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Hello All:

Last Sunday we were riding down to watch the Manhattan Beach Grand Prix bicycle races and I remembered this song about racing. It's a country song, so I'm not sure why I remember it and the lyrics really refer to horse racing, but but what the hell, here it is for tonight's theme music:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dj7ahuCHGbm>

Sunday: We were riding "Off to the Races" starting from the "Corner." There were 8 of us at the start and a friendly passerby took this photo with Phil's camera, so for once, he is in the shot:



That's Jacques Stern, Russ Brynes, Mario Solano, Edwin Dair, Dale Aaronson, Phil Whitworth, Me, and Julie Shishino. A few miles later we were joined at the bridge at the end of Ballona Creek by Thomas Knoll and Gary Murphy. Phil took another group shot. That's Thomas and Gary on the left in front. I'm impressed with how many were wearing the most recent club jersey. (about that -- see below)



I think the group divided almost evenly between the medium and long routes. Those of us doing the medium had a nice lunch at Golden Cove in Palos Verdes and then headed back to see some racing. The long riders did a complete circuit of Palos Verdes including riding to the top on the switch-backs. Dale took this shot from near the top. It shows what a nice day we were having.



They weren't racing when the medium group got to the races, so we didn't wait around. However they were racing again by the time the long riders got there. Phil ran into **Lee Meller** at the races and took this shot



That would make a total of 11 riders for the day. Pretty good. This report wouldn't be complete without at least one shot of racing. Phil took this one of the Open Men's race:



Triple Dipper Thursday Ride: The Thursday Triple Dipper ride still draws good numbers every week. Here is a panoramic shot taken by **Sandy Weiner** of the group from last Thursday:



Next Sunday: This Sunday we will be riding "Huntington Beach Go-Round" which starts from El Dorado Park in Long Beach. All routes head down to Huntington and back. The long adds a loop south down to Newport and does a loop around the Back Bay. This is always a nice traffic free 7 miles. All routes are among some of the flattest routes we have, so it should be another nice day on the bike.

Club Jerseys: There have been a few inquiries about club jerseys. **Nancy Domjanovich** talked to Voler and although they normally require a minimum order of 25 items, they are willing to do an order of 15 items. This would be 15 items consisting of any combination of jerseys, shorts, vests, jackets etc. Nancy would like to know if there is enough interest to go ahead and open an order with Voler. So, if you would be interested in purchasing any club clothing items, please contact Nancy by e-mail nancydomx@icloud.com or by text 310 415 8285. She can also answer any questions you may have.

Parting Shot: Last week Phil and Carolyn Whitworth went to the movies to see "Oppenheimer" but ran into a lot of pink hoopla surrounding the "Barbie" movie. They took this shot.



Just like Ken and Barbie, in later years maybe.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP