



Bobby Dehoff, Aaron Huges win Pinewood Derby

Two cars sped out of the curve and leveled off on the straightaway, and then suddenly both flipped, flew through the air, and crashed. The crowd went mad with excitement.

The Grand Prix? No, it's the Pinewood Derby!

The autos which competed in the Derby had no engines, plastic wheels, a maximum weight of 5 oz., and were made of pine wood—hence the name.

Members of Cub Scout Pack 263 were supplied with a block of wood, axles, and wheels. They carved the wood into wildly stream-lined shapes, put on the wheels, painted them and stuck on a few decals in preparation for the big event, held last week.

The cars raced on a special track. After picking up speed on the downhill stretch, they zoomed to the finish line (the point at

which they all crashed).

The boy with the fastest car was Bobby Dehoff. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place runners up were (in order) Scott Kling, Chris Thompkins, and Greg Miller. John Fry won the award for the most original car, and Mike McKain's was judged the Neatest.

Cub Master Phil Kling, who launched the futuristic vehicles, told the *Susquehanna Times* that the

Derby gets fathers and sons together to work on their cars. The Cub Scouts and fathers also enjoyed the race, although the fathers didn't jump and yell when a heat was close.

Maytown Cub Scout Pack 53 held their annual Pinewood Derby at the Maytown Lutheran Church on Thursday, Jan. 27th at their monthly pack meeting.

Den 2 conducted the opening flag ceremony. The Dens completed in a series of elimination races.

The winners were:

1st place—Aaron Huges, Den 1; 2nd place—Andrew Zuch, Den 2; and 3rd place—John Biesacker, Den 1.

Refreshments were served after the races and a good time was had by all.

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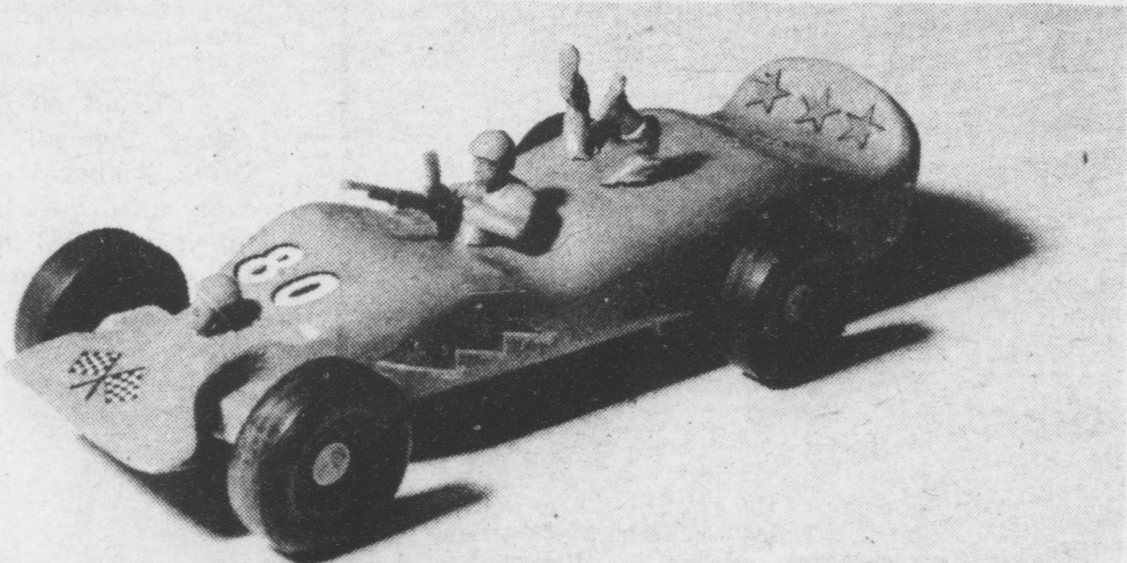
Art and Kathy Guyton, while on their honeymoon last summer, visited Nova Scotia's Lower Economy Mountain, where gravity is reversed.

A stream near Lower Economy appears to flow uphill, and objects roll seemingly in contradistinction to the known laws of gravity, as propounded by the late Sir Issac Newton.

Mr. Guyton, who has a degree in Physics and reads books about black holes and space/time occlusions, was unable to account for the mystery.



Cub Scouts of Pack 263 cheer wildly after a close heat in the Pinewood Derby.



Scott Kling's exotic "Thunderbolt" was 1st place runner up in the Mount Joy derby.

Cars stopped crashing when blizzard hit

The blizzard which hit our area last Friday evening, like the great power blackout of 1965, lowered the accident rate. There were no auto collisions during the storm.

Although a number of people died of exposure in other parts of the country, local ambulances reported no cases of frostbite or rescues of stranded motorists.

"Really, things were so doggone bad out in the country, there was nothing moving," said East Donegal's Police Chief, George Shirk.

Chief Shirk's main problem that night was abandoned cars. "There were 6 or 7 on Oremine Road, 4 on Colebrook, some on Route 141, and a few others," he told us.

Borough police in Mount

Joy reported a burst water pipe and several stranded vehicles.

While no accidents occurred during the storm, many happened before and afterward. Motorists, lulled into false feelings of safety by the clear weather, lost control upon hitting isolated patches of ice. The day before the storm, three telephone poles were struck by autos along Rt. 141 and two cars went over a bank on S. River St. in Maytown. Marietta had numerous minor accidents.

Many nearby areas had a worse time than East Donegal. There were bad fires in Gap and Lancaster. Stranded motorists had to be rescued in Ephrata.

Anyone driving should exercise caution while ice patches remain on the roads, according to local police.

Jeffrey Meckley wins cub day at races

Cub day at races was held at Park City, Lancaster. Jeffrey Meckley, Pack 136, Mount Joy, won First place, Jeffrey won against 16 other Packs in Western District Lancaster-Lebanon

Council. Tony Oxford and Scott Baker were also racing for Pack 136.

Attending were Robert W. Mark, Fredrick Good, Shirley Good, Bryan Good and Kenneth Good, Jr.

MYO wants help

Reprinted below is a message from the Maytown Youth Organization. -ed.

Please help your community organization. We must have your co-operation if you want your child to be able to participate in baseball this summer.

Our next meeting is February 28, 1977, at 7:30. It will be held at the Old Legion Hall in Maytown.

We expect to see you there! We know your child enjoys the teams, so you know what your responsibility is to him or her. It takes time, your time, to make this program possible.

We especially need coaches, assistant coaches and chairpeople for money-raising projects.

They're your children. It's up to you!

Marietta chorus starts practicing

The first practice of the Marietta Community chorus will be held Sunday, February 6, in the United Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m. The Palm Sunday Cantata is entitled "The Miracle." Paul Mickelson composed the work.

Recently elected officers are: Hoffman Charles, Pres.; Mrs. Richard Smedley, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. George Bryant, Secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Gerald Libhart is directress; Mrs. Margaret Miller is organist and Mrs. Bryant is pianist.

Marietta police report

Marietta Police comparison report for 1976-75 shows the following list of incidents for both years.

Total police calls—1976-1364, 1975-1164, increase of 200 calls; Total offenses—

1976-419, 1975-339, increase of 80 offenses; Criminal arrests—1976-157, 1975-187; Juvenile arrests—1976-252, 1975-154; Traffic arrests—1976-220, 1975-224; and Ordinance arrests—1976-72, 1975-172.

Vehicle accidents—1976-56, 1975-57; House checks—1976-81, 1975-52; Ordinance notices—1976-126, 1975-148; % Offenses cleared—1976-54.4, and 1975-60.7.