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Hello All:

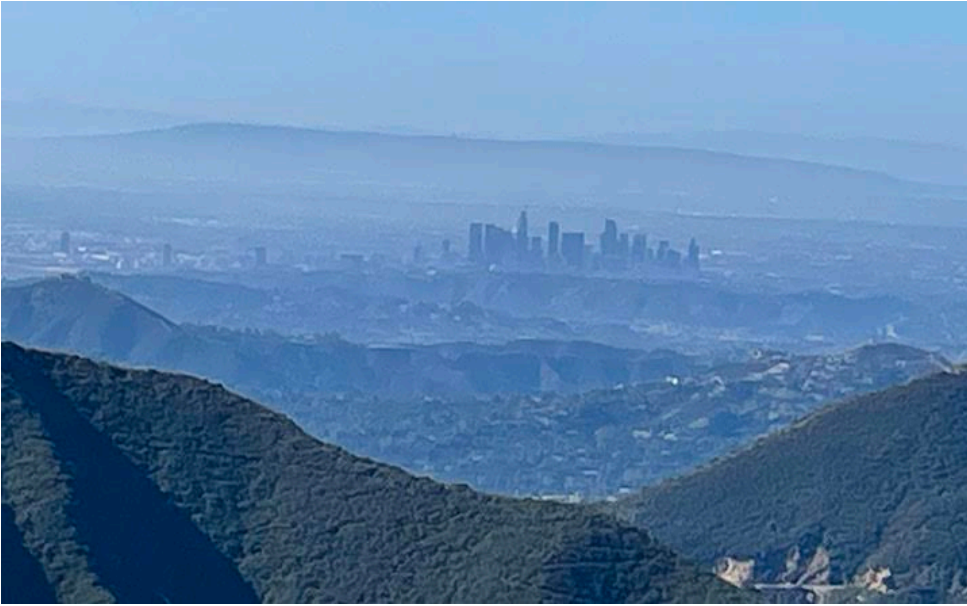
Last Sunday's ride headed up to Mount Wilson, so I thought this song was appropriate for tonight:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9GGQ2zld8JA>

Sunday: The scheduled ride was our annual trip to Mount Wilson. Unfortunately, we apparently only had 2 riders: **Dale Aaronson** and **Julie Shishino**. To their credit, they both did the long going all the way to the top. They both sent me several photos. Here is one of Julie:



There were several of Dale, but none with his face showing. It looks like it was an exceptionally clear day. Although there is quite a bit of haze in the photo below, usually you can't even see the any buildings downtown from up there.



Dale included this photo of the observatory proving they made it to the top. Most of the time we only go to the visitor's center and the Cosmic Cafe.. It's actually a little further to the observatory.



All in all, a nice day of riding. It's just a shame more riders didn't go.

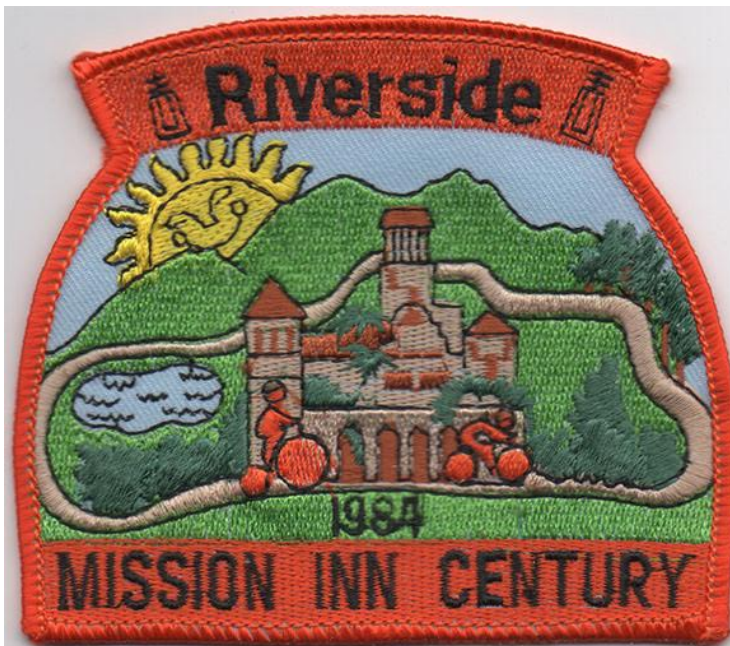
Newcomer Ride: On Sunday **Hoy Quan** also ran a newcomer ride to coincide with the Ciclavia being held downtown. The route was one he has used before from downtown over to the Zoo and back. He had a good turn-out for this as usual. Here is a shot of the group at the start:



This Sunday: This Sunday we will be riding the "Triple Dam Century" which is our monthly century and metric century for October. These are relatively easy routes from Long Beach which spend a fair amount of time on river trails. The full century rides over or on the Whittier Narrows Dam, the Santa Fe Dam and the Puddingstone Reservoir Dam. The metric century only hits the first two of these. These are always nice rides and the weather looks promising. I hope a few of you will make it out.

Meeting (For Real This Time): This Thursday (October 19th) we will be holding a member's meeting at 7:00 p.m. Our host this month is **Gary Murphy**. There are a number of things to discuss this month such as the Bobbi Fisher memorial ride at the end of the month, our schedule for future meetings, a more regular beginners ride program, and probably a few other items. The Dodgers *should* be playing, but they won't be, so there is nothing to distract us from the meeting. Gary's home is at 6364 West 85th Place, Westchester (from the San Diego Frwy, off and west on Howard Hughes Pkwy, L on Sepulveda to a R on Manchester, to a R on Kentwood Ave (1st R) and then an immediate right on 85th Place.

Patch of the Week: **Bill Faulkner** is my latest provider of patch images, so here is one of his for the Mission Inn Century.



I don't believe this ride is held any longer. It was chaired by **Jim Watrous** who is better known as the long time chair of the Hemet Double Century (I'll have patches from that event at a later date). I rode it once myself, but apparently didn't get a patch. There is some nice detail on this patch.

Parting Shot: Last Thursday, (based on his Strava Post) **Phil Whitworth** spend the day riding with his niece Marcie. Based on the photos, they made quite a tour of the Palos Verdes and Harbor areas. I was struck by this photo:



Although I think I have posted a photo of this sign before, I thought Marcie did a great job of copying the image from the sign.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP