

Executive Summary

A total of 150 youth participated in the racing and fun events, with approximately 65 entries in the hobby show. The attempt at running some of the fun events outdoors was cut due to flooding under the marquee from a thunderstorm. All the racing appeared to be fair. Some excellent design work was observed in a number of the Kub Kars and Scout Trucks. There were also several very good hobby show entries.

Recognition

Special thanks goes to the following individuals and groups for their superb help over the weekend. In no particular order:

Kim Comstock (2nd Smiths Falls) - For retrieving the area marquee at such short notice, setting it up, taking it down, and being stuck with a wet marquee at the end.

Mike Jackman, Alex Beelich, Peter Cornelisse, Robert Sargetn and Steven Hall (1st Merrickville) - For all the time and effort in setup and teardown. Without their dedication and support, this event could not have happened!

2nd Almonte - For running the pitstop. Even if he flooded the track with oil ☺

John Stalker (3rd Carleton Place) - For his tireless MC duty on the Saturday.

Andrew Wise (1st Drummond) - For all the data entry and running the computer and software for all the racing.

Stephen Mayne (1st Beckwith) - For controlling the track and supervising the Kub Kars.

Charlie Gale (Valley Highlands) - For MC duties on the Sunday.

Steve Catton (1st Merrickville) - For controlling the track and supervising the Scout Trucks.

Tammy Glaser (1st Merrickville) - For all the Beaver registration.

Ian Hunter and **John Terpstra** (Merrickville) - For the impartial judging.

Thanks to all the other leaders for their help throughout the weekend.

Standings

Emails will be sent to each pack and troop showing where their number stood in the overall competition as well as with their group, section, and six/patrol.

Crests

Every registered youth should have received a crest. Extra crests are available at a cost of \$2 each.

Hobby Show Attendance (approximately 65 total youth)

2nd Smiths Falls Beavers - 20
1st Merrickville Beavers - 4
2nd Smiths Falls Cubs - 20
1st Merrickville Cubs - 1
1st Beckwith Cubs - 1
1st Merrickville Scouts - 16

Plus a few others. Exact participation was not recorded.

Race Attendance (total 150 youth)

Beavers 48 (Montague - 3, Merrickville - 12, Smiths Falls - 11, 2nd Carleton Place - 7, Beckwith - 4, Drummond - 4, Pakenham - 3, 3rd Carleton Place - 3)
Cubs 80 (Merrickville - 16, 3rd Carleton Place - 18, Beckwith - 8, 2nd Carleton Place - 6, Almonte - 9, Drummond - 1, Smiths Falls - 12, Montague - 2, Pakenham - 8)
Scouts 22 (Merrickville - 4, 3rd Carleton Place - 11, Beckwith - 1, Smiths Falls - 4, Pakenham - 1, Almonte - 1)

Hobby Show Results

Honourable mention ribbons were distributed in the Beaver and Cub categories in addition to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies.

Beavers

1st - Will Campbell, 2nd Smiths Falls (Trophy)
2nd - Heather Yates, 1st Merrickville (Small trophy)
3rd - Wesley Warren, 2nd Smiths Falls (Small trophy)

Cubs

1st - Michael Farrell, 1st Beckwith (Trophy)
2nd - Gregory Jackman, 1st Merrickville (Small trophy)
3rd - Josh MacLaren, 2nd Smiths Falls (Small trophy)

Scouts

1st - Elizabeth Jackman, 1st Merrickville (Trophy)
2nd - Doug Piepers, 1st Merrickville (Small trophy)
3rd - Sam Huton, 1st Merrickville (Small trophy)

Cub Racing Results

Fastest Car

- 1st - Tarek Sanger, 1st Merrickville (Trophy & pin)
- 2nd - Josh MacLaren, 2nd Smiths Falls (Pin)
- 3rd - Bradley Skelhorne, 1st Merrickville (Pin)

Best Designed Car

- 1st - Jason St-Germain, 3rd Carleton Place (Trophy & pin)
- 2nd - Brady Campbell, 1st Beckwith (Pin)
- 3rd - Trevor St-Germain, 3rd Carleton Place (Pin)

Fifteen other award certificates were also given out.

Fastest Pack

- 1st - 1st Merrickville (Area annual award)
- 2nd - 1st Beckwith (No award)
- 3rd - 3rd Carleton Place (No award)

Scout Racing Results

Fastest Truck

- 1st - Nick Rouble, 3rd Carleton Place (Trophy & pin)
- 2nd - Jordan Ferguson, 1st Merrickville (Pin)
- 3rd - Eric Krushelniski, 3rd Carleton Place (Pin)

Best Designed Truck

- 1st - Michelle Durand, 3rd Carleton Place (Trophy & pin)
- 2nd - Greg Brydges, 1st Beckwith (Pin)
- 3rd - Alex Stalker, 3rd Carleton Place (Pin)

Ten other award certificates were also given out.

Fastest Troop

- 1st - 1st Beckwith (Area annual award, new this year - to be returned at the March area meeting)
- 2nd - 1st Pakenham (No award)
- 3rd - 3rd Carleton Place (No award)

Feedback

- Were the fun events good for the Beavers? For the Cubs?
- Should any of the fun events be removed or changed? New ones added?
- Were the trophies and pins appropriate? Other recommendations? Just trophies? Just pins?
- Activities (e.g. racing, fun events) too short? Too long?
- What could be changed or done to increase participation from your section?
- What could be changed or done to increase the number of groups participating?
- Can anything be done to increase hobby show participation? Or is this just marketing within the groups?
- Remember, if we don't here your suggestions, we can't make improvements!
- Anything else?

Potential Changes for Next Year

- Are there any racing style events that could be included to make the outing more interesting for the Scouts?
- What about moving the Scout races to Friday evening or Sunday morning to allow the Saturday to be dedicated to the Cubs? This would create less confusion and noise, as well as allowing the times to be shifted a little later.
- Split the Cub racing so half is performed before lunch, have a lunch break, and then to the second half. This should help prevent the Cubs from getting so restless. The day could also start a little later. Ideally, a game outside (weather permitting) after lunch would help burn off so excess energy.
- Build a platform to allow the Cubs and Scouts to easily set their own cars and trucks on the track. This will give them more responsibility for the race outcome.
- Open Kub Kar racing to white tail Beavers. Give them the choice of participating in Beaver Buggies or Kub Kars.
- Add in formal adult racing.
- Any other ideas?