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Russåga, in Saltdal municipality, flows from Kvitbergvatnet at approx. 454 m.a.s.l. The river sinks in several places underground in its path through Jarbrudalen. The area contains several well-known caves, but there were two outlets to Russåga which seemed very interesting.

Members of the Viking Cave Divers dived at three locations along Russåga. At the lower end about 20 metres of line was laid with a maximum depth of 5.0 metres. There is a restriction at the end of the line which is very narrow and further at-tempts were not made.

In the outlet of Jarbrugrotta (another outlet from Russåga) 380 metres of line was laid. Max depth here was 16 metres. The passage is huge and there are great opportunities for further exploration. The inlet to Jarbrugrotta (740 metres as the crow flies from the end) was dived as well, 75 metres of line was laid with a maximum depth of 14 metres. There is much in the cave system which is still unknown. The group will return to explore more of the system.