

## **Norsk Grotteblad nr 52, Juni 2009**

### **Skanning av Norwegian Cave Index and Bibliography**

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The goal was set: "Two persons go to David St. Pierre and scan at least half of the registration cards in the Norwegian Cave Index and Bibliography (NCIB)". Svein Grundstrøm and Torstein Finnesand went over to David and Marie on April 14th - 17th and scanned more than 2000 cards.

We were picked up in Lancaster by David and Marie on Tuesday evening, and driven to their home in Bentham.

NCIB: David's cards are kept in separate boxes. They have been sorted by county, kind of cave etc. He differs between karst caves and other caves, situated within or outside the borders of Nordland County. In all there are ap. 4000 cards.

Method: David made preparations of the cards, and Svein gave them Idnr, before they were scanned. Some cards have text on both sides, and were given separate numbers for each side. The cards were scanned three at a time. With this method we produced 100 cards an hour.

Results: We managed to scan 968+1281 cards during these three days, saved as pdf-files. They have been burned on DVD's, David has one and NGF has one. Later, the information will be punched into a database.

Update of the cards: David will update the cards in a way that make it easy to identify new information (after the scanning).