



Annual District Derby

February 5, 2026

From: William M Cover II, District Director, and the Prairie Winds District Committee

To: **All Cub Scout Packs in the Prairie Winds District**

Re: **Prairie Winds District Pinewood Derby**

Hello Cub Scouts and Scouters of the Prairie Winds District! I am pleased to announce that the annual running of the Prairie Winds District Pinewood Derby is scheduled to take place on Saturday **March 21st**, 2026. Pack 296 has graciously accepted the role of host for the derby this year and are planning for both a Race and a Car Show, allowing 12 entries in each of the two categories from each Pack for a total of 24 entries from each pack.

The Gymnasium at East Buttler School will accommodate a large size crowd so bring the family to watch. (Please be sure to bring at least one adult for every three Scouts). **Concessions will be available on-site during the event by Pack 296 Brainard.** Please plan on supporting the unit and purchasing your snack foods from them. Enclosed with this packet you will find a schedule with information about the derby, rules & regulations for the Car Show and Race Entries,

Be sure that you register for the Prairie Winds Pinewood Derby and not the Salt Valley or Seven Feathers events.

Questions about event fees and eligibility should be directed to:

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I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Prairie Winds District Pinewood Derby!



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- Host: Pack 296 Brainard Nebraska
- Location: East Buttler School Gymnasium 212 S Madison St, Brainard, NE 68626
- Fees: \$15 now through March 20th (5 pm) after that no registration will be accepted.
- Schedule: 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.: --- Check-in & Inspection of race and show class cars
- 11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.----- Opening & Flag Ceremony
- 11:30 a.m. ----- Races begin.
- 1:30 p.m. (or at completion of the races Awards Ceremony for Cub Scouts

Check-in & Inspection: All participants must be pre-registered on-line by March 20th, 2026.

On March 21st, 2026, Check-in & Inspection will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will close promptly at 11:00 am. – regardless of the number of people in line. Don't wait until the last minute to check-in!

Opening & Flag Ceremony: All Scouts in attendance should be in "Field Uniforms" (official cub Scout shirt and neckerchief). All Scouters are requested to wear "Field uniforms". **All participating in Packs are requested to bring their Pack Flags, including stands for the parade of Packs opening ceremony.**

Race and Show: Race Participants and Show Participants need not be present for the entire race. However, if you dropped your car off for check-in on the day of the race for in person participation you will be expected to pick that entry up at the end of the day.

Show Categories: See the current unified all District race rules for show categories.

Awards Ceremony: Awards will be presented to the top six (5) racers and to the Judged winners of the Show categories. You need not be present to receive the award, but it is recommended. All unclaimed awards will be delivered to Roundtable for Pick up or you may contact the Council Office and pick them up there. (there is no super-sized show category in PW District)

Participants: The top twelve (12) racers from each Pack **AND** the top twelve (12) show cars from each Pack. A Scout can be entered in one category only – this means a total of 24 (24) different Scouts may participate from each pack. One adult must be present with every three (3) Scouts in attendance (minimum of two adults per Pack). **Door Prize Drawings:** randomly drawn prizes will be awarded to those in attendance only. You must be present and produce your door prize coupon to collect the door prize.

Entry Fee: 15.00 All entries will be done online. A Scout will not be allowed to compete if the entry fee has not been paid online and on time.

See 2026 Unified District rules on the next page.

Show Categories for the PW district are as follows:

Prairie Winds District 2026 Best of Show all Classes (Voted on by the Scouts)

Prairie Winds District 2026 Best Scouting / Patriotic Design (Judged by panel)

Prairie Winds District 2026 Best Commercial Vehicle Design (Judged by panel)

Prairie Winds District 2026 Best Fantasy Design (Judged by panel)