



High Plains District Pinewood Derby

Saturday, April 13, 2019



What is it?

The District Pinewood Derby determines the District winners from the units in High Plains.

Activities?

The race is open to High Plains Packs. **Each unit may send up to 6 racers of each gender (12 total if you have boy AND girl dens), preferably including one from each rank/den in your pack.**

When?

Saturday, April 13th, 2019. Check in / weigh in times for each den/rank level are as follows:

Tigers & Lions: 12:50pm – Race 1:30pm

Wolves: 1:20pm – Race 2:00pm

Bears: 1:50pm – Race 2:30pm

Webelos I & II: 2:20pm – Race 3:00pm (all Webelos will race and be ranked together)

Outlaw Races 2:50pm – Race after awards

Grand Champion Race: Top 2 finishers from each division: Following Webelos Race.

Awards and recognition will follow the races. There will be a photo opportunity for ALL racers.

Placement is based on electronic times. If at least 3 girls register by March 29th in a category, separate standings will be awarded (same for Tigers/Lions). At the discretion of the race organizers, separate standings may be added based on late registrations. ALL racers in the divisions above will race together (i.e. boys and girls, Lions and Tigers); the computer will keep track of subcategories (girls/boys, for example) and provide separate standings, if there are at least 3 racers in each subcategory. Outlaw (cars NOT entered in the official races; racers may be cubs or family/friends) and “grudge match” races will follow the Grand Champion races and awards ceremonies, but time may be limited based on how everything runs that day. The format used will depend on the time available. Please be prepared to be flexible. You are also welcome to bring Outlaw and additional official cars not entered in the race for the display table. Share your awesome cars and join the fun!

Where?

UPDATE (2/2/2019) : The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2300 N Buckner Street, Derby KS

Cost?

\$5 per racer, if paid on or before **Friday March 29th, 2019**. An additional \$5 fee per pack (\$1 per racer) will be added for any late registrations. Each pack may enter up to 5 racers.

Who?

Please send the top racer from each den/rank level in your pack. Racers to fill any remaining slots (up to 6 total) can be determined as your pack chooses (for example, if your pack does not include Lions or Tigers or only has 1 Webelos den, you could have 2 or 3 “at large” spots available for your team of 6). Racers are expected to race the **same car used for the pack race** in qualifying for the district race (see exception below). The car must have been **built for this year’s races by the cub scout racing the car** (racers may not use cars from past years or cars built by others). This is enforced through the honor system; a scout is Trustworthy. Exception: If the pack race’s rules contain allowances that would disqualify the car in the district race, the cub scout can modify their car or build a second car to meet the district rules.

Refunds?

Refunds are not available, but a pack may send any 6 (or 12) cub scouts to race. Alternate racers may compete in place of registered racers who are unavailable the day of the race. Please ask all racers to arrive a bit early and no later than the check in time.

Registration?

Pre-registration is required in order for us to provide program materials to all participants. Event is open to all High Plains’ Packs. Each pack may send 5 racers. Provide names **and ranks** during pre-registration. **Please inform event personal of any substitutions when you arrive** the day of race. **Registration MUST be done through Tentaroo (EVENTS – District and Council) and will close on Wednesday, 4/10/19, at midnight;** paper registration is NOT available.

Rules?

See back page for District Rules and Behavior Expectations.

More Info?

For questions or more information, contact: Denise McIntire: mcintire.denise@gmail.com, 316-258-6797 (cell/text, any time); or Kyle McIntire : sym4klm7wsnt@cox.net, 316-691-2969 (evenings)

Official BSA Pinewood Derby Rules will be enforced! A copy of the rules is enclosed in your Official BSA Pinewood Derby Kit.

- The overall length of the car shall not exceed 7 inches.
 - The overall width of the car shall not exceed 2 ¾ inches.
 - The car must have 1 ¾" clearance between the wheels.
 - The car must have 3/8" clearance underneath the body so it does not rub on the track.
 - The car shall not exceed 5.0 ounces. (We will use a certified test weight to confirm scale accuracy.)
 - ***The official race scale (calibrated using a certified test weight) that is used at car check-in shall be considered final. No exceptions!***
 - The official BSA pine wood block must be used. The block may be shaped in any way that is desired.
 - **Official BSA wheels must be used.** The wheels may not be cut, drilled, beveled or rounded. You may remove the seams and imperfections from the wheels.
 - The axles may be altered, polished and lubricated (dry lubricants only). **Only official BSA axles allowed. No straight axles.**
 - Wheel bearings, washers and bushings are prohibited.
 - Once a car passes inspection and is entered into the race, only the cub scout to which it belongs and race committee members can touch it.
 - No additional modifications, including but not limited to lubrication, will be allowed. Decorative finishes are allowed, provided they do not cause the car to exceed dimensional limits or violate the spirit of the rules.
 - If the car loses a wheel, or is otherwise damaged, the racer shall have **5 minutes** to make repairs. Alternately, at the race director's discretion, the heat may be postponed to the end of the races or run after other heats, in order to maintain the schedule. In this case, the car must be ready to race when it is time for the rescheduled heat. We want to maximize the ability of each cub to participate, but also must be fair to all.
 - Each car must pass inspection by the official inspection committee before it will be allowed to compete.
 - **The Inspection Team has the responsibility to disqualify those cars that do not meet these rules.** Cars which are disqualified but can be modified to meet the rules in time for the appropriate races (at least 8 minutes before race start time), can be re-inspected. Please do not bring a car knowing it does not meet the rules, with the expectation that you can modify it at the last minute!
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Spectator and Participant Behavior Expectations

Remember, that competitive events like the pinewood derby can raise emotional levels beyond what is appropriate. Let's always keep in mind that we should all follow the Scout Law.

Sportsmanship and good citizenship is taught by following the derby rules and cheering on friends and den partners as they race against others.

Personal achievement comes to any boy who picks up a woodworking tool and shapes raw wood into a sleek design. And, by learning woodworking, he prepares himself to more readily serve in the Boy Scouting's service projects.

Family understanding is enhanced because building a pinewood derby car puts the boy and his mom, dad, or other adult partner into a close and sometimes intense learning experience over, potentially, many hours.

It is very clear that any boy who can cheer on a friend in a derby race, when his own car has been previously eliminated, must be said to have had his character developed, if not his car-building skills. But finally, and probably most convincingly, participating in the derby is fun. This is especially true if participation is stressed, and personal achievement is very broadly defined and rewarded.

Behavior by spectators or participants that is in conflict with Scouting ideals will not be tolerated. Anyone behaving in a manner that is found to be inappropriate by the race directors will be asked to leave the event.

Let's have fun!