

# DAILY PLANET

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Official and proper newsletter of the Great and Powerful San Francisco Northstars Motorcycle Club Incorporated

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## S. F. Northstars - 2001 Calendar

Jan. 10	<b>2001 Ride Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM</b> Lanesplitter Pub 2033 San Pablo Ave (1/2 block south of University Ave.) Berkeley, CA 94702 (510) 845-1652 All members are welcome, especially those who wish to lead a ride, or have suggestions rides & which weekends they occur on.
Jan. 20	<b>2001 Club Dinner, 6:00 PM, New Pisa Restaurant, San Francisco, CA</b> See below
Jan. 21	<b>(DIRT) Invited Dirt-Track Play Day!</b> 1/4-mile groomed oval & a long TT course at Steve Hursh's friend's (Barry Olson) place out near Knights Ferry. Details to follow.
Jan. 28	<b>The Two-Mountain Ride on SuperBowl Sunday! by Catfish</b> Meet me for the best breakfast in Walnut Creek at 8:30AM. Ride leaves at 9:30. Hubcaps (925-945-6960) 1548 Bonanza St. Walnut Creek, CA 94596 <i>Directions to breakfast &amp; meeting point:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If eastbound Hwy-24, take 680-North &amp; then the <i>immediate</i> Ygnacio Valley Rd. exit &amp; turn right. Turn right on California St, and then left on Bonanza.</li><li>• If southbound on 680, take North Main St. exit &amp; head south on Main St., turn right on Bonanza.</li><li>• If northbound on 680, exit S. Main St. &amp; continue north. Turn left on Bonanza.</li></ul> Remember, Mt. Diablo is a state park with a \$5.00 entry fee. We'll enter the Northgate entrance. This is usually a cold & wet ride, so dress accordingly. Lunch will be at the Junction. Once in San Jose, those who want MORE riding can follow me back into the hills on Sierra, Felder & Calaveras Rd. up to Sunol.
	<b>Come to the Ride Planning Meeting (Jan.10th) above to fill this out!</b>

## Minutes Of The December 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting

On or about 7:40 in the evening, at the real end of the old millenium, 9 Northstars one unpaid member, he kept reaching for his wallet but never quite got there, and 5 guests, were assembled for the last meeting of the year.

First we rehashed the old minutes....blah, blah, blah...something about Pete, Brad and a bunch of pictures.

Then Mike kept the pace swift and rocketed the proceedings right into old biz and ride reports. This consisted of Earl telling about some ride he took with some broad, but as no one was injured, the cops were not involved and nothing in the way of nudity nobody cared really.

Then like a shot Mr. Chaplin was on to new bikes. Lets see Earl was given a P.O.S. by his cousin in Tulsa Oklahoma, but on a bright note Bret Morshead, say what the heck is a "morshead" anyway, maybe something that cost ten pounds and you get it while standing in a swamp in Scotland? Well anyhoo it seems he got himself a shiny new Aprilla with a bunch of hop-up parts, cause you know those bikes are like Harleys, crappy performance untill you slap on a bunch of go fast goodies. Lets see, what did he say he got...oh yes, Mr. M.

put on some high bars and a low pipe, some real neat white wall tires. His wife picked up a 250 Ninja a few months ago, now there is a machine that needs no tweaking, its good they fixed up that ass dragging Aprilla, now maybe it might keep up with the Kawasaki.

Now it was time to talk about the dinner. Having arrived at the idea that the club could pay more of the bill a vote was taken and passed to make the price for dinner \$10.00 and the club will pick up the balance. Another referendum was tabled and subsequently passed concerning the donation of door-prizes and such, it went something like if said dealer/person gives us a thousand dollars worth of stuff to give away then they get a free \$10.00 dinner. Welcome to the Bush years revisited.

The last thing we talked about was the start up of our very own private email list. The paper newsletter will continue once a month. The email list is to get information to each other for last minute things that might come up. Of course those of you without email will continue to be looked down upon and generally treated as second or even third class citizens, but that's to be expected from dirty unwired lowlife.

**THE ELECTION RESULTS: YOUR NEW FOR 2001 SAN FRANCISCO NORTHSTARS OFFICERS**

**President** Mike Chaplin

**Vice President** Pat Moriarty

**Word Steward** Lisa Brazieal

**Ride Steward** Roozbeh Chubak

**Dirt Steward** Steve Hursh

**Treasurer** Alan Macias

**Sergeant @ Arms** Earl Minkler

***2001 Club Dinner***  
**S.F. Northstars Motorcycle Club**  
**Saturday, January 20th**  
***The New Pisa Restaurant***  
***550 Green St.***  
***San Francisco, CA. 94133***  
***415-989-2289***

**Cocktails at 6:00pm in the upstairs banquet room**

**Dinner Service at 7:00pm**

Soup, salad, pasta,

Entree choices

Prime Rib

Chicken Cacciatore

Baked Salmon with doré sauce

Eggplant Parmigiana

Wines

Cabernet

Chardonnay

\$30.00 per head, tax & gratuity included.

**But WAIT!!!** The drunken' hooligans at the Dec.27th meeting passed the "*Club treasury shall subsidize this banquet at \$20 per head*" referendum. So, dinner will cost you exactly

***\$10.00 per person!***

**Awards Presentations!**

**Raffle & Prizes!**

**But, what about PARKING !!!**

- Take BART and a taxi.
- Arrive Saturday morning to start looking for an empty parking place on the street.
- With the *New Pisa* on Green St., 1/2 block east of Columbus St. as your reference, YOU can find [ALL of the parking lots & garages in this part of North Beach](http://www.parkingquest.com/sfc_bpages/NB.html) at the following link; <[http://www.parkingquest.com/sfc\\_bpages/NB.html](http://www.parkingquest.com/sfc_bpages/NB.html)>. Remember, some garages are full before 7pm, so don't arrive too late! If its too far to walk to the *New Pisa*, then take a taxi.
- Arrive late, circle blocks & full garages endlessly, cursing like a preacher's daughter, & return home unfulfilled & destitute.

To experience these wonderous events; snail-mail, email ([amacias@pacbell.net](mailto:amacias@pacbell.net)), FAX (415-731-6542), or carrier pigeon the information below (& the money), **by Tuesday-Jan.16th**, to;

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Make checks out to "*S.F. Northstars M.C.*"

**Mail-in Coupon**

**2001 Club Dinner - Saturday night, January 20th**

Names	Circle choice below	Cost (\$10 ea.)
	Beef - Chicken - Fish - Vegi	
	Beef - Chicken - Fish - Vegi	
	Beef - Chicken - Fish - Vegi	
	Beef - Chicken - Fish - Vegi	
TOTAL		

**STRANGE HAPPENINGS SURROUND NORTHSTARS BIG EVENING OUT**

The air is charged with excitement as once again the San Francisco Northstars are hosting their annual gala, at The New Pisa Restaurant in San Francisco this coming January 20<sup>th</sup>. But all is not smiles and happiness for everyone, because many still wonder about what happened to Mike Chaplin's date, Baaabraaa, from last year's ball. Informed sources report, a year ago, Mike and Baaabraaa arrived at the restaurant, both glowing with contentment after a whirlwind week, spent up in the Sierras, at Mike's secluded retreat. Everything seemed to be coming up roses until the young Baaabraaa mysteriously disappeared, the very next day. Good friend Earl Minkler reported over hearing Mike say he was going to have Baaabraaa over for dinner. Mike could not be reached for questioning at the time, it seemed he was so distraught over his missing gal that he wandered off to the store to buy mint jelly and new potatoes, this just underlines how upset Mike was as everyone knows you don't put jam on potatoes.

And so the mystery remains as to the whereabouts of Mike's one true soul mate.



Mike Chaplin and a special someone in 1999. Friends and relatives worried about the whereabouts of Baaabraaa.

## South Bay Ride:

Two members and one guest made the daunting freeway trek to Hollister for the South Bay Ride. They were rewarded with beautiful weather, great roads, and tasty steak.

Having been passed by guest Jim Cairnes (CBR600/F2) on 101 near San Jose, I (R1100GS) took the opportunity to pass him in the McDonald's parking lot in Morgan Hill. I was surprised to find only our fearless Ride Steward, Roozbeh Chubak (R1150GS, this day) sitting alone in the restaurant. By the time we'd finished eating, it was after 9:00, but no more Northstars had arrived.

Exchanging looks of mild surprise at the low attendance, we three set out on the official ride.

We had an uneventful ride to Hollister via 101 and 25. Having filled our tanks, the sun and our spirits were bright as we left Hollister on 25 with no traffic (of course) and dry pavement (fortunately). Feeling bound by the club's policy of not going faster than a 650 single could go, we all kept the speeds moderate, even through those loooong straights with good visibility on 25. Indeed, we had a nice "pace" ride all the way to 198. At that point, Roozbeh had 'em, so he and I smoked 'em.

>From there, we headed west on 198. Again,

the traffic was light and the road was in great shape. It was even getting warm! By the time we got to Coalinga, we were all removing layers of clothes and turning off electric sources of heat. Thinking only of the ride participants, Roozbeh led us to the Harris Ranch for a lunch of steaks. Roozbeh and Jim were very fortunate to have me along for lunch, for I was able to identify apparent mispricings and bargains on the menu. Though neither of them took my menu advice, we all had a good meal and were well fortified for the ride back.

Roozbeh led us through a forest of rusting oil rigs to yet another road devoid of traffic: Coalinga-Hernandez Rd. Having once inadvertently activated my GS's ABS on this road, I was determined to ride it smoothly this day. However, it was not to be. Oh well, live and don't learn. It was still fun.

After a short stop for tea and cigars, we returned via 25 [-:-) and 101 [-:-(]. Somehow, neither Jim nor Roozbeh noticed the two dead boars at the side of the road on 25 (next to the big patch of dried blood!). However, we all had a great winter ride of over 400 miles, with no tickets and no crashes.

Steve Schurman

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