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Hello All and Happy Pi Day

Sunday we were riding one of the 4 "Revel the Rollies" rides we have. I think I've already used one or two "Rolling" songs, but here is one I haven't used yet as the theme music for tonight: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rYEDA3JcQqw>

Sunday: We were riding "Revel the Rollies III" which started from Old Town Irvine. It was the first day of daylight saving time and that meant we lost an hour of sleep the night before. That may have accounted for a low turn-out. We only had 5 riders. **Phil Whitworth** took this photo:



That's **Mario Solano**, **Me**, **Jacques Stern** and **David Nakai**. I took a similar photo in which Phil and I traded places.



It was overcast and the streets were still a bit wet when we started, but it wasn't raining and as the day went on it got nicer and nicer. By the end it was a sunny day. Phil and Mario did the long route and the rest of us did the medium. Phil and Mario took off and we did not see them again. In fact, they finished ahead of us even though they did more miles and extra climbing. They probably took a shorter lunch and I had a flat which cost us some time. David took this photo of me fixing my flat



This was still early in the ride, but you can see that there is already a bit of blue peeking through the cloud cover. I had a heck of a time getting out the little piece of glass that was stuck in the tire. David stayed with us until lunch, but he

was worried about catching his train, so he rode on. There was a very steep hill just before lunch and David blew by me never to be seen again. I don't ever want to hear David complain again that he can't climb.

I have almost no photos tonight so here is one more that David took of Jacques (on the far right) while they were waiting for me to fix my flat.



Next Week: This Sunday we will be riding "Cruise and Climb in Claremont" which starts in Claremont. The LA Marathon is also this Sunday so I thought it would be a good idea to do a ride out of town to avoid any conflicts with the Marathon route and traffic. Don't worry too much about the word "Climb" in the title. Yes there are some hills, but nothing too steep. Probably the climbs up Grand Ave and Brea Canyon are the worst, and they aren't so bad. The long and medium stay together until a bit after lunch when the long adds a loop to Pomona while the medium heads straight back. There are two short routes which offer shorter and easier versions of the medium route. I know **Thomas Knoll** will be running the marathon -- good luck to him and anyone else who is running it

Monthly Meeting: Our March meeting will be this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Lewis Singer**. The new (well, mostly old) officers will be installed at this meeting -- you wouldn't want to miss that. There will be plenty of other things to talk about, so why not show up. Lewis lives at **10904 Braddock Dr** in **Culver City** which is approximately half way between Sepulveda and Overland across from the high school.

Parting Shot: Nothing else to report tonight and I don't really have a photo for this spot. So I Googled "Pi Day Images" and came up with this:



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP