



## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Photos of the Holiday Party  
Questionnaire  
Upcoming Events

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# Vee-Twin Rumblings

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## From Our Incoming Chapter Director—Justen Elliott

Greetings Members,

By the time you read this Christmas will have come and gone, and New Year will be upon us. I'd like to start by acknowledging all of the 2024 Officer's whatever position you held THANK YOU! I also want to thank the new 2025 slate of officer's; I look forward to working with you this year. A big "thanks" to those who helped put on our Chapter Christmas party. Ladies, "the dessert table was amazing"; planning committee, "well done"; Scott, "great job getting the venue and MCing for the evening". To me it looked like everyone had a great evening.

For 2025 you can expect to see some changes. We will no longer give away a monthly 'Chapter Member Prize', instead we will give out a monthly 'Chapter Member Participation Prize'. Just like it sounds, if you participate in meetings, rides, chapter events, your name will be in the drawing for a monthly \$25 gift card.

A questionnaire was sent out a couple of weeks ago, if you did not receive it, please use the one enclosed in this newsletter. Fill it out with your answers and bring it to the January meeting, I would like to compile and share the results before our February meeting.

For our January 14th meeting 6:30 pm at Wilkins HD, I have invited Bruce Klinger NH/VT delegate for 'The Iron Adventure of New England Rally; we will have our traditional January Pizza social, Dealer update, 50/50 drawing, I will attempt to give a short class on Back-to-Basics HOG 101.

I hope to see you then, in the meantime have a Happy and Safe New Year  
Justen



## On the Horizon

Wilkins Harley Davidson:  
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## On the Horizon...continued



We'll be discussing tips, best practices and safety of group riding!

To RSVP for this event click the link below

<https://tinyurl.com/Riding-in-a-Group-Workshop>



**Saturday March 8 at Wilkins beginning at 9—you must be registered to attend**

Instructor-Led ASM Basic 100 series class. Lead instructor: Lee Morissette, DMSc, PA-C, FAEMS and Stephanie Smith, RN. Location: Wilkins Harley Davidson. Class limit is 20. Cost: \$75.00 per student, includes all course materials, a patch and a certificate. Wilkins Harley Davidson will provide lunch as well. All students must register and prepay. This class is OPEN to the general public and available for anyone who would like to attend. For more information about the class or to schedule a class for your group, contact Lee Morissette at [lee.f.morissette@gmail.com](mailto:lee.f.morissette@gmail.com) or (802) 952-3661. ASM/Road Guardians is accredited from CAPCE. If you would like more information or see a full list of classes, go to [RoadGuardians.org](http://RoadGuardians.org).

## 2024 CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY

The 2024 Holiday Party was held on **December 21st** at the **Mutuo Club** at 20 Beckley St, Barre, VT.

Attendees took advantage of the cash bar in the recently renovated space.

Party planner Scott Campbell set up a speaker and provided music for the event. He was our MC, due to 2024 Director Jeff Demers' absence (his father passed away just days before the party).



Some of us played a game planned by Justen and MiYong.



And there was 'portable' mistletoe, provided by Justen and MiYong, strategically placed above couples throughout the group,







There were quite a few participants in the silly/ugly sweater contest...but Don Whiton's sweater won and he was awarded the \$20 cash prize!



Dinner (chicken and biscuits with side salad) was delicious and the staff at the Mutuo Club did a great job serving us!







Dessert was provided by members — Coordinators Kim Hidenfelter and Vicky LaCasse set up a lovely dessert display table of several cheesecakes, red velvet cupcakes, a variety of fudge flavors, brownies...and, in the middle, there were cheese and crackers for before dinner was served!

Door prizes were given out to 12 members and one non-member. Then the Yankee Swap was underway—Trina had number 1! Alcohol seemed to be one featured category of gifts! And H-D merchandise was another (of course!)



The drawing for '2024 Attendance at Chapter Socials/Rides' was won by Trina DeLary. She received a \$50 Wilkins gift card. The drawing for the final **'Monthly Must be Present to Win' raffle** was done and Richard Couture's name was drawn — alas, he wasn't present so the \$70 prize wasn't awarded.

The Holiday Party was a fitting end to a fun-filled year of riding and camaraderie!

(Photos by MiYong Elliott, Vickie LaCasse, and Linda Lamell)

## 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 dates and times to be announced pending results of the Questionnaire proposing changes.

## **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)

### **January**

*Saturday the 4th. Welcome Back Brunch at Wilkins. 10 a.m.*

*Tuesday the 14th. Monthly Chapter Social beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Wilkins. It's time to renew your membership. (Dues are \$20 for 2025) We'll have pizza provided by the Chapter. (Weather-permitting) Bruce Klinger will come and share the details for the Iron Adventure Rally, scheduled to be held at Attitash in Bartlett NH from Aug 21 to 23. Also, have you responded to Justen's questionnaire (sent out by email) about upcoming Chapter Socials? Let's get ready for a fabulous 2025!!*

### **February**

*Saturday the 1st. Dumpster Dive to benefit Children's Hospital At Dartmouth. 10 a.m.*

*Saturday the 8th. Super Bowl Pre-Party. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

*Saturday the 22nd Group Riding Workshop at Wilkins. 10 a.m.*

### **March**

*Saturday the 8th. A Crash Course for the Motorcyclist 9 a.m. Participants must preregister and pre-pay.*



## Central Vermont HOG Questionnaire 2025

(please print, complete, and bring it to the January Social on the 14th)

Monthly Chapter Meetings are currently held on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 PM. Keeping the meeting within the second week of the month would you prefer to:

- 1 Keep the meeting on Tuesday nights
  - 2 Change the meeting to Wednesday nights
  - 3 Change the meeting to Thursday nights
- (please circle only one)

Monthly meetings start at 6:30 PM, would you prefer to

Keep the start time at 6:30 PM, or change to: 5:00 PM; 5:30PM; or 6:00PM (please circle only one)

What is the main reason you attend the Monthly meetings? Please answer below

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Would a short meeting (20 minutes) to conduct chapter business, followed by going out for dinner, be of interest. Not every month, possibly several times throughout the year. Please circle only one. 1= not interested at all 10=being a great idea. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10.

There is a certain amount of Chapter business that needs to be conducted at our monthly meetings. With that in mind would you like to see more detailed information from your Officers? Or would you like to hear the basics followed by more activities / games/ stories of bike trips people have taken? Please explain your idea of what a Chapter meeting should look like:

My goal is to give every Central Vermont HOG Member an opportunity express their concerns and ideas, on how to improve our Chapter. This, however, cannot happen without your participation. Please take a few minutes fill this questionnaire out and get it back to me.

Sincerely,  
Justen