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

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Chapter Director's Report — Justen Elliott



Greetings Central Vermont HOG -

I'd like to take a moment to thank all the Officers that served our Chapter in 2025. No matter what position you served, thanks for your help in keeping the heart of our Chapter beating strong. As your director for 2026 I look forward to working with you again along with some newly first-time elected officers. Let's let the momentum from 2025 carry us over into the new year.

Momentum, as in The Iron Adventure Of New England. Last year Central Vermont crushed the competition in the "Chapter Challenge" This was only accomplished through a team effort. I'm hoping that we can pull off a repeat in 2026, this can only be accomplished through volunteerism. As we roll into 2026 I'll be beating the drum once again, for volunteers. I'm sure our editor will include information on how to register; you can also go to the Iron Adventure of New England Facebook page for information on how to

register. I have already registered Central Vermont HOG for the Challenge, 25 points on the board!

Please note you must both register for the rally and reserve a room.

Our Christmas Party will be on December 20th at Twin City Family Fun Center/Zachary's Pizza. I'm sure you have seen the emails ,Facebook post etc. etc. December 5th 12:00 Noon is the cut-off date to RSVP to offic-

ers@centralvermonthog.com ****CHAPTER MEMBERS**** if you attend the Christmas party but do not RSVP you will not receive the \$20 meal stipend nor will you be entered into the gift drawing. Sorry, this sounds harsh, but we are trying to help the restaurant staff prepare and plan out the evening accordingly.

Planning ahead, There will be no December monthly meeting because of our Christmas party. January 13th, 2026, at 6:00pm Wilkins HD will be our first meeting of the new year. We will be serving up pizza and sharing a story of nine members, who went out west on a trip of a lifetime. Yes 9500 miles +- on our Harleys, there will be pictures, stories and comments on this epic adventure. I hope you can make it, who doesn't like pizza and a good story.

Lastly Both MiYong and I would like to wish everyone a very joyous Holiday season.

We hope you get to spend time with family and loved ones and share memories to last a lifetime.

Saddle Up Let's Ride

Justen



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H.O.G. CENTRAL VERMONT CHAPTER # 5218 Monthly Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Opening:

The regular monthly members meeting of the Central Vermont Chapter of the H.O.G. was called to order at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, November 11, 2025 at Wilkins Harley Davidson, the sponsoring H-D dealership.

Officers;

Director: **Justen Elliott Tony Carrier Assistant Director:** Don Whiton Treasurer: Secretary: Kim Hidenfelter Membership: Linda Lamell Ladies of Harley: Lauren Demers Head Road Captain: **Greg Johnston** Randy Lamell Safety Officer: **Activities Director:** Vicky Lacasse Historian: Joel DeLary Mi Yong Elliott Photographer: Social Media Specialist: **Brion Muzzy** Richard Pitonyak Webmaster:

Group Members in attendance

Absent:

Lauren Demers Greg Johnston Vicky Lacasse Brion Muzzy

Pledge of Allegiance: In observation of Veteran's Day, a big THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE was extended to all our veterans and veteran Randy Lamell led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Happy Birthday: Belated Happy Birthday to September and October members. For November birthdays tonight we are celebrating with cake for Joel DeLary and Devin Lacasse.

Thanks go to Justen and MiYong for providing corn chowder for dinner. Also thanks to all the others, and there were many, who also brought food.

October meeting minutes had been distributed via the October HOG monthly newsletter and approval was given via verbal confirmation by group members at this meeting to accept the minutes as written.

2026 Officer Nominations:

The membership voted and the following results were set forth for the 2026 officer positions.

2026 HOG Chapter Officers are as follows:

Justen Elliott Director: Michael Grieg **Assistant Director:** Treasurer: Don Whiton Kim Hidenfelter Secretary: Membership: Linda Lamell Ladies of Harley: Trina DeLary Head Road Captain: **Jeff Demers** Safety Officer: *open position* Vicky Lacasse **Activities Director: Joel DeLary** Historian: Jennifer Sumner Photographer: Social Media Specialist: **Brion Muzzy** Richard Pitonyak Webmaster:

Dealer Rep/Manager: John Lyon

Dealership Update: There was no dealer update this meeting.

Membership Update: The membership currently holds strong at 80 members. An average of 25 members were present at monthly socials/meeting during the 2025 season.

Scott won a prize for being most patriotic as he was proudly adorned with flags and flag ties.

A get-well card was circulated for signatures as one of our own is currently at UVM Plattsburg after surgery with complications. BEN DRURY we wish you health and healing.

Ride Attendance: Average Attendance on rides for 2025: May was 32; June was 15; July was 16.25; August was 15; September chimes in at 13; and October pulls out a whopping 17.5 average.

Director Justen Elliott had the group break into small work groups of 5 and complete the Ride Survey for the upcoming riding season. Each group designated a spokesperson and ideas and favorite rides were shared. Potential Ride leaders were asked to make sure their email was on file for future use.

Christmas Party: Saturday, December 20, 2025 at Twin City Family Fun Center/Zachary's Pizza. Bowling is from 3 to 5. Dinner and Socializing will begin at 5 pm.

Bowling, shoes, and appetizers are provided by the Chapter. Dinner and party will be moved into a separate room for us to socialize. Wear your best ugly sweater for the Ugly Sweater Contest. Instead of a Yankee Gift Swap, please bring a wrapped Christmas tree ornament for a twist on a gift giving game. If you have not already done so, PLEASE RSVP by December 5th with your meal choice if you plan to attend. Meal choices are 1. spaghetti with meatballs and 2. Chicken, broccoli Alfredo. Or participants may choose from Zachary's menu at www.zacharyspizzatwincity.com.

Attendance Prize Recipients: For the 2025 season three members were recognized for their participation attending a combination of meeting and rides. Tony Carrier and Steve Hidenfelter tied at 24, and the winner was Jeff Demers at 25. They were awarded with Wilkins Gift cards. Additionally, Jeff's Chapter dues are covered for the 2026 season.

Ladies of Harley: Chapter Calendars are on sale for \$25 each. Each month shows a different photo of the 2025 riding season taken by Kim Hidenfelter. A portion of the proceeds will be put into the Chapter bank account. Calendars will be available for purchase at the Christmas Party and the January meeting.

RaspBarre Jam and Blueberry jam is also for sale with all proceeds going into the Chapter bank account. \$4 for smaller jars and \$6 for tall jars. Available at all meetings until supplies run out.

Iron Adventure Rally Notes: Bruce Klinger, IAR Representative, was in the house this meeting to thank the Chapter for our efforts put forth in planning and participating in the 2025 IAR. He was pretty proud of all of us and extremely pleased that we whooped Ocean State's butt in the Chapter Challenge. He also shared that registration is now open for the 2026 IAR being held in Ludlow, VT at Okemo Mountain from July 16-18, 2026. We can look forward to Fireworks, music and entertainment, and Biker Bingo. The Indie Police Team has also voiced interest in attending the event. Rally Registration is \$40 again this year. Volunteers are always needed and you can contact Peter Guillette to sign up to volunteer. You don't need to choose a volunteer position at this time. As always, ads and merchandise for fundraising and auction are welcome. Thanks again, Bruce.

Attendance Winner: Jim Sumner

Door Prize Winners are: Trina DeLary, Tom Moore, Joel DeLary

50/50 winner: Tony Carrier

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 13, 2026 **Adjourned:** The meeting adjourned at 7 pm

Minutes submitted by: Kim Hidenfelter, Secretary



We are selling **2026 Central VT HOG calendars** for \$25. They feature random photos of this year's rides etc. They will be available at the November social. If they happen to sell out, more can be ordered and would be available at the Christmas Party.



Here is the cover photo:



Ladies of Harley are selling RazBarre Jam again (and blueberry!)

This jam is made from raspberries grown at Lauren's
Dad's home in Barre.
It is delicious!!
Get some at the next Chapter social.
This size jar (8 oz.) is \$6.
And a smaller size (4 oz.) is \$4.

Proceeds go to the Chapter.

Photos of NOVEMBER SOCIAL—held at Wilkins on November 11th









Pledge of allegiance



Bruce Klinger speaks on IAR





Small groups met to discuss preferred rides from 2025 and to suggest potential rides for 2026











Scott Campbell, winner of Patriotic attire award



Jeff Demers, recognized for having been in attendance for the most Chapter meetings and rides in 2025



Jim Sumner, winner of the monthly attendance award

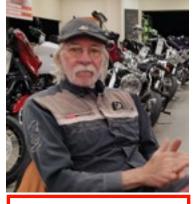


Door prize winners:

Trina Tom Joel

Congratulations!





Tim Schroeder, recognized for having made a considerable donation to the 'Last Mile Ride' through friends' pledges for his cross-country trip.



Plenty of desserts too



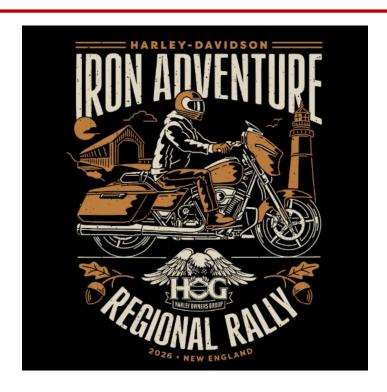
Tony Carrier, 2025 Attendance award winner and 50/50 cash raffle winner



One of the birthday boys enjoying cake made by Kim Hidenfelter



Food provided by members



2026 Iron Adventure - Hotel Information

Rally Dates: Thursday July 16 thru Saturday July 18, 2026.

Host Hotel: Jackson Gore Inn, 111 Jackson Gore Rd, Ludlow VT 05149

The Okemo Mountain Resort is now accepting room reservations for the Rally at Jackson Gore and the Mountain Lodge for a three-night stay or more. The reservation phone number is 1-855-945-0553. Please reference the group name "HOG IRON ADVENTURE RUN 2026" and/or group code "SOKHOG26".

Group Code: SOKHOG26	Nightly Rate	Nightly Rate Inclusive of Resort Fee
Jackson Gore - QN/QN (JGV QN/QN)	\$166.00	\$181.77
Jackson Gore - 1KNG or 1QN (JGV KNG)	\$166.00	\$181.77
Jackson Gore - Studio (JGV STUDIO)	\$178.00	\$194.91
Jackson Gore – 1 Bedroom (JGV 1BR)	\$235.00	\$257.33
Jackson Gore - 2 Bedroom (JGV 2BR)	\$298.00	\$326.31
Jackson Gore - 3 Bedroom (JGV 3BR)	\$375.00	\$410.63
Mtn Lodge - 1 Bedroom A/B Building (MLO 1BR A/B D)	\$166.00	\$181.77
Mtn Lodge - 1 Bedroom C (MLO 1BR C 1ST)	\$166.00	\$181.77

ROOM FEES and CHARGES. The following are current charges. Rates are subject to change.

Resort Fee (nightly, taxable) 9.5% Current Room Tax 10% (

10% (Jackson Gore)

13% (All other properties)

For 1- or 2-night stays reservations can be made at special rates starting June 16, 2026, using group code "SOKHO221". Rates for stays booked inside 30 days to arrival, any length of stay.

Group Code: SOKHO221	Nightly Rate	Nightly Rate Inclusive of Resort Fee
Jackson Gore - QN/QN (JGV QN/QN)	\$204.00	\$223.38
Jackson Gore - 1KNG or 1QN (JGV KNG)	\$204.00	\$223.38
Jackson Gore - Studio (JGV STUDIO)	\$217.00	\$237.62
Jackson Gore – 1 Bedroom (JGV 1BR)	\$295.00	\$323.03
Jackson Gore - 2 Bedroom (JGV 2BR)	\$368.00	\$402.96
Jackson Gore - 3 Bedroom (JGV 3BR)	\$386.00	\$422.67
Mtn Lodge - 1 Bedroom A/B Building (MLO 1BR A/B D)	\$204.00	\$223.38
Mtn Lodge - 1 Bedroom C (MLO 1BR C 1ST)	\$204.00	\$223.38

Just Announced !!!

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Other area hotel and camp ground information will follow in a separate post.

Registration for the 2026 Iron Adventure Rally is now open. Rally registration can be found online on the H.O.G. Rally site (https://members.harley-davidson.com/s/hdmn-rallies). Scroll until you find the Iron Adventure H.O.G. Rally. Click on the rally and then on the REGISTER NOW button.



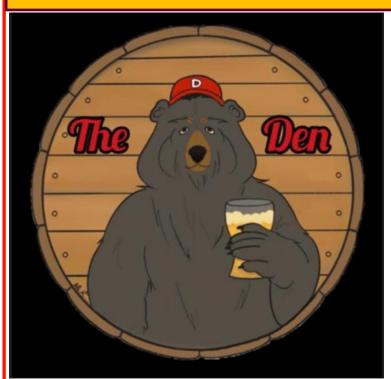
Acceptance of Membership Renewal forms for Central Vermont HOG Chapter #5218 begins January 1, 2026, in accordance with National HOG guidelines.

The forms, "Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release' and the Chapter Code of Conduct, will be available at our first Social in 2026 on January 13th.

Dues remain at \$20 for the year.

To be a member of the local Chapter, your National HOG Membership must be current.

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Central Vermont HOG Chapter Code of Conduct (rev. 3/23/2024)

Central Vermont H.O.G. is a family-oriented, non-political, non-religious, non-racial organization. Riding motorcycles while helping each others enjoy *their* riding passion is at our core. Accordingly, we take a very common-sense approach to our members' expected behavior while at a Central Vermont H.O.G. ride, meeting, or event.

- 1. Treat all other members with respect through a cordial and friendly attitude.
- 2. Conduct that creates, promotes, or maintains disharmony in the Chapter will not be tolerated.
- 3. Foul, demeaning or offensive language or behavior at any Central Vermont H.O.G. rides, events or meetings, including at our sponsoring dealership, will not be tolerated.
- 4. Any form of discrimination or harassment, including but not limited to sexual, racial, or religious, whether direct or indirect, will not be tolerated.
- 5. Members shall not make critical or disparaging comments about this Chapter or other Chapters, its officers, another member, Wilkins Harley-Davidson or its employees, or the Harley-Davidson motor company in public or on social media.
- 6. Aggressive behavior towards others, including verbal and/or physical abuse will not be tolerated.

Breaches of the Code of Conduct

- *Personal disputes/disagreements between members, the dealership, or its employees should be resolved respectfully and discretely.
- *The Chapter director, other officer, or ride leader can speak with the offenders privately, or act as a mediator with the affected and offending parties.
- *Members found to be in violation of any of the above may face potential probation, suspension, or removal from the Chapter.
- *The Sponsoring Dealer or H.O.G. Manager may terminate a person's membership in the Chapter if the Sponsoring Dealer, at their sole discretion, determines that a member's conduct is undesirable or contrary to the Sponsoring Dealer's standards or vision.

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Monthly Socials take place on the Second Tuesday of each month (except December) beginning at 6 p.m. (changed from the old schedule of 6:30 p.m.) If you aren't able to get there at 6, please come anyway!! (Better late than never!) Most, but not all, meetings will take place at Wilkins. Alternate meeting places will be announced well in advance.

Calendar of Events for 2025—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)

Other Events (not Wilkins or Central Vermont Chapter sponsored)

December

Saturday, December 13. Wilkins and US Veterans MC-Vermont. Toy Drive—bring unwrapped children's toys which will be delivered by the Veterans Group in time for Christmas

Our Chapter Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday December 20th Twin City Family Fun Center 708 US-302, Barre, VT. Bowling from 3—5pm At 5:00 PM we'll move into our reserved room at Zachary's Pizza (same building) where we will have dinner and our party. The two main dinner options are spaghetti w/meatballs or chicken broccoli Alfredo. However, if neither one sounds appealing, you can choose from the menu. www.zacharyspizzatwincity.com

It is important that you RSVP for this event & your meal choice no later than December 5th PLEASE NO LATECOMERS.

If you haven't already signed up, please email officers@centralvermonthog.com with your name & meal choice.

We will have an ugly/humorous Christmas sweater contest. The Chapter will be paying for the two hours of bowling (shoes are included), appetizers while we bowl. Each Chapter Member who attends the Christmas party will receive \$20 cash to help pay for their meal. Door prizes will be given out to *Chapter Members* throughout the night.

We will also be doing a Yankee Swap with a twist. Bring a wrapped **Christmas ornament** if you would like to participate.