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The author tries to convey his experiences during twelve eventful days at Burfjellet near Mo i Rana in August 2007. Together with eight cavers from Poland, and Hans Øivind Aarstad (the sole Norwegian during these days), all three larger cave systems at Burfjellet, Edvardheimgrotta, Brattligrotta ("Rolling Stones Cave") and Storligrotta were explored and extended. New entrances were found for two of the caves (i.e. Brattligrotta and Storligrotta), extensive mapping and re-mapping were done in Edvardheimgrotta and Brattligrotta, and, last but far from least, significant discoveries were made in Brattligrotta and Edvardheimgrotta. A mainly Polish group (Piotr, Bartek, Anna, and, from Sweden, Johannes) explored the lower parts of Brattligrotta including some huge canyons before reaching a sump, and a Polish-Swedish group (Piotr, Bartek, and Johannes) found the extension of Edvardheimgrotta including a pitch with an estimated depth of about 100 meter (with a 70 m high water fall). The very last day on Burfjellet, an attempt to rig the pitch ended with Johannes standing six hours on a shelf 30 m down the pitch waiting for Piotr and Bartek to reach the bottom, something only Piotr succeeded with. No obvious continuations could be found from the bottom of the very wet and cold pitch. We are now looking forward to new and even more exciting findings at the next years Norwegian-Swedish Mountain Camp, which will take place August 2-9, at Burfjellet!