



Purpose: The mission of the VIRGINIA 27-2 Long Range Riding Platoon (LRRP) is to foster camaraderie within the Chapter thru the member's attendance at events outside the borders of our home state as well as events located within the borders of the great state of Virginia that are sanctioned by the 27-2 Chapter Board of Directors. In addition, it is to encourage members to break through their personal riding barriers and to not be afraid to reach out and put some hard earned miles on their motorcycles. The LRRP is strictly voluntary and is open to all chapter members who successfully complete the requirements for purchase of the Chapter LRRP patch. As an added benefit the LRRP Roster will be used to maintain a record of a member's mileage that was devoted to non-profit events. This mileage is deductible from the member's income taxes at the end of the calendar year, which provides an added incentive to the members for participating in these events which foster support to all veterans.

Patch: The VIRGINIA 27-2 LRRP award shall be a patch in the shape of a military guidon. The color of the patch shall be black with a gold border. The lettering will be gold for the "CVMA", "27-2" and "LRRP" on the patch. The CVMA skull is centered. The size of the patch will be similar in dimensions to the Memorial Day Weekend patch.

To mark additional completions, a year participation tab similar to the Memorial Day Weekend tabs will be awarded. Each tab will have the year of the award is achieved. It is intended to be placed on top or bottom of the LRRP guidon patch.

Recognition: Each chapter member who completes the VIRGINIA 27-2 LRRP requirements shall be authorized to purchase and wear the LRRP Guidon. This patch recognizes individuals from the chapter in recognition of their long distance riding accomplishments. Each awardee shall be entitled to continue to wear this award regardless of their Chapter affiliation once they leave the VIRGINIA 27-2 Area of Operations as a showing of their accomplishments to others CVMA chapters.

Qualifications: To be eligible to purchase the Chapter LRRP patch with you must meet the following criteria within a calendar year:

2. **Ride a cumulative minimum of 1,500 documented miles within one calendar year** to events sanctioned by the Chapter Board of Directors, i.e. Region 2 events- Quantico- Memorial Day/Veterans Day Runs, Bull Run III, Run for the Wall, 27-1 Poker Run, NC CVMA Benefit Run, NC Charlie Mike Run, NC Vietnam Vets Welcome Home, TN CVMA Ghoststock, CVMA National Convention, other events sanctioned by the Chapter Board of Directors. Miles accrued during chapter sanctioned Iron Butt Association rides will be counted towards the LRRP award, as well as entitling the rider to the chapter sanctioned Iron Butt patch.

In order to receive credit for your mileage and your time you must follow the guidelines listed below. These guidelines are very prescriptive; however, this is necessary to ensure that all members who wish to join the LRRP have completed all tasks associated with it.

Since riding motorcycles is a key portion of the overall CVMA mission, hauling your motorcycle to events is not permitted for the events used to qualify for the LRRP patch. The only mode of transportation allowed for the LRRP is the motorcycle.

1. In order to gain credit for a 1,000 mile “Iron Butt” ride, the participants must complete a scheduled CVMA 27-2 LRRP qualification ride.

- a. Sign in on the ride roster at the beginning and end of the ride
- b. Maintain accountability of all fuel stop receipts
- c. Maintain their own individual ride log to be submitted at the end of the ride for credit from the Iron Butt Association.

2. To gain credit for 1,500 miles in one calendar year the participant must follow the following guidelines.

***REMINDER: Normal weekly rides, or daily travel does not constitute entrance into the LRRP. It must be a specific route to attend an official Chapter Board of Directors sanctioned event (these events are listed on the chapter calendar of events). Travel to/from any chapter sanctioned meetings, travel to/from chapter sanctioned events, travel to/from State Sanctioned meetings or events or travel to/from out of state sanctioned CVMA events are usable miles for credit.**

- a. Submit an e-mail recording the miles traveled and the event name/location to the Secretary CVMA 27-2 (cvma.27.2.secretary@gmail.com).
 - i. Mileage may be obtained from odometer of the motorcycle that was ridden or may be obtained from the ride route planned using MapQuest or Google Maps.
 - ii. Written explanation of the route to be ridden if the mileage is in excess of the calculated mileage from the mapping tools. (i.e., excess mileage was because of a side trip in route to/from the planned event)
 - iii. Detailed explanation of the event

iv. As an option one can qualify miles via the consolidated attendance roster and route with the mileage determined by the designated Chapter Road Captain for members that participated in the group ride to/from each sanctioned event.

- b. Members may maintain a ride log resembling what is used for the 1,000 mile Iron Butt qualifier, an example can be found on the Iron Butt Website <http://www.ironbutt.com/ridecerts/getdocument.cfm?DocID=1>
- c. For chapter sanction events a CVMA 27-2 sign in roster will be available for chapter members to obtain credit for attendance at the event and therefore record mileage associated with the event.

3. All monies collected for the LRRP will go towards paying for the LRRP patches and other accoutrements that are earned through participation in the events. Any remaining funds will be donated to the chapter fund.

4. This is a program designed to bring forth camaraderie and understanding amongst the members of our chapter, and to provide the chapter members with an official record of miles traveled in support of non-profit activities. It is not designed as a method to segregate members from one another.
5. As with any other CVMA 27-2 sanctioned ride, safety is paramount and it is incumbent on the rider to come to the event prepared, and ready for the rigors of the event. Any member who is witnessed conducting an unsafe act will be dismissed from the ride, not allowed to finish, and their “miles” will not be validated for the event or the earning of the LRRP patch.
6. For any questions or inquiries, contact any of the CVMA 27-2 Officers who will be able to answer your questions.