2018 GLMC “est” Grand Tour Rules

The Basics

The 2018 Grand Tour will run from March 1st - September 30th, 2017.

Entry fee is $25.00 (Individual) or $50 for 2-Up. To be considered a finisher you must accumulate 50 points. You will then earn a Grand Tour shirt and entry into the first prize drawing (additional prize drawings for higher point levels).

You do not need to be a GLMC member to participate; a rider number will be assigned to you if you do not already have one.

There is no cut-off date for entries. We've had riders sign up for a GLMC Grand Tour in August.

Grand Tour Rider “flags” will be issued as electronic files, you can print them off to be displayed however you wish.

Locations

The tour this year will consist of any locations that have a describing word ending in the suffix “st”. Examples are; most, first, last, best, west, smallest, biggest, lowest, tallest. Any type of location is allowed, as long as it has a sign which includes a describing word ending in “st”.

This tour will allow riders to travel far or remain relatively local and still find plenty of locations.

All “st” descriptors for each location are worth 1 point and multiple points per location are allowed. An example of this would be a historical marker, which has a plaque with multiple describing words ending in “st”, with each word being worth 1 point. You must claim each point for every location in your submission.

All locations require a photo with your motorcycle and rally placard.

Multiple similar locations are allowed; if you want to find every diner that claims to have the “best pie” go for it.

Exact specific names are only allowed once per state. This applies to cities, counties, states, and other named locations such as chain restaurants, banks, hotels, etc. that contain a qualifying “st” word in their name.

This generally applies to geographical locations that happen to contain a qualifying word in their name.

If in West Virginia, only one location with the name West Virginia, is allowed.

Only one Best Western per state.

Only one First National Bank per state.

Etc.

But also remember it's okay to ask questions if you have any either via glmcgrandtour@gmail.com or the forum at the GLMC Garage.
Rally Placard

Due to rising shipping costs and the desire to keep this tour at $25, a PDF file will be emailed to each rider instead of a towel. We recommend taking the file to an office supply store and have it printed on white cardstock and laminate it. You can print from home too, it doesn't matter to us.

Placard size: 9X6 works pretty good but it can be whatever size you want, just make sure scorers can see it.

If you lose your placard, print a new one! What if you lost the original email or pdf? Email the Rallymaster and we can help out.

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Photos and Submissions

MUST be in the photo (in order of importance):
1) Your rally placard.
2) Whatever the instructions tell you to take a picture of.
3) A significant portion of your bike.
   a) Any bike, regardless if you own, rent or borrow, is acceptable
   b) What we want should be clear in the photo. This is the most important thing.
   c) Some locations may not be safe to park your motorcycle. We understand this and will allow accompanying photos with the rally placard to help validate the location

See example. Pic 1 has bike, flag, and sign. Pic 2 is zoomed in to read the sign.

e) Some spots might be tough to park right next to the Specific location. So take a picture of your bike and another of the bonus location. A shared landmark in each photo is helpful too

Additional for 2-Up Riders:
1. 2-Up riders will share the same placard.
2. The placard and either the driver or passenger must be in the photo
3. Submissions of the same photo are not required for each person, you can submit one photo for both riders.
4. Riding 2-up is not required for the entire summer. For example, the driver may visit 35
locations and score 35 points while the passenger was along for 25 locations and score 25 points.

This year we are allowing digital photo gallery submissions or physically mailing them, whichever you prefer. Polaroid photos, digital prints, or standard photos are all acceptable. Photos may be submitted on CD, flash drive or SD card. CD’s will not be returned to the rider after scoring. Every effort will be made to return SD and flash drives. When submitting your photos, consider putting them in alphabetical order and including a spreadsheet. People have also submitted a handwritten piece of paper.

Digital photo gallery submissions still need to be labeled and be submitted with a list of each photo’s name/location and the points being claimed per photo. List state and nearest city for each of the photos.

All physical photos must be sent to:

Alex Kerkow
1476 Albemarle St
Saint Paul, MN, 55117

Photos sent elsewhere will be ignored.
Submissions must be postmarked no later than September 30th, 2018.

Awards and Prizes

To be considered a finisher you must accumulate 50 points. You will then earn a Grand Tour shirt and entry into the prize drawing.

The amount of door prizes is determined by the amount of entries, i.e. the more people sign up, the more prizes.

Riders with 75 or more points will be entered multiple times into the prize drawing, one entry for each 25-point level above 50 points. (For example, with 133 total points, you would be entered into the drawing 4 times).

You can win multiple prizes. A tire donated by Fun Sports of Hutchinson will again be a prize in the drawing with other prizes determined later but likely gas cards.

Prizes for the top three finishers will be gift certificates to Fun Sports of Hutchinson:

GLMC Rider of the Year points will be awarded to all finishers. 50 ROTY points for the highest-scoring rider, 49 ROTY points for 2nd place, 48 ROTY points for 3rd place, etc.

Questions?
All questions or inquiries can be e-mailed to glmcgrandtour@gmail.com. You can keep updated and post messages at the GLMC Garage.