



# Official E-Memo of Chief Black Dog District

# Chief Black Dog (GO!) Model Rocket Flight Day Fall Cub Festival

# Saturday, October 11, 2014 Weather/Rain Make-Up Date, October 18

A district wide Model Rocket Flight Day will be held on Saturday, October 11, 2014 at Falcon Ridge Space Center (Middle School). This is especially for all those new Cub Scouts who joined on School Night, September 18 and received a free rocket kit. Any new Cub Scouts joining after August 1 are entitled to a free rocket kit. Current Cub Scouts can get one from the council at cost. All Cub Scouts are invited to our Flight Day to launch their rockets. If you have other

rockets you may bring those to launch as well. We will provide a launch system. You will need to bring your rocket(s), engine(s), igniter(s) and other launch supplies as necessary. Cub Scouts who receive the free rocket kit or purchase a kit from the council will also receive an engine and igniter. The rockets can be launched over and over again but additional engines and igniters will need to be purchased and would not be available from Northern Star Council. If additional rockets are brought that use a streamer or parachute recovery, you will also need recovery wadding.



# This is a free event! Pre-Registration

This is a free event with a food shelf donation but we will be asking for preregistration so we can have an idea of how many to expect. Watch for details in an upcoming Chat or on the district website. Registration can be by unit/pack or by individuals. When registering by pack we will want to know how many Cub Scouts will be launching rockets. We anticipate 2 – 4 time slots for launching



rockets, again, depending on the number of anticipated participants. We will ask for a contact person and an email address to build a distribution list to notify participants should we encounter a weather postponement. We understand that

some packs may be scheduling their own launch event. These Cub Scouts are welcome to attend this event as well and launch their rocket again with the understanding that they would need to purchase additional engines and igniters. Additional engines, etc. are not available from the council but can be purchased from a hobby store.

#### **Cub Fall Festival Activities**

Also called Cub Fall Festival because there will be several Cub activities while launches are taking place. These will include an obstacle course, catapult golf, stump tug of war, traffic jam and more. We anticipate a lot of Cub Scouts with rockets and this will provide something to do while waiting to launch.

# **Bring a Friend**

Do you have families who are undecided about joining? Does your son have a friend or friends who aren't in scouting? Invite them along for the fun. When they join, they will also receive a free rocket kit.

#### **Weather Cancellations**

Finally, please note that this event maybe cancelled due to weather conditions. The make-up date is Saturday October 18. It's possible that it may look to be a very nice day but too windy to launch rockets, then too, events would be postponed until October 18. To check on the status of this activity please call (651) 423-7922 for a recorded message (call Friday evening, after 5 pm, or early Saturday morning), check the CBD website or check your e-mail.

### **Rocket Building Tips and Hints**

Well, actually I am a rocket scientist. Having been building rockets since my early years, I will include an article in the next chatter with some tips and tricks for building model rockets that you can share with those novice rocketeers. I will include some resources for purchasing additional supplies.

#### **Questions/Need More Information?**

For more information regarding the rocket launches contact <u>Steve Engel</u> or <u>Tom Beck</u> regarding the Cub Festival activities.

And check out the Chief Black Dog (GO!) web site for the promotional flyer.

