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SPRING 2024

Cub Scouts Key Dates 2024-2025 Program Year

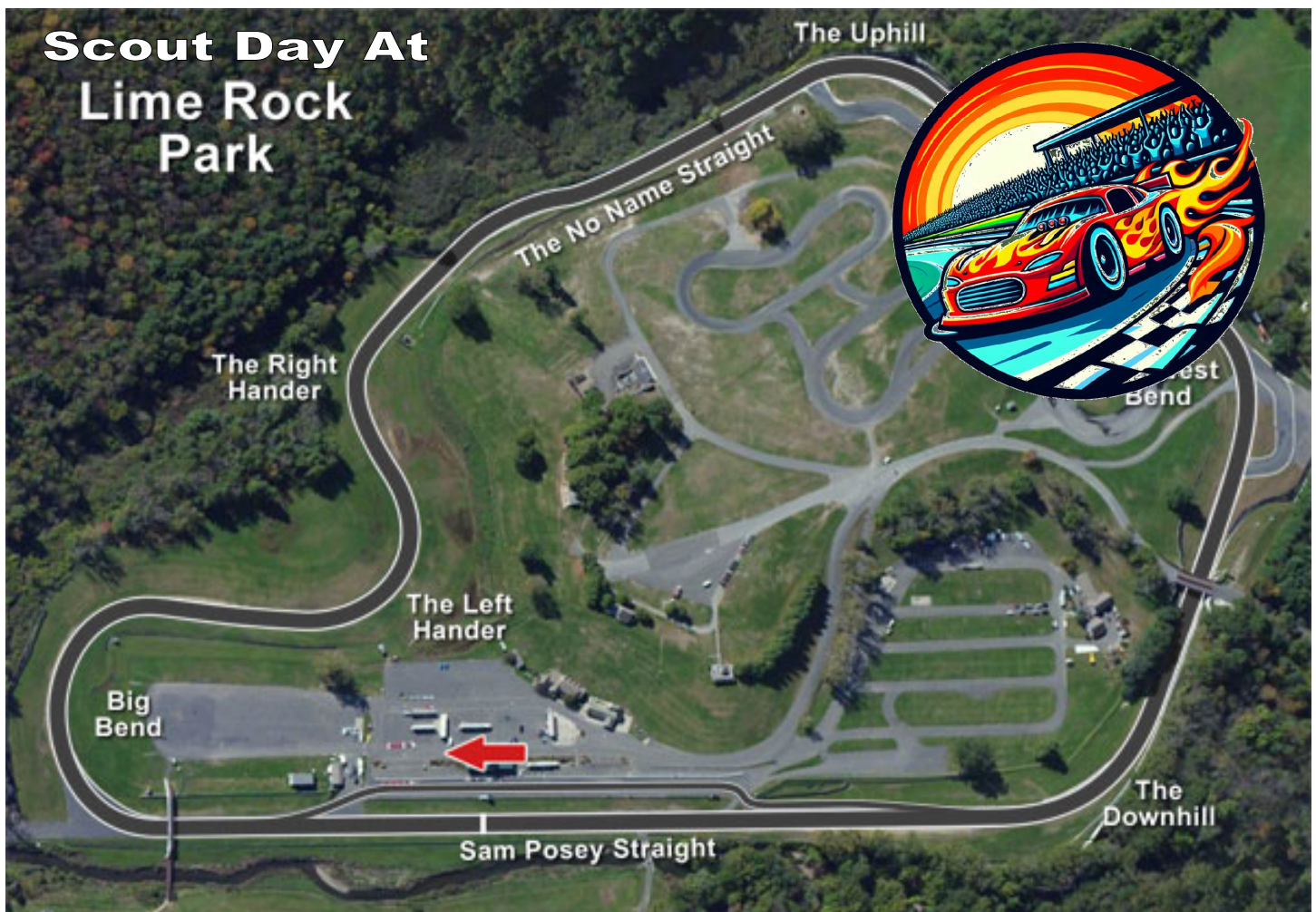
2024

- **Sept 27-28 Scout Day at Lime Rock** (Council) A favorite annual CYC event! There is no better way to spend an early Fall weekend than camping out and enjoying a Saturday of racing at Lime Rock Park.
- **Oct 5 Cub Scout Safari at Hoyt** – In the heart of Hoyt Scout Reservation, eager Cub Scouts will gather, their faces alive with excitement and anticipation to embark on a safari adventure. Led by their leaders and accompanied by their families, they will set out on a journey to explore, learn, and grow together. Cub Scouts can earn Adventures that are specific to their grade, rank along with fun activities and optional overnight Pack Family Camping.
- **October 13 Cuboree** an exciting day-long shooting sports event. Every Scout will receive an event patch and have the opportunity to earn the Cub Scout Shooting Sports Award.
- **Oct 26 Fright Night at Sequassen** — Cub Scout Friendly "Fright Light" activities with weekend camping available. All youth must be accompanied by a parent, or guardian.
- **Nov 9 University of Adventures** — Earn advancement through Adventures, enjoy special entertainment, and a lunch. Three colleges are being offered —Bear 3rd Grade, Webelos 4th Grade, and Arrow of Light 5th Grade—each offering the new 2024 requirements. East Country Day School
- **Dec 7 Chess Play and Tournament** — For Webelos and Arrow of Light: Get ready for a day of chess excitement on December 7! Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned player, join us at the SONO Collection for a thrilling Chess Play and Tournament event.

2025

- **Feb 1 Cub Scout Polar Bear** hosted by Saugatuck District at the Stamford Museum & Nature Center. Fun family nature and science activities.
- **Mar 29: Districts Pinewood Derby Championship.** Aquila, Saugatuck, and Quinnipiac Districts will host their Championship Race. Packs should hold their Pack Race before this date.
- **May 16-18: CONNJAM!** Connecticut Yankee Council's largest camporee, three days of outdoor adventure. Thousands of Scouts expected! Cub Scouts (K-5th grade): Join with pack, den, or family. Camp the weekend in Cub World or join Saturday activities.
- **Summer 2025:** Cub Scout Family Weekends and Webelos/Arrow of Light Adventure Camp. Dates to be announced.

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Scout Day At Lime Rock

Fast Cars, Classic Cars, Exotic Cars & More!

Save the Date — Sept 27-28, 2024!

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PLUS PIT TOURS, CUB-MOBILE RACES, ARCHERY, BACK YARD BASS, PICNICS, AND MORE FOR CUB SCOUTS, SCOUTS BSA, SEA SCOUTS, EXPLORERS, AND VENTURERS & FAMILY!

Registration coming soon!

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Connecticut Yankee Council

Cub Scout Safari

Saturday, October 5, 2024

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Safari Fun

- ◆ Adventures Awards by Rank/Grade
- ◆ Haunted House Giant Inflatable -- Back by popular demand Scouts will love the 7 "Haunted Hallways" with all the twists and turns, pop up characters and decorations inside.
- ◆ BB Gun Safety & BB Gun Range
- ◆ Sling Shot Range
- ◆ The Jungle — Nature Study
- ◆ Safari Guide Training Hiking Skills
- ◆ Leave No Trace — outdoor ethics!
- ◆ Knots of Fun
- ◆ Whiffle Ball Fun
- ◆ Evening Programs



Safari Hat Provided

Come Safari for the day or plan for overnight family camping. A lunch truck will be provided (not part of the fee). Packs camping will provide Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast.

Saturday, October 5, 2024

9:00 AM Check-in — 9:15 Opening

4 PM Overnight Program Start — 10 AM Sunday Camp Closed

Fees \$25 Youth and \$20 Adults

Registrations Coming Soon!

Hoyt Scout Reservation

3 Marchant Rd, Redding CT 06896

At the end of the weekend tired but exhilarated, Scouts will return home, having earned adventures, forged memories and had experienced something special – a Cub Scout Safari!



Attention Parents/Leaders: Are you ready to ignite young imaginations and create unforgettable memories? Please volunteer. Your enthusiasm and support will make this safari unforgettable for our young adventurers.

Questions or to Volunteer

John Hanks, Event Chair

activities@ctyankee.org

Cub Safari Sponsored by CONNJAM — May 15, 2025

CONNJAM is the biggest Scouting event in Connecticut - thousands will be there! Age appropriate Cub Scout Activities! www.connjam.org

Adventures Awards 2024 Requirements

Lion Safari (Kindergarten)

- ◆ Mountain Lions -- Lions and adult partners will take a walk to explore the outdoors.
- ◆ Let's Camp Lion -- Here is the opportunity for Lions and their adult partners to go on an overnight campout.



Tiger Safari (1st Grade)

- ◆ Tigers In The Wild -- Tigers and adult partners will take a walk to explore the outdoors.
- ◆ Let's Camp Tiger -- Here is the opportunity for Tigers and their adult partners to go on an overnight campout.



Wolf Safari (2nd Grade)

- ◆ Paws On The Path -- Will take you on a fun-filled adventure by going outside for a walk.
- ◆ Let's Camp Wolf -- You are about to go on an overnight campout — sleeping in a tent, roasting marshmallows, and exploring nature.



Bear Safari (3rd Grade)

- ◆ Bear Habitat -- Learn how to plan a one mile walk with your den.
- ◆ Let's Camp Bear -- Find the best spot to pitch your tent and make it your home for the campout.



Webelos Safari (4th Grade)

- ◆ Let's Camp Webelos-- Plan and participate in a campout.
- ◆ Webelos Walkabout -- Learn how to prepare for a 2-milewalk. And when you're ready, take your walk!



Arrow of Light (AOL) (5th Grade)

- ◆ Into the Woods -- Learn about the plants and trees.
- ◆ Outdoor Adventurer -- Plan and participate in a campout with your Arrow of Light patrol.



Guides/Trail Maps provided. Parent/Leader Led Activity.



SAVE THE DATE!

CUBOREE SHOOTING SPORT EVENT

ARCHERY • BB GUNS • SLINGSHOTS

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Old Mine Park, 198 Old Mine Rd, Trumbull, CT 06611-1318

Join us for Aquila District Cuboree this fall with an exciting day-long shooting sports event of fun, learning, and skill-building!

Scouts will have the opportunity to earn requirements towards the new 2024 Cub Scout Shooting Sports Adventures for Tigers, Wolf, Bears, Webelos, and Arrow of Light. These awards are designed to promote the safe and responsible use of Archery, BB Guns and Slingshots, while helping Scouts develop their shooting skills — taught by qualified BSA Instructors.

Morning and afternoon sessions will be available. Please note that Scouts must be accompanied by an adult partner to participate. More information to come!

Save the Date! Registration coming in September.

Questions: Seth Strohecker at seth.strohecker@gmail.com



Connecticut Yankee Council BSA

University of Adventures

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★ BEAR COLLEGE ★ WEBELOS COLLEGE ★ ARROW OF LIGHT COLLEGE



New 2024 Requirements



Fun Learning



Fun Entertainment

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Easton Country Day School — 660 Morehouse Rd, Easton, CT 06612

Morning 8:45 AM to 12:30 (Lunch & Show Included)

Afternoon 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM (Lunch & show Included)

(Lunch & Show is 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM)

Join us for a day of fun learning at the University of Adventures! Earn advancement through Adventures, enjoy special entertainment, and a lunch. You will meet fellow Scouts from across the Connecticut Yankee Council sharing in the Spirit of Scouting.

Three colleges are being offered —**Bear** 3rd Grade, **Webelos** 4th Grade, and **Arrow of Light** 5th Grade—each offering the new 2024 requirements.

Back by popular demand is Yo-Yo entertainer, John Higby! Prepare to be mesmerized during the lunch period by his thrilling and interactive performance, featuring yo-yo wizardry that will leave you in awe!

Scouts will have the opportunity to select two adventures, with morning and afternoon sessions available. Register for morning, afternoon or both periods.



Bear College Adventures 3rd Grade

1. Paws For Action
2. Forensics
3. Marble Madness
4. Roaring Laughter



Webelos College Adventures 4th Grade

1. My Community
2. Art Explosion
3. Earth Rocks
4. Modular Design



Arrow of Light College Adventures 5th Grade

1. First Aid
2. Engineer
3. Estimations
4. High Tech Outdoors

\$30 Fee — Includes patch, facilities, program supplies and lunch.

Registration will Open Sept. 1, 2024

Questions activities@ctyankee.org — Co Chairs John Hanks & Chet Wickett

PLEASE NOTE: With the update to the Cub Scout program the Arrow of Light becomes a separate program from Webelos. For this reason, it is important that current 4th-grade Webelos DO NOT start any work on any Arrow of Light requirements. Work on current Arrow of Light requirements will not count for the updated Arrow of Light badge of rank requirements that take effect on June 1, 2024. Current 4th grade Webelos instead should focus on earning elective Adventures. Arrow of Light Scouts work only on the Arrow of Light Requirements.

BEAR COLLEGE

Paws for Action (Citizenship): This Adventure is about America and the powerful symbols that represent the best of our country and how communities come together to help solve problems they are facing. Citizenship in America is about participation. Familiarize yourself with the flag of the United States of America including the history, demonstrating how to raise and lower the flag, how to properly fold and display, and the United States flag etiquette.

1. Identify three symbols that represent the United States. Pick your favorite and make a model, work of art, or other craft that depicts the symbol.
2. Learn about the mission of any nonprofit. Find out how they fund their activities and how volunteers are used to help.
3. Participate in a service project.

Forensic: Everywhere you go, you leave behind clues: fingerprints on your juice glass, DNA on your toothbrush, bits of fabric on your favorite chair, and footprints in your yard. In this Adventure, you will practice some of the skills of a forensic scientist. You will analyze a fingerprint, a footprint, the contents of ink, and some mysterious white powder.

1. Explore the term "forensics" and how it is used to help solve crimes.
2. Analyze your fingerprints.
3. Make a shoe imprint.
4. Do an analysis of four different substances: salt, sugar, baking soda and cornstarch.
5. Learn about chromatography and how it is used in solving crimes.
6. Find out how officers collect evidence.

Marble Madness: Long before board and video games, kids played with marbles. In this Adventure, you'll play several different marble games. You'll also learn special words only marble players know and discover how to use marbles in mazes, obstacle courses, and more.

1. Make a marble bag.
2. Learn five words that are used when talking about marbles.
3. Play three different marble games.
4. Build a marble racetrack with at least two lanes.
5. Build a marble maze.

Roaring Laughter: Laughing makes you feel good, and when you laugh, others may start laughing, too. With just a smile, you can meet a new friend, make someone else smile, and create a happy feeling in yourself and other people. In this Adventure, you'll find lots of ways to smile and laugh.

1. Think about what makes you laugh. Discuss these with your den or family.
2. Practice reading tongue twisters.
3. Play charades with your den or family.
4. Have a "funniest joke contest" with your den or family.
5. Practice "run-ons" with your den or family.

WEBELOS COLLEGE

My Community: This Adventure is all about being a good citizen. You'll learn about the different types of voting and how our national government maintains the balance of power. Learn about majority and plurality types of voting.

1. Speak with someone who is elected to their position. Discover the type of voting that was used to elect them and why.
2. Choose a federal law and create a timeline of the history of the law. Include the involvement of the three branches of government.
3. Participate in a service project.

Art Explosion: Art is a powerful way to capture a moment in time, an idea, or an emotion. It's a lot of fun, too. Whether you're into drawing, painting, sculpture, computer illustration, or photography, you'll find something to love in this Adventure.

1. Create a piece of art by exploring drawing techniques using pencils.
2. Using a digital image, explore the effect of filters by changing an image using different editing or in-camera techniques.
3. Create a piece of art using paint as your medium.
4. Create a piece of art combining at least two media.

Earth Rocks: Rocks and minerals are more than just things that lie in the ground. In this Adventure, you'll dig into the world of rocks and minerals and discover some surprises about the science of geology - like how the ground beneath your feet is constantly on the move.

1. Examine the three types of rocks: sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic.
2. Find a rock, safely break it apart, and examine it.
3. Make a mineral test kit and test minerals according to the Mohs scale of mineral hardness. Using the rock cycle chart or one like it, discuss how hardness determines which materials can be used in homes, in landscapes, or for recreation.
4. Grow a crystal.

Modular Design: Some of your favorite building toys are probably modular. In this Adventure, you will gain an understanding of modular design, build using modular-based materials, and practice making directions for others to follow.

1. Learn what modular design is and identify three things that use modular design in their construction.
2. Using modular-based building pieces, build a model without a set of instructions.
3. Using the model made in requirement 2, create a set of step-by-step instructions on how to make your model.
4. Have someone make your model using your instructions.
5. Using the same modular pieces used in requirement 2, build another model of something different.
6. With your parent or legal guardian's permission, watch a video demonstrating how something was built using modular design.

ARROW OF LIGHT COLLEGE

First Aid: In this Adventure, you will learn how to protect yourself and how to help others when they have been hurt. The skills you learn in this Adventure could help someone in trouble or even save a life.

1. With permission from your parent or legal guardian, watch the Protect Yourself Rules video for the Arrow of Light rank.
2. Explain what you should do if you encounter someone in need of first aid.
3. Demonstrate what to do for hurry cases of first aid: serious bleeding, heart attack or sudden cardiac arrest, stopped breathing, stroke, and poisoning.
4. Demonstrate how to help a choking victim.
5. Demonstrate how to treat shock.
6. Demonstrate how to treat the following: cuts and scratches, burns and sea lds, bites and stings of insects and animals, and nose-bleeds.
7. Make a personal first-aid kit. Demonstrate the proper use of each item in your first-aid kit.

Engineer: In this Adventure, you will learn what engineers do. Even better, you can do some engineering projects of your own. So put on your thinking cap and get ready to think like an engineer!

1. Learn the focus, related sciences, and products of civil, electrical, and mechanical engineers.
2. Pick one of the engineering fields from requirement 1 to complete the following requirements.
3. Examine a set of blueprints or specifications used by your choice of engineer.
4. Identify a project that you would like to build.
5. Using the engineering process, build your project.

Estimations: There are times when we need to be exact, like when building a model or baking from a recipe. When we do not need to be exact, or we only need a general idea of something or its cost, we can estimate. Estimate food measurements.

1. Estimate the time of day.
2. Estimate the height of a distant object.
3. Estimate the distance between two points.

High Tech Outdoors: Learn about digital devices that help us navigate, learn, and stay safe.

1. With an adult, use a weather app or website to see the forecast for an outdoor activity and discuss any preparation needed to accommodate the weather.
2. With an adult, find a knot-tying app. Select one knot to learn, and tie it using the app.
3. Discuss how technology has improved camping gear.
4. Think of a way technology can improve camping gear used on one of your outdoor activities.

Connecticut Yankee Council BSA Chess Play & Tournament



**Saturday,
December 7, 2024**
10 AM to 2 PM

The SONO Collection

100 N. Water St. Norwalk, CT 06854
Find us at the M&T Bank
Magnificent Room Level 2

**Open to Scouts and all Youth
Grades 4 to 12**

**Special Invite to Webelos
& Arrow of Light**

Get ready for a day of chess excitement on December 7! Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned player, join us at the SONO Collection for a thrilling Chess Play and Tournament event. Here's what's we are working on:

- Casual Chess Play: Enjoy friendly matches focused on fun and learning.
- Tournament: Compete for the title of Top Chess Player in the area, with winners advancing to a regional game at ConnJam on May 15, 2025.
- Team Play Chess: Experience teamwork with our Mega Chess Set.
- US Chess Federation Rated Tournament: Serious players can test their skills in a competitive environment.
- Workshops: Learn and improve your game with workshops for all skill levels, and an Intro to Chess Merit Badge.

Open to Scouts and youth from **grades 4 to 12**, this event welcomes everyone eager to explore the world of chess. Save the date and get ready to make your move towards victory!"



Chess Play Registration Opens Sept. 1st — Questions: activities@ctyankee.org

The SoNo Collection, at 100 N. Water St. Norwalk, CT 06854, is an extraordinary hub for shopping, dining, art, and entertainment. They graciously offer their venue for our event at no cost.

The top players will advance to a regional game at ConnJam, May 15, 2025.
CONNJAM is the biggest Scouting event in Connecticut - thousands will be there!

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2025 PINEWOOD DERBY SCHEDULE



Saturday, March 31, 2025 **Aquila, Saugatuck and Quinnipiac** **Day of District Championship Races**

- * Locations to be announced
- * We are asking Packs to plan their Pack Race before this date
- * We are asking Packs to adopt CYC Official Pinewood Derby Guidelines for their Pack Race

Save the Date — CONNJAM25 **Saturday, May 17, 2025** Orange Fairgrounds Orange, CT **Pinewood Derby Mania**

A day of age appropriate activities for Cub Scouts along with Pinewood Derby Mania featuring:

- * CYC Championship Race
- * 2nd Chance Race
- * Lego Race
- * Outlaw Race — Use your imagination to design a Pinewood Derby Car that would be **"OUTLAWED"** in a traditional race.



Questions
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CYC Official Pinewood Derby Guidelines

General Rules:

- You must use the Official BSA Pinewood Derby Kit. No other body, axles or Wheels will be accepted.
- The car **MUST** have been created in the year that the race is taking place.
- The car **MUST** have been created by the CUB SCOUT racing it.
- As each car is registered, it will be weighed in and checked for the following inspection points:

Pinewood Derby Car Dimensions

- ◇ 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 must not be taller than 3" tall.
- ◇ The wheelbase (distance between front and rear axles) is 4 ¼ (4.250) to 4 5/8 (4.625) inches.

Derby Car Weight

- ◇ The car weight shall not exceed 5.00 ounces.
- ◇ The official race scale that is used at car check-in shall be considered final.

Wood, Wheels and Axles

- ◇ The official pine wood block must be used. The block may be shaped in any way.
- ◇ Bending of the axle will be allowed. **The four wheels must be in contact with the track** and it meets the wheel-width guideline. The axles may not be altered except for polishing and lubrication.
- ◇ Official BSA wheels must be used. The wheels may not be cut, drilled, beveled, or rounded. You may only remove the seams and imperfections from the wheels. Excessive sanding will be considered "lathing" and may be disqualified based on decision of the Racemaster.)
- ◇ The official nail axles must be used and may not be altered except for polishing and lubrication.
- ◇ Dry lubricant is the only type of lubricant that will be allowed.

Car Modifications Not Allowed

- ◇ Wheel bearings, washers or bushings are prohibited.
- ◇ The car must not ride on any type of springs.
- ◇ No starting devices. The car must be freewheeling.
- ◇ No liquids or loose material of any kind, such as lead shot, may be used.

Other Pinewood Derby Race Rules

- Once a car passes inspection and is entered into the race, only race committee members can touch it.
- If the car loses a wheel, or is otherwise damaged, the racer shall have 5 minutes to make a repair.
- Each car must pass inspection by the official inspection committee before it will be allowed to compete.
- Lubrication must be done before arrival (no graphite allowed in Race site).
- The Inspection Committee has the responsibility to disqualify those cars that do not meet these specifications. All decisions of the Racemaster are final.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct by any participant or spectator will be grounds for expulsion from the competition or the race area.

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ConnJam 2025

The largest scouting event in Connecticut comes only once every three years. Don't miss your opportunity to take part in the best scouting event in Connecticut.

May 16-18, 2025

Orange, CT

Open to All Scouts



Adventure

Climbing
Shooting Sports
Aquatics
Pinewood Derby



Exploration

Legos
Trades
STEM
Sustainability



Fun

Fireworks
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