

2025 GLMC Grand Tour



Asphalt Buffet with a Side of Chips

March 1 – September 30, 2025

On your motorized/electric bike or trike, moped, scooter, motorcycle, sidecar, spyder, and yes –slingshot, find an old bar, restaurant, tavern, diner, café, food truck, hotdog stand, or eatery showing obvious and advanced signs of age, disorder, neglect, and in stages of advanced disrepair - one lavishing in ill repute. Franchise establishments do not qualify – they are verboten! You know you have scored when you found a recently abandoned or still operating food establishment that most exercising reason or rationale would avoid, but if open, will be patronized by locals because the food is, or was, outstanding. So, what’s the catch? Well, all locations need to be in towns that starts with G, L, M, C. But we knew that already – right?

Additional insight?

The Monowi [Tavern](#) in Monowi, NE – Qualifies.

[Scotty’s Hamburgers](#) in Caryville, TN – Qualifies.

[Crown’s Chicken](#) in West Collingswood Heights, NJ – Doesn’t qualify. Doesn’t start with C.

Dated fixtures, decor, worn out Formica countertops, decrepit and decaying building materials, faded signage, cracked sidewalk in front, no lawn care, extra weeds...



Locations and Requirements - Each pic scores one point, only one pic per town. Duplicate town names are permissible if the towns are in a separate state, district, Bundesland, province, or L'état.

Bonus Points – A Side of Chip(s)

So...What's the Deal with a Side of Chip(s)?

If you are brave enough to venture to such establishments, you may be a gambler. Although the GLMC doesn't promote or take responsibility for any food-borne illness contracted at such establishments, let alone promote gambling, we do have an appreciation for collecting souvenirs during your travels. To this end, grab a side of chip(s) with your meal...a poker chip(s) that is. Many motorcycle dealers sell poker chips with their location imprinted on the back of the chip. For example, you can find a poker chip available for acquisition at Illinois Harley Davidson in Countryside, Illinois for a few pence. If you hit up an old food establishment in Countryside, Illinois, swing by Illinois Harley Davidson and order a side of chips – a poker chip that is. We don't want nor should you send us your poker chips. We want you to keep those as memorial tokens of your participation in the GLMC 2025 GT. Each poker chip is worth a point. Chip submissions do not need to be from a G, L, M, C town. If they are then they are worth 2 points. Make sure you designate how many points you are claiming for each chip in your submission. More on poker chip(s) points in The Fine Print and Submission sections below.

The Extras

This year long sleeved shirts are available if you elect the same at the time of registration.

There will be prizes throughout the GT as follows:

July 15, 2025: the best* 2025 GT ride story posted to the [Garage](#).

August 15, 2025: the best* qualifying photo posted to the [Garage](#).

August 30, 2025: the registered rider who has caused the most “new to GLMC riders” to register for the 2025 GT. If you've caused a new rider to enroll, email the [Rally Master](#) to advise of the same.

*What constitutes the “best” is determined by the 2025 GT riders NOT the Rally Master. Just email the [Rally Master](#) with your vote and rider number in the subject line of your email.

The foregoing prizes T.B.D. related to the number of entrants. [likely motorcycle themed items, entry fee refunds, etc. and whether the Rally Master gets a pay raise at work]

NEW THIS YEAR - The finisher with the most points at the end of the ride will receive the limited gold/yellow shirt that is chock full of bragging rights and symbolizes excellence, prestige, and victory. Yes, as the Highlander says, “[there can be only one!](#)” top finisher. The gold/yellow shirt is used to designate the top finisher just like the [gold/yellow jersey in the Tour de France](#).

The Fine Print

- The 2025 Grand Tour will run from March 1st – September 30, 2025.
- Entry fee is \$30.00 per short sleeved person and \$40.00 for long sleeved person, through [Ride Master](#). The link to Ride Master is also on the GLMC.org website. 2-up riders each need to register separately.
- You do not need to be a GLMC member to participate; a rider number will be assigned to you when you register if you do not already have one.
- There is no cut-off date to register. It goes without saying that you can't register after the conclusion of the ride. But, we have had riders sign up for a GLMC GT in August.
- Grand Tour Rider “flags” will be issued as electronic files near or on the starting date. You can print them off to be displayed however you wish.
- Qualifying photos for establishments include your bike, GT flag, and eligible eatery/drinkery as well as any other information required in the locations list as specified below.
- Qualifying photos for chips include you holding a chip with rally card on your ride in front of the dealer. You should send a close-up of the chip in a separate photo if not legible in the first photo containing your ride and the dealer. If riding two-up, each rider needs their own chip.
- If for some reason you have a concern as to whether the establishment is “old” enough...don't worry. We understand that “old” can appear to be subjective. It will qualify if it isn't new construction yet to be opened.
- Remember franchised establishments are not allowed.
- Internationally shipped finisher t-shirts may require additional shipping and handling fees, to be determined on a individual basis. Contact the [Rally Master](#) for more details.
- Remember it is okay to ask questions if you have any either via RallyMaster2025@gmail.com or the forum at the GLMC Garage. http://www.glmc.org/GLMC_Garage/.
- To be considered a finisher you must accumulate 20 points. Finishers get a Grand Tour t-shirt.
- A GT flag with rider number will be sent as an image file. Common practice is to print on cardstock and laminate, but feel free to make stickers or whatever you find easy to carry and position for photos.
- Placard size: it can be whatever size you want. Just make sure it is clearly visible and legible in your pictures.
- If you lose your placard, print a new one! What if you lost the original email or file? Email the [Rally Master](#) for a copy.

Submissions

Submissions must be emailed or uploaded no later than 11:59:59 PM CT September 30th, 2025.

All photos must be submitted digitally via attachments to RallyMaster2025@gmail.com or USB drive. This option is being reinstated per rider requests. If you want to submit via USB, email the Rally Master prior to September 30th for the mailing address. The mailing must be postmarked no later than September 30, 2025. USB drives will be returned if you enclose a S.A.S.E. with your USB.

A list of establishment locations is required. Include in the name of each photo, what the town the establishment is in; city first, state/province second, the name of the establishment, and your rally number last. Example: Countryside, IL, Sally's Diner, Rider 803.

A list of poker chips is required. Include in the name of each photo, what town the establishment is in; city first, state/province second, the name of the establishment, how many points you are claiming, and your rally number last. Example: Countryside, IL, Illinois Harley Davidson, 2 points, Rider 803.

You can combine each list into one list or spreadsheet. At the end of your lists, list, or spreadsheet, indicate the number of points you are claiming.

Now that we got the lawyer stuff out of the way, register, and [let's ride](#).