## DAY Sixty-Three Iroquois Illinois to Buffalo, Indianna 85 km [Fletcher was the aim]

#### Oct11 Thursday D 85.26km M26.1 A 17.8 T4h 47 AT7 h total 5064.2 km

Wind From the north in the morning with slightly from the west at times so a side wind all day.

**Temp** 8C in am up to 15C at the max... clouds blowing madly by until into camp and the rain started

Road Condition Hwy 16 rough along the edge, no shoulder and farm harvest trucks, not much else

Food: Breakfast had our usual and then stopped for pancakes for Ken once again

**Lunch** later lunch in Monon. Really strange town. The grocery store "blew-down" we were told. There was a store titled... Mexican Grocery. When I asked what was in there I was told... Oh just Mexican food....It did have Mexican food and a lot of it was great... The fruit was atrocious {last seasons} but it had a fresh meat market at the back. Attached was a "Authentic Mexican Restaurant"... we decided as it was starting to drizzle we would eat in... the waitress... owner...cook... only one there only spoke Spanish! We got along fine and got a great Quessideas with cottage like cheese, lettuce, tomatoes etc with refried beans and Spanish rice on the side for \$5.00 including a bottled water! Apparently there is a Spanish group of people here... why I couldn't get from her, but she has been here for 5 years and English isn't a priority I guess. One of the first towns with old buildings and not many shops.

**Supper** Fig-neuton bars and pop hiding in the tent from the rain

**Accommodation:** Tall Oaks CG just out of Buffalo Indianna. Seems to be a seasonal sight that takes nightlys. Closing down this weekend. \$10 includes power and hot showers [well in a freezing outdoor wash house]. Right on the Indianna river. Supposed to go down to 40F tonight... Ken has on all his clothes!

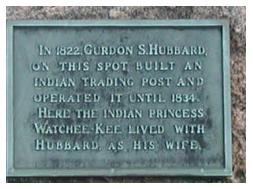
Overall: We set off out of Illinois to Indianna on Hwy 16. small towns of Ade {few houses}, Brook {small café, post office, small grocery, bank}, Foresman {no services} then a long ride to Monon [45k] We ate and decided to go on. Stopped at nice looking CG 5k out, but decided to go on to Buffalo Tall Oaks CG. In Buffalo there is a grocery, but they are really limited. [rotten tomatoes, potatoes and onions comprised the fresh vegetables] No wonder we are eating Fig bars for supper! No... it's because Ken went in the store again! Oh well we are still carrying some dried fruit from home that needs to be eaten! We hope to make Huntington tomorrow which is a large center. Just a note about the height of the corn.... It is way over my head and each stock only has 2 "ears" of corn. They are planted about 4 inches apart in the row and rows about 6 inches apart. The dried corn makes quiet a racket when the wind blows. The kernels are yellow, but the cobs are rusty red underneath. The birds are having a hay day in the fields that are not harvested yet.

Fletcher IN	Day 63 – Oct 11	Fletcher Lake CG	Not: Tall Oaks CG Buffalo			
0.0 Depart Iroquios City Park east on Hwy 31 4.4km						
Entering Indiana						
5 Continue (East) on SR-16 18k						
23k Brook [Gr]						
67k Monon {GR} Continue (East) on SR-16						
82 Back with Adven Cyc <b>Buffalo</b> (GR)						
Go left before the river bridge follow the signs to Tall Oaks CG 85km						



Inside at the Iroquois Town Hall. Who is that young man I am traveling with?









## DAY Sixty-Four Buffalo to Huntington Indianna 137.54 km

# Oct12 Friday D137.54km M 42.6 A 17.7 T7h 44 AT9 h total 5201.8 km



Buffalo Ranch just outside Buffalo, Indianna

Wind virtually none

**Temp** 8C in am 12C most of the day; frost on the cars this morning so glad to be inside!

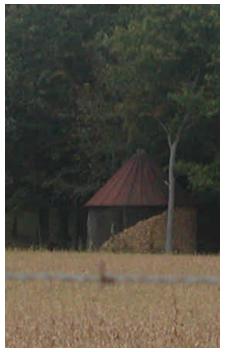
**Road Condition** rough SR 16 mostly no shoulder

Food: Breakfast no fruit in any of the stores we hit yesterday so had a variety: tomatoes, brocolli, carrots, dried fruit

**Lunch** Well Ken stopped for eggs and pancakes at 10; then at 2pm we had a bagel **Supper** coleslaw, veggie dogs, veggies and dip.... I think I need access to a stove!

**Accommodation:** Super 8.... It's a long story at the end of a very long day.. The campground was closed!

**Overall:** Left Tall Oaks early 0830 after a good warm night beside the river. We knew it was going to be a long day, but a few turns ie: Road closure on 16 and detour north added. And then having the campsite closed meant we had to back track and find a hotel before dark. The farms overall look less prosperous with mobile homes more rough looking fields and more bush about. The towns were less prosperous looking also. Lots of stores closed and not a lot of





Corn in silo [old style]

Long horn cattle



Amish Barn Stars Good luck like horse shoes. Originally made by the Amish, but a "décor" item now.







## DAY Sixty-Five Huntington Indianna to Monroeville 69 km

#### Oct13 Saturday D68.98 km M 31.5 A 18.4 T3h 35 AT5 h total 5270.8 km

Wind slight tail wind

**Temp** 8C when leaving the Super 8 up to 15C by end of the day when Ken was rotating my tires

Road Condition Very smooth slightly rolling no shoulder but virtually no traffic all day

**Food: Breakfast** Super 8 had a good selection of breakfast... fruits, cereals, waffles, donuts, juice and coffee and some kind of gravey for on buns

Lunch stopped for a picnic lunch on the Poe "God Unlimited" church bench

**Supper** made chili beans and rice at the Cyclist shelter in Monroeville

**Accommodation:** Fabulous accommodation in Monroeville... they have a hall which they open for cyclists with a shower and free washer/dryer, tv with videos and cots to sleep inside.... Only there was a 15 yr reunion party at the hall so we choose to sleep in our tent and just use the washer/dryer and shower area.

**Overall:** Such a nice ride.... ½ as far as yesterday. Must be getting soft! Today Tyson is 30! Oh my I must be that old lady I see in the mirror... that I thought was my Mother!

Moni	roeville	Day 46 – Oct 15	City Par	rk Cyc	list Sh	elter	CG	<b>61.1</b> k [53]		
0.0	Depart La	ke Clare Beach Park CG o	n Local roa	d(s) (We	est)	40 m	Super	r 8 is on 5 and 2	4 cross over the	river and ro
0.1	Turn LEF	Γ (South) onto CR-100 W	[N Broadw	ay St]	1.5 km					
1.6 3.3		Γ (East) onto Riverside Dr East) on Riverside Rd0.9 l	1.7 km km							
4.3 4.4		HT (East) onto CR-400 N (East) on CR-400 (N) [E 40		0.1 km 2.3 km						
6.7	Turn LEF	Γ (North) onto CR-200 E [	N 200 E]	1.0 km	Back on	Adve	n Cyc ]	Route		
7.7	Bear RIGI	HT (East) onto E Hosler Ro	l [Riverside	Rd]	0.8 km					
8.5	Bear RIGI	HT (East) onto CR-500 N	E 500 N]	2.6 km						
11.2 Contin		East) on Hosler Rd [E 500 CR-500 N [Hosler Rd]	N] 40 m 3.3 km							
14.5	Continue	(East) on CR-1100 N [C	CR-1100]	4.7 km						
19.1 20.5		T (North) onto CR-300 (North) on Wane St 0.2	-	0]	1.4 km	Zaı	neville	e (GR) [12C a	and 25k]	
20.7	Turn RIG	HT (East) onto S County	y Line Rd	W [W 1	200 N]	3.2 kn	n			
23.9	Turn LEF	T (North) onto Branstra	tor Rd	1.6 km						
25.5	Turn RIG	HT (East) onto (E) Yode	er Rd	8.8 km						
34.3	Continue	(East) on Yoder Rd [E Y	oder Rd]	3.8 km						
38.1 38.8		(East) on Yoder Rd 0.7 (North-East) on Hoaglar		8.0 km		P	OE [	[NS]		
46.8	Continue	(East) on Main St [Hoag	gland Rd]	0.9 km		F	Ioagla	and (GR)		
47.6	Continue	(East) on Hoagland Rd	10.6 kı	m						

58.2	Turn LEFT	(North)	onto SR-101	[E Liberty Rd]	2.4 km

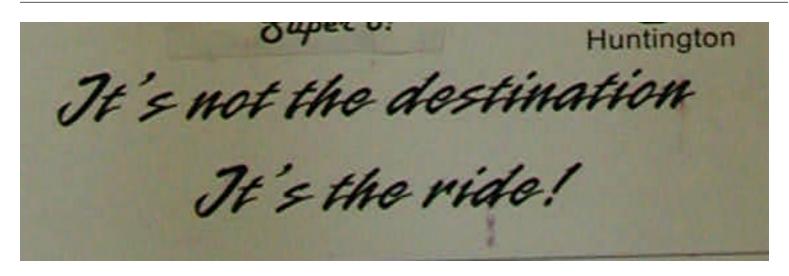
60.6 Continue (North) on SR-101 [S Water St]

0.2 km

60.9 Continue (West) on SR-101 [South St] 50 m

Bear LEFT (South-West) onto Monroe St

61.0 Turn RIGHT (W) Oak St.2 km Arrive City Pk Cyclists Shelter Jennifer Yoquelet Monroeville (GR) 623-2134





This house is an example of several we have seen that are built into a hill or a hill is made to cover part or all of the house. This house had exposure only on two sides and the rest was under the hill including the roof in this case. I really would like to see what it is like inside for light. Definitely a heat saver!

# INDIANA IS....

ICEY COLD NIGHTS

NICE PEOPLE

Dove hunting

TRAINS

A GRICULTURE [CORN AND MORE CORN]

No shoulders/ no cars!

Amish barn star