

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

Last Sunday: On Sunday we were riding "Orange Coast Tour" which started down in Huntington Beach. All the routes took us across to Balboa Island on the ferry. Although it is only one of 3 trips on the ferry which we will be taking this summer, I selected this song for tonight's e-mail:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-EzBGs4Dy84>

We had a total of 9 riders, which is pretty good for this location. I took this photo at the start:



From the left: **Chris Hedberg, Nancy Domjanovich, Jacques Stern, Rafi Karpinski, Bill Faulkner, Lee Meller and Mario Solano.** Thomas Knoll showed up just as we were starting and didn't make the photo. Bill, Thomas and I did the medium route and the rest did the long. Bill and I modified the medium a little to cut off some climbing and shorten it up about 3 miles, but added a pleasant ride around the Back Bay. I may make that change permanent for the medium route. It was a nice day for riding. It was overcast much of the time which kept it nice and cool. Unfortunately, no one took any photos. I guess it wasn't the most scenic of rides. We could have taken some shots on the ferry and the trip around the Back Bay that Bill and I did was sorta nice, but I guess not enough for us to take a photo. So, you will just have to take my word for it that it was a nice ride.

This Sunday: On this Sunday we will be doing "Malibu Vistas" which gets scheduled every summer. All the routes start in Malibu, go north to Neptune's Net for lunch, and return, but there is quite a difference in the routes. The long includes a lot of climbing. It starts with the long climb up Latigo and then ultimately down Mulholland Hwy back to the coast and on to lunch. After lunch it then climbs Yerba Buena back up to Mulholland and down Encinal back to the coast before returning to the start. The medium rides with the long to lunch, doing the Latigo climb, but after lunch heads more directly back without doing any major climbing. The short doesn't do any major climbing, but heads out to Neptune's Net and back staying near the coast. However, it doesn't use PCH any more than it has to. Instead it often uses side roads that parallel PCH. These do involve some short but steep climbs here and there. I know I'm not up for doing Latigo at this time, so I'll probably be doing the short route. Maybe some of you will join me for that.

Parting Shot: Well, nothing else to report tonight and only the one photo. I hate to bore you with another shot of my new cat, but I also hate to have only one photo in an e-mail. So here she is again doing what she does most of the time. She's been here 3 weeks now and it looks to me like she is pretty relaxed in her new home.



Please send more photos next week.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP