

Pack 113 Newsletter

This is the 4th and 5th newsletter of the 2007-2008 season and it is very late. The December newsletter is late and the January newsletter is early, therefore they cancel and are right on time!

Recap Nov 17-18th Pack Meeting

The November pack meeting was a campout at Camp Horseshoe right on the border of Maryland and Pa in southern Chester County. I thought that this was one of our best campouts that we have ever had! We had 2 lodges, Roberts and Rothrock, both of them where fine. They are older lodges at Camp Horseshoe, in good repair with updated kitchens, one large bunk room in each and NO inside toilet facilities, that was a downer but was overcome!. We had a great campout and good turnout, Roberts lodge was full, and there were 10 hardy families who camped out. We held a number of activities and I would like to thank the adults who pitched in and made the pack go!

- Chad Frable – Provided First Aid instruction in the Rothrock Lodge.
- Paul Sachs with another excellent orienteering course in the parade grounds. I refreshed some of my own skills there!
- The Camp Horseshoe Staff for providing us the opportunity to fire the BB gun at their range.
- Chris Ricci for getting the campfire ready to go at the Rothrock Adirondacks camp facility.
- Sherri Gartner, David Sarley and Chris Sedor for helping with the fine food service at Roberts Lodge.
- Barbara and John McClintock for buying and hauling the food to the campout.

If I missed anyone, let me know and they will get acknowledged at the upcoming Pinewood Derby!

We had smores at the campfire and all were out by 10:00PM. One note, we do very well with skits, but not so well with campfire songs! For the spring campout, lets have some songs!

Recap Dec 16th Pack Meeting

The December pack meeting was held at Beaumont School in the cafeteria and Gym. This was our Cub Scout Challenge meeting. This was something new that we tried. We met at 1:00PM, had a great turnout, even though the newsletter never got out in time! We collected food for the Church of the Good Samaritan in Malvern. If you were there at the meeting, there was a great deal of food. This was great since, the church was running low. Thanks to all who helped some needy families and folks for the holiday season. For the challenge we had a riddle contest, a paper airplane contest, a physical challenge, blind mans maze and a memory game. I would like to thank Paul Sachs, Chuck Rueger, Sherri Gartner, Barbara McClintick, Joel Pearson, and Chris Sedor for leading those challenges. From the feedback that I got, this was a winner and good fun had by all.

Pinewood Derby – January Event

First off the important dates:

- **JAN 12th Saturday, Pinewood Derby Workshop at the Berwyn United Methodist Church (BUMC) from 1:00PM to 3:00PM.**
- Additional Derby Car kits will be there.
- Volunteers wishing to help out, folks who are good craftsman with tools that can help others please let me know (Dave Perme – 610 745-4056)
- You will gain help in building a car.
- **Jan 25th Friday – BUMC, 7:00PM to**

8:30PM – Pinewood Derby Weigh In – YOU MUST BRING YOUR CAR HERE and SUBMIT IT for the car to compete on SUNDAY the 27th.

- The cars are impounded, that is, no more work **AT ALL**, will be allowed following the weigh in.
- **Jan 27th, Sunday – VALLEY FORGE MIDDLE SCHOOL Gymnasium – 2:00 PM to 4:30PM, the annual Pinewood Derby. Sibling races will be held at 1:30 to 1:45!**
- If you wish to volunteer to be a part of the Pinewood Derby pit crew, please call Dave Perme at 610 745-4056

PINEWOOD DERBY Rules

1) Essential Materials: All cars entered shall be constructed from the Official Grand Prix Pinewood Derby Kit

- Width: - 2-3/4" - Length - 7" - Weight - Not over 5 Ounces
- Width between wheels - 1-3/4"
- Bottom clearance between car and track - 3/8"

2) Wheel bearings, washers, and bushings are prohibited. The car shall not ride on springs. **Only official Cub Scout Grand Prix Pinewood Derby wheels and axles are permitted.** Only dry lubricant is permitted. Details, such as steering wheel and driver are permissible as long as these details do not exceed the maximum length, width and weight specifications. The car must be free-wheeling, with no starting devices. Each car must pass inspection by the official inspection committee before it may compete.

If, at registration., a car does not pass inspection, the owner will be informed of the reason for failure, and will be given time within the official weigh-in time period to make the adjustment. After final approval, cars will not be re-inspected unless the car is damaged in handling or in a race.

3) Competitor Categories: Cub Scouts will compete with all others in the pack.

4) Attendance: The car must be submitted to the weigh in and is then impounded until the conclusion of the race. The scout does not have to be there for the race.

5) "New Work": Construction of entries must not have begun before the previous year's Pinewood Derby Races.

6) Single Car per Boy per Event: A scout may enter only 1 car per event.

Pinewood Derby Tips

- There are no aerodynamic considerations. The cars do not go fast enough for air drag to make a difference.
- The key to a fast car are: Wheels and Weight
- Weight – The car should be between 4.5 and 5.0 Ounces
- The wheel axles need to be deburred by the nail head.
- The wheel axles should be carefully pounded in and then carefully pulled out **BEFORE** you begin cutting and shaping the body. This allows you to just press the wheels in when the car is completed.

DUES DUES DUES – Are now DUE

All of the new Tigers are good, they do not owe any dues. However all of our returning scouts require a \$40.00 dues. Please pay them to your Den Leader.

Websites to check out:

Pack 113: <http://www.cubpack113.org>

Chester County Council:
<http://www.cccbbsa.org/>

BSA: <http://www.scouting.org/>

Schedule

Scouting Web Portal: <http://usscouts.org/>

Pack Leadership

Cubmaster

Dave Perme - 610 745 4056

Asst. Cubmaster

Brian McElwee - 610 651-2867

Committee Chairman

John Lotz - 610 651-0858

Secretary/Treasurer *Your Name HERE*

Den 1 – Wolfs

Joel Pearson - 610 648-0136

Barbara McClintick - 610 647 5559

Den 2 - Bears

Sherri Gartner - 610-408-9384

Chris Ricci - 610 648 0770

Den 3 – Bears

Chris Sedor - 610 408 9063

Den 4 – Webelos II

Chuck Rueger - 610 407 0378

Den 5 – Wolfs

Franck Kiser - 610 695-9799

Kevin Kennedy - 610-640-0560

Den 6 - Webelos II

Paul Sachs - 610 695 8802

Den 7 – Webelos I

Peggy Kravitz - 610 644 6538

Den 8 – Tiger

Mark McAllister - 484 318-7606

Den 9 – Tiger

Midge and David Braxton - 610 648-9227

Advancement Coordinator

Merraine Rein - 610 695-8758

Blue & Gold Dinner Coordinator - Wendy

Donaldson - 610-240-05

Date	Meeting Type	Time	Location
Jan 9 – Wednesday	Leadership Meeting	7PM – 8:30PM	Dave Perme's House
Jan 12 – Saturday	Pinewood Derby Workshop	1:00 – 3:00 PM	BUMC
Jan 25th – Friday	Pinewood Derby Weigh In	7:00 – 8:30 PM	BUMC
Jan 27 th – Sunday	Pinewood Derby	2:00 – 4:30PM	Valley Forge Middle School
Feb 4 – Monday	Leadership Meeting	7Pm – 8:30PM	Dave Perme's House
Feb 10	Scout Sunday	10:15	BUMC
Feb 17 th – Sunday	Blue and Gold Dinner	4:00 – 7:00 PM	Beaumont Cafeteria
Mar 3 rd - Monday	Leadership Meeting	7Pm – 8:30PM	Dave Perme's House
Mar 23 rd – Sunday	Crossover	1:00PM – 3:00PM	TBD