

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - April 28, 2026

Hello All:

Sunday we were riding to Bronson Caves so I looked for cave songs and came up with this one by Mumford & Sons simply titled "The Cave." I had to listen through two thirds of the song to even find a reference to a cave, but it's a nice song anyway and sort of uplifting I think. I Googled it and supposedly the cave is a reference to Plato's cave which probably means more to those of you well versed in philosophy.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lgDNCmGr-Q4&list=RDlgDNCmGr-Q4&start_radio=1

Sunday: As mentioned, we were riding to Bronson Caves. Only 3 riders showed up at the start: **Matt Krantz** took this selfie:



That's **Matt**, **Julie Shishino**, and **Sandy Weiner**. All 3 rode the short which basically rode over to the caves and back. Here's a group selfie taken by Julie at the caves:



You can see that the caves are fenced off. The last time I was there the fence was up, but not as high. It looks like they had to increase the fencing to keep people from climbing over. Here is another shot from Julie as they approached the other end of the cave.



Apparently on the return, Sandy took the group to the Hollywood Forever Cemetery where there are some peacocks. Julie took this shot:



All in all, it sounds like they had a nice day.

This Sunday: On Sunday we will be riding "Ivan's Ride" which starts at the "Corner." All routes travel over Sepulveda to the valley and take in a ride along the history of Los Angeles mural painted along the Tujunga Wash. If you have never seen it, it's well worth the trip. The long adds a little extra climbing on the way out to the valley and the medium and long return by climbing up Mulholland and riding down Deep Canyon. The short returns by the easier Cahuenga Pass. I would sure like to be there, but I don't think I'm up for the climbing -- especially since my low-g geared bike is not operational right now. Maybe I'll pop by the start to see the riders off and then do my own ride.

Memorabilia Offer: I recently received this e-mail:

My parents were members of the club during the 1970's and I have a small ziplock bag of club patches and pins they acquired from various rides. I am hoping someone from your club may like to

have them. I will be happy to mail them or drop them off if anyone is interested. I am located in Redondo Beach. Please feel free to contact me.

In anyone is interested in these, please contact Amanda Kurman directly at amandaakasmith@icloud.com

Bicycle Quote of the Week: "Give a man a fish and feed him for a day. Teach a man to cycle and he will realize fishing is stupid and boring." – Desmond Tutu

Parting Shot: Here is another shot taken at Bronson Caves last Sunday by Matt:



This is either (a) an alien spaceship landing site; (b) site of human sacrifices held by a local antifa group (usually on full moon nights), or (c) a very large zen garden. Take your pick.

See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

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