

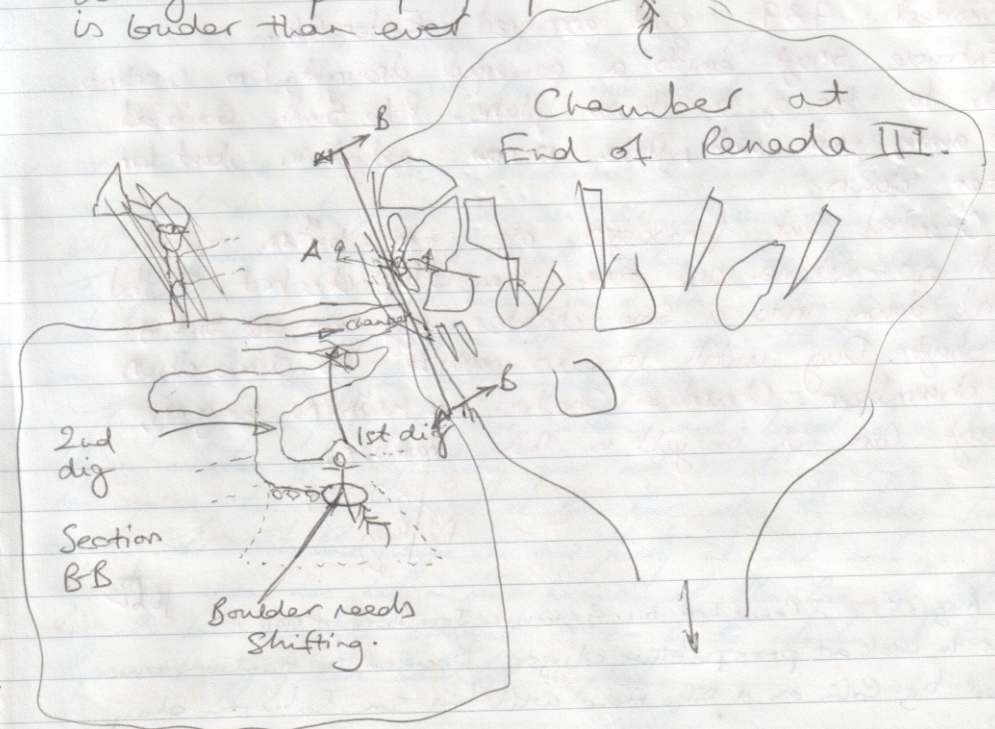
Azpilacueta - Peñada III ^{5 m} Transport PEagle
Sat 6th August
Pete Hall, Neil Pacey, Pete Eagan, Liz
Cowell, Ali Neil.

Went in through Azpilacueta and rigged the last 3 pitches, not using the inadequate rope left by the previous team. Luckily Pete & Ali & Liz had some spare rope. Removed a frayed 8mm ~~pull~~ pull through rope from the last pitch.

Went through to Ciga hall and Pete H & Neil went down. The others went out of Peñada rigging the pitches ~~with~~ with not enough rope on the way.

Pete & Neil continued to the large chamber in Peñada III and after a recon round the chamber had a look down a hole emitting the sound of rumbling water. The first part of this hole had been explored by Phil Pappard some time ago. The sound emerged from a choke of boulders & sand which we dug through in a few minutes - In the next small chamber, the sound was emerging from some cobbles in the floor. So we set to fetching them out and in 4 or 5 hours we had dug down six feet and chiselled out the sides to emerge in a further smaller opening. The way on was down and we managed to remove most of the shingle/cobbles. But one big awkward bastard was too heavy to lift. It is

wedged in a body-sized shaft going down. The draught is pumping up and the sound of water is louder than ever



Could shift the boulder so we left it & went out through Azpilacueta. 13½ hour trip.