

Scarborough Caving Club

Oct-94



Report for October 1994

Due to Sprogs wedding on the 10th December, the same day as the Photo competition. The meeting will be cancelled and the competition will be held during the January meeting, giving longer to get your entries in. The dates for next years meetings will be announced in November, and it is hoped we can keep the same venue as this year.

Most of next years Permits are now here, and a list will be issued very soon. If anyone wants to do any particular Non-permit trip (or anything else) Please let Lyn know as soon as possible so it can be included on the list when it is printed.

Next trips are Gingly Hole on Saturday 29th October, an excellent SRT trip on Fountains Fell, followed the day after by County Pot on the 30th. County is a very good interesting route to the top end of the Easegill System, involving very little vertical caving, but once at the Master cave one can go upstream to the pretty, tight bits, or up Stop Pot ladder to the Big stuff!
Keith will have the Permits for these two trips.

The Lead mine through trip, from Brandy Bottle Incline in Gunnerside Gill to Hard Level Gill will take place on the 19th November (Sunday). This trip will be long and Very Wet in places, wetsuits are recommended as the water can be nostril deep!

The National Park have replied to our letter asking for permission to bombard the North York Moors few potential caving sites, with a list of Names and Addresses of Land owners or Agents, to whom I will be writing.

Silpho Quarry Cave looks more promising after discussions with the tennant farmer, although no official word yet from the Duchy of Lancaster, who own it.

That same Tennant Farmer has asked us to look at a new pothole on his land, discovered when his Potato harvester nearly disappeared. Details to follow.

Newclose Rigg Pot in Dalby forest. The club is to have a go at pushing this pot, using the thinnest people we can find. This will be done on Wednesday 9th November evening, (if the weather is reasonable) Anyone interested please contact me as soon as possible, so transport can be organised, as a forestry gate key has to be used to get vehicals to the site.

Secretary, Lyn Ward, 87 Caledonia Street, Scarborough, North Yorks, YO12 7DP Telephone 0723-377443

Dont forget the Auction at the February meeting, anyone wishing to sell any cave related gear etc. think about it now and put it to one side. consider what you want for it, and let me know before the meeting in February, so we can put lot numbers on these items. I still need an Auctioneer, any takers?

The Club is buying some new Petzl Twist Hangers to relace several that have gone astray and to replace some of the older Troll hangers which are worn.

The Points System for attending trips, culminating in the Caver of The Year Award, is to be revamped to make it fairer to members who successfully complete long or demanding trips and not those (like me!) who just go along to look at the entrance! This will be done by a Questionair sent with your next update.

We are to obtain some Hauling sacks and digging equipment for the (hopefully) forthcoming new digs next year. If anyone can spare a pickaxe, trowels or trenching tools, crowbars and scaffolding poles, the would be very much appreciated.

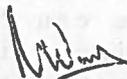
Our annual Chistmas hols Caving trip. Think about where you want to go and let us know by the next meeting. as there is no meeting in December.

We are to arrange a Clean up trip to our adopted cave, Bull Pot. at the request of some members. a date will be fixed soon. (how about at Christmas?)

If there is enough interest, a summer holiday trip to Scotland or Wales could be arranged. using a Holiday cottage again. or Bunkhouse or even Tents... Think about this for now.

Keith and Jamie finally managed to bottom Juniper Gulf on a Dent Trip recently, well done lads
Several members descended Rumbling Hole recently, also taking in a bit of Lost Johns Pot. and Mick and John went to Sell Gill Holes, all had a good time.

Bye for now


Richard.

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HAGGLAND POT.

Silpho, Scarborough, North Yorkshire.
Grid ref. SE961 923

Haggland Pot is a small Slip Rift cave formed on the edge of a field boundary next to Haggland Wood, overlooking the Lowdales valley.

It was discovered when agricultural vehicle wheels broke through the thin surface above the rift, to create a body sized hole, dropping into a small chamber, with a passage leading off in a SE direction.

The cave is formed in Corrallian Limestone, as are all the known Windypit type fissures on the North York Moors, and there was evidence of flowstone deposits on the walls. The entrance chamber is 4ft wide and 9ft long, dropping down to a steeply sloping floor 8ft below the entrance, which descends to the deepest part in the south east passage.

The cave narrows considerably to a thin rift about 8" wide, and turns towards the steep bank at the edge of the field, stopping at a blank wall in an impossibly tight crack after only 20ft.

The cave, when explored, was dry, with no evidence of water flow, and can be assumed that it does not form part of the areas drainage, which issues from several springs in the valley below.

There was no evidence of recent movement, and although the compacted mud was friable, the rock walls and roof were very solid.

Scarborough Caving Club wishes to acknowledge the help of Mr Foxton and the Duchy of Lancaster, for allowing the Club access to the site.

Richard Ward

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Club Chairman.

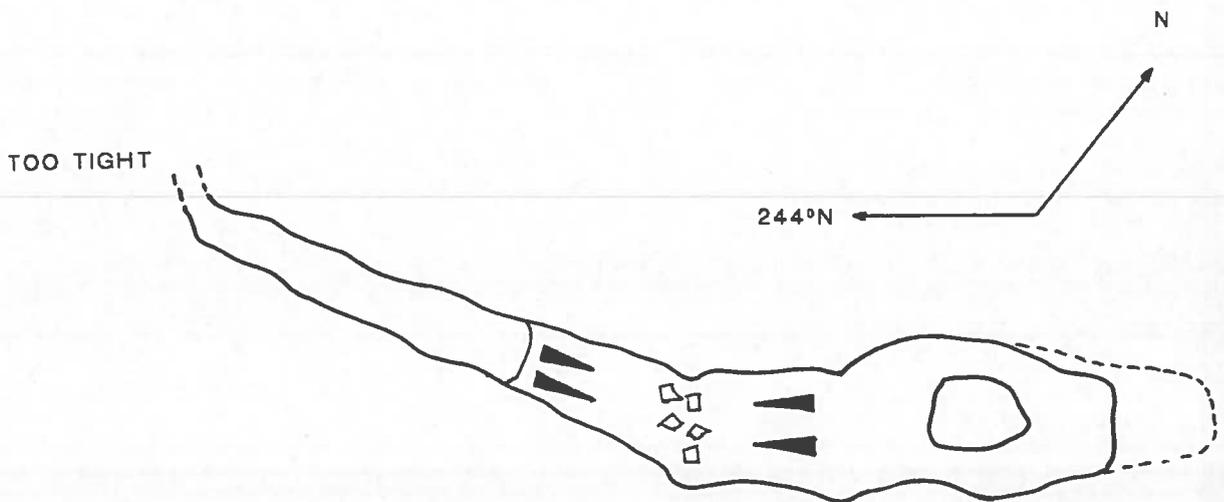
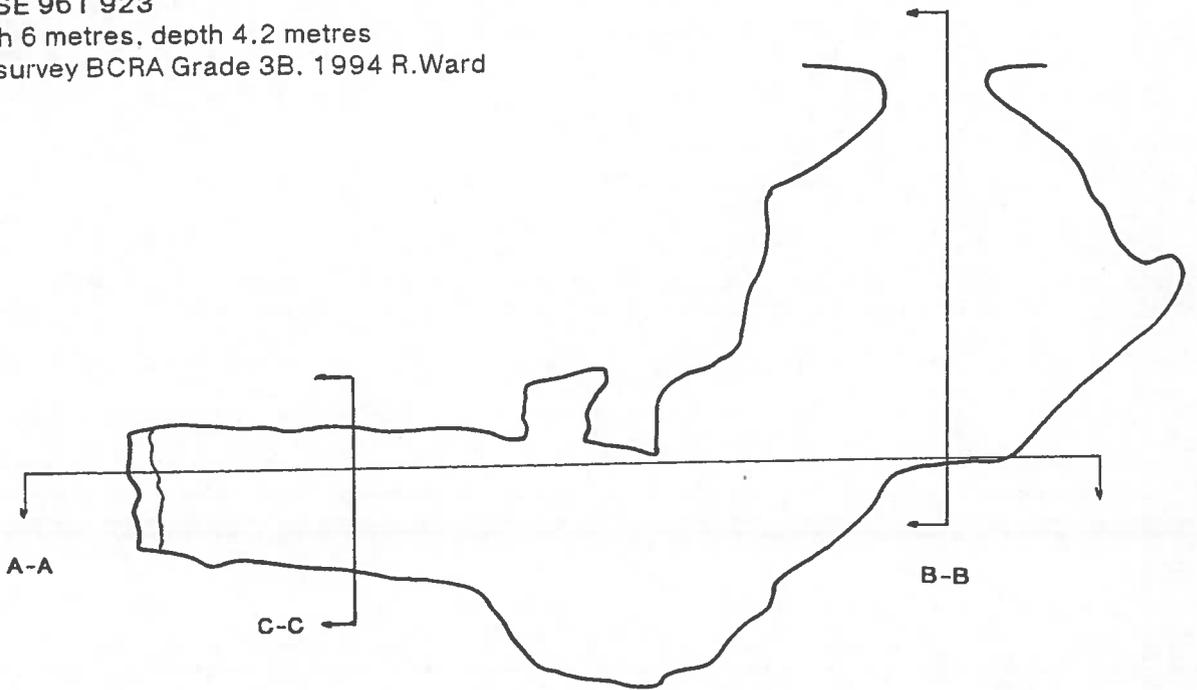
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SILPHO. SCARBOROUGH. NORTH YORKSHIRE

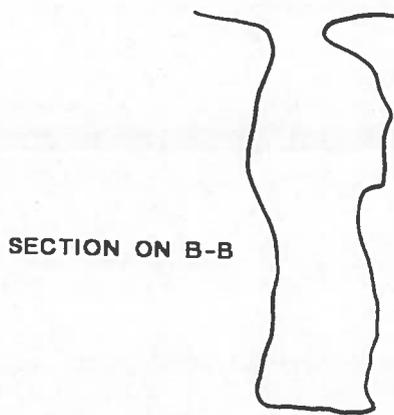
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Length 6 metres. depth 4.2 metres

SCC survey BCRA Grade 3B. 1994 R.Ward



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SECTION ON B-B



SECTION ON C-C



Surveyed by R.Ward, S.Johnson.

