

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All and Happy Valentine's Day

Last Sunday we were riding to the Hollywood Sign. There are a lot of "Hollywood" songs to choose from for our theme music tonight, but that seems a little obvious, so I went another direction:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9lh7lqZojc>

Sunday: I was still recovering from a cat-induced infection so I drove over to the start, but did not ride. I believe there were a total of 10 riders. I took a photo of the starters, but **Phil Whitworth** took almost the identical shot and yet, as usual, his shot turned out better than mine. So here is his:



From the left: **David Nakai**, **Edwin Dair**, **Andy Pollack**, **Mario Solano**, **Marty November**, **Julie Shishino** and **Thomas Knoll**. Not in the photo are **Phil Whitworth** (of course), **Ann Trank** and **Gary Murphy**. Gary got a late start and actually saw the other riders as they were coming down from the sign and he was still going up. Looks like they had a beautiful day for the ride. Here's a shot Edwin took of the group as they were heading for the sign (which includes Ann who was missing from the photo above)..



Up at the top and above the Hollywood sign, Phil took this selfie with downtown LA barely visible in the distance.



He also took this nice shot of the Hollywood reservoir taken from above.



As far as I know, almost everyone simply went up to the sign and then returned except for David Nakai and Andy Pollack who did ride the entire long route. So, another successful day and those who wanted to get home in time to see the Super Bowl had plenty of time.

Meet-Up Ride. Hoy Quan sent me a report of a Meet-Up Ride from Sunday along with this photo of the start



Looks like they had another good group as they did a pre-ride of the Fire Cracker 40 mile course.

This Sunday: This Sunday we will be riding our monthly century and metric century which is "Twin Peaks and Flying Pigs." These routes start in West LA at Westwood Park. Both routes do the twin peaks of Topanga Canyon and Old Topanga. The full century adds another peak and a second flying pig in Box Canyon. Both routes finish by coming over Sepulveda. I haven't been riding much lately so I will be hard pressed to do the metric, but I hope to give it a try.

Monthly Meeting: This Thursday, at 7 p.m. is our monthly meeting and we have a real treat this month. For the first time in about 3 years we will be meeting in person. Our host this month is **Nancy Domjanovich**. She has not hosted in about 4 years because in the year before the pandemic we held most of our meetings at the Culver City Veteran's Memorial Center. She warned me not to wear dark clothing because her dog sheds, but I figure

whether you can see it or not, you still end up with dog hair on your clothes. Anyway, there will be a lot to discuss and it will be nice to be able to do it in person once again. I hope you can be there. Nancy's address is 7221 Obelsby Ave, Westchester. For meeting night directions call (310) 641-5038

Last Month's Photo Captions: Although I received a few suggested captions for my "Parting Shot" photo last week, none of them really tickled my funny bone as I had hoped, so I'm calling that a bust.

Parting Shot: This shot isn't funny, but it's a nice sentiment for the day and an example of how inflatable lawn decorations aren't just for Christmas anymore. It was taken by **David Nakai** on Sunday's ride.



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP