
LA Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

Last Sunday: Last Sunday we were riding "Corner Caper" which started at the "Corner" but the long and medium routes were headed for the Valley. We had 11 riders which is pretty good these days. I took this photo at the start:



That's **Mel Cutler** (with back to camera), a newcomer named **Carolyn Carter**, **Jacques Stern**, **Dale Aaronson**, **Phil Whitworth**, **Hoy Quan** and **Gary Murphy**. Two other newcomers and **Thomas Knoll** were not in the photo. The group really split up. Mel and Carolyn did the short ride. Mel sent me this selfie



Looks like they enjoyed themselves. Some others were planning on doing the medium and others did a modified long while I think still others decided to ride over to CicLAvia which was taking place in Hollywood. Gary, Jacques and I stayed together on the long until lunch, but after lunch Gary and Jacques cut off a few of the extraneous miles in the Valley. I wanted the extra miles, so I did the whole thing.

Along the way we passed some prehistoric sculptures. Dale sent me a few photos of them and here is one:



There were several others, including a T-Rex, in the same lot.

Surprisingly, the weather wasn't bad. I had worried the Valley would be hot, but for the most part, the riding was pleasant. The route was short and I was starting my return over Sepulveda a little after 2 p.m. so I think we missed the worst of the heat. I checked my thermometer as I started up the climb and it said 90 degrees. I checked it again when I got down into West LA and it was 77 -- quite a change from one side to the other.

Hoy had a camera mounted on his bike and put together a nice little video of the early portion of the ride as we left the Corner and stated up Benedict Canyon. He set it to music and posted it on YouTube. You should check it out -- here's the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xvUq_HKUem8

Next Week: This Sunday we will be riding "Winding Roads of Orange County" These are relatively pleasant routes which wind around Orange County without really going anywhere particular. We will have the usual long, medium and short but the

only differences are basically that the longer the route, the more miles of winding around it does (and a little more climbing) -- the scenery will be much the same on all routes. All routes stay together for the first 17 miles, so you can always decided which route you want to do after you are well into the ride. I plan to be there and hope to see you there as well.

Minutes of the Meeting: Minutes from the meeting held last week on August 15th are attached. Enjoy!

Parting Shot: I took this photo on last Sunday's ride and I have already posted it on Facebook, but I get a laugh out of it, so here it is for those of you who didn't see it on Facebook. My caption for it is: "Isn't it nice when a bunch of fans line the street as you ride by?"



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

