

2012 Pack 4 Pinewood Derby Overview

The Pack 4 Pinewood Derby Workshop will take place Saturday, January 14, 2012, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Hoppe Room. Many thanks to two former Pack 4 leaders, Ken Matondi and Steve Kehoe who have offered to lend a hand. Bring your car and ideas and we'll make the rough cuts. Hammers, sandpaper, glue and a Dremel will be available if you would like to stay and work on your car for a while. The workshop is optional so if you have a top secret design you are hiding from Ford until Derby Day feel free to build on your own. One caution, however; please visit the Pack 4 homepage and read 'da rules first. You wouldn't want to build a non-conforming car.

The Pack 4 Pinewood Derby Weigh-In and Registration will take place on Saturday, January 28, 2012, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Hoppe Room. The goal is get your car as close to 5 ounces as possible (without going over). The Pack will provide weights that may be attached to your car. If you prefer, you may purchase your own weights (washers, etc.) and attach them at home prior to the weigh in. Keep in mind, your car's weight on the Official Race Scales is the reading that counts. Once your car is weighed, lubricated (no wet lubes – see the rules) and registered for the race, *it will be kept by the Pack until race day*. We all love our little brothers and sisters . . . almost as much as they love playing smash-up with derby cars!

The Pack 4 Pinewood Derby will take place on Sunday, January 29, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Large Hall, Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish in Milford. Once again, Mr. Bob Benjamin, a former (and beloved) Pack 4 Cubmaster, has offered to be our master of ceremonies. Many thanks to Mr. Benjamin.

Race Trophies will be awarded to the Tiger Scouts whose cars finish first through third place and to Cubs/Webelos whose cars finish first through fourth place finish. Tigers and Cubs/Webelos will race separately.

Design trophies will be awarded to Tigers in the following categories: Looks the Fastest, Most Creative and Most Detailed. Design Trophies will be awarded to Cubs/Webelos for these categories: Looks the Fastest, Most Creative, Most Colorful, Most Realistic and Judge's Favorite.

The Pinewood Derby Participant Patch will be awarded to each scout who participates.

The Town and District Pinewood Derby Races will take place in March/April. Pack 4's top four racers and the fastest Tiger Cub will move on and compete at the Tri-River District race held on March 31, 2012. Our 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th place cars will compete in the Town derby held in early March. Race details should be out at the close of January. Don't forget . . . share your cars with your siblings *after* the Town and District races.

Need an idea? Checkout this derby site: <http://www.pinewoodpro.com/pinewood-derby-howto-design.htm> or Google "pinewood derby".