

# Scarborough

# Caving Club



Meeting 9th August 1997.

5 Members Present

This month there was very little to report. This was put down to there being very few members present and very little happening. What's required is "more input" to coin a phrase from Short Circuit. Any information, stories that you have are always welcome and would be appreciated. Communication is vital to the clubs existence.

The recent Ryedale Pool success has sparked off the possibility of a monthly trip to the pool to learn to dive. It is hoped that starting Sunday 7th September regular diving lessons will be held on the Sunday after the meeting each month for several months. The lessons will be held in either the pool at Pickering or the one at Helmsley cost will depend on how many people turn up. To hire the Ryedale pool in Pickering it costs £32 per hour so if 8 people turn up that's £4 each inclusive of any life saving required. Further details are available from Richard Wilsdon on 01751 432953 who also needs to know how many people are interested.

Safety. It has been noticed that several of the clubs members don't take the necessary safety / survival precautions while caning. Many of you don't pay enough attention to emergency equipment. It is up to you but it is suggested that on any caving trip you take a spare light (eg maglite strapped to your helmet), a whistle, a survival bag, food (not just a mars bar but something that would keep you going if you had to spend a lot of time underground, malt loafs are ideal) and personal first aid kit. All these could save your life or prevent the cave rescue having to be called.

23rd August. If anyone is interested in assisting a group of venture scouts down a cave please contact Jerry. The trip needs to fairly easy but with some adventure to give the full impression of caving.

## Forthcoming Events.

Sat 23rd Aug	Dow Cave (grade 3) / Venture Scouts.
Sat 30th Aug	Washfold Pot (grade 5).
Sat 6th Sept	Meeting.
Sun 7th Sept	Diving Lessons
Sat 13th Sept	Rumbling Hole (grade 4). Very good trip.

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# RUMBLING HOLE

LOCATION: Leck Fell NGR: SD671791

GRADE: 4

## ROUTE TO CAVE:

Follow the route indicated on the reverse of C.N.C.C. permit.

## ACCESS:

Club access only with C.N.C.C. permit, from Leck Fell meets secretary. See C.N.C.C. handbook page 3:8. Closed season April, May & June.

## WARNING:

Rumbling Hole is an active stream cave, the area between the underground entrance and the 2nd. pitch becomes impassable, there are obvious signs of frequent flooding through out this area.

An initial belay to the corner fence post is followed by a belay from the tree, descend the gully being careful not to dislodge rocks onto those beneath you. Traditional route; an anchor 2m. lower than the tree leads to a fine, airy 'Y' hang re-belay from a prominent nose of rock that overhangs the shaft. This gives a tree hang to the ledge some 25m. lower. Two short, successive re-belays followed by a traverse to a 'Y' hang, and a deviation complete the entrance pitch.

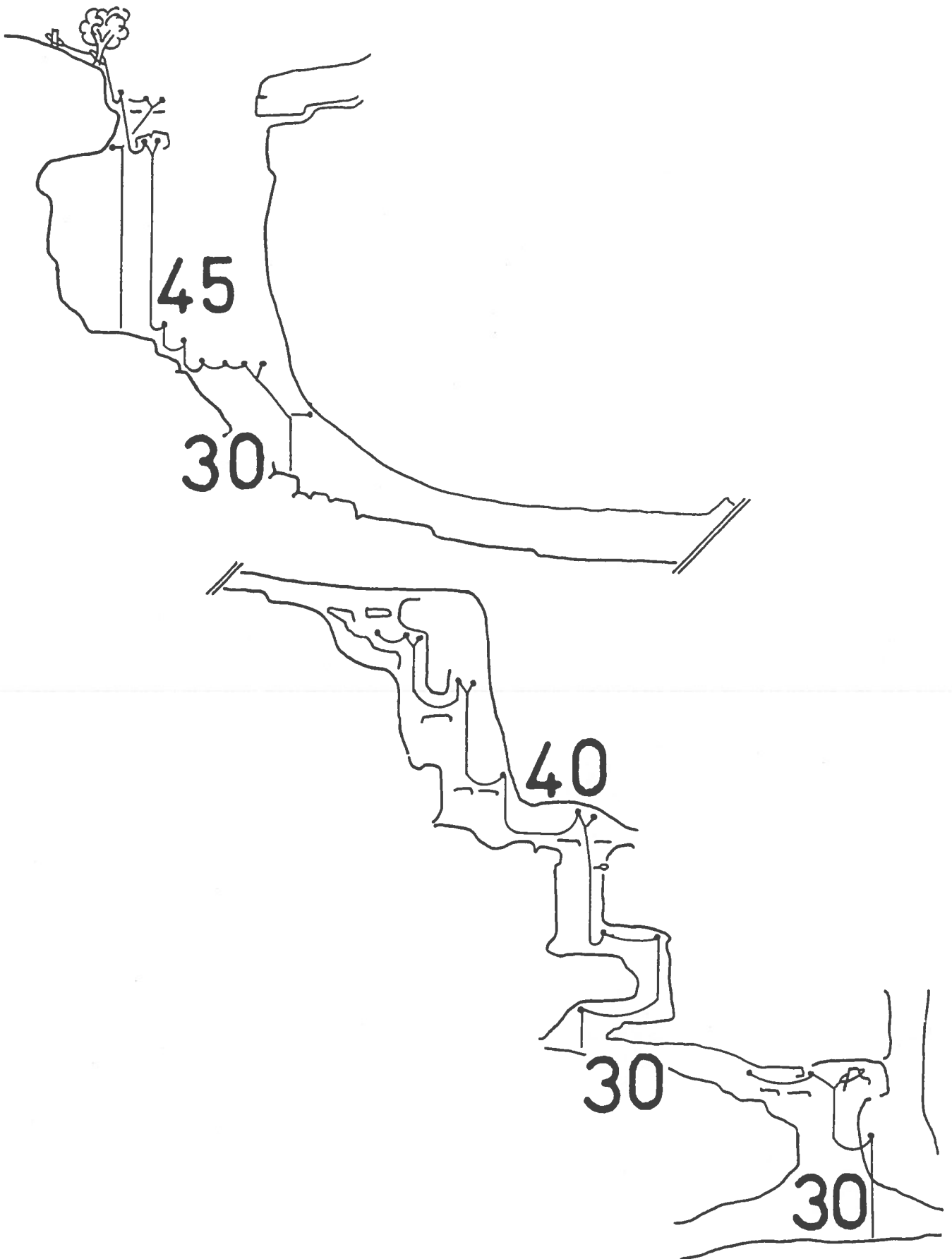
Entrance pitch alternative; from the anchor after the tree traverse around the ledge on the left to 'Y' hang, descend 3m. to deviation from opposite wall and level with 'Y' hang on 'Trad. route'. The rope needs to miss the prominent nose of rock by a couple of inches, this does NOT give a complete free hang. continue descent as from ' to short, successive re-belays' above.

Follow the water down typical stream passage with cascades, and low section, note warning above. As the stream drops to a lower level a crawl on the right leads to an adjacent dry parallel shaft. A single anchor leads to a low 'Y' hang, descend about 10m. to obvious ledge, a squeeze? through the rift leads into a larger shaft with 'Y' hang re-belay from opposite walls. Descend to re-belay, and top of 3rd. pitch. A typical 'key hole' shaped passage, a wide 'Y' hang and careful rigging allows a free hang down the slot to deviation from thread. This lands in a modest chamber, an anchor above the exit followed by an anchor in the roof gives dry a hang into further chamber, short shuffle forward to single anchor and 3m. drop into chamber. This area can become uncomfortably wet in times of wet weather. A short section of stream canyon and a deepening floor trench is the start of the final pitch. Traverse out at roof level, single anchor is followed by a 'Y' hang from an anchor and a large flake (short sling). Short descent to re-belay avoids most of the spray. Down stream is the squalid, wet connection with Lost Johns master cave via Rumbling hole inlet.

## MINIMUM EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

Entrance pitch	2 slings	(1 short, 1 long)	45m. rope
Ledge to bottom of pitch	1 sling	(long)	30m. rope
2nd. pitch			40m. rope
3rd. pitch	1 sling	(short)	30m. rope
Final pitch	1 sling	(short)	30m. rope

# Rumbling hole



# THE RULES FOR GOLF

1. EACH PLAYER SHALL HAVE ONE CLUB AND TWO BALLS. THE OBJECT OF THE GAME IS TO GET INTO THE HOLE IN THE LEAST NUMBER OF STROKES.
2. PLAYERS SHALL AT ALL TIMES USE A COVER ON THEIR CLUBS. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT WHEN PLAYING AN UNKNOWN COURSE WITH A PRO. FAILURE TO OBSERVE THIS RULE MAY HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES AND DAMAGE THE CLUB RESULTING IN PROLONGED ABSENCE FROM THE GAME. WHEN PLAYING THE HOME GAME THIS RULE SHOULD BE OBSERVED FOR ILL EFFECTS MAY BE CAUSED TO THE HOLE, AFTER SOME MONTHS THE HOLE MAY BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO PLAY AND FINALLY MAY HAVE TO BE TAKEN OUT FOR A WHILE, WHILE EXCAVATIONS ARE CARRIED OUT.
3. A PLAYER SHOULD OCCASIONALLY GREASE HIS CLUB WHEN PLAYING A NEW COURSE.
4. A RED FLAG IN ANY HOLE INDICATES THAT THE HOLE SHOULD NOT BE PLAYED FOR A FEW DAYS.
5. A PLAYER MAKING AN APPROACH FROM THE BACK OF THE GREEN MUST TAKE CARE NOT TO LAND HIS CLUB IN THE BUNKER AT THE BACK OF THE HOLE.
6. PRACTICE SWINGS OF THE CLUB ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE LADIES' DRESSING ROOM, AND TOWELS MUST NOT BE USED FOR WIPING THE BALLS AFTER HOLLING OUT.
7. OLD BAGS ARE NOT ALLOWED.
8. IN THE INTEREST OF OTHERS, ALL PLAYERS SHALL TAKE CARE NOT TO ENLARGE THE HOLE UNDULY, HOLES INTO WHICH A PLAYER CAN INSERT HIS CLUB AND BOTH BALLS AT ONE TIME, SHALL BE TAKEN OUT OF USE.
9. LOOSE IMPLEMENTS AT THE FRONT OR REAR OF THE HOLE MAY BE REMOVED IF INTERFERING WITH PLAY, EXCEPT WHEN THE RED FLAG IS FLYING.
10. IF A PLAYER BECOMES ENTANGLED IN THE ROUGH HE MAY BE WITHDRAWN AND TAKE THE STROKE AGAIN.
11. IF TWO OR MORE PLAYERS WISH TO PLAY A HOLE AT THE SAME TIME, THE DISPUTE SHALL BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS: EACH PLAYER SHALL PLACE HIS CLUB AT THE TOP OF THE HOLE, MEASUREMENTS SHALL BE TAKEN AND THE PLAYER WHOSE BALLS ARE FURTHERMOST FROM THE HOLE SHALL BE ALLOWED TO HOLE FIRST.
12. COURSE ETIQUETTE DEMANDS THAT NO PLAYER SHALL USE PART OF HIS PARTNERS APPAREL FOR WIPING HIS CLUB AFTER PLAY.
13. MALE MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTNER EACH OTHER.
14. THE TOSsing OF CLUBS BY MALE MEMBERS IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN. THIS PRIVILEGE IS FOR LADY MEMBERS ONLY.