

Ride Routes

Bike for Menno Haven features three looping routes in a cloverleaf pattern, each route originating at Menno Haven. Riders can choose how many loops to ride, depending on total mileage desired.

The family-friendly 13-mile Loop 1 includes a section of paved trail along the historic Hennepin Canal. A rest stop will be located at Lock 11, with pit toilets and picnic tables.

Loop 2 takes riders to the historic village of Wyanet (where there is a Casey's, Loop 2's suggested rest stop for water and/or restroom). It covers a distance of 18.7 miles

Loop 3, which is 21 miles, goes through the Crescent Ridge Wind Project, Illinois' first commercial wind farm. Thirty-three turbines line the ridge. Powered by the wind, 135-foot-long blades generate enough renewable energy to provide power for 20,000 homes every day. Riders may stop at the viewing area at the corner of 600N and 1475E.



Directions to Menno Haven

Tiskilwa, IL
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Directions to Menno Haven are available at our website:

www.mennohaven.com/pages/about/directions.html

We are located:

- 20 minutes south of Interstate 80 at Princeton, Exit 56.
- approx. 50 minutes north of Peoria via either Rt. 40 or Rt. 29.
- approx. 60 minutes east of Quad Cities

JOIN US FOR A GREAT RIDE!



4TH ANNUAL BIKE FOR MENNO HAVEN

**A family bike-a-thon
for all ages
and skill levels**



July 18, 2009

All routes begin and end at the camp.



All proceeds will benefit
the ministries of
Menno Haven
Camp & Retreat Center

www.mennohaven.com

About Menno Haven

2008 marked 50 years of ministry at Menno Haven! In the 1950s Illinois Mennonites envisioned a special place where children could gather to grow closer to God. In 1958, 80 acres were purchased near Tiskilwa IL, and Menno Haven Camp & Retreat Center was born.

The ministry of Menno Haven is a story of faith in action, a story of people seeking God's will and of God's rich blessing. It is also a story of vision, of prayer and dedication, of willing volunteers giving generously of time and resources. Above all, it is a story of changed lives. And the story continues, with many chapters yet to be written.

From its modest beginnings as a summer camp for children, Menno Haven has grown into a full-service year-round camp and retreat center, serving four to five thousand people annually. Some of its ministries include summer and winter camps for children and youth, family reunions, and church and leadership training retreats. On its 231 acres of woods, hills, streams and a small lake, Menno Haven now has recreational, lodging, camping, dining and meeting facilities.

In this natural setting, Menno Haven provides a place to connect with others and with God, a place for personal retreat and reflection. It is also a place for rejuvenation, challenge and trying new things.



*To invite all to experience
God's World and Christ's Kingdom
in a camp and retreat setting
through opportunities for
worship, fellowship, recreation,
growth and renewal.*

What to bring:

Required

- Helmet
- Water bottle
- Extra tube
- Bicycle in good repair



Optional

- Gloves
- Mirror
- Sweatband
- Cell phone

**DOUBLE
YOUR DOLLAR**

**A GENEROUS DONOR WILL
MATCH ALL CONTRIBUTIONS
ABOVE THE REGISTRATION
FEE DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR
UP TO \$2500!!!!**

Bike enthusiasts and Menno Haven supporters alike are invited to participate in this bike-a-thon to raise money for the ministries of Menno Haven Camp & Retreat Center.

Bike for Menno Haven is a one-day family event offering rides for all ages and skill levels, from 13 miles to 60 miles. Limited lodging is available in the bunkhouses Friday night, or bring your tent.

Registration begins at the pavilion at 6:30am. Please time your start to complete your chosen route before 1:30pm. A continental breakfast will be available.

All routes begin and end at Menno Haven. Cyclists will ride a segment of the Hennepin Canal Trail in addition to paved county roads. Please be aware that cyclists will share the roads with motorized vehicles. Bureau County's terrain is flat to rolling.

Snacks, drinks and restrooms will be available at the planned rest stops. A post-ride meal will be served at the pavilion from noon until 1:30pm. Showers are available at the bathhouse.

Registration Form

I acknowledge that participating in *Bike for Menno Haven* is a potentially hazardous activity. I will not participate unless I am medically able to do so and am properly trained. I assume responsibility for the risks associated with participation in this event, including accidental injury or death resulting from falls, contact with other riders and contact with traffic along the route. I waive any and all additional notice of the existence of dangerous conditions associated with *Bike for Menno Haven* and assume responsibility to exercise my own judgment in evaluating those conditions.

With the knowledge of these facts and in consideration of the acceptance of this entry application, I for myself, my heirs and anyone acting in my place or on my behalf, discharge and release Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center and its staff from any and all claims and actions at law for damages or monetary awards arising out of my participation in *Bike for Menno Haven* including injury to my person or property caused by any act or failure to act by the above entity and person. I will wear a helmet and obey the rules of the road. By signing my name below, I intend to be legally bound by all the terms and conditions of this assumption of risk and waiver of claims.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____
(If under 18 years of age)

Name _____

Address _____

E-Mail _____
(for confirmation of registration)

____ I/we need lodging Friday night.

Bunkhouse Tent

Route options:

- 13 miles along the Hennepin Canal
- 40 miles
- 60 miles (Metric Century)
- custom _____ miles

Registration Fees (nonrefundable):

\$15/person by July 10, \$20 thereafter
\$25/family by July 10, \$35 thereafter

Total amount enclosed \$ _____. Make checks payable to Menno Haven, & submit by July 10 to

Menno Haven
9301 1575 East Street
Tiskilwa, IL 61368.

**Receipts issued for charitable donations
beyond registration fees.**