

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - August 5, 2025

Hello All:

I hadn't picked a song for tonight's theme music before I reviewed the photos I have included below for last Sunday's ride. One of the photos made me think of this song. I'll discuss it further below with the photo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1mTdY4VFmn8>

Sunday: We were riding "Malibu Vistas" which has been a summer tradition for many years. Although I had planned to go, even the short route has a lot of climbing and I just didn't feel up to it and ended up not going. As far as I know, there were five riders. They had agreed to meet early at the Santa Monica Pier and ride out to Malibu where the ride officially would begin. **Phil Whitworth** took this photo of the group at the pier



That's the usual group: **Phil, Edwin Dair, Dale Aaronson, Mario Solano and Rafi Karpinski.** Since they rode out to Malibu, they planned to only

ride the medium. Once the ride leaves Malibu, the first major climb is up Latigo. Here is a shot from Dale as they reached the top of this climb



I had a brief report from Dale. Apparently Mario had two flats. Here is a photo of the first flat from Phil and I think a photo of the second flat sent by Rafi (but it could also be the first flat)





Dale also reported that Phil took a couple of falls, but was able to complete the ride. At the top of Mulholland Hwy, the group split. Some rode up Little Sycamore and down Yerba Buena to Neptune's Net while others rode down Encinal to the coast.

From the top of Little Sycamore, Dale took this shot



This is the shot that made me think of the song I included above. That is Lake Sherwood down below and by my measurement, it's about 3 miles away. The mountains in the distance are about 15 miles away. So, they really could see for miles and miles.

This Week: Sunday we will be riding "Huntington-Beach-Go-Round" which starts from El Dorado Park in Long Beach. All routes head down to Huntington Beach and back. The short barely reaches Huntington before returning. The medium goes further south before returning and the long goes all the way to Newport and a trip around the Back Bay before returning. These are fairly flat routes and spend a lot of time at the coast so they should be perfect for a August Sunday ride.

Parting Shot: Nothing else to report tonight. I don't really have a photo for this spot either, but here is shot I took last Thursday. I often see what I have always assumed were sailing classes in the Marina del Rey Channel near the UCLA boathouse. But I've never seen so many boats in one class, so I'm not sure what this was. Anyway, I thought it was sorta pretty to see all those little boats zig-zagging around and that's why I took the shot.



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video The Who I can see for miles lyrics

