

## Troglomania Cont.

two? It was, Richard calmly took off his 20ft. of nylon waist length, (nicked from the 5/7 Vells) and his ally, Stubaï, went 50ft along the passage and stabbed himself with it. How long would Jimmy last? Suddenly, I was hit on the head by a passing heliotibe, dazed I looked round, Jimmy was facing me staring down the barrel of a Si/C/va compass. It had been him all the time. Clever to make me think it had been Venus - I realised now, that he would not have the intelligence. Anyway, what was I to do? (is our hero doomed?)

"But why, Jimmy?" I said, my voice a harsh rasp (berry, of course), trying to gain time.

"I was brainwashed at Whernside, you fool", he replied, "as soon as I started to survey I remembered what I had been ordered to do."

"But what about the first deaths," I said thinking of Dave's bitter, twisted body.

"Paul's was caused by too much drinking, so that he could not get through the tight bits. Dave was caught by Soup Dragons. Terry, being Scottish, just cracked. John was drinking Brandy before he came down and just lit up." he replied.

Suddenly I realised a way out. I knew that there was a waterfall with a pool at the bottom. The 408 cavern, the stoop to follow the old streamway. "Take your cheap industrial helmet off to kill me then" I snarled. He did, and the ladder hit him with a resounding crash. He collapsed and drowned before I had reached him. (is our hero slowing up, Ed.)

I looked up to see an Ulstron rope snaking down to me. "Thanks Pete", I said, climbing the pitch for the first time. At the top, the group smiled back at me. "there's something I must do first," I said, rushing back down the ladder. "The boys would have wanted it this way" Reaching the new series, I named the caverns we had just discovered. We reached the farmer's barn in double quick time and reached the Vic by opening time.

"By the way," said Kevin Smith, "what did you name those new passages?"

I replied, "I named them after the greatest caver who ever lived, I called the series 'The Haggas Series', and the biggest chamber, Webb's Wonder(ful)", and with that I bought the next round.

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