

## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

I don't have a song for tonight, so let's just jump into the report:

**Last Weekend:** We had two rides last weekend -- "Long Beach Rides" and a Newcomer Ride from Culver City.

There were 9 of us in Long Beach for the "Long Beach Rides" **Phil Whitworth** took this photo.



That's **Jacques Stern, Nancy Domjanovich, Thomas Knoll, Ben King, Rafi Karpinski, Chris Hedberg, Bill Faulkner** and me. Bill and I rode the medium route and the rest did the long, but Nancy, Phil, and Rafi had ridden to the start giving them a much longer ride. The routes wind around a lot and much of the time I was only vaguely aware of where we were. Actually, we hit a lot of the same locales as the 4th of July ride we rode only two weeks ago. I wasn't aware that we had two so similar routes or I probably wouldn't have scheduled them so close together. Phil sent me this photo of the lunch stop most of their group went to.



Not sure where this was, but I assume it was close to the Pick-Up-Stix the rest of us went to. All in all I thought it was a pleasant ride and it didn't get too hot since we stayed near the coast most of the time, but it's not really the most scenic of routes so I don't have any other photos.

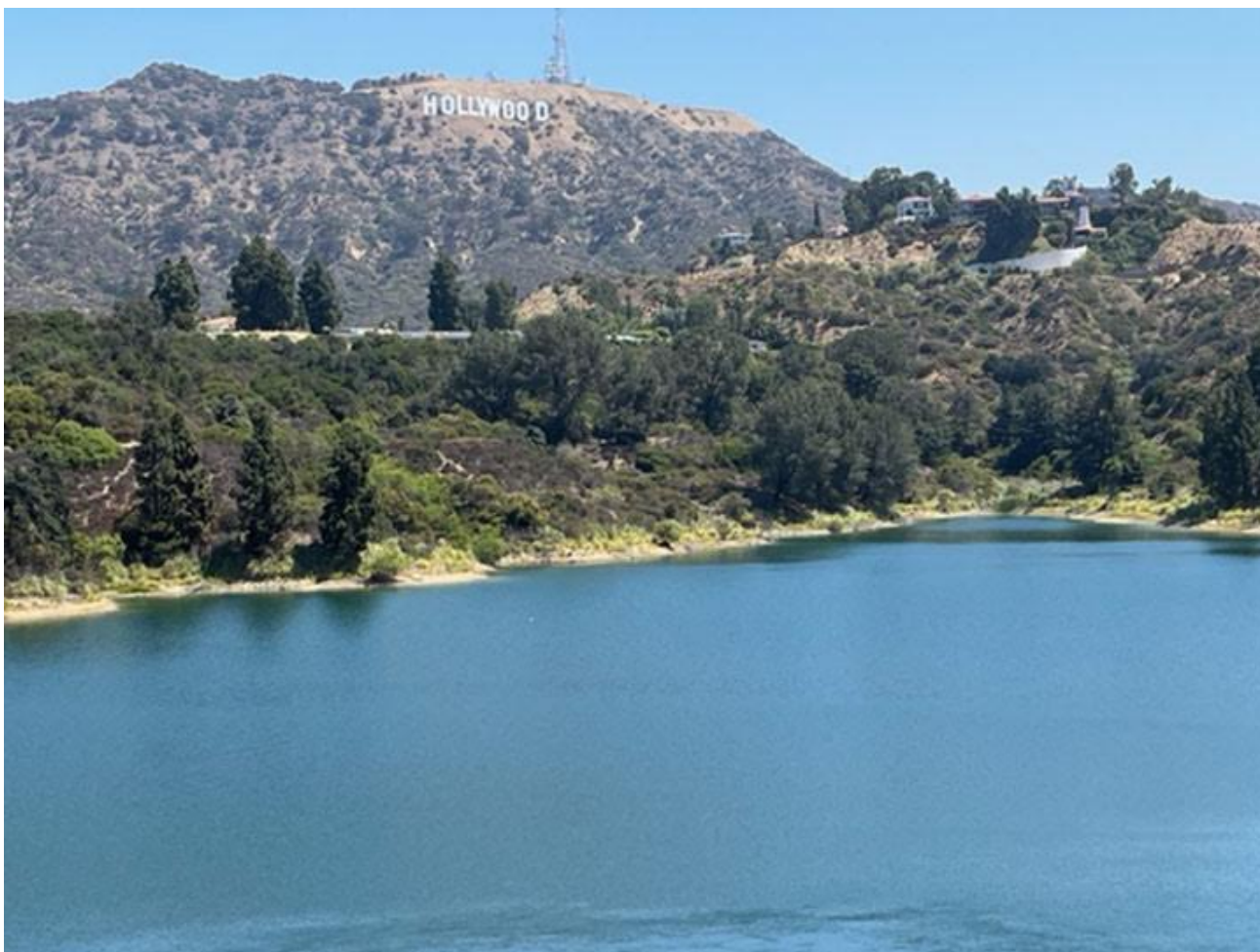
The Newcomer Ride was more scenic. **Lee Meller** took this shot at the start although I believe there were more riders than shown in the photo.



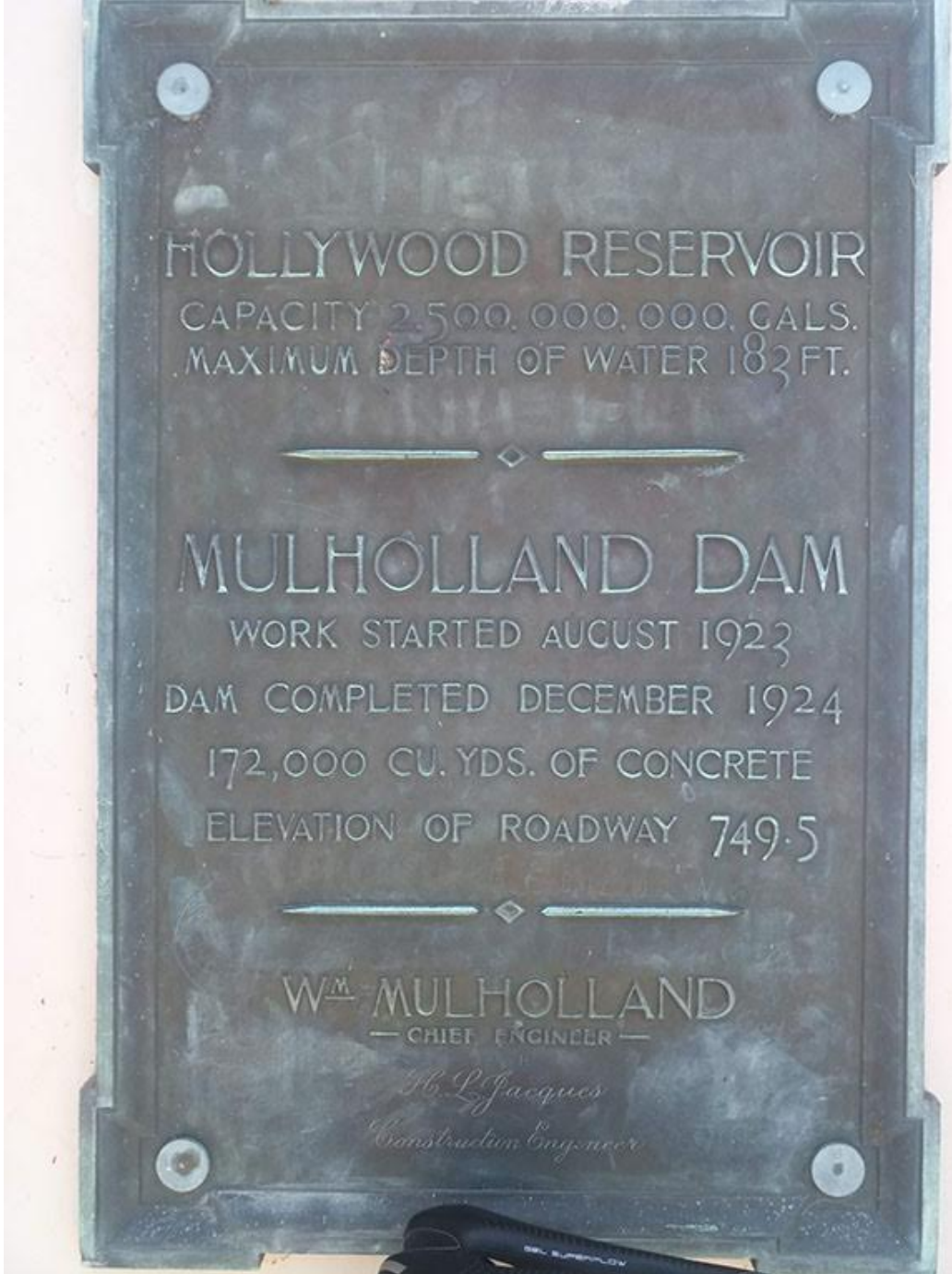
They started with a climb up Benedict Cyn to Mulholland, and then along Mulholland to the east where **Mel Cutler** took this photo of the group at the Hollywood Bowl overlook



Mel said they dropped a couple of riders on the climb and were down to 9 at this point. Mel is in the shot so someone must have taken the photo for the group. Then it was on to the Hollywood reservoir. There is a tough little climb up to the point where Mel took this shot but Mel said they all made it.



Just to give you a bit of historical information, Lee sent this photo of a plaque at the dam.



Sounds like it was another successful Newcomer Ride.

**This Week:** On Sunday we will be riding from the "Corner" down to Manhattan Beach to watch some of the racing at the Manhattan Beach Grand Prix. This is an annual ride for us, but the Grand Prix was cancelled the last two years, so this is the first time we have done this in 3 years. The short is a simple ride down to the races and back. The medium adds a loop on down to Palos Verdes and to Golden Cove for lunch and then a return to the races. The long adds a loop completely around the peninsula including a climb over the switchbacks on the southeast side of the peninsula before returning to the races. The races take place all day, so no matter when you get there, you should be able to watch a little racing.

**Warning:** The Beach Cities Bicycle Club sent out a warning to it's members which **Lora Chen** and **Nancy Domjanovich** passed along to me. It seems that Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Palos Verdes have stepped up enforcement of cyclists who run stop signs in those cities. So please be careful if you don't want a ticket. This Sunday's ride passes through all those cities, so this is a timely warning.

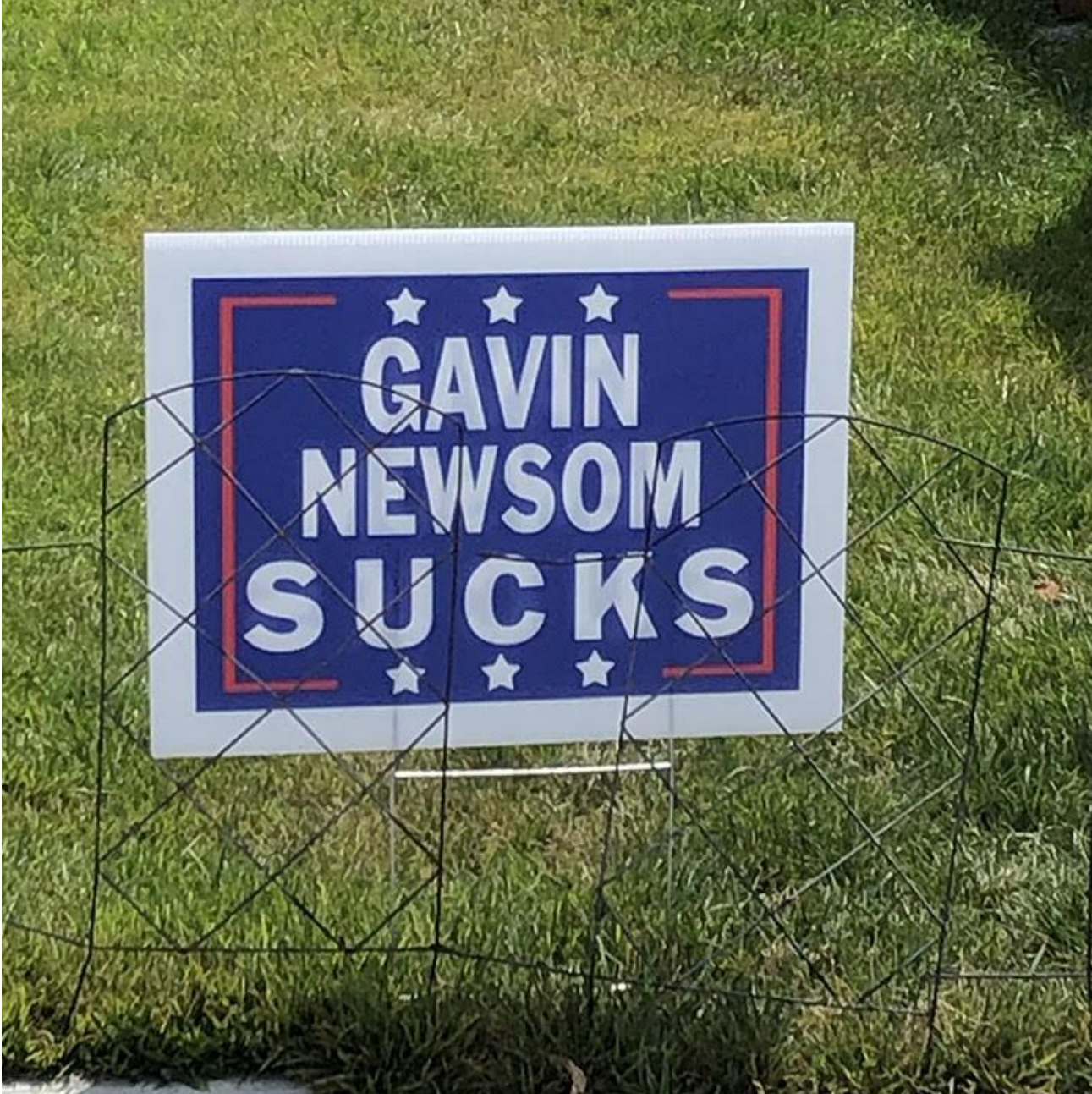
**Meeting:** This Thursday at 7 p.m. is our monthly members meeting which once again will be via Zoom. I will not be there this week so we will be needing at least one more to make up a quorum. So I hope some of you will take up the slack and be there. For information you can contact **Mel Cutler** at [cutlerme@earthlink.net](mailto:cutlerme@earthlink.net) Just to make it easy, the meeting ID is 822 465 9666 and the password is LAW (all caps). We hope to see you there.

**Pet of the Week:** At last I finally got a cat just yesterday. I had intended to get a kitten, but when I got to the shelter, I really liked this 3 year old -- she was very friendly and I liked her looks -- so I took her. She seems to be settling in pretty well, but she sleeps a lot. Maybe she didn't get much rest at the shelter. They told me she didn't like all the noise



A reminder -- since I have bored you with my pet, I will be happy to put your pet here. Just send a photo and a little info about the pet.

**Parting Shot:** I saw this campaign sign in Naples on last Sunday's ride. We will be seeing a lot of signs as the November election approaches, but I thought this one was a little more on the nose than most.



See You On The Road

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