

Fun activities (for the greater good)

- Carry up rope + snacks from cars (+ oil!)
- Sort metalwork (oil seized mailons)
- Remove rubbish from Xitu
- Sort kit in Xitu + inventory
- Decide what is rubbish in the barrel labelled 'out'
- Got more 9mm rope from Xitu.
- lighters (Xitu)
- Bring from cars: snacks, poo bags (if any) - Sandy's car
- Take down rubbish

✓ Doneish - need checking

✓ Done

25/06

27/09

Sandy ①
Fleur ② } out
Julia ③ }
Becky ①

Callout ①:
26th AM

~~Callout ②:~~
~~After dinner~~

53/5

Carved
Pete
Mark?

Callout:
After dinner
out!

TCS

Will
Rachel
Toby
+ Martin walk
only
Callout:
After dinner
out!

27/9 Bill's cave

25/6/24

Fleur & Julia went on a 'sighter' trip,
for first outing of the expedition. We met
2 of 3 objectives: introduced Julia to the Arie
Reality, & portered two large but not too
heavy camp bags to the end of same.
I could not be arsed to re-sketch the old cave.

At the entrance Bedca suggested the bags might
not fit, but we made them. Just the tight
push head at darkness my old friend (or is it
sound of silence? I forget) to negotiate with them.
After seeing + feeling Arie reality I think
Julia may fancy TLJ as a route to upstream
2/7.

Bags left at end of Arie Reality near rock where
climb down

2x Petzl - each contains 2 pits

2 mats

2 jackets

CAUTION

~~*~~ One bag needs a donkey dick taking a ~~*~~

We returned to Laura's rift from 2023. We capped the end + entered a small chamber. There is dripping water into a pool and a too tight S-bend rift that does not draft. However, the original rift continues ~~the~~ + draughts strongly. It was too tight. Mark hammered it + a rock moved + now blocks the way on - needs a crowbar or capping.

Pete capped the start of Laura's rift to make it Pete-sized (to be confirmed on next trip).

Climbing up from the start of Laura's rift, 2 extra ways into higher ^{looks} sections of the rift can be found but are both too tight. The lower one is the most promising for capping.

Left at start of Laura's rift

- 1x drill
- 1x drill battery
- 2x drill bits
- set of capping rods + mat + plastic rod + goggles + ear plugs
- lump hammer
- ~~chisel~~ 1x chisel
- 1x pack of nuts + raisins

NO CAPS LEFT

Photos on Fleur's camera

Troas La Hayaka Rachel, Toby, Martin, Will

Shaft located, not where we thought it would be. Below La Hayaka. Shaft entrance rigged to Y-hang for ~ 30m drop into shaft, approx. 40m worth of 158m rope used. Path to Troas La Hayaka marked - may need more reflectors added. Equipment left at Troas La Hayaka:

1x Drill

1x Drill battery (with 3 bars charge)

2x Drill bits

9x hangers

Lots of through bolts left

Balling hammer needed.

Drill etc. in dry bag belonging to Will.

26th 27/9 (Bill's Cave) plan

Left at chamber junction

To take: ✓ Underground tent
✓ Cord (20m ish)

✓ Stoves ~~2~~ X 1

✓ Gas x 2

2 → ✓ Roll mats (4+)

Just for 1 meal! → ✓ Underground food

✓ Spade

✓ Poo bags

Poo drum

1 taken → ✓ Pans x 2

✓ Lighters

✓ Cooroll

✓ Hot drinks

4 thru bolt + mailon + hangers

1 drill in dry bag + Krab

2 drill bits

1 bolting hammer + Krab

1 33 man botny

large (camp) first aid kit

1 unsalted nut + fruit

~4m webbing

*Extras to take:

- 2 roll mats

- Move UG food / drink

- Poo drum

TEA, COFFEE, 4 TENT MEALS
/ MAX NICHOLAS

- Stove

- 30m rope

- 12 combiners

- 1pm + 1dk

- 10 stainless

TBS

- 15 non-

stainless

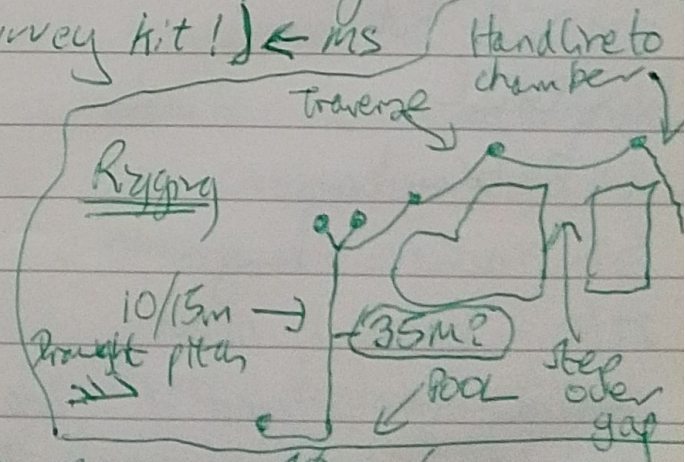
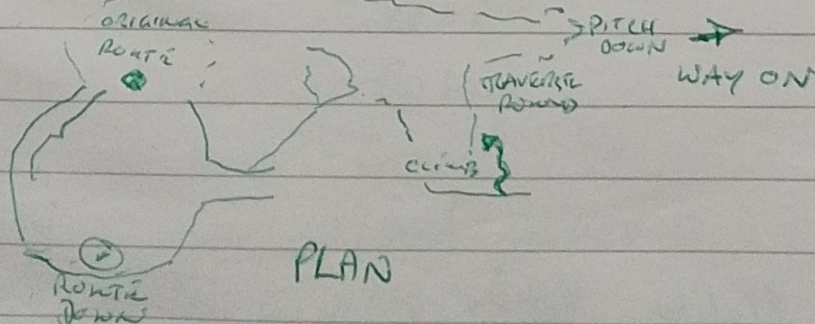
TBS

TUESDAY 25TH JUNE 2024

27/9

SANDY + BECKA

Went to look at alternative pitch out of wet, dripping chamber at about half-way down from coffee pit to 2/7 connection. Off the original route to the right (on the way down) with through the gap to see a twin chamber where the water enters. Here we climbed up the side to start a traverse further round to the right. This gets to a pitch head of approx. 15m, pool at the bottom. Rope tied off, next pitch has 2-3 second drop... does not look like it connects with original route. Take plenty of rope next time. (+ survey kit!) ← MS Handline to chamber



Note: ~15m (LAST PITCH OF OLD CAVE) AND ~10m (SOUND OF SILENCE) SPARE ROPE IS IN THE CAVE. KNIFE NEEDED

WED 26 JUNE - BECCA + JULIA PROSPECT AREA 9

Walked to Tres la Hayada with Will + Sandy (separate report) then headed up to La Hayada prospecting. Walked ^S as far as the ridge just W of Torre de la Clada (~~excellent~~ spectacular views) via La Hayada which still had some snow at the bottom. Back via Whiggly Cave. Little of note until nearly back at Tres la Hayada where located CROSS DROP CAVE

UTM 30T 343088 4788122 Elev 1689m. A small squeeze between boulders led to a 3m drop with no way on + no draught. Total length ~5m. Rushed. ~~Work~~ Nearly we found a fault line with a series of strongly draughting holes between boulders that could be an interesting location for a dig:

- ① 30T 343081 4788178 Elev 1656m Hole under boulder
 - ② 30T 343109 4788189 Elev 1636m Down gully from ①
 - ③ 30T 343124 4788196 Elev 1626m Down gully from ②
- ② + ③ are just ~~at~~ holes between boulders in the gully that draft out strongly

Tres La Hayada, Sandy + Will

WED 26TH JUNE 2024

Continuation of previous day's work. All ~150m of rope used, now reaching a ledge at ~120m from surface with old snow plug. Side rift not looking promising at the moment as look like they are full of chos. A further 200m of rope required for bottoming shaft. Shaft is not a clear drop - sloped and stepped - using quite a few bolts. Equipment at Tres La Hayada:

~40m of 10mm rope

1x tackle sack

2x Drill bits

1x Drill

1x Bolting hammer

5x mailbags + hangers

27/9 - RACHEL & ADAM

Carried bags to end of Aris Reality Lake (x) list on previous page

17x through bolts

1x Drill battery (full).

WED 26TH JUNE 2024

with everything on the extras to

53/5 PUSING

LAURA, TOBY, PETE

WED 26TH JUNE 2024

Toby climbed over the boulder rock in the rift (after Laura's rift) that Mark hammered yesterday + then removed the boulder + Laura went through into the hading rift*. The rift becomes too tight + is the source of the water dripping into the chamber below. The rift continues further at a higher ^{level} but is narrow (30cm?) + has black rock projections - these could probably be hammered off by somebody determined but the rift ~~can~~ would probably still need capping. We started capping the corner. NB. there is a hole with some caps in that did not go off.

* This was later capped a tiny bit.

* It does become a bit larger after ~2-3m.

Rift trends ~ due south

26/06

Bill's Cave

Mark + Chris

Smooth journey in. Undedangled below junction. Camp set up and looks better than Bugger Begnor!

Went to look at BTITTR - 25 mins easy (and great!) carving. A cairn + candle arrow mark where to ascend.

Keeping my feet is fairly straightforward.

Climb looks to be ~15m (assuming we were looking at the right place!).

Drill, battery, 3x throughbolts + hangers, 4x mailloons left where we found them at the junction with bathy (all in a tackle sack)

Camp has:

- 2x roll mats
- tent
- stove
- 2x gas
- 3x lighters
- 5 ish hot drink sachets
- Pan + lid
- Spade
- Scurver
- Poo bags
- Coo roll
- Hand sanitiser
- 1st aid kit

Handline installed for clam bar down to camp and from camp to main stream.

Massive deviation at base of Augmented Reality (big flake on right wall) could do with some alternative rigging.

Tape worm passage is wonderful! ^{mostly!} Huge passage, crystal clear water, varied sizes from big to massive. Great stuff! Bigger & better than the C4 streamway.

~~DM~~

Camping trip needs

[Sandy / Flew / Becha] end
Reality →

At parking ways.

- drill, battery
- 3 thru bolts + boxes
- 4 nails

2 x portage bags
pot sets (4x bag, ~~mat~~ mats, ~~ja~~ ja drol)

2 other bags
2 soft mats

pro drum

stave

Huel Mac n cheese. (cheeze)

4 tent meals

1 pant lid

30m rope.

10 TB stainless + plate
+ hanger

15 TB (non stainless)

12 deribiner

To take

- Personal thermals, pants, ~~g~~ mug, spoon etc.
- etriers
- snacks, milk, chocolate powder
- laminated descriptions
- 1 drill battery

- survey phone.

Out of Xitru

- rope (inc for Black Peatter)
- big rucksack tackle sacks?

2ND CAMPING TRIP NEEDS [Mark, Chris, Jess + Becca]

- another Botny
- 1 ab bowl
- 1 powerbank

53/5 Rara

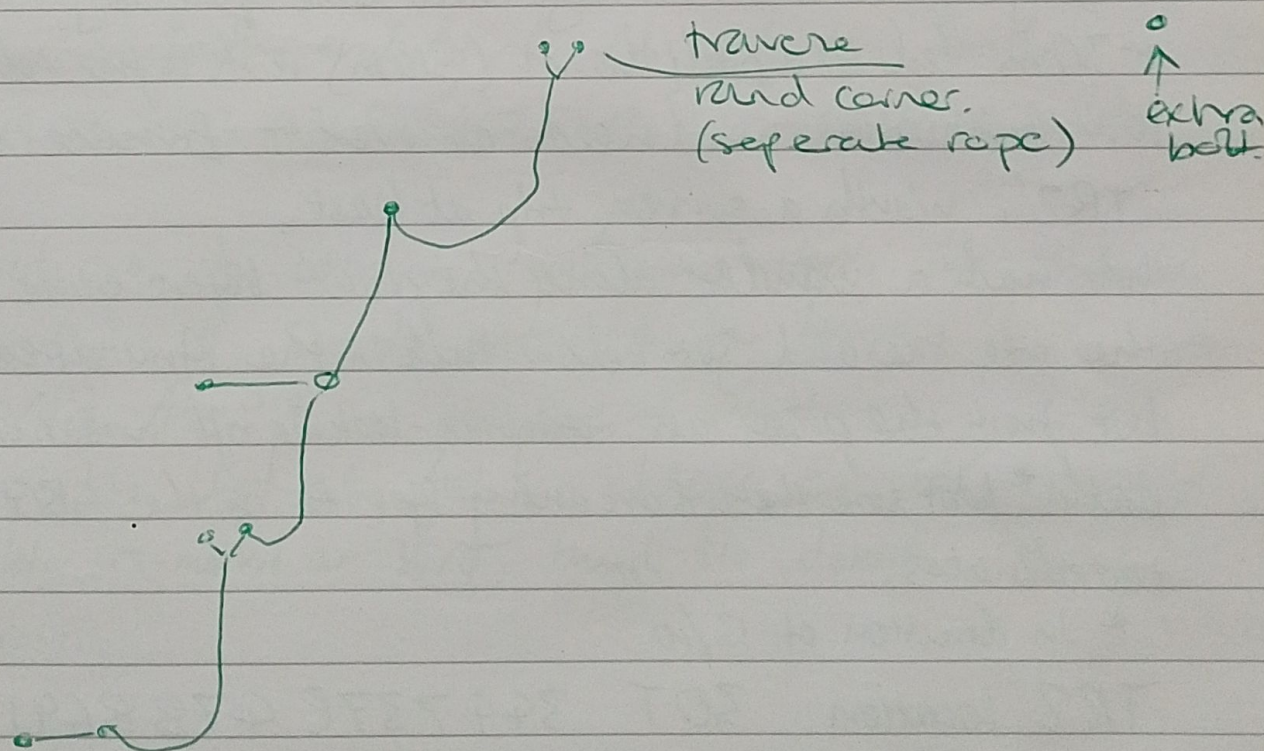
26th June

Fleur & Jess

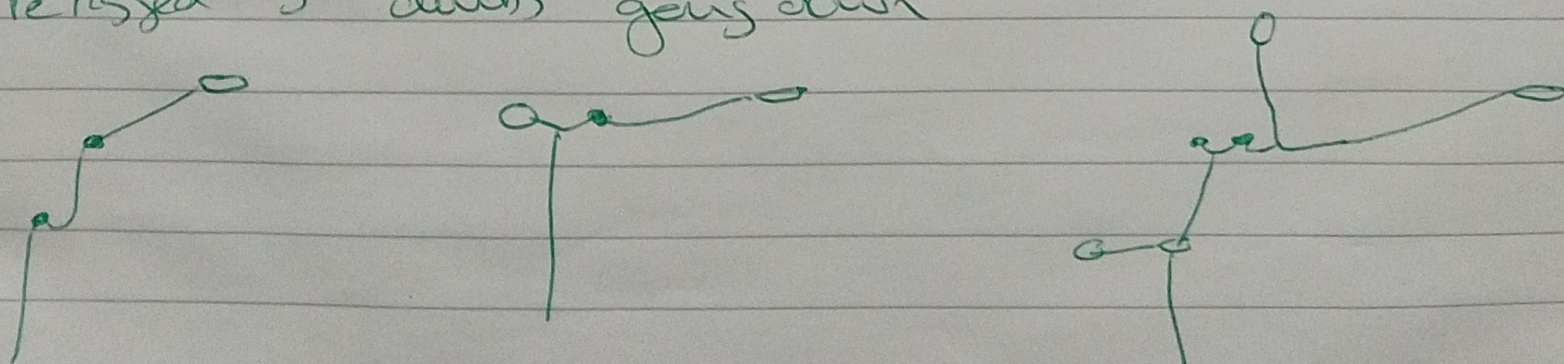
We went with the pushing / capping team as far as the last up pitch with the evil deviation.

I went up last and derigged to the pitch head.

I left the traverse but put in another bolt to extend it - just needs hanger, nutlock + longer rope. Rerigged on the way down and placed extra rebelay. This reduced pattern of rub + makes deviation no longer evil.



Also rerigged 3 draws going down



Jess did great job on second two of these.

No more hangers to do last climb. Needs bolt.
Final climb (with hangers over hole) a fine
Entrance pitch needs new y-hang location 1 or 2m
further out to remove rub, but ran out of time before
dinner.

Prospecting: Mark, Becka, Chris

27th June

Set off to prospect in the Estremero sort of area. Started off at 53/5
heading down the valley, then traversed right beneath 9/10 peak.
Unlikely looking shady corner turned out to be a big 3m wide, 4m high
descending entrance. We wandered in, noting an outward draught.
After about 20m a right turn reached a chamber with an ascending
tube and a low rift leading off. The rift possibly had an outward draught
and got to a calcite blockage with some space beyond. Up the tube after
~30m led to a pitch down (~10m) with a free-climbable bypass. A possible
low continuation would need an oversuit. Entrance marking found said
'TR2'. Worth a survey trip at least.

We had a wander along 'the prom' before some more prospecting along
the tree line and just below back in the Arco direction. No caves found,
but from the prom an intriguing-looking rift was noted just below the Treys
path*. Not sure there is an entry for it in the SBC - certainly not one with
coordinates.

* In direction of 13/10

TR2 location: 30T 344737E 4788691N 995m

~~Upper of location:~~

LOS LAGOS CARRY - Laura + Pete

THUR 27th JUNE 2024

Brought up: 200m rope in bag

200m shanked rope

firing pin

WD40

engine oil

small molegrips, spanner, ear defts + tube from Sandy's caving kit

Shaft Lashing Team

Will Fidler Walmsley Log

Went to look at 6/q and 35/q.

In 6/q, descended 7m pitch to narrow rift. Floor dug and rift enlarged to allow access to slightly wider section, immediately closed down off-ramp. No progress. Chisel dropped into rift beyond comfort zone eventually retrieved by upside down dangle.

Correct GPS coordinates for 6/q are 43.2318229675293, -4.9306182861328125

35/q was searched for. Closest cave to coordinates was a large steeply sloping ~~shale~~ hole with a snow plug on one vertical wall. This did not match the description. An inscription was found: "OVCC 1987 10/q". Also 0 to snow faced but not descended.

The cave marked 10/q in the shaft lashing guide is a different cave. It was speculated that this cave had been later re-marked as 35/q, though the description is only vaguely appropriate to the cave.

In the evening, a plan was made to re-visit the cave the next day. It was referred to as "Not 10/q".

Flora

Whitebeam
Thistle
Phacelia
Grass
Sedge
Daisy
Beech
Broom / gorse
Spring gentian
Autumn 'all'
Heather
Puffball & assorted fungi
Lichen
Thrift
Rose (mountain)
Orchids
White flowers (various)
Thyme
Lithodora
Sycamore
Yew
alpine aster
Forget-me-not
Rock rose
White saxifrage
Plantain
Moss
Purple Linaria
Clover
Bird's foot trefoil
Colchicum
Fern
Stinging nettle

Fauna

Large iridescent beetle (green)
Donkey burro
Vaca (cow)
Rebbero
Alpine chough
Goats (big curly horns)
Little brown job
Flies
Snake!
Slow worm
Lizard
slug
little tower shell snail
Fire salamander
Earthworm
Lepidoptera
Horseflies
Bees
Tick
Perro
Spiders
Vulture
Diggings (wild boar)
Vole & Mouse
Partridge
Tadpole & Frogs
Pond skaters
Coot
Ants (various)
Fireflies / glow worms
Cave vole
Cave spider
Cave beetle
Black redstart
Wheat

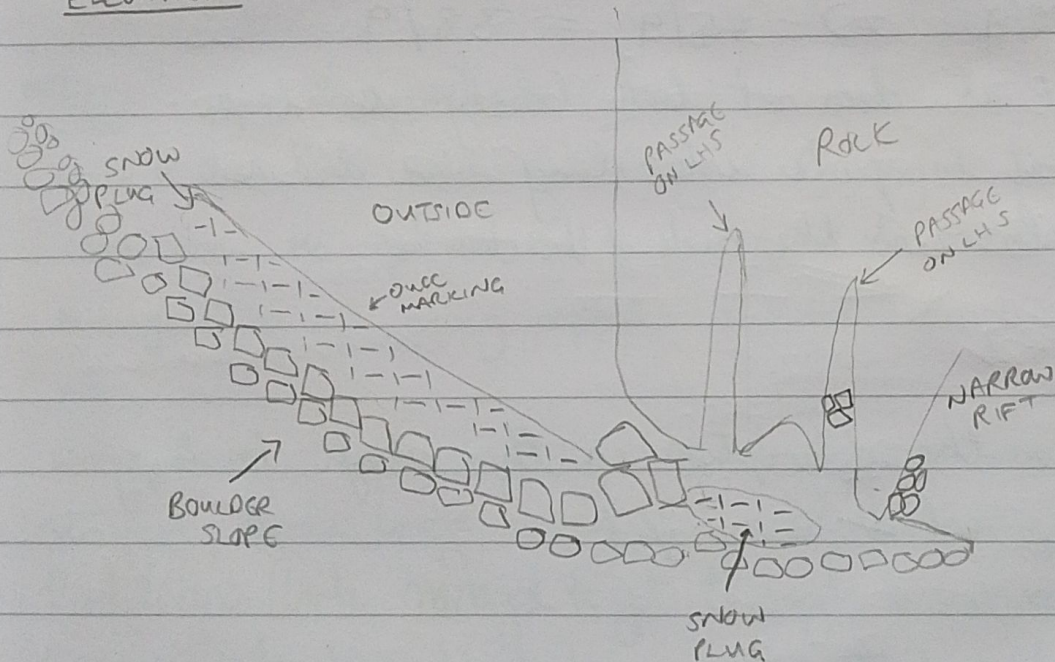
SHAFTBASHING - LAURA + ADAM

FRI 28TH JUNE 2024

We walked to TLJ with ^{Becca} Sandy + Toby, then went shaftbashing
① Not 10/9 → ^{physically} marked as 10/9 : "1987 oucc 10/9 O" *
but with gps co-ordinates matching 35/9
* Now marked "X"

Description: Steeply descending boulder slope with snow plug on top but not reaching the edges. Enters a narrow rift, boulder slope becomes slightly less steep + has a small snow plug on top. There are 2 short passages off to the left, which close down. There is no way on at the end (boulder choke + no draught).

ELEVATION

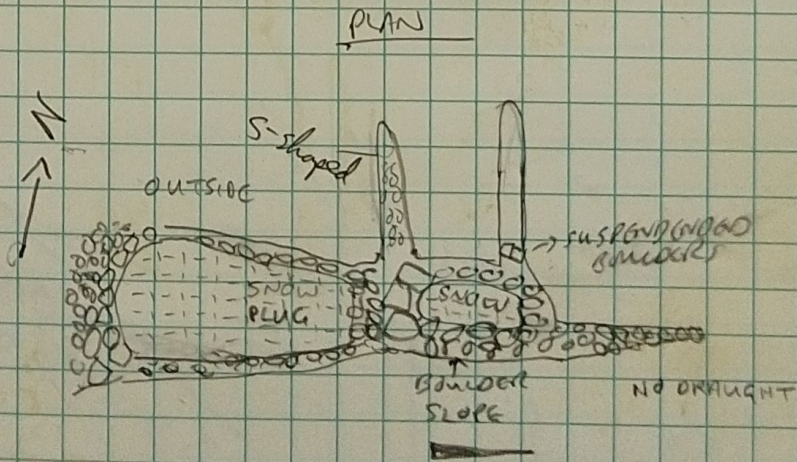


PLAN

"NOT 10/9" SKETCH → marked 1987 oucc 10/9 O
→ gps co-ord similar to 35/9

FRI 28 JUN 2024
LOB + AW

JUN 2024
+ AW



② Returned to the dig from yesterday. Adam pulled out a few more blocks from the middle dig but remaining accessible blocks are too big to be easily lifted out.

Nicknamed "Pozo del gentian"

GPS co-ordinates: 43.23019°N , 4.93209°W

Not physically marked but in an obvious fault line.

③ Located 44/9 based on the gps coordinates in the shaft bashing guide. The description matches 38/9, which does not have bearings or gps coordinates in the shaft bashing guide + it has a metal tag stamped "OUCC 1999 38/9" $\Rightarrow 44/9 = 38/9$
Agree with 38/9 description that it does not look likely to drop into 2/7 upstream, however it is quite interesting + we did not go quite as far as previous explorers at the back of the chamber.

④ Tried to locate 17/9 based on the description in the shaft bashing guide (no gps), however we were not successful.

⑤ Added more cairns to the path route back from TLJ.

28/6/24 Left at Tras La Jayada by Toby + Becky

→ drill in dry bag + hammer + 2 bits

- 4 bends + mailers + thru bolts

- 10 thru bolts

- ~30m of 10mm red rope

- 1 full drill battery

- 2 slings + one pliers

- (NEED) letters for hammer + drills + slings etc

27/19 Camp Rev 29th + 30th.

- ✓ - powerbank - Chris
- ✓ - distox - Chris
- 1 set bowl / cup / cutlery - Chris / Jess
- ✓ - 1 small bucket.
- ✓ - Food 2x breakfasts 2x dinners ^{wet} 6 tent meals, 6 x custard, ^{2.5 bags} peanuts, large soup
- ✓ - rope ~~100m~~
- ✓ - pro bags
- ✓ - 1 bag roll
- ~~store?~~
- ✓ - gas canister?
- ✓ - coffee

CHRIS + JESS

- 10 x BOLTS, HANGERS + MATFLUUS (6ss, 4all)
- 1 x DRILL BIT
- 1 x DRILL BATTERY
- 1 x 25m ROPE
- SOME TAPE SLING
- POWERBAUR + SURVEY AUXILIARIES

53/5 - Will, Rocky, Mark & Rachel.

28/6/24

Mark & Rachel - team resurvey. Resurveyed from station b in chamber before constriction. Managed to tie it in to a station at bottom of pitch then surveyed through into rift being capped. included a search for Mark's glove ... which ended up in his pocket.

Will & Rocky - team capping. Capped squeeze at top of chamber where draft felt strongest; made large enough for most but may need a small amount more capping. Rachel and Mark managed to get through to survey. All equipment brought out of cave. On way out, large block being used as natural anchor for elevator, came off ledge and hit Will square on the head. Block broke into two across helmet - alarming!

Trav to Hoxada 28/6/24 Becka + ~~Bob~~

Derailed to limit of anchoring left by Will and Sandy. Narrow sloping ledge with snow plug. Snow melt derailing over next pitch. Becka put in a bolt while I derailed slowly with 20m rope bag. Becka created a grinding avalanche.

I bolted a Yhag and then 3-4 rebelaying moving left away from the snow melt falling over the main pitch. The Yhag initially might have created a huge ^{wet} fine hang to the floor of at least 150m, if anyone wanted to do such a thing. Gave up on the rebelaying above another lip over the abyss with poor rock. Handed over to Becka who continued with a small rebelay and Yhag. The resulting hang left Becka marooned in space, but might also have reached the floor, still out of sight. Some path re-marking done on the way back.

Pete & Tally, Chris Comy + Jess
+ Graham Naylor

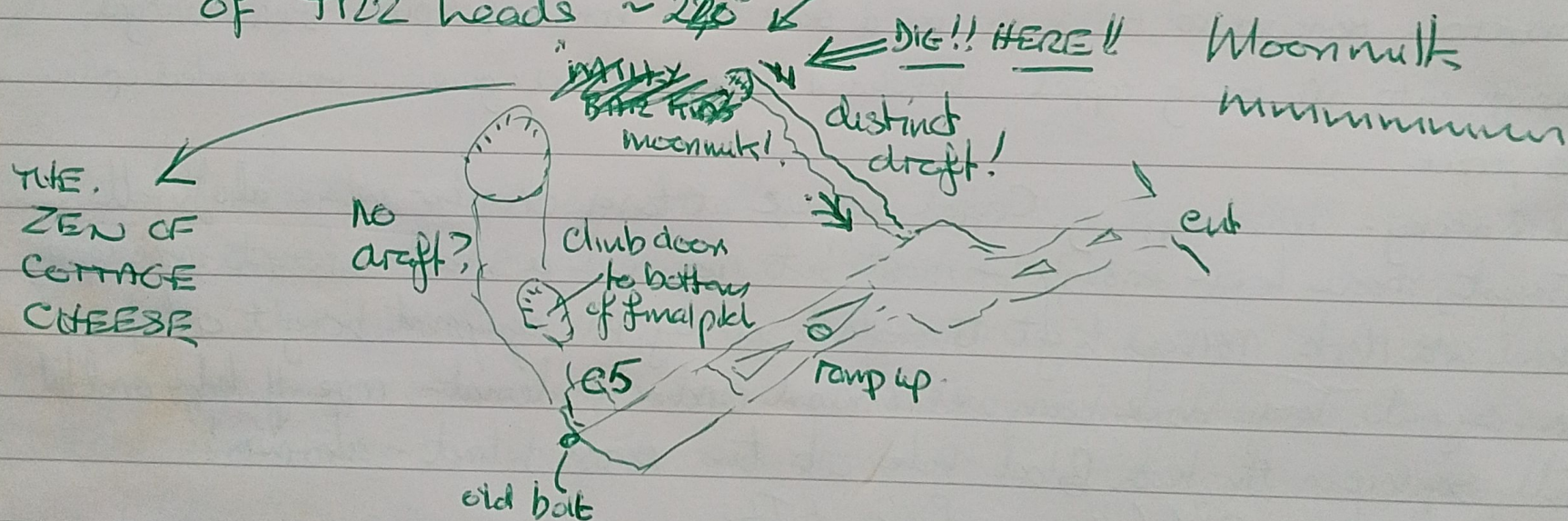
29th JUNE 2024 - TR2

Returned to the reasonably sized entrance with TR2 in red paint, but not in the OCCC shaft bashing guide

Chris and Jess surveyed the cave, after calibrating the Disto.

Pete and Graham dug the glorious moon milk that blocks the lower rift that heads off from chamber by entrance. The moonmilk came away in satisfying slurping chunks.

Progress was made to close to the triangular window through which there is a distinct draught outwards (but nowhere near as strong as S3/S!). It turns out this draught's dig is 135m horizontally, and 6m higher than the current end (capped rift) in S3/S. The end of TR2 heads $\sim 220^\circ$



Sang to Bob the Builder theme tune:

Mark, Chris & Sandy, & Becka too

Using a Daren drum, for a pop

Pushing the cave in every direction, ~~and~~

No time for an erection

Mark & the gang have a miserable time

Pushing the leads in 27/9

Mark the caver, can he push it

Mark the caver, yes he can!

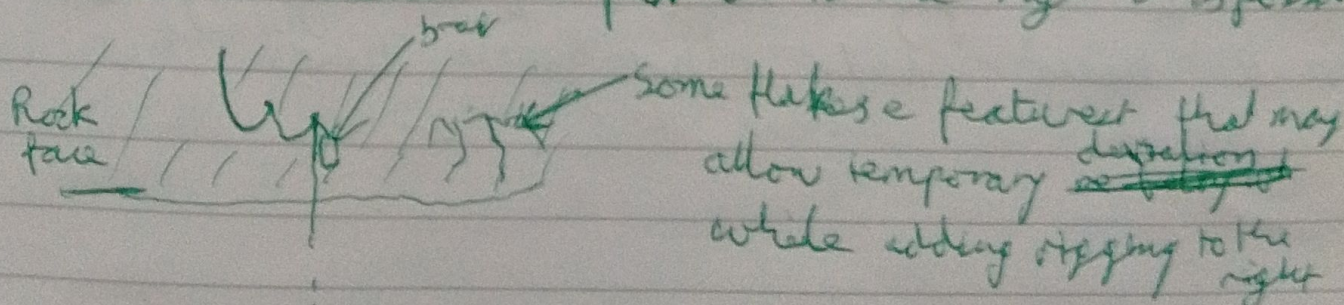
Pete + Toby

29th JUNE - TR2 (THE ZEN OF COTTAGE CHEESE)

Martin ~~was~~ bailed, so Pete + Toby went for round 2 of cottage cheese mining. It was glorious. Type 2 glorious. The day lifted on way down, with even more red flags for the runners. We took it in turn to lie in the cottage cheese, dig the cottage cheese, and admire the true glory of its cottage cheese nose. Various hammering of crow bars ensued - sometimes crow bar disappeared into the mush. But also some nice cheese layers Mmm. Toby says it was hard to identify a highlight, but it was doing cottage cheese angels in the wet grass outside. It was lush. The dig almost went, and it just has a little more cottaging (cheese) to do. (etc.). Glory and gloop await!

TLS with Graham

The upper part of the cave lends itself well to modern short pitch rigging with just one longish pitch down on to a sloping ledge with a snow plug. A few short pitches go round the corner to the left, however we weren't able to find a viable route to permit ongoing short pitches. The previously rigged 4 long a few pitches down from ledge were re-rigged to a series of single bolts to optimise the ~~or~~ diagonal movement to the bolt where the bag with the rest of the rope. 'Suggestion' would be to get one or two bolts even more to the right before leaving proximity with the face as the next option for a bolt is ~6m down. ~~but~~ getting a bolt in down there would be easier the further to the right it is possible to get.



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53/5 LAURA & RACHEL

SAT 29 JUNE 2024

Re-rigged one pitch with slight rope rub on the way in.
Started with lots of hammering at the draughting rift (continuation of Laura's rift) whilst Laura copped backwards in the previous squeeze. Some copping in the continuation made some big progress to get round the first corner. I was able to get my head into the continuation without a helmet & could see a passage which was slightly larger with some stalagmites - tunnel shaped. Then attempted more copping which is where it started to go wrong. cap got stuck followed by hiring pin getting stuck & remaining unretrievable despite hours of trying to remove it. I had to give up when it was getting close to dinner - made it back just on time.

Stuff left at the draughting rift (Laura's rift continuation)

- drill + 1 battery
- lump hammer
- chisel
- 2 capping drill bits + 1 short drill bit
- caps, plastic rod, goggles, rubbish ear defa
- stuck capping pin + extender rods
- mat (stuck on pin)
- 2 chocolate bars + open bag of peanuts

NO molegrips !!

Fri 28th June - Sat 29th June

27/9 first underground camp Fleur, Sandy, Tullia

We left early and were underground by just after 10am. Easy progress to end Arie Reality where we found 4 tacklebags to add to our existing 2. Next job shuffle all 6 through the tight pitch head. Only the big AV with mats around down drums did not fit and had to be dismantled. Onwards, downwards, picked up drill bag at the parting of the ways. 3 cover and 7 bags arrived camp about 2.30pm.

I surprised myself and became overcome by emotion at seeing Hubby's survey station and also the main 2/7 river again.

Camp is nice and comfy and after a snack we set off again. Quick upstream look before wound our way downstream.

Fleur + Julia found it rather harder to keep dry feet than Mark + Chris had! After going too far, and hitting boulder choke at stream level we backed up and found the cairn and carbide ~~area~~ arrows indicating route to BTTTR.

Sandy set about bolt climbing 'Arduous Boulders' pitch, ably assisted by Julia. I played hunt the survey stations to try and locate us on the survey data. Established the cairn was B20 and then sketched $\sim 1/3$ way back to camp before getting cold and lonely. When I got back to the others Sandy was only a couple bolts from the top and just spotted 2000 hangers in situ. Soon he entered BTTTR while Julia + I shared a bath. He reported canal a mass inlet to be bigger than Tapevaan.

Packed up and back to camp before 9PM. Text meals cows cows and curried before bed. No cows, however. Up early and steady trip back out. Saw Mark + Becca just before Aric Reality. Or rather, heard them in it and waited. Then Chris + Jen near entrance. Fleared to exit above the clay (just). Post camp beers very good.

Bolt climb. Poked around looking for easiest way for a bit, before climbing onto tallest boulder to get onto a ledge and reluctantly make a start. 5 bolts to get to a ledge which could be walked along with care towards the overhanging boulder blocking the pitch. Two bolts up closer to the hang and I had run out - had to rig a Y-hang to go back down to get more. ~ 5 more bolts to get to the top - re-used old ~~sa~~ hangers / spits still in situ.

SHAFT BASHING IN AREA 7

SUN 30TH JUNE 2024

Laura, Will, Rachel, Walmsley, Toby, Becks

#1 - 43.23059°N 4.92200°W - Toby entered
slip rift that closes down immediately. No draught.

#2 - 43.22997°N 4.92433°W - Not entered
Rift near 24/7, probably connects?
Photo: Rachel's ~~phone~~

#3 - 41/7 43.22999°N 4.92524°W
GPS'd, Photo = Rachel's phone

#4 - 42/7 43.22934°N 4.92670°W → marked by OUC with red paint
GPS'd, Photo = Rachel's phone

#5 - 22/7 43.22927°N 4.92653°W → ^{OUC} no paint markings found
GPS'd, Photos = Rachel + Adam's phones → Becks entered
Small open rift/shaft. Becks descended on rope rigged on naturals.
Snow plug approx. 15m down blocks the whole of the shaft.
Part way down it looked like there might be a way on but it
does not go. Assume the snow plug is just lower than during
the original exploration in 1987.

#6 - 43/7 43.22955°N 4.92643°W → ^{OUC} faded red paint marking
GPS'd Photos = Laura + Rachel's phones → Will entered
Will descended on rope rigged on naturals (but it is actually a
~5m free climb) to a choked pit with no way on or draught.

#7 - 46/7 43.22993°N, 4.92654°W → no OUC paint markings found
GPS'd Photos = Laura, Rachel + Walmsley's ~~photo~~ ^{phones} → Rachel entered
Rachel descended on rope rigged on a natural ~15m to snow plug
that slopes down out of daylight. Looks like there could be

cave passage off to the right but it is blocked with snow. On the left there is a small hole ~~filled~~ with loose rocks that Rachel went up through to a $\sim 4 \times 4$ m chamber with multiple little ways on that all either go to small tight ^{ascending} rifts or are filled with boulders $\Rightarrow$ no way on. No obvious draught.

#8 44/7 43.22976°N 4.92661°W $\rightarrow$ no oucc paint markings found
GPS'd Photo = Laura's phone ~~The~~ Walmsleys looked down
Walmsleys looked down with a light but there was no obvious way on. Suspect it goes into the chamber in 46/7.

#9 45/7 43.23003°N 4.92686°W $\rightarrow$ no oucc paint markings found
GPS'd Photo = Laura's phone $\rightarrow$ Rachel entered
Rachel climbed down with a handline. Rift with snow plug in the bottom. No way on.

#10 51/7 43.22983°N 4.92476°W $\rightarrow$ no oucc paint markings
GPS'd Photos = Laura + Rachel's phones $\rightarrow$ Walmsleys entered
Walmsleys descended on a hand bolted spit backed up from a natural, ~ 22 m pitch ~~is a~~ blind ~~pit~~ pit with no way on.
2 fire salamanders found at bottom.

Shufibashing in Area 10

Graham, Peter, Rocky

- #1: 26/10 Identified in expected place. Used by shepherd as shelter.
- #2: 33/10 Not found. The description of the cave cannot be identified at the place.
- #3: 15/10 Not found. The description suggests the cave is right above the forest altitude, where-as the location on GPX is much higher. May worth a check at the forest altitude.

Sun 3rd June 24 - Digging in TR2.

SANDY + JULIA

Dug the moon-milch / calcite mud / cottage cheese until exhausted. Unfortunately solid rock was encountered underneath which was not possible to remove with the hammer + bar. The resulting squeeze was too tight for either of us. Tried quite hard feet first but too tight. Continued to dig as much moon-milch as possible from the rear side of the squeeze. View through is of narrow rift, looks constricted. Squeeze could be copped, beyond look big enough to turn around, but not v. exciting. It does draft, but not very strongly.

30 June 2024 53/5

Cullen & Stephen Macdonald.

~~Yellow~~ Trip to retrieve firing pin successful.
Rift widened to Cullen size, but needs
more work to make it friendly.

1st July Prospecting / Bashing Area D.
Fleur, Tulio, Paulina

- #1 Animal shelter at abandoned areas 8, 9 & D
- horizontal entrance, walk then steep. Very muddy.
- gets smaller at rear (~6m in) and would
require getting filthy.
- No draught ☉

43.23473 N 4.93427 W

- #2 Small chamber about 2m high, 3m x 5m. No clayen
Near Torca del Vaseo ☉

43.2336 ~~94~~ 34 N 4.9474667 W

- #3 8m shaft.

Hole in bare & broad and complex shalehole.

3' 2 x 5m at base with patch of snow.

Aven to left, bowl where water goes, no right

There is a climb up (not done), but no draught
and no echo

43.23387 N 4.94544 W ☉

- #4 20m long cave

Enter descending hole; goes left + right.

Rift on right hand side too tight. Other way too

tight, No draught,
43.23363 N

⊗
4.94459 W

#5 ~~12m long cave~~
Fly cave

Only a couple of metres long and full of flies
43.23291 N

4.94164 W

⊗

#6 Paula's Wolf Hole

12m long horizontal cave. 4m then 2 bend,

4m to a chamber, then exit (not passable).

Contains lots of bones and animal droppings

43.23449 N

4.93885 W.

⊗

Coordinates for D3

43.23945 N

4.94051 W

LEFT AT 2/7 CAMP ON 1/7/24 (BECKA, MARK)

1 large daren drum for water

3 tent meals

9 instant oat sachets

2 gas canisters + 2 stoves + 5 lighters

1 camp first aid

2 sets 2/7 descriptions + surveys

4 x Kammat, thermarests, jackets + sleeping bags

4 x cup, bowl + spoons

2 cooking pots

10 ziplock bags

~ 0.5 chicken n mushroom ~~thel~~ + ~ 0.5 mac + cheese ~~thel~~

10 instant coffee sachets

100g porridge oats

3 sachets sugar

1 human toilet

3 liquid paper / nail varnish

2 pencils + 1 notebook

2 portage bags + 1 big blue tacklebox

5 non-stainless thru-bolts

1 drill bit

2 screwgate traps

4 mailon

7 hangers

3m webbing, black

1 poo bag + 1 hand sanitizer + 2 toilet rolls + 1 daren drum

Also left at top of Sandy's pit:-

1 drill + 2 bits + 1 drybag + 1 hammer + 1 full battery + ^{big blue} tacklebox

CAMP NEEDS - rope + one balwore

- poo bags

- spare kammat or two

- survey kit

7/7/24

53/5 LAURA'S RIFT

SANDY, RACHEL + PETE

SANDY CAPPED AT THE FAR END WHILE PETE + RACHEL HAMMERED THE PREVIOUS CONSTRUCTION. DRAUGHT EVIDENT OUTWARD. ROCK VERY DIFFICULT TO CAP, SOME PROGRESS MADE WITH HAMMER AND BAR ALONE. EVENTUALLY RACHEL SQUEEZED IN WITH SOME DIFFICULTY. ABOUT 5M PROGRESS FORWARD IN V. TIGHT STREAM (TINY) PASSAGE BEFORE BEING STOPPED BY FLAKE STUCK IN PASSAGE. NO ROOM TO SWING HAMMER OR CAP AT FRONT AND CAPPING UP TO THE FURTHEST POINT REACHED BY RACHEL WAS DEEMED TO BE IMPRACTICAL. DIGGING GEAR WAS REMOVED FROM THE CAVE.

27/9 PORTAGE - Laura & Toby

MON 01 JUN 2024

Laura & Toby carried camera gear for Bartek & Phil to the end of the Aris Reality. Laura managed to lose her chest tape & had to prussick out without (NB. maille + knob + long car tail wake!).

Mon 1/7 - Wed 2/7 24

Bartek + Phil to 27/9 camp, arrived Monday about 2.30pm. Checked out sump (photos) + camp photos. Waited for Owen/Bex, to go to BTTRR check for photos as needed. But they arrived at about 6pm so baxter/mex/bed

2/7 All to BTTRR to take photos, and some at start of downstream. Owen/Bex left for surface at noon. Bartek/Phil photographed as far as just beyond Tic Tac, then surveyed from Savage Inlet → BTTRR. Back at 6.30pm.

Steve + Allen arrived in BTTRR at 5pm + went to survey Savage/8 at 4.40pm. 3/7 Phil got food poisoning overnight, vomit/severe stomach pain. No one slept until Phil did at 6.30am. Great team effort helping Phil out, plus stripping 8/de dangling ropes to Silencia. All out 11pm, having started at 3pm. Could have been worse! Ughh in

27/9 2 July Aileen + Stephen

BRinging IN:

Food

~~1x beef Stroganoff~~

1x instant powder

2x soup noodles packets

8x small porridge packets

1x small gas canister

150g hot chocolate

1x chicken + pasta meal

Rigging

5x stainless ladders

5x stainless railings

5x stainless man bolts

30m rope

3x webbing

~~Left camp @~~ Aileen + Steve Hunt entered 27/9 @ 11:15am, arrived at camp at 14:15. Had some mac + cheese for lunch, dropped off camping gear and headed to buy the meat, have the axle, purchased ^{up} and met Phil & ~~Barrett~~ ~~Barrett~~ Barker in the big breakdown chamber before cones or Mark's junction. We headed on to Savage Journey; while they headed back to camp. Steve + I dekked our 8AT kits and entered Savage Journey, looking for Chris' last survey station. We found this just before the constricted section of the rift, and then spent a lot of time climbing up/down different rift levels to determine the best way on. High level does ~~not~~ open up, despite initial appearances. We picked up the survey straight on in the rift from Chris' last station number 7 (we restarted at 1). 8 miserable ^{→ mangled with white survey gear.} survey stations later we called it a day (20:15). I had gotten stuck twice and ripped my belt to such an extent that I had to cut myself out of it back at camp. Strongly recommend only small people pick this up next year, or someone brings a bump hammer to remove the rock on the narrow route through.

PROSPECTING IN AREA 10

TUE 02 JUN 2024

GRAHAM & PETER WITH DRONE

LAURA + PETE WALKING

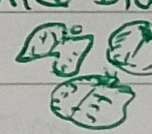
Laura & Pete walked down the centre of area 10, ^{to ~1100m} and prospected either side. Both recorded a GPS track on OSMap. The terrain was hard going (trees, gorse, vegetation, ^{& steep rock}) & prospecting was not very efficient. Binoculars may be useful for a future trip as it was difficult to distinguish between holes/entrances in the rock & dark coloured rock. ~~Located~~ Found waypoint 2/A-Hole cave but did not attempt the climb up to enter. The GPS co-ords were ~40m off but it matched the description. 2 entrances logged for completeness but neither goes.

#1 43.23668°N, 4.90848°W

Hole in the rock face that goes back ~3m before it closes down with no way on. Mini 2m through trip out through 2nd hole on the left. Area appears to be used by animals as lots of droppings outside. Laura & Pete took photos.

#2 43.23675°N, 4.91067°W

Very small alcove in rock face that does not continue. Recorded as looks bigger from the opposite side + is an obvious hole with another smaller hole on the right. Pete took a photo.

Pete's additional notes: Dugger all caves - but 3 very nice blue butterflies  BLUE!

Flew drone from 43.23526°N 4.90950°W. Took 4 videos still have drone  Used 3 batteries GPS not very accurate until airborne. Recommended flying straight up ~100m until GPS lock before flying so that 'home' is good. ~~Did~~ Looked at South wall of Extremes. Nothing obvious.

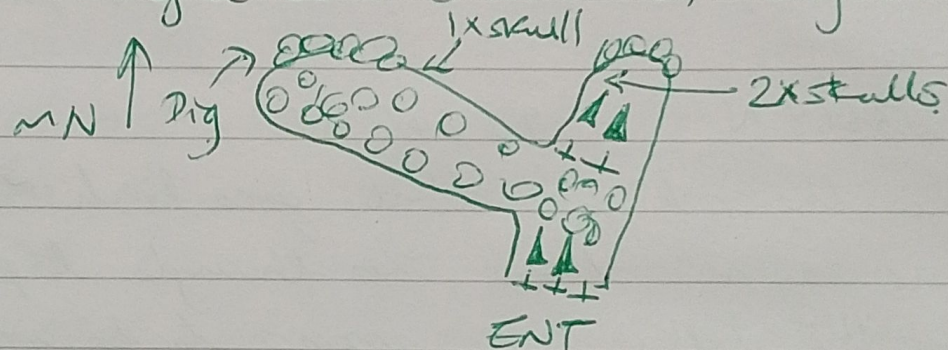
→ See 3/7/24 Laura/Peter/Julia/Becka trip to same area for updates on this.

2/7/24 Becka + Julia - prospect area P + surrounding

We carried rope for Fleur + Pauline's trip to P2 + P3 then continued prospecting finding a number of interesting holes Becka's phone has photos of all of these entrances + our gpx track

① SARDINE TIN CAVE 30T 342333 4788670 Elev 1519

2m x 2m entrance at the base of a 3m outcrop leads to a 4m slope to a chamber. This goes ~15m horizontally left to a dig. At the base of the slope is a tight crawl down. There was no strong draught but 3 skulls, maybe rebeccas + a rusty sardine tin.



② SMALL SHAFT 30T 342471 4788877

Sounds blind, maybe 5m deep

③ LITTLE + LARGE POT 30T 342449 4788885

8m x 4m entrance to shaft that is 10-15m deep. It sounded blind but is underscended. There is also a 1 x 1.5m shaft right next to the main shaft that also sounded blind + ~8m deep

④ BOWL CAVE 30T 341717 4788754 Elev 1638m

Climb 3m down a rft then 5m along to a choked chamber. Entrance in a small shakehole, entrance 3m high x 1m wide

⑤ BUMP TOP HOLE 30T 342196 4788725 Elev 1814m

Entrance crawl goes 2m to lip of an underscended ~5m deep pit. There may be a draught. Should definitely be checked.

+ ⑥ +
① + ④ are finished; ② + ③ were descended + finished on 3/7/24
⑤ turned out to be P13 (top found)

⑥ CHOKED CAVE BOT 342400 4788704 Elev 1502m
Easy 5m free climb down to a choke. No draught.

02/07/2024 Tross La Haypala, Will, Mark, Rachel + Sandy

Will and Sandy descended to Urination Station. ~~(+ hang above this pt)~~ single hang for this pitch altered to Y-hang by Sandy.

Sandy continued below Urination Station, bolting ~55m pitch to erect 200m rope and convenient ledge. Will descended with additional ~170m of rope and continued to floor of shaft. Whistles blown to signify Will and Sandy at bottom of shaft. Mark + Rachel descended having surveyed from entrance to ~~snow plug~~ ~120m. urination station.

Base of shaft is level floor of small rocks with pool in one corner. On one side there is a small ditch down into rift passage. Rift followed for ~20m to head of pitch, rocks dropping for some distance.

Will and Sandy headed out while Mark and Rachel completed survey of bottom section of shaft - snow plug to floor.

Equipment in Tross La Haypala

~100m of rope in blue AV tackle bag

1x Drill

1x bolting hammer

2x Drill bits

10x hangers, nails and through bolts

1x Drill battery

Sling, tape and cord.

Proposed name for new rift "Try a little Harder".

→ on 3/7/24)

2 July 2024

D2 and D3

Freer, Paulina

Plan A was to descend the lower shaft D2. Very grateful to Chris, Becca & Julia for carrying rope, rigging gear etc.

Went down north end of shaft where narrower. Natural, climb down to bouldery platform where old spit (just the cre) was present. Put a Y-hang, then down slightly to rebelay for free hang for 10-15 m. Then slightly left to avoid rub. Hard to find rock good enough to rebelay but did so. Down again, but more rub and the rock so soft and/or fractured and/or stuck to the wall with mud. In the end gave up. It needs either serious swinging about or starting again somewhere else.

Send Paulina down for second opinion, then derigged. Key observations: - The bridge mentioned in the shaft bashing guide is not a bridge. There are two shafts ~~attached~~ adjacent - see sketch. :- The northern shaft still contains snow about 60m down. But there is a clear slot / gap between snow and rock.

This site should be re-investigated.

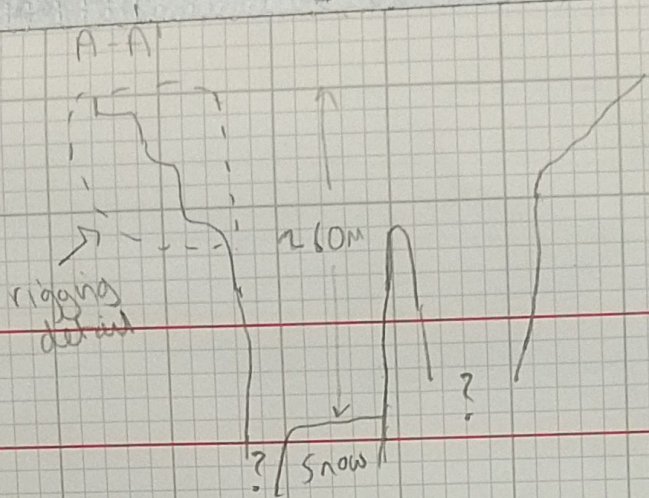
Next looked at D3

The 4m tricky entrance climb benefits from a rope.
At the base there is a hole into the pitch. Contrary to
guide there were no natural for rigging, but Paulina
placed two bolts before I slotted through and placed
another in rebelay and avoid rub. Nice shaft led to
easy swing into rift passage.

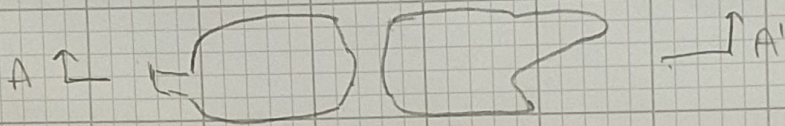
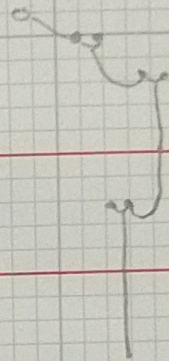
As arrived went left (facing into cave) and went
quickly to the free climable pot (hand line required).
At the base there was no rift with constriction to a pitch,
just a very ~~unpleasant~~ rift and no way on.
In retrospect, maybe climbing above pot first could
have been the way to go, but was not clear from
description.

To the right from entrance pitch soon encountered
rift back towards entrance as described. Also
pot down. Rigged from natural to swing across to
constriction. Soon reached 2nd pot which
was much deeper (~15m). Did not push to
conclusion at this side as out of time, but no
lead indicated a guide.

Note - cave draughts out at entrance.
Harder to find draught further in.

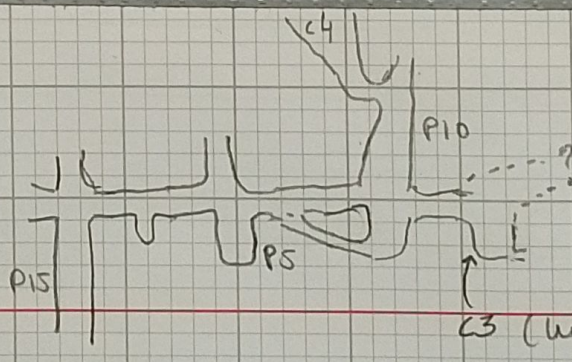


D2 is two shafts



D3

P3



could maybe drift up above C3

29/6/24 → 30/6/24 → 1/7/24 Bedra + Mark 27A

(29/6)

2 night underground camping trip. Left Underground ~11 and 2.5 hours down to camp, passing Sandy, Julia + Fleur just beyond Rio Reality + shortly after they had a snagged rope / caring / Knot pass incident on the next pitch. From camp we went down Tapeworm, up the pitch Sandy had just rigged + then admired the massive, bouldery passage of ~~BTTR~~ BTTR. We found the handline up to the pitch down to Canals on Mars + surveyed from there to the top of Sandy's pitch at the end of Tapeworm. We also checked out downstream to latter Canal as far as Savage Journey. Back to camp ¹⁹¹⁵, shortly after, Chris + Jess arrived.

(30/6)

handline up to
left camp at 9 + rigged the Canals on Mars with new rope then took this old OUC rope + put a bolt in for a handline to the start of the downstream passage. Mark then rigged a traverse line to protect the left wall traverse past Alien Changes + another short traverse line at latter Canal, again on the left, to gain the junction at A Savage Journey. We put a short handline to protect the climb around Berdicks of Mayfair, another possibly at Driggly Spearhead and another by a small cascade which, laughably, we thought was Niagra Falls. Shortly after we reached the real Niagra Falls. By now we had ~~used~~ re-used all of the old OUC rope on handlines + had just one new rope left. Mark set off down Niagra Falls replacing the old rope but re-using the original hangers + marlons. The ancient slings were replaced. The original explorer had done the final few metres drop in the Fall

spray of the intimidatingly loud Niagara Falls but
Monk put in a Y-hang for a dry drop on the right
wall (as ~~by~~ then we were forced to use the old OUC
rope). We continued to the junction of Hohenstein then
+ found the OUC rope still in situ - rigged off a
ding on a large natural with ~15m rope. We also
briefly looked further downstream intending checking
the chamber "Fear + hoisting in las Brujas" but it soon
looked like we would get wet feet so, having stayed
dry so far, we turned round + returned to camp
at 19.10. A very fine day of caving in spectacular ^{streaming} ~~streaming~~
(1/7)

Left at 9.30 + took the 2 fragments of new rope we
had ^{left} to the pitch down to Canabon Mars. We put in a
Y-hang and a deviation which would probably be
sufficient to rig ^{down} to the canal but we didn't have
enough rope to get to the water. We were back at
camp at noon, had lunch + packed + left 12.45.
We met Steve + Bartek with 2 bags a piece at
the junction chamber + then surprisingly easily
managed to pass Owen + Beckas halfway through
Dro Realibey before exiting the cave at 17.15.
~~Not a bad day at all~~

* Monk did all the rigging except the first bolt for the first
handline which was the only place Beeka wasn't warned
about dropping the drill.

29/6/24 → 30/6/24 → 1/7/24

CHRIS & JESS

27/9

29th

DEPARTED CAMP AT 12:30 AND ARRIVED AT ENTRANCE IN JUST UNDER AN HOUR. KITTED UP, REALISED AN SRT KIT HAD BEEN LEFT BEHIND. CSC DEKITTED AND RAN BACK TO CAMP FOR IT. ENTERED CAVE AT 3PM AND IMMEDIATELY ENCOUNTERED FLEUR, JULIA & SANDY WHO WE PASSED ON THE ENTRANCE PITCHES. AFTER A STEADY DESCENT WE ARRIVED AT CAMP AROUND 7:30. DINNER OF HUEL MAC 'N' CHEESE THEN BED.

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May 30th

SET OFF FROM CAMP AT 9AM AND HEADED UPSTREAM TO SUMP. PROCEEDED DOWNSTREAM SKETCHING DETAIL CUTO ECC 2000 SURVEY. NOTED SEVERAL UNSURVEYED INLET RIFTS. THE FIRST, JUST UPSTREAM OF CAMP, GOES ~15M TO A SMALL SUMP. THE SECOND WAS EXPLORED UP A SERIES OF CLIMBABLE CASCADES AND WAS ONGOING. THE THIRD PRESENTED AS A WATERFALL BY A HUGE BOULDER ON A CORNER OF THE STREAMWAY. THE PASSAGE WHICH FEEDS THIS COULD BE ACCESSED BY A CLIMB UP ~20M UPSTREAM THEN TRAVERSING AT HIGH LEVEL. THIS WAS FOLLOWED TO A CONSTRUCTION AFTER ~20M WHICH COULD BE PUSHED. ONCE OUR SKETCH JOINED UP WITH FLEUR'S FROM THE PREVIOUS DAY, WE HEADED DOWNSTREAM TO 'BUY THE TICKET, TAKE THE RIDE' VIA THE PITCH SANDY HAD BOLTED THE DAY BEFORE. AFTER A QUICK LOOK AT THE CANALS ON MARS PITCH-HEAD, WE HEADED DOWNSTREAM THROUGH CATHETER CANAL, TO A SAVAGE JOURNEY TO THE HEART OF THE AMERICAN DREAM. WE LOCATED A SURVEY STATION ON THE JUNCTION, AND AFTER AN INITIAL EXPLORATION AT STREAM LEVEL ROUND THE DESCRIBED ROUTE AFTER A CLIMB UP. A SURVEY WAS STARTED BUT QUICKLY BECAME TOO TIGHT AND RIFTY FOR THE GROUP. WE TOOK A QUICK LOOK DOWNSTREAM TO THE ROYAL MINT BEFORE HEADING BACK TO CAMP. CHIK'N & MUSHROOM HUEL BETTER THAN MAC 'N' CHEESE. GREEN SOUP DOUBIOUS.

DEPARTED 10AM. UNEVENTFUL JOURNEY OUT. PASSED BARTER, PHIL, FORDHAM & RICH

"FROM THE ARCHIVES"

TRAS LA JAYADA.

Expedition logbook 1985 Arid p. 18 -
Dave R, Phil R, Fred

"A FLAT FLOORED MATT BLACK MOSTLY INVISIBLE CATHEDRAL CHILLED
BY THE SNOW WATER ENDING ITS HISSING IN A DEEP CLEAR POOL.
THE SIE'S LITTLE CONTINUATION WAS NOTICED, AND LIKE THE
SHAFT FLOORED BY DENSE, IMPENETRABLE CHOKÉ."

Laura, Becca, Peter & Julia

#1

'2 EYES'

Descended: Peter

(FINISHED)

Photos: Laura & Becca ^{2024-1442m}

43.23570°N, 4.93886°W

[30T 342569 4782817 Becca]

~3m diameter entrance hole widens to ~6m diameter shaft. There is a smaller hole next to it that goes to the same shaft and some a small amount of water enters via this hole. Peter descended a ~13m pitch on a rope rigged on natural lands on a gentle rock slope with some mud + a small patch of snow. There is a small ledge ~10m down. There are v. small calcite formations at the bottom. It is choked at the bottom in all directions. There is a small chamber/alcove ~~at~~ ~5m down the pitch that goes ~4m back.

#2

'SMALL SHAFT'

Descended: Laura

(FINISHED)

Photos: Laura & Becca

43.23632°N, 4.94005°W

→ Becca's also gps'd on TUE

Rift - Descended in the widest part (~1.5m wide) off of natural. Approx 8m deep lands or rubble floor. The rift is too tight at one end & closes down at the other end. There is no draught. There is no way on without digging out the floor. There is a small side passage ~4m up from the base that was not entered but looks to close down.

#3

'LARGE' of 'LITTLE & LARGE'

Descended: Peter

Photos: Laura & Becca

43.23629°N, 4.94055°W

(FINISHED)

Approx 4x6m hole (=LARGE) is next to a smaller hole (=LITTLE). Peter descended ~12m pitch in LARGE rigged on natural lands on a flatish solid rubble floor. There is a tiny window ~1m up that is too tight. At the bottom there is no way on & no draught. ~7m up there is a small body-sized hole that probably goes into LITTLE.

#4

EYRIE CAVE

Descended: Becker (P. Laura), Photos: Laura

beds

43.23676°N, 4.93960°W

[BOT 342495 4722912 @ 482m]

Hole in rock face with small alcove on right. Entrance draughts. Trade entrance is ~3m climb down then passage slopes down to a ~5m handline climb/pitch with large crabs. There are possible ways off part way down the climb/pitch. At the bottom is a ~4m long small chamber. ~1.3m above floor level is a 40cm x 40cm hole (draughts out distinctly) that goes into a parallel rift. On right wall is a ~30cm diameter hole that is a possible way on but is currently too tight. The rift continues as a narrow thutch for ~3m to a short undescended pitch.

ADVICE RETURN WITH lump hammer, bolting gear + 2x 15m ropes for handline + pitch

(STILL GOING) - DRAUGHTING OUT + PITCH TO DROP

#5

Descended: Photos: Laura

(FINISHED)

43.23553°N, 4.94027°W

Smallish animal shelter with a boulder floor + a tiny hole on the right. No way on or draught.

#6

Undescended Photo: Laura

~~DESCENDED~~

43.23740°N, 4.93728°W

Slot ~1m x 25cm. Can see back ~1.5m. Inaccessible + no draught.

#7

Descended: Peter

Photo: Laura

(FINISHED)

43.23723°N, 4.93500°W

Small rift that closes down with no obvious way on or draught. Skylight + holes in from side. Located in rock breakdown area.

cave + location Laura = photo

#8 PROBABLY 2/8 → no physical marking but description matches
43.23742°N 4.93498°W
Large rift ~15m long, ~10m deep. Can see what looks like a
boulder floor. Undersanded by us today.

#9 3/8 → Marked with green paint (faded) as "OUCC, 1981 3/8 X"
+ matches description.
Desanded: Peter Photo = Laura
Small amount of snow at bottom. No draught.

#10
43.23664°N, 4.93344°W Not entered, Photo: Laura
Small hole in rocks at side of path. Too small to enter but
draughts out (cold).

#11 43.23666°N, 4.93348°W Not entered, Photo: Laura
Just above #10. Squeeze down through boulders. Draughts
out strongly. Found 1 throughbolt in wall so it must have
been visited previously but not in shaft bashing guide.

Laura + Becha recorded GPS track for prospecting (#5 onwards).
+ Becha has photos of many of the cave entrances.

#12 30T 342900 4788923 Elev 1372m
4/8 Labelled "4/8 ten Ø ten OUCC 81"
Obvious 2m high x 1m wide slot at base of large stakehole

#13 30T 343010 4788915 Elev 1392m
Holes at base of small steep shalehole with clear draught out
* THRU BOLT ABOVE HOLES IN Boulders - could drop down *

03/07/2024 Trax La Haycock, Rachel, Chris, Toby and Will

Toby and Will bolted pitch at end of Try a little Harder rft. Traverse followed by ~30m deviated pitch to ledge with shaft continuing. Bolting continued down shaft via Y-hangs.

Rachel and Chris surveyed Try a little Harder rft and pitch + shaft. Parallel shaft noticed adjacent to ~30m deviated pitch.

Chris descended new pitch and managed to reach the bottom of the new pitch. Rft continuing onwards with further climb down. Further ~30m of rope required to safely reach bottom and continue. Survey suggests ~8m height difference between new shaft and Holier Than Thou. Suggested name for new pitches "Like and Subscribe".

4/7/24 27/9. Becha, Mark, Adam, Sandy

"Derig" - removing camp equipment. 1h15 to get to the end of And Reaching. Sandy hauled up the 2 bags on the pitch + we had 4 bags (2 transporters, each with 2 pbs, a bag with 2x poo daren drums, another backload plus bag of S&T gear + a half full bag). Shuttled bags through the rft + Mark retrieved haura's det harness + Becha's Duo went from the bottom of the pitch below the start of And Reaching. Padded out, everyone back in the tenting hot of the full sun in 4 hours. Haura beautifully timed her walk up to help us carry down + we removed all of the reflective tent poles on the way home.

27/9 3 JULY : "INCIDENT AT CAMP"

Written by
C. Green

Aileen, Steve Muir, Barker & Phil went to sleep @ camp @ 11pm. Barker woke Steve and I up at 03:30, as he had woken up to Phil's pained groans. Phil was hunched over on hands and knees and reported that he had intense ~~acute~~ ~~acute~~ nausea and very severe lower abdominal pains, to the point where it hurt him to touch his stomach. He reported that he did not have a headache, leg cramps, double vision or any allergies. Examination showed that he did not have a temperature, nor was he obviously bleeding or leaking fluid from his ears. At 03:45, Phil began ~~to~~ vomiting, he finished @ 03:55. He reported that he felt cold, ~~so~~ so we covered him with a second sleeping bag. He declined fluids and codeine, as he did not think he could keep them down. We continued monitoring his symptoms, he vomited twice more, once @ 04:45, once @ 05:45. His vomit did not have blood in it. At 06:15, he ~~fast~~ fell asleep. We continued to monitor his airways (he was sleeping on his side) and his temperature. At 06:45, we concluded that we could also go to sleep. I lay down next to Phil, so he would wake me up when he moved. He woke up @ 10:15 and reported that the worst of the nausea had past and accepted dionayte. He drank this @ 10:30. At 11:00 he drank hot chocolate. Given that he had successfully kept this down, at 12:00 he ate a bowl of porridge. At 13:00 we concluded that the vomiting had passed, ~~et~~ as the porridge had stayed down. Phil decided that he felt well enough to head out of the cave, on option he

2719 3 JULY: "INCIDENT AT CAMP".

Prepared to resting up another day at camp, given that the available food at camp was out of date & unappealing to him with a sore stomach.

We ~~did~~ decided to pack up camp and take all relevant gear out. Barker retrieved the drill and battery from buy the truck, take the ride, while Steve and I packed up camp. We started heading out of the cave at 15:00, Barker and I took the camp

bags, plus our personal bags with additional camp/come gear packed into them. Steve took the drill and battery equipment. We planned to pull all camping and battery equipment up to the Auro Reality, in case

Phil needed to stop on the way out of the cave.

Barker, Phil and I arrived at the Auro Reality @ 18:15.

Phil said he felt ok to continue out of the cave, so we clipped the camping gear into the bottom of the Sound of Silence. ~~Barker~~ At this point Steve

was two pitches behind as he was detangling the wet pitches. Barker and I ported our four remaining

bags through the Auro Reality, Steve caught up with us at the Pearl Point, while Barker was

putting his harness on, we started ascending the Singing Postcard @ 20:15. Phil's ~~food~~ energy

levels faded 3 pitches from the entrance. I took his bag from him ~~so~~ and at this point we had all exited the cave by 22:45.

Note: Barker also felt ill in the cave, but to a much less severe level. He felt mildly queasy with, I quote "smelly farts".

Postscript: Steve left his second bag at the ~~top~~ bottom of the Auro Reality. We also deposited some gear from our bags into one bag left there, to make room for our SRT kits.

2419 3 JULY: "INCIDENT AT CAMP" ALTERNATIVE PLANS

At Circa 5AM we ~~decided~~ decided that we would give phil until MIDDAY Before we sent ppl out for additional medical supplies and to inform surface of the issue. We decided to request two additional people to come into the cave with supplies, ~~extra~~ additional dehydration satchels and any ~~as~~ pertinent nausea / stomach cramping medication. We obviously did NOT need to put this plan into motion.

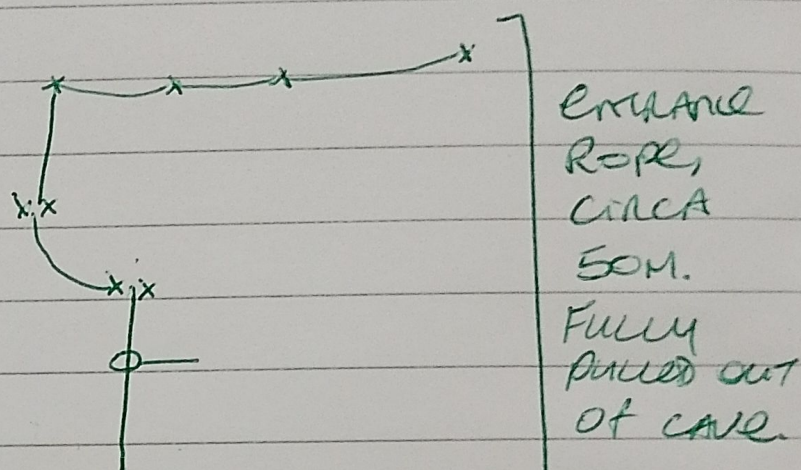
TLJ DERIG.

NOTES: ALL KNOTS LEFT
IN.
ALL HANGERS LEFT
IN.
ALL DEVIATION CORDS
LEFT IN.

ENTRANCE ROPE WAS DERIGGED AND PULLED OUT OF TLJ.
CIRCA 50M OF ROPE, ~~WILL GET~~ COVERS.

FIRST BOLT TO BOTTOM OF DAYLIGHT PITCH WITH
DEVIATION.

ROUGH ESTIMATE:



LEFT CLIPPED TO THE FIRST BOLT AT THE TOP OF THE
LEDGE IN DAYLIGHT:

CIRCA 100M OF ROPE IN A BAG.

NOTE: THE ROPE WAS CUT AT THE BOTTOM OF THE DAYLIGHT
PITCH. IT WILL BE TIGHT TO REACH THE FIRST BOLT
AT THE LEDGE IN DAYLIGHT / TIE IN TO THE IN STAY
ROPE.

LEFT CLIPPED TO THE BOLT AT THE TOP OF THE SLOPE
BELOW THE SNOW PLUG:

CIRCA 120M OF ROPE IN A BAG.

NOTE: THIS ROPE WAS CUT BETWEEN THE BOLTS ON
THE URINATION STATION. 5M OF ROPE WILL NEED
TO BE BROUGHT NEXT YEAR TO TIE THIS ROPE
INTO THE NEXT ROPE.

LEFT CLIPPED TO THE BOLT AT THE ~~TOP~~ URINATION STATION
LEDGE:

CIRCA 100M OF ROPE IN A BAG. (NOTE: THIS IS 2 ~~4~~ ROPES,
THE BOTTOM PITCH ROPE HAS BEEN LEFT TIED IN)

LEFT AT CAMP AT 27/9
INVENTORY 3 JULY 2023

WRITTEN BY
Aileen Brown

Food + Drink + CAMPING

- 7 apple + blueberry porridges
- 4 golden syrup porridges
- 2 CUSTARD POWDER SATCHETS
- 1 ~~CHICKEN~~ + MUSHROOM HUEL DEHYDRATED MEAL.
- 2 SUGAR SATCHETS
- SOME SATCHETS OF COFFEE.
- 1 NEARLY EMPTY 240^{ml} GAS CANISTER
- 1 1/3 full 930ML GAS CANISTER
- 1 UNOPENED GAS CANISTER (NOT MEASURED BUT I THINK 900ml).
- 3 VERY FULL LIGHTERS
- 1 2-3 PERSON BATHY SHELTER
- 4 BOWLS
- 4 MUGS
- 4 SPOONS, KNIVES,
- 1 FORK
- 1 WASH SPONGE.

RIGGING / EXPLORATION GEAR

- 1 TENT (HUNG UP BUT LEFT IN SITU)
- 4 KARRIMATS
- 2 cave descriptions
- 2 SURVEYS
- 5m WEBBING x 1
- 2m WEBBING x 1
- 8mm DRILL BIT x 1
- 17 MAILLONS
- 15 STAINLESS THUMB BOLTS
- 15 HANGERS (NOT SURE IF ALL ARE STAINLESS)
- 1 RAUMER BOLTING HAMMER

RETURNED TO UK

- 4 sleeping bags
 - 4 mats
 - 4 jackets
- } in 2x dry bags

- 9 petzl classiques
- 3 petzl portage
- Ano drill
- Pete's drill
- Mark's drill
- 10 dry bags
- Fleuri Pete drill charger
- Ano drill charger
- Drill batteries - 4x ano

4x chris

1x pete

2x mark

32

~~13~~ snapgates

13 screwgates

1 YUCPC bothy

Ano disko

JAG system

2 YUCPC drivers

2 YUCPC screwgates

Surface first aid

Underground camp F.A

Small F.A

Penthrox

Large alpit pan lid

2 foam drill protectors

4 drill battery protectors

Large stove

2 stoves - gas separate line

2 pocket rocket stoves

• 2 brew kit pans

• 1 spare large pan lid

• 2x poo claren drums

• Chris drill (blue dry bag)

XITU CONTINUED

2x matches

3x washing up sponges

individual drinks sachets - coffee, hot choc, sugar, creamer

3x goggles (capping)

2x used earplugs

~ 300 yellow/green caps

10L collapsible water container

2.5 kamignats

200ml engine oil

30 AA batteries

12 tealight candles

3x lighters

3 empty daren drums + 1x smaller drum

9x daren drums w/ kit in

2x ACP signs (for on fence)

6x toilet rolls

1x sanitary towels

bag bin bags & click seal bags

ALREADY IN XITU (not brought out)

A lot of alcohol hand gel!

Toilet roll

ARIO SUGGESTIONS FOR 2025

- Add laminated sheet to first aid kit with basic drug instructions.
- Anti-nausea tablets for 1st aid kit? Or check if paracetamol / codeine works for this purpose?
- Check camp sleeping mats for leaks → at least 1 x black mat leaked this year.
- Lunch?
- Be explicit if you want dinner on day of arrival or not
- Dinner list (similar to breakfast list)
- Distinguish between travel ~~time~~ dates + @ refugee dates on spreadsheet
- Bring up new tarp - old vintage one binned
- Bring stronger caps & ear defenders
- Roasting guides for 27/9 + 1LJ

XTU CONTINUED

- 10 x webbing (~25m)
- 3 x plastic cups
- Gear tent outer poles & pegs (servicable)
- 310 stainless throughbolts
- 62 non-stainless throughbolts
- 3 x 500g bags TVP
- 1 x olive oil
- 340g unopened skimmed milk powder
- 1/4 full large fairy liquid (250ml)
- 2 x 375g hot choc
- Strawberry & mango teabags
- Decaf teabags
- ~200 teabags
- Isotonic drink packet
- Small mixed herbs
- Peppercorns

XITU CONTINUED

- 4x 1pex / nail varnish
- 3x pencil sharpeners
- Many lollipop sticks
- 24 windy pencils
- Many tiny pencils
- Scissors ~1
- Knife (kitchen) ~1
- 2 xsporks
- 8mm drill bits - 17 short
 - 4 med
 - 4 long
- 1x ~~para~~ medical scissors (now in first aid drum)
- ~ 20m cord bits (~6mm)
- ~ 30m cord on reel (~6mm)
- 40cm inner tube
- Bag small cable ties - many
- 10m tat
- 10m 2mm cord, green, nylon
- 20m 2m cord, white, nylon
- 73 aluminium hangers w/o bolts
- 71 steel hangers w/o bolts
- 6 aluminium hangers w/ m8 spir bolts
- 54 flags / poles
- 1 roll duct tape
- ~2m reflective tape
- 5x rolls electrical tape
- 4x sharpies
- Two spokeey reflecters
- Conservation tape
- Swimming wire
- Blizzard bag
- Clear tent with inner

XITU · gone back in from camp

· 450 labour seats

- Food as in other list (snacks)
- Clear tent outer (in damaged dry bag)
- ~~4~~¹⁰ x tackle sacks
- 4 x bottles (3 x 4P, 1 x 2P)
- 7 large, ~~7~~ med, 2 small gas canisters
- 3 x bolting hammers
- 2 x lump hammers
- Spare first aid (as in previous list)
- ~~10~~¹¹ ropes (unknown lengths)
- 200m unused 9mm kordas
- Chris Curry tent
- 2 x hrowels
- 1 x shovel
- 2 x crowbars
- 1 x chisel
- 1 x full capping set
- 1 x firing pin
- 2 x threaded bars w/o junction boxes
- 1 x capping mat
- 2 x plastic capping rod
- 132 spir bolts (8mm)
- 112 ~~caps~~ sleeves (spirs)
- 26 spir cones
189
- ~~107~~ x maillons
- 2 x grigni
- 2 x pulley
- 1 x oval screwgate
- 11 x bubbles
- 5 x antibac hand gels
- 4 x large waterproof notebooks
- Dozen small waterproof notepads

XITU - METALWORK + ROPES ETC

SPIT + CONE

MAILLONS

THROUGH BOLTS - STAINLESS

THROUGH BOLTS - NOT STAINLESS

NUTS BOLTS

BOLTS, OTHER

HANGERS - STAINLESS

HANGERS - NOT STAINLESS

HANGERS - OTHER

SLINGS

WEBBING (TO MAKE SLINGS)

CORD

XITU - FOOD

- ① PORRIDGE SACHETS 2024 ~~X15~~ X16
- ① HUEL BULK BAGS (~700g) (VEGAN) EXP MAY 2024 X4
- ~~FEINT MEALS~~ X0
- ① CHOCOLATE BARS (EXP JAN - MAY 2025) X43
- ① NUTS + RAISINS (EXP OCT 2024) 200g X16
- DRINKS ~200 kebabags (exp 2017)
- ① CUSTARD EXP JUN 2025 ~~X11~~ ~~X9~~ X7
- ① DEHYDRATED MGAAL, INDIVIDUAL EXP NOV 2025 X1
- ① GRANOLA BARS (BOUGHT 2024, NO EXP ON PACKAGING) ~~X74~~ X82
- ① SALTED NUTS (EXP NOV 2024) 200g X9

① = IN BLUE DRUM

XITU - LIVING

- ✓ GAS CANISTERS (FULL)
- GAS CANISTERS (PARTIALLY USED)
- ✓ LIGHTERS
- ✓ TOILET ROLLS
- ✓ HAND SANITISER EXP OCT 2026, 200ml x 4
- ✓ ADHESIVE
- ✓ ~~TAPE~~ TAPE
- ✓ RUBBISH BAGS
- ✓ SANDWICH BAGS
- ✓ STOVE
- ✓ WASHING UP LIQUID

XITU - FIRST AID (extra in Daren drum)

- Tampons x 6
- Sam sprinks x 2
- TCP x 1
- Survival bag x 2
- Ice pack x 1
- Alcohol 250ml x 2
- Lighter x 1
- Pairs gloves x 6

XITU - CAVING (NOT METAL WORK)

✓ CHISEL

✓ LUMP HAMMER

✓ CROW BAR

✓ BOLTING HAMMER

✓ HAND BOLTING DRIVER (4UCPC)

✓ TROWEL

✓ CAPPING RODS + FIRING PIN x 2

✓ GOGGLES x 2

✓ EAR PROTECTION - NONE UNOFGESD

✓ PLASTIC ROD x 1

✓ CAPPING MAT x 1

✓ DRILL BITS

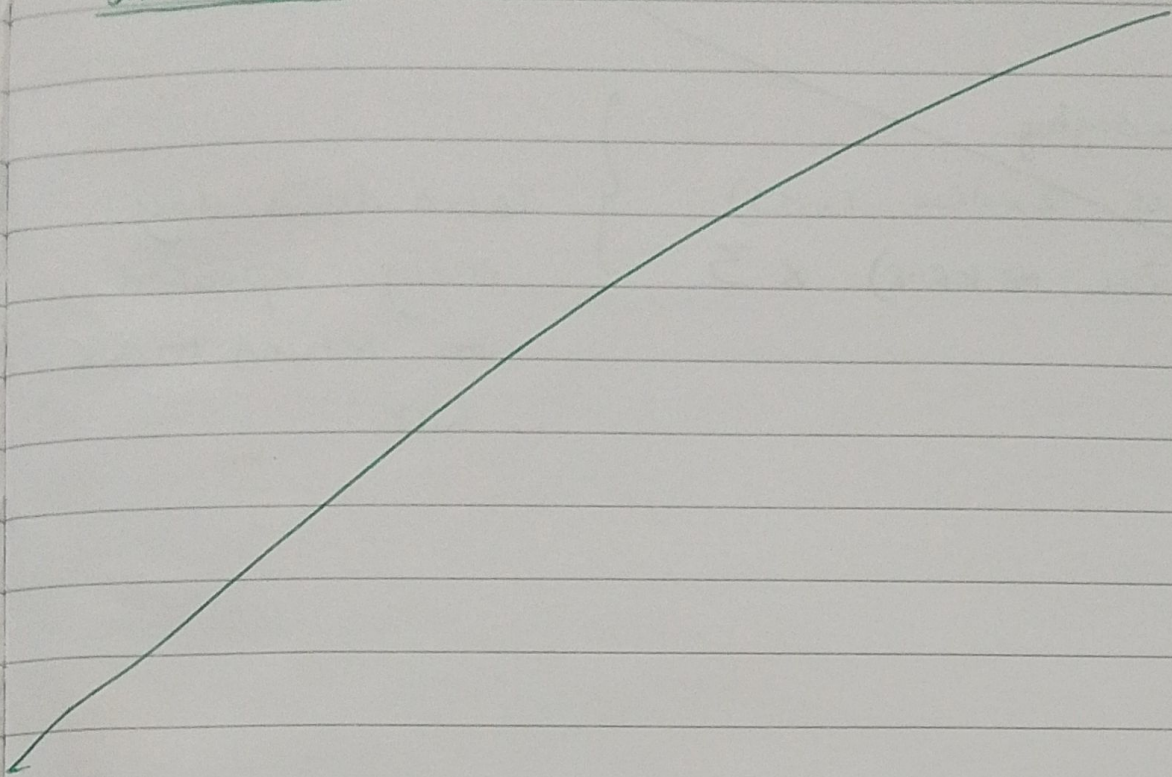
✓ TACKLE SACK

✓ DRY BAG

✓ ROPE

✓ CAPS (YELLOW/GREEN - ~~N~~ V. WEAR) x ~ 400

SANDY'S CAR - TO TAKE BACK TO THE UK



WILL + RACHEL'S CAR - TO TAKE BACK TO UK

• DRILL x 1 (CC) - in blue drybag

• DRILL BATTERIES x 5 (2 x CC, 2 x AR10, 1 x MS)

• TACKLESACK (PETZL CLASSIC 22L, NO KRAB) x 3

} Taken down day
early - repeated
on return to UK
list

Down the hill 04/07

Drills x 2

Carabineers

Dry bags

Petzl tackle bags

Rollmats

In Situ - all itemised

Rollmats

Catalogued hardware

Extra gas

04/07/24 revised

Remove non-stainless
hangers
↓

Home

Assumed not eating

de-camp
27/9

de-nig
TLJ?

Fleur

Chris

Mark

Julia

Pete

Jess

Sandy

Paulina

Bantele

Becker

Save
of

Graham

Phil

(Aileen)

Eoghan

Toby

(Steve)

Adam

Laura

Carry down

bringing rope up! → Will

~~Will~~

~~Laura~~

~~Rachel~~

~~Adam~~

~~Rachel~~

~~David~~

~~Eoghan~~

~~Becks~~

~~Ch Graham~~

04/07/24 revised again

CALLOUT

21.00

2 bags

CALLOUT 21.00.

Surface /

Walk down

TLJ (~~TLJ~~)

NO CALLOUT

~~Home~~

~~Other~~

~~27/9~~

~~Fleur~~

~~Chris~~

~~Mark~~

~~Will~~

~~Bantele~~

~~Pete~~

~~Jess~~

~~Sandy~~

~~Rachel~~

~~Julia~~

~~Becker~~

~~Toby~~

~~Paulina~~

~~Adam~~

~~Laura~~

~~Steve?~~

~~Laura?~~

~~Becks~~

~~Phil~~

Bag carry

~~Graham~~

~~Aileen~~

~~Eoghan~~

CALLOUT 21.00.

Pozo Refugio

~~Steve~~ Peter

Becks

Steve Rocker

~~Aileen~~

~~Eoghan~~

~~Adam~~

~~Peter?~~

~~Rachel~~

~~Becks~~

03/07/24

TLS

Will
Toby
Chris
Rachel

~~mm~~

27/9

Paulina ✓
Fleur ✓
Rocky ✓
STV dinner

Estremero

Graham
Pete
Mark

TBC

Sandy ✓

Area D shaft + bush

Becker ↑ entry
Laura See logbook
Peter For locations
Julia ✓
Callout after dinner

Ridge Rading

Adam ✓

~~Rocky
Adam
Peter
Julia
Laura~~
Becker

To Los Lagos : Fleur, Sandy, Julia 16:30

04/07/24

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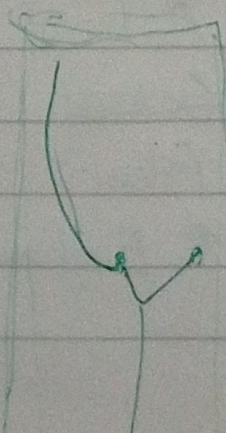
✓ Bentele
✓ Paulina
✓ Phil
✓ Julia

27/9

✓ Sandy
✓ Mark
✓ Becca
✓ Toby
✓ Chris
Adam
Laura
Rachel

Home

✓ Fleur
✓ Pete



Caring Plan

2/7/24

~~Rob~~
~~Adrian~~
~~Brian~~
~~Colin~~

27/9 CAMP

AILEEN

STEPHEN

R.T.A.

→ DINNER THURS 4TH/7

→ CALLOUT 22-00 4/7/24

AREA 10 PROSPECTING

CALLOUT DINNER

GRAHAM

LAURA

PETE T

PETER

D2/D3

JULIA

FLEUR

PAULINE

~~ROCKY~~

BECCA

CALLOUT
POST
DINNER

TLJ - POST DINNER
CALLOUT

MARIA

SANDY

WILL

RACHEL

PROSPECTING/WALK

CHRIS

POST
DINNER
CALLOUT

DOWN HILL - NO
CALLOUT!

JESS

CARRY TLJ + ~~ROCKY~~

~~ADAM~~

~~TOBY~~

CALLOUT

POST DINNER

STAYING AT CAMP

~~ROCKY~~

Men 1st July

27/9

~~Camp 1 Becker } camping one night
 Eichen } ETO driver Tues
 out @ 2 am~~

i/7/14

- EM - battery + pouch
- 5 hangers + million + thru bolts
- 20 m rope
- (2 - 25 l Bags)

Camp 2 Phil } camping 2 nights - gas
Bertek } ETV dinner Weds. - poo darren drum

~~Parten Toby } ETO done Mon
 Laura }
 Graham. }~~

53/5

Sandy } out for
Rachael } dinner
Pete }

TLJ

~~will~~
~~Außen~~
~~Wenigsten~~ } out for device

RUBBISH HOLE IN FRONT OF REFUGIO

~~53/5 Duvich 2004~~

~~Peter~~ } out for
~~Steve~~ } dinner

Area DE

~~Flux
Tulie
Pauline~~ } bed. fr
denier

Futhei
Pauterson

flaw

~~4/11/20~~

Peter

~~Bocker~~

Chemistry

Steve

In comp
Rocky

Steve

Plan (1)

Nights

	M	Tu	W
Pair 1	← Aileen + Phil →		
Pair 2	Becker Steve	Few Bartek	Spave R Chris Becker Mark

Plan (2)

	M	Tu	W
Pair 1	Aileen, Steve → for 2		
Pair 2		← Bartek, Phil, Becker → for 2 right	

Camp Plan

Mon → Becker + Elghen Mon night only.
Out Tues ✓

→ Phil + Bartek Men + Tues night
out Wed

Tues → Aileen & Steve Tues + Wed night
out Thurs

Wed → RACHEL + TOBY

The end game.

Defender leaves sat early.
Sandy mobile down sat.
Ten mobile

Camp down Friday last time.
Last walk in Sat AM.
Last walk Friday AM.

Team Ireland last walk Saturday.

Communal expd gear - eg camp flut - walked down
drill Friday.

Sleeping bags at cave on Thursday.

Campers:- Aileen, Steve, Beda, Bertek, Phil

	M	Tu	W	Th
Camp Pair 1	Aileen ← →		PA	
Camp Pair 2	Beda Bertek			

Mon + Tues

C1, C2

Mon

C3, C4

Tues

C5, FL

Weds

Chris, Marti, Becka

Thurs

Everyone downed for bags, de dangle.

30TH SUNDAY

TLJ

~~SANDY~~?
~~JULIA~~

53/5

AILEEN
STEVE
~~B. PETE~~
called dinner

27/9

(PETE'S POO PIT)

TR 2

SANDY } dig
JULIA }

Pete? (prosper & below)
called: done

SHAFT BASHUA

REST DAY

Fleur

~~TOBY~~

~~LAURA~~

~~WILL~~

~~RACHEL~~

~~BEX~~

~~ADAM~~

Area 7

CHLOE

DINNER SUN 30TH JUNE

Leaving 9:50

Area 10?

~~Graham~~

~~Rocky~~

~~Pete R~~

~~SANDY~~

Leaving 9:50

called dinner

Carmy

Eoghan

Also to Project

Martin -> Ar between Trent +
Xen (Area 7 ish)

called done

29th June

Bill's Cave (27/9)

TLT

53/5 (Rana)

Becka

~~Jess~~

~~Chris~~

Mark

out

Will

~~Graham~~

CALL OUT: DINNER
SAT 29 JUNE 2024

Rachel

Carra

CALL OUT DINNER SAT 29 JUNE 2024

Aiming for dinner on 1st.

Call out breakfast 2nd

Whatever they fancy

Adam

~~Joby~~

TRZ

TOBY

~~Pete~~

out

~~Martin~~

CALL OUT DINNER SAT 29 JUNE

Decide in morning

~~Rocky~~ out

Blackfeather

Stephen

~~Rocky~~ out

Aileen

Marta walking

call out dinner 29/06

Xitu

Eoghan ✓

Bex ✓

call out dinner 29/6

time out 21:30

8 June

2015

~~Rocky~~
~~Graham~~
~~Martin~~

~~Rachel~~
~~Becky~~
~~Mark~~
~~Will~~
~~Toby~~

Wed 10/9

Black Bottle

TLJ

TRQ

✓ Adam
✓ Laura

✓ Becky
✓ Toby
✓ Martin

✓ Pete
✓ Jess
✓ Chris
✓ GRAM

BACK FOR DINNER
CALLOUT AFTER
DINNER PLEASE

27/9 Longroy

Sandy
Julia
Renee

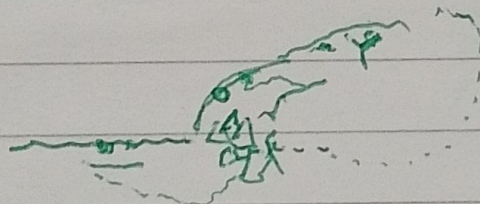
act

53/5

✓ Mark
✓ Will
✓ Rachel

#ROCKY

Due out Sat 29th for dinner (save some if we are late)
Callout Sunday 8am.



Night d;

Camping sometime

27

Julia

Sandy

Fleur

Jess

Becka

CHRIS

MARK

28

Fleur, Julia, Sandy

↑ SKETCH

↑ BEAT

↑ CLIMB

ONE NIGHT, EARLY START
CLIMBING BITTER

29

Becka, Mark

30

Cheri, Jess

Irish amuz 28th (I think)

- TL3 needs - 200m rope + thong + Krabs
 - 1 ~~and~~ drill batteries
 - 10 mallet + hammers (max)

S3/5

Pete (arrest)

~~Sandy~~

Becka

~~TL3~~

27 June

Black Feather

~~John~~
~~Paul~~

Xitu fall

~~Feuer~~

~~Julia~~

~~Jess?~~

27 June

G/9 + 35/9

Will

Tabby

Rachael

Adam

Back for dinner

Callout after dinner

Walk Top Camp area
 back for dinner time

Martin

Extramuro/
 S3/5 area
 prospecting

Becka

Mark

Chris

Back for dinner

Walk to car

~~Laura~~

Pete

26th June

~~27/9 (Bill's Cave)~~

- ① ~~Chris C ①~~
- ② ~~Adam W ②~~
- ② ~~Rachel ②~~
- ① ~~Mark ①~~

① CALLOUT: BREAKFAST
27TH JUNE

② ~~EXPECTED~~ DINNER 26TH JUNE

Prospectively

Becken?

53/5

REBOLTING + ANSHING

Pete

~~Julia ?~~

~~Laura ?~~

~~Joby~~

Fleur

Joss

CALLOUT: ~~AFTR~~ DINNER
26TH JUNE

TCT

Sandy

Mountain

Will

Becken?

CAUGHT:

DINNER

26TH JUNE

* LEFT AT 12:30

Prospectively

~~TBC~~

~~Becken~~

Fleur

Sandy

BECKA

JULIA

CALLOUT:

~~AFTR~~ DINNER

26TH JUNE