

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - April 14, 2026

Hello All:

Several weeks ago I almost used this Cowsills song to open my e-mail for the "Straight Cow Mountain" ride (since they both had "Cow" in their names), but the song was about rain and I thought I would save it for day when the Sunday ride got rained out, so I used a different Cowsills song. I didn't think I would need another rain song this year, but Sunday we had a surprise late season rain day. So here is the song now

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uC9tALmALh0&list=RDuC9tALmALh0&start_radio=1

Sunday: I don't believe anyone showed up for the scheduled ride Sunday due to the rain. So I have no report and no photos. The sun came out in the afternoon, so I checked Strava to see if anyone had posted photos from a ride they did on their own that day. I didn't see anything. Then I looked for any photos from club members on rides during the week. There were a few but nothing really struck my fancy except maybe this one:

Phil Whitworth took this on a mid-week trip to San Pedro. I thought it was a cute little boat, but nothing to do with cycling.



This Week: On Sunday we will be riding "Looking For Leona" which is our century, metric century and half century of the month. All 3 rides travel up San Francisquito Canyon and come down Bouquet Canyon. The half century and metric century start from Santa Clarita. The metric century goes all the way to Leona Valley while the half century cuts across at Green Valley to shorten the route. The full century does the same route as the metric, but starts in the San Fernando Valley to get in the extra miles. That adds two more climbs (actually 3). All routes have a fair amount of climbing since San Francisquito is a long climb. I don't know if I'm up for that much climbing right now, so I have my doubts I will show up. If anyone has an idea for an alternative ride on Sunday, get in touch with me.

Bike Path News: Last week I showed photos of the repaired beach bike path, but it wasn't open then. It is now open and I rode it last Thursday. It is not that much different from the service road detour we have been riding for years, but it is nice and smooth and has a few curves in it to make it more interesting than the service road.

Cycling Quote of the Week: "Life is like a ten-speed bicycle. Most of us have gears we never use." — Charles M. Schulz

Parting Shot: I got nothing this week. I'm just glad I had time to write this tonight. Most years I would be busy doing my taxes at the last minute, but amazingly, I finished them yesterday. Hope everyone got theirs done too.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video The Rain The Park And Other Things
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