## FORSAND 25-27. MAY 2018

In connection with my age of 75 years his year, I suggested to my children that we should go for a trip to Forsand, where I grew up. They have only been there once when they were small. They do not want pictures of their kids to be published on the Internet, so the photo series is getting a bit amputated, because we also took many pictures of my grandchildren. Those who could join were Stian + Hemming and Anne Siri with Maria, Oline and Johanne.

We went by car to <u>Dalen Parkering</u>, friday the 25., to let car be there during the weekend. From there we were transported to <u>Oslo</u> <u>Airport</u>.



We went with Norwegian to Stavanger Airport.



We had booked a rental car from the airport. It turned out to be a Toyota C-HR.



We stayed for two nights at <u>Vølstadskogen Hytte og</u>
<u>Camping.</u>



On Saturday we went to <u>Forsand</u>. When we arrive to <u>Lauvvik</u>, we have to take the <u>ferry</u> to <u>Oanes</u>. It is run by <u>Norled</u>.



The ferries go quite often, every half hour.



This is Oanes ferry pier.



The ferry is going around **Oanes**.



To get to Forsand we have to cross the <u>Lysefjord Bridge</u>, which was opened in 1997. Before that time, all transports in and out of the village had to go by boat.



We made the first stop at <u>Forsandøyren</u>. This is the store located on the dock.



The store had been painted pink when we were there.



In the 1950s the store and the post office were in this building.





View from the pier outward <u>Høgsfjorden</u>.

View inward Lysefjorden.



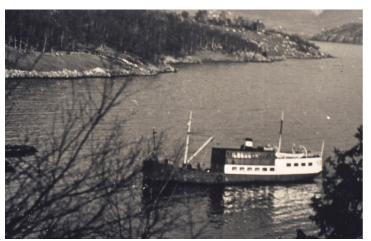


View across the fjord. We see the ferry and a tourist boat.





In 1962 this ferry landing was opened for the new car ferry that went on route Lauvvik - Oanes - Forsand. The route lasted until Lysefjord Bridge opened in 1997.



MS Høgsfjord.



MS Høle



MS Lysefjord.



This is Forsandheimen, retirement and nursing home.







The next stop is in Gøysavik. Here we look in direction of Øyren.





Gøysavik. View towards Bergevik.



We lived on the second floor of this house in Gøysavik until I was 5 years in 1948. My mother's'parents lived on the 1st floor.

The house has been demolished a long time ago.



The next stop was in Bergevik. Now there is a marina here.



It is called Lysefjorden marina.



Bergevik Brygge that belongs to the Lysefjord marina. There are banqueting rooms here and apartments for rent.



When we lived in Gøysavik there was a baker in Bergevik, so we could buy fresh baked goods here. Now there is a colonial shop. At that time there were also shoemakers here.



Flowers in a garden.



Looking across Lysefjorden.



The next stop were at <u>Forsand Church</u>. It looked like this some years ago.



Now it has got an extension. Some think it's fine while others think it's bad.



I and Stian at the cemetery.



This is in the parking lot outside the church.



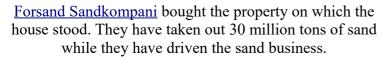
The next stop is at Forsandmoen where we lived after we moved from Gøysavik.



There has been taken out a lot of sand here and large areas have been sunk by many meters.



The house we lived in looked like this. The outhouse cn be seen, but there were also two greenhouses.





The house stood in the middle of the green plain, quite a few meters higher than the ground today.



This is the road we went along Åsen.



We stopped here for a while to have a look across Forsandmoen.



We walked to the end of the road where Otto Gjøse had a cabin. One of his sons son, Rune, owns the cabin now. He came when we stood there and we talked a little.



Here we Åsflådå from the end of the road.



The next stop was in Fossanhagen.
The mountain <u>Uburen</u> in the background.



When we lived at Forsandmoen we had the rowboat here, but then there was no boat harbor here, like now.



We drove to the end of the road before we turned. We took pictures of a couple of cabins that are located below Åsen.

After we had been to Fossanhagen we drove to Landa Park to eat there, but the season was not started so the restaurant was not open. We drove back to Bergevik, bought food at the store and sat on the dock.



Here we are at the dock, eating.



View of a floating dock and Berge in the background.



In the background we can see new residential areas.



Lysefjord Bridge.



Bergevik Brygge.



The we went back to <u>Landa Park</u>. There was no tour so we went on our own.

Fossanmoen and Landa have been the site of the largest archaeological excavations in Norway. Over 80,000 square meters have been investigated. Excavations uncovered traces of over 250 houses as far back as approx. 1500 BC and up to approx. 600 AD. In other words, there has lived people here for over 2000 years!

Landa will convey understanding and knowledge of prehistoric time through reconstruction of physical building environment, way of life and operating conditions. Based on the excavations, it is planned to build a total of 13 different prehistoric buildings from three main periods:

Bronze Age: (1800 - 500 BC) - Roman Time: (0 - 350 AD) – Migration Period: (350 - 600 AD)

Some pictures from Landa

































After we had looked around at Landa we traveled further up to Nedre Espedal. My father's parents lived here. My uncle lived there after they died. Now his son has taken over the house.

The picture above is an old picture showing the outbuildings before they were demolished.



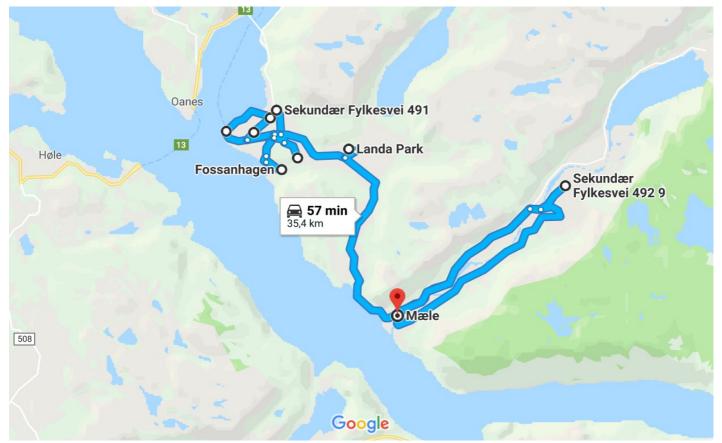


When we returned to Sandnes we had dinner at <u>Lille</u> Bangkok.

View further south towards the mountains.



This is the route when driving to Forsand.



This is where we were driving in Forsand.



On Sunday we had to check out from Vølstadskogen at 11 o'clock. Then we went for a drive to Bergsagel.



Bergsagel.



After that we drove to Viervågen.



Viervågen.



This was the driving route.



In the afternoon we were in <u>Sandnes Kulturhus</u> where <u>Sandnes Kulturskole</u> had a show. Maren and Mathilde was performing there. The show was called «Ned i kaninhullet» (Down in the rabbit hole).

We traveled back to Gardermoen with Norwegian at Sunday evening.