

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MULTI-DAY EVENTS

Community-wide Garage Sale

All day — Various locations around Florence (see directory and map on pages 3-4)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 8

Rods 'n' Rhodies Invitational Car Show

Noon-4 p.m. — Registration and Check-in at Three Rivers Casino Resort, 5647 Highway 126 in Florence

4-7 p.m. — "All Cars Welcome" Show 'n' Shine at Three Rivers Event Center

SATURDAY, SEPT. 9

Rods 'n' Rhodies

9 a.m.-4 p.m. — Show 'n' Shine in Old Town Florence

4-5:30 p.m. — Cruise on Bay Street

6th annual Pinewood Derby

10 a.m.-2 p.m. — Corner of Nopal and Bay streets

2nd Saturday Gallery Tour

3-5 p.m. — Various locations around Florence, 2ndSaturdayGalleryTour.com

"American Graffiti" film

5:30 p.m. — "Meet 'n' Greet" Costume Contest at at City Lights Cinema, 1930 Highway 101

6 p.m. — Film, general ticketing applies CityLightsCinemas.com

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10

Rods 'n' Rhodies

9 a.m.-1 p.m. — Show 'n' Shine in Old Town Florence

Noon — Awards & Raffle

Fast Track

Scouts' Pinewood Derby rolls down Bay Street



Big cars for big kids, sometimes known as adults, aren't the only attraction in historic Old Town Florence during the 10th annual Rods 'n' Rhodies Invitational Car Show this weekend — smaller cars for smaller kids can also be observed racing down the track at the sixth annual Pinewood Derby, produced by Boy Scout Troop 721 of Florence, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8.

Everyone is welcome to participate, not just scouts, so get your old Pinewood Derby cars out of moth balls, or create a new car by acquiring an unfinished kit by calling 541-997-7404.

All ages are welcome. Registration is \$5 and the funds help Troop 721 buy new scouting equipment and pay Scout Camp fees.

Come on out and support Troop 721; revisit your youth; live out your childhood dreams; race your heart out; but be aware — you're likely to have a lot of fun!

Boy Scout of America Troop 721 hosts its sixth annual Pinewood Derby in Historic Old Town Florence on Saturday, Sept. 8, during Rods 'n' Rhodies.

Registration is from 10 to 11 a.m., with the first race at 11:30 a.m. The sponsor race will be at 1 p.m.

Pinewood Derby, a racing event for the Boy Scouts of America, began in 1953

when the creator's son was too young to participate in the traditional and popular soap box derby races of that time. The miniature version was based on the same concept as the full sized version: a parent

helping their child construct a vehicle under certain criteria, competing on a track where gravity provided the power.

In 1954, Boy Scouts of America fully endorsed the program by publicizing the event in Boys Life magazine, offering plans for both car and track.

Each person builds a vehicle from a block of pine wood (hence the name), four wheels and four nails for axles. Creativity and innovation can be applied in an attempt to decrease the drag and increase the speed of the car, just as done in big kids' race cars.

Pinewood Derby has been recognized by Hollywood in movies titled "Pinewood Derby" and "Down and Derby," and even on a "South Park" television episode.

But you don't need to go to the movies to see the real deal — just wander down to the corner of Bay and Nopal streets in historic Old Town Florence and catch the action on the track.

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