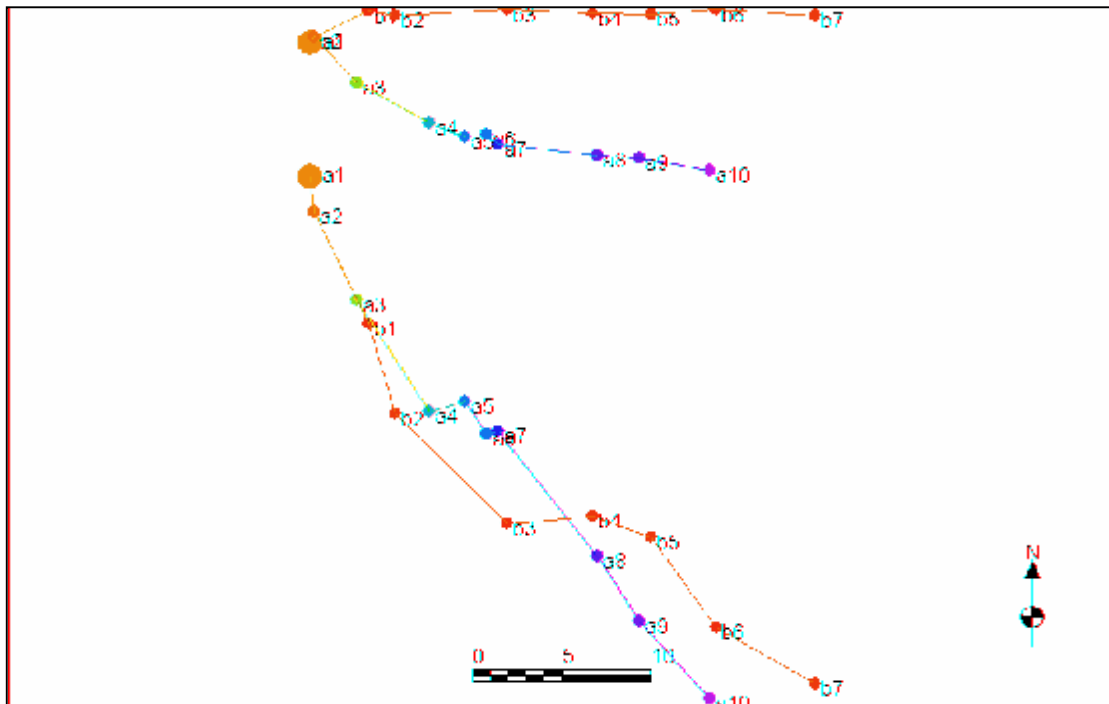


# Carlswalk Cavern

On Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, Alan Berry, Simon Dillon and Neil Garrard. Meet once more for a trip down Carlswalk Cavern, this time the trip was for the purpose of surveying our dig, to see where the hell we were heading. After a hearty breakfast we head underground, this was after giving Alan and Neil some brief instruction on how to survey. We soon reach the far sump which is below our dig, or so we think, it all starts well with Neil taking point, myself doing the sketch and taking the details, and Alan taking the readings. Alan soon saw that Neil and I had the easy job, but Neil was about to go into the muddy sump, so Alan did not want Neil's Job. "Erm bloody ell mate, I can't make out these numbers on this compass and clinometer. See if you can mate". Crafty shit ends up just writing, whilst Neil and I get covered in shit and soaked to the skin. We both think he will make a great manager; he's fab at getting out of things. After surveying into the sump, we head up above via a higher passage, well Neil and I do, Alan hangs back, it's a bit muddy you see! We are hoping that our higher level dig, is either past the end of the sump which takes a sharp right turn, (we were unable to survey that as it was underwater) or heading in a different direction.



The above is the line survey which we carried out. The top view is the profile, the bottom one being the plan.

The last station in the sump is a10 and b7 is the last survey point at the end of our dig. The sump takes a sharp right turn just near a10 under the water line. So it looks as though we may be heading in a different direction, but anything could happen yet. So far we have dug 6.43 meters of very sticky clay. This will be a very long term dig, but watch this space.

**Simon Dillon**