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SSF Cave rescue practise in Korallgrotten

This is a report about the SSF rescue drill held in Korallgrottan located in northern Jämtland in Sweden 27.8.11. The Swedish Speleological Society usually organizes a rescue practice every two years in a Swedish cave. Korallgrottan is not a vertical cave, so the main focus of this exercise was the organizational part, and to get the stretcher out of the cave. People from the SSF, the Swedish police, fjällräddningen and the Alpine fjällräddningen participated. The main conclusion is that the exercise largely went much better than the exercise two years ago in Sotbäcksgrottan. Stretcher transport went very smoothly, it was very good radio discipline and key people had a good view of the situation. It's very instructive to be part of a team that transports a stretcher for a long time. The importance of cycling the people so no one becomes fatigued should not be underestimated, and how important it is to get people in front of the stretcher where it is possible, so you do not end up being left without a crew when you come to an obstacle.