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



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Upcoming Wilkins Events
February Social Photos

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Chapter Director's Report —Justen Elliott



Greetings, Central Vermont HOG, Sunday morning as I'm writing this article, and there's another snow event on the horizon. Even though there are only 26 days till spring, it seems like 'Old Man Winter' has a grip on things for the moment.

Upcoming Events: March 7th Road Capt.'s meeting 9:30 am upstairs at WHD. This would be a good opportunity to sign up to lead a ride or have an idea for a ride.

Our March 10th meeting will be held at Gusto's 28 prospect St. Barre VT. 6:00PM. The agenda will be a short formal meeting covering a few upcoming events, followed by a time to eat and socialize.

March 14th The Chapter will be serving lunch for Wilkins ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY! This is a fund raiser for our Chapter so please come out and support.

March 21st Iron Adventure Rally open meeting come and hear what the rally committee has to share 1:00 PM Seacoast Harley Davidson 17 Lafayette Rd, North Hampton, NH 03862

April 14th Chapter Monthly meeting 6:00PM WHD (Director's Dinner) the menu is a surprise but come with an appetite, side dishes are appreciated.

April 25th Chapter Yard sale, Bring your unwanted Harley Davidson parts, clothes, accessories. And try to sell them (Harley Related items only) bring your own table, 1 table per person, set up near the WHD canopy front entrance then park your vehicle down the road at the old AmeriGas building. 10am ---1:00PM the chapter will be selling hot-dogs and maybe chili. (Rain Date for this event is May 9th)

The Chapter has signed up to cook and assist, at many of Wilkins Harley Davidson events this year. So far this has not only been a success representing the Chapter but loads of fun hanging out and getting to know one another better. I thank all of you for your help and look forward to many more laughs and memories together.

I hope to see all of you at our next chapter meeting (Gusto's March 10th)

Until then

Saddle Up Let's Ride.

Justen



On the Horizon

Wilkins Harley Davidson:

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Central Vermont HOG will be serving lunch during this event—fundraising for the Chapter. Will you help?



More...On the Horizon



WILKINS GEAR UP TO RIDE EVENT!
Are you signed up for, or thinking of signing up for our Riding Academy?
We'll give you a preview of what to expect!

April is Helmet Awareness Month!
Trade in your old one and check out
the new gear for Spring!

APRIL 18TH 11AM - 1PM



WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON

Dos De Mayo Nacho Party!
SATURDAY, MAY 2ND



Central Vermont
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HOT RODS

WILKINS HARLEY-DAVIDSON

COOL BIKES

Saturday, May 16th

It



Ladies of Harley are selling RazBarre Jam

This jam is made from raspberries grown at Lauren's Dad's home in Barre.

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.

Also available: blueberry jam
and 2025 Calendars featuring photos from
Chapter Rides in 2025

AGENDA FOR MARCH 10th SOCIAL

Meet at **Gusto's** in Barre beginning at 6 p.m.

Call to Order followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Approve the Minutes of the February Meeting

50/50 Raffle ticket sales

Sign the check-in sheet

Officers' Reports (very brief)

Members' Comments

Eat, Socialize, Have fun

Last call for purchasing 50/50 raffle tickets. Drawing for the winner.

Door prizes will be given out

Acceptance of **Membership Renewal** forms for Central Vermont HOG Chapter #5218 began January 1, 2026, in accordance with National HOG guidelines.

The forms, "Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release" and the Chapter Code of Conduct, will be available at our March Social on the 10th.

Dues remain at \$20 for the year.

To be a member of the local Chapter, your National HOG Membership must be current.

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY SOCIAL

OPENING: The regular monthly meeting of the Central Vermont Chapter of the H.O.G. was called to order at 6:03pm on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 (rescheduled from February 10, 2026 due to inclement weather) at Wilkins Harley Davidson, the sponsoring Harley Davidson dealership.

Officers:

Director:	Justen Elliott
Assistant Director:	Michael Greig
Treasurer:	Don Whiton
Secretary:	Kim Hidenfelter
Membership:	Linda Lamell
Ladies of Harley:	Trina Delary
Head Road Captain:	Jeff Demers
Safety Officer:	Open
Activities Director:	Vicky Lacasse
Historian:	Joel Delary
Photographer:	Jennifer Sumner
HOG Web Master:	Richard Pitonyak
Social Media Specialist:	Brion Muzzy
Group Members	

Absent:

Vicky Lacasse, Activities Director.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by the group. As always, Thank You to our military members for your service.

Happy Birthday: Happy Birthday to February birthdays. A special Happy Birthday was sung to our leader Justen Elliott as he reached a milestone birthday this year. HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY, Justen

PRIZES

This month's attendance prize goes to Don. Congratulations Don !

Door Prizes are given to the following:

Mark A.	Devin L.
Mike G.	Kim D.
Steve L	

50/50 prize goes to Trina D with \$40 going to the chapter bank.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE: Justen Elliott

HOG Chapter T-Shirts: Women's and Men's T-s along with sweatshirts in front-zip and pullover hoodie are being ordered, sign your name on the sign up sheet up with your size and what you wish to purchase. T-shirts are \$25, sweatshirts are \$55. Shirts will be a shade of gray with a white chapter logo.

Bowling Fun: Winter bowling fun will take place on Sunday, March 15th at the Twin City Family Fun Center in Barre from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. Come early at 12:30pm to join in on lunch. The chapter is paying for shoes and lanes. Any food or drinks will be at our own expense.

CTVT HOG Yardsale: Save the date...April 25, 2026 from 10:00am till 2:00pm. Raindate is scheduled for May, 9, 2026. One table per person or group. Unload and then park down the street. Items must be Harley related items.

Tri Chapter Picnic: A get together to bring Central VT, Champlain Valley and Upper Valley HOG Chapters together to share food, fun and an all around good time. On the calendar for May 3, 2026 with a rain date of May 17, 2026. The event will take place at the same location as last year's picnic, the rest area at Exit 44 off Route 93.

First hot dog donation jar pulled in \$150 for the CTVT HOG chapter. YAY !

Pancakes: During the Dumpster Dive for CHAD on Feb. 20, 2026, HOG will be flipping pancakes starting at 9:00am. There will be a 50/50 raffle with the Chapter proceeds going towards the charity.

HOG Chrome Status Recognition Program:

New this year to HOG and there are many qualifications which will make us eligible.
Membership participation must be 20 members.
ROC participation of the 4 primary officers.
Half the membership to obtain 2 mileage readings per year.
Actions plan for obtaining new members.
Four or more rides/events for new owners.
Membership participation of 10 or more members in attendance at events.
Shares on social media of event participation.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S UPDATE: Mike Greig

Upcoming Rallies. Americade in New York takes place on May 27-30, 2026. Mark and Ronnie will be there volunteering. Laconia is slated for June 13-21, 2026. Always proves to be an adventure.

HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN: Jeff Demers

Ride Leaders Meeting: Jeff will be leading a **Road Captain meeting at Wilkins on Saturday, March 7, 2026 at 9:30am upstairs** for those interested in leading rides this year. You don't have to have every detail mapped out but you do have to RSVP to Jeff if you will or will not be attending.

IAR: There are many self guided rides that will earn chapter points and they are loads of fun if you choose to go it on your own.
Iron Adventure: Bruce Klinger was scheduled to join us this meeting and was unable to make it. Volunteers are needed for registration etc. also to lead and participate in rides. As we get closer to this anticipated summer event more details will be shared. The oldest Rally/Iron Adventure related T-shirt will win points, the oldest motorcycle will win chapter points. There are 44 rooms left for booking. There will be a shuttle and breakfast at the American Legion for purchase each day. You can demo a HD motorcycle and also earn points. There are many other events taking place including Biker Bingo and entertainment. Bruce and Peter will be in attendance to promote the Rally prior to the August event.

ROC Training: To achieve Chrome Status for the Chapter, primary officers must be in attendance. Justen, Mike, Don and Kim are signed up to attend the April 18th meeting which takes place in Schenectady, NY.

Dealership Update: Nate joined us for this month's meeting.

Upcoming events include:
The Dumpster Dive for CHAD on 2/20/26
Annual Chili Cookoff on 2/28/26

Check out the new 2026 Trikes, they're upgraded and are showing off beautiful new designs.
Don't forget to sign up for this year's ride challenge by registering your mileage. Riders and passengers are eligible.
Thanks for joining us Nate.

MEMBERSHIP: Linda Lamell

2026 membership forms and dues (\$20) are being collected.
Please see Linda to make sure you renew your membership. Currently we have 48 members.

LADIES OF HARLEY:

RaspBarre Jam and Blueberry Jam for sale with all proceeds going into the Chapter bank. \$4 for small jars and \$6 for tall jars.
Available at all meetings until supplies run out.
2026 Calendars are also for sale, get yours as there are only 9 left. The price is \$25.

Patches: For anyone wishing to have patches, we have a supply of those as well.

Thanks to all who brought in the delicious chocolate goodies. YUMMY !!

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at Gusto's in Barre 6:00pm.

Adjourned: Meeting adjourned after 7:00pm for chocolate themed goodies and chit chat.

Minutes submitted by: Kim Hidenfelter, Secretary



Winners!





Pancakes were served by Central Vermont HOG members during the Dumpster Dive Event at Wilkins on February 21st. The Chapter's 50/50 raffle benefitted CHAD.



Wilkins Annual Best Damn Chili Cook-Off—February 28th
 Quite a few Central Vermont HOG Chapter members attended the event to support 'Make-a-Wish, VT'.
 Trina DeLary and Linda Lamell counted votes for the People's Choice Award



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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 2026—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)

FEBRUARY

Saturday, February 28. Wilkins Best Damn Chili Cook-Off

MARCH

Tuesday, March 7. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Road Captains' Mtg at Wilkins beginning at 9:30 a.m. upstairs

Tuesday, March 10. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social beginning at 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 14. Wilkins St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday, March 28. Wilkins Screw Winter Luau and Pig Roast

APRIL

Saturday, April 4. Wilkins Adult Easter Egg Hunt. Starts at 9 a.m.

Tuesday, April 14. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Saturday April 18. Wilkins Gear Up to Ride Event 11 a.m to 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Yard Sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.(watch for details)

MAY

Saturday, May 2. Wilkins Dos de Mayo Nacho Party

Tuesday, May 12. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 16. Wilkins Hot Rods and Cool Bikes

Sunday, May 17. 18th Annual Bikers for Beth Poker Run Fundraiser. Starts at Gustos

Saturday-Sunday, May 23-24. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Memorial Day weekend Overnight Ride

Saturday May 23, 2026, meet at Cumberland Farms Woodsville, NH at 8:00am KSU 8:30am. We will head to Grampy's Drive-in Pittsburg, NH for lunch.

After lunch we'll cross into Canada at the Pittsburg border. We'll head to Cookshire-Eaton, Canada then on to Karting Orford Sherbrooke, Magog, QC.

We'll also make a stop at Carrier HD in Sherbrooke.

We'll spend the night at Auberge du grand Lac 40 Rue Merry S, Magog, QC aubergedugrandlac@gmail.com 1-800-267-4039 / 819-847-4039 ***ask for Michael*** A block of rooms are being held, mention Justen & Central Vermont HOG for the discount. (it's best to call and ask for Michael)

Sunday after breakfast we'll visit the 'Abbey of Saint- Benoit-du-luc' then on to the VT border near Jay Peak, Pick up route 100 S. & home from there.

JUNE

Thursday, June 4. Wilkins Bike Night at Mulligans. 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, June 6. Wilkins Dog Pawty

Tuesday, June 9. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Friday, June 12. Wilkins Community Appreciation 90s Night beginning at 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 27. Wilkins 2nd Annual Downtown Barre Wing Walk

JULY

Saturday, July 4 Wilkins Dog Pawty

Tuesday, July 14. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Thursday-Sunday, July 16-19. Iron Adventure Rally at Okemo

Thursday, July 16. Wilkins Bike Night at Picasso 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, July 18. Wilkins Wild Wild West Party BBQ at noon. Come dressed in your best Western-wear.

Saturday, July 25. Wilkins Annual Bike Show

Thursday, July 30. Wilkins Bike Night at Buster's Sports Bar and Grill

AUGUST

Saturday, August 1 Bikers Against Child Abuse International Ride Starts from Wilkins at 11 a.m. lunch provided after the ride

Thursday, August 6. Wilkins Bike Night at Langdon St. Tavern 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, August 8. United Motorcyclists of Vermont Annual Toy Run to Support Shriner's Hospitals for Children

Tuesday, August 11. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 20. Wilkins Bike Night at Salt Hill Pub 6-8 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, September 8. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Thursday, September 17. Wilkins Bike Night at Lost Nation Brewing Company 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, September 26. Wilkins Cookie Challenge

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 10. Wilkins Biketoberfest 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tuesday, October 14. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

Saturday, October 31. Wilkins Harleyween Party

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 10. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.

DECEMBER

TBD. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Holiday Party