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EXERCISE BOOK

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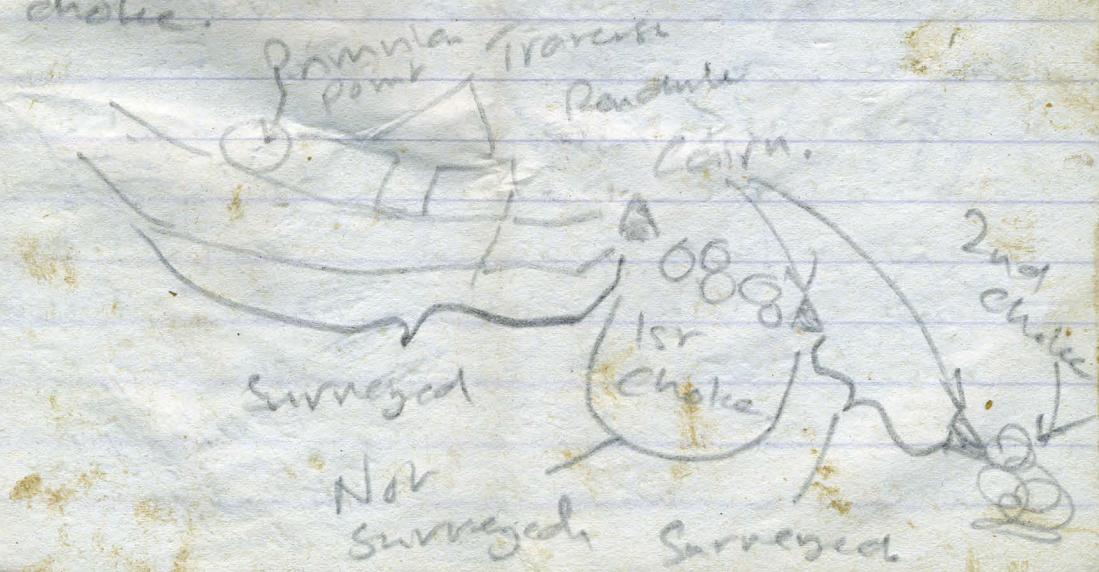
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UNDER
GROUND
CAMP LOA

Wide passage, deep where river. There is one dark boulder chute to be followed at stream level. Then got to another choke filled with small very loose rocks. Could not find a way through. Lynn and I went back and started surveying downstream from the first choke. Dave tried to find a way over the top. Dave gave up and followed us just as we got to the second point choke. There may be a way over though. Took the bags back through the choke.



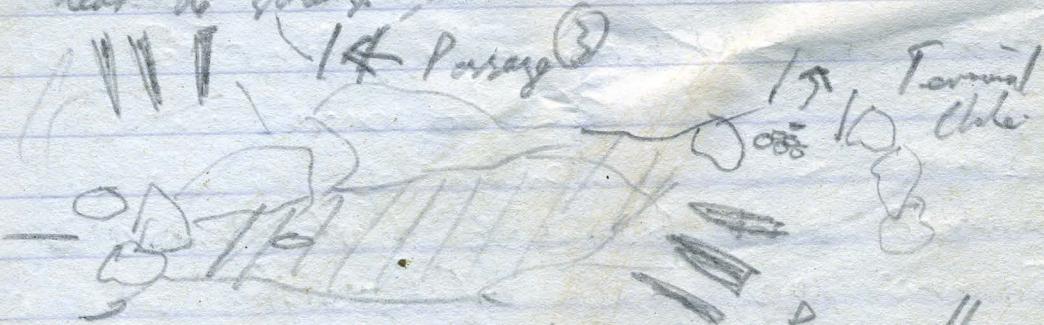
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Places to look for the 'Way On' :- (maybe)

1. Above the perihole before our 1st doke there is a climb up into a ledge. This may lead to huge passage sloping over the doke. (or not).
2. The terminal doke.

Just above where the water sinks on the l is a slide over a boulder and down into a low crack. This appears to end after about 10m in a doke of head sized cobbles. Big draught.

3. Above the last pool on the l leading downstream there is a small side passage rift. Following this you get a tight descending corriover with hammerable plates on the wall. Above the corriover is a fist sized hole up into blackness. Draughts well and you can hear the stream.



Passage off
here seems to doke
with mud no
draught.

N.B. Terminal Choke has a stone running through it. This, together with the crumpling of the material makes it VERY INSTABLE.
YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.

P.S. Don't cross over into the boulders at the start of the 1st choke - it's just over 6' high across.

P.P.S. Use first the stones.

Another possible way over 1st boulder choke.

Masses of boulders in very high muddy rift above. Bound to be complex & unpleasant connection if choke was explored forwards & backwards at high level hopefully meeting in middle.

Frid 14th

Quote: "Don't ever put a donkey's dick in your mouth" [D. Hetherington].

Camp B

Tom, Dave Horsley, Stuart, Su Yong
 Andy Cubie, Dave M., Testyn.

15/7/89

Descended the cave with help from Dorts. He went out with the exiting campers (who were not pleased) We found our job was to push one totally unspeakable boulder choke and find a route over the top of another choke. Oh what fun!!

We had a slow trip down the streamway as only I (Dave H) new the way to walking or water. From there we followed a traverse line into Mr Jones.

However none of us had ever been to the camp, so where the hell is it!!

Gavin had mentioned that there was a small inlet from which the camp gets its water and I was not supposed to explore it. Well whilst I was walking

and Mr Jones I found his tracks border slope. Headed down to this and found a small stream which enters camp.

Todays heard no shouting and came into camp from a totally different route. He however knew that the inlet comes from a waterfall down or over.

Fuck knows where the way on is. Is the big stream near camp the main 217 streamway. Has Mr Jones been explored fully we seemed to be able to walk all over it without seeing signs of anyone else

16/7/89

Left camp after breakfast at between 10-30 & 11am Found the route to the stream no probs. Found our way to the rope up into Cithbert the Horrible & then to a reallyify bolt on the way down.

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I replaced this on the way back. Eventually found the 1st crake. Split into two. Toshyn & Dave M went through the crake at ~~steep~~ level. The rest tried to find a way over the top. All the climbs were impossible, iffy & very very loose. Several times we tried a both me, Toshyn & Stuart got part way up climbs before bottling out. Eventually we decided to climb up above the highest bolt at the pendule then we add to the other. I placed a bolt as high as I could on the wall. Then Stuart hung him this through a rope over a massive piece of choss. Belaying one side of the rope to the bolt Stuart passed up the other side. At the choss he placed a bolt before continuing to the top. The

caught us located in a passage at the top, but running short of time we returned to camp. Arrived back at camp at 10:30 pm.

Dave

17/7/84

Split into two parties.

Dave H. & Stuart went to do the climb from yesterday while the rest went to survey though he drove at stream level.

I went up the pitch rearranging it as I went, takes up an extra 5m of rope. Stuart chopped the rope at the bottom & then we both headed off along the passage at the top.

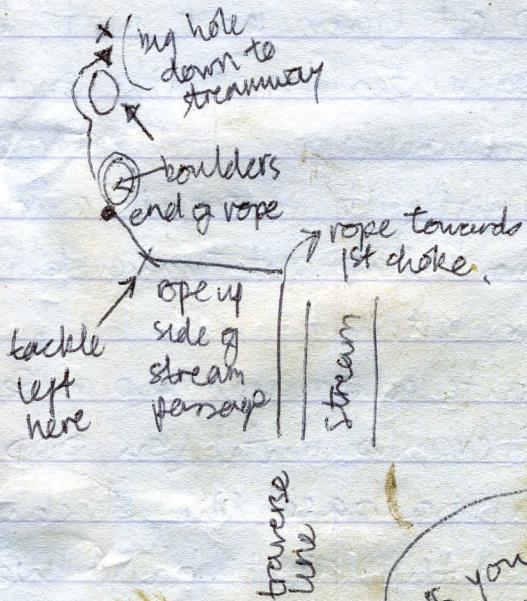
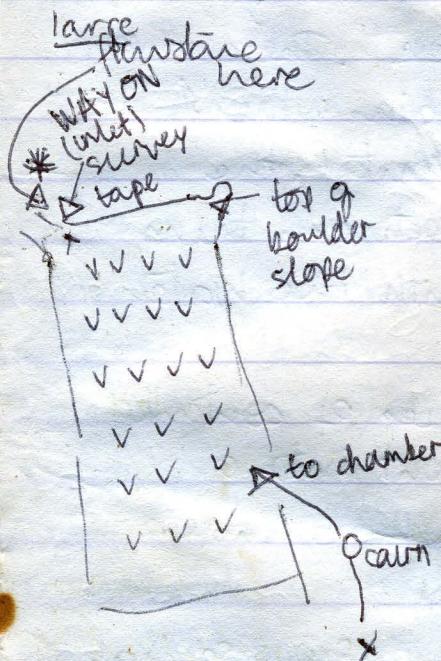
From the top of the pitch we climbed around a hole in the floor (down to where the cauldron in the middle of the stream is. Then you climb up

where we built a camp. This emerges
into a massive boulder chamber
nearly as big as Mr Jones. Climbing
up a 70° chessy boulder slope
about half way up is a hole on
the right which is about 40m down
into what looked like a chamber. We
continued up the boulders doing some
heavy climbing till on the left we
got a hole with a drop down for
210m and the sound of an inlet
coming in. We set up a camp here
as a survey station & started surveying.
However our lights weren't working
& we couldn't find the route down.
So we headed straight back down leaving
the tape at the top of the chamber,
planning on returning to survey. However
we ran out of time.

This looks like it is the way in!!!

We have left: ① tape at top of boulder chamber, ② rigging gear ^{e.g. bolt kit} bag rope & top of up pitch ③ tapes, short wire, anchors & wedges in tackle bag at beginning of 1st choke.

④ Small amount carbide on the traverse in small BDH.



go up RH side of chamber and at about 3/4 height traverse across. We think way on is in top of chamber. It will require rigging

If you understand this its a miracle!

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Iestyn & Dave M went pushing boulder chokes

We started at the Silians cairn and followed the stream past (& over) some big boulders in the passage until it gets very low and grovelly. When the stream becomes visible, and it seems that you will have to get your feet wet, don't. There are two squeezes in quick succession: the first is passed with your body horizontal, the second with it vertical, and between them is a short flat-out traverse with the water on your left.

The route continues as a series of contorted flat out crawls until you pop out into a bouldery passage. The stream flows under (& along) the right hand wall:



cross section
looking downstream.

Passage is 16m long, ends in a short climb up, followed by a ^{crossing} ~~lead~~ from

right hand wall to left (looking downstream).
& passing cairn. Climb narrow ^{slab} passage up
left hand wall into larger chamber with
another cairn. We stopped our survey here,
at a boulder marked with a soddy "S" facing
you as you came up from the slot with the
cairn on your right.

The way on continues into a chamber
with a cairn like this:  and an obvious
^{narrow} bridge over. The left hand hole, as you face
downstream on the bridge, returns to the stream
and an ~~upper~~ seems to have no (dry) way on.
There is a route straight up the boulder slope
before you which soon ends. An obvious hole
to the right goes nowhere, and there is also
a flat cut crawl which follows the right hand
wall and goes nowhere.

In other words we couldn't find the way out.
You could try looking for one, but be warned,
the choice is very very muddy indeed.
Not a nice place.

*there must be one, since Dave, Keth & Lynn got through OK!

20/7/89.

~ 7pm (?)

Fred & Steve arrive, having set off from the baking heat of Taltagu at noon. SAR had minor traumas on the rehelays on Just Awesome, causing his right arm to go dead for a while. We got frequently lost on the way down to the camp, despite having met Narka, Wkodak & Tony & Paul on the way - Hey shot off white the SAR & CFW bouldered around in Mr Jones (as they later found it was), SAR getting increasingly tired, peevish & querulous. Now I know why the Daren Gallow lot put red + white tape everywhere - not to protect formation, but just to stop getting lost. I AM VERY IMPRESSED. This cave has everything - Mr Jones puts the Time Machine in its place, & Just Awesome - well! What else could you call it? Well done the forces of spelæogenesis.

The Royal Mail Press Post service made its first ever delivery to Paul man at -800m.

21/7/89

Fred, Steve, Paul Mann

We'd down to the start of
Dracula via a rather circuitous
route. Put the Isomeric in the
river at 1.30pm we were not
very impressed. It looked a bit
like furthest. Nothing like as
spectacular*. Went back up the
bit that Dave had and Stewart
rigged. Who climbed this? Impressive.
We put a rope on the traverse at
the top and climbed up into the big
sloping chamber. We climbed up
the slope and clambered around
looking for the Survey instruments.
Where the fuck are they. We
(* as Haverscaw)

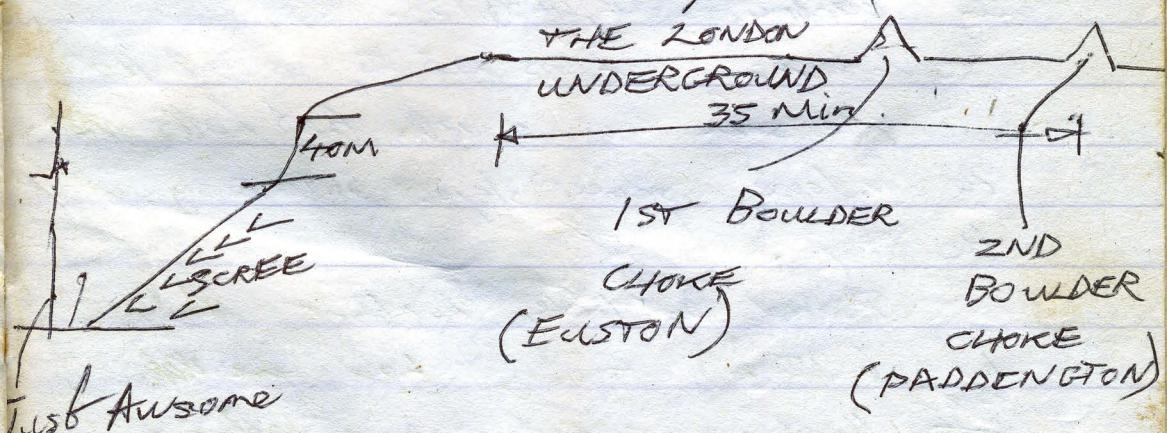
couldn't find them. Why other
weren't they left in a more
sensible place?

Paul climbed up a very loose
rather hairy climb and then
followed with the rope. We
fixed the rope and Fred climbed
up another bit with a lifeline
but when it was worth this
place is very frightening. It's like
climbing a mountain in the
dark, except that everything
you touch seems to roll down the
slope causing a long clattering
avalanche. He put in a couple
of bolts and then went up another
bit and put in a third bolt.
Running out of oil in our lights
so called it a day I suppose we
have to come back tomorrow?

22/7/84 Harry Woodsck/Sherry Graham

Vast Just Awesome and along the stream way.

W and H found new passage. Climb up scree from bottom of Tufb A. 40m climb up fixed rope. Long passage leads off. Walked about 1km (35 min) before deciding to turn round. Passage is called London Underground.



The passage is (on average) about 40m wide, and at no stage can the roof be seen. On shouting echo's sound for about 10sec. Pretty

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bit of care. Perhaps work
following up, ~~but~~

The meeting went on,
quite fun, G members a lot and
fans to get bussed when visiting
kids' bedrooms had!

22 July - 'Abortion' - Steve, Fred, Palm.

Work up again surveying - Steve on
only electric - Oh, what fun.

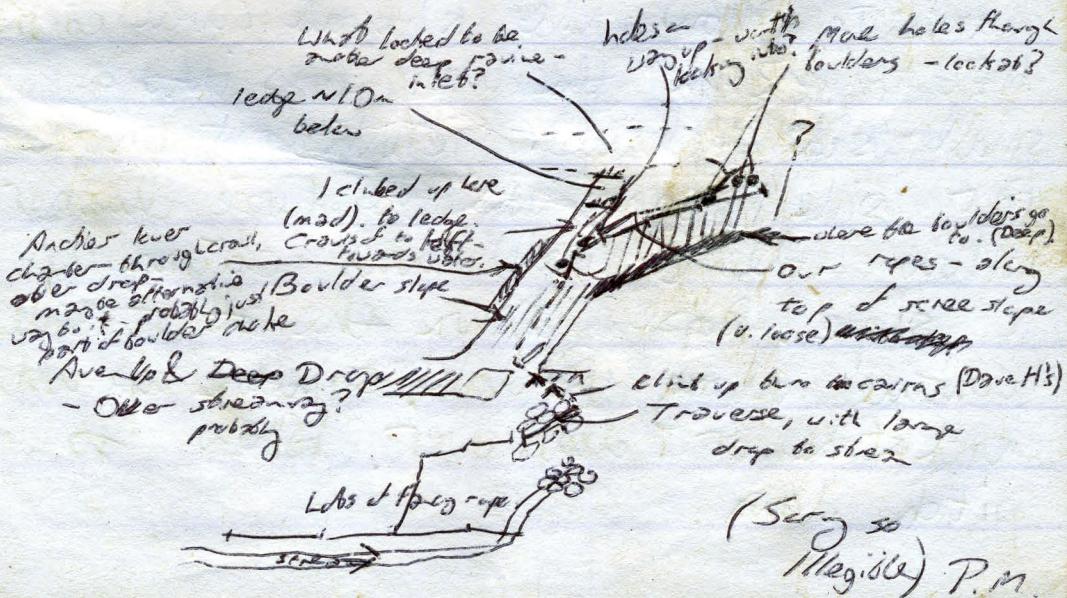
Not many cross sections, as all rock
can be seen is a soft rock falls into
the v. loose scree slope. Still no sign of
the tape.

Pushed a little further up the
^{by}
_{and/or} (10 m) - only had one ~~rock~~
bottle though. - The core rock -
me a electric too, (please bring
a more carbide).

So - the way is probably

not where we went - by a little lower going to the right. - If one (very brave) could continue climbing, in hope of finding higher level passageways. Beyond boulder choke appears a big drop - with many holes leading through - probably very a, to Fred's feeling is that this only drops into the inlet flat enters near the base of Choke Drivilla - however - probably worth a try; if you can find enough rope and reasonable belay points.

Rough sketch - (for 1st. b's work) -



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Harry, Dick, Gavin

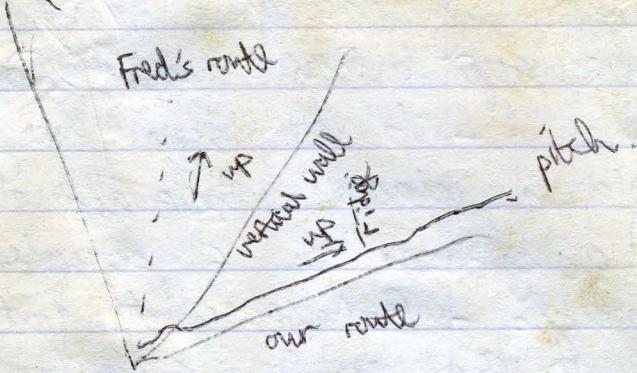
Went up to the cliffs Steve et al did the other day. No way on up (hits the ceiling). Went back and pushed rightwards from the bottom of the big chamber. Up + down a bit then pitch down back into main streamway, we thought between chokes D+E.

How to find the route:-

From where you enter the big chamber, follow the R wall (well caimed). After ~20m the way goes into a small side chamber. Climb out on the far side back into the large chamber. Follow the R wall with cairns up a slope. Rope down the other side. Continue along R wall, squeeze up under clock stone or climb over. Follow to pitch down.

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here is an even
stream leading off
mr I doubt it is a wagon or
(there's no) No



The pitch needs rerigging. Presently has
back up round large boulder. Long wire
from spike, belay off and thread
(yuk!). belay off jammed boulder (uh).
Need to replace long wire with short
wire. Have long wire off another
spike for belay then bolt belay
further down where you hit rock.

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Sherry Wtodeck + Graham

We surveyed London - underground

- it is 1 km long & 80m wide in places - there are shafts (one or 2) going down in a couple of side passages - Probably vents but these could lead to the surface & quite quickly since it can't be far up there.

Wtodeck climbed the end boulder pile & says there is a way on from boulders - needs a rope. Easy way up boulder pile - ledge on left hand side but - needs a rope for traverse.

WELL WORTH PUSHING A S.A.P.
BUT NEEDS MORE ROPE

We have you bleeding friend
- every st - on ?? - Oh we had it
a beautiful pile of boulders - sorry!

Gavin + Disk

24/7/89

Surveyed the passage we found yesterday. Rigged the pitch slightly so the mud thread is now backed up from a mud spike. Still needs a bolt near the bottom. Waded upstream & found a cairn + hole tip after ~ 100m: Choke Drivella? There is a 3rd cairn just to the left of the boulder slope which is worth looking at. Also another one just before the pitch, which probably connects with the streamway.

24/7/89 Paul C., Stuart S. + Su Tong arrived ~ 1:30 am this morning due to late entry into cave and slow trip down (some rerigging by Su Tong of pitch above Armageddon to rectify epic rub point). Please apologise for waking everyone up. Thanks for the brew Harry!

Got up sometime around 10 after yesterday

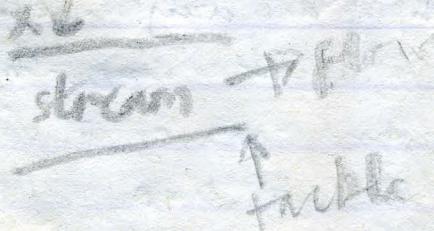
for a couple of hours after everyone else got up. Eventually made our way down to where Gavin + Dick were surveying; very impressed by excellent caños en route which are a great aid to route finding. After lunch with G + D left Paul to put a bolt in on first pitch down in big boulder chamber while Su Yong + Strait went to recover tape + explore. Found tape! Had a good go around trying to find ways on. Discovered very pretty inlet which probably goes to main stream before or during choke D. Went back to G + D. Abseiled down to main stream and Strait, D + Su Yong started investigating climb on left hand wall of stream with view to winding deep wadi before choke E (water level quite high at present).

25/3/81

All overslept much to Gavin's annoyance as he was hoping to get an early start

Paul decided to stay in camp as he has an injured wrist. Stuart + Su Yony went to partially very pitch down to stream from shoulder chamber. I now better but still fairly muddy and unpleasant. Then completed climb up right wall and investigated possible ways on. Above stream, best rope up first part of climb in place should be easy to pull down. Tackle bag & meagre gear tied to rope. May be worth adventuring across chamber having one more look but I think may over-climb E. probably start higher up in big chamber.

abseil down



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26/7/89

Arrived from the surface for a
3 night camp, Dave Hersley, William
Stead & Phil Rose. Left surface at
12.30 pm got here at 8.30 - 9.00 pm

Dave
Z

: Thought for the day:-

Fresh Craps are so nice and warm
in their plastic bags that they could
be used to warm up cold damp
furrys or those cold camping
mornings.

Anon.

* Wow! what a day we've had!!!
After splashing back up the stream
to just awesome we finally arrived
at Woodcock's club up - I'm certain
glad that I didn't have to push it,
the creek moves are quite

appaling with bouldle bags - perhaps there
is a way to rig in from above?

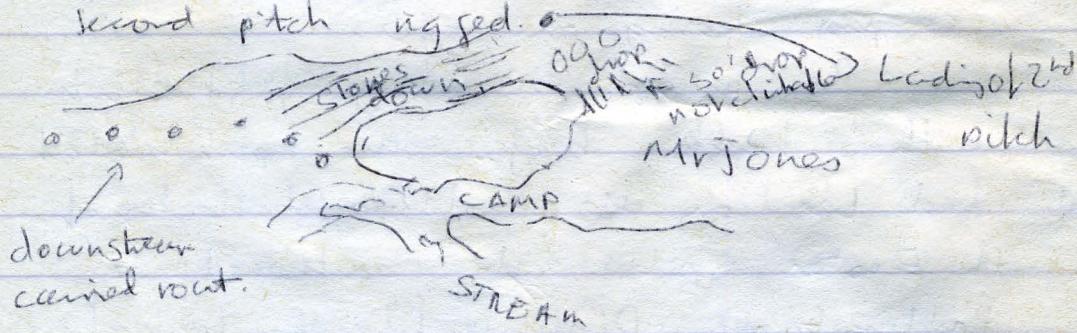
Once in the passage, we were initially
confused by its immensity but after a
couple of false starts found the way on
- a fail safe way is to follow a
compass bearing on 040.

The passage is very difficult but this
with bouldle bags. We put a short
rod lie on the climb at the top of
the Euston pit ad continued to
Paddington. Didn't like the look of
this ad couldn't find Sherry's ledge.

However, we left 200 m of rope there
ad retuned over Euston to Harry's shaft
Rigged with a couple of bolts ad
led belayed in huge boulder drifter
area. T Junction affair - branch goes
to ~50' drop into stream but
straight on leads to pitch into
- given about another boulder drifter!!

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It was by now 8-00pm ad we were dreading the walk back via Just Around but for a joy a boulder cluster is positioned just above the camp which can be reached in 5 minutes from the base of the second pitch rigged.

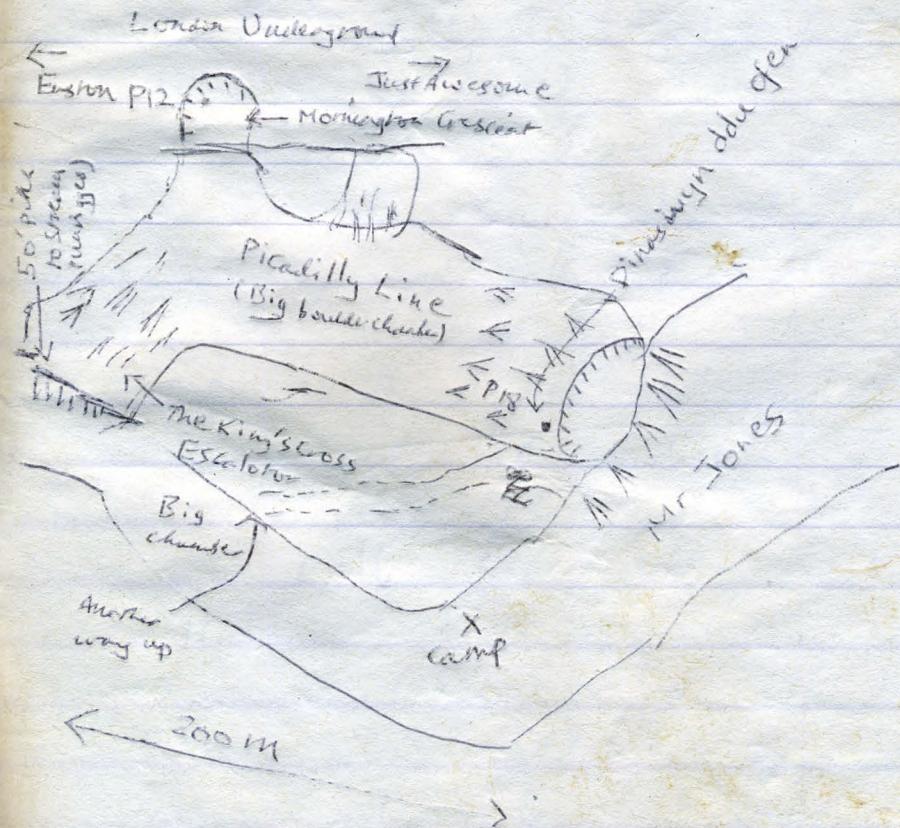


Friday 28th July Survey Piccadilly Line
(Link from London Underground to Mr Jones)

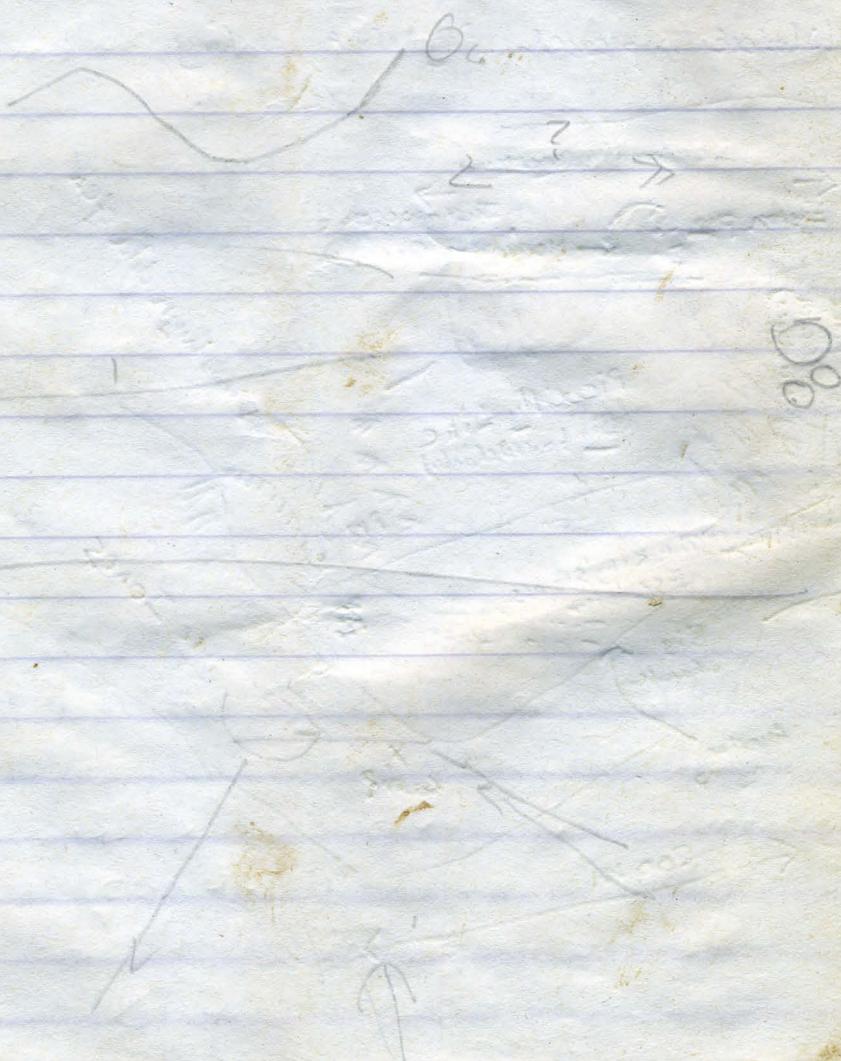
Dave H.
Phil R.
William

Met the priorities for today were a) Survey Piccadilly Line & b) Push Paddington (via Piccadilly Line). Looked in vain for junction stations no camp, so in the end reluctantly surveyed up from last yr's Survey limits. Pecked off upwards from the big chamber beyond camp, only to find a short cut back down the boulders into Mr Jones proper. Wrestled with Surveying Piccadilly Line. It's quite as big as Mr Jones

a I couldn't see the walls. Phil getting impatient steering his pushing line slipping away. Eventually reached London Underground 6pm. The St'n 22 is the lower bolt on the pitch down from the London underground, 24 is a cam on the l.h. wall (looking towards Just Awesome). Came down in time to meet the others. Wicked V pleased. Pity about pushing W.



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29/7/84

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Kew
Paul + Gavin

Aimed 8.30 after 7½ hr trip down. V. impressed by Lon. Ws + Picadilly Line. Knocking carrying tackle bags from J.A.

Martin H, Fred, Kodak, Dave H,
S.R

Wandered around in the London v/g being impressed with (a) its size (b) how short it is to J.A. (c) how difficult it is to photograph. I spent ¾ hour hiding behind a rock waiting for Martin to blow a whistle & then couldn't make the flash gun work. We all agreed that a direct route from the Big Ledge to LUG would be mega good but only the Loony Poles was stupid enough to try to do

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anything about it, & even he gave up

The case pieces are A&E -
please leave them for others to admire!

Back to camp at 4:30 for soup
& a brew - then off to Paddington
which is still holding its innermost
secrets, though a DRAFTING FLIGHT
(in the night) before the choke)
leads to a small chamber after
ripping your suit to shreds. Back
at 10:30 to lots of nosh.

29/7/89 Phil Rose & Bill left to
go out. I went with them to just
before DCS & detached the streamway
back to camp. Phil & Bill detached
the rest of the streamway leaving the
DPC in S.A.

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Wlodick, Paul M, Gain

30/7/89

Pushed the hole described above. Down a series of pitches to land in the streamway at the downstream end of Cuthbert. Disappointing as we thought we would be past Drivilla. Is the survey correct? This route is much harder than the normal route so could maybe digged. The best route (bad stems to be) over Paddington.

30/7/89 Dave H, Martin H, Fred, SGR

Photo'd in London Underground near Paddington, + Marble Arch Pitch.

Back to camp for lunch then on to choke Egbert photoing + tying up loose ends of the survey as we went.

back to camp at 11-00pm

(Oh forgot also looked at poroge see next book)

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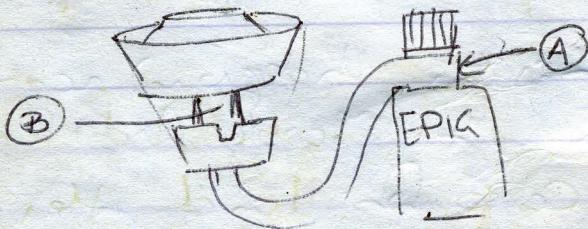
Pasta - small billy - $\frac{1}{2}$ full #

Veg stov - large billy - $\frac{2}{3}$ full. Simmer

* 1 pkt = 3 portions

STOVES

They are very vulnerable to sand ingestion. You must not get sand in the valve which screws onto the bottle (A) or the jet at the bottom of the burner (B).



BAD DIAGRAM

To solve the problem you must prick the hole near (B). You may need to pull the tube off the bottom of the burner.

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of LOGS

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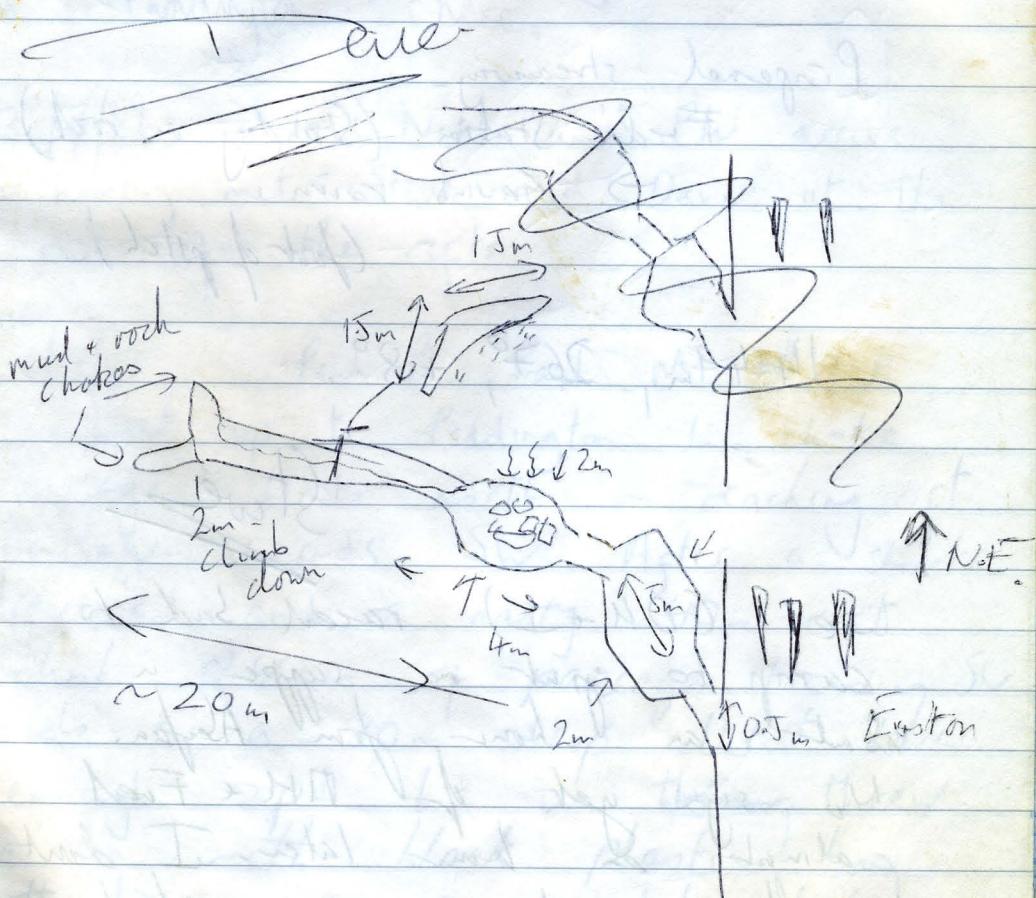
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30/7/89 Dave H, SCR mark hatched for

Continued.

Easton

- passage of choke Amwb. west
in 40-50m sand & muddy
(before chocking)



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(Stew)
Aberfan Ante-chamber - disputed
forward bearing 245° bearing
back bearing 066°

i.e., SGR (w. wrong), Gavins & co.
were right.

Pinged streamway

Fred's Station (Standing on rock)
→ Gavins cairn
(foot of pitch)

14.49m, 267° , +8°.

Stew

We (DH + I) raced back to camp to put on supper in about an hour from Aberfan.

No sign yet of DH + Fred almost an hour later. I don't really want to go & find

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them -

Martin H, Fred, Włodek, Paul M, Gravu 31/7/89

Photoed L.U from J.A Derged
zadzka zadzka way. Found nest (?)
in Paddington choke.

31/7/89 → Paul, Nikki and Phil arrived
having met Steve and Dave at the
end of the rifts

1/8/89 Paul B, Paul M, Włodek
- went up to Paddington. In choke
passage leads north on reaching rift
passage leads SW. After a short
franverse and a nasty 40m rift
climb ~40m of passage trending SW
leads to a 30m drop. Didn't have
enough rope but we ~~then~~ threw
a tin with black plastic bag
attacked down the pitch believing

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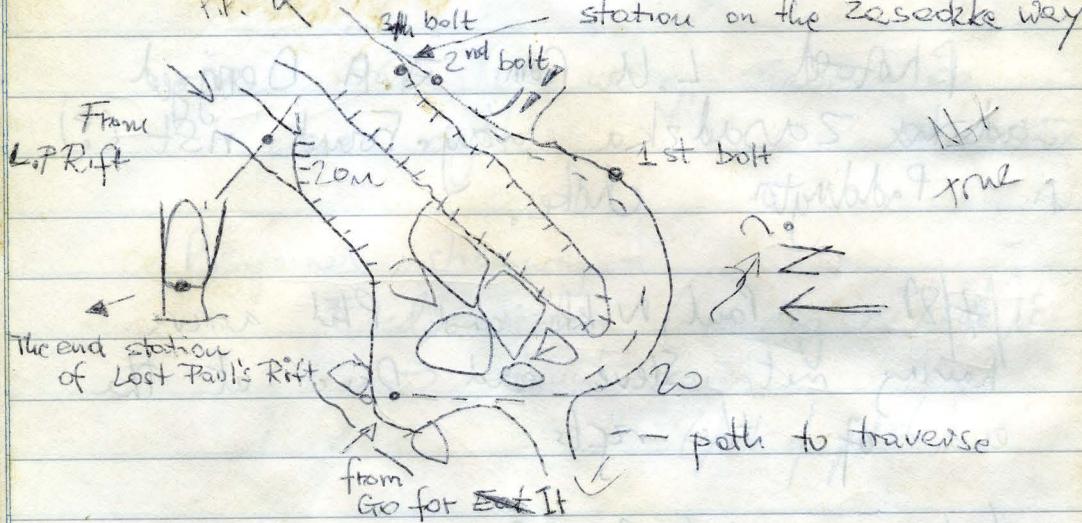
it to be Zasdecka way. Surveyed
all of the passage.

Odeon - plan for closing loop

P.P. ↗

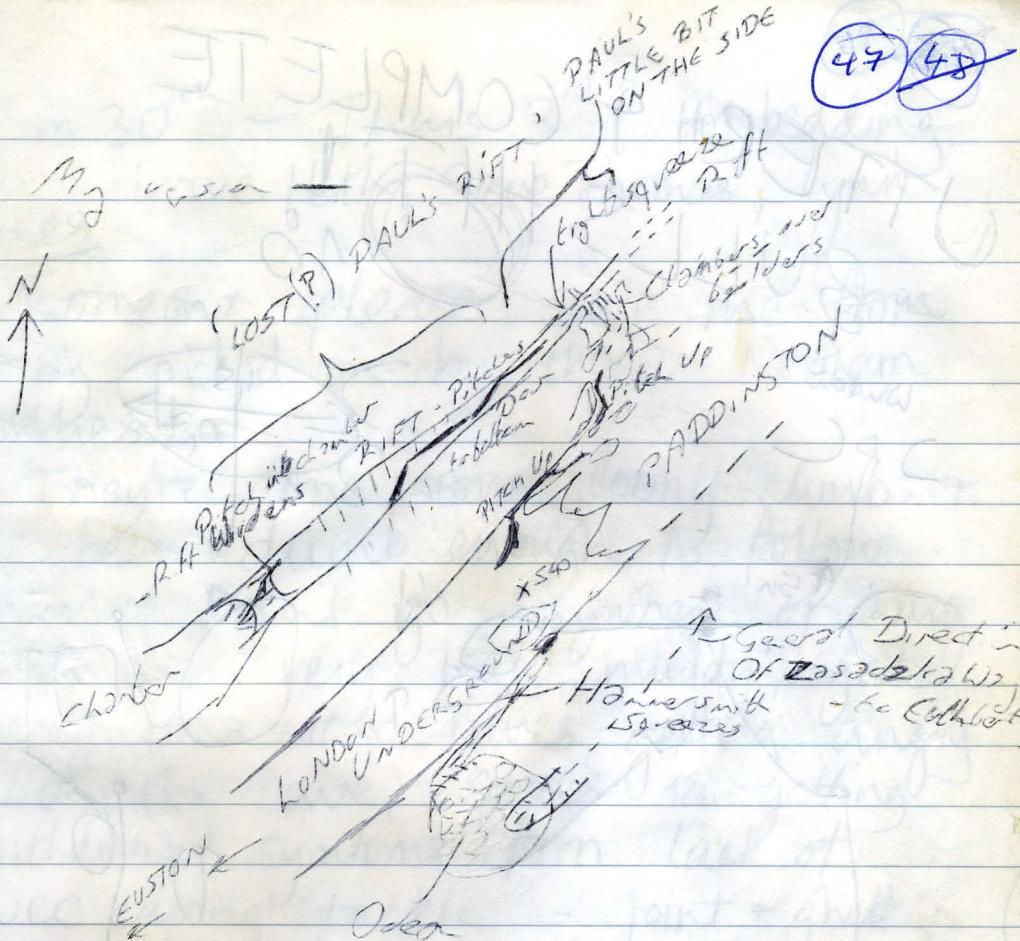
3rd bolt

station on the Zasdecka way



— If it's Odeon Chamber

ten minutes to eleven & 15 P.M.



To me - seems too much distance
 NW → SE not covered

L.U. & ~~L.P.R.~~ both seem
 to dip S.E. $\sim 80^\circ$

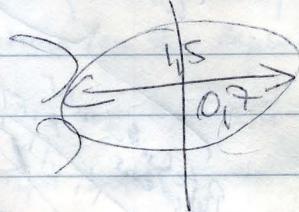
However, IF L.P.R. does drop into Z.W., you'll

find a peach core with a plumb egg
 the top, hot we threw over the edge of the last
 pitch

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BULLSHIT!¹⁰

What's

2PC



Sun 30th - Thurs 3rd? Hot bedding.
Dave Heth, Steve Thomas, Lynn

Tues

Someone please save me from being picked on by these Northern bullies!!

They've done some loony climbs & I've been dumb enough to follow them up. Didn't go anywhere of course other than very high, muddy, tight scroffulons etc. Dave's getting angry with the cave, Steve's ~~isn't~~ getting withdrawal symptoms from lack of NCC carabiner tackle :- joint + ghetto blaster, & I'm just being victimised. Doesn't your haart just bleed. Anyway, this cave isn't not going for lack of trying.

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Wed 2nd

Paul, Włodzimierz, Niki

Went back to Paddington and lost Paul's rft. Descended 15m into complicated chamber and found tin throw down - yesterday it is not zagger way No routes out passage. There is another chamber to the SW which is the direction of the draught. Surveyed but and detaskled route back to climbs up at Paddington (came back).

Tue 1st August Nikki, Phil Rose and Gavun

We were heading for an interesting inlet on the left hand side of the renamed Aberfahan - Postman Pat (gavun ask him why). There was supposed to be an interesting climb up a rib the only unexplored area from the hymn, Steve Done team of last night - it turned out to be interesting.

The natural teacher was to look down which we did and found a series of beautiful pitches which were miraculously mud free. They all hung from naturals, and it was a really good experience hacking down the pitches unfortunately it came out in the main stream way only about 20 metre down from the ropes up. ^{to Postman Pat} But it were great.

~ The pitches ought to be his Black and White Cat

~ 50 metre in total about 12 main pitches.

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Stan Doe and some women on the

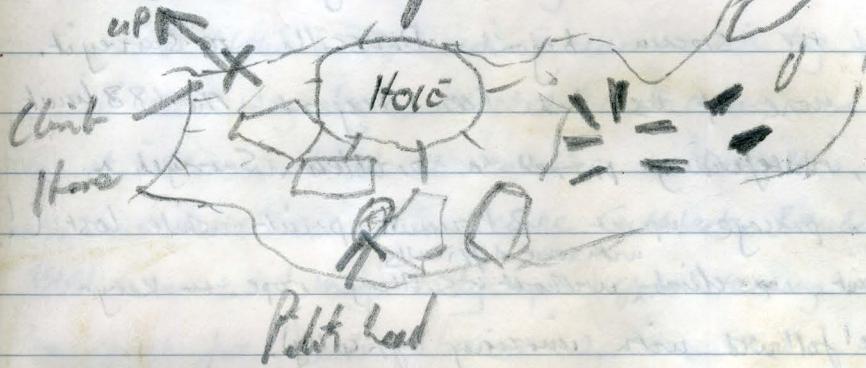
What we have looked at.

Day 1. Looked at top L side of Aherfan; above
I am obvious inlet (over) is climbed up and
traversed to L over Gair's pitch. Climbed up above
this for ~ 60m in a dry inlet. Still going
but not very promising. We also searched all
the high ledges in perpendicular passage (between the 2
pitches).

Day 2. Looked at Vlodet's ledges on
→ Paddington then did an interesting climb
up the side - The Northern line. Ran out
of rope after ~ 60m. From the high point
it should be possible to swing across over the
top of Paddington.

Day 3. Went downstream up and put a traverse
across all the deep water. There are no ledges
beyond here. To which away the time we used
various dubious techniques to gain a ledge up
on the right before the traverse. Never had
been here before but not very far. A
short - Chelastony climb led up into
a large black hole - Bag Charge Chamber.

Steve did some secong climbing to get into a low window but didn't get any points because a) he didn't get there and b) we couldn't see him. There is no other climbing lead out of here at the other end of the ladder.



If anyone else goes down the passage which leads L off the top of Just Awesome (looking out) don't climb down in the njt cos it's hornd. The way is probably over the top. We surveyed a lot down in the njt.

Usd, Mike, John 2/8/89

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Wed 2nd - Sat 4th August Katya, Mel & William

2nd Started down 1pm. Arrived camp 11:15 pm, having met Mike & Urs in the London Underground.

3rd Following instructions from Dave Hetherington & Steve ~~the~~ Thomas attempted to go to their climb out of the stream beyond Drusilla to survey it. Since none of us had been beyond the '88 limit before, routefinding proved a problem. Surveyed a small passage up at ? Pumila point while lost (!). Went up climb ^{with some difficulty} without safety rope. to Katya & Mel followed with increasing difficulty).

Went on to Aberfan & eventually got to streamway beyond Drusilla. By Disputing ~~ignoring~~ last pitch? Inlet just before on left might provide easier alternative. By now too late to go on, so came back slowly, reaching camp ca 10pm.

Zero M/T much achieved, except learning the route

4th P.S. Dave H. says his climb is 100m beyond where you meet the water beyond Drusilla & that the Survey st'nce on the pair of boulders in the stream.

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1st Following y'day's débâcle, see ourselves more modest goals. Kuo Hare been there before, reached Abefan quickly + ~~set~~ tied up Survey to inlet there.

St'n 1 bolt on climb up to Abefan

2 clear Quartz crystal caon

SII (I think) spot near S near caon by inlet.

On the way back, checked that there were no tackle bags at stream level at entrance to Dragulla. But also put some more caions in choke Cuthbert. Reached camp tired 6pm + did mega tidy up before turning in early to be fresh for exiting tomorrow.

P.S. Also tied up Promulg Point side passage Survey.

St'n 2° bolt on rope up

X 1m climb on sandbank at floor level upper

met some Zeds. level, just upstream of rope.

William

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5/8/89

(Sat)

SAR + Sherry arrive after
a satisfyingly late start -- + discover
that it is THE LAST NIGHT OF
THE CAMP. Wish I had a sick
bottle so I could have brought
some alcohol. However, we are
going to have a MEGA TROUBL

Bread + peanut butter

Oranges

Veg Cloth + Rice

Spaghetti & cheese → Mashed Potato

FLAPJACK (chocolate).

Lots + Lots of Tea.

The burning question is: will this mega-hard
detoxing team be too fat to get through
paradise? *

I want to eat until I am sick

Tony

O.K. -- as long as you carry it
out.

*who cares, after this we'll be in Paradise

Colloquial English Phrases
for Foreign Guests

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and

- Q "Is there rice in the sleeping bag?"
A "Yes, the rice is in the sleeping bag."
Q "Would you like more peanut butter
in your porridge?"
A "No, I would not like more peanut
butter: Please give me the tube
of cheese."

6/8/89 (Sun)

Detackle team are packing camp + eating
at a gentle pace - we hope to get the
gear & detackle to 1st false floor.
But 1st - more to eat!

♡ Sherry

Underground Camp Log

9/7/89 (1st camp)

Team: Sheng, Gar + Wodek

We got underground by 10:30-ish thanks to Gar the keen - Wodek the even more keen wanted to get us up at 6:30am but we all told him to go away until 8:00 am whence we ate breakfast + set off for ZT. ^{table}

We took a bag each - I tried out my Gobbin for the 1st time so I had a few cock-ups. We met Dave at Armageddon (we'd left him snoozing at arrs but he caught up with us). At Rosy Crucifixion we picked up another bag each & acquired about 3 ropes as well - I was starting to feel a little overladen. Gar nipped from the little ledge to the big one. I had an ^{as} epic on the last belay.

3 bags + 2 ropes was just TOO much!
(Gav had left ~~some~~ his gear while he
was rappelling.) I rigged to the bottom of
the big J.A. (wow) shit scared on
the last rappel but at least I got
to leave my bags behind!

Then the long slog along the
streambed - not too much route finding
trouble but when we finally got
to camp I was utterly shagged from
all the gear I had tried to me.
~~the camp~~ Hard men Gav & Wodeck
look as fresh as daisies (pretty funny
daisies though). We've had our 1st
brew but one of the stoves is shagged.
Wodeck is jogging in circles & doing
pressups to dry out his alpneX!
Now he's doing 1-armed pressups -
what a picser! Any way dinner
is on its way. Us hardened
speleos need our calories if we

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are to boldly go where no person
(this is the non-sexist version) has
gone before. To fearlessly push new
cave (to carelessly split new infinitives)
etc etc.

Bloody Hell Wtodesh's still doing
messups.

See ya Possums
love Sherry

The next morning 8-30 am 10/7/69
By a kind of common consent we came
to life at roughly the same time.
Gav has made some porridge to
which we added syrup & a little
chocolate - very nice. Today we're hoping
to survey the mining section from last
year.

~4:30pm We did survey the mining section
- I think its length may have been approx

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underestimated. Wtack did some extra rigging:

i) Rope going up to the muddy high level just after the traverse following mesopotamia - this avoids some wading E is easier than the usual climb to the high level.

ii) Tight line on walking on water

iii) short traverse line on awkward bit of dry route into start of Th J. from ledge by the whirlpool (at end of W. o. w.)

Anyway we're back at camp now
Wtack is still doing exercises!



* Survey notes copied into book.

Tues 11/7/89

We woke at 5 & went back to sleep!
We woke again at 9. Today is the 11th -
Gavins brother's Alistair's birthday - Happy birthday
Al - 26 today!

Well Gavins working on the porridge
again & we've just had our morning tea -
well civilized. Today we intend to survey
from the cairn at the '88 limit so we'll
be in new territory. Wodek has 'bagged'
any rigging to be done which is fine by me
since he's fast. I also want to try to
make a couple of measurements of stream
flow rate if I find a suitable location!

~6:30ish

Finished early again this time stopped by
lack of a rope. Surveyed from cairn at
'88 limit up into an awful Boulder Choke
- Choke cut like the horrible - ~~the~~ line up
choke - careful its loose! - then climb back

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down to pitchbread. Pitch goes down to stream at bottom of the choke^①. Clamber over boulders leads to short wide meander at end of choke - phew! The low part of the route thru' the choke looks as though it floods in wet weather - BE WARNED. After short meander, climb up over boulders (on R) E then clamber back down again towards stream. This is followed by a nice wide meandering section follow the sandy bank round on the left until the bank ends at a big boulder blocking your way (the stream on the right gets quite deep here). THIS is WHERE the last survey point is - on the boulder - marked by black curtid E a tin can & primula tube pressed into the mud above it. The way on is a shrubby climb ~~back~~ between the wall & the left hand side of the boulder. this leads to a sad sandy ledge above the stream which looks like a good traverse but it needs a

① Basically follow the water here

rope rope (in the climb could do with one as well). From the ledge you can hear a waterfall downstream.

On our way back we did a flow rate measurement:

Width : 2.5m

Depth: 0.23

0.55

0.40

0.50

0.55

0.30

0.10

2.63

0.375

Avg. depth = $\frac{2.63}{7} = 0.375$

21

33

49

40

= 0.375

c.s. Area 2.5×0.375

750

1.875

32

0.9375 m²

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Time to flow 5m ~ 20s
 ~ 21s
 ~ 20s
 ans. ~ 20.3

$$\Rightarrow \text{Velocity} \approx 0.25$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Flow rate} = \frac{0.25 \times}{0.94}$$

$$\approx 0.24 \text{ cumecs}$$

If anyone else has spare time to do another measurement it'd be nice to compare results.

NB - After '88 terminal cams a rope is rigged up to the left to climb the choke. On following this you come to a wire & a bolt (ha ha - well underdrilled) for a short pitch - there is no rope on this yet & a bypass is a yucky muddy climb down to the left. The next pitch is rigged & drops to the lower part of the choke etc etc.

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Wed 12.7.89 Fred, Lynn & Dave Heth

We're too full to move. After eating & pondering upon the necessities of life, campsite essentials are deemed to be:

brandy

1/4 ounce Arabian herbs

music

table & chairs

thimbles for the sewing kit got down O.K but it would be nice to bring some cups next time.

Marker pen & chess set

Thurs 13/7/89 We arrived at the Pinneola Point and started to survey - only to discover that the tape was back at camp! Undercutted the traverse (slippery, sloping, muddy, last day of later) ledge spotted by the deer as they ranged along with stems, pitchforks and a pendulum to reach the waterfall. This proved to be a 0.2-1 high corralite on a boulder

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Date so awful as to make Catfish become
the extremely nice and appealing.

About 2 hours hard grubbing saw us
through this into big muddy passage left, since
Fred was at the other end we returned.

On the way back at the end of the ropes
I spotted an inlet up & a big black space -
we will return.

There is no draught beyond the traverse
where has it all gone?

Friday 14/7/89 Fred, Lynn, Dave the

Reached Formula Point and surveyed
down to the beginning of the choke. Lynn put
another bolt into the peninsula. Dave looked
up an inlet which didn't go. The last
Survey station is a cairn on a boulder
in the middle of the stream. Two
tackle bags are slung over the boulder.

Took the tackle through the river
and had a look downstream. Bankfull