

# FOLLOW FASHION MONKEYS

"MY SUMMER VACATION"

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When Frank asked me to write him an article about our tour with Indigesti, I thought "How can I write something that won't be too boring?" Well, here goes, a calendar of events. I hope you like it!

8/1/86 Philadelphia PA  
Indigesti, FFM, Homo Picnic, Serial Killers. 100 people, lots of dancing, a good show held in a squatted building since Pi Lambda has been scratched due to a fight between Youth Brigade and Frat Boys. It is interesting just listening to the Italians talking on the way home.

8/2/86 Bethlehem PA  
Bon Voyage party at Brian's house. Indigesti performs for all the LV "local celebrities". It is a real trip walking into Emmaus Fire Co. number 3 with a 6'5" Italian skinhead (Stiv).



8/3/86 Washington D.C.  
Many hangovers from 8/2. AOD, Indigesti, FFM, Disarm. Only 40 people, a real disappointment since it is AOD's first ever show in D.C. Crowd consists of mostly skin or metal heads. The flat tire on the way home is probably an omen of things to come, we think.

8/4-8/6/86 Lehigh Valley PA  
Time to get things arranged for leaving...

8/7/86 Columbus Ohio  
Indigesti, FFM at Stache's, a bar. 30 people, another big disappointment, this

being our first real road show. People seem unresponsive to us, but love Indigesti. Ron gets drunk and acts like a fool after the show.

8/8/86 Chicago Illinois  
The bands see COC at the Metro for free, thanks to Chris from BCT. Egg & Cheese turnovers at 7-11 in Chicago; the worst food ever created. We stop to camp in a field about an hour outside of Madison.

8/9/86 Madison Wisconsin  
Madison is a very progressive, impressive, underrated town - would be a great place to vacation. Girls are not allowed to wear bras here. Steve picks up first 3 Damned singles, and Chris gets first Elvis Costello single, all brand new on Stiff, for \$1.30 each. Indigesti, FFM, Imminent Attack, 25 people, we couldn't contend with Squirrel bait and Volcano Suns at a bar in town for \$1 less than our show. The tour has hit its low pt.

8/10-8/11/86 Lots of places...  
Our first overnight drive, arriving in Virginia Beach on the night of 8/11.

8/12/86 Virginia Beach Virginia  
Beach day!

8/13/86 Virginia Beach Virginia  
It rains, so we go to a mall  
packed with more gorgeous 14-18  
year old girls than I ever  
thought existed. Indigesti, FFM  
finally a good show, the crowd  
being mostly young skater types.

8/14/86 Charleston W. Virginia  
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people, open  
air show, the crowd is really  
enthusiastic, you can read about  
this show in Creem's Feb. metal  
magazine (honestly!). Taco Bell  
food you read about in Creem was  
definitely more important than it  
seems.

8/15/86 Detroit Michigan  
ASF, Indigesti, FFM, Forced Anger  
at a bar. 50 people, decent show  
punks get attacked by local white  
trash after the show. Decadent  
is the word for Detroit. Violent  
is the word for Curly. Ron does  
some spackling on a roof.

8/16/86 Chicago Illinois  
FFM, Indigesti, ASF & about 5  
other bands. 50 people. The PA  
speakers blow out during the  
first band, so Chris does all  
the singing for FFM (even though  
he doesn't know the words). Why  
aren't we playing bigger shows?  
Good question.

8/17/86 Chicago Illinois  
Indigesti is allowed to play a  
few songs to about a million  
people at the Metro at a show  
with 7 Seconds, Christ on Parade  
and Youth of Today. At the post  
show party at Eric from Life  
Sentences house with all the  
bands, members of Youth of Today  
can be seen having milk and  
cookies (pretty neat). Chris  
also quits the band.

8/18/86 Chicago Illinois  
We (actually the management)  
turn down a free beer and some  
money party to do nothing  
instead. Christ On Parade de-  
cides to hook up for awhile.

8/19/86 Kalamazoo Michigan  
Indigesti, FFM, Christ On  
Parade. Yes, that order is  
correct. For the first of



two times on the tour  
Christ on Parade opens  
for us (WOW!). 50 people  
in a small place, good  
show, lots of enthusiasm.

8/20/86 Lexington Kentucky  
Indigesti, Christ on Parade  
FFM, No Fraud at a bar. 5  
people, so only No Fraud  
plays. A favorite other  
bar in town is closing  
tonight so no one is here  
Since we have no scheduled  
show tomorrow we decide to  
stay and tag on to a local  
band show.

8/21/86 Lexington Kentucky  
Indigesti, Christ On Parade,  
FFM, Happy Death at the same  
bar. 50 people, a much older  
crowd than to be expected  
for a hardcore show. No one  
slams, so COP and FFM go at  
it during Indigesti's set.  
Hello Tammy, Betty, Animal  
Experimenter, and especially  
Wendy (Lexington).

8/22/86 Edwardsville IL  
Indigesti, COP, FFM in a  
cellar. 75 heavy metal  
types throw a basement  
party and we are there!  
A real unexpected sur-  
prise as people go wild,  
we get our own keg of  
beer and sell tons of  
stuff, one guy even eats  
bugs for us. COP isn't  
thrilled with the kind

of dates we've been  
getting and decides to  
head home after tomor-  
row in Omaha.

8/23/86 Omaha, Nebraska  
Indigesti, COP, FFM. Just  
what we needed! 250  
people jammed into the  
Lifticket Lounge. People  
even know our names and  
lyrics to our songs (what  
an ego boost!) The best  
night of the tour!

8/24/86 Omaha Nebraska  
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people  
not a bad show for a Sun-  
night at a place we just  
played the night before,  
on the night before  
school opens here. The  
reason we're playing here  
again is our show in OK  
city has been canned due  
to a day of mourning for  
the mailmen murders. Any-  
way, Omaha was great!

8/25-8/26/86 Lawrence Kansas  
Camping out in a state park  
Nature at its finest. Swim-  
ming, girlwatching (sunbath-  
ers from U of Kansas), beer  
and hot dogs by the fire  
(oops only beer for FFM). Ron  
quits the band this time.

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8/27/86 Wichita Kansas  
Indigesti, FFM. 7 people  
During our 3rd song some  
guy dressed in black  
starts dancing like you  
would to the Cure or  
Simple Minds or something,  
enough said.

8/28/86 Albuquerque New  
Mexico. Recovery from our  
all night drive the  
previous night.

8/29/86 Albuquerque NM  
Indigesti, FFM. 100 people  
lots of skinheads, lots of  
thrashing, lots of fun.  
Lots of controversy at the  
party afterwards about  
whether to stay overnight  
so we can play or leave  
so we can see the Grand  
Canyon. The Grand Canyon  
wins, so off we go.

8/30/86 St. George Utah  
Indigesti, FFM, NoFX, FuckShitPiss  
100 people and a real good show, despite  
many technical difficulties during our  
set. We pick up the other BCT Chris here  
to make our situation even more crowded.  
We are now at a point in the tour (actually  
we were yesterday) where the distance be-  
tween shows requires us to drive all night.  
No sleep til Salt Lake City!

8/31/86 Denver Colorado  
FFM, Indigesti, ASF. 100 people, due to "man-  
agement decisions" FFM headlines. This is  
almost the same show as 8/15 in Detroit,  
except FFM and ASF switch places. Manage-  
ment decisions backfire and people (mostly  
skins again) go wild for us. A great show.  
Management Decisions are straightened out  
at a tour personnel meeting after the show.

9/1/86 Salt Lake City Utah  
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people in the building  
behind Raunch Records, probably the best  
hardcore record store in the USA. The show  
goes ok and the beds feel good later. Ron  
has watermelons and crabs for a midnight  
snack.

9/2/86 Going to California. Like Led Zep.

9/3/86 3am Las Vegas, 9am Los Angeles,  
1pm San Diego, 7pm Mexico. A big day.

9/4/86 Los Angeles California  
Indigesti, Uniform Choice, Fang,  
Justice League, FFM at Fenders.  
(See our album review in the  
latest Sporadic Droolings, haha)  
300 people, the kind of show you  
always read about in Flipside.  
Big hall shows are nice, but  
those good old crunched in LV  
shows are nice too.

9/5/86 San Francisco CA  
Indigesti, FFM, Ruin, COP, Miserable  
Sex, First Offense at the Farm.  
150 people for the big reunion  
with COP. Having to go onstage  
after Ruin is a real trip (How  
do you follow up one of the best  
bands in the country? So what if  
they're local to us!) The last  
show for Indigesti and FFM  
together. Technically the end of  
the tour.

From herre til home, we  
played the Anti Club in LA  
and a party in St. Louis as  
a 3 piece (Chris flew home  
for school from S.F.). All  
in all, the tour had to be  
the best 6 weeks of my  
whole life. Sure it could  
have been better, but, hey,  
you gotta start somewhere.  
If any of you other bands  
out there, LV or otherwise  
ever has a chance to do the  
same thing, by all means,  
go for it. Since we've  
been back, we've been play-  
ing a lot more regularly.  
So besides doing it just  
for the fun of touring, it  
also helps the bands rep-  
utation. Anyway, we hope  
to go again this year, at  
least for a while, if not  
for quite as long as last  
year. We'll also be recor-

ding again in April, so look for new  
vinyl by fall. Finally sorry this took  
so long Frank!! (Write for info on  
See ya later, Steve t-shirts, stickers  
etc...)  
contact FFM c/o Steve Moyer,

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