Bicyclists descend on downtown

About 150 bicyclists, two dogs and a few winded pedestrians "volunteered" on the first "Give Air a Rest Day" Monday with a parade through downtown San Luis Obispo.

Meeting at City Hall, the group then assembled the riders, showed them the planned route, and headed down Palm street on a jaunt through town—designed to tie up traffic—that touched Chorro, Monterey, Santa Rosa, Garden, Martin, Pismo and Oso streets before ending at Mitchell Field.

Cyclists reported that there were no mishaps and said that there were a few instances where distraught motorists viewed the plethora of bicycles with disdain.

One motorist said that it was fine for people to ride bikes but that they "better learn how to pilot them through intersections better" next time that one youth almost hit a car when he careened through an intersection.

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Kennedy felt that the presentation he received from the federal officials was optimistic, in fact he feared that the application for federal funds be made, particularly if such an application could be made by the City of San Luis Obispo. It was an attempt to get the application submitted for a federal grant, formed a Capital Outlay Grant, if made in the name of the city would stand a much better chance of getting approved.

Next to speak was a member of the student planning group, Will Mountner, who outlined the plans for a bus system the group had developed. Mountner stated that the plans that originated out of a senior project, but following Kennedy's trip to Washington was expanded from a college oriented system, to one which included the entire community.

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Save the country...now

The Ecology Committee, the National Sierra Club and all students can do something about the problem of pollution and over-population by signing petitions that will be located in the Biack Bar tomorrow and the 9th. The first two petitions ask the Forest Service to reconsider the approval given for the massive recreation complex in the Mineral King Game Refuge. And to consider placing 25,000 acres of wild land including upper Lopes Canyon in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

Another petition requests that the administration reconsider the decision not to rehire Mr. Ralph Varas.

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Irvine ties Rugby club

Despite playing their "worst" game of the season Saturday the Groggs retained their second place standing in the college division of the Southern California Rugby Union, with a 4-1-1 record.

Today the Groggs travel to Jala Vista where they are matched by UCBB, ranked second in California.

Saturday, host the San Fernando Valley State Rugby Club on the Men's Soccer Field at 1 p.m.

For the second week in a row, Vic Ecklund, Little All-Coast halfback, broke away for a long score to save the Groggs with good conversions by kicker Jan Eurik, when he converted a penalty kick for the other score.

Dual meets terminate, swimmers face CCAA

Jim Kiger fired a 37-37-74 to pace the Mustang golf team to a victory over UC Santa Barbara in a non-league match last Friday at San Luis Obispo Country Club.

Coach Bill Hicks termed Kiger's round, "Great, especially the way the wind was blowing that day." Kiger was low medalist for the day as he beat Kern Caludedes of UCSB, ranked number one man, 64. Caludedes had 76 and was low medalist for the Gauchos.

Greg Edwards, Mustang number three man, downed his Gauch opponent 6-2. Edwards shot a 70. John Miller carded a 71 to beat his opponent 6-1.

The Mustang best ball team of Greg Edwards and Greg Stafford fired a 68 to defeat Brad Fletch and John Walla of UCSB.

The Fresno State Bulldogs will host the Mustangs in another non-league encounter at Fort Washington Country Club in Fresno, Friday.

According to coach Hicks, "If our four first men can play like they did last Friday, we've got a real good chance of beating Fresno." Kiger, Edwards, Miller, and Steve Mowery will handle the first four slots.

Cycling call

Persons are being sought to participate in recreational cycling. The program would include possible weekend trips, co-ed cycling activity and no speed cycling. Anyone interested may obtain information from L.M. Bridges at 464-1229 or Mrs. Diana Schultz at 464-1018.

Kiger paces linksmen in conference match