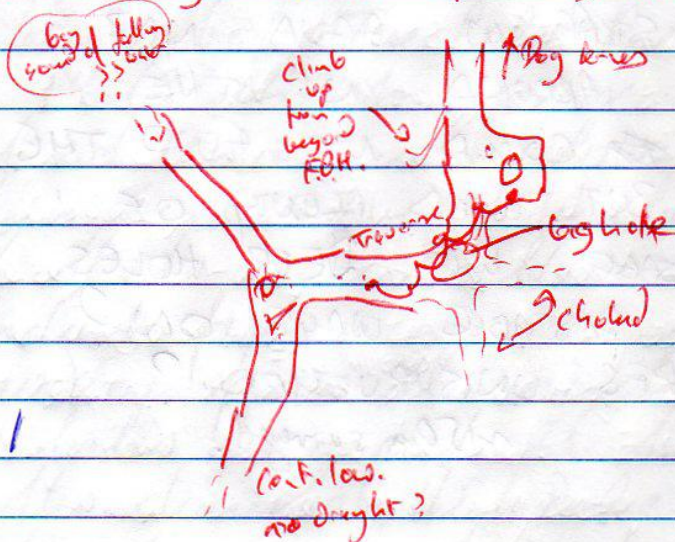
Travel at end of passage through squeeze under wall at ~~end~~ foot of last porch doesn't go. Draught seems to go up in roof before final pit in floor (Pedro's last sunny day). Need smoke? (in cold weather) to see where draught goes.



Then return to foot of last pitch, scurried up through choke to choked over/into. On left route connected back to squeeze under wall, through crack / climbs eventually reaching a big unobstructed shaft, climb up to choke down.

1-4.00 Uzunka - Ali, Pedro, Peter E.

Remixed frame at top of climb into Pag Series. Panges ~~at top~~ soon
 closed again from one on right which led to drop into bigger area + sound
 of falling water. We left this as we thought it was probably into known
 passage but survey shows this probably not the case.



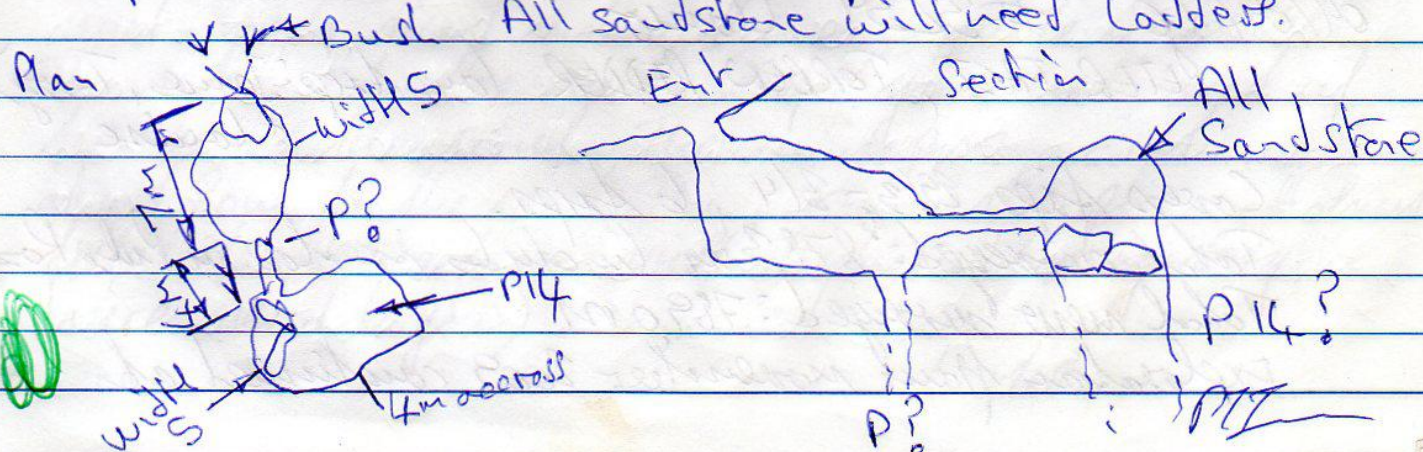
2/4/10 Lane, Dave, Ali, Peter
 Alto del Petillan (See Lane)

2441

Descended shaft known by Lane. shaft drop
 into chamber followed by crawl into shaft
 passage with closed rift in floor.

3359

Further down hill we found another
 shaft which was 7m Pitel into chamber
 with narrow rift continuing and crawl over
 top to chamber above possible 14m Pitel.
 All sandstone will need ladders.



AGUAR NAZ

31/3/10

DAN HIBBERDS, BOB TOOGOOD, ROB GRIMES,
DAVE GLEDHILL,

TRIP TO NEW STUFF IN AGUA NAZ
HAD A GOOD LOOK AROUND IN THE
BOULDER CHOKES ~~TO~~ COULD NOT FIND THE
MAIN WAY ON BUT FOUND PLENTY OF
HIGH LEVEL PASSAGE WITH DEEP HOLES
IN THE FLOOR POSSIBLE WAYS ON?
ABOUT 250 METRES UNSURVEYED?
150m surveyed.

1/4/10 289

Batch 10-02

DAN, BOB T, BOB GRIMES

SURVEY SIDE PASSAGES IN COW
POT ON HIGH ROAD ENDED IN BOULDER
CHOKES. PITCH DOWN IN MAIN PASSAGE
CONNECTED SURVEY ST 9 TO ST 33
ON LOWER SERIES. DID NOT FIND
MUCH OF ANY INTEREST.

04/04/10 #3234 Llanio

PETER EAST, TERREN REDDER (one trip: James, Terry)
+ Louise

Covers trips 29/3-3/4, 6 trips.

Total surveyed: 8783m (includes overlap in Pulx Rocks)

Total new surveyed: 7890m

Exploration from November 2009 continued at

+ the goat pools
the info. The streamway was dry and so was the
lode. After two days we connected into The Pulse
Racer. Discovered a big rib passage in The Pulse
Racer, reached by a 2m climb in the eastern end
Western end of The Pulse Racer we traversed across
the P4 (3 balls) to a passage. Continued into a
flat and crawl and a squeeze. The squeeze leads
into a big (7x7m) chamber. In the northern
end there is a boulder choke. This can be
attached from a squeeze in the to the left
(low) or from the right. We did not move
the balls for a push. In the south eastern side
of the chamber, High Pulse passage leads to a
sand choke. The ~~air~~ air feels fresh, so there
may be a draught from the east. 6m into
High Pulse there was a ~~good~~ good draught from
a rock sand dig to the north.

Horny Day:

10m west of Horny Day there is a good sandy dig
~~At~~ Horny Day ends in a chamber with two
ways and a rift in the floor + p10. The p10 leads
into a big chamber that runs below the eastern
end of Horny Day and below the rift in the floor.
Down p10 in Eastern end of Horny Day:
2+1 balls. The edge of the p10 is bad quality
mud + rock, that makes the edge quite unstable.
The rebelay to the south keeps you ~~out~~ out of
the unstable wall. The main passage continues
about 80m to the west. This passage is in place of almost
filled to the roof ~~with~~ with dry mud (~~very~~ very
nice sand layers)

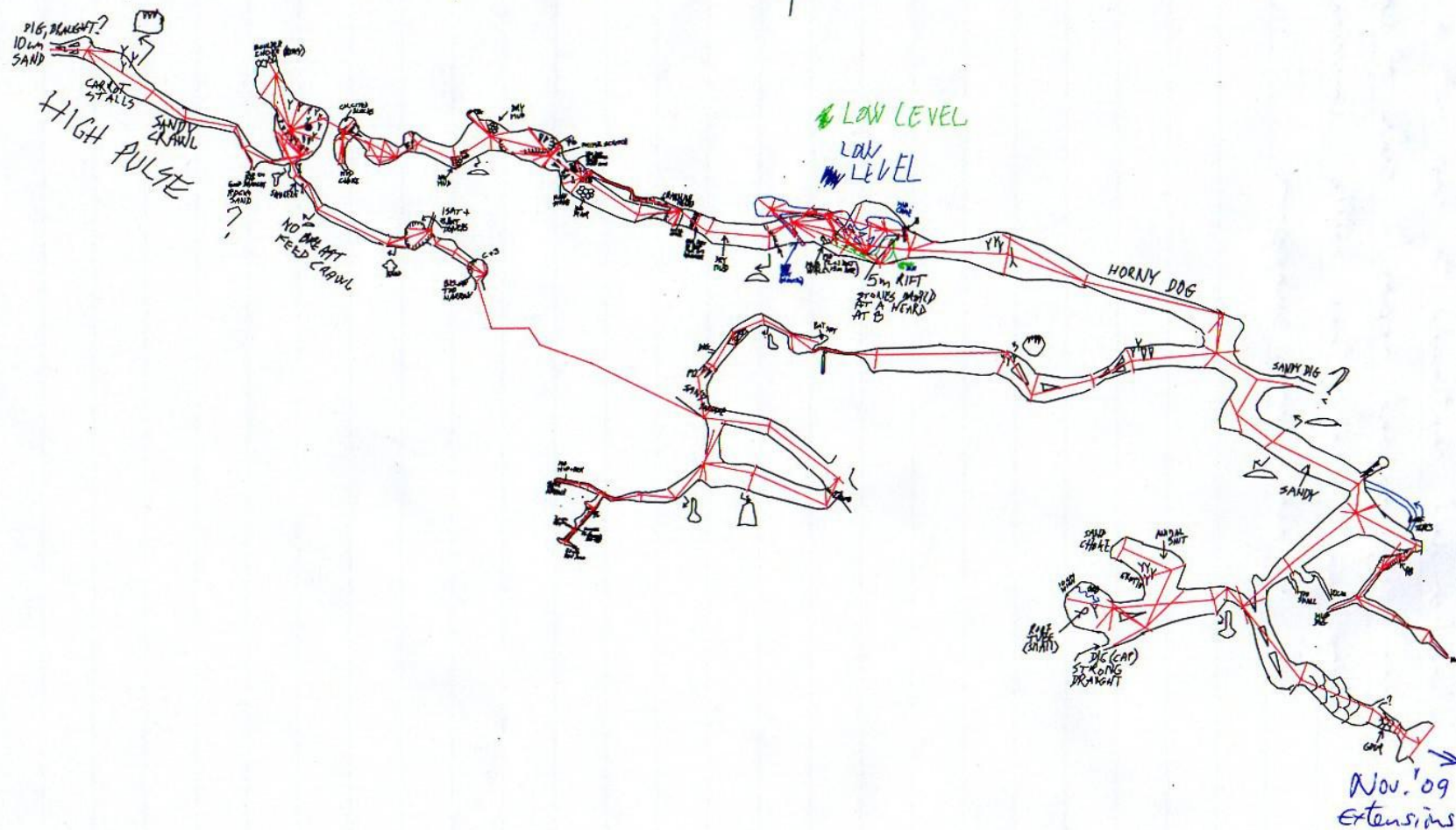
Torben

2/4/10

3358 Lank, Pete E, Ali, Dave Bell

Wotked up from Road, parked at 0947603 4800472
up gravel track to field with a barn in the corner
muddy track from there leads into a green field
with several bramble bushes killed with weed killer. i.e.
bram patches. 3358 is in one of these. A large
sandstone slab is in top of what sounds to be
about 15m. pitch undescended.

TOTAL 878,3m
NEW 789,0m



Laurel @ 4/4/10

12/11/19

3360: JAMES CARLISLE, TOM CLAYTON

Surveyed the cave then started work on a draughting window. We copped out a corner to a very small chamber and continued to cop out a squeeze. Made good progress and opposite side of squeeze obviously drops with good stone rattle, however quicker progress will be made with snappers.

BOTTLEBANK TOURS

1 A. PROBABLE TUNED ENTRANCE TO 3297 ✓

2 B. SECOND ENTRANCE TO 3297 ✓

CAGE 3297 ITSELF IS LOCATED IN WRONG PLACE. ✓

3 C. 3361 ✓ ~~DRIFT~~ DRAFTS
NARROW RIFT ~~DRIFT~~ SLIGHTLY.

DIG LENGTH 3m

5 3362 ✓ SPLITS INSIDE ENTRANCE. GOOD DRAUGHT.

CAGE RIGHT HAND BRANCH - 5m - DRAUGHT

CONJECT FROM HERE, POSSIBLY FROM
64 HOLE IN FLOOR.

STRAIGHT AHEAD 5m TO RICH (9m) -

BLIND. LENGTH 12m DEPTH 10m

6 3363 ✓ 5m LENGTH, NOT EXPLORED, SLIGHT DRAFT.
CAGE

7. 3364 ✓ DRAUGHTING DIG IN WARE GULLY LEADING,

DIG. UPWILL FROM DEPRESSION.

LENGTH 4m DEPTH 2m

8. 3365 ✓ 2m SHAFT. DRAUGHTS. TOO NARROW

SHAFT ✓ AT BOTTOM. POSSIBLE DIG.

9. 3366 ✓ SMALL SCABBY SINK,

10. 3367 ✓ DROPS 10m TO LARGE BOULDER.

SHAFT. FURTHER 5m DROP TO FLOOR.

RIFT THROUGH TIGHT SLOT TO
2m DROP - TOO TIGHT.

OTHER SIDE BOULDER IS SMALL HOLE
TO PARALLEL SHAFT, STONES DROPPING,
FURTHER 5 OR 6m. NO WAY ON.

DEPTH 17m

11. 3368 ✓ 16m SHAFT TO MUD FLOOR. NO
SHAFT WAY ON.

DEPTH 16m

12. 3369 ✓ 3m DROP TO SMALL CHAMBER,
SHAFT. NO WAY ON. NO DRAUGHT.

DEPTH 3m.

13. 3370 ✓ SMALL HOLE AT SIDE OF ROAD,
DIG DRAUGHTS AND TAKES WATER.

14. 3371 ✓ SMALL RESURGENCE TO ANIMAL
RESURGENCE. TROUGH. LENGTH 5m.

15. 3372 ✓ SMALL HOLE TO PASSAGE. SINK
SINK/DIG FOR 14.

16. 3373 ✓ VARIOUS ENTRANCES IN COLLAGE.
NOT EXPLORED.

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17. 3374 S M SHAFT BY ROAD CLOSE
SHAFT TO KNOWN ON SHAFT.

NOT EXPLORED.

18. 3375 3 M SHAFT - NOT EXPLORED.

SHAFT.

19. 3376 ROADSIDE BANK COLLAPING INTO

2 M DEEP SLOTS ALONG 20 M

STREET. - WINDS KEEPING AND

WYE ON!

SANDSTONE

20. SHAFT CAVE UNDER A BANK ON

RIGHT SIDE OF ROAD (HOLDING DOWNHILL)

3 M LENGTH - NOT EXPLORED.

~~21.~~ VILLAGE CENTRE ~~CAVE~~ CAVE.

22. 21 NOT EXPLORED. GATED BUT NOT

LOCKED.

23. 3378

OWN WIDE CUMBERBOL. LOW CAVE

LEADING OFF LOOKS TO CAVE ROOMS.

NO DRAUGHT. 23

24. DINGE'S NEAR CAVE - THE ONE

YOU MISSED 1.

25. PROBABLY SITE 3014
DEFINITELY?

26. 3379 S M LONG CAVE - NO DRAUGHT

3380 IT'S NOT A TOY - YOU MISSED

IT TOO.

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Tony Brocklebank

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23. SHAFT, BLOCKED, POSSIBLY FILLED BY FARMER

21 25 5

5/10/10

10/10

Blowing in the wind from the west. The wind is strong. (Wind)

and up valley from small house looking through
the hills to left. Mountains in background.
The small house is in the foreground. The small house is in the foreground.

04 april 2010

Louise, Karen, Peter East and Torben

Dummy page

site 01:

Picture: site01_04april2010 (take from west towards east. Louise and Karen on the road)

GPS: 30T 0449144 4800826 elevation: 107m

It was possible to push through the debris between the trees. The debris was not too deep, only lead into the collapsed debris northwards.

Scan of page 20 missing??

site 02:

Picture: site02_04april2010 (taken from road, Peter East is seen in red/blue 1/4 from bottom of picture, a bit to the right)

GPS: 30T 0449376 4800844 elevation: 118m

(GPS location taken on the road on the eastern rim of the sinkhole)

20m diameter sinkhole, full of branches. Was descended. Seems not to lead into a cave.

site 03:

Cave behind 1.5x1.5m rock in the left side of road when driving down hill. Entrance 30x50 cm left of the 1.5x1.5m rock. Narrow meander 5m long. 2m high. Meander turns left to 2m blind pit.

The site may be known.

GPS: 30T 0455015 4798623

Site 04:

Cave about 20m left and about 3meters higher than entrance to Biggo 114

80cm wide and 40-50cm high arch. The crawl on dry mud floor continues for about 10 meters and ends in mud and caliche choke.

Torben Redder

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6/4/10

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Link: Llanio 30T 0451556 4701050. Llanio link? NE of beam
30T 04511031 4701000 above Espada (Point).

Just up valley from small barn below Llanio
lookin uphill on left - limestone beddings
two small holes in bedding - top one seemed
to be drafting out. 6/4/10.

04 april 2010

Louise, Karen, Peter Fast and Torben

site 01:

3351

Picture: site01_04april2010 (take from west towards east, Louise and Karen on the road)

GPS: 30T 0449444 4800828 elevation: 107m

It was possible to push a stick 3m down between blocks. This is a possible dig, but it may only lead into the collapsed dolines north and south of it.

site 02:

3352

Picture: site02_04april2010 (taken from road, Peter Fast is seen in red/blue 1/4 from bottom of picture, a bit to the right)

GPS: 30T 0449376 4800644 elevation: 118m
(GPS location taken on the road on the eastern rim of the sinkhole)

20m diameter sinkhole, full of brambles. Was descended. Seems not to lead into a cave.

site 03:

3353

Cave behind 1,5x1,5m rock in the left side of road when driving down hill. Entrance 30x50 cm left of the 1,5x1,5m rock. Narrow meander 5m long, 2m high. Meander turns left to 2m blind pit.

The site may be known.

GPS: 30T 0455015 4798623

Site 04:

3354

Cave about 20m left and about 3meters higher than entrance to Biggo 114

80cm wide and 40-50cm high arch. The crawl on dry mud floor continues for about 10 meters and ends in mud and calcite choke.

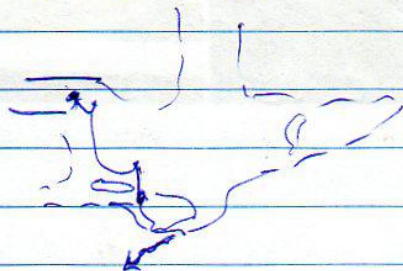
Torben Redder

4.4.10 Ali Q. Bell Pedro P. Eger - Uzueka.

PE & PS surveyed Cardiford off Dog Xue.

Photos in Dog Xue.

Revised reverse from 15/6? & descended patch at end of RM passage, short drop to ledge then into big block at foot of over. PS squeezed that at end to very small hole. Green sink in LHL wall at bottom, too small passage - draughting.



Entrance collapsed - prob. now reasonably stable but care needed. Leader ought for getting out.

5.4.10 Espada - Lark Ali Pete E. Angus.

Looked at possible leads from top entrance, & photos.

Passage on right about $\frac{1}{3}$ of way through cave ~~can~~ to foot of rift. PE climbed this to passage which soon altered to nice sandy big passages, ending at over with lots of bones. Various side passages left unexplored.

6.4.10 Espada Ali Pete E. Angus.

Continued exploration beyond previously explored, complex pretty area followed by muddy passages. At end PE climbed up awkward climb into low wide bedding which continues unexplored. Side passages at over partially explored.

7.4.10 Uzueka - Ali, Angus.

Resurveyed bits of Quadrophoria near entrance. Several crevices not previously surveyed looked at, continuing. Dig open entrance to side passage in Quadrophoria behind boulder near big junction, ~~over~~ tight squeeze at start not passed - could be hammered open.

07 april 2010

Karen, Louise, Torben

3356

GPS: 30T 0449684 4801143 elevation: 94m

Picture: torben_07april2010.jpg

An active stream sinks here (3 meters from the road towards the tree) between rocks and a few pieces of building material. A larger sink may have been covered by the farmer. It seems like a possible dig.

Torben

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CARTOON COMPETITION

THEME : TORBEN THE GRABBER

SPONSOR : W. LONG ESQ.

RULES : ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN THE CLOSING DATE.

CLOSING DATE : OPEN ENDED.



7/04/10 H. Long S. Vega

- (3381) A). Collapsing hole on opposite side of depression containing 477. Needs digging to get down - 3-4 metre drop.
GPS 0451615.4795574. (accuracy 5m)

Move 477?

Took photos inside 477 and of entrance.

- (3382) B). Higher up the hillside is entrance at foot of scar that needs digging to enter crawl.
GPS 0451460.4795557 (accuracy 8m)

- (3355) C). In same scar as B) but 6m to the east is a hole that needs 5-10 minutes digging to get into a drop onto a slope down into a big space. Strong draught in.
GPS 0451463.4795556 (accuracy 8m)

- (3383) D). Diggable entrance to crawl (5m visible) at foot of scar at head of a gully. No draught.
GPS 0451392.4795574 (accuracy 8m)

- (1479) E). 3m wide x 2m deep, partially walled rock shelter
GPS 0451356.4795595 (accuracy 8m)

- (1478) F). Small, 2-3m drop into small space.
GPS 0451343.4795608 (accuracy 8m)
This GPS position is 2 metres from F) + G)

- (1480) G). Small through cave, with tube side branch

① "It's not a toy" - allegedly discovered by Tony Prodderich from the seat of his ~~the~~ ^{his} ~~bourgeois~~ ^{bourgeois} 4x4 mobile, but if truth be told, was intended as a joke to get young grave dwellers to jump into a load of brambles (discuss) ~~20 marks~~ [20 marks]

Entrance is a small outward draughting hole 4m from road. Slide down mud slope beneath 2 boulders. Drop into fluted limestone hollow - climb up opposite side to pitch-head. 2 bolts on [Ⓡ] right - hauled up to large outcrop, also on right allows an awkward - feet first - flat out approach to pitch-head. [Note: rope protector needed to avoid inevitable rope rub.] Steep rising pitch starts over calcified features, intent on self descent - significantly better since Tithonus-like gardening session removed ~~the~~ ^{alarming} amounts of hanging death. Deviation after 6m (30cm) avoids majority of rub. Pitch heavily decorated with calcite (or wax) but becoming rather grotty. Hand on boulders wedged in rift, then tighter 'gnarly' final 6m to bottom. Way on is via the lower, but wider and sand-floor covered passage. ~~After 2m~~ Turn right at T-junction. Squeeze round stal columns (on L as going in). Further stal columns etc by-passed on [Ⓡ] left. Cross over hole in floor (blind). Romp down obvious passages, watching out for bare walls which tend to collapse rather too easily. Keep following main ~~drop~~ ^{drop} which is obvious - do not turn down side passages which are mainly dead ends. At one point, you will now walk over a pile of fallen slabs which were the 'bridge of doom' (see photo) but since gardening, is nothing more than a 'cumbrian bridge collapse terminally sheeping policeman' [edit as will turn]. Shortly after the ex-bridge of doom, is a passage off to [Ⓡ] left. This leads to ~~fragile~~ ^{fragile} right passage and way on to lower series via ladder pitch at start of right. (10m ladder, but long before to boulder at start of passage needed. [2 x 10m ladder works well - no lifeline needed.]

Back in main passage - continue via double set of 'petties' [cave] into gradually descending passage, to drop of 2m on [Ⓡ] right of hole into final section. Immediately after 2m drop is an aven on [Ⓡ] right. Appen easily climbable, but is awkward. Not climbed as yet, but way on seen. Further on is engineered hole in floor which is climb down (-2m) to convoluted rift, with pettles and ~~possible~~ ^{possible} pitch down to 'jump' series seen ahead. Back on main level, way on is straight ahead to sandy area reminiscent of Blackpool, but without the tower, darkness and heaves. To left is sand chute with possible 'cave' dig to continuations. Ahead is sandstone boulder chute. To right is small crawling passage to (approx 7m) pitch down with juddle at bottom. [note - this is believed to connect to lower 'jump' series - but no proven as yet]

Back at turn off to lower 'jump' series. Ladder pitch down. Follow water through hands + knees / walking passages for (approx) 300m? (Hbc). Several outcrops noted and 1 significant inlet on [Ⓡ] (not entered). At around this point, numerous eels seen, and no they were not bloody albino eels - please don't ask again. Passage continues down stream to wider area with no way on seen by (Simon L + Gracie D) ~~over~~ ^{over} due to minimal exposure - jumped off next day by slight rain.

② At foot of boulder to lower 'jump' series. Upstream ends by calcite bludge, but with ~~Big~~ ^{Big} ~~signs~~ ^{signs} ~~apparent~~ ^{apparent} beyond. Way on is ② right via 'thrusting' passage to chamber. Chamber has hole in roof - chimney by Eldar 'tiger' or similar - (dist'd to 23m up) - hole is at 9m. Way on is ① at chamber, followed by a ② right. [This will become a recurring theme in the next ~~at~~ ^{following} description]. Follow stream up-stream. Climb up, stay, cushion - descend other side. [At top of climb is passage to left, very right ^{around (not around)} 5m with signs (+ sounds) of 'bigness' ahead.] (not entered - no time). Various caverns + inlets continue upstream. Notable climb up on ① left into boulder filled chamber - leading to 'jump' at boulder filled area (not 11m, not big + it's not deeper). Continue upstream at various levels (according to girth) sharp + very granular. Survey ended, but small inlet on left lead to small low passage with jump. [Note - ~~after~~ no water in stream after this]. Way on dry with ~~an~~ ^{an} inlet on ① left lead to 'reasonable' 5m climb up to dry sand/pool/shrubby passage (not entered - no time). Back in main passage - way on trends ① left and slightly uphill, with way on becoming lower + wider. No drought evident at time or grab-foot would have continued.

Note. downstream 'jump' section was ~~not~~ ^{not} entered by Simon Lathin + Gary Dahlhoff on 6/4/10 and failed to see air space. Attempt at entry by Bill Sherryman + Gary Dahlhoff aborted as water level was way too high after 'moderate' rain overnight.

water, not wife.

1 x 32m rope needed

8th April 1958 Bobby Milby GPS T/Mat track to end above Seldes into On return ① Partly capped open hole next to track 2m plus deep not possible to see if choked 0450734 4794989 ② Large shaft (wide) not deep by side of track which goes below ABOVE 0450939 4794871. Both photo, GPS End of this track at top of hill. (Way point 3) On return went into Abono and GPS entrance (Way point 4) 33.

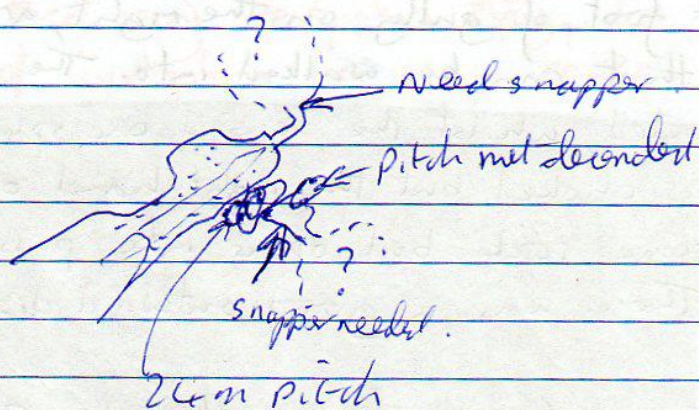
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6/4/2010

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427 Lastrilla - Pedra; Steve Martin; Phil Papard; Alan Berry

Ann was to look pitches below entrance (37m + 24m) including the "?" at top of 24m pitch. Rigging went well - the 24m pitch was found to be light some 8-10m down & was not descended - Lagger will have done this on Ladebris & so may have been able to climb through narrow section with no SRT gear etc. At this point the pitch breaks up & a chamber is visible through a gap that needs "snappers" as does access to a second pitch level that looks bigger. At the "?" at top of 24m pitch a chamber is clearly seen & can be accessed with a few snappers. Needs a good day work with a drill about 8 snappers & power to drill the 8 holes.



08/04 - H. Long -- El Suto area

- 1) A 4m deep hole, needing ladder due to overhanging debris, at the end of a gully. Couldn't get to see bottom.

3386 GPS 0450680 4800672 (accuracy 5m)

- 2) Twin risings, both impassable, feeding a large covered tank. Overflow water goes down gully towards 1) but seems to sink before getting that far.

3387 GPS 0450656 4800588 (accuracy 5m)

This GPS position is 6m out (on tank) from both risings.

09/04 - H. Long - Cold Store Cave area

- 1) Small, diggable bedding near top of field.

(3384)

GPS 0451522, 4801099 (accuracy 5m)

- 2) A diggable, draughting slot that looks to have been in-filled by a farmer.

(3385)

GPS 0451560, 4801060 (accuracy 5m)

10/04 H. Long Riano

- 1). Got down into bottom of depression, 1802, and called Pozo Negra on the old maps. There is an easy descent into it via a gully at north west side. At foot of gully, on the right, are 2 open joints that can be walked into. The first is blind-ended, whilst the second one splits. The left branch is choked but the right hand one is blocked by some rocks but opens into passable cave beyond. There was a good outward draught.

- 2). Checked 2900 and found it was barely 2m in length.

- 3). Took a GPS reading on the wall outside entrance to 1805 to check its position.

GPS 0451550, 4800779 (accuracy 5m)

Site 1804 could do with a re-check on position as there seems to be too big a gap between them.

08/04

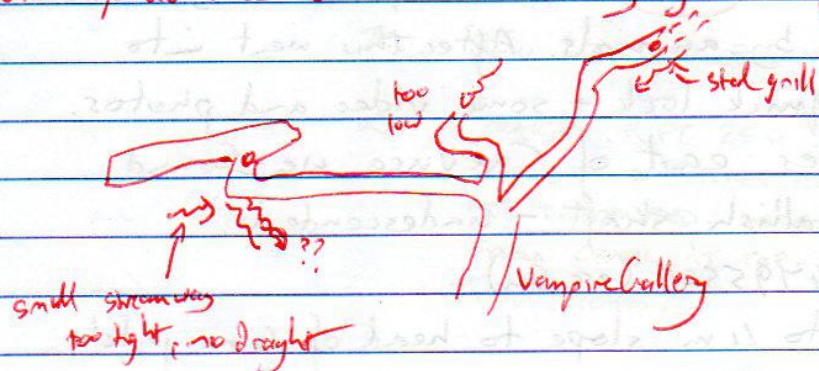
H. Long

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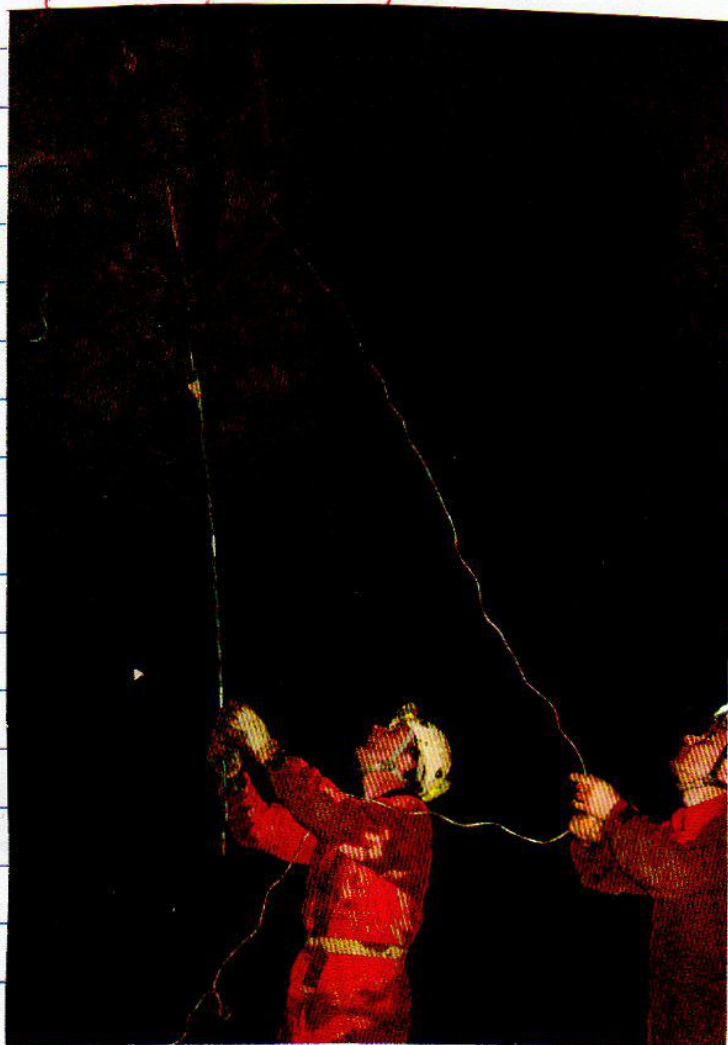
GPS for 479 is 0451595, 4795583 - this is 3m out from actual entrance, which is 12m from roadside fence.

8.4.10 Uzueka - Ali, Pedro, Torben

Surveyed passage climbed into on previous trip - had been entered before but not recorded? Ends too low over calcite (end of Vampire Gallery). Looked at inlets previously surveyed (summer 09). First inlet gets too low after 20-30 m (not surveyed). Second inlet - previously explored to steel grill, Pedro opened this but it immediately got to flat out row, not pushed.



Then belied at climb just after Flashbulb Hall - managed to get rope up through thread using tentpole & string, but needs bolts to finish climb. Passage of Quasdroplaria dry into - 20-30 m then silted up.



11/04 Juan C + Harry - S. Vega

Started off by digging into 3355. Steep slope leads out into decent size chamber with stal. but the obvious way on is choked. However, there is a possible dig off under the left wall to a larger bit with an echo.

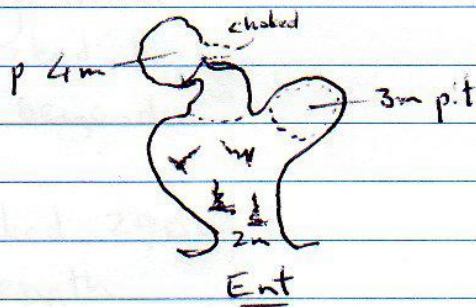
Daylight enters from 3382 which has obviously been used as a way in by animals. After this went into Cueva for a quick look + some video and photos.

3388 a). Just a few metres east of Cueva we found a 4m deep, smallish, shaft - undescended.

GPS. 0451610. 4795509 (acc. 5m)

3389 b). Open entrance onto 4m slope to head of 4m pitch choked at bottom. There is also a hole across to the right partway down the slope leading to a blind 3m pit. c 15m long, 8m deep

GPS 0451629. 4795508 (acc. 5m)



3390 c) Small entrance by wire fence to 5m crawl, ending too tight.

GPS 0451647. 4795467 (acc. 7m)

Bottle bank ³¹ 35
Tours
(continued)

28. WALK IN ENTRANCE IN SMALL CLIFF.
NOT SURVEYED, SLIGHT DRAFT - GOOD
IN RACES.

3413



29. SMALL 3m CHAMBER. 3414

30. STRAIGHT RIFT 25m INTO HILLSIDE
SERIES OF 3 PITCHES AT THE END
NOT DESCENDED. DRAFT COMES
FROM CRANK AT TOP - FOLLOW TO
FIND PITCHES.

3415

31. 40m SHARP - SEE CHRIS CAMM ✓

3406

32. SEE WRITE UP FROM
JOHN SOUTHWORTH (over)

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33. POSSIBLE DIG, MARKED SOT
HAVING WORKED FURTHER DOWN
VALLEY SUSPECT SITE 35 IS BEST.

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34. SEE 33

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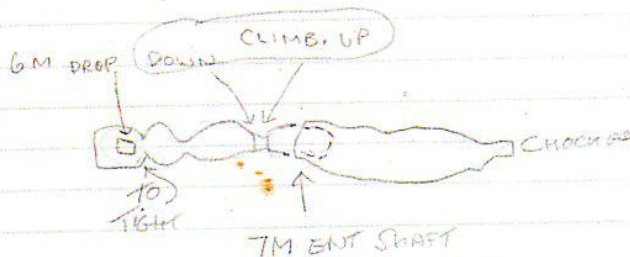
35. POSSIBLE DIG WHERE SIGNIFICANT
AMOUNTS OF WATER APPEAR TO
SINK FROM GULCH INCLUDING
33 & 34.

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W	28	30T	4476694801494	
W	29	30T	4477724801481	
W	30	30T	4478054801477	
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W	32	30T	4476964801336	
W	33	30T	4476954801366	
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W	35	30T	4477174801492	

~~28~~ TM SHAFT TM FROM ROAD,
 LANDING IN RIFT. EAST END OF RIFT.
 CHOCKED. WEST END IS 3M CLIMB THEN
 ENTER HOLE TO 3M CLIMB DOWN, 4M
 ON TO SMALL CHAMBER WITH ^{TO TIGHT} ARROW EXIT.
 A SMALL CHAMBER CAN BE SEEN THEN
 FROM WHICH ROCKS SEEM TO FALL ABOUT
 6 M.



3416

N.043.36282 W003.64458

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3402

12m long cave, 2m deep.
 No draft, contains enough
 dead animals to start
 medium sized fauna. Not
 pleasant.

N.43.36199 W 3.64548

3403

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Drafting dig in boulders

N 43.36197 W 3.64544

3404

38

4 m long cave, needs
 digging. Drafts well.

3405

39

N 43.36227 W. 3.64552

Drafting dig. Possible entrance
 to pitches at end of 30

3415

From C. Canner

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36 33

40m shaft ^{from} draughting dig 447715 4801219. (TB=31)
(3408) Boulder bottom. Deeper > 40m. @ 0447714 4801211

3 3046 has pit in base of shale 10m to N. ~~4~~
@ 445961 4801956 (3410)

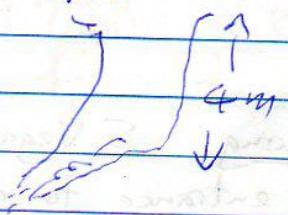
(3407) Going hole. Boulderly clint den. Fracture streamway. Still going
445902 4801937. den. beyond d=12. Draughting.

(3408) Last entrance. 3m to doker. Way den too light.
445849 4801912

~~(3409)~~ 3235 @ 445874 4801922. (Col between 2 shales).

12/4/2010 Ali & Phil P. Alisha Area.

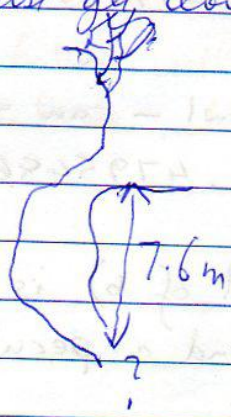
① 3391 GPS 708m 0447870/4793957
10 m to possible dig - undrained



② ~~3392~~ GPS 724m 044817/4793831
High tight-rift (can just get down) 7.6m deep undrained
hole is below (2626)

This is probably 2626 ✓
see photos.

Rift at 2626 contains corals
which may draught.



448017-

③ ³³⁹³ GPS - 731m 0448057/4793804
9m deep rift/shaft - Block bridge in middle of rift -
flat floor possible dig each end? unbanded.

4 ³³⁹⁴ A GPS 728m 0448035/4793799
Marked in red T2? - 7.5m deep to pos dig (unbanded)

4B ³³⁹⁵ 5m to East of 4A 2m deep rift.

5. ³³⁹⁶ GPS 721m 0448255/4793827
6m to slopping floor to 1m drop & slope under
(dig?) vld.

6. ³³⁹⁷ GPS 718m 0448250/4793822 x See card.
By rule 18m to ledge & rocks fall a further 10m +
Sounds big.

7. ³³⁹⁸ GPS 706m 0447855/4793946. small hole needs
dig/caps a few metres deep - can see light from a pos second
entrance?

12/04 H. Long S. Vega

a) Small entrance to a cross passage - crawls extend 2m
to chokes in both directions.

(3399) GPS 0451145.4795634 (acc. 7m).

b) Low, diggable crawl - can see about 4m to ??

(3400) GPS 0451571.4795486 (acc. 5m).

c). Few metres east of b) is low entrance well concealed
by vegetation and a peculiar "rampart" around the
down-slope side.

(3401) GPS 0451577.4795486 (acc 5m).

13/4 Steve M. Site 502 Penarrosa photos
~ 1259 photos

13/4 Cow Pot - the crack Matienzo derigging team were called into action again & derigged the pitches before the suns. Admired the ~~quaint~~ quaint ladder rigging techniques of the rigging team!

13/4 Bobby + Milly return to woods nr Pedro where steam emerges near green tree

- ① Crawl to small chamber (stand up height) (3409)
L. 3m 0452176 4797108
- ② Tight rift descends below chocked cave
1.5m above (draught probably surface wind)
0452149 4797119 2m deep (3411)
- bit of way on
- ③ 3m of cave back wall blocked with stal 0452138 4797130 (3412)
photos to follow when film developed. 

14/4/10 Ali, Big Steve. Wednesday dig.

Surveyor's extension from Feb - 46m new. Draughting is strongly to find chamber where it seems to split. Search draughting dig commenced, 2 pits in chamber & to left & right along bottom wall. Dig on right pushed 2m to where slight drop & enlargement can be seen. Need trays.

11/4 Bobby Milly Jubile

Bosmentin

Area around 1892

Checked GPS 1598, GPS + Photo 2606 - matched

1892 GPS + Photo matched

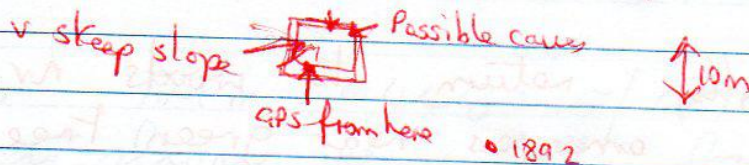
4th site 6-7m deep wide shake hole/shaft

with possible cave(s) in cliff face at bottom

description did not match nearest site

GPS 0450538 4797764

photo taken



PASSAGE DESCRIPTION

Dog Series
Resurvey

Jenny C

Surveyed the Dog Series from the end of Ali's previous survey. Slippery slope down to a 20m area with large holes on the left of the passage. Straight ahead, a climb up over a boulder and down leads to a passage on the left, which will be dealt with later, and a passage straight ahead. Some stall on the left wall, reminiscent of Agincourt. The passage opens up to the right with a slope up to the 'Dog's Bollocks' on the far wall. Heading right from here there is a calcite slope to the left of the passage which ends at a calcited choke, then carries on over flowstone with skull, your falls in a large ~~calcite~~ calcite boss. This wide passage then slopes up to the left with an oxbow high up on the right hand side. Climbing up the calcite slope on the left, around some stall, the passage divides in two with a left hand fork continuing low among skull. A rock arch on the right of this leads to a 9.2. area with tree roots. There was a two meter small drop to the right of this area, which is choked. The right hand fork is a sandy crawl, passed some interesting formations on the floor which look like centiflowers to some your pools and two passages to the right and to the left which both close down.

Heading back to the 'Dog's Bollocks' the main passage continues very large and into a maze area.

The passage to the right is an oxbow

3421 Harry's Hole @ Cobadal - See below.
 3422 Chris dig @ over a few days

Send number of decent trips to extend caves,
 philandtilary@btinternet.com

24/4/10. Short look in Grajos. Decent size piece of red/black pottery
 (89) seen on left. GPS of entrance with no leaf cover is
 30T 0453561 4797376 (About a ~~few~~ away from original GPS).

Route: ~~to~~ Cave is directly above large fallen tree about
 10m above track. Best route is to walk up diagonally
 above a small scar as the tree comes into view.

8/5/10 Pete + Juan to 3421 @ Cobadal. Parked outside David's
 house (drummer Tom Bilbao) and were taken to the entrance
 at top of field. (GPS is 04 49019 4798444)

Had a look through crawl at back of cave beyond boulders. Small
 chamber with possible dig at floor level to next phreatic pocket.
 In main chamber a narrow passage on left continues but we not pursued
 due to bat hanging from roof.

Juan then removed a couple of stones from a tiny hole in the left
 wall to reveal an "arms cache" - 6 bullets and a salt cellar.
 Because of the scrap of paper in the salt cellar, it maybe that
 the bullets were wrapped in paper and put in the container then
 hidden away.

After photographing, they were handed over to David, who
 was off to play a gig in Bilbao.

On way back, unexpectedly saw Chuchi (one of Pete's
 mates) at a ~~who~~ who was shown the entrance to Cobadal.
 This has partly collapsed and will need digging out + possibly shoring.

From Pete Smith (Easter 2010)

Cave at Seldesuto
0449519 4794218 Length 20m

3423

Entrance about 3m wide and 1m high, into a low chamber. Crawls on the right go to another two openings to the surface.

Cave on Muela
0454540 4796481 Length 15m

3424

Entrance is via a narrow rift in the cliff-face. It leads to two slots down into a passage, which after 5m opens out into a chamber at the bottom of a 5m shaft. Apparently this cave was used as a hide-out in the Spanish Civil War. It is certainly well-hidden and protected, but damp and uncomfortable. It was probably not in use for very long; the only remains left behind are a broken earthenware pot and possibly some charcoal from a hearth, with a few bones and egg shells.

119 Otero
0457280 4800378

Photos

633 Casa de los Cristales
0457427 4800332

Photos.

668 Photos

EASTER 2010 From Phil Parker

However there ought to be a report in the log-book about the La Cavada team Easter 2010 activities so here is a little something in which I hope I've got the correct references:

Over the period of 5th April to 20th April several people were based in a hotel in La Cavada - Baz Hunt, Chris Camm, Gordon Proctor, John Southworth, Pete Morgan, Phil Goodwin, Phil Parker, plus part-time occupants Harry Long and Steve Calvert - for ease of access to the north-west sector. In addition to a lot of searching the following occurred.

2415 Over a couple of days the floor of the shaft was lowered and the bottom opened up by digging and capping. A little more work would allow some sort of access into the start of the low, horizontal passage. The draught continued to entice.

3081 The two Phils had two trips to cap out boulders in the parallel shaft/rift to allow a descent of about 6m into its lower section. This was choked in one direction, in the other, after getting over an enormous flake/block, it ended almost immediately with an extremely narrow continuation some 3m above the floor. No plans to return to this.

However, back in the chamber at the bottom of the pitch a draughting narrow rift (possibly passable by an extremely skinny "skinny") appears to enlarge to caveable size passage after 3m. Definitely worth some effort. Also there appears to (possibly) be a way heading north at roof level of the chamber, horizontal (from the rope) or vertical bolting required for access. Cave requires surveying.

3406 The hole in the shakehole near the road was dug open by Tony Brocklebank and Chris (anybody else involved?), inspected at the top by Tony and then the second pitch (40m ish) descended by Dingle 1 (I think) who found the rift choked at the bottom. He reappeared and as he was about to head home to England grabbed Phil P (the two Phils had just finished playing in 3081) and told him to get down and look at a boulder slope partway down the pitch. This Phil did, finding it easy to swing over to the slope. Up the slope some vertical jammed boulders with a lot of space above suggested a return was required with more gear plus back-up.

During two more trips the two Phils got up the boulder step, horizontally about 10m along a decent sized passage to a hole immediately before the passage ended at a run-in from above. A descent of 40 odd metres via another boulder slope and a couple of re-belays landed at the bottom of a big rift on another sloping boulder floor. At the bottom of this the rift choked, the way on being a continuing slope downwards to the left into a small chamber. The way out of this led into a big choked area. Back in the rift at the bottom of the pitch the way upslope eventually seemed to peter out. Cave needs surveying plus another good look, not least to find the source of the strong draught felt at the entrance.

3407 Low entrance in shakehole near road, discovered by Baz whilst checking out a recently cleared area. He descended about 7m, was attacked by a small boulder and decided to send for the cavalry. A couple of days later Phil P was inserted into what seemed to be a vertical boulder choke with large spaces, reaching 13m depth before deciding he wanted back-up. Later both the Phils returned and reached bottom at 28m depth. Draught coming from under a solid wall might repay some careful(!) investigation as might more draught coming from an adjacent boulder-choked area. Side passage partway down was investigated but narrowed and choked. Not yet surveyed - that could be fun.

3408 Discovered by Baz on the same day as 3407. Low entrance in side of shakehole followed immediately by awkward wriggle to right and a 3m descent of small shaft to choked floor. At the entrance a very narrow vertical slot around 2m or so deep had a slight draught and the floor appeared to slope away to the left. Slot would require opening up to allow access to normal thin people.

3422 Draughting hole in big flat bottomed depression in valley below abandoned telephone exchange buildings found by John after a good undergrowth/bramble attack session. After Phil P was stuck in and said "No way, too small", over two days a stepped shaft was dug to allow access to a horizontal passage. A few rounds of caps allowed access into an interesting joint controlled mini-system that ended at a boulder choke with a narrow tight rift below. The following day the two Phils and John carried out a thorough exploration and concluded that it was either get through the boulder choke or push the tight rift. Basic survey carried out by John.

On one day the team went for a wander out of area to find and look at the "mine". This was successful and afterwards wandering further up the path/hillside two entrances were spotted and GPS'd.

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