

Worst El Nino winter still has a lot of great riding days!



You tell me. Look at that picture and tell me winter isn't a great time for cycling in Northern California?

A bit different ride today; Kevin (my son) was heading to Disneyland with his sister (here's the [link to their Disneyland Strava](#)), so I'd previously checked with the other Kevin (pilot) to see if he knew of any rides Sunday, and eventually emails exchanged and we ended up with 4 of us meeting at Old LaHonda at 9am. Myself, Dan S, Kevin (pilot) and another Kevin (another super-strong nearing-or-just-over 60 rider). Thankfully the pace was pretty easy, just what I needed. We rode the reverse Pescadero loop (San Gregorio first, then south on Stage), stopping for food & drink at the Pescadero Store.

It was outside the Pescadero Store that we came across former Pro cycling Ben King, who's moved from Vermont to Mill Valley. Add to that the fact that Laurens Ten Dam is apparently moving to Santa Cruz, and we can expect to see a lot of Strava records come tumbling down!

It was on Haskins that I finally felt "in difficulty" as the pace stepped up a bit, but I still had enough left in the tank to head up West Alpine afterward, along with the "other" Kevin and Dan. Pilot Kevin headed back up 84; he missed a great day on West Alpine and Skyline.

It is so hard to believe that many cyclists go into hibernation mode once the first rains hit. It's beautiful out there. This is not time to hang up your bike. If it's raining, wait a day or two and it won't be. That's just the way it is here. --Mike--