



Pack 1530 Newsletter

Ready! Set! Go! Derby Race Begins This Friday



Time to rev up your engines and get ready for the Pack 1530 Derby Race, held at Vale Methodist Church

Friday, January 22nd, 2010 at 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Get ready for the big race on Saturday! Check your car to make sure it adheres to the rules and take several test runs on the track. We will have scales and basic tools available so you can weigh your car and make minor repairs if necessary.

Saturday, January 23rd - see schedule on pack web site

Race day! Scouts compete for race and show events. Bring your grandparents and friends. We'll have coffee, donuts, hot dogs and chips available. Winners move on to District!!

More information and official rules, please click here: <http://bit.ly/5gGbdo>

NEEDED: 2010 Derby Volunteers

To help with Pinewood car check- in and to coordinate the parent judges for the "Show" competition.

To work the race helping out Stan Turner (software) and Matt Farmer (starter).

To help out Marty Davis with concession sales.

Jobs 1 and 2 would require you being there Saturday from 8:00 till last race around 1:30

Job 3 could work with Marty to balance your time so that one person would maybe work am and the other could come in and sell the hot dogs in the pm.

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Upcoming Events

January 2010 Events

January 22—Pinewood Derby Weigh In

January 23—Pinewood Derby Race

February 2010 Events

February 6 - Akela Chess Classic Tigers and Wolves

February 7 and 14 - Scout Sunday

February 13- Akela Chess Classic Bears and Webelos

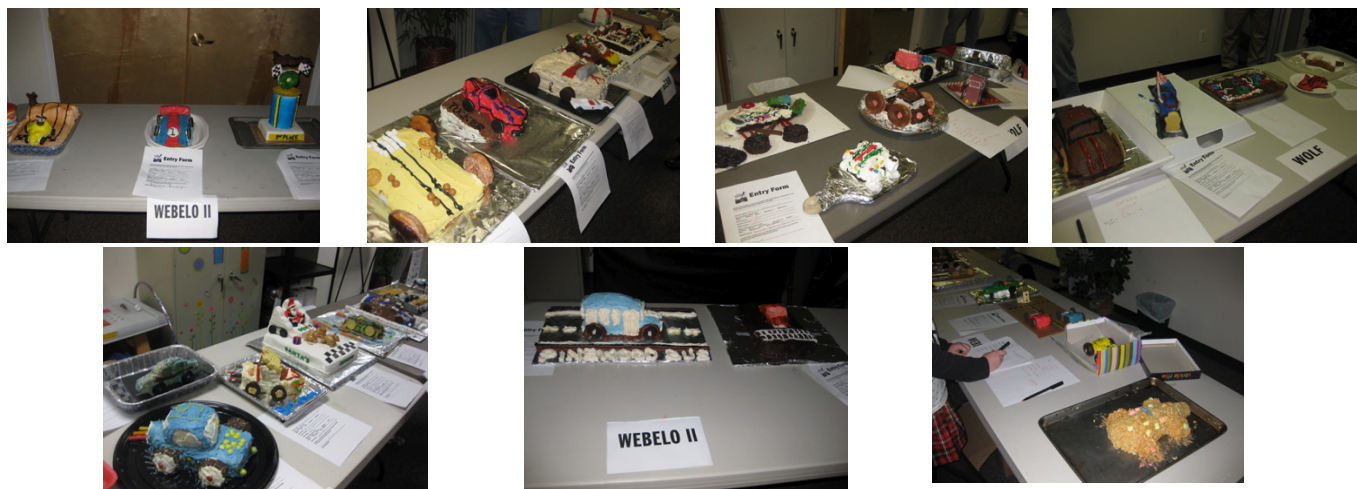
February 19—Blue & Gold Banquet

February 20 - Official Powhatan District Pinewood Derby Event

February 21 - Pack Ski Trip

Congratulations to All 2009 Bakeoff Participants

The 2009 Bakeoff was an exciting time where we saw the creativity of the Cub Scouts in designing and baking their Derby Car cakes. Congratulations to all of the winners. First Place winners in each rank advanced to the District-level contest. We wish them luck!



Pack Ski Trip Schedule for Sunday, February 21

All Pack Skiers and Snowboarders, come join us on our annual trip to Whitetail Ski Resort, Pa, will be on **Sunday Feb. 21.**

To sign up, send your paperwork and payment via mail by Feb. 10th, or please speak to Kim Underwood at this Friday's Pinewood Derby Weigh-In between the hours of 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

For any questions regarding the trip, please contact **Kim Underwood** by phone, (703) 716-4185, or email, sweetieunderwood@hotmail.com



Official Powhatan District Pinewood Derby Event

The official Powhatan District event is on **Saturday, February 20, 2010** at the Floris Elementary School, 2708 Centreville Road, Herndon, VA 20171. All Powhatan District Pack winners (or identified Pack/Rank representative) of their respective ranks of Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos I and Webelos II Scouts may enter cars that were raced at their Pack's race event, and their bake-off creations.

Participants will receive a Pinewood Derby patch. Trophies will be awarded for the first through third place finishers in Rank.

Come cheer Pack 1530 Bake-off and Derby Car winners!

Akela Chess Classic on February 6 and 13

The Akela Chess Classic will be held on two occasions:

- **February 6** for Tigers and Wolves
- **February 13** for Bears and Webelos

The location is the Potomac Baptist Church in Potomac Falls, VA.

This is an exciting 5-round chess tournament for Cub Scouts! All participating scouts receive a participation patch, and trophies/medals are awarded to top finishers by rank.

This event has been very popular over the past five years, and this year will be no exception.

To register, please go to the following link: <http://bit.ly/8QqXSX>



Ski Tips for Kids From the Nat'l Ski Areas Association

1. Have your child memorize the "Your Responsibility Code" - It's the 7 rules of the slopes
2. Ski helmets are a good idea - Educate your child about the benefits and limitations of the helmet
3. Dress in layers - Layering allows you to accommodate your body's constantly changing temperature
4. Be prepared. Mother Nature has a mind of her own - Kids should wear a hat or headband, 80 percent of heat-loss is through the head
5. Be sure they wear sun protection, even on cloudy days - The sun reflects off the snow and is stronger than you think!
6. Kids should have sunglasses and goggles with them - Always wear eye protection.
7. When buying skiwear, look for fabric that is water and wind-resistant - Be sure to buy your children quality clothing products.
8. Be sure your child has your name and phone number
9. Be sure your child has a trail map and is able to remember the instructor's name.
10. Make sure your child knows when to stop skiing - Educate them that it's alright to stop before the end of the day and breaks are fun.
11. Make a meeting place if you get separated



Attendance and Meetings

**We're on the
Web!
pack1530.com**

1. Pack Meetings are usually held on the third Friday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at Vale United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. (There are exceptions, however, so be sure to check with your Den Leader and Pack Calendar.)
2. Be sure to arrive 15 minutes early so that the boys can check-in with their Den Leaders and prepare for their meeting activity/display. This will enable the Cubmaster to start the meeting on time.
3. During Pack Meetings, an adult must accompany all Scouts. The adult is responsible for the behavior of the Scout and other siblings in attendance.
4. Den Meetings are usually held weekly or semi-monthly (Wolf level and above), at the Den Leaders discretion, and generally at a Scout's home. Please do not have the boys there too early or late, and notify your Den Leader if your son cannot attend.



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