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Bibliography.

My copy of “Sierra Almagrera y Herrerías. Un siglo de historia minera” by Enrique Fernández Bolea is now falling apart. His “Memoria Visual del Siglo XX. (1901-2000) La tarjeta postal ilustrada en Cuevas del Almanzora” isn't fairing much better. The book, Tiempos de Plata y Plomo, also by E F Bolea, in conjunction with J G Rodríguez and P P Laríos is still in relatively good condition. (All three books are available from the book shop in Cuevas.)

The e-book, Aerial or Wire Ropeways by A.J. Wallis-Taylor provided a good deal of information about aero cables.

Information about the Las Rozas to Palomares line was found at asafal.es and vidamaritima.com.

Acedemia.edu/292618 Intervención arqueológica preventiva en Calle Playazo describes the excavation of the Tío Borracho site before the building of the “edifice” that has been erected on it and gives the information about the railway and loading pier in Villaricos.

The information about the Decauville rail system was found in ruedeslumieres.morkitu.org Transport Pierre IV.

Information about the Palmer rail system was found in Thomas Tredgold's book, ‘A Practical Treatise on Railroads and Carriages’. The workings of the floating cable on a curved incline plane were provided in the Basque Centro de Interpretación Peñas Negras.

The Basques really do celebrate their mining history and the following websites have provided me with a wealth of technical information about aero cables and incline planes.

ingurumena.ejgv.eus

morkitu.org

meatzaldea.eus

Oficiostadicionales.net

ezagutubarakaldo.net

adurcal.com

Closer to home, farodebedar.com is a fantastic source of information.

Also,

km-130blogspot.co.uk

and

almadeherrero.blogspot.co.uk

despite their .co.uk address both are in Spanish but worth the effort.

Lowtechmagazine.com /aerial ropeways, explained to me how the cable for an aero-cable was transported.

In addition,

Mtiblog.com

mining-andaluz

almediam.org

and

agjodar.blogspot.co.uk

are standard reference sites for any one interested in the area.

And, where would we be without Wikipedia?