

Betreff: Swiss man dies while cave-diving Mar 13, 2008

<http://iucrr.org/aa.htm>

At 05:25 PM 5/12/2008, igsaturationmd wrote:

>this has just been released publicly and should be very informative
>about the accident.

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>Because it is posted with restrictions only an excerpt is copied here:

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><http://thedecostop.com/forums/showthread.php?t=30175&goto=newpost>

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>Here is the message that has just been posted:

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>We've received permission to reprint the article, "Fatality at Devil's

>Ear" that appeared in Underwater Speleology, Volume 35 #3

>Go to <http://www.nsscds.org/phpBB2/viewforum.php?f=2>

>Thank you

>Kelly Jessop

>Chairman NSS-CDS

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>Excerpt at 25% of original:

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>The recovery team had both the expertise and experience with the
>equipment and diving style of the deceased to draw these conclusions.

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>Normally a recovery report is not followed by a summary such as this
>but we feel the nature of the incident and the impact to the local
>cave diving community warrants it.

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>**The victim's dive plan was extreme by any standards, go to the end of
>the line on a rebreather, remove it and proceed on with side mount
>thru some very tight restrictions to lay line and survey passage
>beyond the end of the line.**

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>We feel he accomplished this because we found survey data and an empty
>reel on the victim.

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>The victim may have located and lined passage and surveyed it on a set
>of HP 100 steel cylinders at an average depth of 105'.

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>We aren't sure of the sequence of events once he returned to the
>rebreather because of the state of the rebreather.

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>**There is no training for removal and leaving a rebreather during a
>cave dive.**

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>Ginnie Springs is very concerned about cave divers visiting the park.

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>This type of site attracts divers with a variety of skill levels.

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>It is extremely important we maintain Ethical cave diving to protect
>access to this site.

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>We need to cave diving community's help to maintain a safe diving
>environment for divers at all levels.

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>----- original incident message -----

>> Article published Mar 13, 2008

>> Swiss man dies while cave-diving

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>> By LISE FISHER

>> Sun staff writer

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>> A man visiting the United States from Switzerland died Monday while
>> cave-diving in Gilchrist County.

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>> The body of Mark Fyvie, 35, was found about 3,800 feet into a cave
>> system at Ginnie Springs, the Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office
>> reported. Fyvie had been alone when he started his dive at about noon
>> Monday into the cave system at an opening called the Devil's Eye.

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