

MAJOR TAYLOR CYCLING CLUB SAN DIEGO MTCCSD

"This Is How We Roll"



**Sunday April 29/2007
Bonita to Coronado Loop.**

MTCCSD Members

The April 29 ride was our 9th Sunday ride with the largest turnout to-date. Veteran MTCCSD riders included Anthony, Marleena, Richard, Julio, Art, Ivan, Harold, Bill, Dave, Damon, Steve, Odale and Tall Paul. First-timers included Carlos, Kato, and Nappy.

The route repeated our ride of several weeks ago, wending its way from Bonita along the Sweetwater River to the Bayside Bicycle Trail, south to Imperial Beach, then up the Silver Strand to Coronado. However, unlike the previous ride, Art and Ivan, on their tandem, along with Steve didn't turn back at Imperial Beach this time, going the whole distance and easily keeping up with the rest of the pack. They definitely deserve the "Most Improved" award! Way to go guys!

Also on the ride, Anthony and Marleena introduced us to a new concept in cycling - "autocycling." After disappearing from the ride just after the start, they suddenly reappeared at the front of the pack several miles later looking amazingly refreshed and with wide grins on their faces. It wasn't until we spotted Anthony's truck parked nearby that we figured-out the secret of their impressive performance!

After crossing the bay on the Coronado Ferry to downtown, we rode south on Harbor Drive past the Convention Center where the California Democratic Convention was in full-swing, hoping to catch a glimpse of Hillary or Obama, but with no luck. We then turned east on Ceasar Chavez Parkway, riding past Chicano Park and through Odale's neighborhood to Euclid where we turned south again. We stopped at one of Odale's favorite eateries where he and Tall Paul wolfed-down a couple of tacos while everyone else politely waited.

From there it was all downhill with the wind at our backs as we headed-back to Bonita. A great ride on a beautiful San Diego spring day!

Tall Paul