



L'Equipe Newsletter

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Annual SC Velo Christmas Toy Drive and Ride

It is time once again to rise to the call of community service and help to better the local communities that we all ride in. SC Velo is committed to be a positive influence in our community by coordinating and supporting various charitable events as they come up. By bringing toys for deserving boys and girls to any Incycle location and participating in the Toy Drive Ride to the San Dimas Sheriff station, we can help those in need in addition to promoting the positive aspects of cycling and being part of an outstanding club, such as Southern California Velo.

To participate in this event, please bring a new toy to any Incycle location. Many that participate bring the toy to directly to the Toy Drive Ride where they will be taken along with the rest of the toys to the San Dimas Sheriff's station. The route of the ride has not been established yet but note that this ride is a friendly-paced group ride that is suitable for all members of the family.

In the name of charity and goodwill, please join us in this event.

Toy Drive:

Where: Any Incycle location
When: Now until December 4

Toy Ride:

Where: San Dimas Incycle to Sheriff Station
When: December 4
Time: TBA



SC Velo Annual Toy Drive Ride 2009

SC Velo Annual Club Picnic and Awards

Please join SC Velo for our annual club picnic and awards. This event will be held at Horse Thief Canyon Park on Sunday December 4, 2011 at 1:00 PM (weather permitting).

Come and celebrate all of our accomplishments as a team and club for the 2011 calendar year. Whether it be racing or riding a century for the first time come and share your memories of the year in the good company of friends.

Please watch your email and the Yahoo! Group for more information on what to bring.

Club Picnic and Awards

When: December 4
Where: Horse Thief Canyon Park
Time: 1:00 PM





SC Velo Sponsors Kretzchmar Steel Racing

Please welcome to the SC Velo family, Kretzchmar Steel Racing. This new and successful race team will be a great addition to SC Velo. Welcome aboard!

KS Racing was started by James Esser last year with Dereck Butterfield, Paul Vaccari, and Taylor Vaccari with the goal of racing for fun with little sponsorship. The team was highly motivated and finished the season with over 8 wins, 20+ top fives, and 27th in the

SOCAL CUP. Personal results were just as impressive with Paul Vaccari winning the SOCAL CUP, Taylor Vaccari winning the SDRS Road Race and Redlands Crit, and Dereck Butterfield getting 2nd Place at the Manhattan Grand Prix. To add to this James Esser won the Tandem TT State Championship.

For the upcoming season, KS Racing is looking to better their impressive first year record. The team added Chris Ayers, Max Hernandez, Jeremy Ayers, Greg Goodwin, Tim Woo, Daniel Caldera, and Moe Saurenman to the line up. They are looking to having another great year of racing and fun.


For more information go to: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kretzschmar-Steel-Racing/165190366869668>. Be sure to LIKE them!



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| 1 | <u>Ralph Vizcaino</u> | <u>36,594</u> |
| 2 | <u>Jeff Church</u> | <u>34,753</u> |
| 3 | <u>Ernest Villalon</u> | <u>31,103</u> |
| 4 | <u>Michele Marie McClure</u> | <u>29,844</u> |
| 5 | <u>David Baldonado</u> | <u>28,624</u> |
| 6 | <u>Sal Martinez</u> | <u>27,453</u> |
| 7 | <u>Mike Espinosa</u> | <u>25,741</u> |
| 8 | <u>Matt Hawkesworth</u> | <u>20,829</u> |
| 9 | <u>Leslie Leaming</u> | <u>20,245</u> |
| 10 | <u>Bryan Wierzchucki</u> | <u>20,104</u> |
| 11 | <u>Ruy Lopez</u> | <u>14,825</u> |
| 12 | <u>Jerry Martinez</u> | <u>14,509</u> |
| 13 | <u>Kenny Ormonde</u> | <u>12,301</u> |
| 14 | <u>Yohannes Desta</u> | <u>5,818</u> |
| 15 | <u>Matthew Prather</u> | <u>5,463</u> |
| 16 | <u>George Mota</u> | <u>1,152</u> |
| | Total | 329,358 ft |



Strava KOM Challenge

There are several SC Velo members that are taking part in the Strava Studio Velo KOM Challenge. Here is where our members stack up in total climbing elevation (in feet) for November. 

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SC Velo Club Volunteer Requirements

Being part of a cycling club such as Southern California Velo, is meeting the responsibilities that are asked of us all. Our club puts on quality road and mountain biking events that demand volunteers to help in order to put on events that people not only talk about but participate in.

In order for us to be successful and continue providing events such as the San Dimas Stage Race and the Incycle Challenge Mountain Bike Race, we need to step up and volunteer our time. Being part of SC Velo requires all members to volunteer in a total of four "spots" .

We are coming up quickly on the San Dimas Stage Race and will be soliciting for members to fill their spots. Please do your part and volunteer to be part of the best cycling event in Southern California.

Time to renew your membership!

All memberships end in December and those that desire to continue to be part of SC Velo must renew their memberships. Please go to the website and download your application and mail in your dues. You need to have a valid membership to order and purchase your team kit in addition to receive benefits generously provided by Incycle.

Get your application here:
<http://www.scvelo.com/membership>



Holiday Sale! Now - DEC 4TH

25% Off Gloves, Helmets, and Shoes in Stock

- Bell Lumen Helmet
- Specialized Fry Kids Helmet
- Pearl Izumi Gloves
- Cannondale Classic Glove
- Specialized Tahoe
- Shimano M315 Shoes

JANUARY 2012

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| 01/15 | Ontario Grand Prix #1 | Ontario | CR |
| 01/21-22 | SCPS CX Finale & The Final Showdown (SCNCA vs | Bakersfld | CX |
| 01/22 | USAC SoCal Cup Crit Series #1 | Dominguez Hills | CR |
| 01/28 | Poor College Kid's Road Race | Los Olivos | RR |
| 01/29 | Tom's Farm Time Trial | Corona | TT |
| 01/29 | Mothballs Criterium | Goleta | CR |

FEBRUARY

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| 02/04 | Boulevard Road Race | Crestwood | RR |
| 02/05 | Red Trolley Classic | San Diego | CR |
| 02/12 | Roger Millikan Memorial | Brea | CR |
| 02/18 | Imperial Valley Classic | Imperial | CR |
| 02/19 | USAC SoCal Cup Crit Series #2 | Dominguez Hills | CR |
| 02/25-26 | UC Irvine | Irvine | TT/CR |
| 02/26 | Dare to Race GP - Series #2 | Ontario | CR |



Club Member of the Month
Andrew Ramage

Andrew has been an integral member of the SC Velo race team for several years going back to his days of Junior Racing. He has improved immensely over the years and has attained several outstanding finishes such as 3rd place at Devil's Punchbowl in 2008, 1st place at the Central Coast Cycling Classic Road Race in 2009, 1st place at the San Dimas Stage Race Criterium in 2010, and most recently 1st place at the USAC Upgrade Points and Resume Builder Crit Series in the CAT 2/3 Division on November 13.

Everyone is impressed with Andrew's performance on the bike and demeanor off the bike. He is an asset to SC Velo and we wish him luck as he continues to move up in categories.

Congratulations to Andrew for being SC Velo Club Member of the Moth!

Ride with SC Velo at The Tour De Palm Springs



The Tour de Palm Springs is heading into its 14th year and the SC Velo Recreation Team is gearing up to get a group of SC Velo riders to participate. The Tour is designed to raise money for reputable charities in the Coachella Valley such as The American Cancer Society, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and the Palm Springs Art Museum among many other deserving groups. The Tour boasts upwards of 7,000 riders and claims to be the largest event of its kind in the Western United States. Why not make a statement by having a flotilla of SC Velo riders in the pack and be part of an event that can help make a difference in the lives of many people.

There are a total of 5 rides to choose from including 5, 10, 26, 56, and 100 mile routes that are fully supported. Each of these rides have something unique to offer including a tour around town as well as some beautiful desert scenery on some of the longer routes.

After the ride, enjoy a fun-filled expo with cycling vendors and live entertainment. This should be a great time!

If interested in riding with a SC Velo group at the Tour, contact our Recreation Team Captain Vic Jacobo for more information.

Tour of Palm Springs

When: Saturday February 11, 2012

Where: Spa Resort Casino Parking Lot F

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New and Exciting Changes to Our Women's Elite Team!

By Lea Adams

For 2012 the SC Velo - Empower Coaching Women's team has some changes to the roster! Katie Donavon has moved onto a Texas based team to focus on NRC racing! Dotsie Bausch is also technically still part of the team, but she is 150% focused on the 2012 Olympic Games for the track! This give us a few openings to add some new girls. We are adding Holly Breck from the Santa Barbara area. Holly is young relatively new to racing. She managed to upgrade from a 4 to a 2 in just over 1 racing season! We have also added Jenny Rios to our roster. Jenny raced for Helen's last season. Jenny is a Mexican U22 Junior National Champion for the individual time trial. Jenny is 22 and has been racing since 2005! We are looking forward to having her on the team.

We are looking for another successful racing season and we are looking forward helping build women's races by mentoring our own Cat 3/4 womens team!



Cyclocross to Debut at Sea Otter Classic 2012

Dates—April 19-22, 2012



MONTEREY, Calif. - Cyclocross racing is breaking away from the cold, wet days of fall and winter to debut at next spring's Sea Otter Classic, a four-day "Celebration of Cycling", scheduled to take place April 19-22, 2012 in Monterey, California's Laguna Seca Recreation Area.



"During the last few years, cyclocross has grown with a cult-like fanaticism as a participatory and spectator sport," said Frank Yohannan, president and CEO of the Sea Otter Classic. "It fits right in with the festival atmosphere and the celebration of everything cycling that makes up Sea Otter."

The Sea Otter Cyclocross, hosted by Raleigh America, will take place Saturday afternoon, April 21, and will feature all men's and women's professional and amateur divisions, as well as singlespeed, messenger and industry cup races. (For cyclocross details, click [here](#).)



Cross racers will experience the thrill of starting and finishing on the Laguna Seca Raceway while thousands of fans cheer them on. The course will snake through the Sea Otter Expo and Laguna Seca Lakebed area, and will include off-camber and "kitty litter" sections, a high-speed barrier section located near the Sierra Nevada Beer Garden, and other yet-to-determined obstacles.



"We hosted the Midsummer Night Cross race and found that people will show up just about anywhere, and anytime, when offered a chance to ride their cross bikes," said Chris Speyer, vice president of product and marketing for Raleigh America. "When the idea of helping with cyclocross races at Sea Otter presented itself, we didn't think twice."

Sea Otter attracts more than 50,000 cyclists and fans every year, where they are immersed in dozens of races, product demos, family-oriented events and more than 350 exhibitors showing off the latest in cycling services and products.

NEW FLAVOR!



Cyclocross joins Sea Otter's cross country, dual slalom, short track and downhill mountain bike events, as well as its road, criterium, and circuit road racing events. Recreational options include three Gran Fondo routes - a 96-mile Carmel Valley route, a 50-mile Coastal route, and a 20-mile mountain bike route.



Looking for a Good Group Ride?

“The Grind Ride”

Try Cycling Connection’s “Grind Ride”. There are two different rides to choose from including the short ride at 23 miles and the long ride at 33 miles.

These rides start at It’s A Grind Coffee Shop on Day Creek in Rancho Cucamonga Saturdays at 8:00 AM.

Both rides start together at 8:00 AM at a friendly, social pace down Baseline. The pace eventually picks up to race pace speeds as the short and long rides split. Having only ridden the long ride, I can say that the pace down Baseline, up Mills, and up Baldy Road to Shinn is a relatively fast-paced cardio workout that will challenge many riders. There is a regroup at the bottom of the descent on Shinn Road and the pace continues to be fast down Euclid to 21st Street. From here the route zigzags through residential areas, which can be confusing but riders are good about signaling turns. With one last tough climb up Day Creek, the group splits up for one last descent that eventually takes you back to It’s A Grind.

Many riders hang out to share stories and enjoy each other’s company at It’s A Grind after the ride. Go and check it out, I think you will enjoy not only the route but the people as well.



SC VELO Cyclocross Riders Enjoy Success on the Podium!

On top Charlie Stone takes 3rd Place at the Turkey Trot CX/ SCNCA CX District Champs at Verdugo Park in Glendale. Later at the end of the day he took second at In Single Speed B.

On bottom Micheal N. on the 35+ B podium at El Doradro Park in early November. Going into this past Sunday he was 5th in the series standing for age group category.

Pictures and descriptions provided by Kenneth Hill.





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Volunteers Needed

Looking to help out? SC Velo needs volunteers to form committees in the following areas:

- **Website construction**
 - Sponsorship
 - Club Meetings
 - Group Rides
 - Charity Events
 - SDSR
- **MTB Event Volunteers**

If interested in helping out please contact any board member for information.



Calendar of Events

Click on icons!



UCI CXLA Weekend
DTLA Historic CX
12/3, 12/4



Crit Upgrade Series
12/4



Dominguez Hills Upgrade Points
and Resume Builder
12/11



Tom's Farm Time Trial
12/11



SC Velo Annual Toy Drive
and Ride
Drive - 11/26 - 12/3
Ride - 12/4
Club Picnic & Awards -
12/4



Cyclocross National
Championships
1/4 - 1/8



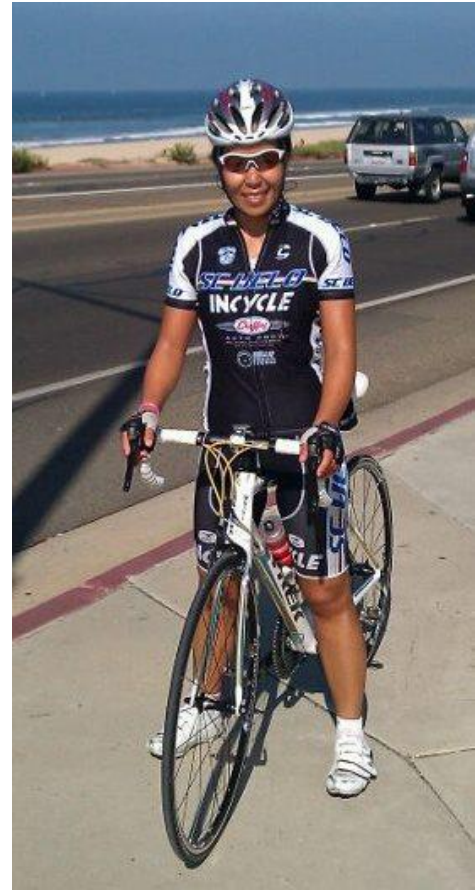
Stagecoach Century
1/14



Ontario Grand Prix #1
1/15



The Grape Fun Ride
1/21



Info on Submissions

SC Velo's L'Equipe Newsletter is looking for members to submit articles and photographs on anything SC Velo, cycling, and member related.

Please submit written articles and photographs by the 3rd week of each month for submission into the newsletter for the following month. Submit materials to lgleaming@gmail.com.