



On the 3rd of April 2011, we the cavers met at the Constantia nek parking lot at about 8am.

We were divided into 2 groups, 1 group consisting of myself, Anthony and Darryl, we had the task of surveying passages in Wynberg cave, the 2nd group consisting of Raymond, Tarryn, Lene, Rudolf, Clint, Alf and Don, they had the task of digging on the 2m gap at Inukshuk cave

We were lucky enough to get a lift up to the top of the mountain, thanx to Anthony who organised the permit and key. Arriving at the top we dropped of Raymond's team at the path leading to Inukshuk cave. We carried on driving a little bit further till we reached our path to Wynberg cave's entrance and parked the bakkie there and started walking to the cave.

Myself, Anthony and Darryl, went to go finish the survey of the passages of Wynberg that we left the previous time, we didn't see forward to doing this passages, because it was the muddiest passages of all. Before we entered we had a quick coffee break and got ourselves in the mood for the survey. We then entered the cave and made our way to the passages that needed to be surveyed. The survey didn't start of to well, Darryl lost his one boot in a narrow slot and had to survey with one boot on only, while Anthony and Darryl started surveying the first section, I then went along this muddy passage to see how far it can go it went about 10m and saw it was a dead end, but as a surveyor you need to explore and map every passage possible, doesn't matter how narrow or muddy it may be. I then made my way back to Anthony and Darryl, when I got to them my headlamp fell exactly in the same slot Darryl's boot fell, can you believe it. I thought to myself the slot looked big enough for me to fit in a mere 21/22cm wide slot so I slid down into the slot about 1,6m high and I couldn't reach the headlamp or boot, when I tried to get out of the slot I realised I was stuck and couldn't get out, I stayed as calm as possible and Darryl gave me his arm and I tried to pull myself up, but couldn't succeed, luckily Raymond and the other cavers were not too far from us, so Anthony sent Darryl to go get some help from them and tell them there is a rescue on hand, so they actually needed to quit their challenge. After Darryl left, Anthony came and helped me to try to get out of the slot, he pulled my overall and I pushed up as hard as I could, and I was out in a matter of minutes, thanx to Anthony, I was probably out before Darryl even exited Wynberg cave. While waiting for the "rescue team", we went on with our survey in this muddy passage and I went to the dead end again with the tape and finished the survey of this passage, it was a relieve to finish it because it is so slippery, muddy and not a very big passage. After this we still needed to do the lower passage survey, by that time the "rescue team" still haven't arrived, and we thought we will wait 5minutes before starting with the lower passage survey, by this time both of us were getting cold and we wanted to start moving, eventually we heard voices and our "rescue team" arrived, Raymond looked very ready for a rescue, but it was way too late, all that needed to be rescued was the headlamp and boot, Darryl went with the steel pole, the other cavers used to dig with and used it to get the stuff back, he only fetched his boot and my headlamp was still missing, while in this lower passage Clint went in front and explored, and saw my headlamp on the ground, all the time the slot I got stuck in was going down to the lower passage, if I just knew that I wouldn't even went into the slot. Myself and Anthony with the help of Rudolf started surveying the lower passage, it was the last passage to do. We pulled ourselves together and did it and finished it, we definitely didnt want to go back and do it again. At last we were done and exited Wynberg cave. When I exited I looked like a Cave Warrior, dirty and muddy as can be, for me it was definitely the muddiest cave passage I have ever been in, but it was a Lekker adventure, and we reached our goal by finishing what we needed to do.

The immunity challenge definitely went to myself and Anthony for succeeding in our challenge, getting through mud, helping each other out in stuck situations and surviving!!

At tribal we decided to vote out the weakest link Raymond, for late rescue!!!

"The tribe has spoken"