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



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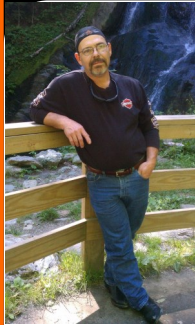
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Chapter Director—Joel DeLary

Greetings fellow H.O.G. members;

As summer seems to be sneaking its way past us we can certainly look at the past few months with a positive attitude that we were able to get out and ride as well as enjoy some time with our fellow H.O.G. members. I'm sure many of us have had to cancel or even change our plans we made over the course of last winter due to the current state of affairs related to COVID19 but we have still managed to take advantage of the short summer Vermont offers.

As most of you know, many of the Wilkins events, H.O.G. events and other related events have been canceled, rescheduled or restructured but the Central VT H.O.G. Chapter has been able to continue their rides and meetings. We all understand and respect our members who do not feel comfortable in group settings during this unprecedented time but hopefully all this will be mostly behind us shortly so we can enjoy the company of those members once again.

I want to take a moment and thank all our Road Captains who have put together great rides so far this year, you guys and gals are what make this chapter fun. I also want to extend a huge thank you to Linda for all the hard work and time she puts into the newsletters and emails she sends out to our members with the ride information as well as Brion for doing a fantastic job keeping our Facebook page updated!

The annual Shriner's Toy Run in August has been "restructured" for 2020 and there will not be a group ride to the State House this year, instead the organizers are asking for just monetary donations to be dropped off at Wilkins Harley Davidson on Saturday August 8th between 9:00 - 11:00am where you can also pick up your 2020 Toy Run pin. Our Chapter will not be having the Toy Run after party cookout this year and as most of Wilkins events for the remainder of this summer are tentative the Chapter's participation in these events is obviously tentative as well.

The co-chapter ride and stay to Bentley's Saloon is still on, that's scheduled for weekend of September 11th & 12th with some members headed up on Thursday the 10th. I spoke with Carlea from Bentley's on July 29th, and at the time they still had some park models available for rent as well as full service camper sites. They will take reservations by phone only and the hotel rooms are unavailable this year (*they will rent a hotel room if you have a special need but you would need to ask).

In closing I just want to thank all our members for their attendance at our meetings and rides. Ride often, ride safe, and ride responsibly.

Joel



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 STAGE III PUMP UP THE VOLUME	 STAGE IV TOP IT OFF

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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>



Historian— Tim Schroeder

I was thinking about what cool places that the gang has seen on last year’s ride, and Joe surprised us with a ride down the “Avenue of the Giants”. This scenic 31 mile stretch of road in Northern California, Rt.101 U.S. 254 will have you craning your neck to the skies!

The giants here are the centuries old giant redwoods. The road winds through all of these magnificent groves of huge...and I mean huge giant redwood trees!



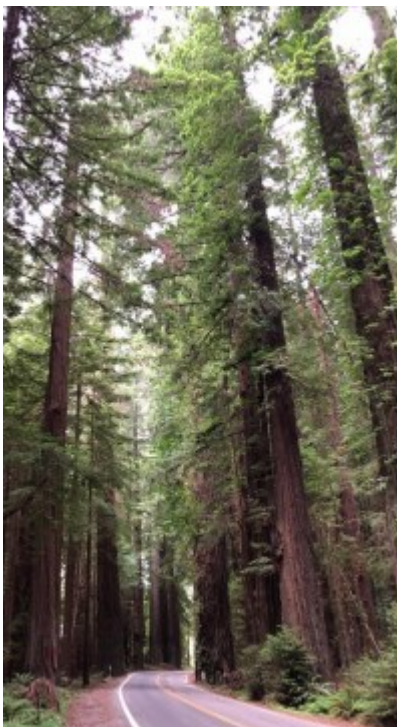
As you ride through Humboldt Redwoods State Park, there are a lot of markers and trails along the way to check out. There is the famous Chandler Drive -Through tree that was fun and made for a great photo opp.

These giants can live to be 2000 years old and have been on this planet for nearly 240 million years!

In the 1850’s white settlers began felling the redwoods to clear land for homes and pastures. Then the timber industry came into the area and really did a number on the redwoods. In 1918 after realizing how much of these old growth forests were being cleared, action was taken to preserve redwood forests in the region.



Today, this area is the largest remaining contiguous old growth forest of coast Redwoods. Looking at these monsters, you can see the scorch marks way up high on these trees when forest fires came through. They survived those fires as well! This was one of many high lights while exploring the western coast of the country.



My friend Dennis was absolutely blown away by this special place. Even the giants that have finally toppled after centuries of standing tall were impressive laying on the forest floor decaying. Put this stop on your to do riding list my friends.....you will not be disappointed!



“Remember your History before you Become History”

Calendar of Events for 2020—all rides & events are subject to change

Chapter ride schedule (In red),

Central Vermont HOG Chapter Socials (In blue)

Wilkins Harley-Davidson – Events (In black)

Charity or HOG events (In brown)

Saturday August 8th Mystery Ride, Road Captain Justen Elliott Meet at Wilkins Harley-Davidson at 9:30 a.m. Anyone wishing to make a donation to the UN-Toy Run can do so at Wilkins (cash or check only—NO TOYS this year). Assemble at 9:50 with kick stands up at 10 a.m. Justen will lead us on some twisty scenic back-roads for 2 hours arriving at our lunch destination at approx. 12-12:30. This place serves burgers and hot dogs only. If you wish something else, please bag your own lunch. This is where the Chapter Ride ends - 1 hour away from Wilkins. Please let Justen know if you are coming so he can let the restaurant know how many will be in the group.

Tuesday August 11th Chapter Social— 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins

Saturday August 15th “Are we there yet?” Jeff Demers, Road Captain DEPARTING FROM: **Berlin Park and Ride 0815 KSU 0830** I-89 to Richmond Mobil, East on RT 2 to Richmond, right onto Bridge ST, right onto Huntington RD, veer right onto Hinesburg RD, at Fays Corner turn left to stay on Hinesburg RD (which becomes Richmond RD), near CVU, turn left onto Mechanicville RD, turn left onto RT 116, veer right onto Silver ST, in Monkton turn right onto Monkton RD, stay on Monkton RD (crossing RT 7) into Vergennes, turn left onto Main ST, cross Otter Creek, turn right onto Pantou RD, in Pantou turn left onto Jersey ST, then turn right onto Pease RD, turn left onto Lake RD. Lake RD will merge into RT 17. Take RT 17 to the Champlain Bridge, the NY RT 185 to 9N. Turn north on 9N to Port Henry. Stop at Stewart’s. Continue North 9N, and turn left onto Broad ST which become Plank RD/RT 4 then veer right onto Dugway RD/RT 4. In Moriah Center watch for signs and turn to Witherbee/RT 7A. 7A will merge with RT 7, and then turn on to 9N towards Elizabethtown. Stay on 9N until Keene. In Keene turn onto RT 73 towards Lake Placid. Just after the Lake Placid Olympic Ski Jumping Complex, stay left on RT 35 (Old Military RD), then turn left onto RT 86. Stop for lunch at Tail o’ the Pup, 1186 NY-86, Ray Brook, NY 12977 Return via, RT 86, RT 35, RT 73, RT 9N, RT 7, RT 7A, RT 4, Broad ST, 9N south, RT 185, crossing bridge into VT. Then turn onto VT 125 E to Middlebury, turn left onto RT 7 North, turn right onto River RD, merge onto RT 116 North, turn onto RT 17 over Bristol MT, turn left onto RT 100, right on 100B to Middlesex, right onto RT 2 South to Dairy Crème. COST: Gas, Lunch, Ice Cream EST. LENGTH OF RIDE: 6.5 – 7 hours of riding, plus lunch TIME RIDE ENDS: Approx. 5 PM APPROX. MILES OF RIDE: 250 miles WHERE RIDE ENDS: Dairy Cream, Montpelier

Saturday August 22 Wilkins - Ride to Worthy Burger Too, Waitsfield

Sunday August 23 Ben Drury, Road Captain. “Myron’s Ride” in NY

Saturday August 29 Brion Muzzy, Road Captain. TBD

Friday, September 4 ** NOTE: changed day ** September Social at Wilkins, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Potluck & cornboil, campfire, outdoor movie, camping out

Friday to Sunday September 11 to 13 Overnight Ride to Bentley’s Saloon, Arundel Maine

Co-chapter weekend at Bentley's Sept. 11th & 12th, some are going up on Thursday the 10th. As of July 29th Bentley's still had park model campers available for rent as well as full service camper sites, they have the hotel listed as essentially closed but would open rooms as needed. Currently there is no indoor stage but they did add an outdoor stage for live music on Fridays 5 - 9:00pm, Saturdays 2 - 5:00pm & 6 - 9:00pm and Sunday 2 - 6:00pm. For more information on reservations please visit Bentley's website and look under the "Reserve Lodging" tab.

<https://bentleyssaloon.com/>

Saturday September 19th “Maple Sausage Burger Ride”

Jeff Demers, Road Captain meet 0915 at Wilkins KSU 0930

Rt 14 S to Sharon, right onto River RD, left onto Howe Hill RD, turn right onto Pomfret RD/Stage RD, turn onto VT RT 12 S, around the Woodstock green, and turn right onto RT 106 South. Turn left onto RT 44 to Windsor. In Windsor, turn left on Main ST/RT 5 N. Just north of town is Frazer’s Place on the left.

After lunch, RT 5 S to the Cornish-Windsor Covered Bridge (longest covered bridge in the US, and longest 2 span covered bridge in the world). After crossing the bridge, turn right onto NH 12A and stop for a short photo-opportunity with Chapter flag?).

Continue a short distance south on 12A, and turn left onto Town House RD, turn left onto RT 120 north. When approaching Lebanon, watch for signs to I-89 and LaPlante RD. Turn right onto LaPlante RD. Turn right onto RT 4 east. In Canaan, turn left onto RT 118. In Warren, take RT 25 to Haverhill. Then turn north on RT 10 to Woodsville. Take 302 into Wells River.

Stop at Big Cones Ice Cream.

COST: Gas, Lunch, Ice Cream

EST. LENGTH OF RIDE: 4 hours of riding, plus lunch and ice cream. Another 30-35 minutes to Barre.

TIME RIDE ENDS: Approx. 3:30 PM

APPROX. MILES OF RIDE: 160 miles + 25 to Barre

WHERE RIDE ENDS: Big Cones Ice Cream, Wells River, VT

Saturday September 26th Poker Run- 4 team leaders: Ben, Justen, Brion, Jeff

Saturday October 3rd Chapter Train Ride. Arranged by Brion Muzzy

Saturday October 10 Wilkins - Free Pie Day

Saturday October 10 Foliage Ride, Ben Drury, Road Captain

Sunday October 11 Justen Elliott, Road Captain (apple pie festival?)

Tuesday October 13 Chapter Social—6:30 p.m. Wilkins Apple dessert bake-off.

Saturday October 17th Wilkins- 'Wake the Dead' Ride

Tuesday November 10th Chapter Social—6:30 p.m. Wilkins Baked goods auction.

December Holiday HOP date/time/place 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.

4th of July weekend in Maine

Our fabulous leader—
Justen Elliott



L-A Harley-Davidson in
Lewiston, ME



We stayed at 'Ledges by
the Bay'
What a view!



Atop Cadillac Mtn
in Acadia National Park



A special stop—
Mack's Place in
Bridgton, ME
Be sure to go here
sometime—you won't
be sorry!



Ice cream and a big thumbs up from a future biker in
Lincoln, NH - on the way home

July 19th—Co-Chapter Ride
Twisties in New York
Ben Drury, Road Captain



July 25th Ride
Jeff Demers,
Road Captain
Vermont Twisties and History
President Calvin Coolidge Historical Site
Plymouth Notch, VT



Lunch at Villagers
in Weathersfield, VT





End of the ride—Ice cream at the Pump and Pantry

Calvin Coolidge's father started Plymouth Artisan Cheese Co. in 1890, and it is still operating!

July 26th
Ride to
'Tail o' the Pup'
Ben Drury, Road
Captain



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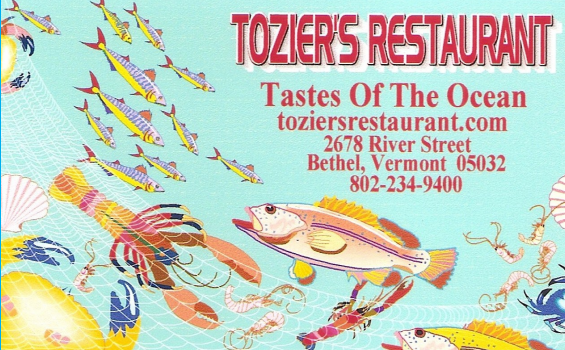
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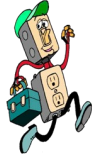
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