

AUGUST 2018

SATURDAY 18/8

I headed up to the Hoo with Rocky, Adam, and Petie on Friday evening. Myself, Adam, Petie, Steve Mur, Claire, and Gar were heading into Shannon to carry scaffolding to George's Choke and to take some photos and tidy up the survey. This was the deepest I had been into Shannon nearly doubling the distance I'd covered on my last trip with Adam and Erin which was to Swinger's Corner^{1/}.

Luckily the scaffolding had already been carried most of the way in on previous trips. So we only had to carry it about 200 metres to George's. There was too many of us to all get into the choke and work, so Adam, Gar, and myself went back to take photos because Shannon is not as well photographed as it ought to be, and also to fill in the water on the survey which had been left bare until now. Maybe someday we'll see the photos Adam took.

SUNDAY 19/8

Sunday was a work day for me and the others in the Hoo, Rocky & Emi, along with a QUB crowd had done massive work the previous day, but I was the only person to cave the Saturday and shovel all day Sunday.

We found medicine bottles, and old agri equipment, as well as old caving gear too. One medicine bottle was still full and had a label for a chemist on Church St. in Enniskillen (I think) dating from 1968! I also found out from miner that the Hoo is a lot newer than I had thought as well as being a technological marvel for its day. It was built in 1957, of concrete blocks and wonder material asbestos.

The old shed from 1928 was cleared out and the old gutter along the shed side was too, the cobbled yard was partially uncovered too.

1/ See [June 2018](#)