



KLONDIKE DERBY

INFORMATION PACKET FOR PACKS AND TROOPS

DATE: Friday- Sunday, January 25-27, 2013. Competition Sat 26th.

PLACE: Treeland, Middletown MD

Take RT 70 to exit 42, the Myersville exit (west of Frederick). Take 17 North. Immediately past the Exxon, turn right, there are three flagpoles and a Scout sign. Four wheel drive with high ground clearance recommended. Cars can park at McDonalds on Saturday, there is a marked trail at the back of the McDonalds parking lot, we have permission to park there Saturday, it's approximately a quarter mile walk from McDonalds to the event.

CHECK-IN Starting 5pm Friday for camping, or 8am Saturday only

EVENT START TIMES: 8:30am (be there by 8:15)

FEES: \$12 per youth, \$5 per adult

PLEASE NOTE: Patches will be given out in a first registered, first served basis. Same day registrants may not get patches.

GENERAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Primitive latrines at the campsites, portable toilets on the field. If you're camping; bring a shovel and make sure your Scouts understand camp sanitation! Water is available at the Exxon, and we will have a water buffalo until it freezes.

Units may participate without a sled, except for the sled race. Note that a patrol (up to 8 scouts) will be expected to carry the same equipment and participate in the same events if they have a sled or not. Units without a sled may be at a disadvantage at some stations. Webelos will compete in the same events with adjusted scoring.

Each sled or patrol is up to 8 Scouts. Smaller groups can participate as well. If your patrol or sled has a name, please make a sign and post it somewhere on your sled. This is an exercise in group work so be creative and work as a team. Each sled must be marked with their troop/pack number at a minimum.

Your registration is not complete until all fees are received for the number of participants listed on your registration form. Registration Deadline for camping groups is January 7, 2013, with a final headcount needed by January 21st. Units may advance register during Roundtable, at the event, or mail your registration accompanied by all fees to:

Warren Paire
4017 Crow Rock RD
Myersville MD 21773

Make checks payable to: BSA/NCAC. *Please do not mail cash!*



REGISTRATION FORM
2012 Appalachian Trail District
KLONDIKE DERBY JANUARY 25-27, 2013
Treeland, Middletown MD

Troop Number _____ or Pack Number _____

Unit Leader Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Youth at \$12 per \$ _____

Adults at \$5 per \$ _____

Total Fee Paid \$ _____

(Make checks payable to: NCAC/BSA Do Not Send Cash!)

Number of sleds your unit plans on entering in the Derby (generally 6-8 scouts per sled) _____

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For registration questions; wpaire@yahoo.com

Please note that fees are not refundable.

Registration Deadline for your group is January 07, 2013, final headcount is needed by January 21st.

TEAM EQUIPMENT LIST

Each Boy Scout or Webelos Scout team must carry the following equipment. Each listed item must be on the sled during its inspection to receive full points.

1. A "sled". The patrol name and Troop/Pack number must appear on the sled. If you do not have an actual sled, you may use a travois, Klondike pack (framed backpack), or similar, to move the gear. If using an actual sled, a bridle rope must be attached to the front of the sled and of sufficient length so that all members of the team can safely pull the sled. Any time a sled moves from station to station, it must be "mushed" by one of the scouts. Sleds must be under control at all times and may not be ridden down hills. Riding your sled down the hill will disqualify you. (Sled plans; <http://www.inquiry.net/outdoor/winter/gear/sleds/index.htm> and http://scoutdocs.ca/Klondike/Klondike_sled_plans.php) During the sled race every scout that started the race with their team must complete the course with their team.
2. A minimum of one quart of water per Scout to be used for on-trail drinking. A quart is required for the water boiling station, and water must be brought for cooking the pancake and to extinguish your cooking fires.
3. Each team must have a first aid kit.
4. One blanket or sturdy tarp, and two staves, to be used as a stretcher or shelter.
5. One pot which can hold at least one quart of water.
6. At least one compass, one for every two Scouts is best.
7. A length of rope per Scout, between 4' and 6' feet long (1/4" to 1/2" diameter).
8. Pen, pencil and paper.
9. Pancake mix. Also, whatever you would like to eat the pancake; syrup, forks, plates, etc are optional.
10. Cooking utensils for the pancake – a pan and spatula at a minimum.
11. Coco mix for your patrol.
12. One complete tent. Must be a tent with poles, not a tarp or pop-up tent, stakes are optional.
13. Materials for starting two small fires (fire starter (flint/steel, matches, etc), twigs, kindling). No accelerants or "non-natural material". Note that char-cloth, steel wool, etc is allowed based on your fire-starting method – any Scout-approved fire-starting method is allowed.**

** Webelos Scouts may use alternate means for the fire building, either non-natural fire-starters, a camp stove, or they may get assistance from an adult, this will be based a consultation with the individual Webelos leader – cooking stations will be equipped to help Webelos.

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The Klondike Derby is an outdoor event encompassing various Scout skill stations that stress teamwork. The Klondike Trail is approximately a half-mile path in the woods which each team must travel with their sled and equipment during the station portion of the competition. The Sled race is a one mile course over more difficult, but open, terrain. Remember, the Derby is held outdoors in January, it will be cold. Plan and dress accordingly – wear boots! Cold weather instruction will be given at Roundtable meetings prior to the Klondike, please attend or ask Warren Paire about cold weather camping.

Stations: Stations stress teamwork and points are awarded to each team for their enthusiasm (keep a good attitude), teamwork and completion of the station task. Stations include the following:

- * First Aid
- * Knots
- * Orienteering
- * Fire Starting
- * Communication
- * Scout Skills

Start Time: Boy Scout troop and Webelos teams will begin sled inspections at 8:00 am and start on the Klondike Trail at 8:30 am.

End Time: Approximately 6pm for events, the closing campfire is 8:30pm Saturday.

Clothing: The Derby is an outdoor event. The weather in January is unpredictable so every participant should be prepared for cold and/or wet conditions. **Scout uniforms are not required**, dress for the weather. Pay attention to local weather forecasts in the days leading up to the Derby. Proper footwear is required. **Sneakers are not allowed regardless of weather conditions!** All Scouts must wear boots while on the trail. Unit leaders must enforce this rule and proper footwear will be checked during inspections. To accommodate varying weather conditions; layer clothing, carry gloves, hats and extra dry socks and use as needed. The Sled Race will be very physically demanding, keep this in mind – have layers you can take off right before the race.

Make sure your adult leaders and youth leaders understand Hypothermia – How to prevent it, how to treat it!