

## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - January 28, 2025

Hello All:

If it's not fire, then it's rain. Once again I do not think anyone rode last Sunday's ride, but we did have our annual holiday party Saturday night. That brings me to our music for the evening:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=clg6odS-fA0>

**Saturday:** As mentioned, we held our annual post-holiday party last Saturday. I didn't count the attendees, but I'm guessing it was close to 30 members and guests. I did manage to take a couple of photos (such as they are):





I think everyone had a good time. By the time it was over just about all the pizza and cake were gone. I want to thank those who helped me put it together: **Nancy Domjanovich**, who provided the salad and balloons, **Lewis Singer** who procured the pizza, and **David Williams**, who brought the sodas, beer, water and ice.

**This Week:** Sunday is Groundhog Day, so what better way to celebrate than by coming out for a ride. Sunday's ride is "Long Beach Boogie." Starting in Long Beach, all routes head inland with the long making the largest loop inland and also riding a couple of decent climbs -- over Colima and up Pathfinder. The

medium makes a smaller loop, cutting out those two climbs, but including the climbs on East Road and West Road. The short makes an even shorter loop and cuts out much of the climbing. Right now it looks like the weather should be OK, but you never know. If it rains, at least we all get to stay home and watch the movie "Groundhog Day" which I'm sure will be showing on some channel.

**More 2024 Stats:** I received one more rider's stats for 2024

**Phil Whitworth:** Phil rode 8354 miles and climbed 234,474 feet over 135 rides. These numbers are a bit down from last year, but Phil was off the bike for a while in 2024 with an injury. One stat went up for Phil -- he had 2 flats in 2024 -- up from 1 in 2023.

**No Parting Shot:** Once again, I have few photos for tonight and nothing for this spot. Hopefully as I start riding again I will be able to take some shots on my own. I rode my first ride of the year just last Thursday. One of my cardinal rules of cycling is "Never stop riding" and I broke that by not riding for about 3 weeks. I really paid for it after Thursday's ride -- I ached all over. But now that I have started again, I hope to keep it going.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video Kool & The Gang - Celebration (Lyrics)



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