

Mid Eastern Region, NMRA The Pride of Dixie Award

1) What is the award?

This award is offered for a topic that changes with each convention and is announced in the “LOCAL”.

2) Sponsors:

The Pride of Dixie Award is sponsored by the James River Division of the MER, NMRA and is only awarded at MER conventions SOUTH of the Mason-Dixon Line. The associated sponsor is the MER member, Chuck Hladik.

3) Who can compete for the award?

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

4) Modeling Parameters --- Pride of Dixie Award is model is defined:

The Pride of Dixie Award model is defined as the winning model type specified (changes with each convention) entered in a JUDGED contest.

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. The Pride of Dixie Award model achieving the highest score in the model contest will be the winner. In case of a tie the Chief Judge will choose the winning entry.

6) The Pride of Dixie Award:

Once the winning entry has been decided, the sponsor of the award will contact the winner. At the official MER awards ceremony, the Pride of Dixie Award plaque will be presented to the winner. The award will be handed out when the other official awards are distributed. The award can be presented by the sponsor(s). If this is not possible, the MER General Contest Chairman or a designate can announce and hand out the award.

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

The sponsor(s) of the award will fund the MER Pride of Dixie Award.

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.