



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!

“There is always in February some one day, at least, when one smells the yet distant, but surely coming, summer.”

— Gertrude Jekyll

Though it may be early for most of us, I did spot a Harley rider out enjoying that “one day” a few weeks ago! Here’s wishing that riding season comes quickly for all of us.

On February 5, a Road Captains’ meeting was held to schedule rides. Many rides have been planned and there are open dates for rides to be added. There are open dates, and we encourage you to share ideas for rides and events. The (current) first ride is scheduled for April 30. Along with

chapter and co-chapter rides, Wilkins also has several rides and events planned for this year. The Event Calendars are being updated on the Central Vermont HOG Facebook page and www.wilkinsharley.com.

In addition to Chapter rides and activities, the Iron Adventure will be based in Ludlow at the Okemo Ski Resort, July 14 - 17. More information can be found in the January 16 email that Linda sent, and at [https:// www.facebook.com/theironadventurerun/](https://www.facebook.com/theironadventurerun/). If you have friends or family that are interested in riding, please consider the Riding Academy at Wilkins. The classes fill up fast, so encourage them to get signed up early.

“In March winter is holding back and spring is pulling forward. Something holds and something pulls inside of us too.”

— Jean Hersey

I for one, am being pulled by the melting snow, longer sunny days, and the sound of the V-Twin. Please stay healthy, support your family, friends, and neighbors. Here’s hoping for an early spring, smooth roads, and getting together with great friends!

Jeff

Assistant Director — Brion Muzzy



With all the teaser temps Mother Nature has been throwing at us my thoughts have definitely turned to warmer weather. part of that thought process should be the pre season checklist so we are all ready for the riding season to begin. drag out your riding gear. Is it in good condition? Does some or all of it need replacing? what about the bike? is it all serviced up ready to go? if you have saddlebags is the stuff you carry all year ready? Do you need replacement stuff? Now is the time to start to think and do some of this. with the first day of spring just around the corner we all will be riding before you know it. March can be a strange month. I have been out riding on St. Paddy's day before, but I also have been still plowing snow in April. So let's GET READY !!! Also don't forget to check out

our Facebook page and the shared calendar with Wilkins Harley Davidson. We are starting to post rides and events. I don't know about anybody else but I am SOOOO READY to start riding again. !!

See Ya in The Wind,
Brion



On the Horizon



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SUGAR ON SNOW AT WILKINS HARLEY!

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH
10:45 A.M.
UNTIL GONE!

A VERMONT FAVORITE!

SUGAR ON SNOW,
DILL PICKLE, AND WAYSIDE DONUT!



WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON LADIES ONLY GARAGE PARTY

For ladies with zero to one-year riding experience | Saturday, March 12th
3pm - 5pm

Learn the basics of the bikes, ways you can customize them to fit you, and how to properly pick up a fallen motorcycle all while meeting women with the same interests as you. We'll even give you a chance to ride a bike on our Jumpstart machine to get the REAL feel! After signing up, if you refer a friend and they sign up you'll be entered to win some big prizes! BVOW!

Bring your own wine for sharing, and we'll have prizes for the best tasting bottle!

EMAIL JENNA@WILKINSHARLEY.COM WITH QUESTIONS OR TO SIGN UP.




WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON SCREW WINTER LUAU

Saturday, March 19th | 11 a.m.

COME CELEBRATE THE END OF WINTER WITH US, LUAU STYLE!
Prizes for anyone who comes in wearing their Hawaiian best!

Pig Roast and Virgin Pina Colodas at noon!




MARKO THE MAGICIAN
WILL CONDUCTING HIS MAGIC!



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 February 8th Social

Director Jeff Demers started off the meeting having us pledge allegiance to the American flag. Thanks were expressed to all veterans and first responders. Then Jeff made a point of having people introduce themselves, including new member –Mike Padilla.

Head Road Captain, Randy Lamell, reported that there was a meeting of potential ride leaders on Saturday the 5th. The results of that co-Chapter meeting are in the rides and events calendar of this newsletter.

Jeff asked Chapter officers to share updates. Treasurer Don Whiton reported the Chapter account balance. Membership Officer Linda Lamell reported that the Chapter currently has 62 members.

On behalf of Bruce Klinger, Jeff shared information on the Iron Adventure Rally, to take place July 14-17 in Ludlow. People need to make reservations for their room accommodations AND sign up for the Rally. There are two options for pre-registration: one option includes the t-shirt and the other does not. People can register at the Rally too : it will cost slightly more and there is no option for the Rally t-shirt. Volunteers are sought to help with the Rally. There are benefits for those volunteers.

Wilkins employee, Kat Gagne, gave the dealership update. Upcoming events: taco bar on the 12th, with a hot-pepper eating contest to take place beginning around 12:30. New 2022 bikes are in the showroom. New helmets and motor-clothes are on the shelves. This year marks the 75th anniversary of Wilkins Harley-Davidson dealership, with a soft-tail giveaway scheduled for November. People are encouraged to get a '75th Anniversary 2022 Motorcycle Giveaway' stamp card. Get a stamp for each month; up to 5 Wilkins Bike Nite events; and up to 5 Wilkins scheduled rides. Each stamp is an entry for the big prize. The winner must be present at the drawing on November 12, 2022.

Our refreshments were an array of chocolate desserts, which we taste-tested and voted on. Top prize winner—Susan Celley; Trina Delary and Linda Lamell tied for second place.

Following the break for refreshments, we had 'movie night'. Brion Muzzy brought equipment and the movie, The World's Fastest Indian, which stars Anthony Hopkins. The storyline, 'In 1967, 68-year-old **Burt Munro** and his modified 1926 600cc Indian Scout set a world record of 184.087 mph on the Bonneville Salt Flats.'



Director, Jeff Demers





CENTRAL VERMONT H.O.G. CHAPTER #5218
OFFICERS 2022



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Assistant Director



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Treasurer



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Activities Co-Director



Trina Delary
Ladies of Harley



Richard Pitonyak
Webmaster

Calendar of Events for 2022—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)

Champlain Valley Rides and events(In green) *nonmembers will need to complete a release form for rides

Non-chapter event

March

Saturday the 5th - Sugar on Snow at Wilkins beginning at 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday the 8th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. Ice breaker activity. ‘Wearin’ o’ the green’ contest

Saturday the 12th - Ladies Only Garage Party at Wilkins 3-4:30 p.m.

Saturday the 19th - Screw Winter Luau at Wilkins beginning at 11 a.m.

April

Tuesday the 12th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. Plan a Ride activity. Waffles and maple syrup refreshments.

Saturday the 30th - Ride Around the Islands, ending with a bonfire & pulled pork in St. Albans. Hosted by Jay & Jeannette. Details TBD. Co-Chapter ride/event

May

Tuesday the 10th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. BINGO activity.

Saturday, the 14th - Ride to Newick’s Lobster House, Concord, NH. Ride Leader, Jeff Demers Co-chapter ride

Saturday the 21st - Lunch ride to Roxie’s Fries, Castleton, VT. Ride Leader, Greg. Details TBD. Champlain Valley Vermont HOG Chapter ride.

Saturday-Sunday the 21st – 22nd - Wilkins H-D overnight ride – Annual Memorial Alan Wilkins Maine ride. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday-Monday the 28th – 30th - Memorial Day weekend overnight ride to Acadia, Maine. Ride Leader, Justen Elliott. Co-chapter ride.

Sunday the 29th -Vermont Thunder ride, meet at 9:15 am at Wilkins Harley-Davidson for a 9:30 am departure, riding to Sharon NB rest area for the Memorial Day ceremony. Ride Leader, Dennis Aja. Co-chapter ride.

June

Saturday the 4th -Ride to ?????? Ride Leader, Ben Drury. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

Saturday the 4th - Wilkins H-D Customer Appreciation Day. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Tuesday through Saturday the 7th-11th - Americade.

Thursday the 9th -Wilkins H-D Bike Night. Roadhouse. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday through Sunday 11th through 19th -Laconia Bike Week.

Tuesday the 14th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. BBQ with pot-luck side dishes. Biker Games activity.

Thursday the 23rd -Wilkins H-D Bike Night. East Side. Details TBD. Dealer event.

July

Saturday-Monday the 2nd – 4th - 3-days/2-nights, ride to Hawk's Nest Highway, New York for an adventure along the Delaware River. Ride Leader, Jeff. See Ride Detail Sheet on separate sheet. Co-chapter ride.

Monday the 4th -Wilkins H-D 4th of July ride. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday the 9th -Ride to "Farm to Fire", a wood-fired pizza joint in Monroe, NH. Ride Leader, Greg. Details TBD. Champlain Valley Vermont HOG Chapter ride.

Saturday the 9th -Wilkins H-D annual Bike Show. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Tuesday the 12th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. Ride for Creemees.

Thursday—Saturday the 14th through 16th -Iron Adventure of New England HOG Rally, Ludlow, VT.

Saturday the 23rd -Ride to ?????? Ride Leader, Ben. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

Saturday the 23rd -Wilkins H-D overnight ride to Lake Placid. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Thursday the 28th -Wilkins H-D Bike Night. Wagon Wheel, Chazy, New York. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday the 30th -Lunch ride to The White Cottage Snack Bar, Woodstock, Vermont. Ride Leader, Trina. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

August

Saturday the 6th -History ride to Fort Ticonderoga. Ride Leader, Jeff. See Ride Detail on separate sheet. Co-chapter ride.

Sunday the 7th -Annual "Myron's Ride". Ride Leader, Ben. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

Tuesday the 9th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m.

Thursday the 11th -Wilkins H-D Bike Night. Pour House, South Burlington. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday the 13th -Ride to ?????? Ride Leader, Ben. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

Saturday the 13th -UMV Annual Toy Run.

Saturday the 13th -Wilkins H-D Toy Run After Party. Details TBD. Dealer event

Saturday the 20th - Ride to ????? (Canada?). Ride Leader, Martin. Details TBD. Champlain Valley Vermont HOG Chapter ride.

Friday through Sunday the 26th – 28th -Wilkins H-D Bike Rodeo. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday through Sunday the 27th – 28th -Overnight ride to The Beach Plum, North Hampton, New Hampshire. Ride Leader, Justen. See Ride Detail Sheet on separate sheet. Co-chapter ride.

September

Saturday the 10th -Wilkins H-D Tent Event. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Tuesday the 13th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m. Chapter Bike Show. Cookout and cornboil.

Saturday the 17th -Wilkins Suicide Awareness ride. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Sunday the 25th -Poker Run, Ride Leaders, Trina, Justen, Ben, and Jeff. Ride splits into 4 randomly picked groups, picking up 5 cards along the way. All 4 groups will meet up for lunch at Riley's Fish Shack in St. Johnsbury. Prizes for the best hand in each group, plus overall best hand. Details TBD. Co-chapter ride.

October

Saturday the 1st -Wilkins H-D ride to Cold Hollow Cider. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Saturday the 10th -Wilkins H-D ride to ??????. Details TBD. Dealer event.

Tuesday the 11th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m.

November

Tuesday the 8th - Chapter Social at Wilkins 6:30 p.m.

Saturday the 12th -Wilkins H-D 75th Anniversary Party and motorcycle giveaway. Must be present to win. Details TBD. Dealer event.

December

Chapter Holiday Party TBD

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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.

2022 CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

CENTRAL VERMONT CHAPTER 5218 Dues are \$15 for 2022

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.)

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