

# RULES FOR THE 2008 PUSHCAR GRAN PRIX

We are planning an exciting and fun day of racing pushcars. Teamwork and sportsmanship are the most important goals of the day. Every participant is a winner!

## Grand Prix Procedures:

- **Pushcar teams must be checked in at the registration table by rank. A Team will consist of a den of Cub Scouts of the same rank and Boy Scouts a team functions as a patrol. There has to be a minimum of 3 Scouts and a maximum of 12 Scouts of the same Cub Scout rank to form a team. Troop teams can be of any rank.**
- **You will receive an official score sheet that needs to be taken to each race event by the team's adult leader.**
- **Pushcars must be checked in at the Pit Area for a safety inspection. Cars must meet the required specifications to be able to race. Cars passing inspection will be impounded and be kept there until it is time to race. Cars not passing inspection can be modified in the pit area to meet safety regulations. Cars that can not be modified to meet safety regulations will not race.**

- **Race Times:**

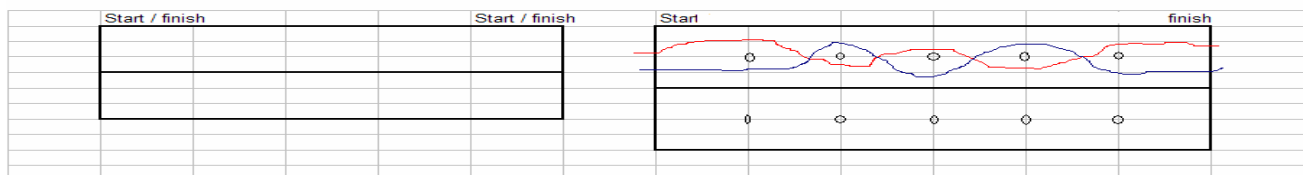
<u>Boy Scouts:</u>	Begin racing at 9:00 a.m.
<u>Webelos:</u>	Begin racing at 10:30 a.m.
<u>Bears:</u>	Begin racing at 12:00 p.m.
<u>Wolves:</u>	Begin racing at 1:30 p.m.
<u>Tigers:</u>	Begin racing at 3:00 p.m.

- **RACES:**

- **Speed** 100 feet with a start finish line clearly marked. Three sprint are timed separately for a team's total time with teams of three (driver and 2 pushers who switch off so each Scout gets to drive the car.)
- **Obstacle** 40 yards with the cones 8 yards apart (at 8, 16, 24, and 32) Race 3 times and each sprint is timed separately. The Webelos and Boy Scouts will have golf balls to place and take off cones. Driver 1 puts them the balls on the each cone, driver 2 will pickup the balls off each cone and driver 3 would put them back. This added a flair for the older boys.
- **Relay Race** 100 feet with drivers and pusher switching at each end  
Start the boys on the start finish line with a driver, push car to the other end, one pusher switches with the driver to drive the car and the previous driver becomes a pusher. Race back to the starting line and repeat the process. The 2<sup>nd</sup> driver now switches with the third Scout so he can drive and the 2<sup>nd</sup> driver becomes a pusher again. The time DOES counts when Scouts switch positions. (They must practice leadership and team work)
- **Lap Race** This race is one lap around the track to test endurance. Teams should use Scouts who can run long distances and a good driver. Only one time counts.

Speed/Relay Course

Obstacle Race Course



- **Scoring: Times are added together from all events for final score.**
- **Speed:** Three sprints are timed and added together for a total time scored for event. (Time does not count while switching drivers)
- **Obstacle Course:** Three sprints are timed and added together for a total time scored for event. (Time does not count while switching drivers) (Add one second for each cone hit)
- **Relay Race:** Three sprints are timed and added together for a total time scored for event. (Time is counted while switching drivers).
- **Lap Race:** Total time of completing a lap is the score of the race.

### **Awards**

- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>n</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies will be awarded by rank. Trophies will be given during intermission on Scout Night at Spartan Speedway on May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- All participants will receive a patch (patches will be ordered after the event and will be available for the Scouts by June 1<sup>st</sup>).
- Best Car Design for paint color, theme, and detailing will be awarded by rank

### **Tickets to Scout Night at Spartan Speedway on May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

- Registered Scouts (Cub, Boy, or Girl Scouts) in uniform are admitted free.
- Adult Tickets are \$10.00 Tickets can purchased today at the registration table or at the Chief Okemos Council Scout Shop the week of May 5-9. (Regular price \$12)
- Non Scout Siblings/Friends Tickets are \$5 (ages 6-12) (age 5 and younger are free). Non Scout Siblings/Friends Tickets need to be purchased at Spartan Speedway on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Gates open at 5:30 and Racing begins at 7:30.

### **Additional Information**

- Concessions are available: Beverages, hot dogs, chips, etc. Concessions are sold by the Chief Okemos Council Order of the Arrow Lodge Gabe-Shi-Win-Gi-Ji-Kens. The Order of the Arrow is a service organization that teaches Scouts to volunteer and promote the principles of the Scout Oath and Law.
- Highway Safety Information is available at a special display booth.
- Ingham County Sheriff's Department Explorer Post Explorers will be writing speeding tickets for those drivers who want to time their top speed.

### **Media Coverage**

A list of local print media has been provided for you. Take pictures today of your Scouts participating and get them published in your local paper. Keep in mind newspapers prefer pictures that are up close and personal (include names of Scouts). Pictures taken from long distances where Scouts appear in small size do not generally get published.

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Community News- Williamston/ Towne Courier/Ent	Arussel@cn.homecomm.net
Grand Ledge	kmadden@cn.homecomm.net
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Our contact your local Newspaper if it is not listed here.

### **Chief Okemos Council Signals Monthly Newsletter.**

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