

## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

**Sunday:** On Sunday we were riding our monthly century and metric century. There were six riders at the start and **Gary Murphy** took this photo:



That's **Nancy Domjanovich**, **Phil Whitworth**, **Rafal Karpinski**, **Andy Pollack** and **David Williams**. Although Phil was at the start, he apparently did his own ride elsewhere. Nancy was not feeling well and, as luck would have it, the route went nearly past her home, so she just called it a day at that point. That left 4 doing the century. Meanwhile, both **Jacques Stern** and I intercepted the route from our respective homes and joined the others until the metric and full century split. We completed most of the metric route, but because we had not begun from the starting point, we both ended up with only about 50 miles. As you know, it was very hot. Gary reported that the heat began to take its toll on the century riders and they cut the route a bit short in Palos Verdes. I'm not sure if that meant they did not complete an official century. It would be a shame if they didn't because it was to be Andy's first century. But if he didn't make it, not to worry -- we do this every month.

Here is a photo Gary sent me of the group hitting their first small (but steep) hill on the course



I took this photo near the intersection of Imperial Hwy and Vista Del Mar showing the line of cars waiting to get into the beach parking lot there. It was already mid-afternoon when I took this, so I'm surprised there were any spaces left.



**Other Rides:** On Saturday **Mel Cutler** (along with **Dale Aaronson**) rode his first brevet in a while. All sanctioned randonneuring events had been suspended during the pandemic, but "Permanents" have recently been allowed again since they are typically ridden alone and don't involve any manned controls. This was a 200K course which took them from West Hollywood up to Port Hueneme and back. The mostly coastal route should have been good for such a hot weekend. Here are a couple of photos he took along the way: The first is "Missile Park" near the Point Magu Naval Air Station and the second is the big rainbow on the lot at Sony Studios in Culver City



Rafal Karpinski sent me his Strava track of a ride he did with **Ben King** last Tuesday, but he didn't include any photos.

I also received a few photos from **David Nakai**. He didn't include any information about them, but I'm guessing they are from the 1200K event he is riding in the Midwest this week. Here is one of the photos, but I really don't know where it was taken.



**Next Week:** Next Sunday we will be riding "Legg Lake" which starts at the Rose Bowl. These routes head down to the Whittier Narrows area (where Legg Lake is) and back. Unfortunately, it is predicted to still be hot this weekend and these routes do take us inland. However, they are not too long and not too hilly. I plan to ride the medium route. I figure if I take it slow, take plenty of breaks and drink enough, I can get through it. Maybe I'll see some of you there.

**Meeting:** This Thursday at 7 p.m. is our monthly meeting of members. Once again we will be holding the meeting via Zoom. If you would like to participate, below is the relevant information. You just open Zoom, click on "Join a Meeting" and enter the Meeting ID and then the Password when prompted.

Meeting ID: 822 465 9666

Password: LAW

We hope to "see" you there.

Nothing else to say tonight and no parting shot -- so stay cool, and look forward to better days.

See You On The Road,

Rod Doty, VP