TRIP TO NORTHERN NORWAY JUNE/JULY 2012

After having been in Trondheim, we continued further north.

This is the itinerary for day 3.

First stop was at Hell. We were there at that time.

This is the station building at Hell.

The cargo handling office. A popular photo motif for English speaking tourists.

This rock carving area lies also at Hell, a few hundred meters above the station.
This is a section of an information poster there.
Here we are in Frosta. It was here Frostating had it’s seat. This bauta is erected on Tinghaugen (Thing hill). The 12 stones around the bauta shall represent the 12 Trøndelag fylki at that time. It is believed that the Frostating came into being in the 400s.

On the bauta is written:
By law our land shall be built, and not by lawlessness be destroyed.

Utsikt fra Tinghaugen ned til parkeringsplassen.

Rett ved siden av ligger Logtun kirke.

The Frostating seal and law-book shall have been kept in a coffin in the church.

There was a wedding the day we were there.
Wedding couple’s car.

Later we had lunch at Decra, an Indian restaurant & bar, in Levanger.

Stiklestad Church.

This is the culture house at Stiklestad with museum, hotel, restaurant and theater.

The entrance to the outdoor scene.
Road sign.

**St. Olav's monument.**

Here we are looking across to the large outdoor stage where the Saint Olav Drama is performed each summer.

A statue of Saint Olaf who is lifting the cross towards the sunset is standing above the stage. Made in 1973 by Dyre Vaa.

Houses on the folk museum.
More houses at the folk museum.

A bridge across Molåna.

On this stone is written Norsk Hærmannsforbund 1995, Olav II. This is a voluntarily group who are playing warriors during the play about Saint Olaf.

View from the bridge upstream and downstream Molåna.
A real longhouse from about year 1000.

St. Olaf's Chapel.

Still another bridge across Molåna.

Just outside Steinkjer lies the mounds at Helge – The holy isthmus. The name originates probably from the fact that it has been of religious significance with worship and. There is found 22 mounds in the area and three stone monuments.
After this we spent the night at Guldbergaunet Camping just outside Steinkjer.

The site is nicely located next to two rivers, where Ogna and Byaelva meet and form Steinkjerelva.

Next day, day 4, we continue north along The Coastal Highway.

Here we are driving past Brudesløret. There are many waterfalls in Norway with that name.
Arriving at Lysfjord.

Almost in Vennesund.

Pt is looking like this near Sund.

The ferry which cross the fjord from Holm to Vennesund.
This picture is taken near Skillebotn.

Just before arriving at the camping site we get a glimpse of Hurtigruten out on the fjord.

At the camping site we see it better.

We spent the night at Torghatten Camping.

There were also some tents here.

Torghatten with the well known hole through the mountain.
This picture is taken from the opposite side of the mountain.
Three rabbits were jumping around at the site.

Filling water on the camper.

This is the administration building, which is lying on the top of the hill.
Here is reception, flats for rent and a large cafe.

Next day, day 5, we drive the road from Torghatten to Levang.

Here we are arriving at Bronnoysund and notice that Hurtigruten is coming in. Torghatten in the background.

Hurtigruten is going under Bronnoysund Bridge.
There is not much clearance under the bridge.

Here it is past the bridge and on its way to the quay.

View towards the center.

This is the view from the bridge to the south.

The bridge.

We have gone to the center.
The snow is still lying in the mountains.

Here we are at Forvika and are going to take the ferry to Tjøtta.

This is a stop at Hamnøya. Det var bare et par biler som skulle av her.

A view into the island.

Looking towards Stokka on the mainland. The ferry didn’t go to Stokka on this trip.

Arriving at Rødoya.
Leaving Rødøya.

De syv søstre in the distance. It is a mountain range with seven peaks on the island of Alsten. It shall have been Petter Dass who gave this name to the peaks.

Soon at Tjøtta.

The road is passing Alstadhaug church.

The church is a part of Alstadhaugtunet, where also the rectory I lying.

Here is also a museum, Petter Dass-museet.
There is erected a memory stone on a hill right beside the museum.

The memory stone seen from the front.

Up on the hill we look down at the church.

When we arrived at Sandnessjøen, we parked at the harbor area.

The boat used by the rescue company and the ambulance boat are laying moored here.

Looking along the pedestrian street.
A viking.

Statue of Petter Dass.

When walking past this, we got hungry.

Kjell is reading the menu.

Waiting for the food.

When we went on we noticed this moose. It is a statue donated to the municipality by Helgeland Sparebank because the moose has come back to the island after having been absent for many hundreds of years.
We have to drive the **Helgeland Bridge** on the way further north. It was finished in 1991.

The day is finished at **Sjøbakken Fiske-camping**. Looking down on the pier.

On the other side of the Levang bay the ferry is ready to go to Nesna. It is this ferry we are going to take the next day.

Up in the slope the cows are grazing in the flower meadow.

There are both camping cars and caravans here.

We are standing to the left.
Grill hut.

An old toilet bowl is used as a flower pot.

Looking out the fjord.

The seagull is on his nest. It was set up more such nest boxes to the gulls.

Various decorations.
Looking at the spot from up on the road.