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**Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report and November Ride Schedule**

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Hello All and Happy Halloween:

Tonight's music to read this e-mail by is a no-brainer but you should really watch the video. It's a hoot

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u8uvLHnrqdu>

**Sunday:** On Sunday we held our memorial for **Bobbi Fisher** at Lindberg park in Culver City. There was a short ride to start the day. I was over at the park to help set up and took this photo at the ride start:



I count 7 in the photo but I think there were a couple more not in the shot. In addition, **David Nakai** was riding a longer ride from a different location. I believe he was the only one to show up for that. The riders split between the medium and the short routes although I believe some of the riders deviated from the routes to make up their own ride. **Hoy Quan** sent me this photo of some of the riders who went up to the top of the Baldwin Hills Overlook



That's **Jacques Stern**, **Ann Trank**, **Edwin Dair** and **Sandy Weiner**.

Once back at the park, we were joined by quite a few other friends of Bobbi who came to remember her. **Sandy Weiner** took this group shot:





First up on the program was a nice lunch as shown here



Then a number of her old friends and riding companions spoke about Bobbi's life with us and her impact on their lives. One of the speakers, who had worked with Bobbi in China, spoke to us via Zoom or Facetime (I'm not sure) from Europe. In this photo, the group is listening to him on a lap top



Another old friend, **Tim Kneeland** spoke and sent a number of photos from the day (including the above). All in all, a very touching day and it was nice to see so many of her old friends show up.

**This Sunday:** Our ride this Sunday is "Action in Acton" which starts in Santa Clarita and rides out to Acton and back. Only the long goes as far as Acton, while the medium goes as far as Agua Dulce. The short simply rides around the Santa Clarita area. The trip out to Acton is always nice. It usually has low traffic since the route parallels the 14 Frwy and the road only gets used by locals. You get to stop and try to view the lions at Tippi Hedren's Shambala. The last time we scheduled this one, only **Mario Solano** showed up. Let's not make him ride alone again.

**November Schedule:** The ride schedule for November is attached. I usually send this out separately, but I'm running late this month so I thought I would combine it with this e-mail. A number of good rides this month including our annual Thanksgiving Day Ride.

**Patch of the Month:** This month's patch comes from my own collection. It is for the Tierra Bella which is a century run by the Almaden Cycle Touring Club. They are a San Jose based club but the Tierra Bella actually starts from Gilroy. I remember you could smell the garlic as you rode past the fields. Although I rode it years ago, the ride is still being run.



**Broken Bones:** A few weeks ago I mentioned that member **Lee Meller** had broken an ankle on a ride. She attended the memorial last Sunday. She's on crutches now and seems to be coming along nicely. But seeing her reminded me of a survey I recently saw. RoadbikeRider.com puts out a weekly newsletter which you can subscribe to for free. Each week they ask a question in a reader poll and recently they asked the simple question: "Have you ever broken a bone while riding?" Although I know quite a few people in our club who would answer "Yes" (including me), I was still surprised that a little more than 50% of the respondents replied "Yes." It's a good reminder that we are engaged in a dangerous sport. So if you are not already in the "Yes" group, try to stay out of it.

**Parting Shot:** It's Halloween, so here's another home decorated for the holiday. The photo came from **David Nakai**.






Although it might not be clear from the photo, David says they are roasting bats over the fire.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

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