

1st June 1973. With Martin Hills and Bob Craig to Rhine Rift at 10±5 down the 100ft - soft pitches and straight back out again on jumars. Virtually first bays like this for Nidhe and Orange. 2hrs.

2nd June. 2pm. with Martin Hills & Mike Jordan to Split Rock Quarry to practice jumars etc. Then back to Shepton Mallet - we all went over to Crook Peak on up into Wansdyke Down. Looked at the small caves, Sandy, Dennis etc on the way back to the car.

16th June. am. to Great Rutland Cavern, and the Heights of Abraham with Martin Hills and Terry Alderson.

pm. Dr. Jackson's Cave at Penyfodau with Nidhe.

Evening. Rousting with the orphans near Collegate.

17th June. Joined by Chris Wood and walked the complete length of Borthill Dale



23rd June. Nidhe, Rich Jordan, Gav, Dave Gudger & Self battened Reinforce set in Eastwater a passed out. Martin Webster stayed at the top as moral support and Brian Woodward could not get through. Time underground 3 - 3½ hrs. Quite easy really.

13th July. with Spelos Holland. Hank van Dijk, Peter Stael & Henri B to first part Sump 1, Swindon Hole. 2½ hr.

14th July. Agatha van Dijk, Peter Stael, Henri B, Chris Wood and others down St. Cuthberts. 3hrs.

July 8th Down up to Rengash - met Spels Holland at Chapel View Farm
car park and then to the pub at Crossigate with the Orpheans

July 9th Joined by Chris Ward and over to Giants Hole with large party
Spels Holland and Orpheans. 3-4 hrs.

In afternoon down with Bill Dale and met by May at Ouse Washes.

July 10th Chris Ward & myself down P8 in very wet conditions 14. Chris then
met us at St. Albans - we went off to look at the River above Broadwell and then
to group to buy an accumulator.

July 11th Spels Holland reported their van coming of the 14th and Henk van Dijk and
Peter Stoel went with me down P8 where they found 2 carcase bags.

July 12th Back to Rengash and with Richard Gordon & the 2 Roger Brothers
down St. Albans Swallet. 3 hrs.

July 13th To GB via entrance collapsed with pitch, then to Sandford Hill for a
walk - onto Newberries and finally to Tyning Farm where we then walked to check
a well looking at the Taxis Testing Centre and AEC-Batts Colliery Quarry.

July 14th with large BBC party to Yorkshire and stopped at the Broadford Inn
at Brackenhurst. Early start up to Rendlesham Hole and Gordon Pit.

July 15th with Bob Craig & Bob Hobson & 1 Orphean to Buntington - walked to Reed Common
then on to Loddington, up to the top of Blackdown & back to Buntington.

6th October. all day, Remo & Dad - Bristol - Dover - Boulogne - Arros - Campiegne - Soissons - Reims - Chalons sur Marne.

7th St. Dizier - Besancon - Pontarlier - Lausanne - Gt. St. Bernard - Aosta - Milan.

8th Milan - Trieste, called at Grotta Gigante but this was closed for the winter.
After lunch on to Postojna, booked in at Hotel Jama, later looked at the entrance to Postojna Caves, the Kart Institute and then to Predjama for a tour to the castle and the cave.

9th Tourist trip around Postojna Caves then shopping, local folk museum, bank, Antibită and wet Major Orange. Left message for

Radio Gospodaric and then to Alenina Cave, later Palava Skocjan caves and bridges. To Cerknica hole, back through Rakov Skocjan where we met a group from Munich with France Halle and now about 300ft of the recently discovered Zelzha Jama. In evening to Kart Institute to talk with Gospodaric and look at the library and current projects.

10th whilst they took Remo & Dad to Pivka Jama & worked in the Postojna Kart Institute library. Then to ~~Adige~~ Slovenske Jame where we met a new guide from Maribor office c/o Slovenske Caves Information office - local drink Vinjek. After dinner for a drink with Gospodaric.

11th Ljubljana - Villach - Spittal - Gossau - Glarus (this time & walked down out the glacier) Bruck - Pittenill.

12th Innsbruck - Augsburg - Karlsruhe - Fidemosen.

13th Luxembourg - Neufchateau - Perchefort (visited la Grotte de Rochefer) - Hennebont - Morlaix - Tournai

14th - Lille - Armentiers - Bonnay - Hercraft - Dover - Bristol.

2,560 miles



2nd October 1973. With Butch to Sump 1 - St. Cuthbert Swallet. New day to put in aqueduct and then to dig to map out to a depth of 15ft or so to see if any passengers had off. Walk joined by Bob Mather, The Black of Wood, Dave Evans, Derry Stockley.

3rd November. With Bob Mather & Martin Webster to Stanage Edge, Derbyshire for some climbing on gritstone. After to Cawthron (Tech Spel. Group) hut, Pegasus Hut, Orpheus Hut -

4th November. To Ecton and a walk around Ecton Hill and the mining area. Then to the Knavell Valley and up to Thor's Cave.

11th November. With Richard Lyons, Bob Mather, George, Pete & Nick - tourist trip in St. Cuthbert's Swallet. 2½ hrs.

p.m. Stake here area, St. Dunstan's well & Archenhag Fissings with Geoff Roberts.

18th November. With Richard Lyons, George, Pete, Nick & Bob Craig on Swildens - Double Trouble round trip. Sumps high but about 360. The party did not have wet suits.

29th November. Swildens Upper Series with Richard Lyons, George & Nick.

2nd December. Cullercoats. Richard Lyons, Martin Webster, Mike Jordan & 2 Forest of Dean Adventure Club members. September Series, Catgat, Sump 2 a out. 4 hrs.

8th December. K. Mills, Bob Peters, Self incl. Pete Horden, Paul Halford at Head
Sump which had flooded up. Tried to dig but not successful.

9th December. While a self went down Hopetree Caves for our Sunday
outing.

23rd December with Phil Collett continued walk down bottom half of Hopetree
Caves and had a look at the long stalactite main - Richmond Cettle.

29th December, FJD, Orange, Bob Rogers, Self + 1 other (Liverpool University) to
Maypole Series, Cuthberts - descended into lower Traverse chamber then to
Rabbit Warren extension / Cat gut - High Charles end took out through round route

13th January 1974. with Raggay (from St. Albans) to Cuthberts, Pulpit Pitch,
Maypole pitch etc - very wet. 3 hrs.

16th January. Bus. Janet W., Brian & Valerie (Janet's Cousins) to Swindon
Very wet - quick tourist trip to Trot's Temple. 2 hrs.

Potholers rescued from flooded cave

Three potholers trapped in a flooded cave in Yorkshire were brought to safety early today after 14 hours underground.

The men, believed to be members of the Upper Wharfedale Cave Rescue Organisation — entered a pothole at Hubberholme,

near Buckden, Yorkshire, yesterday afternoon.

They were supposed to meet a fourth potholer late last night, but they failed to make the rendezvous — and a full-scale rescue operation was launched.

Inspector Eric Taylor, of West Yorkshire Force Con-

trol, said the cave in which the men were trapped had become flooded because of heavy rain.

Firemen managed to block off a stream leading to the cave and rescuers were able to enter.

The trapped men were quickly found and brought out within 20 minutes.

Cave Rescue in The Black Hole

STUDENT TRAPPED BY INJURED LEG

By Nicholas Harrison

STUDENT Lindsay Smith was trapped in a pothole for ten hours at the week-end after he slipped and fractured a leg.

It was not until 5 a.m. yesterday that he reached the surface.

Lindsay, aged 22, a student at Bath University went on an expedition with six friends from the university's caving club.

They were making the return trip when he fell, still two-thirds of a mile from the surface at Swildon's Hole, near Priddy, Somerset.

The accident spot is known to cavers as The Black Hole.

Friends went for help, and shortly after nine o'clock a rescue team arrived with a doctor.

The doctor plastered Lindsay's leg and helped by rescuers, he managed to make his own way to the surface.

Mr. David Irwin managed the rescue with 30 cavers in four teams.

STRAPPED

Mr. Irwin, a warden of the Mendip Rescue Organisation, of Townsend Cottages, Priddy said:

"Normally we would have strapped him up and brought him out like that but in this case he effectively helped himself.

"Since he was able to move we felt it would be easier to do it like that."

"It was one of the longest operations in distance we have ever had."

Mr. Irwin said Linda, of Pulteney Street, Bath, was an experienced caver.

It was not his first trip into Swildon's Hole. Last night he was still in hospital.

14th/20th Jan. Called out by The Times at 9.45pm to Swildon's. Dug a hole to Black Hole with F30 and helped to get Lindsay down & stemming and out through Sump 1. Back on surface at 3am. All over by 5am.

26th/27th Jan.

2/3rd Feb.

} Typing CTS 73. part 2.

80 HELP IN CAVE RESCUE

Eighty people helped in a nine-hour cave rescue after Lindsay Smith, 22, student, of Great Pulteney Street, Bath, broke a leg in the Mendips, yesterday. He was with members of Bath University Caving Club.

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4th February 1974. with Tony Knibbs called to see Bill hammerhead about the ocean rock to honeywood Swallet. All is ok.

10th Feb. with Chris Wood & his geology students to Dindin area. looked at the rock shelter at the top of Dindin Wood and the geology of the area. After E Coombes Peak via Shulney Stake Pining, looked at cheddar Pining en way back.

11th February Chris Wood, Natty Hall, Meggy to honeywood Swallet / August Hole - very wet - a good reporting trip. looked at Rhine, Horse Farm - Upper Flood Swallet on way back to Clepton Hole.

15th Feb. with FJD & BW to Swildon's Hole, Gough Aven, to see the new 100ft Aven (gravel Aven) and put bungs at the top. Lots of hard work.

Bottom of Bridley Green Sink 680 o.d. Top of Green 780 o.d. top of 100ft Aven 720.o.d. ??

16th March. with Fred Rogers a George to August honeywood - 3 hrs. very wet.

5th March. with Batch to Shelter Pot, Swildon's Hole. U-tube blocked by silt and calc. About six people needed for clearing and digging out. 2 hrs.

11th April. Batch*, George, Sylvia, Helen*, Mike Rogers*, Paul Rogers, Wig, Terry Price to do U-tube, Shelter Pot and cleared out dry open. * and self went through to Shelter Series.

21st April. FJD, Batch, George, Helen, Mick Taylor, Guy & Sif to Cuthbert. removed table in Keyhole Series and left continuous loop in place. Also removed entrance boulders.

5/26.

28th April 1974. With Butch, Hank van Dijk, Peter Stael, to Swilden Shale Chambers. The dig of 14 days ago was dry.

29th April. Brian a Snell Woodward, Bob Peters - 6 members of Spelae Holland to Swilden - 5 to sump 2 and 3 through Sump 2, Swildens Hole.

30th April. To Caves deer with Kay, Hank - Peter Stael.

31st May. Martin Bishop, Snell Woodward, Butch - Spelae Holland to St. Cuthbert Smellet.

12th May. with George and 3 Bath University cavers on tourist trip around St. Cuthbert Smellet. 3hr.

13th May. with Kay, Chris Wood - his two notes walked through Biddulph Valley looking at Knapp Hill dig on the way.

14th May. To Compton Martin and then up to the top of Hending, via Horne Farm, then to Uley Warren and across the hill again to Compton Martin. Found an adit mine which plays Chapman, Combe Farm, Compton Martin had mentioned.

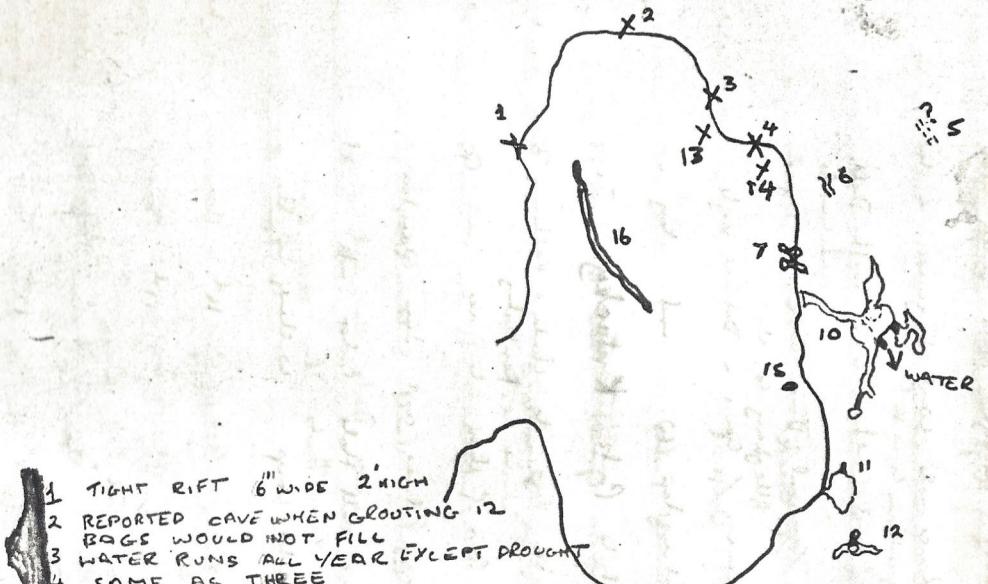
P.M. with Butch - 3 others to Witchhill Cove, Fairy Cove Quarry. A decent 1 hr trip.

26th May. St. Cuthbert Smellet with Guy Jordan to Rocky Boulders / Canal Series and then to Sump 1 to Butch's futile dig.

26th May Compton Martin Quarry Octe Mine self, Chris Wood, Sylvia Nigel Taylor, 2 trips morning & afternoon, located on N.H side approaching Quarry up rough track 200' approx up side of hill mined passages approx $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long with side passes and we also surveyed the mine will appear in later SMCC Journal. Time under ground 5 hours

Kay

Location of caves and other sites at Delius Combe Quarry,
Mt. Cheddar, Somerset.



- 1 TIGHT RIFT 6" WIDE 2' HIGH
- 2 REPORTED CAVE WHEN GLOTTING 12
BAGS WOULD NOT FILL
- 3 WATER RUNS ALL YEAR EXCEPT DROUGHT
- 4 SAME AS THREE
- 5 REPORT CHOKED TUBE
- 6 CHOKED PASSAGE L 20' D 10' WELL FLUTED
- 7 REYNOLDS RIFT (DIG)
- 8 TUBES FLUTED WITH MOONMILK CHOKED
- 9 REPORTED CAVE WHEN CONGREGATING 3 CU YDS
- 10 BOX'S CAVE L 400' VR 90'
- 11 CHELM'S COOMBE QUARRY CAVE } MAIN PART BLASTED OUT
- 12 CHELM'S COOMBE QUARRY CAVE }
- 13 WATER SINKS
- 14 AS ABOVE
- 15 CHOKED RIFT WITH STRONG DRAFT COVERED OVER
- 16 RIFT WITH STREAM 40' DEEP BLASTED IN

Trip to USA and Canada.

- June 2nd. Arrived New York and met by Jeanne Guinee - to Clusters and bed.
- 3rd Clusters area trying to arrange insurance etc
- 4th as above, also spent some time going through Russell Guinee's library.
- 5th Buy 1964 Ford Falcon Station Wagon pr \$520. get plates 803 BHC \$21 insurance from Harold Johnson \$45 - and car inspected and passed.
- 6th Travel from Clusters through New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia to Gerry Kyle's at Ronceverte, West Virginia. E. deal with Jim Hinson. Stay at Kyle's Greenbriar Co., W.Va.
- 7th To Organ Cave / and other sites with Bill Jones, Stay with Jim Hinson.
- 8th Acme 5 Cave, General Davis Cave. Gerry Kyle.
- 9th Warm River Cave. / Gerry & Debbie Kyle, Jim Hinson etc.
- 10th Travel to Huntington, W.Va. and stay with George and Sora Corrie
- 11th Carter Caves State Park, Kentucky. Jessie Cave.
- 12th Travel to Lexington, Ky., to Charles Katherine Bishop and Ron Gregory.
- 13th Palochi Co., Kentucky.
- 13th Sloane's Valley Cave / then to see Jim Quinton at Mammoth Cave
- 14th With Art & Peggy Palmer and Jim Quinton. Visit Little Sinking Creek, Sinking Plain, Dome House Cave, Hill Hole, Cedar Sink, South Cave, Owl Cave, Tom Hole Bend
- 15th Mammoth Cave wild trip. Walking in the area later. Visit Guinnee's library.



- 16th Mammoth Cave historic tour.
- 17th Drove to McMinville and camped at Ray Davis' place at Cumberland Caverns.
- 18th Tour of Cumberland Caverns and drove to NSS office at Cave Avenue, McMinville, Md.
- Meet Bill Terode and return to his trailer.



- 1st Spent entire day in NSS library.
- 2nd NSS library again
- 3rd Form Cave, Alabama. Across the pits - roof traverse and out Thorugh Entrance.
- 4th Cave Springs Cave, Anvil Cave.
- 5th Engle Double Pit
- 6th Travel to New Orleans.
- 7th Visit New Orleans
- 8th Buy battery for car and camp at Niblett's Bluff, Texas/Mexican border.
- 9th Drive to Bastrop State Park, Texas.
- 10th Drive to Big Bend National Park, Texas.
- 11th Visit Santa Elena Canyon, Rio Grande.
- 12th Drive to Caves of Sonora, then to San Angelo to meet Tom Headley, then drove on to Carlsbad to Andy Klemensky, New Mexico
- 13th Carlsbad Cavern, then drove to Guadalupe Mts.
- 14th Virgin Blow Hole then to Sitting Bull Falls.
- 15th Diamond Back Cave, Double Entrance Cave, Endless Cave.
- 16th Rear axle bearing broke up - hiked to Alamogordo.
- 17th Car repaired and drove to Doug & Linda Rhodes in Albuquerque
- 18th Fort Stanton Cave, Lincoln Co.
- 19th Groom Quivira National Monument.
- 20th Doug Rhodes' library
- 21st Drove to North Rim of Grand Canyon

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- 10th Grand Canyon 4 p.m. N. Rim - River 8 a.m. to N. Rim 6 p.m. 29 miles 14 hours.
 11th Drive to and visit the sites of Zion National Park
 12th Drive to Las Vegas, get 2 new front tires and new starters then to Antelope Wells, Nevada
 13th Up. 3 a.m. drive over Death Valley. Start climb Mt. Whitney 10 a.m. to summit
 14, 4885 ft by 5 p.m. Back at base by 9:30 p.m. 21 miles. ascend & descend 6,200 ft.
 14th Cottonwood Creek area, Mt. Whitney. terrific thunderstorm.
 15th Drive to Yosemite. Walk to Young Lake. Camp at Tuolumne Meadows.
 16th Yosemite. Walk to High Sierra Camp at Vogelsang.
 17th Yosemite. White Wolf Camp.
 18th Yosemite. Indian well at White Wolf. Also Grand Canyon of the Tuolumne.
 19th Yosemite. Tenaya Creek.
 20th Yosemite. Half Dome.
 21st Yosemite. Yosemite Falls.
 22nd Yosemite. Mariposa Grove. Then to San Francisco - Take a Kite Course.
 23rd Visit city of San Francisco.
 24th Lassen Volcanic Park, Sulphur Works and Bumpass Mountain.
 25th Climbed Lassen Peak. Visit Subway Cave then onto Lava Beds National Monument.
 26th Lava Beds National Monument.
 27th Lava Beds, then via Crater Lake to lava River area.
 28th Lava River Cave.
 29th Drove to Mt. Rainier.
 30th Start climb Mt. Rainier - to Camp Muir 10,000 ft.
 31st To Summit 14,410 ft - then down to base.
 Aug 1st Sunrise and Mt. Fremont
 2nd Drove to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
 3rd Visit City of Vancouver - mainly bookshops.

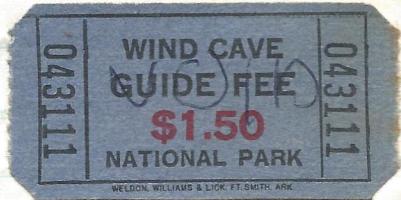
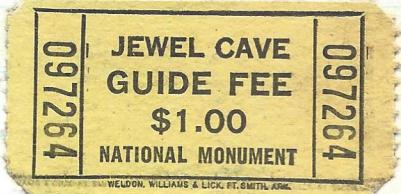


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- 4th On Trans Canada highway to Tappan.
- 5th Glacier National Park - climb to col - Mt. Sir Donald.
- 6th Mt. Sir Donald
- 7th descend from Mt. Sir. Donald. p.m. climbing to get photographs of Sir Donald.
- 8th Banff National Park. Lake Louise a Plain of Six Glaciers.
- 9th Maligne Lake, Paradise Valley area.
- 10th to Jasper and had a look at Mt. Robson.
- 11th Start walk to Arcticane Cave, Milde has accident so walk out.
- 12th Jasper again, Maligne Lake, Maligne Canyon, Medicine Lake.
- 13th Town of Banff, Visit Cave and Basin then through Kootenay National Park.
- 14th Drive to Salmon National Forest, Idaho.
- 15th To Craters of the Moon, National Monument, Idaho. Echo Crater and Big Cinder Cone.
- 16th Craters of the Moon traps and caves.
- 17th Drive to Grand Teton Park, Gros Ventre Camp.
- 18th Grand Teton Glacier - Rockefeller Parkway.
- 19th Yellowstone, Old Faithful, Mammoth Hot Springs.
- 20th Yellowstone, Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone, it snowed. Drove to camp near Cody, Wyoming.
- 21st Buffalo Bill Museum, Cody then drove to Devil's Tower.
- 22nd Devil's Tower, then to Jewel Cave, S. Dakota. Take historic tour with Bob & Linda Blackford.
- 23rd Custer State Park, see large herd of buffalo. Then to Wind Cave and Reeds Cave with Tom Miller.
- 24th Mt. Rushmore a drive to Badlands.
- 25th Badlands - Wilson Island, Iowa.
- 26th Car finally dies at Davenport, Iowa.



Mileage.

Catch Greyhound Bus to Chicago.

- 27th Greyhound Chicago - across Indiana - stop on Ohio Turnpike - Cleveland, Ohio -
 junction near Youngstown, Ohio (2 hr delay) across Pennsylvania (1 stop for meal) and
 arrive in New York bus terminal about 10:30 p.m. Get last bus to Carter, N.J.
 28th Cancel Car Insurance, visit Nick Angelino, look at Gurnee Library and then
 evening meal with Rods Gasparone.
 29th 10 Mile River Scout Camp, Albany Co., N.Y. State. Not natural, all man-made.
 30th The New York library, 5th Ave, Bookshop, Englewood Cliffs library.
 31st Gurnee library and party in evening.
 1st Sept. The last of the references. Catch plane at N.Y. 11:15 p.m.
 2nd Sept. Arrive Heathrow 11 a.m. Bus to Reading by 2 p.m. Train to Bristol 2:40 p.m.
 Arrive Temple Meads 4:30 p.m. Take pitch to Bridgewater home by 7 p.m.

States Visited.

Some costs.

New York,	Arizona,	Illinois.	Car \$ 838.23	\$ 210
New Jersey,	Wash.,	Indiana.	Petrol \$ 371.42	\$ 92
Pennsylvania,	Nevada,	Ohio.	Camping \$ 80.47	\$ 20
Maryland,	California,		Food \$ 412.96	\$ 103
West Virginia,	Oregon,		Bus Fares/ Sundries etc.	\$ 160
Virginia,	Washington,			\$ 485
Kentucky,	British Columbia,			
Tennessee,	Alabama,			
Alabama,	Montana,		Ridge 5th June 1974	75,278
Mississippi,	Idaho,		26th Aug 1974	87,827
Louisiana,	Wyoming,			12,549
Texas,	S.Dakota,		26th-27th Aug Texas	1,100 approx
New Mexico.	Texas.			13,649 miles

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25 July 74

St. Cuthbert's Swallet,

21st ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATORY TRIP.

Dear Fay,

Please forgive this duplicated letter - just think of the writing it is saving me!

It concerns a nostalgic ceremonial celebration of the breakthrough into the "Master System". It has been decided that this took place on September the 11th 1953. Accordingly your presence at St. Cuthbert's Swallet is earnestly solicited ~~to~~ to set the seal on a memorable occasion. It is planned to enter the System when all are assembled and proceed gently down the Cave at 7.00 pm on the 11th of September 1974. A toast to your ~~several~~ venerable status will be drunk, perhaps in the Dining Room after excavating the table. As many of the original leading spirits as possible are being invited.

I look forward to your acceptance which will make this occasion a great success.

Yours Sincerely

Cheers, Kangy.

8th September 1974, Withy hill Cave,
with Dave Irwin, Tim Large plus 5 others to finish the
survey. A slow trip through to the Elephant's Trunk
formation and then working backwards to the entrance
to fill in station detail, Time 3½ hours.

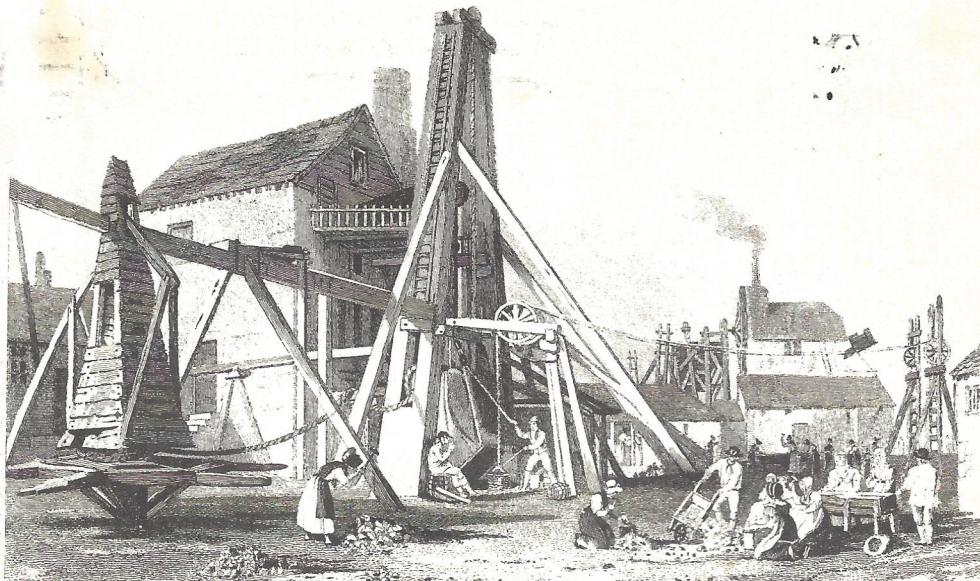
14th September 1974, Blackmoor Flood Swallet.

With Tony Knibbs to place 1¼ lbs bang on steel
projection at digging face immediately below tiny
aven which offered plenty of tamping mud.

15th September 1974, Blackmoor Flood Swallet

Return trip to inspect damage caused by yesterdays
bang, which on viewing was a success,
unfortunately the bang jumes were still quite
strong so beat a retreat to the poly bag chamber.

Kay



24.9.74. Tuesday La Cueva De Nerja, Malaga, Spain (SEE 2 PAGES ON)

Situated 2 kms from the main coast road at Nerja and 50 Kms east of Malaga. This show cave is a good example of how the Spanish Tourist Board have turned this cave into a show cave.

The cave is tastefully lit by electric with concrete paths and steps. The trip is self-guiding and the trip takes about 30mins and costs 30ps if one is in the area pay it a visit.

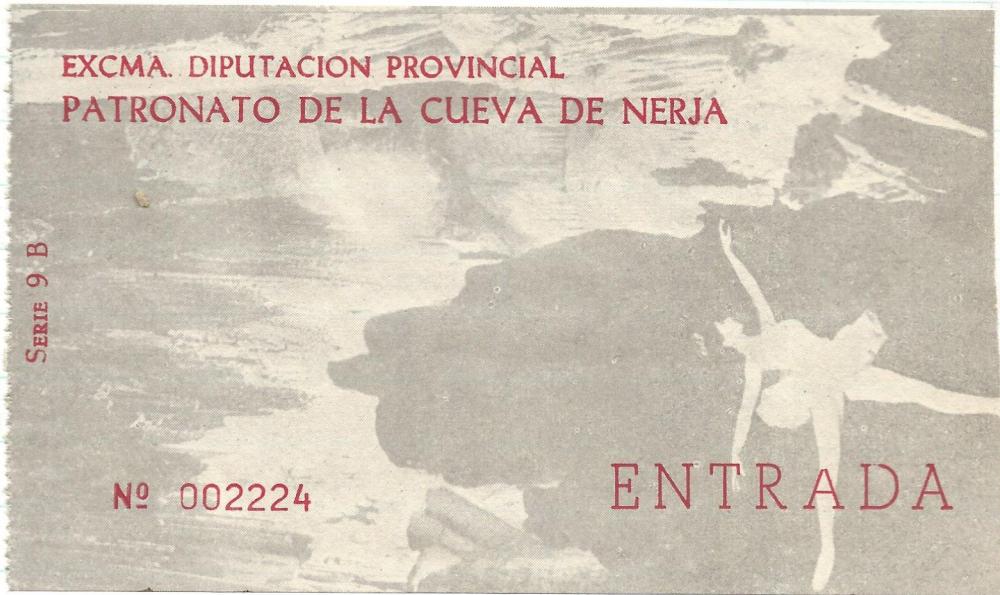
25.9.74. Wednesday Cuevas De La Pileta, Benajon, Ronda, ^{Malaga}.

Situated some 25 Kms west of Ronda, near the village of Benajon, the drive from San Pedro on the coast takes 3 hours through scenic country side the road reaching a height of 1400m approximalety. The cave is as yet unlit, but I was told by the cave owner and guide Señor Bullón this would come in a year or two. The trip takes about 45mins and costs 50ps and all but the Gran Sima and Galerias Nuevas are visited. These are closed to the public because access is difficult.

The cave at the time of writing remains much the same as when it was first opened to the public circa 1930. There are many prehistoric painting still in a good state of preservation, but for how long once electricity is installed and the cave becomes a major tourist attraction one wonders.

This is very much the caves cave and well worth the 3 hour drive along mountain roads.

Kay



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5th October 1974,

Rod's Pot

With Tony Knibbs on first visit to this small cave
Tony collected bits of rubbish on the way out, and
forgot the way out 30 FT from the entrance,

Kay

at 0800. with Tony Knibbs to Saldan 2, then through the Troubles to Saldan 4 and
out through Paradise to Streamway. 1½ hrs. A very poor first home trip after the USA.

14th October,

Visited the B.E.C. dig in East Twin Valley. The dig has recently been started on the R.H side of the stream (looking up stream) where the water sinks through boulder infill and gravel. The dig is about 8 FT deep and is a series of gravel filled rifts.

This looks a very promising place to push and the dig takes a sizeable stream when in flood.

- St. Cuthberts with South Wales C.C. and Daren Spcl.Soc. also Fred Lyons and Dave Fair.
- Worley Rife with Martin Bishop. At rear of Worley Colliery, Colehill.
- St Cuthberts with Fred Lyons, George, Tim Smart - 1 member of Bristol Polytechnic
- Swallows to Bonny Hoop. with Geoff Roberts & 2 others
- St Cuthberts. with Block of wood and 3 Didsbury Spcl. Soc.
- Cuthberts leaders meeting at the Bellfry. Clean up dig sites etc.
- Worley Rife with Martin Bishop. about 12 ft of passage anted and another 10 ft can be seen. too tight
- Cuthberts clearing up dig at Samp 1 and morton.
- With Tony Oldham. Visited Lillicombe Lane, Chester Mendip, Athborough
Swallet, Red Grit. Women Farm Digs, Charlton and Worley Rife.
- Started typing CTS 1974 finished 21st January 1975

1975

2nd January 1975. Tony Knibbs, Nick Dando a self to September Series, etc. St. Cuthberts.

1st Feb. Tony Knibbs a self to look at Fault chamber, Smidgen's hole, then out via Double Troubles and Sump 1.

1st April. Tony Knibbs, Bob Gray, Diane?, Bryan Shandly a trout weekend in G.B. area.

1st April. Bryan Woodward, Martin Webster, Martin Webster. They have Swallet - quite wet.
Bitter Pot is quite wet and interesting.

1st May Peter Potts, Martin Webster - walked the Crichtonell Hardwe.

1st May Tony Knibbs, Brian Shandly a self to Longwood Swallet/August Hole.

1st May out with them a self to Wadley Hole to see the new sloven cave
extending the 9th chamber.

July 2nd. Drove to York to meet Spuds Holland. Searched top of Tatham wife hole but did not find Tatham wife hole so asked for direction at Green Heifs in Threlkeld. They walked straight to Tatham wife hole - care was to pitch more greater than 30ft and in coal in 18" water it a swamp.

July 3rd. Drove down to Shinwell Caves - an old abandoned show cave.

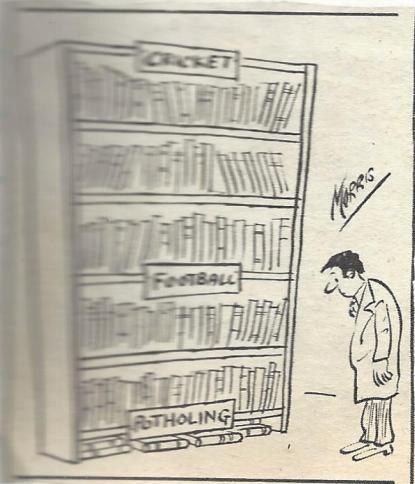
July 3rd. Went to Gaping Gill then walked to Gaping Ghyll - some of us then walked over to the hill then stopping at Navegill and other holes on the way. After a long walk we went to Hardwick Pot which has a fire 100 ft followed by a 35ft rise. Then walked back to Great Dark Cave for a quick run around - only Francis had the passage to the surface and the rest of us went back the same way.

July 3rd. Went to Threlkeld to go down Ingle Foss Caves - a little problem in route finding but then a quick trip to the swamp at the end of Dale Street. Came out with no water on the pitches.

159 cavers recorded

July 3rd. Went to Nether Caves, then to Hesket-in-Pennines and walked to Hall Pot. Went through Ringlehole Caves to Buttercups then to Swinsto final chamber back to 20ft pitch and out to Threlkeld and Great Passage. Spuds killed the first of Ingleborough Caves in the afternoon. May & Self to Dentdale, Badenholme and then Backs Fell.

July 3rd. Spent day in this wood, Tony Shields, Eddie & Peter Webster. To Upper Lang Clough, then down into Allum Pot to the swamp. Drove home by 10.30 p.m.



June 16th. Tony Shields & Self to Threlkeld. After Pot. 2 hrs.

July 6th. To Shipham Quarries with Tony Knibbs. There is a small cave in loose boulders which could be investigated.

July 20th. To Samp 1 in St. Cuthbert with Janet Woodward. Brought out some of the dry rubble.

July 21st. With May, Tony Knibbs & Tim Young to a mine shaft at Hulphord Farm, Spaldwick, Chesterton parish. Soft deep, nicely wallled - loose debris in compartments at the bottom - rift (block) leads off.

July 22nd. Tony Knibbs & myself cleared up dry debris at Samp 1, St. Cuthbert.

Aug. 3rd. Mike Rogers, Dave Cox - England + 1 - self - made round Shilling Barrow, and over and removed more dry debris from St. Cuthbert.

Aug 10th. Tony Knibbs a self. Thence home Swallet.

Aug 17th. Dave Fear, Tim Young, Graham Price, I return a self to Cuthbert. Brought out 2 large lengths of bone pipe.

Aug 24th. Dave Fear, Fred Lynn + self. High Clusters, Catgut, Rabbit Warren sections - Cuthberts. Brought out more old junk.

Aug 30th. Dave Fear + self, then Pulpit to Dining Room from dry, St. Cuthbert. Met Tim Young, Graham Price + 1 Gabber. Brought out more junk (the last 4 third?)

Sept 6th. Dave Fear, Phil, Tony Knibbs, Roger Tucker, John Hetheron, Roy Deacon + 2 + self general tourist trip around St. Cuthbert Swallet.

Sept. 20th. Phil Drury, Pete Hancock, Pete? + 1 to Lake Clusters, Rabbit Warren, Catgut - Red Hill to driveway - visit via Pulpit Pitch. St. Cuthbert Swallet 2½ hrs.

Oct. 18th. Phil, Andrew Povey (Australian) + self to Swithland to and out via Double Troubles.

Oct 19th Andrew Povey, self and 4 Navy lads on general Cuthbert tourist trip

- Oct 26th. MHS Daedalus had a self - St. Cuthbert general tourist trip.
- Nov 1st. Since practice rescue in St. Cuthbert. Now Train via Pilgrim to audience - always on Pilgrim - need better organization.
- Nov 2nd. Wick Tony Hills to put buoy in Blackness Flood Smallet.
- Nov 8th. Guy Reynard, Brian Woodward, Martin Webster, Derek Webster & wife to First-of-Dee Old Head, Old Bow Head. (Sorry to follow).
- In afternoon walked along the way to King Arthur's Cave etc.
- Dec 6th. Martin Hills, Phil Dark - self to Thrope Smallet to remove the ponies and first wet drift/rift areas. Gds. very wet.
- Dec 14th. Tony Hills, Pete Griffiths Mike Boyce - self to Sycamore Hole, Swindon Hole.
- Dec 20th. Started typing Current Titles in Speleology
- Finished. 1st January 1976.

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HORNA TUFNA ■ Patří mezi největší jeskyně. Velké patry, její mochutný otvor ústí vysoko nad turistickou stezkou z Harrmance na Královu studnu a přechází do témačky padesatimetrové podzemní prostory. Strop jeskyně zdobí zvláštní stalaktity z plastického sintru.

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Jan. 12, 1977 ~~45~~
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Dear Ray,

thanks very much for the material you sent on South America - some of it has been to good use already. I finished the paper and am headed south for more research. I've done a fair amount of caving with a buddy in Mexico and Belize. If you get back to the New World be sure to drop in and see Cacahuamilpa Cave south of Mexico. ~~It's~~ Tastefully commercialized, and a cave to rival Carlsbad. Has a river running for miles through the lower part. Lately, have been looking into a system of caves here in Belize. A number of caves with 10-12 miles of fine river passage all lie on the same underground river, separated by siphons.

A fellow by the name of Bill Cate claims to know of caves over 2,000' feet deep in the eastern Andes with 1,000 foot entrance pitches. He's on H.S.S. caver and he sounds a bit far-fetched. You might want to write and check him out if you're interested. He claims to know of caves all over in Latin America and Africa - maybe he has some unknown titles for Current Titles.

The rest of my trip will be solitary as the fellow with me caught Histoplasmosis in Cueva de Xtabambil Xunan, in the Yucatan is flying home.

If there's anything I can help you with, let me know. Feel free to drop by in the U.S. again.

Tom Miller