

## What's missing? What did we look for on our rides, back in the day, that is no more?

Many of us have ridden the Peninsula roads for 30 years or more, on such a regular basis that we don't pay much attention to the changes that have come over the years. It only becomes apparent when we ride with others and pass something that clicks in our mind that it's not the same as it was back in the day, and that they're missing something.



Flamingo House back in 2004, in its heyday



Flamingo House today Today's entry in this category is the Flamingo House. Located just a few miles inland from Pescadero, for many years it was known far and wide as the peculiar house across the creek with a zillion flamingos stuck into the ground (no, not real flamingos, just the plastic ones on steel rods that you place into the ground).

I don't know the story behind the flamingos, and I can't even make one up that's nearly as interesting as the visual itself. I do recall "for sale" signs on the house some years ago, and it was about that time that the flamingos took flight. I just came across a photo I took in November, 2004, when the flamingos were in full force. Then today, as I rode past, I stopped and took another photo of the same house, which for years had no flamingos but now sports maybe three.