Report on April 1984 Meet by CAT to TYNDRUM and STRONTIAN Mines

<u>Tyndrum</u> Friday 20th

10 members attended. Two of the accessible levels explored. Upper level entered with difficulty because of snow filled entrance. Original exploration done at end of this level. Laddered shaft climbed to trapdoor and upper sub-level explored.

Party abseiled down to lower level by open Shaft and stopes. A Lower level explored thoroughly.

Many artifacts present but, to my knowledge only a few large nails removed.

Other adits, levels and surface workings, ruins etc explored on way up and down the hill.

<u>Strontian</u> <u>Saturday 21st</u>

The Mine Manager gave us a conducted tour of the quite extensive open cast workings. We unfortunately were not allowed access underground nor to the mill which was working.

We traced the line of the old workings east to the site where several old trials and workings were. One short shaft was descended by several of the party and a wet level traversed to a collapse. Another short level was investigated.

Sunday 22nd

Five members returned to Tyndrum. A deep opencast was abseiled into and the bottom of this explored but it was thought too dangerous to explore a level leading off from the bottom. Another level was not explored because a ladder (or bolts) would have been required to gain access.

A McFadzean abseiled down a stope after re-rigging the rope to a small level filled with snow.

All in all it was a dangerous place because of falling stones and the party left prussiking back up the ropes.

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