

## Mid Eastern Region, NMRA The Clyde Gerald Award

1) What is the award?

This award is named for the late Clyde Gerald, former MER Business Manager and long time modeler. It is awarded to the “kit-bashed” model which scores highest in the judged model contest.

2) Sponsors:

The Clyde Gerald Award is sponsored by the MER, NMRA.

3) Who can compete for the award?

Any NMRA/MER member in good standing who chooses to enter a “kit-bashed” model in the official NMRA/MER sponsored judged model contest at an MER convention may compete for the award.

4) Modeling Parameters --- Clyde Gerald Award is model is defined:

The Clyde Gerald Award model is defined as any model entry that qualifies as being “kit-bashed”. A “kit-bashed” model is defined as one that makes use of a kit or kits to build something other than the intended use of that same kit or kits.

5) How the contest will be Judged and the winner chosen:

The model will judged as part of the regular judging of the model contest at an MER convention. The judging guidelines will be those established by the NMRA for the model contest and the Achievement Program. The Clyde Gerald Award model achieving the highest scoring “kit-bashed model” in the model contest or Achievement Program judging will be the winner. In case of a tie, the Chief Judge will choose the winning entry.

6) The Clyde Gerald Award:

Once the winning entry has been decided, the sponsor of the award will contact the winner. At the official MER awards ceremony, the Clyde Gerald Award plaque will be presented to the winner. The award will be handed out when the other official awards are distributed. The award will be presented by the MER General Contest Chairman or a designate can announce and hand out the award plaque.

7) Sponsors (Organization and Contact persons) and Funding:

The Clyde Gerald Award is funded by the MER.

8) Time limit for this award:

The sponsors of this award understand that in order for it to be placed into the Special awards given at a MER sponsored convention that this award must be approved by the MER Board of Directors. If approved, the award can be given at every MER sponsored convention over a two-year period. In order to continue to presenting this award, the sponsors must seek approval from the MER Board of Directors every two years.