

## **What's new in Lions for 2017-2018?**

The BSA released the following modifications to the Lion program based on feedback from leaders and parents in the program last year.

### **CAN LIONS PARTICIPATE IN OUR PACK'S PINEWOOD DERBY?**

Packs now have three options:

- 1) Include Lions in your pinewood derby.
- 2) Encourage Lions to use the "wedge" car available at the Scout Shops (no cutting involved).
- 3) Consider a fun Veggie Car Derby—this could be in-place of the pinewood derby or to get prepared and just have fun! See information on reverse.

### **CAN LIONS COME TO MORE PACK MEETINGS?**

Lion families may individually decide to participate in more pack meetings as desired. Packs should look for ways to actively involve Lions and include them in the program.

The requirement is still only to be at 2-4 pack meetings per year as not to overwhelm those families that want to go slow. But for those families that can and want to attend more—then allow them and encourage them to do so—we want them to feel welcome and included.

### **CAN LIONS PARTICIPATE IN FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES?**

Lion families indicated they want to have the option to raise funds. Spring fundraising is encouraged. If popcorn is sold by Lions, a show-and-sell approach where older boys and parents are also present is preferred. Door-to-door selling would only be appropriate if the parent is by the youth's side.

### **CAN LIONS PURCHASE THE CUB SCOUT UNIFORM SHIRT IN ADDITION TO THE LION T-SHIRT?**

Yes, this is entirely up to each family and youth. The required uniform for Lion den activities is still the Lion t-shirt. Families may also buy official blue Cub Scout button down or pants as desired for special occasions and Pack ceremonies.

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# LION VEGGIE CAR DERBY

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NEW ALTERNATIVE FOR LIONS AND PINEWOOD DERBY



## PLAY WITH YOUR FOOD

In the spirit of making our traditional Pinewood Derby more accessible to Lions we've created the Veggie Derby. Starting with the 2017 – 2018 school year we will be giving your Pack the opportunity to participate in this fun and unique activity that has been kid tested and kid approved.

### HOW IT ALL WORKS

- Your Lion will be building their car at the event, so there's no pre-prep needed.
- They'll be using their imagination to design a car from a vegetable or fruit, the more unique, the better!
- They'll even get to decorate their car with stickers, markers, or other household items.
- Awards will be presented for most imaginative car, best design, most unique, etc.



### MORE INFO

- Your child's friends from school, sports, church, the neighborhood, or family members are also welcome to participate in the Veggie Derby.
- Vegetables or fruit may be brought from home, or the Pack may provide a sack of potatoes for everyone's use.
- Wheels and other Derby supplies may be purchased from local Scout Shops and [www.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org).

