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

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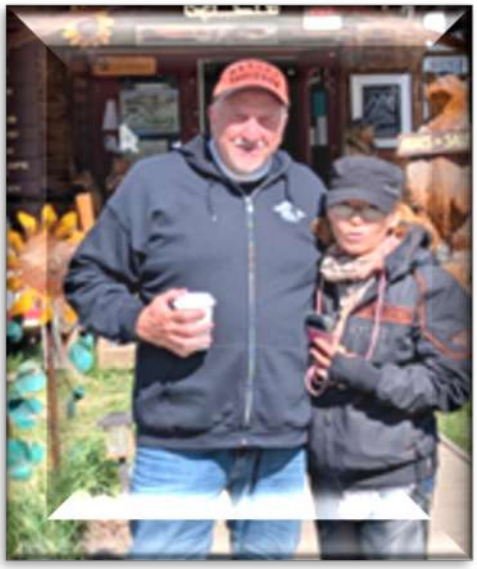
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Chapter Director's Report —Justen Elliott



Greeting Central Vermont HOG

The morning air is sharp and clear, The finest riding of the year. I zip the jacket, snap the lid, And chase the roads the summer hid. The maples turn to burnished gold, Against the mountains, stark and old. A carpet drops of red and brown, As winding blacktops take me down. The engine hums a steady tune, beneath a crisp and falling moon. No heavy heat, no buzzing flies—Just open road and autumn skies. -J. Elliott with a little help from AI

Folks Fall is by far my favorite season, I'm sure many of you feel the same way. Although our scheduled Chapter rides are coming to an end, there are still several fun adventures planned. As always please keep an eye out for updates on Facebook, our newsletter, and emails.

I apologize for missing last month's meeting 'stomach bug' feeling much better and looking forward to seeing everyone at next month's meeting, October 13th, 2026: 6:00PM at Wilkins HD. We have a busy agenda at next month's meeting. It will be our first round of nominations for our 2027 Chapter officer's November's meeting will be our 2nd round of nominations and voting for our 2027 Officer's.

Also at October's meeting we'll have our (Chapter Christmas Party Fundraiser AUCTION) That's a mouthful we've got to come up with a shorter name/abbreviation.

Anyway, in case you forgot how this works….. Bring in your favorite baked goodies, brownies, cookies, cakes, beans, you bake it we'll auction it off. Not just baked goods crafts, Knick-knacks, knitted hats anything you want to donate. Have you got something HD related (within reason) you want to get rid of bring it in (you can even set a minimum bid on it) but all donations will be applied to our December 12th 2026 Chapter Christmas party, we'll be giving an update on the plans for our Christmas party at this meeting.

"Chrome Status" I have submitted to HOG, verification of our events held for New Owners along with some additional photos. It's basically a waiting game until 2027 to see if we meet all the requirements 'make sure to log your miles twice before the end of the year'.

SAFETY IS PRORITY #1 NO EXCEPTIONS!!! As I stated above, the Fall riding season is a favorite among many motorcyclists. HOWEVER! It can also be one of the most dangerous times to ride. Leaf Peepers are already showing up and we should welcome them, if they spend their money while they're visiting. It's not so much that they're terrible drivers "actually they are" it's the fact they bring their same mentality of driving in the city up here to the back roads of NH/VT AND IT DOESN'T WORK WELL WITH US LOCALS!!!

Above all please remember this, a motorcycle vs. car = motorcycle loses every time. We all want to get home safe & sound at the end of the day. So, take your time if you must pull off the road Just to count to 10 and relax, please do so. Also be alert for wet roads covered in leaves, let's all finish this year safe and sound.

Saddle Up Let's Ride

Justen Elliott

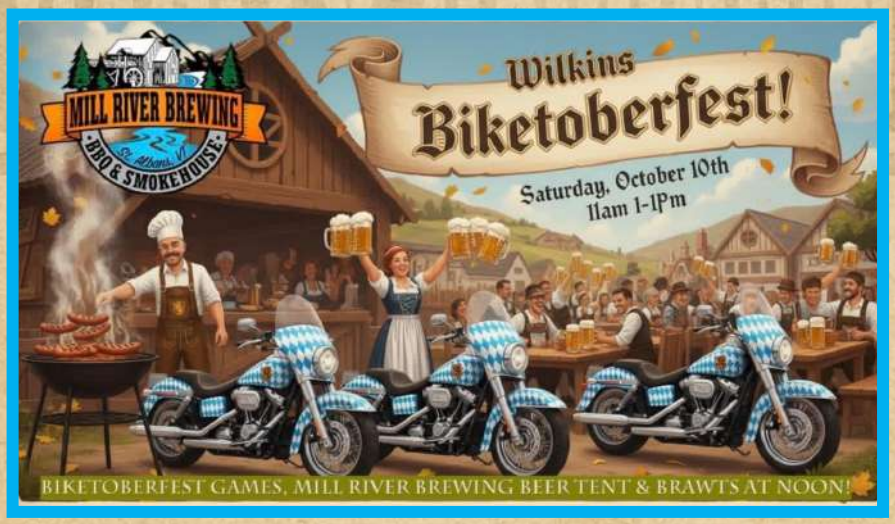
Director

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Upcoming Events

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Chapter Assistant Director's Message



Member Spotlight- I would like to restart the Member Spotlight article in our Vee Twin Rumblings again, so if anyone is interested in being featured, please let me know. I can give some suggestions if needed for article information. We are really just looking to get to know each other outside what type of motorcycle you ride, but if you ride a Road Glide, make sure to mention that

Pictures / Articles- I know our scheduled rides are pretty much done for the year, but I want to encourage everyone to send in your motorcycle related pictures / stories (Chapter rides or non-Chapter rides). This newsletter is about all of us, so make it easy on me , haha, and send in some pictures / stories to add to the newsletter!

October Social—just another reminder on top of Justen's article. Please bring something in for the auction in October. Anything Harley related or food as mentioned. All money raised goes right back to the Chapter and allows us to have a great Christmas Party, amongst many other things that we do (that arent free!)

Happy HOG-iversary!

Let's celebrate National H.O.G. membership milestones for this month!

October

Kim Drury	23years
Ben Drury	23 years
MiYong Elliott	17 years
Flora Roy	2 years

I think I missed Justen last month (sorry!)

September

Justen Elliott	17 years

Central Vermont H.O.G. Chapter # 5218

AGENDA 10/13/2026
Meet at (WHD) 6:00 PM

1. **Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Approve the Minutes of the September meeting**
3. **50/50 & door prizes (Participation list)**
4. **SIGN THE CHECK-IN SHEET**
3. **Dealership comments**
4. **Officer reports**
5. **1st round 2027 Officer nominations**
6. **Snacks and Fundraiser Auction**
7. **50/50 door prizes membership comments**
7. **Adjourn meeting**
8. **safe travel's home**

Next meeting November 10th, 2026, 6pm at Wilkins HD
(general meeting 2nd round and voting for 2027 Chapter Officers)



Ladies of Harley
are selling
RazBarre Jam

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

It is delicious!!
Get some at the next Chapter social.

Central Vermont H.O.G. Chapter # 5218
CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
September 8, 2026

OPENING: The regular monthly meeting of the Central Vermont Chapter of the H.O.G. was called to order at 6:00pm on Tuesday September 8, 2026 at Wilkins Harley Davidson. This meeting was held outside under the gazebo as we were enjoying a cook out and the annual running of the HOG Biker Games.

Officers:

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

Absent: Justen Elliott, Sorry to hear you were feeling under the weather.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by the group and led by Mike Greig. As always, THANK YOU to our military members for your service.

Happy Birthday: Happy Birthday to all September birthdays.

This month's attendance/participation prize goes to our trusty treasurer Mr Don Whiton. Congratulations Don ! Don has graciously donated his winnings back to the Chapter.

Door Prizes are given to the following:

1. Kim H 2. Jen S. 3. Jeff D. 4. Mark A. 5. Jim S. 6. Ronnie A.

50/50 prize goes to Don W.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE: Justen Elliott

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Mike Greig
Biker games tonight
The first ever Breakfast Ride will take place on Saturday, Sept. 19th. Start time from The Pump and Pantry in Williamstown has been pushed to 7:00am. Please RSVP so Mike can notify the restaurant. It's a half day, morning ride and should prove to be lots of fun. Maybe another in the works for next year Mike??
Sept. 20th is the Annual Poker Run
Sept. 27th April's Maple

TREASURER: Don Whiton
Bank account balance is upwards of $2000. We received the Ladies of Harley banner and it was presented to the group for viewing. Nice job Don. All the Ladies Thank You !

SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP: Kim Hidenfelter
August CVT H.O.G. meeting minutes were accepted and submitted to record.
First round of nominations for 2027 officers will commence at our October social.
Also at the next social we will be holding our annual fundraiser auction. Bring a baked good, food item, craft or anything else you can come up with to be auctioned off. You can even set an opening bid on your item(s) if you choose. All proceeds will be banked into the Chapter's account.

HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN: Jeff Demes

LADIES of HARLEY: Trina Delary
Jam, Jam, Jam This season's new batches are available in RazBarre and Blueberry. $4 small jars and $6 for tall jars. See Kim to get yours.

Patches: See Justen if you are interested in purchasing patches. Chapter patches are available in large and small.

Dealership Update: O.C.
Sept. 12th is the Annual Suicide Prevention Ride.
Sept. 18th is the last Bike Night of the season.
Sept. 26th Cookie Cookie Cookie Challenge.
Wilkin's is running a deal on Stage 2 upgrades. See the dealership for more info.
Thanks for joining us O.C.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 6:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kim Hidenfelter, Secretary
This month's meeting took place outside and at times proved to be noisy with street traffic. Please forgive any mistakes, misinformation or mess ups. Have a great rest of September and see everyone soon.

Gobble, Throttle, & Ice Cream Waddle (Aug 29)

















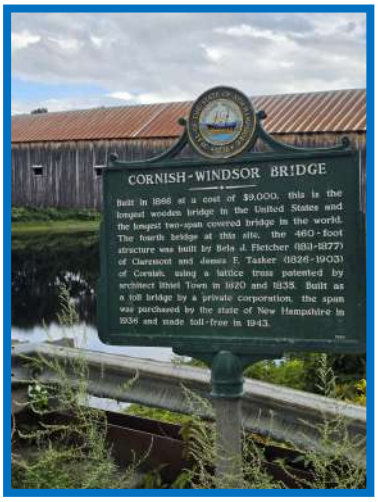








Mama McDonough's (Sep 6)



























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Chapter Social & Biker Games (Sep 8)















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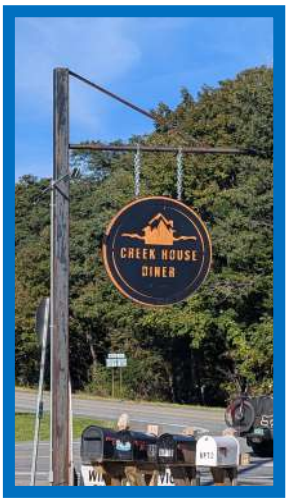






Breakfast Ride (Sep 19)

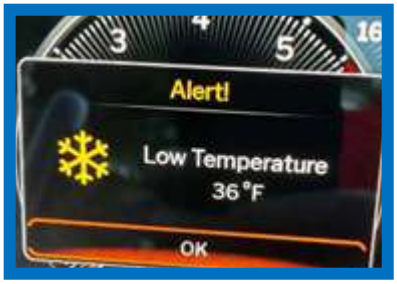


















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Central Vermont HOG Chapter
Code of Conduct (rev. 3/23/2024)

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 JUNE face potential probation, suspension, or removal from the Chapter.
*The Sponsoring Dealer or H.O.G. Manager JUNE 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)

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)~~

~~JUNE~~

~~***Saturday, JUNE 2.*** Wilkins Dos de JUNEo Nacho Party~~
~~***Sunday, JUNE 3.*** Tri-Chapter Cookout (JUNE 17th Raindate)~~
~~***Sunday, JUNE 10.*** Chapter Ride to Smokin' Good BBQ. Bethel, ME. Leader: Justen Elliott~~
~~***Tuesday, JUNE 12.*** Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.~~
~~***Saturday, JUNE 16.*** Wilkins Hot Rods and Cool Bikes~~
~~***Sunday, JUNE 17.*** 18th Annual Bikers for Beth Poker Run Fundraiser. Starts at Gustos~~
~~***Sunday, JUNE 17.*** Chapter Ride to The Beach Plum, Portsmouth NH. Leader: Justen Elliott~~
~~***Saturday-Sunday, JUNE 23-24.*** Central Vermont HOG Chapter Memorial Day weekend Overnight Ride~~
~~***Wednesday to Saturday, JUNE 27-30.*** Americade Rally. Lake George, NY~~

JUNE

~~***Thursday, June 4.*** Wilkins Bike Night at Mulligans. 6-8 p.m.~~
~~***Saturday, June 6.*** Wilkins Dog Pawty~~
~~***Saturday, June 6.*** Moose Foundation Memorial Ride. Starts at 9 a.m. Join the Annual Moose Foundation Ride. This one is special as it will be a memorial ride for Bruce Brown. The ride will start at Truth Performance and finish at Cyclewise.~~
~~***Sunday, June 7.*** Chapter Ride to Singleton's Gen. Store, Proctorsville VT. Leader: Jeff Demers~~
~~***Tuesday, June 9.*** Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.~~
~~***Wednesday, June 10.*** Chapter Ride to The Naked Turtle, Plattsburg, NY. Leader: Scott Campbell~~
~~***Friday, June 12.*** Wilkins Community Appreciation 90s Night beginning at 6 p.m.~~
~~***Saturday to Sunday, June 13-21.*** 103rd Annual Laconia Motorcycle Week, centered around Weirs Beach.~~
~~***Wednesday, June 17.*** *Rain date for Chapter Ride to The Naked Turtle, Plattsburg, NY. Leader: Scott Campbell~~

~~***Thursday, June 18.*** Wilkins Bike Night at Switchback Brewery. 6-8 p.m.~~
~~***Sunday, June 21.*** Chapter Ride to The East Side Diner, Newport VT. Leader: Scott Campbell~~
~~***Saturday, June 27.*** Wilkins 2nd Annual Downtown Barre Wing Walk~~
~~***Sunday, June 28.*** Chapter Ride to Mount Equinox, ArlingtonVT. Leader: Scott Campbell~~

JULY

~~***Thursday to Sunday, July 2-5.*** Chapter **overnight** ride to The Finger Lakes, Geneva NY Leader: Jeff Demers~~
~~***Saturday, July 4*** Wilkins Dog Pawty~~
~~***Sunday, July 12.*** Chapter ride to White's Cottage, Woodstock VT. Leader: Trina DeLary~~
~~***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 Piecasso 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~~
~~***Sunday, July 26.*** Chapter ride to Woodstock Inn, Woodstock NH. Leader: Devin Lacasse~~
~~***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~~
~~***Sunday, August 2.*** Chapter ride to Sunday River Brewing. Leader: Steve Hidenfelter~~
~~***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~~
~~***Sunday, August 9.*** Chapter ride to Iron Tails Saloon, Acton, ME. Leader: Jeff Demers~~
~~***Tuesday, August 11.*** Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.~~
~~***Sunday, August 16.*** Boxer Ride, Patricks Irish Pub, Gilford NH VT. Leader: Justen Elliott~~
~~***Thursday, August 20.*** Wilkins Bike Night at Salt Hill Pub 6-8 p.m.~~
~~***Saturday, August 22.*** Chapter ride to Castle in the Clouds, Moultonborough NH. Leader: Jeff Demers~~
~~***Sunday, August 23.*** Chapter ride to Star Trek Museum, Ticonderoga, NY. Leader: Brion Muzzy~~
Saturday, August 29. Chapter ride to Hart's Turkey Farm, Laconia NH. Leader: Mike Greig
Sunday, August 30. Chapter ride to King Arthur Bakery/Café, Norwich VT. Leader: Steve Hidenfelter

SEPTEMBER

Thursday, September 3. Wilkins Bike Night at The Old Post, So. Burlington 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, September 8. Central Vermont HOG Chapter Social at Wilkins beginning at 6 p.m.
Sunday, September 13. Chapter ride to The East Side Diner, Newport VT. Leader: Chris Lacasse
Thursday, September 17. Wilkins Bike Night at Lost Nation Brewing Company 6-8 p.m.

Sunday, September 20. Chapter Poker Run to the Hungry Bear, Bradford, VT. Leaders: Justen Elliott/Jeff Demers/Brion Muzzy/Trina DeLary
Saturday, September 26. Wilkins Cookie Challenge
Sunday, September 27. Chapter ride to April's Maple, Canaan VT. Leader: Steve Hidenfelter

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 10. Wilkins Biketoberfest 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunday, October 11. Dummerston Apple Pie Ride—meet @ Pump and Pantry—KSU 8:30am
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