



Vee-Twin Rumbblings

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



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Chapter Director—Jeff Demers



Greetings fellow H.O.G. members!

I wish you and your families a warm, safe, and joyous holiday season!

Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.

-- Edith Sitwell, "Taken Care Of"

I hope to see many of you at the Holiday Party on January 7 at the American Legion in Barre. Early next year, we will schedule a meeting for ride leaders to schedule rides for 2023. Any member can be a ride leader. Perhaps you have a favorite road or destination that you would like to share with other members. Rides can be short, say for brunch, lunch, or just a creemee, or longer, all day or overnight adventures. I encourage all of you

to write an article for the newsletters. Do you have a motorcycling topic of interest, e.g., learning to ride, buying a new or dream bike, riding with friends, cross country trips, international adventures? We would love to hear from you!

May your stuffing be tasty

May your turkey be plump

May your potatoes and gravy have a lump

May your yams be delicious and your pies take the prize

And may your Thanksgiving Dinner not make your leathers too tight!

-- Biker Life

Safe, smooth, and fun riding for all!

Jeff

Chapter Assistant Director — Brion Muzzy



Season Greetings Fellow CVHOG Members,

First a little house cleaning business, Just a reminder there will be **NO December or January socials**, Also Please Mark your calendars, January 7th, 2023 @ 5:00 pm for the Central Vermont H.O.G. Chapter Holiday Party at the Barre American Legion Post 10. keep an eye on our Facebook page and Wilkins event calendar for more details.

Secondly I want to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as your assistant director this past year. It has been both an honor and a privilege over the years to serve you in many different positions as well as very rewarding.

I encourage anyone to get more involved in your chapter. Thirdly, I would like to welcome all the new and returning officers. I know that 2023 will be another great riding season. stay tuned in the coming months for details and info on what I am sure will be some great rides. Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season !!! See you all in 2023 !!

I used to look over my shoulder for all the wrong reasons, now I look to change lanes...

Brion



On the Horizon

Wilkins Harley Davidson:
Family-Owned and Operated Since 1947



WILKINS WELCOME BACK WAFFLES!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH
9AM - 11AM OR UNTIL GONE!

We'd like to welcome you and 2023 with waffles and all the fixings.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON BEST DAMN CHILI COOK OFF

Saturday, January 21st • 11am – 2pm

Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places along with Best Presentation and People's Choice!

Chili will be open to public for tasting & voting at noon

Donations per tasting bowl are accepted for entry going to the VT Food Bank

Local celebrity judges:

VT Senator, Joe Benning

WCAX Reporter, Cat Viglienzoni

President of New England Cooks, Tony Campos

Sign up on our website, Facebook page or by calling in 802-476-6104



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>

Minutes of the November Social—held on November 8th at Wilkins

Chapter Director Jeff Demers started the meeting having us pledge allegiance to the flag.

He introduced **new member Hannah Frigon**.

Member Mark Allard was asked to provide an update on his wife **Ronnie's** progress in her recovery from a motorcycle accident that occurred earlier in the fall. The Chapter presented Mark with \$250 to go toward his expenses incurred in traveling to and from his daily visits with Ronnie. (He had received a matching gift from the Champlain Valley HOG Chapter and some financial assistance from the Moose Foundation.) Ronnie was scheduled for a right hip replacement on November 11th.

Plans for the holiday party to be held on January 7th were presented: it will be held at the Barre American Legion on N. Main St in Barre, beginning at 5 p.m. The catered meal, to be served buffet style, will include the following:

Ham

Macaroni & Cheese

Broccoli

Squash

Peas & Carrot Mix

Tossed Salad

Rolls

Apple, Blueberry & Lemon Meringue Pies

Brownies

Alcoholic beverages will be available, but will not be included in the meal (which is being paid for by the Chapter).

Attendees should bring a wrapped gift valued under \$20 to participate in the group's Yankee Swap. Door prizes will be given out to members. At the conclusion of the holiday gathering, people will have the option of leaving the facility or paying the covercharge (\$5?) to go upstairs in the facility for live music.

Mandy Anderson presented the Dealership Update: reminder of the upcoming 75th anniversary celebration on November 12th including the motorcycle giveaway. She suggested that people arrive early. And she reminded us that Wilkins will have special deals on Black Friday and Black Saturday (the two days following Thanksgiving Day).

Jeff requested all last-minute **nominations for Officer positions for 2023**. Justen Elliott put in his name for Safety Officer. Scott Campbell was on the list as potentially filling that position and the Assistant Director position. The final slate of officers was presented and voted on by the Secretary. The following people were voted in as Chapter Officers for 2023:

Director: Jeff Demers

Assistant Director: Scott Campbell

Treasurer: Don Whiton

Secretary: Linda Lamell

Membership: Linda Lamell and Lauren Demers

Newsletter Editor: Linda Lamell

Head Road Captain: Joel Delary

Safety Officer: Justen Elliott

Ladies of Harley: Lauren Demers

Activities Director: Randy Lamell

Photographer: Mi Yong Elliott

Webmaster: Richard Pitonyak

Jeff mentioned that all members are encouraged to be ride leaders and/or to suggest/present plan rides. He suggested that it might be a good idea to have more short rides on the schedule for 2023—to encourage people to take part in Chapter rides that aren't generally able to go on the long rides/overnight rides.

The 50/50 raffle prize was won by Lauren Demers. Door prizes were given out. Brownies brought to the meeting by Linda Lamell were shared.

Minutes submitted by Linda Lamell, Secretary



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

Central Vermont HOG Chapter ride schedule in bold (Co-Chapter rides non-bold) (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 (In blue)

Wilkins Harley-Davidson – Events (In red)

January

Saturday, January 7, 9-11 a.m. (or until they run out!) Wilkins Welcome Back Waffles! Wilkins wants to welcome 2023 and everyone with waffles and all the fixings!

Saturday, January 7. Beginning at 5 p.m. Chapter Holiday Party

at Barre American Legion. Dinner, Yankee Gift Swap, Door Prizes. There is the option of paying the covercharge and going upstairs in the facility for live music after the dinner party.

Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wilkins Best Damn Chili Cook Off

ENTER YOUR CHILI BY GOING TO THIS LINK!: <https://forms.gle/9NT2BiLeNvZXjPvT8>

Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places along with Best Presentation and People's Choice!

Presentation is optional

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Cooks Tony Campos

Central Vermont Harley Owners Group

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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 Dues are \$15 for 2023

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 _____

LOCAL DUES PAID _____ (cash/check /online) DATE RECEIVED* _____

Circle one

*to be completed by membership officer or treasurer

(Dues not to exceed maximum amount prescribed in, "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters", as contained in the H.O.G. Chapter Handbook.)

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