

The PVRC Olympics 2017

Welcome to the PVRC Olympics, where your PVRC activities can earn a PVRC Olympic Medal Award!

The goal of the PVRC Olympics is to encourage, broaden, and reward participation in PVRC contests and other club activities.

The PVRC Olympics is an annual program running concurrently with the PVRC 5M program, throughout our contest year. Each year, all PVRC members start with a clean slate and a chance to earn a PVRC Olympic Medal.

Annual PVRC Olympic Medal Award Qualification Requirements:

Gold Medal Award

- Submit logs in both modes of Sweepstakes, with at least 200 QSOs in each mode
- Submit logs with at least 50 QSOs each in an additional thirteen 5M contests
- Attend at least three PVRC chapter or event meetings
- Do three or more of the following:
 - Sponsor a new member
 - Submit an article or pictures for the PVRC Newsletter
 - Enter at least one 5M contest in RTTY mode
 - Submit a score in the PVRC reunion
 - Contribute at least \$30 to PVRC

Silver Medal Award

- Submit logs in both modes of Sweepstakes with at least 150 QSOs in each mode
- Submit logs with at least 50 QSOs each in an additional eight 5M contests
- Attend at least two PVRC chapter or event meetings
- Do two or more of the following:
 - Sponsor a new member
 - Submit an article or pictures for the PVRC Newsletter
 - Enter at least one 5M contest in RTTY mode
 - Submit a score in the PVRC reunion
 - Contribute at least \$20 to PVRC

Bronze Medal Award

- Submit logs in both modes of Sweepstakes with at least 100 QSOs in each mode
- Submit logs with at least 50 QSOs each in an additional three 5M contests
- Attend at least one PVRC chapter or event meeting
- Do one or more of the following:
 - Sponsor a new member
 - Submit an article or pictures for the PVRC Newsletter
 - Enter at least one 5M contest in RTTY mode
 - Submit a score in the PVRC reunion
 - Contribute at least \$10 to PVRC

Rules and Definitions

1. **Contest Term:** The PVRC contest year is concurrent with the PVRC 5M program – July 1st to June 30th each year. All eligibility requirements are annual requirements to be met during the contest year.
2. **Multiop:** Operating at a multiop whose scores are credited to PVRC will count as a "score" toward the 5M contest participation requirement without counting how many QSOs the member actually made, for each PVRC member participating in the multiop. The total number of QSO's divided by the number of operators must equal at least 200 for SS Gold, 150 for SS Silver, 100 for SS Bronze and 50 for all other 5M contests. To Encourage station owners to host PVRC operators, Matching Award Points will be awarded to any station owner who hosts a PVRC operator who generates an eligible score. The Matching Award Points will be equal to that of the operator's Award Points. If the host was also an operator, his score will be doubled. The host/operator of a multi-op effort will be capped at twice Max Points.
3. **Outside the Circle:** Special rules for members residing outside of the PVRC circles:
 - a. The Sweepstakes requirements are still in place, even if they do not count toward PVRC totals.
 - b. 5M contest log submission goals are reduced in view of the number of 5M contests with no circle residency requirement:
 - i. Gold level: 10
 - ii. Silver level: 7
 - iii. Bronze level: 4
 - c. The meeting or event attendance requirement is waived.
 - d. Should a member move into or out of the circle during the contest year, the qualifying requirements will be those coinciding with their QTH as of the last day of the contest year.
 - e. Should a member operate from multiple QTHs both in and out of the circle during the contest year, he or she must qualify as an "in-the-circle" member.
 - f. The Sweepstakes requirements are waived for those PVRC members either residing or operating outside of the USA and Canada.
4. **Log Eligibility:** Submitted logs must be compliant with the contest sponsor's rules, and provide scoring credit (of at least the minimum number of QSOs) to PVRC. Check logs and disqualifications will not count toward PVRC Olympic Medal awards.
5. **Mode Requirements:** The requirement to submit a log in each mode (RTTY/CW/SSB) may be spread across multiple contests; for instance, SSB and CW might be in Sweepstakes, while RTTY might be CQWW. All three modes need not be in the same contest.
6. **Attendance:** To meet the requirement to attend chapter meetings or events, members must ensure their attendance is reported via the online Meeting Attendance Report .
7. **New Members:** To meet the requirement for sponsoring a new member, that new member must be voted into PVRC before June 30. If the new member is introduced in June but voted-in after June 30, credit for this element will be given in the next year, the year in which they were voted-in.

Award Process

1. Track your contest participation progress throughout the year by viewing updates to the 5M program. Raise any questions or concerns throughout the year as they happen.
2. **No application is necessary!!** As your scores are credited in the 5M program, they make you eligible for these annual awards.
3. June 30th is the final day to qualify for awards. All qualifying activity should be completed by then, although log submissions for contests held before June 30th may extend beyond this date. Activities like meeting attendance or sponsoring a new member cannot be rolled forward or backward into other years.
4. Following June 30th, PVRC officials will tally the results and announce that year's PVRC Olympic Medalists.

FAQ

Q: Can I earn more than one PVRC Olympic Medal Award?

A: In one contest year, you may earn one PVRC Olympic Medal Award. In each successive year, we hope you've strive for more, and might accumulate them over the years, at the rate of one per year.

Q: I have a club station; can my club station earn a PVRC Olympic Medal Award?

A: The PVRC Olympic Medals are for operators, not callsigns. Qualifying for the Medal Awards is based on *your* efforts, regardless of use at a club, multi-op, or when using another's call.

Q: I recently moved back into the PVRC circle but the contest season is almost over. Can I qualify as an out-of-circle member?

A: We welcome you back into the circle and hope you'll attempt to earn PVRC Olympic Medal awards in coming years. For now, your qualifications are based on your QTH at the end of the contest year. So if you qualify under the in-circle rules with your participation throughout the year (even if much of it was outside the circle) then yes, you may be awarded a PVRC Olympic Medal, but not under the out-of-circle rules.