

**CHAPTER BYLAWS
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PURPOSE:

The Fox Valley Chapter was formed to promote the National Harley Owners Group objective of riding and having fun, and to support its Charter. To accomplish this, the Chapter develops; motorcycling activities for its members, fundraising events for charities, assist's in events organized by the sponsoring dealership, and promotes motorcycling safety and education. These activities strive to improve the image of motorcycling to the general public.

THE FOLLOWING BYLAWS ARE SUBORDINATE TO NATIONAL HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHARTER

I. NAME

- a. This group will be known as "THE FOX VALLEY IL. CHAPTER OF THE HARLEY OWNERS GROUP".
- b. The Corporation's Registered Agent will be the Director using the sponsoring dealerships address.

II. MEETINGS

- a. The Chapter will hold at minimum one monthly membership business meeting.
- b. All meetings shall be conducted following the then current version of Roberts Rules of Order.
- c. The meeting location will be communicated to all members at least one month prior to the meeting.
- d. Any business conducted at a monthly meeting must have at least 10% of the members in good standing plus three Primary Officer's to be binding.
- e. Guest(s) sponsored by a member in good standing are welcome to meeting's or closed events at the discretion of the sponsoring member. Members shall be responsible for the conduct of their sponsored guest(s) at any Chapter function. Non-sponsored guests can attend two meetings before deciding on membership enrollment.
- f. Special meetings can be called by any Primary Officer with a minimum of two weeks notice. The Primary Officers are defined by the National Harley Owners Group as the Chapter Director, Assistant Director, Secretary and Treasurer. For Special meetings, all Primary Officers must be present or have a proxy for the meeting to be binding.

III. QUORUM

- a. Quorum is present when 5% of members in good standing and 2 Primary Officers are present.

IV. VOTING

- a. Members in good standing are the only persons to have voting privileges. Voting will be conducted consistent with the National Harley Owners Group Charter. The Chapter Director must cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie.

V. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Chapter members must be a current National Harley Owners Group Member.
- b. Membership dues are not to exceed what National Harley Owners Group limits.
- c. Annual dues are to be paid by January 1st. Dues not paid by March 1st may result in removal from the Chapter roster.
- d. Any returned checks payable to the Chapter that are returned by the bank unpaid for any reason will be subject to repayment of the original amount plus all bank fees and handling charges.

VI. MEMBER MISCONDUCT

- a. Suspension and/or termination are at the discretion of the sponsoring dealer.

VII. OFFICERS

- a. All officers shall be per National Harley Owners Group Charter guidelines.

VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- a. Nominations will be made at the March and April meetings in the year officer terms expire. Dealer appoints primary officers and the primary officers appoint all discretionary positions.
- b. A candidate may only run for one office at a time.
- c. The term of office for each position is two years.
- d. Officers can be re-elected or re-appointed without limits to the number of terms.
- e. Officer terms are based on a calendar year.

IX. IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS

- a. An officer may be declared negligent if found to be disobeying the National Harley Owners Group Charter.
- b. Any officer found negligent of their duties is subject to removal at the sole discretion of the sponsoring dealership.

- c. In the event of Director Impeachment or vacancy, the Assistant Director will assume directory responsibilities of the current term. Vacancies under this section shall be filled by initiating a special election process as noted in section VIII.

X. ACTIVITIES

- a. One sponsored guest per member shall be permitted to attend member only functions and shall be required to pay the applicable fee(s).
- b. Special events may allow additional sponsored guests to attend provided that such sponsored guests are charged the Chapter's cost for the event plus all applicable fees.
- c. Member only events may have non-members in attendance provided that the number of members exceeds non members and non-members pay all applicable fees.

XI. AWARDS

- a. It will be the tradition of this Chapter to award a plaque to any officer stepping down for recognition of services performed to the Chapter.
- b. The award is given only to those officers having served a minimum of one term in office.

XII. CHAPTER MERCHANDISE

- a. Chapter rockers shall be available only to Chapter members.
- b. Chapter clothing and other apparel will be available only to Chapter members and their immediate families.

XIII. DONATIONS

- a. Chapter Officers will determine the charities/sponsorships in consultation with the event chairs and sponsoring dealership.

XIV. AMENDMENTS

- a. These bylaws may be amended at any time.
- b. The proposed changes to the bylaws will be communicated to the membership at least two weeks prior to the business meeting in which a confirming vote is taken.
- c. A majority vote of all members present at the business meeting is required for passage of the amendment(s).
- d. Sponsoring Dealer must approve and sign off on any amendments of the Chapter bylaws before being presented to the Chapter Membership for voting.

XV. DISSOLUTION OF CHAPTER

- a. Dissolution of the Chapter shall be as according to guidelines set forth by National Harley Owners Group Charter current at the time.