

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - December 13, 2016

Hello All

Last Saturday: Last Saturday we rode our century of the month for December-- Foothill Footsie. I believe we had 10 riders. **Terry Neff, Jacques Stern** and I started early. The seven other riders I know of were **Phil Whitworth, Gary Murphy, Mike Eberts, Sheila Szymanski, Thomas Knoll** and two newcomers (I'm not sure of their names except that one was named Martha). I didn't get many photos from the day. Gary only managed to get this one shot before his battery died.



It's only their backs but I'm pretty sure from left to right that is Thomas, Sheila, Martha, Mike, other newcomer and Phil.

It was cloudy in the morning, but the sun came out for a while in the afternoon making for a fairly nice ride. Most of us opted for lunch across the street from our usual location where a Habit has recently been put in. I also noticed there is a Pick-Up-Stix next door which is also one of my favorite places so I'll have a tough choice next year. Unfortunately, family matters prevented **Dennis Miller**, the creator of this route, from joining us this year. However, he stopped by the finish location just as some of us were packing up for a short chat.

I played my usual game of "tree on car spotting" and came up with a total count this year of 11. That's not bad, but we passed at least 4 or 5 Christmas Tree lots on this route, so you would think it would be higher. Phil got into the spirit of the game and sent me this photo. (the only other photo I got from the Saturday ride).



Sunday: I got up Sunday to ride "Brentwood Flyer" from the Corner, but while the mind was willing, my legs were not. Just too tired from the century the day before. It was a bit wet in the morning anyway and I'm not sure if anyone showed up. I didn't hear from anyone and that also means I have no other photos.

Next Week: This Sunday we will be riding the "Amazing Maze" which starts in Tustin. I've been riding this one for years and I have yet to find the center of the maze. But if a rider named Dolores shows up -- she might know. (Don't worry if you don't understand that.) Currently the weather forecast for the weekend is pretty good, so I hope a lot of you can make up for last Sunday and get out and ride. These are good routes for the holidays because many of the homes in the Villa Park area will be so nicely decorated. It's getting late for tree shopping, but we will probably be able to spot a few more trees on cars this week too.

Save the Date: Our annual Holiday Party is set for Saturday, January 7th. It will again be at the home of **Kermit Ganier** in Malibu. I would imagine a more formal invitation will go out, but we will be discussing that at the meeting this Thursday. For now -- just mark the date on your calendar.

Meeting: Speaking of which -- there is a club meeting this Thursday (information is in the club schedule on the club web site). I don't normally mention this except at this meeting nominations for officers for next year will open up. So if you would like to become more involved with your club, you should attend.

See You On The Road
Rod Doty, VP