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8/13 - Cabeza Julagwa

Tim, Rob, Richard.

26th July.

Photographed and surveyed the new, well decorated
funds in 8/13 (the REAL Cabeza Julagwa). ~~There~~
~~about~~ about 45 metres of passage in all,
with lots of chimney bits and two squeezers
separated by an awkward and very pretty pool.

Some of the best formations are seen in the Picos.
Then took some sponsorship photos too. Detached
the cave and emerged to watch the central peaks
having an argon in the tunnel.

on 23rd July Tim, Paul and Tim had
riggered 8/13 and searched for new leads. we found
a ~~the~~ ~~stuff~~ ~~above~~ ("Jet Drearus"), and Paul
pushed a tight rift down to a white, white
pitch (13 metres, an ladder) to emerge into a
pinkish chamber with "SIE" burnt into the
wall. Bellows. * Another short pit (4m)
was entered under an unobvious ledge,
and ended in a narrow (parallel with
harrow) stream rift (small draught). This
appeared not to have been found previously.

NOTE: The new murrey leads in to the main system
at a marked "Δ" point on the Right wall at the
top of the short ladder climb. It is on the far side of
the entrance to the small passage off to the right.

Instrument Calibrations

Measured relative to the new compass & clinometer
(compass 319123, clinometer 226529) the corrections
to other instruments are:

Compass	81010	Add	1.5°	to readings
Clinometer	510270	Add	1.0°	to readings

Compass	40703	Add	1.5°	to readings
Clinometer	844147	Subtract	1.5°	from readings

8/11 Before the Correction - a few trips written up

19/7 Tony, Chris

Returned to check up on some leads, Tony had found on his solo trip to bottom on day before. Checked big inlet on left at foot of October - went vertical fairly shortly. High levels on way to swamp yielded nothing but a big open chamber. High level stuff on left immediately after crossing swamp Tony climbed up to, & looked at more on a later trip. Heading from swamp towards Big Wind, first hole in floor led to stream swamped immediately in both directions ("Like Carno, but Moreso"). Further along, at climb up into Big Wind, climb down instead lead to lower streamway ("Sportive God"). Heading right (upstream), an inlet heading off left led to a climb, dropping to a chamber & a rift heading apparently down - but would need bolting on top to get into it at high level. ~~The~~ Going back downstream inlet on right lead to some passage ending on a shelf at side

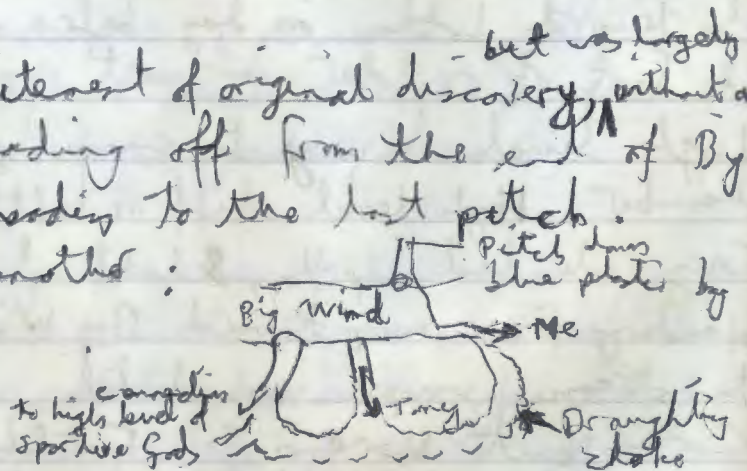
of a BIG PASSAGE leading off in both directions. After savouring the moment, bearing huge flames out of our generators, we strode off down the passage, discovering after approx 5m a BLUE PLASTIC BAG. Bollocks - we had connected with end of Big Wind. We probably bugged off at this point - I forget.

21/7 Tim, Tony, Jess, Chris

We surveyed the upper bit of the lower "Sportive Gods" streamway ~~at~~ as a fractional foursome. Then Tim & Tony started the climb at the mud sump at the far end of the cave. Getting bored of watching Jess & Chris completed the lower streamway survey connection with the pitch beyond the end of Big Wind. By this time Tony was well strung out on his climb at the end, Tim was frozen. We exited.

23/7 Tony, Chris

This trip had all the excitement of original discovery, ^{but was largely} without any. We checked some routes leading off from the end of Big Wind, at the left turn leading to the last pitch. Tony went off one route, we another:

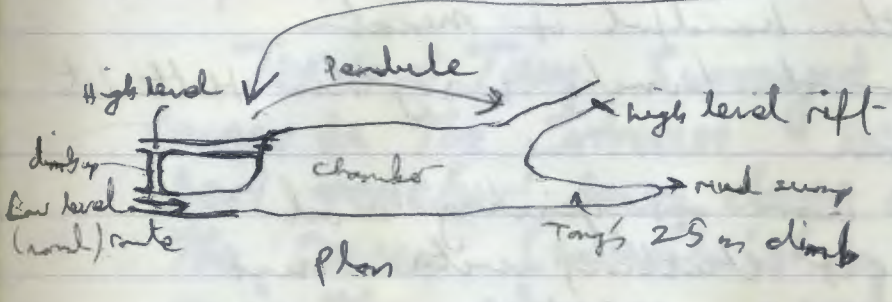


Soon ended up with lots of passage, lots of draughting, lots of junctions. Whoops from me brought Tony from a draughting choke via a connection. The passage swept downwards in a graceful arc, connecting with a shelf at the side of a big passage with a blue plastic bag

in it. Bollocks twice.

Onwards to Tony's climb at the end. I held the rope, & Tony completed it. It all pinched out at a height of ~ 25 m. He descended, sacrificing 1 crab + 1 tape.

Standing back in the chamber, Tony psycho-speles-bullshit another passage heading off to the left at a not-quite-so high level. Climbed up to passage leading to chamber at higher level, then we perched



across to a big rift heading off & downwards! We ran along the bottom of the rift up & over a flake & it choked. But not quite - swiftly digging out some gravel beneath a large choked boulder we were off down again. Again it choked: we climbed up rift, doubling back to a chamber with a largely false floor.

Various routes lead off from this area - all of them small draughting inlets. One of them intersected a small rift heading downwards. We cleared boulders out of it, but it did not draught or inspire. A slow exit was made - out at 1 am. A trip to the seaside was made later.

25/7 Tony, Chris

Returning from the seaside to find a connection had been made to our pendule, we had no excuse not to survey the connection. At least it only took us 10 mins to get out compared to 3 1/2 hrs the previous trip!

26/7/93 Jim

Fear and Louthings in Los Lujos
 a single assignment get down to Los Lujos
 at 11:00 am so ~~showed~~ Dave and Davony Sean
 could enter the Tacos 100.

They were late starters and ~~headed~~
 at about 1230

were been invaded by Hungarian
 I grabbed another handful of medicine
 and looked for this bunch of reptilian Mottentots
 now to be found

The medicine wore off quickly and
 I found myself chattering with a nice
 bond of cures from Budapest keen to
 get on with curing.

So they set off for Los Lujos Ariv
 with some of their gear I considered
 my new assignment.

"Make some dinner for us when we
 get back"

Pineal Gland and Paster

A Recipe, as far as my drug
 ravaged brain can assemble.

Potatoes

Crusty Potatoes

Garlic

Strawberry Turn

onion

cornflower

Tomato

Comma

onion

Cardomom

mix and cook

dave and Sean both ate
 this with only a small
 amount of "witty comment"

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I am going up Top Camp, I will go to base on Friday afternoon (~~call out at 10.00 AT BASE~~). Steve is walking up this evening. If anyone wants to come up on Saturday, please be at base on Friday evening, and we'll carry more stuff up.

Call out Saturday morning at base.
[11/22] total job about 23 2P/F/FS

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I have not? notes of notes at in notes
below. ops just out below had
had to go to back in a kind of (notes) at
(knowing how to do - notes at in)

28th July

Tim Jim Richard Piro
went and took a zillion photographs in
8/11 photos in 3rd pitch head 4th Pitch Head
Involutions, Big chamber Peanut choke very big
chunks and wet checks.

FIND Heading East From Foot of Pitch into
A The Very Big chamber gives (possibly?) access
CAVE to another new and better large chamber go look
SERVICES

got out at ~ 11.30 back for dead good
Steve Robert Munich
well done A Rob

Tu!

Steve

Credit due to P Mann
AD Seddon.

John wrote the words &
Paul played the games.

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UCC Culinary enterprises (SAR: prop.) have gone to Top Camp. (7.30). Taking some food - pasta, oranges, bread, milk, tins tomatoes, ~~and~~ if anyone else comes up; spuds, fresh food generally, enough gas.

Back on Friday evening, either direct to Lages or more likely via here.

Steve

The "through" trip is not a stroll!

Who told me it was?

(P.S: have checked the Duktaru cream - will return it on Fri. If anyone else gets flaming red bollock itch, too bad...).

28/7/93. 1/5. I.S.H. + DRB.

Exploratory rigging trip into Xitu. Found the rift interesting on the way in, so sent Dave back to carry the 80m rope through. Most of the bolts seem OK, although some are a little rusted. Entrance ladder is 2m too short, but you can climb up to it.

First pitch after the ~~to~~ rift needs a backup bolt. Ripped to Traverse Pitch, with ~70m rope. This barely reaches the ledge 20m down. Suggest cut rope at top of traverse pitch, and use something longer for this and next pitch (looks like a deviation will be sufficient to allow a free hang).

Bay at limit contains short tapes, 3 wires, ladder, masts, ~~rope~~ ^{rope}

Also, 2nd pitch from rift needs backup + longer rope (1m + what is used for backup. now 10m) Sean.

27/7 Shaft bashing Chris V, Jim, Rob, Steve, Peter, Antygas, Roha, Rivo

We first visited an undescended entrance in area 4. This has not yet been given a number as we're not sure what number we've got to so far.
Description of entrance: Cabera del Verde 150°, Cabera del Covi 165°. Two adjacent holes (larger ~ 0.5m x 2m) in slabs just east of summit of Cabera Julagua. Small, faint red paint marking.

Description: 5m climb down to bouldery floor. No way on. No draught.

This is the SIE cave no 31. Pozzo de la Cabera de Julagua. This is 36/4 sh.

For the 3 Hungarians with us, this was their first Spanish cave. They proclaimed that in Hungary, such a cave would be regarded as exciting (remind me never to go caving in Hungary...) and that just for 2 days' digging would be required to get through. They clearly have a lot to learn about caving in the Picos.

To cheer us up after this ignominious start, Chris (a.k.a. The Incredible Mister Vernon) treated us to a one-off performance of his world-famous Amazing Vanishing Cave Routine. Before our very eyes, he made the entrance he had discovered the day before disappear - even before we had managed to lay our eyes upon it!

Suitably awed, we then set off to investigate