

**DAY Sixty-Six Monroeville Indiana to Grande Rapids Ohio 129.10 km**

**Oct14 Sunday D 129.1km M33.5 A17 T7h34 AT10 h total 5399.9km**



**Wind** not a lot, but from the east so a bit bothersome

**Temp** 8C in am up to 12C overcast or with haze all day

**Road Condition** flat or minimal rolling with some shoulder most of the day Very little traffic

**Food: Breakfast** a change... red pear & cottage cheese for a change, not for Ken his usual

**Lunch** No stop for waffles today. Light picnic lunch

**Supper** We got into camp with ½ hour to put up the tent and make supper so we heated our soup over the neighbors fire to save us making one.... Worked out just fine.

**Accommodation:** Mary Jane Thurston State park CG Well it seemed like we would never get here and then we stopped at the boat launch, saw no camping went back to a private closed site and they told us to go a little farther down from the launch... we did and voila the camping... no showers \$16 for outhouses a bit much but right beside the lake and very few others in camp. It was full last night as they had an "Apple butter festival" too bad we missed it...music and food and stuff ended at 5pm and we arrived at 1830... they were really full... everyone must have gone east as they never passed us on our way here.

**Overall:** Mostly just a very long day... hard to put in 7.5 pedaling hours into 11 hours of sunlight! A little more about last night.... We stayed out in our tent as the shelter was rented.... They were a 15yr class reunion so stayed making music etc until 1:30am.... Mostly the motion sensor lights woke me up a few times when people came out to smoke. We left a donation [free shelter] and maybe shouldn't have left \$10 as it sort of puts pressure on others, but they have a washer and dryer that one can use for free, a really nice shower and full kitchen [as the cateror was in there I only used the microwave] although they could up scale the pots/micro dishes.



Oh the large baseball type "fruit" that we saw a while back is called a "HEDGE APPLE" and the people we saw picking them up today said you can put them in ie your basement to keep bugs away

We rode thru an interesting spot today after Paulding on SR 111 we went thru an area with tall trees and very rundown homes and mobiles with lots of "junk" in the yards, old cars and beds and bikes , fridges etc I didn't feel really comfortable riding thru there and then within 2km we came out by a lake [made by a dam] with really upscale homes, a golf course every home neat, tidy well cared for. Bizzare. Haven't seen that before. Also an incredible number of 18-21yr old females smoking

**Animals:** saw a Marmot , Bluebird, donkeys, goats, tame ducks very noisy, Dogs, lots, but all barked from their yards. Horses once again, but no riders.

**Graveyards ...** 15 seen today.... By churches, in country, just along the roads....

I didn't think we were to Florida already!

Noticed today for the first time too that just about ½ mile before each town there were acreages usually on only one side of the road, ~5 acre lots with more upscale homes, with virtually no shrubs or flower beds, maybe a tree or two and the whole thing in grass, no fences between. Also lots of these swimming “pond”.. man maid...some with diving boards or small docks, some with a fountain in the middle, some look the color of a swimming pool, so treated water, not fish ponds... some are very attractive.



Ah this is where it's made!

## 2.5 k West of Grand Rapids OH Day 66 – Oct 14 Mary Jane Thurston SPCG 129k

0.0	Depart City Park Cyclists Shelter on Mulberry St (North)	0.2 km
0.2	Bear LEFT (West) onto SR-101 [South St] Turn RIGHT (North) onto SR-101 [Main St]	20 m 0.6 km
0.8	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Monroeville Rd	5.5 km <b>Entering Ohio</b>
6.2	Turn LEFT (North) onto TWP-11 [State Line Rd]	0.9 km
7.2	Continue (North) on CR-C 1 [State Line Rd]	1.0 km

8.1	Continue (North) on State Line Rd	0.2 km		
8.3	Continue (North) on CR-C 1 [State Line Rd]		2.7 km	
11.0	Continue (North) on CR-C 1 [Road 1]		1.7 km	
12.7	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-500		7.8 km	
20.5	Continue (North-East) on SR-49 [SR-500]	0.4 km		
20.9	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Dallas St	0.1 km		<b>Payne (GR)</b> 22k 1h26m
21.0	Turn LEFT (North) onto S Laura St	90 m		
21.1	Turn RIGHT (East) onto E Townline St	60 m		
	Bear LEFT (North-East) onto S Maple St	0.3 km		
21.4	Turn RIGHT (East) onto SR-500 [SR-613]		2.8 km	
24.2	Continue (North-East) on SR-500		9.5 km	
33.7	Bear RIGHT (East) onto Road 132		1.0 km	
34.7	Bear LEFT (North-East) onto CR-C 132 [Fairgrounds Dr]		1.1 km	
35.9	Bear LEFT (North) onto S Williams St		0.2 km	
36.1	Continue (North) on SR-111 [S Williams St]	90 m		<b>Paulding (AS)</b> 39.6k
36.1	Turn RIGHT (East) onto E Harrison St		0.1 km	
36.3	Turn LEFT (North) onto S Main St	0.1 km		
36.4	Turn RIGHT (East) onto US-127 [E Perry St]		80 m	
36.5	Turn LEFT (North) onto N Water St		0.1 km	
36.6	Turn RIGHT (East) onto (E) Jackson St		0.4 km	
37.0	Turn LEFT (North) onto CR-111 [Flat Rock Dr]		0.6 km	
37.6	Bear LEFT (North-East) onto Road 111		5.3 km	
43.0	Continue (East) on CR-C 146 [Road 146]	3.3 km		Woodbridge CG turn right T137 5.4k
46.2	Turn LEFT (North) onto SR-637		2.5 km	
48.7	Turn RIGHT (East) onto TWP-T 168 [Road 168]		1.6 km	
50.3	Turn LEFT (North) onto CR-163 [TWP-T 163]		2.4 km	
52.7	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Road 111	0.3 km		[ very run down area]
53.0	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-111 [SR-637]		0.6 km	
53.6	Turn LEFT (North) onto SR-111		8.5 km	
62.1	Continue (North-East) on SR-111 [S Clinton St]		4.0 km	[upscale area with golf course]
66.1	Continue (North-East) on SR-111 [Clinton St]		0.5 km	<b>Defiance (AS)</b> 71k
66.6	Continue (North) on SR-111 [SR-424]		0.1 km	
66.7	Continue (North) on SR-15 [SR-18]		0.4 km	
67.1	Turn RIGHT (East) onto SR-424 [E River Dr]		3.3 km	
70.4	Continue (North-East) on SR-424 [Independence Rd]		0.7 km	
71.1	Continue (East) on SR-424		10.8 km	
81.9	Stay on SR-424 [W High St] (East)	0.5 km		<b>Florida (G)</b> 90k
82.3	Continue (East) on SR-424 [E High St]		5.7 km	
88.0	Continue (North) on SR-424		1.7 km	

89.7	At 718 SR-424, Napoleon, OH 43545, stay on SR-424 (North) 1.6 km		
91.3	Bear RIGHT (North) onto SR-424 [Riverview Ave] 3.3 km		
94.5	Bear RIGHT (East) onto Front St [W Front St] 0.2 km	<b>Napoleon (AS)</b>	104k large center
94.8	Turn RIGHT (South) onto SR-108 [N Perry St] 0.4 km		
95.2	Turn LEFT (East) onto SR-110 [E Maumee Ave] 3.0 km		
98.2	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-110 4.9 km		
103.1	Bear LEFT (East) onto SR-109 [SR-110] 2.5 km		
105.6	Continue (East) on SR-110 6.4 km		
112.0	Continue (East) on SR-65 3.8 km		
115.8	Turn LEFT (North) onto Local road(s) 0.2 km		Jacqueline Campbell 419 875-6374 14km north
116.0	Arrive <b>Mary Jane Thurston SP CG</b>	<b>Grand Rapids (GR)</b>	Mill House B/B 419 832-6455



Yes I should think Wind Power is a good idea!



Porches I love them! And look they have flowers still!

## DAY Sixty-Seven Grande Rapids Ohio to Lindsey OH 73km

Oct15 Monday D 72.75km M29.3 A 15.9 T4h 33 AT8 h total 5472.6 km

**Wind** out of the south east so was against us again, but not too strong

**Temp** 8C up to 25C so down to tank top and shorts most of the day

**Road Condition** little shoulder okay with minimal traffic

**Food: Breakfast** apples, carrots, avocado

**Lunch** picnic in Pemberville with a stop at the library for wifi [crème cheese sands, sliced tomatoes, carrots pretty nutritious if I might say so.... It is getting rather difficult to think of different things to eat “finger foods” anyways

**Supper** Lucked out and had a microwave to make scalloped potatoes with veggie nuggets

**Accommodation** Wooded Acres is a seasonal campground that closed yesterday but still takes people with no hookups [power only] so day 2 with only a “sponge bath” Could have had an outdoor cold shower at the state park but I wasn't in to that. They have blown out the water lines here so ... hopefully tomorrow or we will arrive in Cleveland at our “Warmshowers” really needing one! Does seem like a nice family park... no one here except the winter caretaker.

**Overall:** Nice easy ride.

It is very common to have a “pond” in your yard... acreage like we would have a swimming pool. They are for swimming, boating, have sandy beaches. They are cement lined as we saw them building one today. Some are more attractive than others, but it seems to be the “in “thing in Ohio! Pond here with live alpacas around.



Today I looked at all the porches... all houses seem to have a porch old and new. You can tell a lot about the family in a home by the porch.... Age of kids by the toys..... Halloween decorations... plants... etc Kind of fun thinking about the families that live here... they are up to the same things as back home... we continue our search for the “ugly American” Besides the one of the other day no candidates seen in Ohio.

Grand Rapids... well we missed the applebutter fest yesterday, but no sign of any big deal today. Bowling Green a nice town with a huge University campus.. Go along a dirty looking river all day. At Pemberville there is an old Opera house which is their town hall also. Dated back into the 1850's There were windmills, smaller ones than outside Calgary maybe a test farm. No signs to explain. Not really a tourist area... everyone is interested in where we are

going. One couple came up and wanted to know where to buy saddle bags etc. Seemed really keen. No sign of a tourist bureau since we hit Ohio. Finally got a map from the camp manager here tonight. Even at City Chamber of Commerce's they have no tourist info beyond there town. Interesting. Spoke with the manager here about drugs Meth here and he says not "here" but we are not far from Toledo where it is bad.



they seem to like to have these cheesy deer figures in the yards... to attract deer or decoys so they can shoot deers?

Stopped to spend some time on the internet at lunch in Pemberville more sad news from home. Our family seemed so healthy until the patriarch turned 65 and it seems to be one right after the other getting something. Our hearts go out to Angus and Karen. We had news previously of a long time family friend Mrs Thorpe passing away after a long illness. Also Ken's Auntie Elaine died suddenly, but we were fortunate to see her as we passed thru Alberta. I guess the saying "You only pass this way once, so make it worth while" is worth some thought.

Other great email was this picture of our Grandboys enjoying life for sure! Thanks to everyone who is keeping us in contact with "home"



Quinn is reading to Teague! So sweet!

2.5 East of Lindsey OH Day 67 – Oct 15 Wooded Acres CG		69.5k
0.0	Depart Mary Jane Thurston SP CG on Local road(s) (South)	0.2 km
0.2	Bear LEFT (East) onto SR-65	1.7 km
1.9	Continue (East) on SR-65 [2nd St]	0.2 km
2.1	Continue (East) on SR-65	0.1 km
2.2	Continue (East) on SR-65 [2nd St] 0.3 km 2.6	Continue (East) on SR-65 [W 2nd St] 0.3 km

2.9	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-65 [2nd St]	20 m		
3.0	Bear LEFT (North) onto SR-65	0.1 km		
3.1	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-65 [W SR-65]	1.2 km		
4.3	Bear RIGHT (East) onto CR-184 [Kellogg Rd]	6.5 km		
10.8	Continue (East) on Kellogg Rd	0.2 km		
11.0	Continue (East) on CR-184 [Kellogg Rd]	2.6 km		
13.7	Turn RIGHT (South) onto TWP-95 [Tontogany Rd]	3.2 km	<b>Tontogany (GR)</b>	
16.9	Turn RIGHT (East) onto CR-78 [Poe Rd]	1.2 km		
18.1	Turn LEFT (North) onto CR-78 [TWP-96]	10 m		
	Turn RIGHT (East) onto CR-78 [Poe Rd]	4.6 km		
22.8	Continue (East) on TWP-78 [Poe Rd]	0.3 km		
23.0	Continue (East) on (W) Poe Rd	3.0 km	<b>Bowling Green (AS)</b>	good grocery store
26.0	Continue (East) on TWP-78 [Poe Rd]	1.6 km		
27.6	Continue (East) on TWP-78 [E Poe Rd]	3.2 km		
30.9	Bear LEFT (North-East) onto SR-105 [Scotch Ridge Rd]	9.9 km		
40.8	Continue (East) on SR-105 [W Front St]	0.5 km		
	Continue (North-East) on SR-105 [E Front St]	0.6 km	<b>Pemberville (GR)</b>	43k 2h40
41.9	Turn RIGHT (South) onto Bierly Ave [Bierley Ave]	0.5 km		
42.3	Continue (South) on Bierly Ave	0.7 km		
43.0	Continue (South) on CR-15 [Pemberville Rd]	2.0 km		
45.0	Turn LEFT (East) onto TWP-13 [Gibsonburg Rd]	3.2 km		
48.2	Continue (East) on SR-600	5.5 km		
53.7	Continue (East) on SR-600 [W Madison St]	2.5 km	<b>Gibsonburg (GR)</b>	
56.3	Stay on SR-600 [E Madison St] (East)	1.7 km	Leave Adven Cyc	
57.9	Continue (East) on SR-600	5.8 km		
63.7	Continue (North) on CR-92 [Hessville Rd]	1.5 km		
65.2	Turn RIGHT (East) onto CR-109 [Kingsway Rd]	3.2 km	<b>Lindsey (??)</b>	this doesn't take you into the town
68.3	Turn RIGHT (South) onto CR-106 [Fought Rd]	1.1 km		
69.4	Turn RIGHT (West) onto Local road(s)	70 m –		
	Turn RIGHT 80 m	69.5	Arrive Wooded Acres CG	



More porches! They love Halloween!

DAY Sixty-Eight Lindsey OH to Sheffield 120 km  
Oct16 Tuesday D120.38 km M 39.6 A 16.9 T7h05 AT9 h total 5593km

**Wind** no winds, started to rain at noon and rained until 4pm then cleared up

**Temp** high humidity all day, 15C

**Road Condition** great until we turned onto 611 and the traffic increased with no shoulder and no bike tolerance

**Food: Breakfast** apples/carrots Ken cheese

**Lunch** Subway sands at Milan

**Supper** cheese spread wraps, carrots and munchies

**Accommodation** well I thought we payed too much for last night \$15 for pit toilets and no showers... Camp Wahoo isn't much better... has showers that are in desperate need of a cleaning... but really nice hot water... the whole campsite is a disaster zone... must have raccoons as the garbage cans are tipped over... the leaves are falling so ++ leaves and there are a couple of hermits living here with everything imaginable outside there campers... tvs full size fridges, picnic sets, stacks of beer cases... etc not exactly "camping out" must get a little chilly in the winter!



**Overall:** started out a great day. We got up in the dark at 0630 to break camp and left shortly after the sun rose... or would have if it wasn't cloudy... 0830 We went back on 106 to avoid going on Hwy 20 as was the plan, but the number of trucks on there with no shoulder is definitely to be avoided.





We went 8miles on a paved bike trail -NORTH COAST INLAND BIKE TRAIL from Fremont to Clyde which was very nice thru the trees.

The WHIRLPOOL plant is in Clyde.

Then we hit a Bridge out sign DETOUR once again... decided to chance it as new pavement and new lines painted.... Got to the bridge out and it was out, but they had a little narrow walking bridge... we had to take our panniers off to cross over but kept us on track. That gave us a nice stretch with out any traffic.... Got to Huron on Hwy 6 and it became very busy with very poor shoulder.... Lake Erie just the other side of homes on the waters edge. Raining so I didn't take any pictures. We passed numerous Marinas. We couldn't see CANADA across the water!

Turned off onto hwy 611 what a nightmare! Rush hour traffic that are not bike friendly, no shoulder. At one underpass RAT HOLE...I switched to the sidewalk and it was so littered with glass I'm sure we will need tire changes. It was so dark all we could hear was the crunching of glass! Most of the towns we went thru were full of old houses well kept up... there was a lot of money here in 1860's

Sheffield OH Day 68 – Oct 16		Camp Wahoo CG	128.0k
0.0	Depart Wooded Acres CG on Local road(s) (East)	70 m	
0.1	Turn LEFT (East) onto Local road(s)	70 m	
	Turn LEFT (South) onto CR-106 [Fought Rd]	2.2 km	
2.4	Turn RIGHT 109 4.5k 5.0	Bear RIGHT (South) onto CR-128 [4 Mile House Rd]	0.9 km
6.0	Stay on CR-128 [4 Mile House Rd] (South)	1.7 km	Crossed hwy 20.... 4lanes divided
7.7	Turn LEFT (East) onto CR-51 [Napoleon Rd]	2.4 km	PRAIRIE TOWN
10.0	Continue (East) on Napoleon St [Napoleon Rd]	0.8 km	crossed hwy 6 2 busy lanes
10.9	Continue (East) on Napoleon St	0.4 km	
11.3	Bear RIGHT (South) onto (N) Wilson Ave	0.5 km	
11.7	Turn LEFT (East) onto Birchard Ave	1.3 km	
13.0	Turn RIGHT (South) onto S Park Ave	0.2 km	
13.2	Turn LEFT (East) onto Hayes Ave	0.5 km	
13.7	Bear RIGHT (East) onto bike path	NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL	
28.5	At 109 Elm St, <b>Clyde</b> , stay on SR-101 [S Main St] (South)	0.4 km	30k on odometer
28.9	Continue (South) on SR-101 [Main St]	40 m 28.9	Continue (South) on SR-101 [S Main St] 1.9 km
30.8	Turn LEFT (East) onto CR-175 [S Ridge Rd]	1.1 km	
31.9	Bear LEFT (North-East) onto CR-175 [Ridge St]	2.5 km	
34.4	Continue (North-East) on CR-175 [S Ridge Rd]	3.7 km	
38.1	Turn RIGHT (South) onto TWP-288 [Wales Corner Rd]	0.2 km	
38.3	Turn LEFT (East) onto CR-219 [TWP-219]	5.0 km	
43.4	At 10133 SR-269, <b>Bellevue</b> , OH 44811, turn LEFT (North) onto SR-269 [CR-1]	1.4 km	
44.8	Turn RIGHT (East) onto CR-15 [Strecker Rd]	17.7 km	has a bridge out but passible by bike
62.5	Turn LEFT (North) onto TWP-116 [Kelley Rd]	1.3 km	

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- 63.7 At 164 Mason Rd W, **Milan**, OH 44846, bear RIGHT (East) onto CR-13 [Mason Rd W] 0.1 km
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- 63.8 Turn LEFT (North) onto US-250 [US-250 N] 0.3 km
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- 64.1 Turn RIGHT (East) onto Huron Avery Rd 40 m
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- 64.2 Continue (East) on CR-123 [Huron-Avery Rd] 2.2 km
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- 66.3 Bear LEFT (North) onto CR-123 [Huron Avery Rd] 4.6 km
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- 70.9 Continue (North-East) on Main St 0.7 km
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- 71.6 Bear LEFT (North-East) onto SR-13 [Main St] 1.1 km
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- 72.7 At US-6, **Huron**, OH 44839, turn RIGHT (South-East) onto US-6 29.6 km
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- 102.3 Continue (North-East) on Local road(s) 0.6 km
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- 102.8 Bear LEFT (North) onto US-6 [W Erie Ave] 5.2 km
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- 108.0 Turn RIGHT (South) onto Colorado Ave 1.5 km
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- 109.5 Continue (East) on SR-611 [Colorado Ave] 7.6 km
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- 117.0 Arrive Camp Wahoo CG pub but no food at the CG
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- There are services every where – Cleveland suburbia
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**Neat way to build a fence... no nails! Just make sure the posts are the proper distance apart and notch the rail!**



**Swans at the campground pond**



**Leaves and more leaves**

## DAY Sixty-Nine Sheffield to Cleveland- Mentor OH 85km

Oct17 Wednesday D 85.92km M33.5 A15.9 T5h22 AT8 h total 5678.9km

**The Essence of bicycle touring is to derive the most from each mile, not to cycle the most miles!**

This is a quote from a book Mike had.... Says it all! Some days are best forgotten! Like yesterday!



**Temp** humid, warm 15C misty morning which burnt off by noon

**Road Condition** overall good; really nice bike path thru most of Cleveland; Avon to the west had a nice shoulder and by hwy 91 before Mentor another nice bike lane. No traffic problems other than constant "town" all day for 86 km!

**Food: Breakfast** We broke camp and headed to Avon for our breakfast as the CG was way to depressing. Not that I don't like spiders, but SPIDERS everywhere... in the bathroom, on the picnic tables, on the tent! Daddy long legs!

**Lunch** Stopped at a park and got a recommendation to the Sweet Water Landing Grill Excellent veggie burgers with a portabello mushroom, tomato, lettuce, onions Absolutely worth the diversion!

**Supper** made chicken burgers and rice at WARMSHOWERS

**I know Canada is across there somewhere!**

**Wind** NONE

**Accommodation** Well we thought we would attempt another warmshowers and what a great choice we made. Mike and Genese Valentino are great hosts and we are learning for the cyclists that will come our way next summer. They opened their home to us.... Washed clothes, had showers, let us use their internet, kitchen and gave us route update suggestions. Definitely a great stop. I hope we can do the same for guests.

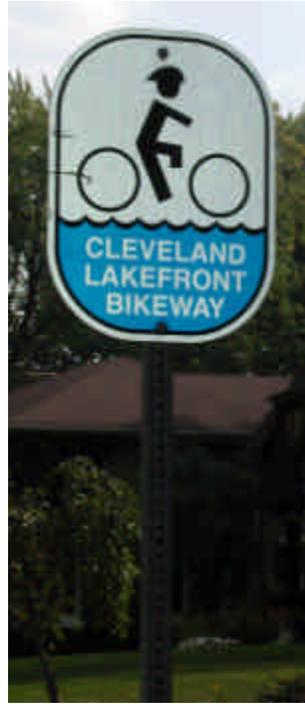


**Overall:** okay day other than it is a lot harder to cycle thru town than on the open road. Firstly your speed is way down, secondly you have way too much to “gawk” at. The route took us past the most beautiful homes. I think there is and was a lot of money in Cleveland. The homes facing the Lake Erie vary from brand new monstrous houses to older well loved homes. We stopped to look at this one that had a ASPEN Colorado ski gondola worked into a garden overlooking the lake.... Wonder who lives there?

Boats boats and more boats.... Marinas all along the route. When we stopped for breakfast at a marina, some grade 8 school kids were taking photos to be developed in black and white, for a contest. Interesting to look at the differences in physical development at this age.... Tiny to large; almost shaving to still little kids, but they interacted as if no differences.



Boats and more boats



Bike Path



Wind power in Cleveland



First view of Cleveland OHIO

Ken is finishing off the day watching his first NHL hockey game... Dallas Stars and Columbus Ohio BlueJackets

0.0	Depart Camp Wahoo CG on SR-611 [Colorado Ave] (East)	0.4 km
0.4	Turn LEFT (North) onto Miller Rd	3.8 km
4.3	Bear RIGHT (East) onto US-6 [Lake Rd]	5.3 km
9.5	Stay on US-6 [Lake Rd] (East)	13.4 km 22.9 Stay on US-6 [Lake Rd] (East) 2.8 km
25.7	Continue (East) on US-20 [US-6]	0.2 km
25.9	*Turn potentially restricted* Turn LEFT (North) onto Webb Rd	0.1 km
26.0	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Lake Ave	3.8 km
29.8	Turn LEFT (North) onto Cove Ave	0.2 km
30.0	Bear RIGHT (East) onto Edgewater Dr	1.8 km
31.8	Turn LEFT (North) onto Cliff Dr	0.2 km
32.0	At 10092 Cliff Dr, Cleveland, OH 44102, stay on Cliff Dr (East)	0.2 km 32.2 Arrive Bike Path S1
34.2	Take Path Arrive @ W 65 <sup>th</sup> St  Jackie Sindrich <a href="mailto:cloudsnap@yahoo.com">cloudsnap@yahoo.com</a> apt Or Megan Wilson 216 258-8731 <a href="mailto:mwilson52@hotmail.com">mwilson52@hotmail.com</a> aptment or	
	Turn LEFT (East) onto Herman Ave	0.3 km
34.5	Turn RIGHT (South) onto W 58th St	0.5 km 35 Turn LEFT (East) onto Franklin Blvd 1.8 km
36.8	Turn LEFT (North) onto US-42 [SR-3]	0.4 km
40.8	Continue (North) on US-20 [US-6]	50 m
41	Bear RIGHT (North) onto W 25th St	0.1 km
41	Bear RIGHT (North-East) onto Washington Ave	0.4 km
41.4	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Center St	0.4 km
41.8	Bear LEFT (East) onto Center St [Columbus Rd]	0.2 km
42	Turn LEFT (North-West) onto Old River Rd	0.4 km
42.4	Continue (North-West) on W 10th St	0.4 km
43	Turn RIGHT (East) onto Front Ave	0.2 km
43.2	Bear RIGHT (South-East) onto W 9th St	0.4 km
43.4	Turn LEFT (North-East) onto W St Clair Ave	0.3 km
43.7	Bear LEFT (North) onto W 3rd St	0.7 km
44.4	Continue (North) on Erieside Ave	1.0 Km
45.4	Bear RIGHT (East) onto N Marginal Rd	4.4 km
49.9	Bear LEFT (North) onto E 55th St	40 m

Bear RIGHT (North-East) onto N Marginal Rd 0.3 km

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50.1 At Bike Path S3 to S4 2.2Km

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52.3 Bear Left (North-East) onto Lake Shore Blvd 0.4 km

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52.7 Continue (East) on Lake Shore Blvd [Lakeshore Blvd] 4.8 km

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57.4 Continue (North-East) on SR-283 [Lake Shore Blvd] 0.3 km

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58.4 Stay on SR-283 [Lake Shore Blvd] (North-East) 23.6 km

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82 Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-283 [Lakeshore Blvd] 2.4 km @East Lake Hwy 91 bike lane for 6m

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84.4 Go Straight or Rt onto Munson Rd (615) It on Mentor Park Bulivard 😊 Mike/Genese Valentino or 2 other choices

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Ken working on the computer



Genese, Ken and I



Mike Valentino

## DAY Seventy Mentor(Cleveland) OH to Andover OH 97.64 km

Oct18 Thursday D97.64 km M 44.7 A15.8 T6h09 AT8 h total 5776.6km

**Wind** Well it was out of the southeast so a head wind a good deal of the day

**Temp** 12-15C with rain for about 2hours the just overcaste

**Road Condition** more rolling hills than lately, shoulder on and off Hwy 6 more traffic than side roads, Bike trail nice

**Food: Breakfast** apple/ cottage cheese; Ken usual apple, cheese and bread

**Lunch** stopped for a picnic lunch while it was raining

**Supper** decided to change the plan and stay at the Pymaturing State Park just past Andover before the Pennsylvania border so supper was a mixture of porobello mushrooms, curly fries and cheesecake.... Just a pub no restaurant or grocery! With a Mikes Hard Lemonade That was supper

**Accommodation** State Park is really nice on a reservoir with hot showers and no other campers on a Thursday night.

**Overall:** Well the day started off slowly as we decided to book our flights to Edmonton for early December, so a little late in leaving our friends Mike and Genese Valentino's I don't know why we seemed so slow today other than the road was either up or down all day and the wind did seem to affect us some. We decided to stop at the state park on the border of Ohio and Pennsylvania as we can cut off some of the mileage by going south of Meadville tomorrow. The maple trees are really getting beautiful with the fall colors We have had a wonderful summer evening here with a full sky of stars and warm warm.



We are seeing more signs of Amish people living in this area. As we were stopped to oil our bike chains a horse drawn buggy came trotting down the road. He seemed to ignore the cars and they just sped around him. The horse didn't seem shy of the cars either and they were really going very fast. Just prior to that I had noticed a fellow making what I think were the fence rails for the fences without nails [by hand]. He stopped to watch us go by, but I didn't feel comfortable stopping to talk to him.



0.0	Depart Mike/ Genese Valentino6234 mentor Pk Blvd on Local road(s) (West)	50 m
0.1	Bear RIGHT (North) onto Mentor Park Blvd	0.3 km
0.3	Bear RIGHT (North-East) onto Mentor Park Blvd [Emery Cir]	0.1 km
0.5	Turn RIGHT (East) onto SR-615 [Munson Rd]	1.8 km
2.3	Continue (East) on Munson Rd	1.9 km
4.2	Bear RIGHT (South-East) onto Hopkins Rd <b>[got confused stayed on Hopkins then left on Johnny C Ridge Rd]</b>	0.9 km
5.0	Turn LEFT (East) onto (W) Jackson St	20 m
5.1	At 9002 Jackson St, Mentor, OH 44060, stay on Jackson St (East)	<b>2.6 km</b>
7.7	Continue (East) on (W) Jackson St [CR-304]	2.2 km
9.9	Continue (North-East) on (W) Jackson St	2.6 km
12.5	At Richmond St, Painesville, OH 44077, turn RIGHT (East) onto SR-283 [Richmond St]	<b>0.3 km</b>
12.8	Continue (South) on Liberty St <b>[bike path was good here]</b>	2.0 km
14.9	Continue (South) on Ravenna Rd [CR-360]	0.7 km
15.6	At 6269 Ravenna Rd, Painesville, OH 44077, stay on Ravenna Rd [CR-360] (South)	<b>3.1 km</b>
18.7	At near Concord, bear LEFT (East) onto SR-608 [Concord-Hambden Rd]	<b>2.8 km</b>
21.5	Turn LEFT (East) onto Girdled Rd [CR-202] <b>[oops missed here, went on Clark/Robinson/Woodin thru a ravine full of colored leaves]</b>	2.9 km
24.4	At Untitled, stay on Girdled Rd [CR-202] (East)	<b>1.2 km</b>
25.6	Continue (East) on SR-86 [Painesville Warren Rd]	6.0

31.6	Bear RIGHT (South-East) onto SR-86 [Plank Rd]	km
		5.5
37.1	Turn LEFT (East) onto US-6 [Gar Hwy]	km
		40.7
77.8	Bear RIGHT (East) onto SR-85 [E Main St]	km
		2.4
88.2	Continue (East) on SR-85 turn south along the reservoir, just keep going past the boat docks and private sites	km
		1.9
97	Arrive at Pymatuning State Park	km



Very bizarrely ornate farm house

**O**ak Trees/ Maple Trees too/ **O**ld Homes/Older Population

**H**ills moderate

**I**nterstate crossings/ **SQU****I**RR**EL**S

**O**H SO BEAUTIFUL ! FALL **C****O**LORS