



COMBAT VETERANS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



CVMA Chapter 1-2

Sergeant at Arms Briefing

Welcome to CVMA Chapter 1-2

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The emblem of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association is in the shape of a skull encompassed by the following colors. The incorporated colors are:

- Red, representing the blood that has been shed on the battlefield
- Military Gold, representing all branches of the military service of the United States
- Black, representing the heavy hearts possessed for those who gave their lives and for those that are considered missing in action or prisoners of war
- The skull and ace of spades represent the death that war leaves in its wake





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History of the CVMA

The Combat Veterans Motorcycle Club (CVMC) was founded around the year 1999 by a person who went by the road name “*Iceman*” and who was from either Georgia or Alabama. The CVMC was created as an internet presence with a mission to promote brotherhood and to remember and honor POWs/KIAs. According to the clubs website, the CVMC was a fully vetted motorcycle club; meaning the CVMC was in good standing with other motorcycle clubs to include 1% clubs.

In order to become a member of the then CVMC, there were only a few general rules: be a combat veteran, pay dues, and make an annual club run to the wall in Washington D.C.. The requirement to be a probationary club member was waived due to the fact that combat time was considered the probate period for a member thus everyone who entered the CVMC did so as a fully patched member of the MC based on their experience in a combat environment.





History of the CVMA

At some point in 2000 or 2001, unbeknownst to the general members, multiple MCs had threatened Iceman about his claiming the CVMC being a motorcycle club. It was also at this time some members of the CVMC were realizing the club had many inconsistencies based on actions of Iceman. Upon conducting research, it was determined that the whole thing was no more than an internet scam created to milk money from veterans for Iceman's personal use.

When confronted by CVMC members, Iceman shut down the scam and sent all membership information to Rick "Daddy Dog" Mayberry (who would later become the first national president of the CVMA). However, not knowing the true number of CVMC members, it was determined an email sent by Iceman to the CVMC organization was likely the best way to identify most if not all of the members; that list consisted of 45 names.





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History of the CVMA

A few members of the now defunct CVMC made the effort to connect with other group members to determine if there was enough interest in continuing the idea of the organization but in a legitimate manner; thus in May 2001, the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association (CVMA) formed.

Trying to figure out the best way to vet a new member, it was realized that the CVMA and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) had almost the same requirements for membership so the CVMA approached the VFW with an idea to help grow both of their membership numbers by forming a partnership. This led to the original CVMA/VFW backpatch design.





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History of the CVMA

The relationship between the CVMA and VFW was short-lived due to a number of reasons to include issues with the acceptance of combat veterans from the Vietnam War and the *biker look* image that CVMA members had for which the VFW wanted to clean-up. Thus, shortly after the 2002 VFW convention in Nashville, TN the affiliation between the CVMA and VFW was severed.

In December of 2002, the CVMA membership voted to begin moving towards officially establishing the type of association its members wanted to be, independent of the VFW or any other organization. As part of this decision, VFW membership was no longer required, opening the CVMA up to all Combat Veterans who own a motorcycle. This decision led to an immediate growth in the membership of the CVMA and to the current backpatch design.





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CVMA Kentucky 1-2

- Our chapter was established on 16 February 2013 and is located in the Fort Knox/Radcliff area
- We were the second chapter formed in the State
- We are one of seven chapters in the state of Kentucky
- We are the largest chapter, based upon membership, in the state of Kentucky
- We are the only Chapter in the state of Kentucky to have an Auxiliary Chapter





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Our Mission

- Our mission is to support and defend those who have defended our country and our freedoms. Our focus is to help veterans and other veteran organizations, whether through donations, visiting veteran care facilities, providing a warm meal, clothing, helping hand, shelter, and guidance, or simply to say, "**Thank You!**" and "**Welcome Home!**".
- The Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association KY Chapter 1-2 is formed and dedicated to support Veterans, Veterans' groups, and Military support charities and is dedicated to the motto, "**Veterans Helping Veterans**". As such, CVMA 1-2 is additionally dedicated to the betterment of communication and camaraderie between Motorcycle Associations, Veterans' Organizations, and other Motorcycle Groups and/or Clubs.





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Who We Are

- We are an **Association** of Veterans from all branches of the United States Armed Forces who ride motorcycles as a hobby
- We have members from nearly all 50 states and living abroad. Many members continue to serve in our Armed Forces, with some currently serving in combat areas. Our membership is comprised of:
 - Full Members (those with verified combat service)
 - Supporter Members (veterans who have non-combat military service)
 - Auxiliary Members (spouses of a full or supporter member)





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Who We Are Not!

- We **ARE NOT** a Motorcycle Club or Motorcycle Gang
 - Nor do we have the intention of ever becoming an MC
- We **DO NOT** have colors
- We **DO NOT** prospect nor do we actively recruit
- We **DO NOT** claim territory





Eligibility for Membership

- Full Member
 - Any person of good character
 - Must provide a DD 214 verifying combat service in the armed forces,
 - Owns and operates a motorcycle of at least 500cc's
 - Pay Dues
- Supporter Member
 - Any person of good character
 - Must be sponsored by a Full Member
 - Must provide a DD-214 verifying service in the armed forces
 - Owns and operates a motorcycle of at least 500cc's
 - Pay Dues
- Auxiliary Member
 - Be of good character
 - Be a spouse of a full or supporter member in good standing
 - Provide proof of marriage
 - Pay Dues





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Chain of Command

The CVMA is comprised of multiple levels of representation from the National Board of Directors (NBOD), to a Regional Representative (RR), a State Representative (SR), and ultimately to a Chapter Executive Board (CEB) aka Chapter Chain of Command. All officer positions are via elections and have varying levels of responsibility to the membership of the CVMA.

Like any Chain of Command, most if not all issues are best settled at the lowest levels. You will find that in CVMA KY 1-2, our Chapter Officers are some of the most dedicated and caring people you will ever meet; don't hesitate to ask one of them for assistance. Also be assured your discussions will be held in the strictest confidence with the CEB members.





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Chain of Command

You can find Point of Contact information for CVMA Command and Staff positions for all National, Regional, State, and Chapters under the Administration tab of the national website at:

(<https://www.combatvet.us/command/officers.php>).

This is an invaluable asset for those who need to contact members of other CVMA chapters or to find help while traveling.





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National Board of Directors (NBOD) as of Feb 2020

- CVMA NBOD
 - President: Matt “Mutt” Jones
 - Vice President: Chris “Lunchbox” Aker
 - Treasurer: Charles “Canuck” Peloquin
 - Secretary: Brad “Bergie” Berglund
 - Sergeant at Arms (SAA): Gary “Coolshot” Lujan
 - Public Relations Officer (PRO): Scott “Hulk” Harris
 - Chaplain: Max “Preacherman” Waugh





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Regional and State Representatives as of February 2020

The CVMA is comprised of eleven regions. Kentucky is part of Region 2. Region 2 is comprised of the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia

Region 2 Representative is: Scott “Kid” Scholl

Each state has a representative.

Kentucky’s State Representative is: Robert “Doc” Soice





CVMA KY 1-2 Chain of Command as of Feb 2020

CVMA KY 1-2 Chapter Officers

- Chapter Commander: Scott “Silverback” Burdett
- Chapter XO: David “Reaper” Grimm
- Chapter Treasurer: Thomas “Battle” Brooks
- Chapter Secretary: Mona “Boots” Waldeck
- Chapter SAA: Michael “Stack” Stacey
- Chapter PRO: Chuck “Snafu” Broadfoot
- Chapter Chaplain: Wil “Chilly” Hallstead
- Chapter Quartermaster: Caryn “Gov’ner” Webb
- Chapter Road Captain: Raymond “Steamer” Keeling





Suggested Links

- CVMA National Website: access your 201 file, national store, and see general topics impacting the CVMA via various web forums
 - www.combatvet.us
- CVMA KY 1-2 Website:
 - www.cvmaky1-2.com
- Facebook:
 - On Facebook, search for “CVMA KY 1-2”; this is a private group so you will need to request permission to join.
- National Auxiliary Website: important information for our auxiliary members.
 - <http://www.auxiliary-combatvets.org/>

