

Pack 4 Updates

March, 2010

Pack 4 - Fanwood / Scotch Plains, NJ

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MONTH	CMMT MTNG	PACK MTNG	LOCATION	THEME	EXHIBIT	GATHERING	FLAGS	SKIT/SONG	PROGRAM
April	Wed 3/24/2010	Fri 4/9/2010	Brunner	Spring Into Action	Den 1	Den 5/6	Den 3	Den 2	Den 15
May	Thur 5/6/2010	Fri 5/21/2010	Brunner	In the Spotlight	Den 2	Den 1	Den 15	Den 5/6	Den 3
June	Thur 6/3/2010	Fri 6/11/2010	Brunner	Raingutter Regatta	Den 3	Den 2	Den 1	Den 15	Den 1
July				Outdoor event					
August		Sat 8/14/2010	McIntyre's	Pack Picnic					

Pack 4 Leaders

Den	Leader 1	Leader 2	Rank
1	Margaret McIntyre		Webelos
2	Angela Szuch		Webelos
3	Steve Elkin	Noel Downey	Wolf
5	Kevin Witter	Harold Ahlin	Tiger Cub
6	Heather Agueros	Jeff Zimmerman	Tiger Cub
15	Peter Mitchell	Glenn Resnicoff	Bear

Committee Chairman: Michael Brown

Submasters: Dave McIntyre, Eric Fisher, Mike Szuch

Treasurer: Margaret McIntyre

Awards: Bryan Mackey

Raingutter Regatta

At our June pack meeting we will be trying a completely new event for our pack - a Raingutter Regatta!

The Raingutter Regatta is similar to the Pinewood Derby or the Space Derby except that the models are miniature sail boats. Although the seas are only 12-foot lengths of raingutter (or, in our case, PVC piping cut into half-rounds) filled with water, and the ships a mere 6 inches long, the race is a very exciting event. Each boy builds his own boat with supervision and help from parents or other family members. He also provides the wind for the sail with his own lung power. Straws are held by the boys, who blow through them aimed at the sails.

The regatta boat kit has a pre-shaped balsa hull, metal keel and plastic sail. We will provide each boy with a kit (paid with your popcorn profits!) at the May meeting.

The hulls are sanded and shaped, and can be colorfully painted. Hull and sail are then decorated with decal kits (also available at the Scout Shop). The boats race in pairs on raingutter courses propelled by the boys blowing into the sails.

The actually "race" will be divided into age categories: Wolf, Bear and Webelos. Each age group will race amongst themselves. The race will involve two lanes of "rain gutters". The boys are to blow air on the boats in order to advance them through the water. Hands are only to be used to upright a turned over ship, and are not to be used to advance the boat. In addition, boys should not use their faces, lips, hats, nose or other bodily parts to move the boat - just the air in their lungs!

Upcoming Pack 4 Dates!

March

Saturday 3/13 District Pinewood Derby
 Wednesday 3/24 Committee Meeting

April

Friday 4/9 April Pack Meeting

May

Thursday 5/6 Committee Meeting
 Weekend 5/14-16 Spring Family Campout
 Friday 5/21 May Pack Meeting

June

Thursday 6/3 Committee Meeting
 Friday 6/11 **Raingutter Regatta!**

July

Sometime....summer outdoor event!

August

Saturday 8/14 **Pack Picnic and popcorn kickoff!**