



Vee-Twin Rumbblings

Newsletter of the Central Vermont H.O.G. Chapter



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Chapter Director—Jeff Demers

Greetings HOG Members,

“The first sign of spring isn't a robin. Watch for motorcycles!” – www.saskrage.org

Mother nature played a trick on us this year, delaying the heaviest snowstorms until March. However, the calendar says Spring has arrived, the days are getting warmer, and soon the roads will be clear of the salt, sand, and dust! Now, about those

frost heaves, pot holes, and mud...

On March 4, the Ride Leaders meeting was held to schedule rides. Many rides have been planned and there are open dates for rides to be added. We encourage you to share ideas for rides and events. Rides, events, and other activities will be updated on Facebook.com/centralvermonthog, wilkinsharley.com -> Info -> Motorcycle Events, and www.centralvermonthog.com.

A chapter breakfast has been planned for Sunday, April 16th, 9:00 AM at the Billtown Roadhouse in Williamstown. We hope to see you there!

Do you know someone that is interested in getting their motorcycle endorsement? The chapter is sponsoring the **Joe Lonardo scholarship for the Riding Academy at Wilkins** again this year. Those wishing to apply can send a paragraph or two describing their desire or passion for riding to officers@centralvermonthog.com.

“Sometimes people around you won't understand your journey. They don't need to, it's not for them.” -- Anonymous

Safe, smooth, and fun riding for all!

Jeff



On the Horizon

Wilkins Harley Davidson:

Family-Owned and Operated Since 1947



April 1st—Barbara Wilkins' 94th Birthday



WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON

HIGH ROLLER DAY!

SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH | 10AM-1PM

Join us for Vegas style fun, games and giveaways!

- Roll the dice with Parts & Accessories! Snake eyes gets no charge dyno on any performance upgrade! Roll a 7 and get a free gift from Parts & Accessories!
- Test your luck! Pick your card from a deck in our Apparel Department. The card you pick will determine the prize you win!
- Come see the 2020 Street Bob priced at \$14,999 for one day only!

ASK A STAFF MEMBER ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN SAVE WITH AN HD VISA!

April 22nd at Wilkins: Pancakes !

also

H.O.G. Chapter Membership Drive Event:
Foster excitement for people to join local Chapters of H.O.G.—the official Harley Riding Club

April 29th at Wilkins: Bikes and BBQ Event

BIKE NIGHT AT THE MULLIGAN'S IRISH PUB

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH | 6-8PM
9 MAPLE AVE. BARRE, VT

JOIN US AT MULLIGAN'S FOR OUR FIRST BIKE NIGHT OF 2023 WITH GAMES, GIVEAWAYS, DRINKS, AND FOOD!

Mulligan's Irish Pub logo and Wilkins HOG Chapter logo are present.

WILKINS CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT

THE FOUR HORSEMEN
THE ULTIMATE METALLICA TRIBUTE BAND

FRIDAY, JUNE 23RD | DOORS 6:30PM, SHOW 7:30PM

FOOD TRUCKS: CORNERSTONE, FREE ENTRY

\$500 AND \$1,000 SHOPPING SPREE GIVEAWAYS!
\$150 INK AND IRON TATTOO GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY!

Justo's logo and other event details are included.

Check the Wilkins/HOG Chapter events on the calendar on Wilkins website — you do *not* need to have a Facebook account to see this calendar.
<https://www.wilkinsharley.com/events-calendar-harley-davidson-dealership--xcalendar>

Advertise in our monthly newsletters!

Business card-sized ads will appear in 10 issues of our newsletter for just \$42.

Contracts for 2023 will cover issues April through December in 2023 plus the January issue in 2024.

For forms, please send an email to: editor@centralvermonthog.com

Sample advertisements (~20% of actual size):

Grid of sample advertisements including:

- Sunny Garden**: Mandarin, Szechuan & Cantonese Cuisines. Full bar service, take out or eat in. Contact: (603) 747-2688.
- C. Michaud Landscape and Lawn Care**: Corey Michaud, Owner. Fully insured. 781 E. Hill Rd, Middlesex, VT 05602.
- Truck for Hire!**: Reasonable rates, friendly and local business. Contact: (802) 224-1360.
- K's Korner**: Twin City Family Fun Center & K's Korner Sports Bistro. Full service restaurant/bar. 708 US Rte. 302-Barre, VT 05641.

Minutes of the rescheduled March Social— held on Saturday, March 18th at Wilkins

The meeting was attended by 15 people. Chapter Director Jeff Demers started us off with pledging allegiance to the flag.

The first topic he brought up was the Joe Lonardo Riding Academy Scholarship. We are waiting to receive applications from individuals who would like to learn to ride. The application process is easy—a few sentences explaining why someone is interested in getting their motorcycle endorsement sent by email to the Chapter officer email address is all it takes!

Plans are in the works for a Chapter membership drive (to be done as a combined event at Wilkins by Central Vermont HOG Chapter and Champlain Valley HOG Chapter). *tentative date is Saturday, April 22*

Jeff reminded us that there is a Group Riding Workshop scheduled for March 25th at Wilkins from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. which will be presented by Ben Drury and Adam Dantzcher. No cost for this. The same day is the Wilkins Riding Season Opener from 11 to 1, featuring food and special deals. The Chapter Calendar of rides and events (a work in progress) was discussed, with adjustments made to some dates and the requested addition of some non-HOG riding events. *Updates are in the Calendar of this newsletter*

Jeff Demers mentioned that he intends to lead monthly Sunday brunch rides throughout the summer. He reminded us that Wilkins is sponsoring a June 14th ride to Laconia for the 100th annual Bike Week Event. Our own Scott Campbell will be leading the group. Wilkins will be buying lunch for the group as part of the trip.

Justen Elliott gave an overview of his three 'big' rides: to Canada for GoKarting and one overnight in Stratton ME for Memorial Day weekend : to Quebec City for two overnights July 14-16: and to the Beach Plum Restaurant and Bentley's (with lots of riding in between) for a two-overnight trip September 2-4, Labor Day weekend.

The Chapter's annual Poker Run will be August 26th, with the lunch destination to be announced. Member Tony Carrier stated that he plans to lead a ride to The Eastside Restaurant in Newport Vt—date and details to follow.

Member Greg Johnston asked to have 'the Last Mile Ride' added to our rides and event calendar. Tony Carrier presented a list of Vermont restaurants to Jeff Demers for use in making plans for rides. He also shared that Champlain Valley HOG has a very complete 'Ride Leader packet'. Several people mentioned that our 'med packs' contain similar materials for ride leaders.

Membership report: The Chapter currently has 62 members. There are still some patches (Central Vermont HOG Chapter and Ladies Of Harley) available and an order for specific patches can be put together. *Members should send an email to lindalamell@hotmail.com detailing what they are interested in.* An order of Chapter-logo t-shirts will be 'in the works' soon. Details to follow via email. There were two winners of the 'Wearin' o the green' contest: Lauren Demers and Gary Johnston, who each received 6 home-baked cupcakes. The 50/50 raffle was won by Tony Carrier. The Chapter door prize wasn't given out because the person whose name was drawn (Gene Gostette) wasn't in attendance. The prize will be combined with next month's prize. (This is a new thing—you must be in attendance to win!)

The meeting was adjourned so everyone could partake in the Wilkins 'Screw Winter' luau.





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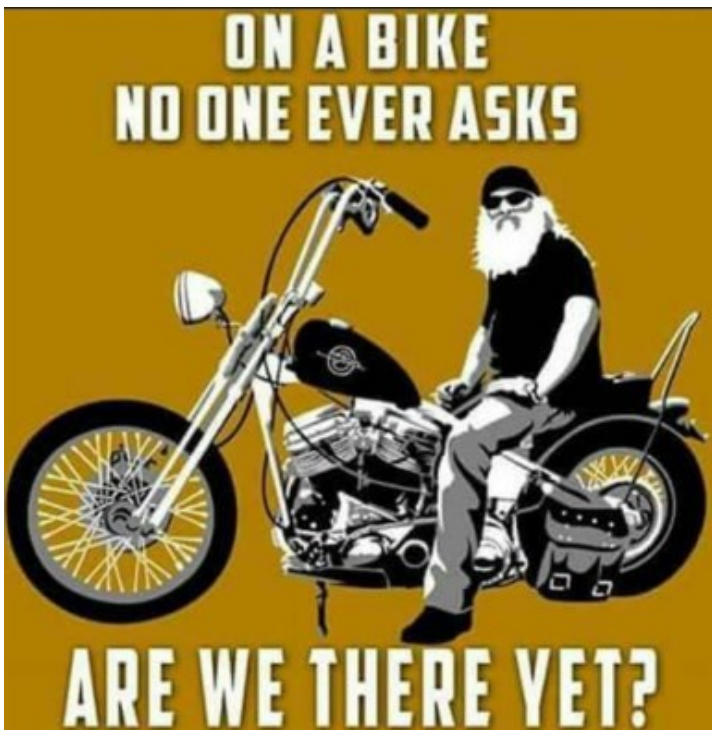
When a brother or sister is broken down by the side of the road, always stop and help them. Even moral support, if that is all you can give, is better than riding on by... bikers understand what it means to be a family.

Take The Pledge



Motorcycle Safety Foundation's Seriously Safe Top 10

- 1** Take formal training and get licensed.
- 2** Wear all gear when riding.
- 3** Ride unaffected by alcohol or drugs.
- 4** Assume others don't see you.
- 5** Maintain 360° awareness.
- 6** Create a space cushion all around.
- 7** Enter intersections and curves with caution.
- 8** Practice emergency braking and swerving.
- 9** Save aggressive riding for the racetrack.
- 10** Refresh your skills and knowledge regularly.



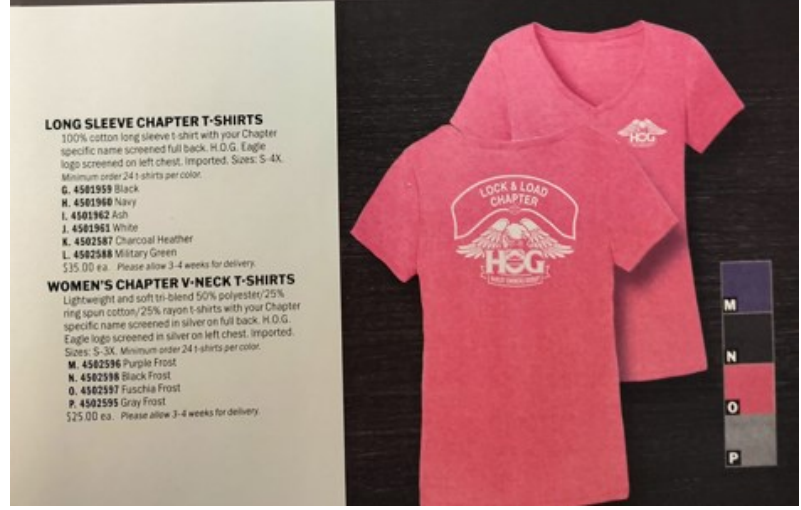
Please do business with our sponsors, and consider being a sponsor!

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MONTPELIER, VT

H.O.G Chapter shirts

The Chapter can order Central Vermont H.O.G. shirts on behalf of members. We should probably settle on one color for the men's t-shirt style (\$28 each) and one color for the women's vee neck t-shirt style (\$25 each) in order to meet the minimum order requirement. There is a long-sleeve style shirt as well (\$35 each).

Please send an email to lindalamell@hotmail.com and indicate how many shirts you would be interested in ordering and what your color preference is so we can get an idea as to what kind of interest there is in placing a group order.



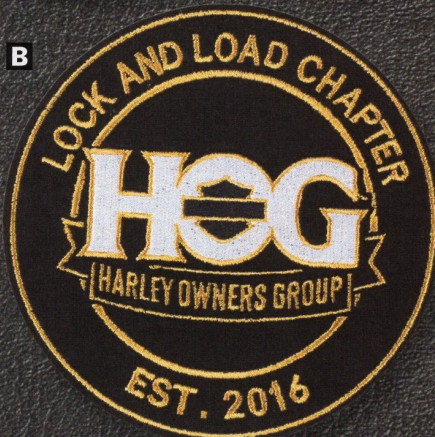
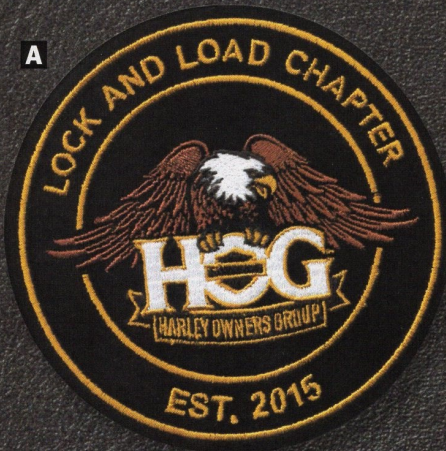
CHAPTER PATCHES

If you are interested in ordering patches or a bike flag, please send an email to: lindalamell@hotmail.com by April 14th. Please be specific about what you want to order (quantity and item number as shown in the information in these photos from the Norscot catalogue) (At this point, I don't know how much shipping and handling will add to the cost.)



CHAPTER BIKE FLAGS

Customized nylon Chapter flag with H.O.G. logo and your Chapter specific name. Reads correctly on both sides.
 Minimum order 5 flags per size.
F. 4501969 9" x 6" \$20.00 ea.
G. 4501970 15" x 11 1/2" \$30.00 ea.
 Please allow 2-3 weeks for delivery.



CHAPTER PATCHES

4 1/2" embroidered patch. Designate your Chapter name and your Chapter's date of establishment.

- A. 4502274** H.O.G. Eagle Logo
10-19 pieces: \$18.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$13.00 ea.
- B. 4501972** H.O.G. Icon Logo
10-19 pieces: \$18.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$13.00 ea.

Minimum order 10 pieces. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

SMALL CHAPTER PATCHES

Highlight your Chapter's name. 5" embroidered patch goes above small H.O.G. patch.

Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C. 4501998 Gold
1-9 pieces: \$25.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$15.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$9.00 ea. E. 4502035 Silver
1-9 pieces: \$25.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$15.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$9.00 ea. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> D. 4502033 Heritage Tan
1-9 pieces: \$25.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$15.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$9.00 ea. F. 4502037 Reflective
1-9 pieces: \$39.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$19.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$12.00 ea. |
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LARGE CHAPTER PATCHES

Highlight your Chapter's name. 12 1/4" embroidered patch goes above large H.O.G. patch.

Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> G. 4501997 Gold
1-9 pieces: \$38.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$28.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$18.00 ea. I. 4502034 Silver
1-9 pieces: \$38.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$28.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$18.00 ea. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H. 4502032 Heritage Tan
1-9 pieces: \$38.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$28.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$18.00 ea. J. 4502036 Reflective
1-9 pieces: \$50.00 ea.
10-19 pieces: \$40.00 ea.
20+ pieces: \$25.00 ea. |
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NOTE: the images that go with the small and large Chapter patches information on this page are shown on the next page of this newsletter.



SMALL H.O.G. PATCHES

- 5" embroidered patch.
- K. 4502056 Silver \$5.00 ea.
- L. 4501897 Full Color \$5.00 ea.
- M. 4502510 Reflective \$8.00 ea. ▲

LARGE H.O.G. PATCHES

- 10 1/2" embroidered patch.
- N. 4501896 Full Color \$14.00 ea.
- O. 4502055 Silver \$14.00 ea.
- P. 4502511 Reflective \$18.00 ea. ▲

See more patch options at hog.com/shop

Calendar of Events for 2023—all rides & events are subject to change

This is a 'work in progress' - details and new events will be added as they are available

(Note: destination rides indicate the chapter ride ends at the destination)

*nonmembers will need to complete a release form for rides

Central Vermont HOG Chapter Socials, events, and rides (In blue)

Wilkins Harley-Davidson Events (In red)

Community (non-HOG) events

March

Saturday the 25th: Group Riding Workshop presented by Ben Drury and Adam Dantzcher. 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Saturday the 25th: Wilkins Riding Season Opener! 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hot dogs, burger, and lemonade.

Saturday the 25th: Special event 3-5 p.m. —Wilkins "Ladies Only Garage Party" for ladies with zero to one year riding experience. Sign up by the 24th please.

April

Saturday the 8th: High Roller Day 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wilkins

Tuesday the 11th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Sunday the 16th Central Vermont HOG Chapter brunch at Billtown Roadhouse in Williamstown (NOT a ride, just a gathering) Meet there at 9 a.m. (located behind the Pump and Pantry)

May

Sunday, May 7th Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride for brunch. Jeff Demers, ride leader Details to follow

Tuesday the 9th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Sunday, May 21st Bikers for Beth. Annual charity memorial poker ride. Takes place at Gusto's, in Barre, VT 3rd Sunday in May.

Thursday the 25th: Wilkins Bike Night at Mulligan's Irish Pub in Barre. 6-8 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday the 27th and 28th: Memorial Day weekend Overnight ride, Justen Elliott ride leader. Start from P&H Truck Stop, Wells River, VT. Destinations: Karting Orford in Canada, Sherbrooke Harley Davidson, Spillover Motel in Stratton ME (for the night), through Ranglely ME on the way back with the ride ending in Littleton, NH. (www.mainespillover.com or 207 246-6571. Mention Central Vermont HOG for special pricing)

Sunday the 28th Vermont Thunder—Memorial Day weekend Ride. Leave I-89N Sharon rest stop at 11 a.m.

June

Sunday the 4th Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride. Joel DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

Saturday the 10th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Ride, Paul Celley, ride leader. Heading to Rangely Maine for lunch at Sarge's Pub and Grill. Details to follow.

Sunday the 11th Central Vermont HOG Chapter brunch ride. Jeff Demers, ride leader. Details to follow.

Tuesday the 13th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Wednesday the 14th Scott Campbell/Wilkins Ride to Laconia for Bike Week. 9:45 a.m. at Wilkins

Friday the 23rd: Wilkins Customer Appreciation Night. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.. Show begins at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday the 24th Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride. Jeff Demers, ride leader. Details to follow.

July

Sunday the 2nd Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to Tozier's Restaurant in Bethel, Vt. Joel DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

Thursday the 6th: Wilkins Bike Night at Rozzi's Lakeshore Tavern and Restaurant 6-8 p.m.

Saturday the 8th Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to the Log Jam Restaurant, Lake George NY. Randy Lamell, ride leader. Details to follow.

Tuesday the 11th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Friday to Sunday the 14th to the 16th: Chapter Ride with two overnights, destination Quebec City, ride leader Justen Elliott. Depart from P&H Truck stop on Friday. Staying at Hotel le Dauphin Quebec. The plan is to do sightseeing using shuttle/tour busses. A visit to Premont Harley-Davidson will be included. Some places will have entry fees. Trip ends in Woodsville/Wells River area on Sunday.

Thursday the 20th: Wilkins Bike Night at Idletyme Brewing Co. in Stowe. 6-8 p.m.

Sunday the 23rd. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to the White Cottage Snack Bar, Woodstock, VT. Trina DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

Saturday the 29th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to Molly Stark Trail, Bennington Vt. Jeff Demers, ride leader. Details to follow.

August

Saturday the 5th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to Porky's BBQ in New Haven, VT. Tony Carrier, ride leader. Details to follow.

Tuesday the 8th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Saturday the 12th United Motorcyclists of Vermont Annual Toy Run. "We stage at the Blue Cross Blue Shield Parking Lot in Berlin, VT starting around 9:00 am. Refreshments and t-shirts are available at the staging area – kickstands up at noon. "

Saturday the 12th, plus the 18th and 19th. Join Gifford Medical Center in beautiful Randolph, VT, for their 18th annual "Last Mile Ride" events. Watch for details.

Sunday the 13th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride to George's Seafood & BBQ in Plymouth, NH. Trina DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

Saturday the 19th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride. Joel DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

Sunday the 20th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter brunch ride. Jeff Demers, ride leader. Details to follow.

Saturday the 26th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride. (Poker Run?) Joel DeLary, Jeff Demers, Trina DeLary, Justen Elliott, ride leaders. Details to follow.

September

Saturday the 2nd-4th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter overnight ride to Beach Plum-Bentley's-Kennebunk-Laconia (two nights) Justen Elliott, ride leader. Details to follow.

Saturday the 9th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride with members of Brandywine, PA HOG. Joel DeLary, ride leader.

Tuesday the 12th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Saturday the 30th. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Kancamagus Highway/Foliage ride. Trina DeLary, ride leader. Details to follow.

October

Tuesday the 10th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

November

Tuesday the 14th Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

December

TBD Chapter Holiday Party

Central Vermont Harley Owners Group

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Barre, VT 05641

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Chapter Meetings:

Second Tuesday of Each Month (except December)

Usually at Wilkins Harley Davidson, Inc.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

2023 CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

CENTRAL VERMONT CHAPTER 5218

MEMBER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIPCODE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

NATIONAL H.O.G. MEMBERSHIP # _____ EXPIRATION DATE _____

I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter. I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

- THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING -

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the "RELEASED PARTIES") shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G. or H.O.G. chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G. members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G. activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities.

I release and hold the "RELEASED PARTIES" harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE "RELEASED PARTIES" FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the "RELEASED PARTIES"

MEMBER SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO: **WILKINS H-D Dealership—HOG Chapter**
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Barre, VT 05641