

Garmisch & Lago di Braies

Pat's Holiday Diary 1988

Saturday - left home 10.30 from steps of Hofburg.

via Paul + Ros for train Mu + Del for car

Boat at Harwich - nice cabin with port hole

Sunday Breakfast on boat - arrived at our just in time!

Picnic back at Oberwesel on Rhein walked up to Säley Schönburg

for cup of tea - sleep in the park - to Mitterstaedt

to stay with Bernhard + Mechthild - Bernhard + Peter Herzog + Martin (21/2)

+ (-1 month)

walk in fields - night of Hocke east - some green.

Monday lovely Breakfast. left ~11 took off the Autobahn

via Austria to Garmisch-Partenkirchen - arrived ~5.

found nice Guest house - drove it Post hotel with Renate

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Tuesday TB institute - Frau ~~Wackerle~~ Wackerle + Prof Seiler

visit Bank + home for lunch + slept * Herr Stein + house at Grainau

Yugoslavian meal + Käse. (too expensive)

Sunny

(18 Sept)

Wednesday collected Krates box - to Institute

to see File in St Martin Stage - unbuilt expansive

home for lunch + slept *

other house saw Ferdinand - a very nice

isolated house at Klais - too big + no view

drove round + up to Grainau + Ebensee - dinner at Grainau.

Thursday to see Hans Meier at Institute but he wasn't there. invited coffee yet

Ebensee lunch in rowing boat + round island. wondered round the lake (7 km)

Post Hill again for dinner Stephan + H. Meier.

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Friday Rain Bank again with questions etc. Weierwald for lunch

pricing furniture - rest + tea at home TO Ice stadium for Ice hockey

match Germany v Sweden 0-3. to the joy of the spectators

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Saturday ¹⁰
 packed up + left Guest house. Went to see Herr Kornack a Forester about Krankenversicherung - very + nicely discussion - his wife well back out of flu for us!
 lunch outside Klais, stuck in traffic jam on Brenner Pass.
 arrived Lago di Braies 25° + stayed in hotel + almost undressed in 30°!
 staying in 210 instead of 214 (5)
 nice drive - talk afterwards all kinds of English - from thirteen physicist + son (final year journalist) - spoke Spanish lady who wrote "Tales of Andalucia"
 chat with gypsies - God like.

Sunday ^{10.30}
 sunny & nice. ³⁰ took picnic basket for the part + set off on a climb
 - No 1. up to the Seehof Hütte ^(12.30-1.30) 2 hours climbing before lunch in woods.
 2 hours climbing after lunch to ^{(cool) 32°} Döbriach (Hut ~ 200' below) Then up to top
 (I stopped 3/4 way up, well after difficult bit - slept while Peter went to the top (3400')
^{5.30} carefully down to hut for cup of tea before starting back ~ 6.
 Hard work all down hill + fairly quite tired (bloody shattered!) + arrived at lake 8
 + last bit around the clock!! hurried to dinner - glad to be here.
 [4500 feet climb] ~ (8 3/4 miles 4360' climb) - took 16 hours)

Monday Third. Car to Villabassa + Dobbiaco - shopping, coffee visited churches,
 lunch on balcony, - sleep + walked round lake.
 bed early after dinner - indigestion - too much food - not enough exercise!

Tuesday fourth - No 20 + 61 to car Pragsfjordl for lunch (~ 2800')
 Tues very tired - so retraced stronger here - went to bed
 showered, read, bathed etc nine dinner + bed early.

Wednesday real rest day (no climbing or walks) photos, coffee - toalm (23)

Lund by stream + sat there all day - damming, gossiping, snoozing + enjoying
 sunshine - successful diversion of mind! stream! + hence + wrote up every
 + did changes.

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Thursday Another rest day! * Drove to Cortina
wandered round in hot sunshine + cool shade - coffee in square.
Shopped for future picnics + got more money.
had pizza for lunch.

Drove out of town to the (south) west - a look at view + have a sleep.

Home + admired the Seetegel from behind.

Cheer in a boat - lovely - as the sun disappeared behind
the hills.

Talked to the Italians from Florence whom we had smothered all week
- but only in french!

Talked also to Frau Hays, who owns the hotel - she gave us a
lovely book on the Dolomites.

Friday No more rest days today! Walked along 19 up past alm
+ along the valley Grünwaldtal, then climbed up to Hochalpalm
for lunch - hot, sunny & lovely - stamped our map & ~~bought~~
a drink of water + set off again with Gerda who was also going
our way - up along 6 + 61 - saw lots of ~~Rock~~ ^{Rock} vultures
climbed Mauerkopf (2567m) + Hochalpenkopf. - some walk
along smooth grassy paths, some over rock + sometimes up + sometimes down
+ really quite a long way. Stopped at Pragjoch where we were on
Tuesday before a quick but tiring walk down. - started 10.00 finished 6.00
Gerda bought us a cup of tea + beer before going home.
We were not so tired as before but went to bed quite soon
after dinner. (8½ miles 3470' climb - took 8 hours)

I got up early to phone Mum but he wasn't there. 10th Sept.
Saturday Our last day at Lago di Braies. Took our books, picnic
glasses etc up to the alm + sat there all day - talking
reading, sleeping, drifting streams - lovely day -
time to arrive last of champagne, bath + dinner
looked at the stars before going to bed.

Sunday nice breakfast - wandered out to lake, paid bill, accepted presents & left ~ 10. - a lovely stay - many more happy memories. 41

Drove northwards over the Salzalp (only 1 way in Italy - allowed for 15 min each hour - quite hairy! borders at col. lovely valley down through St. Jakob (postal) at last) in Austria. Had lunch by stream across from road - in the sunshine.

Onwards by major road through the Tunnel (toll). Took side road again to Sell am Ziller via Gletsch Pass (toll) (luckily we had enough to live to pay tolls!!!) tips free in Zillertal (all we could afford) + on to GAP - a good + interesting trip but we were quite tired + there was lots of traffic. Found road Forecast looking for room for the night - back to Garnisch - finally found a room in Peterbider - on the main road. - good meal + talked to our neighbours - didn't sleep too well - the clock chimed all the quarter hours + the beer was delivered ~ 5 am!

Monday Herr Steiner Kreisbote, shopping, Institute, - lunch and to Dr. Dr. Begermann for medical examination for Krankheitversich. I was rather concerned about it but it was really quite fun - we are both fit! Then set off north via Obervammeyan + Augsburg - quite a lot of traffic. Found nice guest house at Wallerstein just past Nördlingen - ate picnic in our room, then dark-tea, beer, wrote + drew + played cards.

Tuesday walk to buy lunch + visit castle. - climbed up rocky outcrop + eaten wall. Then on - Romantic route + auto-bahn to Würzburg - had lunch in gardens of the Residenz. lovely + walk round - though I was stung by a wasp!! On to Gottschee via Eschwege + Bad Soden arrived at Trost, at precisely 6.00. Tea + cake - unpacked quick wash + out + dinner at Klaus + Monat - with Jürgen but not Helga + Horst. Lots of talk of life in Germany - lovely country.

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Wednesday Talked over breakfast with Heike - into town to see their Steinmetz at the bank, buy books, look round etc. To lab - lunch with Klaus & Max Plank - long talk! Talked to Jorg, Reinhardt Zellner, Hoyermann, Kersten, Andrea Simon, Krista - home about 6 for walk up to Bismarck Tower. Visited Frau Stankovice for 15 mins & drink of coffee & Steinmetz Slavovitz. After that with Heike & Jorg - bed early.

Thursday * Long talk with Heike at Breakfast. - left for home about 11.

- lunch at Sosat (Steinmetz & French fries - delicious) & walk into town.

Che to Kölle - visited new museum to see Art gallery - good visit, nice pictures but nothing spectacular. Left just after 6 & got a bit lost so went east too much & had to return on the ring - Altköln area picnic on a haybag & hurry to boat - driving most of the way at 75 mph.

- arrived in pouring rain at 10% (should have arrived by 4.45!!) so drove straight on. Small comfortable cabin - slept well after short walk on deck.

Friday Early Breakfast - one of 1st cars off the boat - so we were in Peterborough by 9.0 I visited health centre with my legs stung (behind right knee) which was still painful & swollen. Visited Ross & Fiona for coffee - my Mum & Dad for lunch, quick sleep - Snooker & home - arrived back - a little late - at 7 o'clock.

Total mileage 2316 miles £1083.21