

So about that Star Wars movie...

First things first. Sunday Kevin and I did ride; couldn't be a long ride, since the shop was open for biz yesterday (final Sunday before Christmas for some extra hours). The plan was to do a run up Old LaHonda, down the other side and back up West Alpine. The plan was changed when it started to get damp up on Skyline and when we dared to look at the weather map on our phone, it was showing some ugly stuff heading our way. So, back down 84 and then proceeded to do "the loop" through Portola Valley. Not bad; kinda fun seeing people out on their bikes on a dreary day but all-smiles. It was Kevin who noticed that; everyone really did seem to be enjoying themselves on their bikes. Not too many contorted faces from Strava angst.

And now, about the movie. We did the family thing and saw a 7:50pm showing (not sold out by the way; pretty easy to get decent seats, but we had pre-purchased the tickets several days ahead of time).

If you liked the original three Star Wars movies, and simply want more of the same, you're going to like what JJ Abrams has done for the franchise. Which is, really, very little new. It'd done really well, and I think the new generation seeing the series is going to be thrilled. The older generation who saw it so many years ago will be happy their memory is still intact enough to say "Wow, this looks familiar."

In a nutshell, I can't wait for a couple months to pass so I can write about the movie without spoiling it for anyone. There are so many things to talk about, each of which would give away key plot points. We'll talk soon. --Mike--