

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

Last weekend's ride was "Foothill Foolsie" which brought to mind this song. Nothing to do with bicycling, but it still seems like a good song to have on your playlist as you ride. You should watch the video if for no other reason that to see how young Kevin Bacon looked back then.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltrMfT4Qz5Y>

The Weekend: As I mentioned the ride was "Foothill Foolsie" which was our century and metric century for December. They were predicting rain for Sunday, but Saturday was supposed to be a nice day, so I decided to ride the metric century on Saturday. I invited a number of our recent century riders to join me and I thought two were going to show up. But, as it turned out, for various reasons, the two backed out and no others showed. However, I had a nice ride. I often end up riding this one alone anyway, so it was nothing new. The weather was great. Sunny all day and not too cold and not too hot. It had rained the night before so the air was nice and clear. Unfortunately, I didn't take many photos. I did take this one of Mount Baldy. I was a little disappointed that there wasn't more snow on top.



We ran the ride a week earlier this year so there weren't as many homes decorated as I had hoped. The tree lots were in operation, but I never saw a car with a tree strapped on top. As for Sunday, I never heard from anyone who rode Sunday so I'm guessing no one did. It apparently did rain a bit on Sunday, but not enough to really ruin a ride if someone had attempted it.

Other Ride: I did hear from **David Nakai** who did a 100K populaire (a randonneuring ride) on Sunday. His route was very similar to my Saturday ride covering many of the same roads. He did hit a few sprinkles. He also saw the same house I did which I wish I had stopped to photograph. The lawn was full of skeletons but now with Santa caps and other Christmas decorations on them. It's the lazy person's way of transitioning from Halloween decorations to Christmas.

This Weekend: The scheduled ride this Sunday is "Westlake - Potrero Canyon" which starts in Westlake Village. Both the long and medium do the dive down Potrero Canyon and then loop back around through Camarillo and the Moorpark area. The long adds an extra loop taking you all the way out to the coast before turning back towards Camarillo. Currently the forecast is for rain on Sunday, so I'm thinking of once again doing it on Saturday. I won't decide until later in the week because forecasts have a way of changing. But if you are interested, e-mail me. I could also be persuaded to ride

last weekend's ride again if those of you who didn't get it in last week still like to do that ride. Just let me know. (It would give me a second chance to photograph that house)

Parting Shot: This is one of the shortest reports every since no one else rode this week and I don't have any other photos. I did take one other photo last Saturday but it really doesn't have anything to do with the ride.



I must pass this place a couple times a year and every time I think I should actually go there to eat sometime. Maybe they would give me a discount.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP