

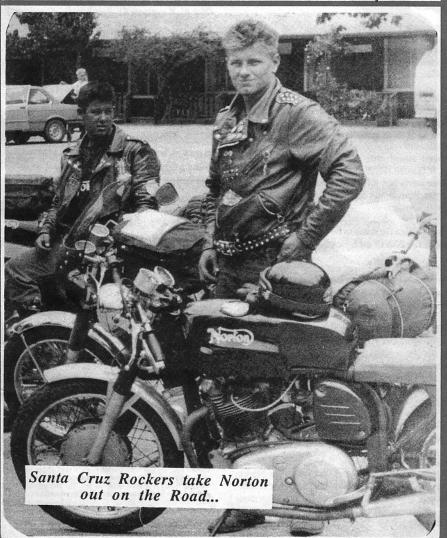
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The Newsletter of the Norton Owners Club

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is published by the Northern California Branch of the Norton Owners Club. Its purpose is to inform and entertain members regarding all aspects of the Norton motorcycle, including history, technical advice, and preservation of the marque.

NORTON NOTICE is a reflection of the readership, who are encouraged to submit any article, technical tip, photograph (original or otherwise) as long as it is in good taste, so that other Norton enthusiasts may enjoy it. For Branch members who cannot attend club meetings or club rides, the NORTON NOTICE affords an opportunity to share experiences and information with the membership of the Branch and to bring the Branch members closer together.

The deadline for items to be submitted for publication is the 20th of each month.

Membership in the Northern California Branch of the Norton Owners Club is available for \$15.00 per year. Membership dues are payable to the Branch Secretary/Treasurer.

Renewal dues are payable at the end of the individual's membership year, that month being designated by the last number of the individual's membership number as listed on the mailing label of the NORTON NOTICE and the membership card. For example, 745/2 denoteds member 745 with dues expiring on the 1st of February.

All changes of address should go to the Branch Secretary/Treasurer, not the NOTICE editor.

The Northern California Branch of the Norton Owners Club is affiliated with both the Norton Owners Club of England and the International Norton Owners Association. Interested persons can join these two organizations per the terms described on the Branch membership application form.

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# NORTON OWNERS CLUB

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### Upcoming Events

#### **Club Rides Schedule**

March 15th- The Flying Lady-Meet for coffee @ Bob's Big Boy, 101 & 1st. St., San Jose. Leave @ 10 AM, brunch @ Flying Lady, then go back thru Santa Cruz mountains- an unbeatable ride!

April 19th- the Easter Morning Ride Stay tuned for forthcoming details from Lynne Miller! (see new info below!!!)

#### **Events Calendar**

SUNDAY, March 29, 1992

The All-British Clubman's Show & Swap

Meet- the San Jose County Fairgrounds
off of Tully Rd., San Jose. If you haven't
been to this one before, you're missing out
big-time: it gets bigger and better every

big-time; it gets bigger and better every year... be sure to mark your calendar, in defiance of Daylight Savings Time!

#### SUNDAY, April 19-

The Annual Easter Morning Ride to Mount Tamalpias- Lynne Miller asks me to inform you all that the regional meeting places, the times, and the breakfast meeting place will be identical in every respect to last year's ride to Mount Tam. This is NOT a Club-Sanctioned or Sponsored Event, but we enthusiastically endorse it. Details will be in next month's issue

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, April 25 & 26- the West Coast Vintage Show & Swap Meet at Tulare, AND The USGP Roadraces at Laguna Seca in Monterey

#### **Meeting Schedule**

The Club meets on the second Thursday of each month, at 8:00 P.M. Meeting locations rotate between the Peninsula, the South Bay, the East Bay, and San Francisco.

March 12, 1992: East Bay Brew Pub On The Green

3350 Stevenson Avenue, Fremont. Fresh, cold beer produced on the premeses, good food, and a large meeting room.

April 16, 1992: San Francisco Tonto's Mexican Restaurant- 3155 Vicente Ave. (Cross street is 43rd)

#### **Graphics Contributions**

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Gerald Mauricio, Andy McKerral

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# Corrections and Omissions

- \* The December, 1991 Norton Notice was actually Volume Number 164, instead of 163, as printed.
- \* CJ Jolliff's listed telephone number has been changed to reflect the correct one.

The Editor extends apologies to those who were inconvenienced.

### MP V ... (my point of view) by Joe Edwards, President

A darkness came upon the coast - a stillness fell, eyes searched the sky. Those brave souls that ride the two-wheeled motors felt the fear return. The natural enemy- those four wheeled bumper buggies were, once more, on the attack. Yes, my fellow motorcycle owners and riders...the rains have been falling in the area. Not that we don't need or want them- but it's just those folks in thnose fourwheeled cocoons of steel and plastic think (by and large) that they're the only ones on the road. While on a brief ride the other day, right

after a short rain, to see how it felt after a period of not riding, I was cut off twice within a half hour by a couple of dummies wanting to run me motorcycle land... and to top it off, both of 'em flipped me the hand with the missing finger. (Cut to the chase, Joe!-) KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN ANDTHEBRIGHT SIDE UP!

We owe a

great big thank you to the following Club Members... these folks have been working very hard to boost raffle bike ticket sales in various ways- Gerald and Shirley Mauricio, for the really great poster that they put together which is on display in bike shops around the Bay Area... and President of Vice, Brad Green (and his trusty sidekick, Duncan Fergusen) for seeing that the bike made it to Alices Restaurant not once- but Twice. They also sold tickets. Also, let's not forget to applaud Mike Burnham for all his hard work on the bike, and moving it around from place to place.

Well, last month's meeting was a

real interesting bit of open thoughts and feelings. I think that we got to the bottom line regarding the British club connection and the INOA. I think that everyone will be happy with the new membership application that Grover has put together.

I've had some conversation with the folks who own the resort in Dardanelle, It's on highway 108 about 35-40 miles east of Sonora. They'll be sending me some information about the area, and we will pass it along to Mr. McKerral for your consideration in the Norton

Notice.

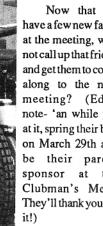
Now that we have a few new faces at the meeting, why not call up that friend and get them to come along to the next meeting? (Ed.'s note- 'an while yer at it, spring their bail on March 29th and be their parole sponsor at the Clubman's Meet. They'll thank you for it!)

By the way, we extend a special

appreciation to Maya Lai for the fender that she gave us for the Raffle Bike. Said fender is at Ken Armann's shop for slight cosmetic touch-up.

Our next meeting will be at Brew Pub On The Green. We're still looking for a Club Logo, and time is running out. If you have some ideas, bring them to the next meeting.

RIDE SAFE...that's M.P.V.



### Minutes of February Meeting

The second general meeting of the NOC for 1992 was held at Harry's Hoffbrau in Mountain View on March 13th. Approximately 30 members were in attendance.

The first item of business was that Art Sirota, who had been appointed to be a member of the by-laws committee, had asked to be replaced. Alan Goldwater volunteered to fill the position, along with Brad Green and John Covell. The committee will be forthcoming with recomendations in the near future.

Ticket sales for the Raffle Bike have been in such demand that that 3 thousand more are being printed to ensure having enough on hand for the Clubman's show. A special thanks was given to Susan Wood for selling \$219.00 in tickets to date. Bravo!!

Also, many thanks to Maya for donating a front fender, and Ken Armann for donating carburetor bodies to complete the bike.

Plans were made for the design of the booth. Phil Radford's John Player Norton will adorn the booth... it's sure to draw a lot of attention. Posters featuring the Raffle Bike and a Club Banner will direct potential members to us. Membership applications will be available on site.

With posters now on display at various locations throughout the Bay Area, we are certain to have a lot of interest in both the Raffle Bike and the Club.

A 1992 Rides Schedule was included in the February Edition of the Notice. Any questions, comments, or suggestions concerning this agenda should be directed to Mike Burnham, our fearless Rides Marshall. He'd like to hear from you.

Our membership relationship with the Norton Owner's Club of the United Kingdom dominated a large portion of the meeting. There was a lot of open discussion, dealing with England's concern that the Northern California Chapter membership has dropped to an all-time low.

The vast majority of those members in attendance raised the point that NOC of UK loves to take in our money, but we get nothing in return. Also mentioned was the apparent fact that renewal notices are never received.

The general concensus of those in attendance was that membership in the NOC of the UK is, and will continue to be a strictly voluntary commitment, a decision to be made by each individual member in the Northern California Norton Owner's Club.

A reminder was stated that there is a standing policy that three officer's dues are automatically paid by the Club... they are to be Joe Edwards, Grover Buhr, and Andy McKerral.

The Norton Notice has always been sent to NOC of UK in order to channel information to England from Northern California. This tradition will continue.

The beginning stages of a Club Logo are being formulated. Soon, the Club as a whole will be given samples to judge for themselves.

Grover Buhr reported that we have \$800 in our treasury with only \$200 in outstanding debt, this being for the printing and postage of the Norton Notice. By the end of the week, this will be paid.

We welcomed Dave Copeland to our meeting, who is a new member. We're all looking forward to seeing his smiling face as a regular attendee at our monthly meetings.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Joe Edwards, and seconded by Phil Radford.

Respectfully Submitted: CJ Jollif



#### **Membership Report**

#### By Grover Buhr

The Club's current membership stands at about 219 to date. It may be growing- or, it may be shrinking. As with the President, I can't tell right now, but I am filled with amazement.

Please join me in wishing a hearty welcome to our new members:

Rex and Linda Lewis 828 W. Cherry St. Lompoc, CA 93436

Howard Johnston 70 Rankin Ave. San Jose 95110

Ken Heuzer 6733 Hazel Ave. Orangevale, CA 95662

Greg Ray 1275 Pierce Lakewood, CO 80214

Paul Butler 7526 Belle View Ave. Sebastapol, CA 95422

Stece Caballero 206 El Caminito Ave. Campbell, CA 95008

Robert DiMascio 3593 Ronald Ct. Fremont, CA 94538

Tom Hart 727 Drona Ave. Sunnyvale, CA 94886 Tom O'Donnel 101 Calfhill Ct. Los Gatos, CA 95032

Lynn Mobley 1320 Cathy Lane Minden, NV 89423

Steve Millman 2507 Portola Ave. #19 Livermore, CA 94550

Tom Brinckerhoff 5471 San Jose Dr. Pleasonton, CA 94566

Don Crasco 321 Oxford Way #77 Belmont, CA 94002

Rich Geiger 1254 Butterfly Dr. San Jose, CA 95120

Some of these folks joined last October, but we only just woke up here-solet's just say that they have the patiernce of SAINTS!

#### WHERE ARE YOU?

The Post Office (bless their hearts!) says that the following people have moved and it doesn't know where. ET: Phone Home! Let us know where you are, and if you're still with us.

Mike Pawlack
Matthew Haynes
Phil Cagle

Thanks for your support!

-Grover

#### Fedbruary Ride Report (and Raffle Bike Update) by Mike Burnham, Rides Marshall

It should come as no surprise to anyone that the February ride was rained out. Not only was it rained out, but a good part of the road was missing, too! At any rate, you probably haven't received the Notice yet, as I know that I'm still waiting for mine! So how could you know about it anyway? If you are one of the lucky few who received your Notice, you will have observed a rather primative-looking typewritten ride schedule for the year. please save it, put it on your refrigerator, or somewhere prominent. In this way, you won't be

completely dependent on getting the Notice on time. (Ed's. Note: I wish to point out that I am embarassingly unaccustomed assuming impossible anatomical positions... considering the deadline plights I was frequently placed in last year by tardiness of certain notto-be-named officers. You mess up one month, and all hell breaks loose!)

The ride for March is an old club favorite, and is usually referred to as the Flying Lady Ride. The Flying Lady is an old warehouse-cum-restaurant-cum-model aeroplane museum, circa 1940s. We'll meet at Howard Johnson's (Bob's Big Boy) in San Jose at 101 and 1st Street for coffee only, then ride to the Flying Lady in Morgan Hill. It opens at 11:00 for brunch, and is one of those "all you can eat" kinds of deals. (Ed's Note: the management there dreads the impending arrival of Burnham on this event because of profit margin loss, which is why the date of this ride changes every year... to keep 'em guessing.) Above the

tables are hundreds of model aeroplanes, some of them on a continuous track, constantly flying overhead. There's even a full-scale replica of the Wright Brother's "Flyer", just to give you an idea of the size of this place. Afterwards, the ride will proceed over Hecker Pass, and through the Santa Cruz mountains. It's a long one, so don't forget to top off your tank. Your ride leader will be Marick Payton. You remember Marick, don't you?- He's held several Club offices, and he used to come to meetings regularly...

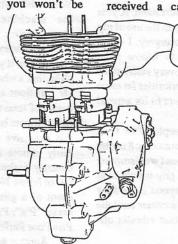
Anyway, it remains an exceptional ride, year after year- so don't miss it.

On the Raffle Bike front, it's now being displayed at Mean Marshall's in Oakland. I received a call from John Caraway in

Sacramento, who asked about the carburetor situation. After I explained the status, John stated that he would like to make a contribution to the raffle bike in the form of two new carburetors. I accepted. And we all thank you! Maya Lai has also come through by donating a stainless front fender. Way to go, Maya!

If there's still anyone out there who doesn't know how to get tickets, I have them. You can mail a check

to me at my place of business- Auto Spring And Wheel Service, 2401A Bush Street, San Francisco, California 94115. You can address it using the business name- or better still, the Norton Owner's Club or my name. BE SURE TO MAKE THE CHECK OUT TO THE NORTON OWNER'S CLUB. I will fill out your ticket stubs, and mail you your tickets. Tickets can also be purchased at the following places: Raber's in San Jose, Mean Marshall's in Oakland, Magri Motorcycles in San Francisco, and Munroe Motors- also in San Francisco. You can also get them at Alice's Restaurant in Skylonda Thanks for your support.



## Side Trips by Andy McKerral

Well, I've heard the rumors floating around- snippets of gossip and flashes of speculation... and don't think for a bloody moment that I haven't had my ear to the rail, either!

It's been said that I'm getting to be burned out at this assignment. I'm losing my edge. The renegade is losing his bite through the cancer of time. I'm overextended, they say: too much quantity, and not enough quality, they snigger. Shit! ... do I look like a Detroit executive?!

You naysayers don't understand. A year ago, it was doubtful if I'd regain the use of my right hand, even after microsurgery. I could turn a wrench, but I had to follow strict guidelines to satisfy the recovery restrictions of my surgery. I had certain priorities far more private and extensive than were fit for general publication.

But I'm back, you people. I've been cleared. I can play a tighter pentatonic 8 on my Gibson Firebird now than when I was jamming in garages 25 years ago. My grip is back, and I plan to use it for things beyond immediate gratification. I'm riding this summer until the license plate on my basket-butt vibrates off. I'm FREE!

My return maiden voyage on an extended tour will be to attend the Flying Lady ride. I fell in love with this route 4 years ago when a neighbor who noticed me working on my bike in the garage was walking his dogs. Weengaged in conversation, and three weeks later, I was the happy recipient of a thorough mind-gasm of the absolute best riding roads that the entire Peninsula has to offer: mind-numbing twisties that demand your full faculties, flat-out straightaways at altitude which bring to bear your skills at maintaining your machine's state of tune, and roadhandling technique that causes you to THINK instead of merely follow

someone. And, ah yes... the magnificence of the scenery, the smell of the juniper, redwoods, madrone and Pacific pine- and an occasional whiff of salt air wafting across the valleys from the Pacific.

My neighbor- Marick Payton- will be leading this ride. If you're the redoubting sort who might question the riding skills of graying, balding, middle-aged people ("Us Old Farts" as Marick likes to refer to us)- then go ahead and try to keep up with the years of countersteering and compression braking experience that are typical on this run. There's something here for every style of rider: the casual tourer who rightfully enjoys taking in the magnificence of the region, and the Nortonphile who likes to explore the limits of the machine's designed-in handling characteristics. The route allows for everyone to sample every aspect of riding, if they're so inclined; or, if you want to lay back and take it all in, that's what this is about as well. A Word Of Caution: ensure that your bike has the basics of tune-up, tyre pressure, fluid levels, and adequate brake maintenance for this ride: this extensive route takes us through some fairly remote areas of the Monterey Wine Country backroads, and although there'll be lots of fellow NOCCers there to help you in the event of a glitch, remember the law of the seven "P's": Proper Prior Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance. I'll see you all there!

Another event that we local yokels need to make is the All British Clubman's Show and Swap Meet at the San Jose County Fairgrounds on Sunday, March 29th. Every year, this thing gets bigger and better, thanks to the exquisite organizational skills of Don Danmeir and his merry band of Beezer people. We owe his Troupe a large debt of gratitude for spotlighting our Norton fetishes at this event... there's going to be ticket sales, displays- and every Norton owner I've talked to is planning to register his/her bike, just to get out the masses! This promises to be a thoroughly righteous display of iron. So- spring bail for your best girl/boyfriend, drag your Significant Other

Unit away from the tube, or use some crudely concocted extortion letter to entice anyone to attend this event. They'll thank you for it!

Finally, the Obvious Solution To An Otherwise Miserable Pain In The Arse award goes to Phil Radford who gave me the answer that ultimately solved my cam timing chain problem. And yes, Phil-you may collect your beer at the next Club Meeting. (a word of warning: this man's expertise doesn't come cheap... FAIR, beyond question-but not cheap.)

### NOC Member Profile by John Covell

Name: Susan Wood

Age: 46

City Resident: Berkeley

Marital: Single, 17 year old daughter Occupation: Landscaper, gardener,

cosmetologist

**NOC Member since: 1987** 

How first became involved with NOC: Bought a Norton, ran into Margie Siegal at the Berkeley flea market, she invited me to join the club.

Club offices held/years: none

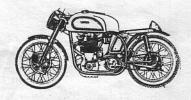
Norton(s) owned, described: "Ed", a '74 850 Commando, my first bike, the bike I learned to ride on. "He's my baby." Other makes of motorcycle: 1966 Harley Davidson Sportster XLCH, 1988 BMW K75S, used to have a Guzzi LeMans 1000 What first interested you in the Norton? I knew nothing about motorcycles. A friend brought one over for me to buy. I'll never be afraid of any motorcycle, because I thought that a Norton was just a normal old motorcycle!

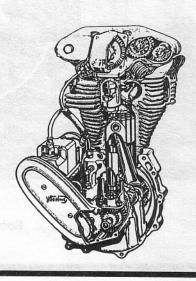
Other Hobbies/interests of note: Weightlifting, fine arts... mostly post-Renaissance nudes in pastels, men and women, some with wings, and Sumo Wrestlers (with loin cloths!). Going to have a show soom in Emeryville. (further info: (510) 849-2518)

Favorite motorcycling road or ride: Mt. Hamilton; Woodside/LaHonda; Grizzly Peak/Bear Creek Rd. to Port Costa; SR 88 to Nevada

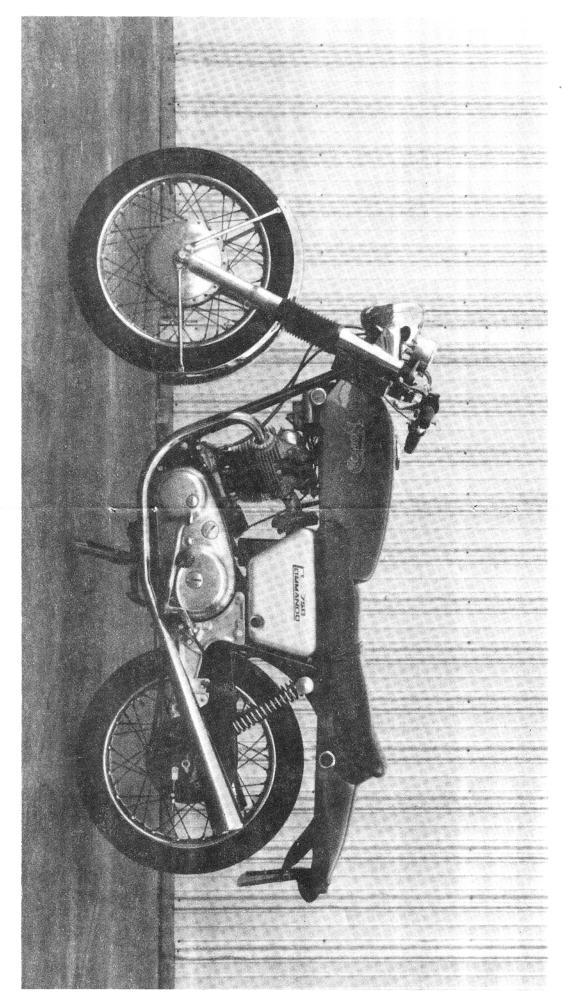
If you could redesign the Norton, what one thing would you most want to change? I have no complaints at all about my Norton. I wouldn't change anything. Favorite or most embarassing episode on a Norton: Yeah, I got drunk and went over the handlebars. I was an idiot. But "Ed" kept running!

Thank you!





The Northern California Norton Owner's Club Raffle Bike to find new ownership on March 29th, 1992 at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds in San Jose



Raber's in San Jose, Alice's Restaurant in Skylonda, Magri Motors in San Francisco, Mean Marshall's in Oakland, and Monroe Motors in San Francisco. Raffle Tickets may be purchased at

Editor's Note: with apologies to Art Sirota, I unfortunately found it necessary to slightly edit the text of the following TRUE INCIDENT, because some of the facts presented in his original manuscript might change the course of history, should they be disclosed at this time.

#### Stardate 2043-2-13 by Art Sirota

Through the magic of the latest hightech breakthrough, a copy of the minutes to a future Northern California Norton Owner's Club meeting has come into our hands. The time travel machine which has made this miracle possible was lent to me by a local inventor who couldn't get Sharper Image interested in marketing such a device. I spent a short while living in California in the year 2043, and brought back these minutes:

#### MINUTES FOR THE NOC FEB. 13TH, 2043

The meeting was held in the upstairs room at the Prince of Wales Pub in San Mateo. President Ed Brooks called the meeting to order at 7:30 sharp.

The first item on the ajenda was Andy McKerral's motion that something be done to alleviate the chronic problem of apathy among the membership. However, nobody seemed to be listening, and so the motion was never seconded or discussed further.

At that point, Lynne Miller stood up and began to play his bagpipes. This caused a pleasant distraction until his wife, Gail, made him stop by pointing out that the Christmas party was still ten months away.

Alan Goldwater showed up on his Norton-Indian and gave a a short report on his latest efforts to have his Rotary pass California's tough emissions standards. He says that rules have gotten even more stringent since Peewee Herman was elected Governor.

President Brooks then introduced the representative from ABATE who gave a presentation on his group's latest efforts to have the helmet law repealed.

While all this was going on, John Covell was over in a corner interviewing Tim Coburn for yet another Member Profile for an upcoming Norton Notice. I overheard Tim tell John that his age was still 46...

CJ Jolliff and Joe Edwards then gave a joint report on their committee's efforts to have the management of the Prince of Wales clean up the upstairs meeting room. Their report was briefly interrupted by a small pack of rats who were menacing Mike Burnham's table as he tried to hurriedly finish his dinner. The rats were quickly dispersed when Lynne Miller heaved his bagpipes in their direction and scared them off with all the ensuing noise. CJ and Joe went on to explain that that the owner of the establishment had promised to clean the meeting room up, but that a friend of his from out of town had needed a place to stay and was temporarily living in the room.

The club then voted to allocate some funds left over from last year's raffle bike towards purchasing a new home for this individual.

A treasurer's report was given by Maya Lai, whereupon it was revealed that the club is out of the red, through the black, and into the pink thanks to the ticket sales of the Manx Raffle Bike. (Ed.'s Note: I sincerely do NOT understand this peculiar fixation that Art has with Manxes... no matter what a previous article written by him may suggest.) Ms. Lai offered a brief criticism of the Manx prior to it's being raffled, but member Grover Buhr interrupted her to say that he really didn't mind the few imperfections to his newly-won prize.

Ride Coordinator Tom Kennedy gave a tech session on spoke tightening and then a

brief report on the latest Club Ride. Everyone cruelly teased Art Sirota for not riding his bike on the stretch of road which had been recently repaved.

A long debate followed over the continuing controversy of our club's affiliation with the NOC mother club in England. Members who were discussing whether to hold an election or form a committee were interrupted by loud snoring noises eminating from the direction of Phil Radford's table.

Everybody went out to the parking lot after the meeting was adjourned, and loaded their bikes onto their trailers.

#### Paraphernelia Update by John Bria

Those of you who didn't get a chance to see Shirley Mauricio's design sketches for our Northern California logo should make an effort to see them at our next meeting. Whatever design is selected will be the basis for our future paraphernelia.

If you have any ideas, siggestions, or comments regarding items that we should include in our paraphernelia offerings, please let me know. I'm willing to stock any item that won't become a white elephant that we'll eventually need to write off.

Here's a list of all the paraphernelia (at least of the NOC variety) in my posession. I'll try to have a reasonable inventory available at each of our meetings for your convenience. If you want a specific tee shirt (or size), please call me at (415) 592-8793 before the meeting, since the entire inventory won't fit into my tank bag, and I didn't take on this job as an excuse to drive my pickup truck.

Decals		
NOC- Large	30 ea.	\$2.00
NOC- Small	25 ea.	\$1.25
Patches		
Commando		

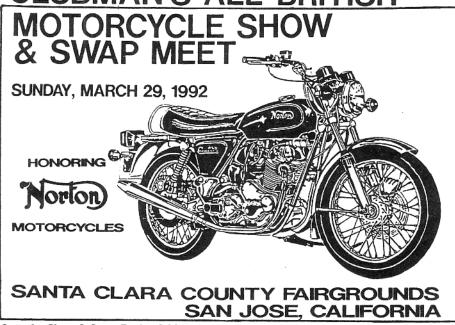
(Union Jack)	16 ea.	\$2.25
Shoulder 15 ea.	\$2.25	
Wing- self stick	7 ea.	\$2.00
NOC Large	9 ea.	\$3.50
NOC Small	12 ea.	\$2.50
Pins		
NOC Red28 ea.	\$3.00	
Norton- black	63 ea.	\$3.00
INOA 1991		
Rally Pin 144 ea	\$2.50	
NOC Union		
Jack Pin 13 ea.	\$4.00	
Key Fobs		
Norton Leather	12 ea.	\$3.50
NOC Leather	20 ea.	\$3.50
NOC- Clear	9 ea.	\$2.00
Shirts		
Small:		
Black S.S.	1 ea.	\$10.00
Black L.S.	1 ea.	\$15.00
Medium:		
Gray S.S.5 ea.	\$10.00	
Large:		
Gray S.S 3 ea.	\$10.00	
Gray L.S.2 ea.	\$15.00	
X-Large:		
Gray S.S.3 ea.	\$10.00	
XX-Large:		
Gray S.S.3 ea.	\$10.00	
Miscellaneous		
NOC Metal		**
Badges	2 ea.	\$10.00
Postcards (8)	5 ea.	\$2.75
Service Notes	23 ea.	\$5.00
INOA 1991		
Rally Caps	5 ea.	\$5.00

Some of the items, such as the INOA 1991 Rally pins and caps are of questionable retail value at this point. A suggestion about pin swaps with other clubs has been made-I'd welcome any other suggestions as well.

-John Bria- "Mr. Stuff"

#### THE FOURTH ANNUAL

### **CLUBMAN'S ALL-BRITISH**



Open for Show & Swap Entries 6:30 AM

GENERAL ADMISSION \$3 8:00 AM

#### AWARDS

#### STREET & COMPETITION CLASSES

Restored and Unrestored Divisions

Show Bike Registration \$15 (\$5 each additional bike) Trophies also for Specials, People's Choice, and Best of Marque

RAFFLE

#### WIN A NORTON COMMANDO

Tickets \$1 in advance or at the Show

Raffle tickets via: Norton Owners Club, 2401-A Bush Street, San Francisco, CA 94115

**BUY & SELL** 

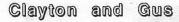
SWAP SPACES \$25

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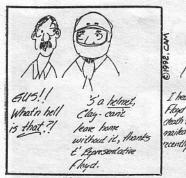
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### by Andy McKerral







## Technical Tip

Norton didn't start fitting spin-on oil filters on new machines until 1973. So if you own a Commando without a spin-on oil filter, do your engine a favor and purchase the factory "Full Flow Oil Filter Kit 064283".

This kit is available from most Norton spares distributors and is quite quick and easy to install. You will need an electric drill to drill two 11/32" holes on the engine plate. Always check the new mounting head to make certain that the oil passageways are clear by blowing through them.

Publication #064534 gives clear instructions on how to fit these parts to your Norton, and if you can't locate a copy, I would be glad to photocopy mine for you.

The entire operation will take you only an hour or so to complete; it will help you protect your engine from all those nasty microscopic particles which can contaminate your oil.

#### -Art Sirota

#### Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. McKerral:

I certainly appreciate, and agree with your point of view and ire at the Southern California Harley group that evidently put out a contract on Mr. Floyd.

Your choice of gutter language in your "Side Trips" in the February, 1992 issue of the Notice, however, makes me wonder if you're not in the same league as those you criticize.

There is, on occasion, no substitute for a well-placed "4- letter word", but certainly not in a club, or any other decent publication.

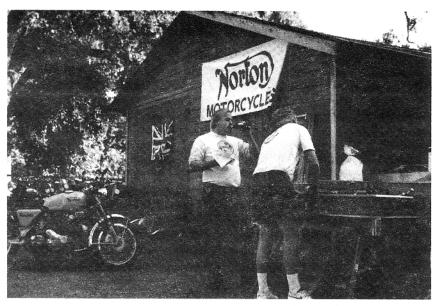
Sincerely, William E. Smith Norton *and* Harley driver

Editor's Reply:

Dear Bil

I appreciate and respect your point of view regarding my tirade last month. It is with a grave sense of profound doubt, however, that the kind of outrage and sensationalism attached to such an emotionally-charged issue was exascerbated by those who ascribe to the base, crude and exploitative elements of our particular subculture. I was only attempting to reach the few flounced monitors of this publication who might be contemplating a similar epithet towards Mr. Floyd with the sort of verbiage which only those akin to the issue could understand, to obviate further impairment to the generally arcane members of our organization.

If I caused you constemation, I sincerely apologise; however, I am certain you will concur that specific elements of our society need to be kept informed of a general concensus, in whatever way that ensures a desireable outcome for the plurality. I thank you for bringing this matter to my attention, and I will 'put a cork in it' in the future.



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