

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Big Bad Pumpkin Derby?

The Pumpkin Derby is a unique side-by-side race that features decorated pumpkins. Racers are guaranteed two races in a double elimination racing bracket.

What is the race track like?

The races will take place on two side-by-side racing tracks that are 30ft wide x 77ft long. Each heat will start off on a set of ramps to help them gain speed to roll down the sloped course. Races are similar to a soapbox derby race.

What are pumpkin derby cars?

Pumpkin Derby cars must be constructed to meet the Official Rules. The Official Rules state that a carved pumpkin must be built with two independent axels and wheels attached. Pumpkins may be any shape or size. You may choose to decorated you pumpkin racer in a unique manner, try to win one of our design awards, or just bring your pumpkin racer race ready.

What is the "Pumpkin Pit Road?"

Pit Road is an area of tables that are set up for you to work on your pumpkin racer if it seems to be pulling to the right or left or maybe just borrow a screw driver to tighten your wheels. You may use any or all of our tools in our tool kit depending on the way your pumpkin racer is racing.

How do I register for the Big Bad Pumpkin Derby?

Go back to our pumpkin derby web page and print out a Registration form. Complete the information and mail or fax the form into our Registration Office at 913-831-3359 or contact the event coordinator Lisa Hughes at 913-856-2493.