

11. internasjonale grotteredningskonferanse i Ungarn

11th International Cave Rescue Conference in Hungary 2007

After a decision in the board of NGF, Svein Grundstrøm went to the 11th International Cave Rescue Conference in Hungary from the 15th to the 18th of May 2007. The conference was arranged of the Hungarian Cave Rescue Service on behalf of the Cave Rescue Commission of UIS, and delegates from 24 countries participated. The article is an essence of the report that was given to the board after the journey.

The article summarises some interesting headlines from some of the lectures that were given during the conference. The delegates also presented the cave rescue service in their own countries. Several speakers emphasised the importance of experienced doctors with caving knowledge, which understands the methods used, and whom also can assist in the practical rescue when needed.

Some checkpoints if one plans a caving trip abroad:

- there an organized cave rescue service in the country/region?
- What is the emergency call number?
- Does one have to pay for rescuing?
- it possible to take out insurance?

Remember that insurance work "both ways". One might have to pay both for ones own rescue, and damage done to other people or their property even if it is an accident.