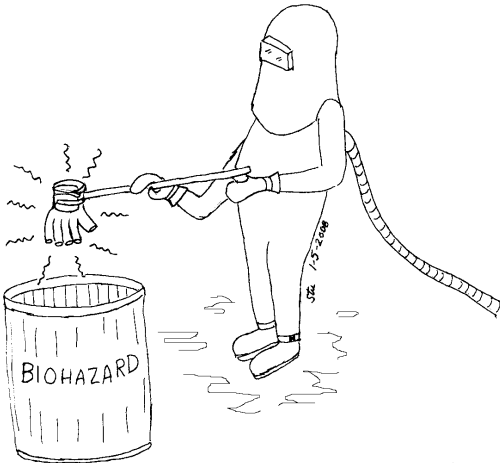


The Aerodynamic Helmet

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Proper treatment of a cycling glove/handkerchief if not laundered immediately after use.

Luckily I woke up. And he was talking about how they were going to discuss rider safety, the draft safety checklist and the duties of ride leaders at the upcoming ride leader dinner. Made sense.

Made note to try to stay awake rest of the evening.

Historian Janie Goldenberg said EVERYONE guessed the Mystery Slob. Looked the same at eight years old and when I married her fifteen years later. I get old and gray and she never changes. I call her Scoop, nee Judy Gardner, but maybe it should be Doriana Gray.

Bruce Collier bounded forward. Okay, walked. Well, kind of limped. Hobbled really. Anyway, he's linchpin of the ride triumverate along with Red (nee Robert) Davis and Joan (whom Harvey calls Jo Anne) Petersen. Need volunteers. Need ham operators. Community groups happy because law enforcers will be out. CHP too! Ticket books out. See ya.

Genie Seagrave-Smith said Piedras Blancas lighthouse open for tours now, Tuesday and Thursday. Call for reservations. Good call.

Stu Goldenberg asked for recommendations for the Bob

Garing Award, for someone who has done a lot for bicycling.

Then Mr. Big called up the 2007 board of directors. Thanked them. Applause. Then dismissed those leaving the board. Veep Gil Pitt wandered off. Advocate Gail Davis and Director-at-Large John Altman would have sat down too, job well done – had they been there.

Called 2008 board. Sharon Sutliff (veep) and Will Benedict (at-large director) strode forth. Dale "The Toe" Sutliff (advocate) limped forth. Applause.

Then Mr. Big's face went serious. He pushed his glasses back on his nose. Something was up. Frank Mullin offered his Presidents Award. It went to John Weidner who has shown great courage and fortitude as he has fought to recover from the terrible injuries he suffered when hit by a motorist last summer.

Veep Sharon introduced the program. Mike and Marian Balster went on a bike trip to Albi, France, organized by the Palo Alto Bicycle Club. Get this! The French, he said, were warm and friendly, and possible to understand even if they didn't speak English. He said French drivers show much courtesy to bicyclists. They also have some very strong riders of advanced age.

Wouldn't have believed it. Not too often these days you hear kind words and see beautiful pictures about the French. Guess it's okay to order French fries again.

Good show: short, fast-paced and good questions afterward.

At that, closed my pad, clicked my pen and split.

Case closed.

Bicycle for Sale

Judy's bike is a Specialized Dolce which we bought new from Ira's for about \$650 about 2 1/2 years ago. It has a 52cm frame, all the gears you'd ever need (too lazy to count the chain wheels) and about one year old tires. I think it would be a major improvement over some of the bikes I've seen. It's ready to ride. \$150 to a good home.

Larry Rutter, SLOBG Secretary

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