## TRIP TO WESTERN NORWAY 17. AUGUST – 30. AUGUST Day 6 and 7



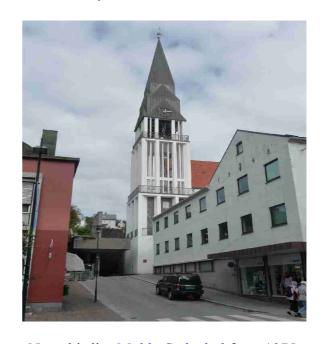
The next day, after arriving to the camping site near Molde, Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, we went for a sightseeing in the town. The first we notice is all the rose beds. Molde isn't called rose town for nothing.



In the middle of the town we notice Molde Town Hall, which is easy to find. It was finished in 1966.



At the hall square is standing a statue, which is called <u>The Rose Maiden</u>. The sculpture was a gift to Molde in 1971 from Gotlib Moe, the owner of former Høvding Confections Factory.



Near this lies Molde Cathedral from 1975.



On the lower square, by the sea, stands <u>Jazzgutten</u>.



A view of the harbor.





On the roof of The Town Hall is a big rose garden.









From the rose garden on the roof of the Town Hall we can see across to the bell tower on the cathedral.

From the roof we can also look down to the squares.





the rooof of the town hall.

This isd the sign that shows the way to the rose garden on Further up in the town we find this memory stone for the victims in Molde during WWII.



We also find a statue of Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson, who went to school here in town.



Still furthe up, at Glomstua, stands a birch, where the king held a speech in 1940. A picture of King Haakon and Crown Prince Olav under Kongebjørka became well known during the war. The birch was later a tourist destination.



A path up to the king's birch.



Kjell at Kongebjørka (The king's birch).





There are two memory stones there with portraits of King Håkon and Crown Prins Olav.



Just besides stands this giant spruce.



After the sightseeing, we went by the ferry to Furneset. Here we look back to the center of the town.



This is our driving route this day.



We go past <u>Rica Seilet Hotel</u> to the left and <u>Aker Stadion</u>.



Stylish hotel.



Aker Stadion.



Rica Seilet Hotel.



Here we are looking outwards Romsdalsfjorden.



This is Otrøya.



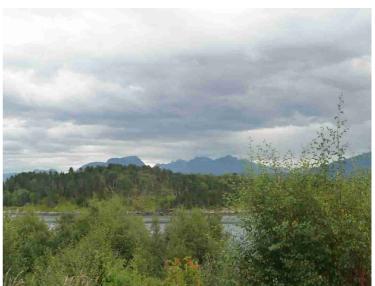
This is the ferry, which we went with over Romsdalsfjorden.



Here we have driven a bit southwards and come to a place named <u>Vestnes</u>.



The snow is still lying in the mountains south of Vestnes.



Here we go over the mountains at Nysætra.



In <u>Ålesund</u> we took in at <u>Volsdalen Camping</u>, a little bit outside the town.



A view from the site.



There were a lot of sparrows there eating seeds from Northern Docks.



Here we see some of the camping site.



The next day, Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>, we first went by car up to Aksla, the town's mountain in Ålesund.



Here we can see <u>Valderøy</u>.



Up here on Aksla <u>Fjellstua</u>, which is the town's oldest eatery.



View inwards Heisa fjord in direction of <u>Langevåg</u> and <u>Spjelkavik</u>.



View still further inwards the fjord.



Looking down to the center of Ålesund.



Center of the town with Brosundet (*Bridge Sound*) in the middle.



Valderøy.



Norther part of the town's centre.



This is Atlanterhavsparken, seen from the parking lot.



The buildings lie nicely in the terrain.

A little from the exhibition: <u>Nautilus</u>. It is the only type of cuttlefish with shell.



Pearl shell with pearls inside.



Fishes and seaweed.



More fishes.



The biggest tank with the biggest fishes.



Here are some cods.



There was also a separate section for penguins.



They had their own pool.



Ready to jump out into the pool.



The penguins also had some small sheds, where they could seek shelter.



Fine houses in Art Nouveau.



Here we are at Brosundet, at a little square.

View from Brosundet.



Here Brosundet is on its most narrow. The main road goes over this bridge.



Kjell is meeting a female troll.



Jugendstilsentret.



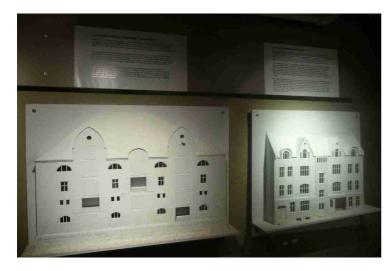
Here we are inside Jugendstilsentret. Everything are in Art Nouveau style.



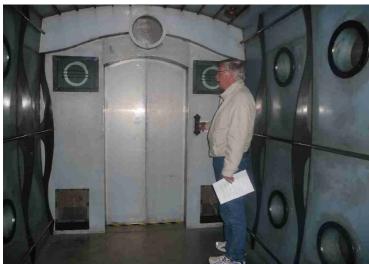














We bought tickets in the old pharmacy.





Medicine shelfs in the pharmacy.

Street view from Ålesund.



Street view from Ålesund.



A view from the camping site before we ar moving on.



We take the ferry from Solavågen to Festøya. When we arrived at the ferry it was ready to leave. We could just drive on board, the bar was shut, and then the ferry was leaving.



Here we go with the ferry over Sulesund.



This is our route this day.



Here we are at Hovdebygda. We are looking north in direction of Ørsta.



Right up in the hillside lies <u>Ivar Aasentunet</u>. The new building was opened in 2000, right besides the birth place of <u>Ivar Aasen</u>. Below we see the houses in the old yard.









The oldest house.

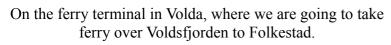




Arriving at Volda.

Volda and Rotsethornet.







A view across Voldsfjorden.



Here is our camping car at the ferry terminal in Volda.



This is Eidsfossen in Gloppen riveer at Sandane.



When approaching <u>Sognefjorden</u>, it started to rain. We had planned to stay at a camping site just before the ferry landing where we were going to take the ferry over Sognefjorden the next day.



We wnt therefore further on in pouring rain, and we found a small camping site near Leirvik in Sogn.



It lies nicely at Aksa lake.



There were also a few cottages for rent.





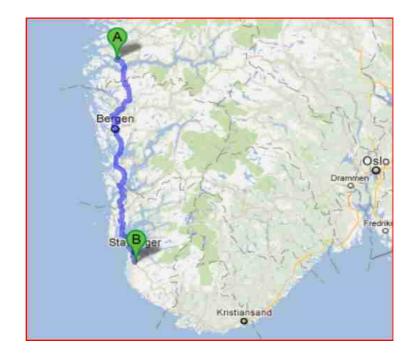
This is the next morning. The rain has stopped, and the weather was nice when driving on.



Here we are at the ferry terminal in <u>Lavik</u>, waiting for the ferry vthat is going to take us across <u>Sognefjorden</u> to <u>Oppedal</u>.



View across Sognefjorden.



From Sognefjorden we travelled non-stop directly to Sandnes. We had a couple of breaks on the ferry stretchers Haljem-Sandvika and Arsvågen-Mortavika.





In Sandnes twe met Jerry and Deanna Erickson who were wisiting from USA. Here visiting at Janette's.







One day we had dinner at the restaurant Big Horn in Sandnes.