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## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report

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Hello All:

Last Sunday's ride was "Huntington Beach Go Round" which always reminds me of a "Merry-Go-Round" so I thought I would find some traditional carousel music for tonight's theme. I used this one because it has a video that goes with it while most didn't. It's 26 minutes long, so my hat is off to anyone who listens to the whole thing. I only watched until the same people had come around a couple of times. Maybe I'll watch it further later to see if the same people stay on for the entire 26 minutes.

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

**Sunday:** As mentioned, we were riding "Huntington Beach Go Round" which started in Long Beach and went down to Huntington and back. We had 7 riders and **Phil Whitworth** took this shot. (In fact, he took ALL the shots in tonight's e-mail.)



From the left: Me, **Bill Faulkner**, **Jacques Stern**, a newcomer named **Joe**, **Mario Solano** and **Thomas Knoll**. We

divided pretty evenly among the routes. Bill and Joe did the short. Thomas, Jacques and I did the medium and Phil and Mario did the long. The long and medium stayed together until after lunch, but Jacques and I got hung up on a detour around freeway construction and by the time we got to lunch the others were gone. I looked at Thomas's Strava track and he found a better way around the road closure than we did. Phil's Strava track was incomplete, so I'm not sure what he did. Anyway here's a shot of Thomas and Mario at lunch.



Mario has a real knack for finding things on rides. Apparently he found two baseballs in one week. Here he is with one of them



All in all, a good day of riding. I understand there was a big surfing competition in Huntington Beach on Sunday. It was very crowded as we rode past the pier, but to tell the truth, I think it is like that every Sunday in the summer. The long stretch along PCH back to the start was nice and cool.

**Next Week:** This Sunday we will be riding "South Bay Typical" which starts in Torrance and spends almost the entire day in and around Palos Verdes. The long is somewhat hilly as it makes two trips to the top of the peninsula before heading to San Pedro for lunch. The medium skips the climbing and simply heads to San Pedro. The two routes return together. The short makes an even shorter and easier trip to San Pedro and back. So, you can pick your poison. Lunch has always been a problem for me on these routes. The Pacific Diner is the designated spot, but it is often very busy and slow. I'm thinking of checking out a place further east on Pacific Ave. but would be open to suggestions.

**Club Jersey Ordering Open.** We have gone ahead and opened a window to order club jerseys and other club apparel (shorts, jackets, vests, etc.) The window will remain open for about two weeks. (There is a countdown clock on the web site). We need to have orders totaling 15 items for the order to go through. So, if you want a club jersey or other item, here is your chance. Go to this web site to order: <https://www.voler.com/custom/ordering/li/47063> You can view the items available on the site, although there is a pretty good shot of the jersey and shorts in the photo above.

**August Meeting:** The August meeting is not until August 17, but our host **Kermit Ganier** has indicated he will be providing dinner to anyone who shows up early for the meeting. You would need to show up between 6:00 and 6:30 for the dinner. He plans on serving chicken cacciatore, but if anyone wants a vegetarian option, if you contact him, he will try to accommodate you. Kermit needs to know how many to expect, so if you plan to show up for the dinner, please either call or text him at 310 367-0458.

**Parting Shot:** I have shown this before, but as Phil noted, he never gets tired of it. These signs are found on the loop around the Back Bay in Newport and it's always nice to have permission to go the wrong way.



Oh, BTW, I played a bit more of the carousel music above and the video not only changes passengers, but shows several different carousels.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP