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



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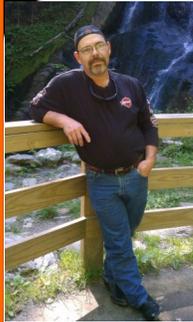
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Chapter Director—Joel DeLary

Greetings fellow H.O.G. members;

First off I want thank the new officers for stepping up and offering their time & leadership to the Chapter, your commitment is well appreciated. I hope everyone was able to enjoy Thanksgiving despite the current state of affairs that seem to have disrupted and impacted our daily lives, staying healthy is certainly a top priority. As we look at closing out 2020 I'm sure we can agree that it can't end soon enough with hopes for a more normal and prosperous new year, Vermonters seem to be a little more resilient to adversity.

Soon we will be stepping into 2021 which means new riding adventures, I want to encourage all our members to consider becoming a road captain for 2021. Being a road captain is as easy as a 50 +/- mile ride to some place you would like to share with other members, perhaps a lunch ride to one of your your hide-away snack bars or even an evening ride for a creemee. I think the Chapter had a very successful year of riding in 2020 despite the challenges and it would be fantastic to see that continue for 2021. Please watch your email for any up coming road captains meeting which is usually held within the first few months of the new year providing public health issues concerning COVID19 don't interfere but you can always email the head road captain with any intentions you might have in leading a ride even if you don't have the complete details of the ride itself at the time.

One of the suggestions brought up at the November meeting was history and the Historian position that went unfilled. The suggestion that was made is that anyone who has an interesting history story of Harley Davidson or associations with it that they would like to share in a newsletter then please forward your story to Linda. If Linda receives more than one article then she will either publish multiple stories or stock pile for future newsletters. In closing I would like thank each and every one of you for the continuous support of all the officers and especially the Chapter itself, without that the Chapter wouldn't exist.

Happy holidays to you all!

Joel



On the Horizon



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A NEW COFFEE AND TEA BAR

for your comfort, along with an upgraded lounge for your comfort, including high speed wifi.



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>

Plan ahead ...

The Iron Adventure Run of New England in 2021 will return to Okemo in Ludlow, VT., where curly roads and places to visit are plentiful. It will be July 15-17.

Jackson Gore will be accepting online reservations November 14, 2020. Phone reservations may be made beginning in December. More details with room rates, web link, and phone numbers will be available at

<https://www.facebook.com/theironadventurerun/>



Minutes from the November Chapter Social—held on November 10th at Wilkins

A small group of members gathered at Wilkins on November 10th, for our November Social and the final nominations/vote on the slate of officers for 2021. Everyone had a temperature-check on the way into the building.



Director Joel DeLary called the meeting to order at around 6:30 p.m. We started off pledging allegiance to the flag, extending thanks to all members of the military and first responders. And we had an extended period of silence in honor of all Veterans, since the next day would be Veterans Day.

Joel shared the details for the Co-Chapter Holiday Party, which is still in the planning stages. Kim and Ben Drury have offered to have the gathering at their home in Stowe. It is to be held on January 9th and will be a BYOB and pot-luck dinner. The Chapter will supply paper goods and non-alcoholic beverages.



The final determination as to whether this will be 'a go' or cancelled will be made on January 2nd. Coordinators for the event are asking to have potential attendees give an indication of how many people will be coming and what food they will bring to share. Please email Bobbi Ballou at bjballou@yahoo.com

Joel reminded us that the Iron Adventure Run will be at Okemo in 2021—July 15-17. Reservations can be made online for rooms. Keep informed as plans are being made for this event by following the Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/theironadventurerun/>

Big 'thanks' were extended to our Chapter Head Road Captains, Ben Drury and Brion Muzzy, and all road captains who led rides during the 2020 riding season. We had a range of types of rides, in spite of the on-going pandemic. It was crucial for us to keep on riding, as individuals and as a Chapter — after all, we are a riding club!

Wilkins' employee, Simon Teece, Assistant Service Manager/Parts Liaison, gave us a brief Dealership Update. The only upcoming event to report was the 'Blacker Saturday Sale Day', to take place the day after Black Friday. He let us know that there will be bigger sales closer to Christmas but he didn't have details at that point.

The next order of business was nominations for Chapter Officers for the upcoming year.

2021 Chapter Officer Nominations

- Director—Jeff Demers
- Assistant Director—Allen Ballou
- Treasurer—Don Whiton
- Secretary—Joel DeLary
- Activities Director—Bobbi Ballou
- Ladies of Harley—Bobbie Ballou
- Head Road Captain—Trina DeLary (with Joel DeLary)
- Safety Officer—Scott Campbell
- Membership Officer—Linda Lamell
- Newsletter Editor—Linda Lamell
- Chapter Photographer—MiYong Elliott
- Webmaster—Richard Pitonyak

The full slate of officers was voted in.



Chapter Director
Jeff Demers



Assistant Director
Allen Ballou



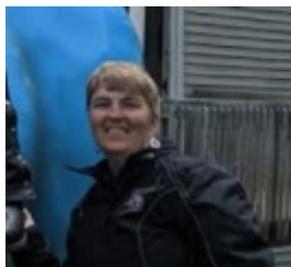
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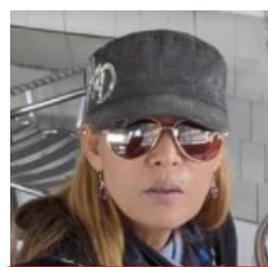
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Kim and Ben Drury gave us an update on Joe Lonardo—Assistant Director for 2020. He has been diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s Disease) and has moved back to Rhode Island to live with his mother. He hopes to join us for our Holiday Party if it is safe to have such a gathering in early January. It will be great to see him again! Joe has been involved with several HOG Chapters over the years and really knows what National HOG expects of local Chapters. His guidance has been a big help to many of us. We all wish him the best and hope he has a great Christmas with his family in Rhode Island.



A special ‘thank you’ of a beautiful floral arrangement and a gift card to J. Morgan’s Steakhouse was given to Linda Lamell for her service to the Chapter as Membership Officer, Newsletter Editor, and ‘fill-in’ secretary.



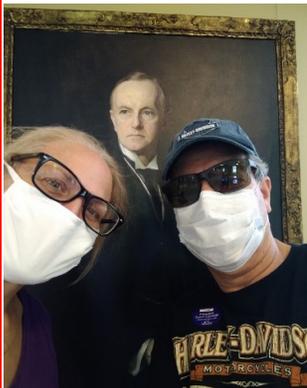
We wrapped up the meeting with drawings for door prizes.

- Thomas Moore—Wilkins gift card
- Don Whiton—Harley shirt
- Jon Hosford—Wilkins gift card
- Bobbi Ballou—Harley shirt
- Linda Lamell—Wilkins gift card
- Mark Allard—Harley shirt
- Trina DeLary—Wilkins gift card

There will not be a December Social Meeting at Wilkins.

2020 Favorite Rides with Photos from Members:

Labor day weekend, Allen and Bobbi made their way up through Maine by riding the haunted highway, the Haynesville woods. Some really great roads, awesome scenery, and the some of the most friendliest people in the world. This photo was taken at the Million Dollar view scenic byway just outside of Weston, ME on Rte 1.



Being from NY and joining late, I didn't get a chance to join too many rides. However the ones that I was on were enjoyable and it was great to meet some new friends. Attached are just a few photos, thought I had more. Stay warm and safe over the winter. Hopefully I'll see you the spring.
Best regards,
Bob Vidile



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My favorite ride this year was actually a memorial ride for a guy I went to school with in South Burlington who died on his motorcycle this year. His name was Dana Sanderson and was riding in NY around the lake at the time.

The day of the ride I put out a notice to anyone interested in doing the memorial ride and was quite surprised at the turnout of friends to show up and ride with me to the staging area and I was even more in awe of the turnout at the meeting point for the beginning of the memorial ride which was in Swanton. Dana was obviously very well liked and/or bikers have big hearts.

To make the day even more special, three of my classmates who were non riders were there to show their love for Dana as well. We bumped into each other in the big crowd of bikes and they got a big kick out of getting their pictures taken on my bike, as did I.

Greg Magnant



Membership Renewal Time begins January 1st, 2021.

You can renew online, in person at Wilkins, in person at a Chapter function, or by mail. The final page of this newsletter is a form for 2021. Membership fee is \$15 per year (\$20 if done online)

Please bring your completed form and payment to our first Social, or mail it to:

HOG Chapter #5218, c/o Wilkins H-D, 663 So. Barre Rd Barre, VT 05641

Forms will be collected regularly from Wilkins for processing.

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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.

Final Thanks to our 2020 Officers

Director: Joel Delary

Asst. Director: Joe Lonardo

Secretary: Marie Boutin

Treasurer: Thomas Moore

Co-Head Road Captains: Ben Drury & Brion Muzzy

Activities Director: Marie Boutin

Membership Officer: Linda Lamell

Safety Officer: Thomas Moore

Editor: Linda Lamell

Web Master: Richard Pitonyak

Ladies of Harley: Trina Delary

Historian: Tim Schroeder

Photographer: Miyong Elliot

2021 CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

CENTRAL VERMONT CHAPTER 5218 Dues are \$15 for 2021

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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