

## A bit cooler at the start, but beautiful once we got warmed up



Not too many of us today; myself, JR, Kevin (pilot), Eric, Nigel... No sign of Karen, although we did have a Karl sighting at the end. Pretty easy pace up Kings, partly due to Kevin's body reacting to over-training. He said he didn't ride too hard yesterday, never mind that he did both Page Mill and West Alpine.

The fog burned off nicely half way up Kings but still glad to have leg warmers and a base layer.

April. I can safely say that April is the first month of truly great and reliable riding weather. From now through October is pretty darned awesome. A few days here and there without leg warmers, the sun hasn't set before the shop closes, and it's up when the alarm goes off at 6:55am. It's also time to start riding faster, especially downhill, where the dry roads and warmer temps help to keep you loose and fast. Not as fast as Nigel though!

Seven weeks from now Kevin (my son, not the pilot) will be working his way back into shape, missing a lot of great riding weather. Too bad the kidney issue didn't show up at a more convenient time! Yet it won't be too long after that that he's beating me up the hill. Again. Probably by the end of June, just a few weeks before France. That's cutting it pretty close. Â Hopefully not too close.