

Report of the Ross Heriot Memorial Gold Spike Award - 2023.

Prepared for the 7th Division PNR NMRA Annual General Meeting 14 November 2023

I hope that the next presentation of the Ross Heriot award will occur at the a 7th division meeting sometime – somewhere in February 2024.

Since my last report, there have been a no new nominations received for the Ross Heriot Gold Spike Memorial award.

Since the award was first presented in 1968, it has been made to 47 individuals and not awarded in 9 years. In some years the award has been made to two people in the same year. A list of previous recipients is available both on the 7th Division Web Site and below.

“The award is presented annually to the individual or individuals in the PNR 7th Division who has made a significant contribution to the division. It is in appreciation of his/her unselfish devotion of time and effort to further the aims of the NMRA, the PNR and the hobby of model railroading through assistance and service for the benefit of all model railroaders within the division. The award is a once-in-a-lifetime presentation and candidates are nominated by their peers.”

The presentation for 2023 was made to our past superintendent John Martin. Unfortunately John has been very busy with family matters so we have not seen him in person

I look forward to continuing receiving nominations of additional worthy members who meet the award requirements. – Please note the list of nominees is presently empty so please put on your thinking caps and send me some nominations with supporting reasons. Nominations need not be complicated documents, all that is needed is a letter or email to John Green or our superintendent Victor Gilbertson, containing the name of the person being nominated and a few lines with supporting reasons for this nomination.

My email address is greenjohnca@yahoo.ca

I look forward to receiving your written recommendations via email, Snail-mail or hand delivered.

Respectfully submitted both for your consideration and for your action.

John Green

Ross Heriot Gold Spike Award Winners

2023 John Martin	1998 John Green
2022 Lori Sebelley PNR President's Award 2022	1997 Hugh Clarke
2021 Award date moved from November to May	1996 Brian Clogg
2020 Graham Stokes	1995 -
2019 Tom Lundgren	1994 -
2018 René Gourley	1993 Gordon Varney, MMR
2017 No Award – pesentation date moved	1992 Scott Calvert, also PNR POY in 1993
2016 Mike Chandler, MMR	1991 Ken Davis also PNR POY in 1965
2015 Greg Kennelly	1990 Dick Sutcliffe, also PNR POY in 2000
2014 Greg Madsen also PNR POY in 1988	1989 Steve Stark
2013 -	1988 Bert Battey
2012 Eric Reynard	1987 Carl Sparks
2011 Bill Dixon	1986 Phil Magnall
2010 Bob Gardner, MMR	1985 Shirley and Rob Heap
2009 Larry Sebelley	1984 Brian Pate
2008 Mike Barone	1983 George Biel
2007 John Zuk	1982 Tom Beaton also PNR POY in 1983
2006 Dave Tomljenovich	1981 Hank Menkveld also PNR POY in 1985
2005 Russ Watson	1980 Art Jones
2004 -	1979 -
2003 -	1978 Ken Griffiths
2002 -	1977 Ken Vere
2001 Ted Alexis	1976 -
2000 Ken Rutherford and Rick Lord	1975 Fraser Wilson
1999 Gary Hazell, also PNR POY in 1995	1974 -

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1973 Doug Stevenson also PNR POY in 1975

1972 Cyril Meadows

1971 Doug Harmon

1970 Phil Crawley

1969 Norm Szun

1968 Frank McKinney also PNR POY in 1973

Note: *POY is the PNR person of the year award