

## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - October 8, 2024

Hello All:

Last Sunday's ride started from the Zoo . . . So . . .

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

**Sunday:** Despite the predictions of high heat, the morning started out very foggy. Here's a shot **Dale Aaronson** took on his ride over to the zoo



And here is a shot I took of the fog at the zoo:



Nonetheless, the predictions of heat kept some riders away and we only had 4 at the start. I took this shot:



That's **Dale Aaronson**, **Mark Rubin**, **Rafi Karpinski** and I'm represented by my car. It was cool as we started out and I had thoughts of doing the medium, but the sun came out on the way up to Montrose and by the time I got there (where the short split from the other routes) I was already sweating quite a bit and decided to just do the short. Mark decided to leave the route at Montrose too, but he was going up and over Tuna Canyon and then through the Valley back to his home. I'm sure by the time he got there, it was plenty hot. According to a report I got from Dale, he and Rafi completed the long. He said it was getting fairly warm by the time they got up to Sierra Madre, but they did have a cooling breeze on the way back down to the zoo. But they both had to ride home from there, so they got in a pretty big day. Rafi says he is training for the Dead of Winter

Double, so that explains why he was putting in the miles. All in all a good day. BTW --- **Phil Whitworth** had decided he wanted to ride down to Huntington Beach to see the air show, but he said it was so foggy, he could hear the planes overhead, but he never saw any.

**This Sunday:** This week we will be riding the "Paul Neuerburg Centuries" which are our monthly century and metric century for October. These routes start from Arcadia. The full century is a large loop which starts by heading down to Yorba Linda where it picks up the Santa Ana River trail. It takes the river to the coast and then PCH north to the San Gabriel River trail and back to the start. It's a nice route with a lot of river trail riding and not a lot of climbing. The metric is a relatively simple route taking the San Gabriel River south to the coast and then back up the river. I didn't include a half century because the metric is so easy and if you really don't want to do that distance, you can always just turn around early. A few weeks ago when I found out the Five Guys in Long Beach had closed, I mentioned that we didn't have any rides that went there until next July, but I was wrong. The metric goes to that location for lunch. Fortunately, I noticed that there is a Shake Shack just a block away, so we can try that out. Shake Shack is rated highly among fast food restaurants and I want to see what the fuss is about. Why not check it out with me.

**Save The Date:** We have a member's meeting coming up on Thursday, October 17th. Our host this month will be none other than **David Nakai**. It's his first time hosting so let's show him a good turn-out. Mark your calendars now.

**Patches of the Week:** There are not many events I haven't shown patches for here, but I don't believe I have shown any for the "Solvang Prelude" yet. Here are a couple from **David Nakai** and **Will Carey**:

SOLVANG



PRELUDE

November 6, 1993



This was started by the organizers of the original Solvang Century and was sort of a cut down version of the century. It appears that it is still being held but Planet Ultra now runs it and it is called the Solvang Sequel. This year's event is November 9th.

**Campaign Sign of the Week:** I had hoped to see some interesting lawn signs on Sunday, but there weren't many. I took this one because it was the first Harris sign I've seen. You would think there would be more, but I have a hunch they are not exactly pouring a lot of money into the California campaign.



**Parting Shot:** Here's another shot from **Phil Whitworth** of the sign out in Malibu which posts a different seafood related pun each week. I thought I would include this one tonight because after tonight's game, I'm not sure they will be posting any more Dodger related signs this year. Well, they are not out of it yet.



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video Simon & Garfunkel - At The Zoo (Lyrics)



# At The Zoo

Simon & Garfunkel

YOUNG PILGRIM MUSIC

