



Section 2

Awards



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First Timer Recognition

Recognize a person the *first time* they attend your meeting. Have them stand up and tell something about themselves. If one of your members brought them to the meeting, have that member stand up with them also and add a few comments about how they met. Have ALL your Chapter members go up to these new people and introduce themselves and thank them for coming to the meeting. This first time recognition is the MOST IMPORTANT event for a new person because it will determine if they feel welcome enough to return.



Chapter Participation

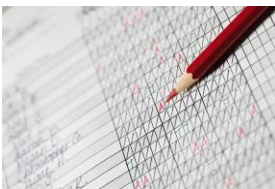
Each year at the Chapter Christmas Party, a participation pin and/or year bar is awarded to members who have accumulated enough points throughout the year. To receive the award, the member must accumulate 30 points or more. Members who join during the year can have their points pro-rated.

Members will accumulate points according to the following:

- 1 point for:
 - Each monthly gathering
 - Each Chapter function (mall show, bike cruises, food rides, etc.)
 - Each charity event or benefit (poker run, bike-a-thon, etc.)
 - Each Chapter weekend trip
 - Each attendance at another state's rally
 - Each Traveling Plaque attempt
- 2 Points For:
 - Attending the Region Rally
 - Attending the District Rally
 - Attending Wing Ding
 - Each seminar attended at a rally

The Chapter may also elect to pull one name from those eligible members and pay for a one-year GWRRA membership.

Perfect Attendance



Award each member at the end of the year that has attended every Monthly Gathering that year. Something as simple as a "Perfect Attendance Certificate" or a special pin or hanger bar are good awards. Remember, it is more about recognizing the member.

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Chapter Pride

Award your Chapter members for showing pride in their Chapter and GWRRA with small prizes during your Chapter's Monthly Gathering.

When members sign in at the Monthly Gathering, give them tickets for the following:

- Wearing their Chapter shirt to the Gathering = 1 ticket
- Wearing their Chapter shirt and presenting their GWRRA Membership Card = 2 tickets
- Wearing their Chapter shirt, presenting their GWRRA Membership Card and wearing a vest with the GWRRA 10 inch patch on the back = 3 tickets

During the gathering, draw one of the tickets and award that member with a small prize. Gift certificates from local businesses make great prizes.



High Mileage

This award can be done on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis. For a Chapter Participant to be eligible, the CD, ACD or Ride Educator must log the starting and ending odometer readings at the beginning and end of each month, quarter or year. One determination to be made is whether the miles will only be accumulated through a Chapter activity or will take into account all miles accumulated by a participant. The member with the most annual mileage should receive an award and will have bragging for one year.



Visitation

Award those members who not only support their Chapter, but also those who continually go on rides to support other Chapters. Many Chapters award their members with a special pin during the monthly Chapter Gathering.

- 3 Chapter Visitations and/or Rallies = 1 Pin
- 1 Traveling Plaque Capture Ride = 1 Pin

At the end of the year, the member who has collected the most pins receives admission to the District Rally paid for by the Chapter. If there is a tie, place the names in a bag and draw for the winner.

Good Samaritan

A Good Samaritan Award is a great way to recognize someone who has unselfishly helped someone, especially in times of trouble. This award can be given as a monthly award, or annually to someone who stands out.

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Humor

This award is given to a member for something they do that is really funny and is presented at the monthly gathering. It is given in good spirit and should not hurt anyone's feelings. Here are some awards that are currently being presented throughout GWRRA:



I Dropped It

This is for a time when a Chapter Participant drops their motorcycle but not related to an accident. This could include forgetting to put down a kick stand or falls to the side at a stop light not getting their foot down. Again this is meant for fun so keep that in mind.

Whiner

This award is given away to that person within a Chapter that whines or complains about anything or everything. The key to this award is the one who poses the award needs to identify the next person to receive the award.

Sloppy

This is for that person within your chapter that has a problem eating. Specifically, a Chapter Participant drops some food on their shirt or on their pants.



U-Turn

This is a special award set aside for those individuals who plan and lead a ride. The award is given to a ride leader for the most amount of U-Turns during a ride. In some cases, a Chapter Participant could hold onto this award for several months. The award should be presented during a Chapter Gathering. This one you really want to keep fun because these are the individuals that have volunteered their time to lead rides.

Does your Chapter present an award to Participants? If so please send them to the Membership Enhancement Program for inclusion in the Fun Activities Guide.

Go to

<http://mep.gwrra.org/>

Select the Feedback link to submit your Award.