

## TWIPY Committee Conference Call

11/16/20, 8:00PM-10:00PM Eastern

### Committee members present:

- Jeff Patterson
- Will Oetting
- Steve Bowden
- Joel Reeves
- Lloyd Olsen
- Imoto Harney
- Josh Sharpe

### Explanation of the Goals of the TWIPYs (A Celebration of the Hobby)

Discussion of likely holding the TWIPYs virtually again

### Explanation of the main goals of the TWIPY Committee

- How to best maintain the integrity of voting process
  - Collect email address and several other variables that are used to determine duplicate votes
- Discuss which pinball machines should be eligible
- Discuss categories should be included
- Discuss best options for the TWIPY awards show
- How to best promote the voting process to maximize votes
- How to best promote the awards show
- After votes are received, review votes to inspect for validity and verify results

### Importance of the Committee

- Importance of Committee member input
- If the Committee does not agree we'll do a vote
- Starting in 2020, the plan to release minutes of our meetings

### Voting Process

- Pre-voting on Write-In categories: December 1-10
- After we get the votes in, I'll send you all the raw data
- We'll check for any "fishy" voting activity
- We'll discuss any write in votes that are hard to decipher

Discussion of new voting process - people will choose their top two (write-ins) or top three (January voting), points are added to determine nominees and winners. Points will be two points for 1st pick and one point for 2nd pick for write-ins, and will be three points for 1st pick, two points for 2nd pick, and one point for third pick for January voting.

Discussion on "Write-ins" to be included and excluded. Favorite Pinball Tournament/Competition, Favorite Pinball Competitor, and Favorite Pinball League will be removed for 2020 because of the lack of events due to the pandemic.

Write-in categories for 2020 will be:

- Favorite Pinball Streamer
- Favorite Pinball Podcast
- Favorite Pinball YouTube Channel
- Favorite Pinball Mod of 2020
- Favorite Home Brew Pinball Machine
- Rookie of the Year
- Favorite Pinball Website
- Favorite Pinball Publication or Article
- Favorite Pinball Location
- Favorite Pinball Virtual Event
- Favorite Pinball Topper of 2020

Game categories for 2020 will be:

- Best Theme – Based on THEME ONLY
- Best Animations and Display
- Best Lightshow
- Best Toys and Gimmicks
- Best Theme Integration
- Best Music and Sound Effects
- Best Callouts
- Best Rules
- Best Playfield Gameplay and Layout
- Best Artwork
- Game of the Year

Eligible pinball machines will be:

- Guns N' Roses
- Avengers
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
- Heist
- Hot Wheels
- Rick and Morty
- Stranger Things
- Ranger in the Ruins (Theme, Rules, Lightshow, Animations and Display, Music and Sound Effects, Callouts)
- Star Wars Comic Art Pin (Artwork)
- *NOTE: Celts will be included for next year, it is not eligible this year.*

Eligibility document

- 2020 Eligibility document attached
- Will be tweaked and improved every year