

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

Sunday: The predictions for rain were pretty serious last Sunday and I decided not to go. I don't know that anyone did ride. I like those routes, so I will probably re-schedule them sometime in April or May. Otherwise they probably wouldn't be scheduled for another one and half years. The club has enough routes that if we just ran them in a regular rotation, they would come up about every 18 months.

Next Week: This Sunday we will be riding our Century and Metric Century of the month -- "Beaches to Brea Canyon." These routes start from Manhattan Beach and first head south down to Long Beach and then inland with the full century making it all the way to Brea Canyon. The metric stays with the full century at first, but turns back before reaching Brea. The routes spend a fair amount of time (maybe 20% of the century) on bike paths and the century also rides a number of streets with few stop signs such as Brea Canyon, Pathfinder, and East Road/West Road. The result is that these routes are relatively fast despite being mainly urban routes. The full century has some climbing, but the metric cuts most of that off. I hope to be there. Note that the start time is 7:30 a.m.,.

Photos: I don't have any photos from Sunday's ride, but I did receive a few photos from members riding other days of the week. This first is from David Nakai. I assume it is from a brevet he rode last weekend. He is the one on the right. I don't know the other two.



There has got to be easier food to carry on the bike than pizza.

The next two photos came from **Mel Cutler**. He rode last Monday, which you may recall was a very windy day. He said he had never seen the beach so deserted and with the sand blown free of any footprints, it reminded him of a scene from "Lawrence of Arabia."



Here is another view of how empty the beach bike path was.



A Note on Photos: I really like it when members send me photos and I appreciate them, but please include information with your photos -- where, when, what, who -- that sort of thing. Thank you.

Installation Lunch. Just another pitch to RSVP to the Installation lunch to be held March 1st. We already have a good number who have said they are coming, but we would like a lot more. We want that group photo to be as large as possible. So please dig out that e-vite you should have received a week or two ago and RSVP "Yes." It's a free lunch after all -- how can you pass that up?

Parting Shot Not a very long e-mail tonight. This photo was sent to me by **Mel Cutler**. Not really a cycling photo, but I assume he was on a bike ride when he took it. It gives new meaning to the term "Iced Tea."



See You On the Road

Rod Doty, VP