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Being on the Fold

with Theun Karelse Various artists Loes Jacob Patrick de Koning Pacôme Beru Robert Brecevic Caesar



Starring:

Various Artists, "Put that motherf*cker on the tarmac"

Pacome Beru, Scanning the fold by navigation GPS & photography

Theun Karelse, Boskoi on the fold

Patrick de Koning, Biking and scanning the fold on a foldable bike

Loes Jacobs, Journal of the fold

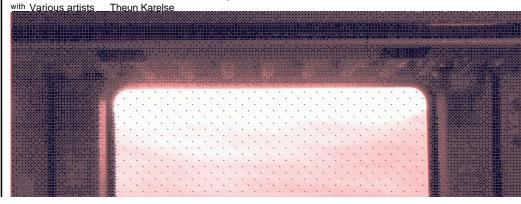
Performing Pictures (Robert & Caesar Brecevic), Peregrini Chapels

Nicolas Matzner, Soap opera on the fold

Carla Garlasschi, Folding ideas

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Extra infos

EN] From North Poland to Croatia a fold has been discovered on the map of Europe. The Peregrini Cycli Crew will wonder along this line as closely as possibl (in July 2012) with a bicycle-caravan. Each member o the crew will have a specific focus during the journey.

[NL] Van het noorden van Polen tot Croatië werd een vouw ontdekt op de kaart van Europa. De Peregrini fie karavaan zal zo dicht mogelijk langs deze lijn reizen i juli 2012. Elke deelnemer heeft zijn specifieke focus/project gedurende deze reis.

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Mon 2/7

Leaving from Brussels early in the morning. In Schiphol we change to Berlin, a very cosy train where we'll spend 6 hours in the restaurant wagon. Theun get's in at Hilversum, and there we are: Brussels and Amsterdam Peregrini on the move! In Berlin we change to Angermunde and from there it goes to Szscezin, the unpronounceable city in Poland where we buy our bikes in the morning.

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Day 2

with Various artists Performing Pictures Theun Karelse

Tue 3/7 The first bike shop that opens is the one. It soon strikes us, that everything is possible in this country, and everything can be fixed.. The kind men of the shop gear up our bikes, so we are ready to go to Koszalin. There we do our first 20km to Mielno, a touristic coast village, where we get water from the sea and meet up with the Swedes.

Carla

Nico

We stay in a very nice hotel/house and get to know Nico and Carla through karaoke.

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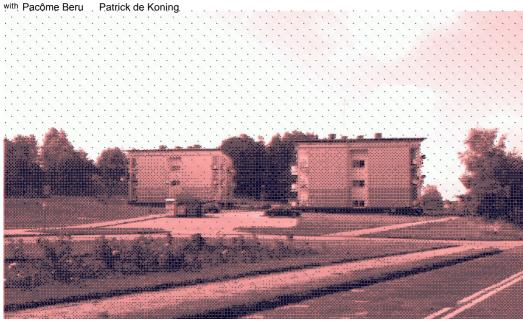
Day 3

Wed 4/7

First biking day, and it becomes clear that Poland is not the flat country we hoped for. We encounter all possible roads: hill roads, sand road, mud, big roads with heavy traffic, etc in one day. Restaurants are scarce in Poland, as well as bars. Our last village stop only gives us a small shop, where we get food for the evening and then find a place to camp: the mosquito forest ..

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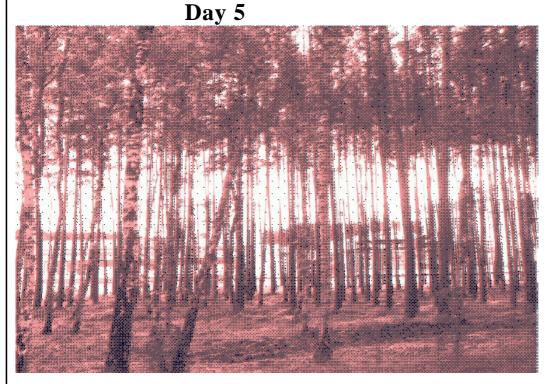




Thu 5/7

A chapel is left behind in the mosquito forest and we head for Pomorski, where two more Peregrini join us. The first hotel we see is Solaris Lupus, where we stay overnight, unroll the map that Pacôme and Patrick brought with them and see that we did quite some part of the fold already.

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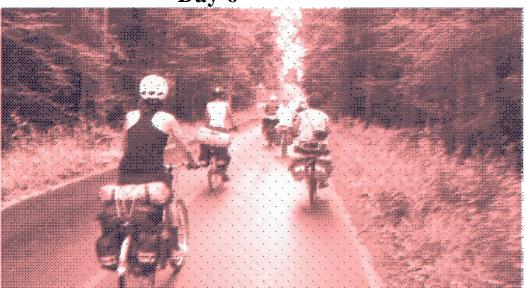
Fri 6/7

First day on the road with all the Peregrini! There are so many things we see and track on the road: empty buildings, unused railways, chapels, churches, busstops, etc. We do try to avoid the big roads, traffic is very dangerous, there seems to be no speedlimit and people are not used to bikes on the road!

We end up in Drezdenko, where we ask people for a camping spot. Turns out the people speak Dutc, because they worked in Vlissingen Holland, and Croatian, from working in Holland with Croatians. The son of the couple leads us to a hidden camping spot, with a beautiful lake where we sit by the fire in the evening with other campers.

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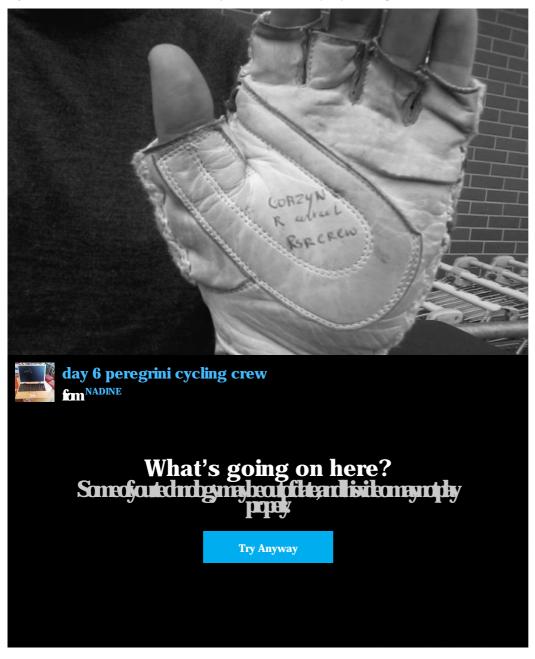




Sat 7/7

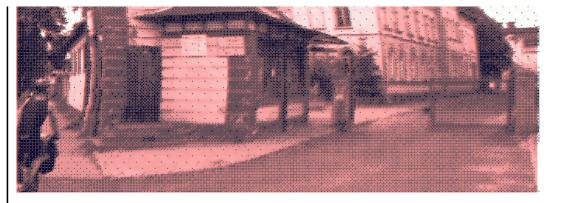
Waffles for breakfast and a very nice scenic trip for the day. The more South we go, the flatter Poland gets and after 4 days of biking, the Peregrini become better and better, despite sour muscles and asses.

Right before the rain comes we find a weird but very nice hostel where everybody dresses up for a restaurant visit..



on a hot day somewhere along the fold in Poland





Sun 8/7

After a good day of biking, tension in the group has risen high. A burst out on a small 'place' in Nowa Sol was unavoidable. Fatigue, different rhythms, different projects, different ways of working and being clash. So this day is called: clash of the Titans.

No luck with places to stay in the city, but teamcoach Patrick leads us to a Pensionat, in the middle of nowhere outside the city. Again: everything is possible in this country.

Day 8



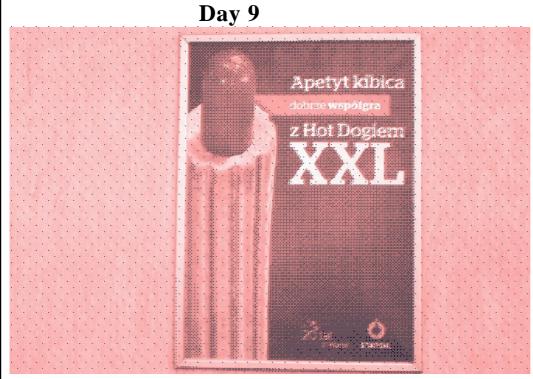
Mon 9/7

In the morning the road is set out. We'll be going to a nature reserve, where a former army settlement was based. First some bikes get a proper check up and then we go, leaving Nowa Sol behind and heading for the forest. The roads are difficult, but the Peregrini push through... Buildings seen on Google earth that morning don't seem to be there anymore, but this cannot influence the fun. Another chapel is set in this beautiful forest without mosquitos.





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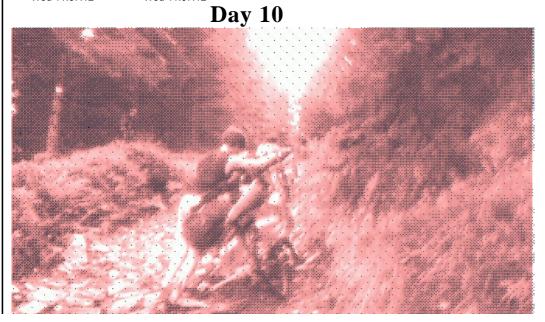
Tue 10/7

We leave the forest early in the morning and head for Jelenia Gora, ca 90km away. Today is about 'the group thing', trying to stick together and find a common rhythm to bike.

The first part of the route of the day is flat, comfortable, not too much traffic... very nice. After 35km we head for the mountains where the border lies between Poland and Czech. Jelenia Gora is only 20km away from the frontier. This will be our last full day in Poland.

We climbed 300m, the road was though, but everybody made it and a beautiful city awaits us.. We found a very nice place to stay in the centre and over a last Polish Tyskie beer we decided that Poland was worth visiting. The North is different from the South, that is more flat and picturesque, but everywhere we encountered kind people that we're happy we were visiting their country.

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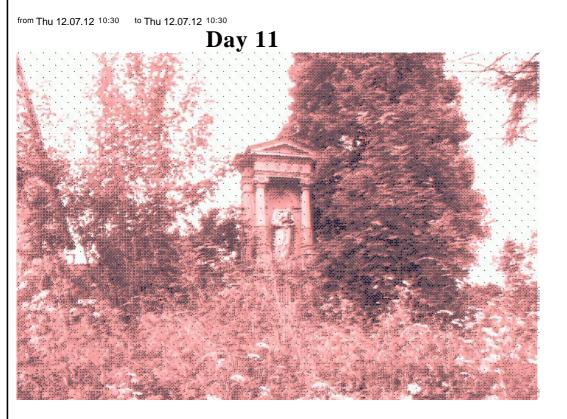


Wed 11/7

Today was supposed to be a quiet day. The group lost quite some Peregrini today, some forever, some for a couple of days. Theun has to leave for work in Amsterdam, Paulo (VA) leaves for the birthday of his daughter but comes back in three days, and Nico and Carla (aka the Chileans) want to stay a couple more days in Jelenia Gora. The rest of the group heads for the border of Czech, that is only 30km away... Up up up that is... It took us 3 hours for 20km.. The five Peregrini left were amazed that the border of Czech is at the highest point of the mountain we climbed... "And it all goes downhill from here.." the next 20km we do in 40min. At 22:00 we were able to find a nice hostel with a kitchen that served us great food...



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Thu 12/7

Working in the morning... Uploading, editing, bike repairing.. Our first morning in Czech Republic is concentrated. We decide to have lunch at the hostel and after power spaghetti we're on our way to the next stop in Czech with five Peregrini, hoping we

left the mountains behind us...

The road is long and going up and down. Pardubice is what we're aiming for, but the backup plan is Hradec Kralove. We encounter a cold, rainy summer in Czech. The clouds in the hills that carry the rain are the darkest and beautiful we ever saw.. We also pass some old, empty warehouses. Patricks optimism keeps us going. Due to this bad weather and the hills we end up in our backup town though. A beautiful The route today was tiring, and we're lucky and glad to get a typical Czech dish at 10:30 in the evening: meat, dumpling bread, cream and jam.



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Day 12

Fri 13/7

First stop Pardubice. A similar but slightly bigger town as Hradec, with a nice main place where we eat at a kavarna. Here we discover a famous cake: honey cake. After lunch we head for Givan Bela's place in Hranice. The way there is hard but very beautiful. It's good that we're getting used to biking this landscape and it pays off! It gives us more space and time to pay attention to the route.

We get at Guy's place too early, so we decide to have food and a beer in the nearest town Libice. In the meanwhile Paulo also arrives from the nearest train station, 20km from Hranice. We set up the tents in the old stable and the evening ends with the first outdoor film seance of yo-yo.org. While watching The Proposition, Nico and Carla arrive at Guy's after a Czech train adventure that took 12 train changes. We're very grateful for the hospitality of Guy and Lenka.



somewhere east of the fold in central Česká republika

Sat 14/7

So grateful, that we stay another day! After a good breakfast, we have a group meeting to reset our ideas, goals and expectations. We decide to take more time on the road and do less kilometers. That way everybody can do their thing and there is no time pressure. The day off is welcome and well spend. Fiddling on the bike, having lunch in Libice, washing clothes, painting and setting up chapels, making videos, editing, etc.

Day 13

In the evening Guy introduces u to the local slivovitz with pear, cherry, plum and 'babbelen'.



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Day 14

Sun 15/7

After a nice breakfast from our great hosts it's time to head the road again. Final destination is Hell lake in the city of Polna. The road is beautiful again and we see some airports on the road,

Pads of crosses and chapels and VA has his first Boeing session.

The city of Polna is again very nice. Robert and Caesar went ahead and found us a beautiful place to stay in a 'castle' at the hell lake. We celebrate our arrival with the recently discovered Cola from Czech, Kofola!



Day 15



Mon 16/7

We decide to skip Austria and take the train from border to border due to Alp and time issues. Deadline to get to Rab is 23/7 and if we want to take time on the road, this seens the best solution. Robert and Caesar are travelling ahead today to Slovenia. The border with Austria is 80km and the others decide to do this part in two days. After breakfast in the centre of Polna, we decide to bike to Telc today. We have a groupDuck on the airport of Jilhava, the city

where we have lunch in a local smokers bar. Pollinators mark their road by buying real pollinators hats..

The final destination Telc is a beautiful town here apparently Werner Herzog filmed his Woyzec. In the evening we discover the Czech digestif Becherovska..

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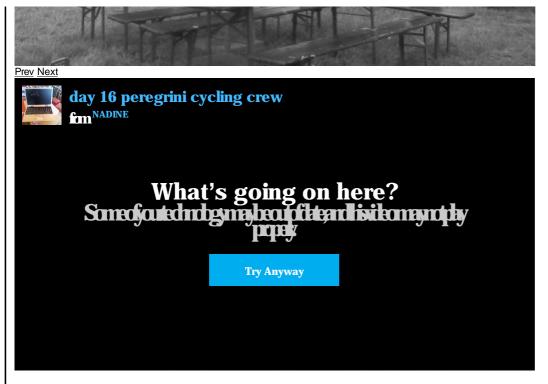


Tue 17/7

Today we're riding to the Czech border, to a little village called Slavonice. We need to get there by three o'clock and during the morning we split up in three groups... Nico and Carla are biking directly following Marta, the Spanish GPS. Pacôme and Patrick are following the fold via the navigation GPS. Loes and Paulo are joining them to the fold and from there on they follow Bonnie, the English GPS.

Group 2 is the fastest and luckily everybody catches the last train to Kostelec where we change for Brno, little Prague. It's quite shocking to be in a 'big' city all of a sudden.





following the fold as close as possible on the last part in Česká republika



Wed 18/7

After a quiet morning in Brno it's time to start our 'skipping Austria' train trip. In Brno we take the train to Vienna, but not without some problems.. If you take a train with your bike you have to make a reservation and of course we didn't.. But we discover that the magic words "we can pay, how much is it?" resolve our problem. And not only in Czech the magic words work, also in Vienna where we change trains to head to Lasko, Slovenia. We occupy the restaurant wagon where our muscled waiter serves us wiener schnitzel and apfelstrudel. Arriving in Lasko, we learn that the small town is all about beer (Lasko beer) and a natural spring.





Day 18



Thu 19/7

Being warned by Robert and Caesar for the mountains of Slovenia, we're biking and taking a train today. Slovenia is beautiful, hot and there are only a few roads. Although the roads follow the valleys and rivers, the 'fake flat' is not always easy to bike and takes time! We have lunch in Slavenice where we take the train to Trebnje. From there on we bike 10km to the beautiful Zuzemberk. We have to climb about 500m here in a few kilometres.. And then Paulo has bike troubles, but the town of Zuzemberk with it's river, castle and free camping is a nice treat at the end of the day!





Fri 20/7

Short but heavy trip of 30km to Kocevje today. Of course we decide to leave at the hottest moment of the day.. And the climb is hard. We start from 500m and have to go to more then 800m. The group counts only 4 people now.. Nico and Carla decided to take more time in Zuzemberk and will meet us before or in Rab.

It takes us about 3 hours to get there, but again the landscapes are beautiful and make it worth to do the heavy climb. We do decide to start biking early the next day and take breakfast at 5..

Day 20

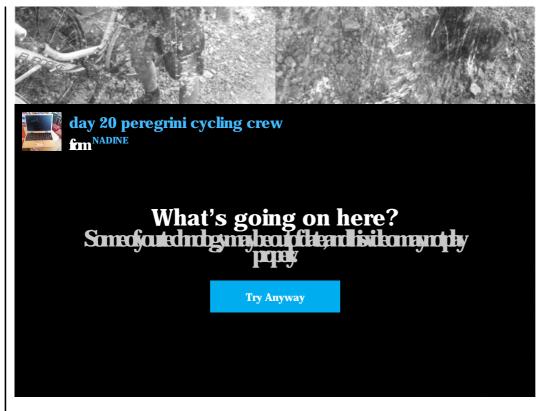
Sat 21/7

And so it happens that the four Pollinators left are on their bikes at 6 in the morning heading for the Croatian border. Around 10:30, after having passed the border, where you still have to show your documents, we are having our second breakfast. The food goes directly in the next climb towards Delnice, where Robert and Ceasar are awaiting us.

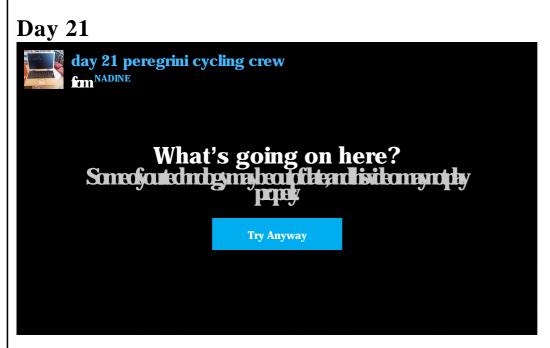
Although tired from the morning, we decide to do 10km more, not having to stay in Delnice. We found a nice bed&breakfast, where we can stay the night.

The last 2km downhill have unfortunately ended this bike trip for Loes. She fell on the rocky road and broke her arm... but still time to check her new calf size...



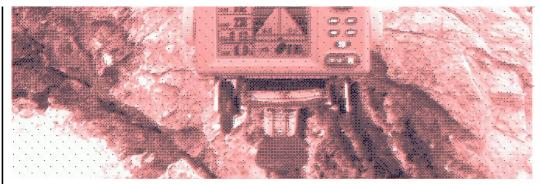


somewhere along the fold in the mountains of Republika Hrvatska (Republic of Croatia)



somewhere along the fold out of the mountains to the coast of Republika Hrvatska (Republic of Croatia)





Today after fighting through the strong Bora winds we reached our end point on the fold. It continues into the horizon but we have to leave it. Can not help think about what may lie ahead on it...

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