

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

**Upcoming Events Chapter Ride Photos** 

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# Vee-Twin Rumblings

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

OCTOBER

## Chapter Director's Report — Justen Elliott



Hello Central Vermont HOG Members At this point, like me, some of you have put the bike away

for the winter, others are still holding out for a few more adventures before winter arrives. With the weather being so nice, and temps in the mid 60's, I wish I had waited another

couple of weeks.

I would like to invite everyone to our **Next Chapter meeting November 11th Veterans Day** 6:00 pm at Wilkins HD. Wear your most patriotic attire and maybe win a door prize. MiYong and I will be making a Corn Chowder, and I hear that there may be some cupcakes served. Please feel free to bring something to share.

Our first round of Officer nominations for 2026 were held last month, and our second and final round of nominations will be held at **November's meeting followed by voting.** Last Month's auction was a blast - thanks everyone for not only bringing something but also buying something. One thing I ended up bidding on and getting was a 2026 Chapter calendar put together by Kim Hidenfelter. Well Kim has

produced more calendars and will be selling them at the November meeting, so bring some extra cash if you would like one.

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Hope to see you all at the November Social, but if you can't make it,

I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Saddle Up Let's Ride (can't help it I always end with it) Justen Elliott Director Central Vermont HOG



## On the Horizon

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#### H.O.G. CENTRAL VERMONT CHAPTER # 5218 Monthly Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 14, 2025

#### **Opening:**

The regular monthly members meeting of the Central Vermont Chapter of the H.O.G. was called to order at Wilkins Harley Davidson, sponsoring dealership, on Tuesday, October 14 at 6:00pm

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

**Group Members** 

#### **Absent:**

Brion Muzzy Greg Johnston

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members of the Chapter.

September meeting minutes were distributed via the September HOG monthly newsletter and approval was given via verbal confirmation by group members at this meeting to accept the minutes as written,

#### **Officer Reports:**

Director, Justen Elliott

There were 35 active members for the month.

Participation Award goes to: Tony Carrier,

Tony, we hope you are feeling better soon.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO US. WE CRUSHED IT.

IAR that is. Our chapter took home bragging rights and several award plaques. Thanks to all who participated. Next year the event is coming back to Vermont at Okemo Mountain in Ludlow. The \$100 that was received as a result of the epic win at IAR was donated to John Lyon's fundraising efforts for CHAD. This is a feel good moment.

As you all know Justen and Mi Yong, Randy and Linda and Rick Couture along with several other HOG members engaged in a month long cross country trip during the month of September. Thank you, from the non traveling members, for sharing your adventures and photos with us on Facebook

This question was raised to the group members: 'Is it okay that we posted our trip photos on the Chapter's Facebook page?' There were no objections.

If anyone has an epic trip or event they want to share, this is the platform to use. Just contact Justen and he will see that your posts are put up.

More to come from the group on this once-in-a lifetime trip at the beginning of next year.

Prior to this social event, an Officer's meeting was held to firm up plans for this year's Christmas Party. An account was given on findings and after exploring many options the contenders were: The Quarry, The Den, The Mutuo Club, The VFW, Barre and The Twin City Family Fun Center/Zachary's Pizza. Based on cost and menu options the vote was to go with The Twin City Family Fun Center/Zachary's Pizza. Details to date are as follows.

Date: Saturday, December 20, 2025

Time: To follow, once this has been firmed up.

Venue: Twin City Family Fun Center/Zachary's Pizza in Berlin, VT

Fun: Bowling with shoes and appetizers included Dinner/Dessert Following bowling in a private party room

There are 3 options.

Spaghetti and meatballs
 Chicken Broccoli Alfredo
 Order from the menu

**PLEASE SIGN UP WITH YOUR MEAL CHOICE AT THE NEXT SOCIAL,** if you haven't already done so. A menu will be available to view.

Gift Exchange: We've mixed this up a bit. Bring a wrapped Christmas Ornament.

A twist on the traditional yankee swap will hopefully prove to add some fun.

Cost: To follow once all fundraising money has been collected and calculated.

All were in agreement at the Officer's Meeting prior to this social that \$300 will remain in the account to carry over to 2026. The balance will be given back to the members via the Christmas Party.

#### Treasurer, Don Whiton

Current bank account balance is approximately \$1575. The actual balance after the deposit posted on Wednesday 10/14/25, via email from Don, is \$2009.28.

#### Secretary, Kim Hidenfelter

Jam sales are coming along. RazBarre and Blueberry in 4 and 6oz jars are for sale and has generated \$140 to date. There's plenty to go around and will be available until it's sold out.

#### **Activities, Vicky Lacasse**

The Pampered Chef fundraiser generated \$120 and that check was given to Don for deposit.

Thank you to the ladies for your fundraising efforts.

#### **Dealership Update\Wilkins Upcoming Events**

Pete, Wilkins Representative

This weekend is quiet after last weekend's Barb Wilkins Bologna Sandwich event. Thanks to all who came out. On October 25, 2025 from 10-12 join us for Harleyween at Wilkins. There will be adult and kids costume contests with trick or treating and pumpkin painting. Come on down and help us celebrate.

The Ride Challenge will end on 10/31/25.

Reserve your spot for winter storage by contacting Wilkins. Cost is \$390.00 for motorcycles. Trikes is more.

#### **AUCTION RESULTS**

With donated goodies, sweet and savory, craft and gift items, the auction raised a total of \$286.00.

#### **OFFICER NOMINATIONS**

Officer positions were described, positions were accepted or declined and nominations were voiced. Here are the results. Voting was cast by the group members. Next month will be the final round of voting.

Position	<u>Current</u>	<b>Nomination</b>
Director	Justen Elliott	Justen Elliott
<b>Assistant Director</b>	Tony Carrier	Mike Greig
Treasurer	Don Whiton	Don Whiton
Secretary	Kim Hidenfelter	Kim Hidenfelter
	Linda Lamell	
Activities Officer	Vicky Lacasse	Vicky Lacasse
	Kim Hidenfelter	Kim Hidenfelter
Head Road Captain	Greg Johnston	Jeff Demers
Safety Officer	Randy Lamell	Randy Lamell
Photographer	Mi Yong Elliott	Jen Sumner

Historian Joel Delary Joel Delary Ladies of Harley Lauren Demers Trina Delary Web Master Richard Pitonyak Richard Pitonyak Social Media **Brion Muzzy Brion Muzzy** Linda Lamell Editor Linda Lamell Membership Officer Linda Lamell Linda Lamell

Harley's 'Ride for the Heroes' ends on 10/31/25. Top dealers will be recognized. As it stands, Wilkins holds 4th place in the nation.

A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to Joel and Trina Delary for helping Tony get through Sunday's Dummerston ride by getting him home safe and sound while keeping his wife informed during the day.

#### **Door Prize Winners**

- 1. Trina D
- 2. Ioel D
- Mike G

50/50 Winner: Trina

Congrats to all winners.

#### **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 6:00pm. It's Veteran's Day. Come celebrate our veterans in patriotic style.

**Adjourned:** Meeting was adjourned, we cleaned up and dispersed at 7:07pm,

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 OCTOBER SOCIAL—held at Wilkins on October 14th













Pete, with the Dealership Update







Winners!! Tony, Trina, Joel, Mike



Food and crafts for our fundraising auction

October 5 Chapter Annual Poker Run with lunch at The Hungry Bear in Bradford, VT. Ride Leaders: Justen Elliott, Steve Hidenfelter, Jeff Demers, Joel DeLary













PHOTO OP at the Beaver Pond on the Kancamagus Highway







Cash prizes!



Wrapping up the day with ice cream (of course)

# October 12 Chapter Ride to Dummerston VT Apple Pie Festival Ride leader: Justen Elliott



















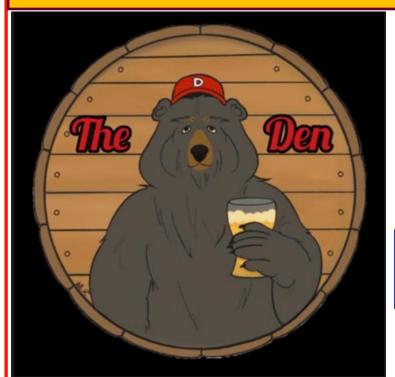








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## **Central Vermont HOG Chapter Code of Conduct (rev. 3/23/2024)**

**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)

#### November

Saturday, November 1. Wilkins Pop-Up Sale discounts on select in-stock apparel, helmets, jewelry, and motorcycle seats. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday November 11th. Central Vermont HOG Social at Wilkins. Beginning at 6 p.m. Wear your most patriotic outfit and maybe you will win a prize! We will have the second round of nominations for 2026 Officers and the final vote. There will be Corn Chowder and other potluck foods (feel free to bring something to share). The Ladies of Harley will be selling homemade jam (Razbarre and blueberry) and 2026 Calendars featuring photos from our rides during 2025.

Saturday, November 15. Wilkins 'RSVP Motorcycle Giveaway Event' starts at 11. You must be present to win.

#### 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

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