

# **SMC Grand Prix Award**

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Purpose. This award is intended to recognize SMC members who support the club and the contest community through contest activity. The SMC award program is designed as both an internal challenge among club members, both on an individual and team basis.

Eligibility. Any member of the SMC is eligible for this award.

Period. The SMC Grand Prix Award will begin August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, and end on July 31 of the following year.

Reporting. All entrants must submit claimed scores in the manner set by the scorekeeper within 30 days of the end of the contest or other date as specified. Contest logs shall be entered prior to the sponsor's due date and must appear in the final results. The scorekeeper, at his or her sole discretion, can also refer to a contest sponsor's log received reports or 3830, in further ascertaining claimed scores. If the entrant makes a correction in claimed score after it is sent to the SMC scorekeeper, the scorekeeper must be notified. All submissions must contain a complete list of operator and host call-signs, and claimed score.

Scoring. The Grand Prix Award shall be based on claimed scores.

- The SMC leader's claimed score for each contest shall be given 1,000 points, and all other stations submitting a SMC log entry shall be given points as a percentage of the leader's claimed score.
- For purposes of simplicity of award administration, the highest claimed single operator score in the club shall be used as the leader, with no distinction being made for power classes.
- If a multi-op claimed score exceeds the highest single-op claimed score, then both stations shall receive 1,000 points, with the single-op high scores still being used for percentage calculations of all other scores.

## Scoring in Special Situations.

- Scores of out-of-circle members shall count towards the award, but otherwise, all members must submit logs with SMC in club competition events to count towards the Grand Prix.
- Each operator of an eligible Multi-operator entry may claim a share of the generated score. Each operator's score shall be the total points earned divided by the number of operators.
- To encourage station owners to host SMC operators, we are offering owners Matching Award Points. Any station owner who hosts SMC operator(s) who generate(s) an eligible

score, will receive Matching Award Points equal to that operator(s) Award Points. If the host was also an operator, he will receive one share for hosting and a second share for being an operator.

Club Competition Events: Nine events spread over domestic, DX, HF, VHF, RTTY, SSB / CW. In rough order of Grand Prix cycle ---

November Sweepstakes, CW

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CQ WW (pick one mode, SSB / CW )

ARRL 160

ARRL RTTY Round-up

ARRL DX (pick one mode SSB / CW)

NAQP (pick one mode SSB / CW / RTTY; and pick one date)

June VHF

CQ VHF

Awards. Any current SMC member in good standing shall receive an award certificate if they submit and report a contest score, per the above reporting requirements.

Rankings. All stations shall be ranked on the basis of Grand Prix Award points, with recognition being given to the members with higher overall scores. Category or sub-ladder awards may be given (such as QRP, Low Power, RTTY, 160, VHF, DX, CW), shall be at the discretion of the scorekeeper,

### **Development notes, 8-2011 ---**

- Desire to keep things simple year 1 ---
  - o Expansion in Year 2 + for more contests; more definitive sub-ladders; etc
- Small number of contests chosen for historical SMC interest and / or current activity
- Scoring is % of SMC SO Leader, with 1,000 points max per contest
- Dates line up to award being given at ZO Fest in August
- Possibility of sub-ladders in year 1 is left up to scorekeeper
- Collection of data largely left up to scorekeeper