

## Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - March 31, 2026

Hello All:

Sunday was our annual Awards Lunch. I was looking for some lunch related songs. There are a lot of them for kids, but then I found this one by Billie Eilish simply titled "Lunch." At first I wasn't going to use it because the lyrics really don't have anything to do with lunch. But I listened to it a couple of times and it grew on me. So here it is, but BEWARE -- some of you may not care for the lyrics.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gy1DO9ReROU>

**Sunday:** Our Awards Lunch is preceded by a ride. However, hardly anyone showed up. Here is a selfie taken by **Phil Whitworth**. He is wondering where everyone is.



I believe another rider showed up, but never connected with Phil. In any case I don't think anyone rode the designated route. Several people simply rode their own pre-lunch route. Member **Matt Krantz** was out riding, even though he

couldn't come to the lunch, and he ran across **Jacques Stern** on his pre-lunch ride and took this shot:

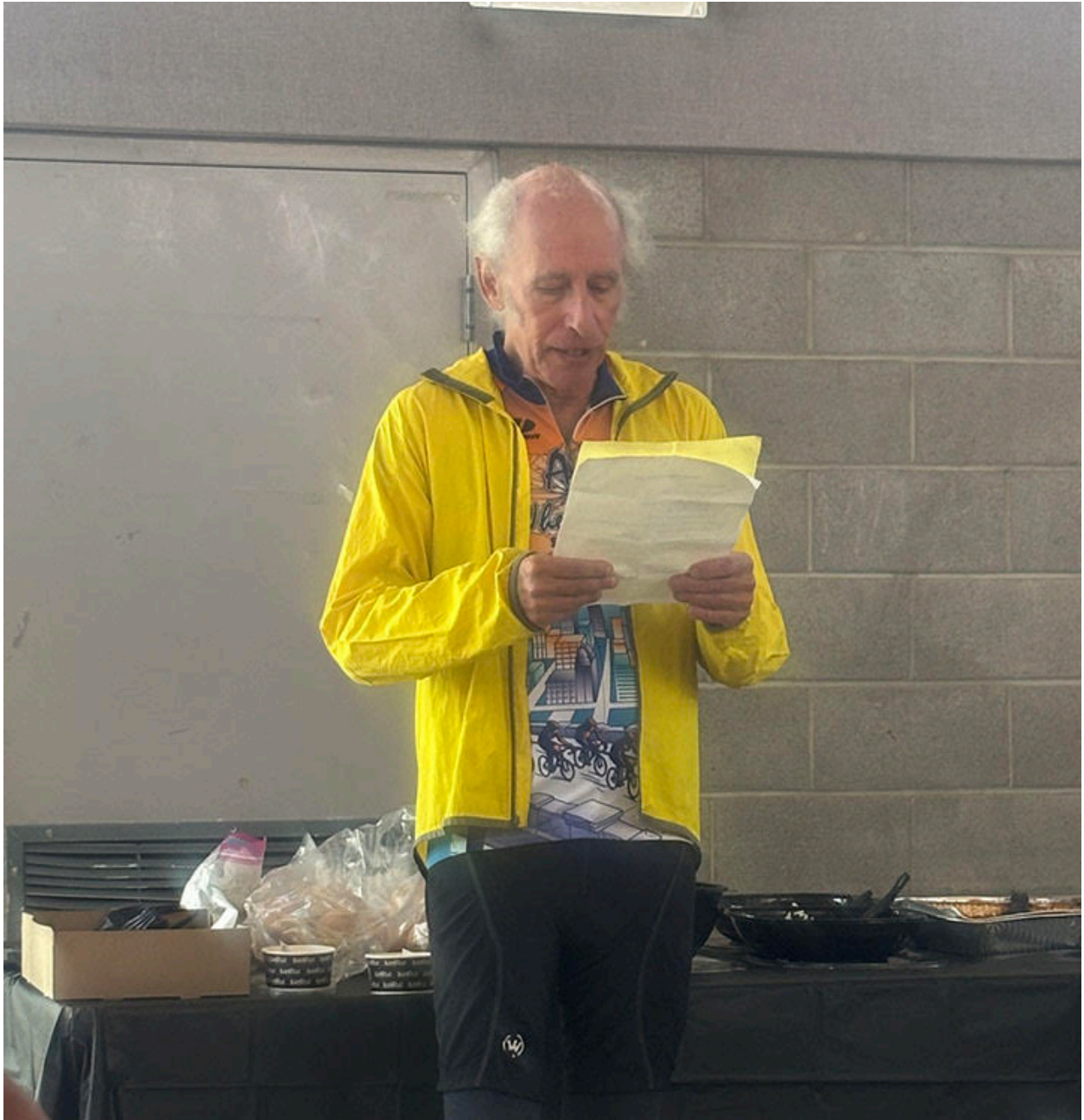


I think next year I will put together a new route -- something a little shorter and easier.

In any case, the lunch is the thing. I think we had around 30 members and guests show up for that. Here is a group shot taken by **Ann Trank**



After lunch there were the awards. Our Master of Ceremonies was again **Sandy Weiner**. Here he is making some introductory remarks



The big award of the day is, of course, the Jack Flynn Award given for service to the club. This year it went to **Paul Haussler** for his many years of service to the Grand Tour. Here he is accepting the award:



All in all, it was a fine day and because the Culver City Parks people were more than an hour late opening up our venue, I think we got it at a discount.

**This Week:** Sunday is Easter (but also the middle of Passover) so we will be riding our traditional Easter ride. There are the usual 3 routes, but all are short. The long and medium make a brief run into Beverly Hills before heading down to Westchester and on to the Marina for a break. After the break, the long does an additional loop to Holmby Hills while the medium heads directly back to the start. The short skips the first loop done by the long and medium and heads directly to Westchester and the break at the Marina. The short route then returns with the medium riders. It's usually a pleasant day. I plan to be there, but I don't know which route I will be doing.

**Bike Palace Update:** As mentioned a few months ago, the Bike Palace bike shop in San Pedro was burned. It now appears that they will be re-opening at a new location on Western Ave. in San Pedro. They plan to open in about a month. That's good news for those of us who liked that shop. (Thanks to Phil Whitworth for sending me this information.)

**Parting Shot & Bicycle Quote of the Week Combined:** The cake at Sunday's Awards Lunch had this week's quote on it. The quote is by Albert Einstein and supposedly he was referring to his theory of relativity.



Give credit to **Nancy Domjanovich** for the cake idea.

See You On the Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video Billie Eilish - Lunch (Lyrics)

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