



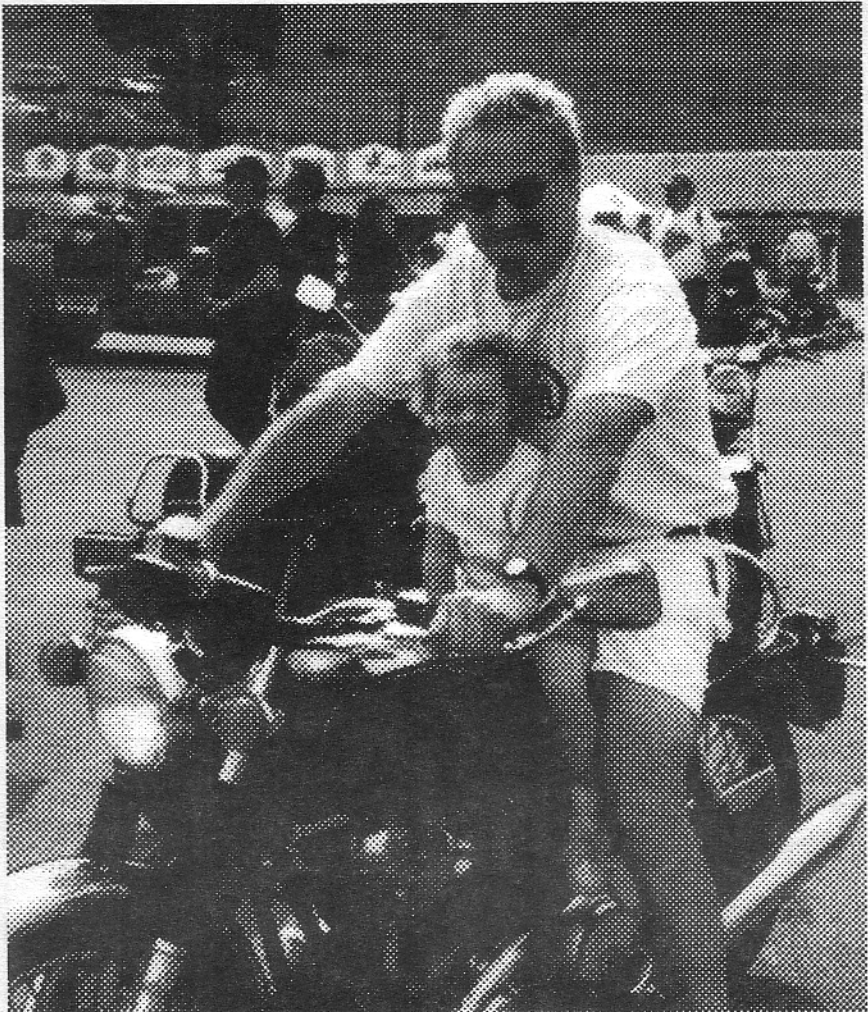
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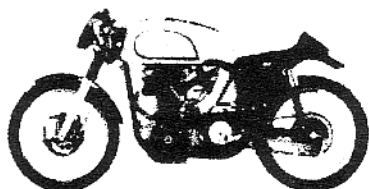
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Northern California Norton Owners Club

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## Norton Notice

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## ◆ 1999 Club Rides ◆

date	time	alt date	event	meet at	contact
May 16	10 AM	N/A	Camerons Ride	Alices: Cornor of 84 and Skyline(35)	
Jun 12	10 AM	Jun 19	Santa Cruz Ride	Alices: Cornor of 84 and Skyline(35)	Alan G. (831) 475-7505
July 25	**	N/A	North Bay Ride	**	Greg Fuller (510) 449-1762
Aug 11-15	**	N/A	Dardanelles Run	Call for reserv's or camping info	(209) 965-4355
Sept 2	10 AM	N/A	Mt Hamilton Ride	**	Tom D. 408-272-0369
Sept 26	10 AM	Oct 14	Old Timers Ride Annual Meeting	**	
Oct 10	10 AM	N/A	Delta Ride	Gar Jorgenson	(925) 634-9395
Nov 7	10 AM	N/A	Marin Ride	**	
Nov 21	11 AM	N/A	Boulder Creek	Alices	Alan G.
Mar 13	11 AM,		Alices (rain date 3/20)		

\*\* to be determined

Earn Norton Points by attending OfficialNOC events Ride a Norton: 6 Points, Any other bike: 4 points, Ride on 4 wheels: 2 points Weekend events are tallied by day. At the end of each year the member with the highest point total is awarded the Norton Cup and gets a free year membership,

## 1999 Club Meetings

The club meets at 8:00pm on the second Thursday of each month at rotating venues.

May 13	Harrys Hofbrau	San Leandro	Sept 9	Price of Wales,	San Mateo
June 12	Ride Meet	Alices-Santa Cruz	Oct 14	Harrys Hofbrau	Mtn View
July 8	Boathouse	S.F.	Nov 11	Harrys Hofbrau	San Leandro
Aug 12	After Dardanelles	Ride	Dec ??	Xmas Party	

**From the Notice Editor:** Hi folks, I apologize for the late newsletters, bad picture quality, cheap paper, etc, etc...I'm still getting the hang of monthly newsletter work. I've been trying to get lower printing costs and faster production through online services but it seems like the old fashion way works the best, White Oak Press gives a very good price for quality printing. I really need contributions from club memebers, stories, drawings, poems whatever. Send it via e-mail: [dana@spazzco.com](mailto:dana@spazzco.com) or snail mail: 1318 Eleventh Ave, San Francisco, Ca 94122. Everyone has something Norton to say!

### Meeting Minutes 4/99

The April meeting of the Northern California Norton Owners Club was held April 8, 1999 at Harry's Hofbrau in Mountain View. Twenty brave souls weathered the storm to attend. No one rode his/her bike, however. President Alan Goldwater called the meeting to order at 8:15 PM.

There was a brief discussion about the Notice. Alan Mueller explained the difficulty of getting the Notice out in a timely fashion. First, Dana Muise is trying a new printing method, which has given him some difficulty. Secondly, he is not getting much support from the members. He needs material to place in the Notice. The job of the editor is to compile articles and information passed to him by the members. So please, help Dana out! Give him something to print.

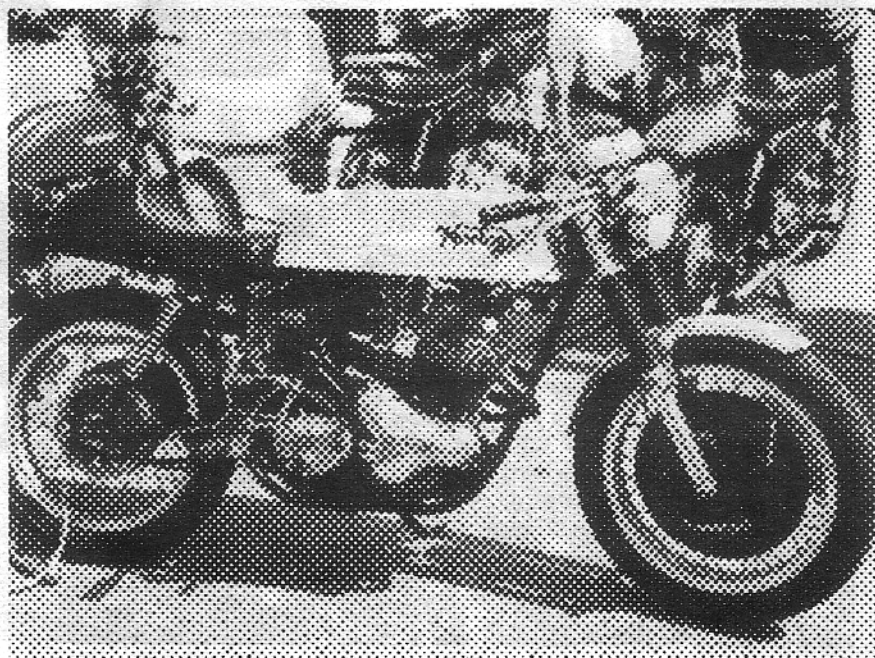
The next ride will be the Rallye de Milani held in San Rafael. Alan asked if someone could keep track of the members going and keeping track of the attendance. More points are given for riding a Norton. There was some discussion about the SonomaFest happen-

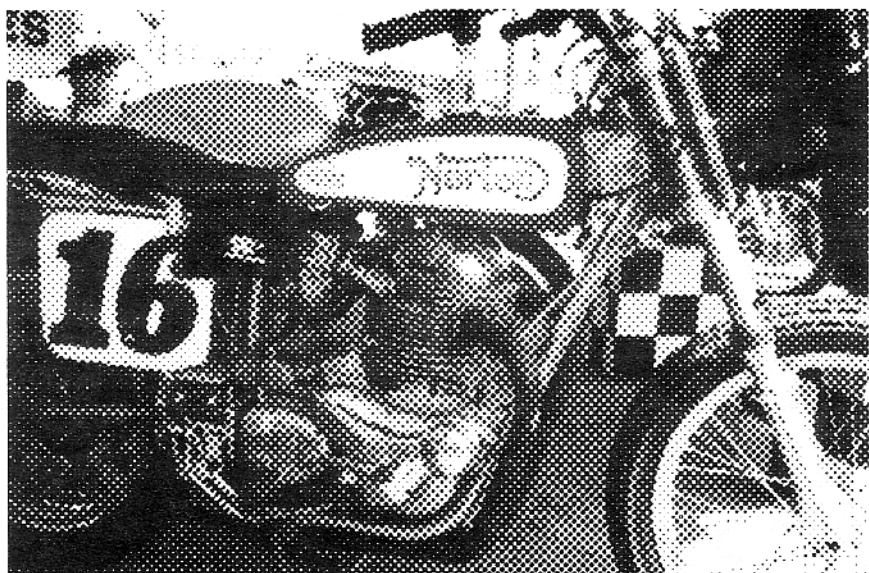
ing later this month. It seems as if Alan G. has a good representation of the Norton marquee to show at this event. Several people have offered their bikes to display. John McCoy wants to send his Norton Challenge bike to the event and Alan has offered to haul it there. He will need to rent an enclosed trailer. The club authorized the money to do that. There will be a few passes available to a few members who will help man the Norton booth. Alan G. says that the new Norton shirts have been ordered and will hopefully be ready for the SonomaFest.

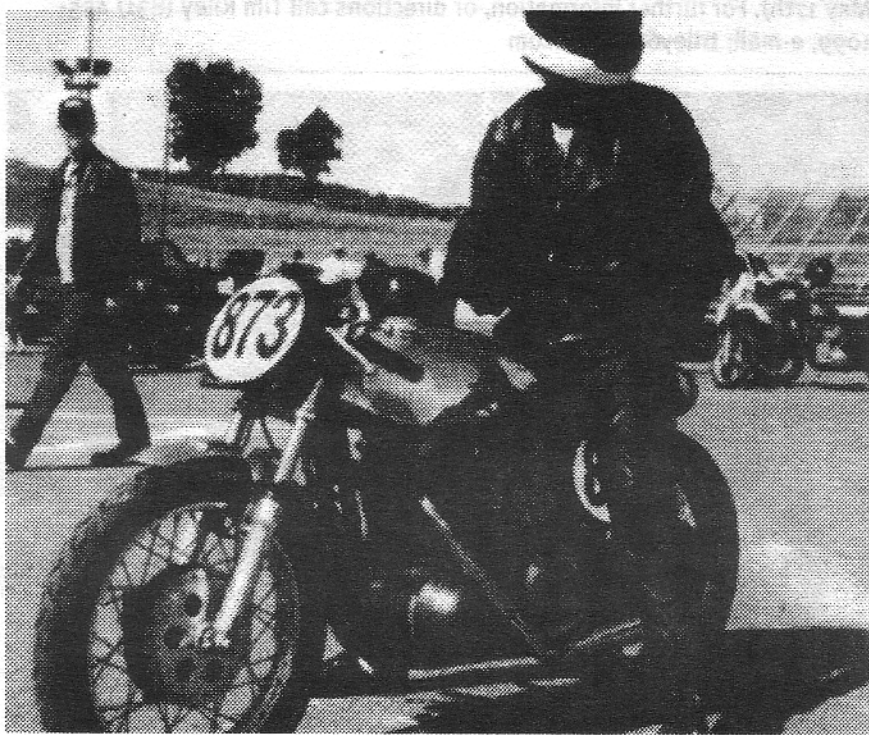
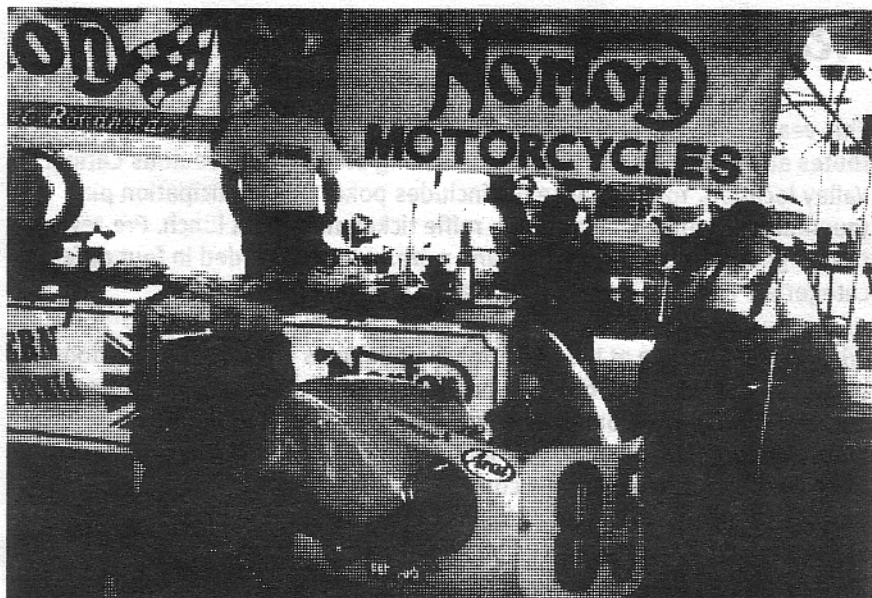
There was a discussion about elections. Last year, it was not done exactly as the by-laws dictated. That was due to a lack of participation by the members. If we get a quorum present at the Old Timer's Ride, we can have official nominations and then ballots can be placed in the Notice. The election will be officially over at the Xmas Party. On May 23, 1999 the Monterey Club will hold its annual European Motorcycle day. There should be a flyer in the next Notice. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Alan Mueller, secretary/treasurer*

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## *Rally of European Motorcycles*

Sunday, May 23, 1999

This year's rally will feature two different starting points with two different routes along scenic secondary roads ending at the same fabulous Carmel Valley location. Your entrance fee includes poker run, participation pin (guaranteed to first 100 entrants), raffle ticket and buffet lunch. Pre-registration guarantees a pin. Poker hand prizes will be awarded in four different categories: British, German, Italian and Open Class.

Trials demonstration at the site after the ride, plus 50/50 raffle and door prizes! Registration and check-in begins at 9:00am, cut off time to start is 11:00am. Coffee and donuts while they last. Awards at 2:00pm.

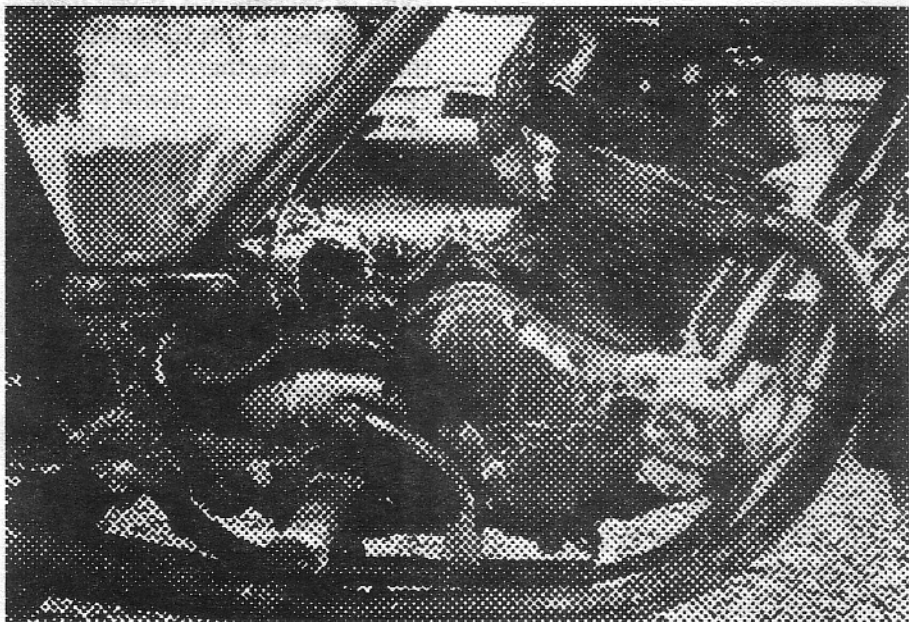
**From the north** join us at Britalia Motors, 200 Kennedy Drive, Capitola Ca. (map available at [www.britalia.com](http://www.britalia.com))

**From the south** we will meet at Salinas Cycle Center, 1286 North Main Street, Salinas Ca.

The cost of this event is \$20.00 or \$15.00 if pre-registered (in our hands by May 17th). For further information, or directions call Tim Riley (831) 455-1099, e-mail: [triley666@aol.com](mailto:triley666@aol.com)







A totally melted Norton... any one looking for a winter project?

## Classified Advertisements

Editors note: We actively encourage non-club members to post ads to sell Norton motorcycles, parts and Norton-specific services. All ads will run for 3 months (unless told otherwise). Please let us know if your item has been sold. Note the expiration date at the end of each ad.

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### Dear Norton people:

I found your e-mail address through a web search but I don't know anyone in your organization. I'm the original owner of a 1973 Commando 850 Interstate s/n 300393. It was in good shape when put in storage about ten years ago, but needs some tender loving care to bring it back to life. I don't think I'm the right guy

to take on the project, and I was hoping there might be some wisdom within the club to help me find someone to do the work for me. I'd be very pleased to have a running machine once again, and to join your organization. Can you help with some suggestions for a trustworthy place/person to have the necessary work done?  
Jon Stark, Menlo Park  
[JonWithNoH@aol.com](mailto:JonWithNoH@aol.com)

### NEED HELP

I'm trying to find someone to contact to get my 1975 MKIII restored. I live in the central valley in California, about 70 miles south of Sacramento. If you have or can forward this to someone in the area of Northern Ca. or the central valley area please e-mail me or they can call me at 209-481-9169 Thank You Richard Kinsall  
[rkinsall@aol.com](mailto:rkinsall@aol.com)

### FOR SALE

I have a one owner '73 750 Norton for sale in portland it is in great shape with only 22k miles..never been mistreated. new top end, new tranny, ported, polished, dunstall exhaust, balanced crank etc, only **\$4500.00** contact Robert Shafer at:  
[rjames@teleport.com](mailto:rjames@teleport.com)  
(503) 772-3147

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1966 Norton Atlas Roadster with Slim Line Feather Bed Frame. Rebuilt 750 Twin has never been fired up. Sheet metal is mostly all there, seat has been redone. Wheels are rebuilt with stainless steel spokes. Tires are new. Needs mufflers and a few things but the hard work is done. Basically needs to be finished up. **\$2,500. MIKE ROSE (510) 794-8298 Fremont, CA**

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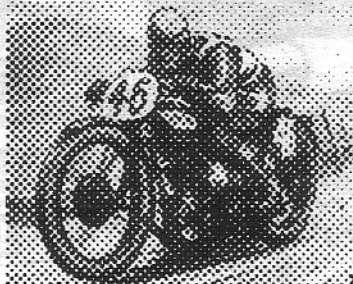
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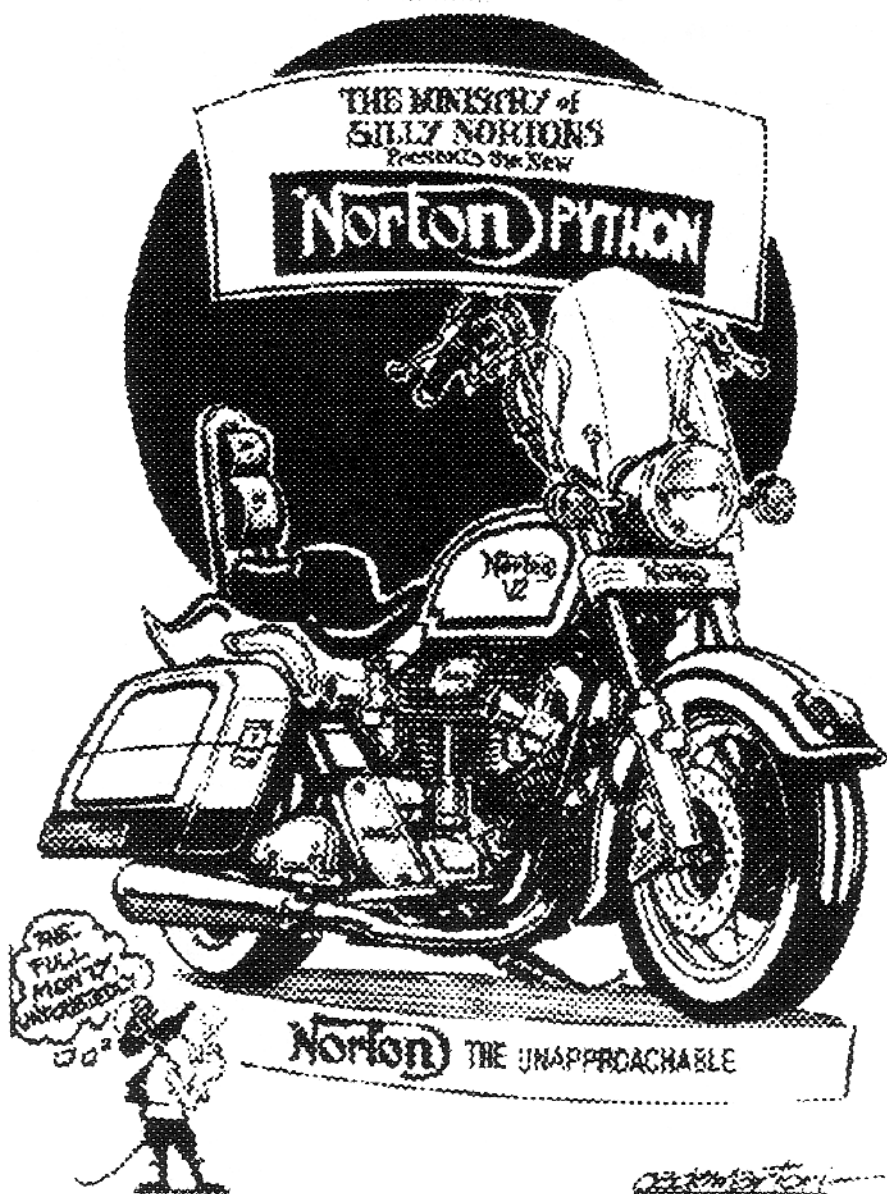
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The Northern California Norton Owners Club (NCNOC) was started in San Francisco in the early 1970's and grew geographically larger to become the Northern California Club.

Club membership is typically limited to Norton Owners, but we look the other way all the time, at least as long as you would like to own a Norton, own other British bikes, or are just a great person to be around. So if you like to ride, repair, eat, drink and be merry and admire Norton motorcycles, it will cost you \$20 to join. The club has monthly rides (some times more frequent), monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month (at rotating venues) and award winning Newsletter and a website. If you would like to learn more about your Norton and how to take care of it, would like to buy a Norton or just want to have a good time with other club members, join now!

The NCNOC maintains a relationship with the U.S. Norton Owners Association (USNOA, also known as the International Norton Owners Association or the INOA) as well as the original club in England. Our club secretary will tell you how to join the U.K. organization if you have an interest.

The USNOA hosts a North American Rally each year and publishes a fine quarterly magazine called the *Norton News*. This gives you access to national want-ads and to merchants all over the country who advertise in the News as well as a national membership list. It is well worth joining and will cost another \$20. Send that to: Dian Stark, 12603 BelAire Circle, McCalla, AL. 35111 Phone: (205) 477-4340. We look forward to seeing you and your Norton on the high road.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Motorcycles Owned  
 Make                      Year                      Model                      Engine/Frame/Plate Numbers

Attach additional sheet to list more.

I hereby apply for membership in the Northern California Norton Owners Club (NCNOC). Check One:     New Membership     Renewal application.

The undersigned application certifies that he or she is a legal resident of the U.S. over the age of 18, has a valid motorcycle drivers license, and will use legally required safety equipment in connection with club activities. Participant does hereby execute this release waiver, and indemnification for himself or herself and his or hers successors, representatives, and assigns, and hereby agrees and represents as follows: To release the Northern California Norton Owners Club ("The Club") and it's officers, agents and members from any and all liabilities, loss, damage, cost, claims and/or cause of action, including but not limited to all bodily injury and property damage arising out of participation in the Club's activities, it being specifically understood that such activities include the use by applicant and others of motorcycles. The applicant further agrees to indemnify the Club and it's officers, agents and members and hold them harmless for the results of the undersigned's participation in those activities. This Indemnification also includes attorney's fees in defending any claim or judgment in the negotiation of any settlement. It is understood and agreed that the undersigned will have the opportunity to consent to any settlement; provided however, that such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

I have read and agreed to the additional terms and conditions set forth on all parts of this application. Other affiliated clubs or organizations are also represented and protected by this release.

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Send all applications or inquiries to: Alan Mueller, 128 Windsor Ct. San Carlos, CA. 94070  
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