

CCARC Member Recognition Policy

1. **PURPOSE:** It is important to recognize our members in a timely manner when they contribute in some significant way to the success of the Clark County Amateur Radio Club. To that end, this policy outlines the club recognition program and products normally used to do so.

2. **POLICY:**
 1. With the exception of specific event “Certificates of Participation”, most of the club member recognition is presented on an annual basis at the awards banquet normally held in February each year.
 2. Although the President is responsible for the overall Awards Banquet event planning, the Vice-president is responsible to ensure that member recognition is happening throughout the year for specific events and additionally leads the planning and oversees the club awards committees to ensure a determination of the awards to be presented at the Awards Banquet.
 3. There may be other awards sanctioned by the board of directors from time to time for special circumstances, but the *ongoing* awards are described herein. Changes to ongoing awards will cause a change to this policy document.
 4. Attachment 1 to this policy outlines alphabetically all the ongoing club awards and other club recognition available to present to deserving members. It includes administrative as well as operational activity recognition. Information includes:
 - a. The **title** of the recognition
 - b. The **reason** for the award
 - c. The **frequency** of the award
 - d. The **method** to determine recipients (committee, president appoints, etc.)
 - e. The **type** (traveling plaque, individual plaque, paper certificate, etc.)

Attachment 1 – Club Awards

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Club Awards

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Title	Reason for the Award	Frequency	Method and type
<p>CCARC Ames Cornerstone Award</p> <p>Est: 2018</p>	<p>The “CCARC Ames Cornerstone Award” recognizes a member that has clearly contributed well over and above expectations over the tenure of their membership. The CCARC Ames Cornerstone Award was established in 2018 in memory of Ron Ames. The award recognizes a member’s many years of service, hard work and dedication to the purpose and mission of the club. It takes good people to make good organization. Ron Ames and the recipients of this award exemplify this in establishing the foundation for the CCARC.</p> <p>1. Mandatory requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Membership minimum of 20 years (“2 decades”) B. Consistent participation in a variety of club activities over the long term C. Held two or more officer, director or other key leadership positions with integrity D. Strong advocate for the club and its purpose E. Demonstrated superior leadership F. Active in one or more other volunteer community service groups <p>2. Other indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Set example as a mentor or coach to others B. Role model and positive example to others C. Demonstrated promotion of growth of the amateur radio hobby D. Strong supporter for the growth of the club E. Encouraged youth membership 	<p>As desired but typically at the annual awards banquet.</p>	<p>Can be nominated by any member.</p> <p>Selection recommended by past recipients</p> <p>Approved by Board of Directors</p> <p>Awarded to living member or posthumously as needed</p> <p>The award is a plaque for the individual to keep.</p>
<p>CCARC Board of Director’s Leadership Award</p> <p>Est: 2013</p>	<p>The “CCARC Board of Director’s Leadership Award” recognizes superior leadership attributes demonstrated by any member of the club. The award is intended to demonstrate that the club values superior leadership in its activities or management. Achievements by individuals recognized that had significantly enhanced the effectiveness and efficiency of the Clark County Amateur Radio Club and its operation.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p>	<p>Selected and approved by the six (6) Directors.</p> <p>The award is a plaque for the individual to keep.</p>

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CCARC Certificate of Participation	The "Certificate of Participation" is awarded to all participants immediately following a public service or other noteworthy event.	Immediately (at next general meeting) following an activity	The separate Activity Coordinators responsible to produce and distribute a certificate to the members.
CCARC Certificate of Recognition Est: 2015	The "Certificate of Recognition" is awarded to club members that recognize their contributions as 1) an activity coordinator or alternate, or 2) assigned and fulfill a responsibility on the Leadership Task Matrix.	Annually at awards banquet	The Services Director & President, or designee, produces a list of members to recognize. The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.
Elmer of the Year 2008 - 2016	<i>In 2017 the club Elmer recognition program transitioned to the ARRL Elmer Award website resource. Members that want to recognize the service that someone that has been an Elmer to them can go to http://www.arrl.org/elmer-award and have an attractive certificate mailed to them.</i>		
Extra Mile Award Est: 2008	The "Extra Mile" is award is given to a member of the club in good standing who has received both the Robert 'Sparky' Sherman and Lloyd Stromgren awards above and demonstrates a long term positive leadership example to other members in support of the club and its activities.	Annually at awards banquet	Selected annually by the club awards committee. The award is a personal plaque for the individual to keep.
EYEWARN Certificate of Recognition Est: 2016	The "EYEWARN Certificate of Recognition" is selected and approved by the EYEWARN Program Coordinator for both operating and support recognition.	Annually at awards banquet	Selected and approved by the EYEWARN coordinator. The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.
Field Day Awards	Selected and approved by the Field Day Activity Coordinator for both operating and support recognition.	Annually at awards banquet	Selected and approved by the Field Day coordinator. The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.

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<p>Honorary Life Members</p> <p>Est: 2003</p>	<p>“Honorary Life Memberships” are selected by the CCARC Board of Directors because of their dedicated service. The collective contributions to this club by these individuals would take pages to list.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p>	<p>Selected by a committee of 3-5 Life Members. Chairman appointed by the President. Approved by the Board of Directors.</p> <p>The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.</p>
<p>Lloyd Stromgren Award</p> <p>Est: 1986</p>	<p>The “Lloyd Stromgren Amateur Radio Operator of the Year“ award is to honor the person who exemplifies amateur radio operations. This award is difficult to measure as so many people are doing many varied and diversified activities in the field of amateur radio and in our club's operations. Lloyd Stromgren was a US Army Colonel who first came to Vancouver as OIC of the Vancouver Barracks and upon retirement was very active in city and civic affairs. As the Mayor of the city of Vancouver in 1972, he got interested in ham radio, got licensed as N7BEY and was very active in our club activities. He was a president of the CCARC and an area governor of Toastmasters and was a cartographer by specialty. Lloyd served many years on the Clark County Planning Commission. He was also a member of the East Vancouver United Methodist Church.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p> <p>Presented by previous winner.</p>	<p>Selected annually by the club awards committee with participation by the previous winner.</p> <p>The award is a traveling plaque with a personal plaque for the individual to keep.</p>
<p>President’s Award</p> <p>Est: 2009</p>	<p>The “President’s Award” can be granted at any time by the current president to a person or organization that has contributed significantly to the Clark County Amateur Radio Club and its operation. There can be more than one awarded per year.</p>	<p>Usually at awards banquet but could be awarded anytime</p>	<p>Selected and approved annually by the president.</p> <p>The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.</p>
<p>Radio Challenge Awards</p> <p>Est: 2012</p>	<p>The Radio Challenge was started 2012 to promote radio contesting and operating. The Radio Challenge award consists of 2 traveling trophies and individual categories. The individual category awards change each contest year to present new challenges and to provide variety to the challenge. The first traveling trophy is the “W7AIA Contest Trophy” which recognizes the operator with the most number of QSOs participating in the challenge. The second trophy is the “Silver Fox Trophy” which recognizes the operator making the most number of contacts using cunning and experience with a minimal station setup. Open only to CCARC members in good standing.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p>	<p>Individuals submit their contest scores for this recognition. Award approved by the Radio Challenge coordinator.</p> <p>The awards are the traveling trophies and recognition certificates.</p>

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<p align="center">Sparky Sherman Community Service Award</p> <p align="center">Est: 1982</p>	<p>The “Robert "Sparky" Sherman Community Service Award” was established in 1982 in memory of Sparky Sherman, W7EEA. It was developed to give recognition to members of our group who were distinctive in Community Service. The Clark County Amateur Radio Club instituted this award in 1982 to recognize Sparky. For years ·Sparky· was the most visible ham in the vicinity, and many were enriched by knowing him. Sparky was a very colorful non-sighted amateur radio operator. He was a music instructor at the Washington State School for the Blind. He was very active in the Lions Club and other civic activities. Upon his death, the club instituted the award and gave it posthumously In his name as the CCARC's annual community service award. Since that time, the person selected was usually a person very active in community service events that benefitted the community even outside the realm of ham radio.</p> <p>The Sparky Sherman Community Service Award is awarded annually to the amateur radio operator making the most significant contribution to public service.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p> <p>Presented by previous winner.</p>	<p>Selected annually by the club awards committee with participation by the previous winner.</p> <p>The award is a traveling plaque with a personal plaque for the individual to keep.</p>
<p align="center">VE Certificate of Recognition</p> <p align="center">Est: 2016</p>	<p>The “VE Certificate of Recognition” is selected and approved by the team ARRL Liaison for support of the VE program.</p>	<p>Annually at awards banquet</p>	<p>Selected and approved by the ARRL VE Liaison.</p> <p>The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.</p>
<p align="center">Washington - Worked All Counties (WA-WAC)</p> <p align="center">Est: 1995</p>	<p>The “Washington - Worked All Counties” award is to acknowledge and recognize the achievement of contacting radio operators in each of Washington state’s 39 counties. Open to all hams.</p>	<p>When Earned</p>	<p>Individuals submit for this recognition.</p> <p>Approved by the WA-WC coordinator.</p> <p>The award is a certificate for the individual to keep.</p>