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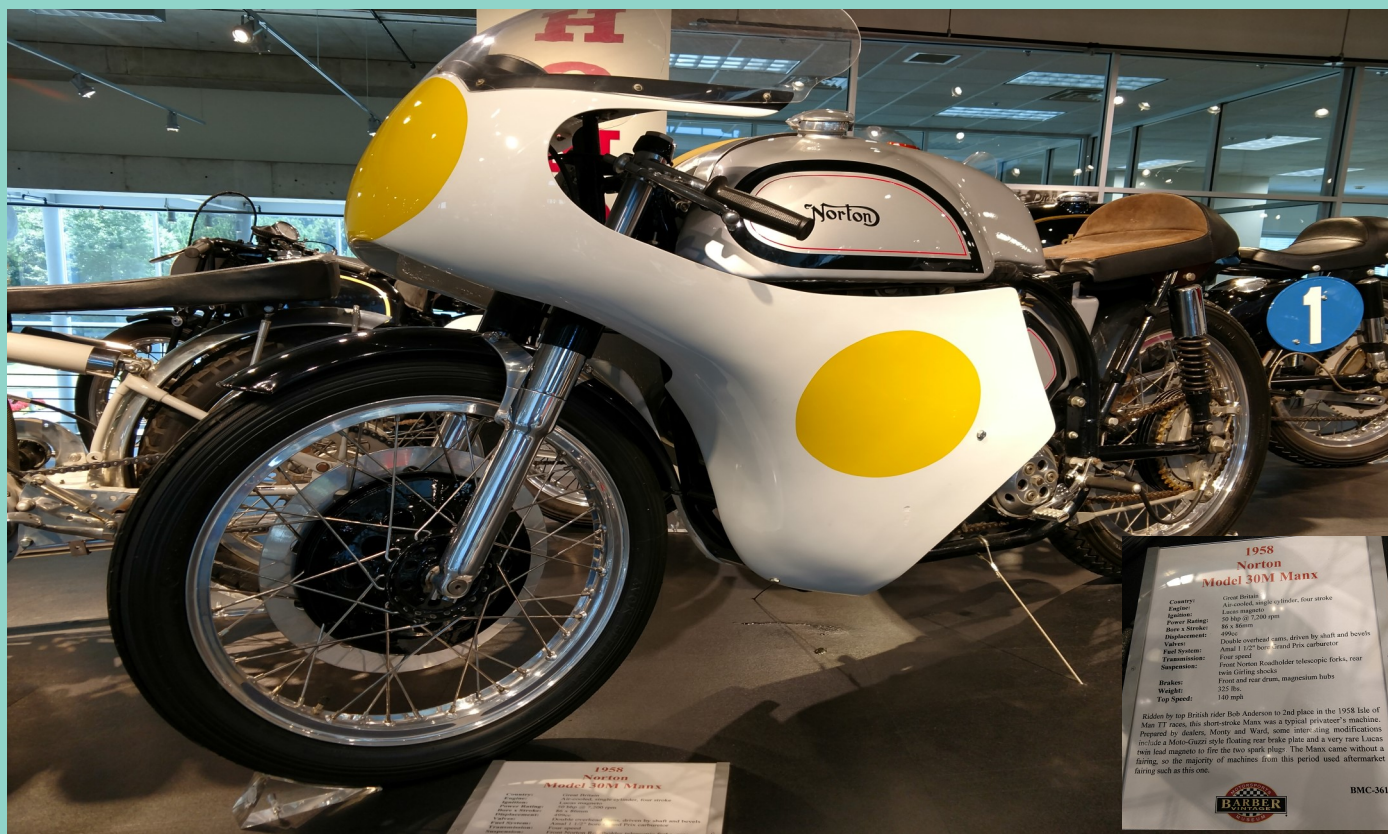


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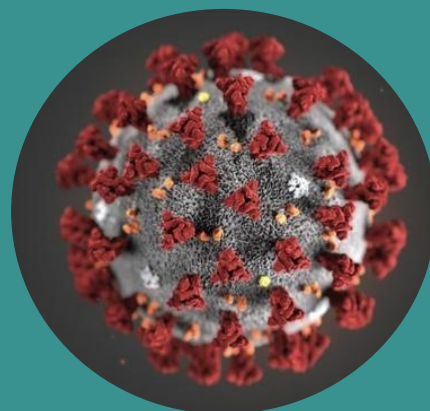


Upcoming Events

All events are cancelled/postponed until the world gets healthy again.

Crazy to think that this little guy here, the Coronavirus, has taken down the entire world and is interfering with our motorcycle riding. See you soon, stay healthy

Look for club emails for more details about these gatherings.



Norton Colorado: Plan for the rest of this year, please read

Hi Folks,

The officers of the club (Arnie Beckman, Charley Gremmels and me) have agreed on the following plan for the event schedule for the rest of this season. As you may recall, our "season" runs through January of next year and the new season begins with the Winter Banquet in early February.

- 1) For the rest of this season, i.e., up to the Winter Banquet next year, Norton Colorado will have no official gatherings.
- 2) We will announce the possibility to join other members for rides and even informal social gatherings.
- 3) President's points will only be awarded on a solo ride basis. That is, the only way to earn President's Points is to ride a Norton. You can do it by yourself, any day you want. But you have to let me know in a timely manner.
- 4) We will handle dues as usual next year, but if anyone is especially hard-pressed financially due to un- or under-employment or any other reason associated with the pandemic, we will extend membership in 2021 for free.

Any of you can offer to host a ride or an event, for example a Bob Martin Ride, David Sheesley's breakfast, or the Plains Ride just give me a couple days lead-time if possible to make a broadcast.

This was a hard decision to make. The social aspects of the club are the main thing that has kept the club vigorous for so many years, Hopefully that vigor will carry us through these challenging times.

Cheers, Eric



Motorcycle Stuff on the web:

Cool old video

[1940s LAPD POLICE MOTORCYCLE PATROLMAN RECRUITMENT FILM HARLEY DAVIDSON PANHEAD MOTORCYCLE 54074](#)

A Comprehensive Dictionary to Motorcycle Slang | The Manual

<https://www.themanual.com/auto/motorcycle-slang-lingo-terms-terminology-dictionary/>

Bud Ekins Interview on Vimeo

<https://vimeo.com/411067465>

10 reasons why this Norton is the ultimate vertical twin

<https://www.rideapart.com/car-lists/10-reasons-why-this-norton-is-the-ultimate-vertical-twin/>

Streets of London owner John Elliott dies of coronavirus

<https://theknow.denverpost.com/2020/11/13/john-elliott-death-covid19-streets-denver/248786/>

Quiz □ / How Well Do You Know Motorcycles From The 1980s? - Adventure Rider

<https://advrider.com/how-well-do-you-know-motorcycles-from-the-1980s/>

Study Finds Motorcyclists Happier Than Motorists - Adventure Rider

<https://advrider.com/study-finds-motorcyclists-happier-than-motorists/>

If you think you are smarter than the previous generation...50 years ago the owners manual of a car showed you how to adjust the valves. Today it warns you not to drink the contents of the battery.

Ron Chester, 89 years of age, was stopped by the police [around 2 am](#) and was asked where he was going at that time of night. Ron replied, "I'm on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late."

The officer asked, "Really? Who's giving that lecture at this time of night?"

Ron replied,
"That would be my wife."



Seriously good interview with the current interim CEO of the newest rebirth of Norton motorcycles. Very encouraging, very clear vision and good background/prior experience. From beginning to end a very informative and encouraging interview. Yes, that's what he's supposed to do--but I did not get any kind of PR vibe/bullshit that I've heard from others about other product relaunces. Well spoken fellow with a clear vision of what should be done and in what order; particularly liked his understanding of Norton's history, image, and orientation to what sort of values and designs they will go forward with.

Michael Homs

<https://www.rideapart.com/news/453392/norton-motorcycles-future-plans-ceo-interview/>

"If'n Susie's going to take on monkey responsibilities, perhaps this will inspire," said Bob Herman upon seeing this picture Eric sent Bob of the family out for a ride in their sidecar . Go Susie!!



Which oil do you think is the best oil for your Norton?



Progress by James Lafler

Gertrude didn't quite make it for the Sherm award submittal for 2020... However, she does plan to have a 92nd birthday celebration in Jan. of 2021 also to flash her recent augmentation !



Norton Colorado 2020 Event Schedule

February

2/1 (Saturday): Winter Banquet

March

3/1 (Sunday, 10am): Open Garage @ Ric and Joy Landeira (tire mounting demo by Rick Black)

3/15 (Sunday, noon): Pub Meeting: Streets of London

April

4/5 (Sunday): Tech Day/Open Garage @ Bob Martin

4/19 (Sunday, 9am): Group Ride

May

5/2 (Saturday): Open Garage @ Al & Barb Slarks

5/17 (Sunday): OBR 18

June

6/27-28 (Sat-Sun): Riverside Run

July

7/5 (Sunday): Mt Evans Ride & Brunch @ David Sheesley

August

8/1-2 (Saturday-Sunday): Wimpy Campout @ Jamie & Michelle Jones

8/16 (Sunday): Open Garage @ Dennis Horgan

September

9/11-13 (Friday-Sunday): Cotopaxi overnighter

9/20 (Sunday): English Conclave

October

10/3 (Saturday): Group Ride or Open Garage

10/18 (Sunday): Plains Ride (Scott & Julie Robinson)

November

11/1 (Sunday): Tech Day at MotoWorks Denver

TBA (Saturday): DU Hockey Night

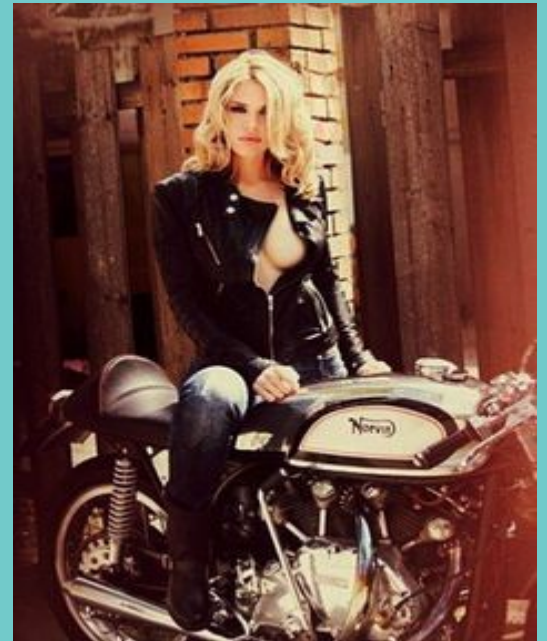
December

12/6 (Sunday): Pub Meeting at Pints Pub

January 2021

1/1 (Friday): New Year's Day Ride

1/17 (Sunday): Pub Meeting at Lincoln's Roadhouse



Membership

Membership in Norton Colorado is open to anyone, regardless of whether they own a Norton, or any motorcycle whatsoever.

Dues are \$20/ year individual, \$22 for a couple or family unit, payable to "Norton Colorado" and sent to the Treasurer, whose contact information is listed on the last page of this newsletter.

The official club membership list is posted on the club website. Please let Eric know if there is an error.

The membership year begins with the Winter Banquet in February. New members who join after August 1 are credited with membership for the following year.

Club Events

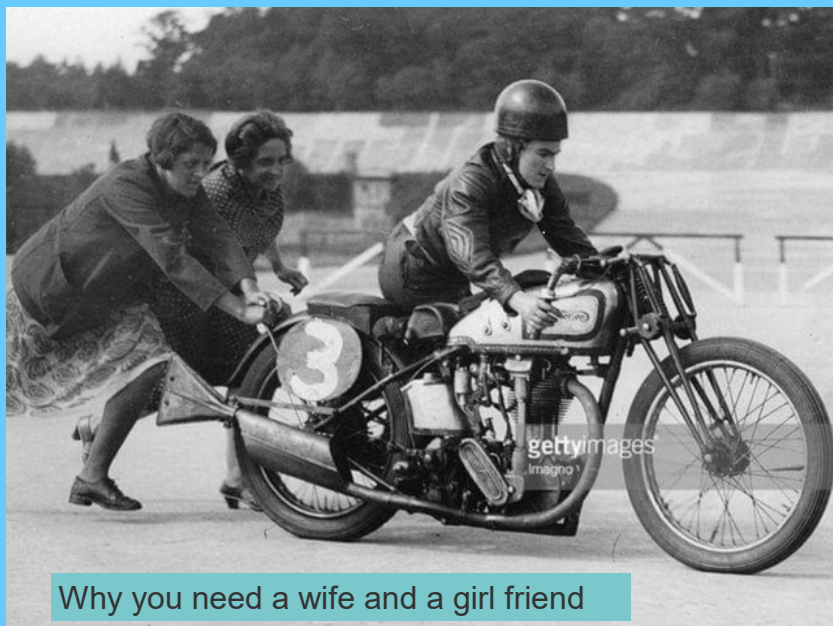
Many events have been scheduled for the 2020 season, usually about 2 per month. Participation in these events will be counted for the President's Award. Events may be added, dropped, or re-scheduled through the year. The schedule can be found in this newsletter or check the schedule on the club website:

<http://www.nortoncolorado.org/meetings.html>

Prez Points Standings Top 10 (2019):

points, events, solo rides

Scott Robinson	77	15	10
David Sheesley	59	13	10
Ron Weaver	59	13	0
Jack Abeyta	50	14	0
Mike Fields	39	9	4
Eric Bergman	34	19	0
Jamie Jones	33	9	0
Jerry Doe	29	8	1
James Lafler	27	5	13
Peggy Abeyta	26	10	0



Why you need a wife and a girl friend



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I also want to say thanks to others who sent me things I will use in future editions.

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