

Mt. Tahoma District Klondike Derby Information

January 18th 2020

2023 Klondike Derby!

This is Mt Tahoma District's winter event.

WHO: All: Scout Patrols, Venturing Crews, and Webelos Dens may participate. Units attending will receive participation ribbons and all scouts attending will receive a cool 2023 Klondike patch! Webelos may either camp with a troop, as a dens/packs, or attend just for the Derby Saturday morning at their option.

The Klondike Derby originates from the Klondike gold rush era, where miners tested their skills against the elements for precious nuggets of gold. Some struck it rich and, some not so rich. Likewise, Patrols and Dens will be awarded gold nuggets by competing against the clock and each other in a series of games based on scouting skills. Each patrol's "mining" success will be based on how well they follow instructions, apply their scout skills, work as a patrol in team fashion and show off their scout spirit. Their efforts will be rewarded with "gold nuggets".

This years Klondike will be organized in three general events. First is the Klondike Derby Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon will be troop skills in your camp sites. Sunday morning will be 2 hours of conservation service hours. All scouts to have or earn their whittling chip and participate in the conservation service hours will earn their Paul Bunyan Award.

AWARDS: Trophies and ribbons will be awarded to Webelos Scouts, First Year Scouts, and Experienced Scouts who finish first place in overall scores. Patrol/Den Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each game.

KLONDIKE STAFF VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! Like last year, the games and program areas will be staffed with experienced Youth and Adults. Experienced Youth (14-18 yrs) not participating in a patrol are encouraged to help staff events and program areas. Each troop attending should **plan on providing at least two adult volunteers** to sponsor and staff a game. **If you have a new game suggestion, call or email and we can help develop how to score it.** Each game should be able to be done by patrols of 4 to 10 scouts within a time limit of 2-10 minutes. Equipment and gear for the games should be from the patrol gear list to be carried on each patrol's sled. See the equipment list so your patrols come prepared.

2023 Klondike Schedule:

Friday February 10th:

7:00-9:00 PM - Check in at the Craft Lodge

9:00-9:30 PM - C racker Barrel

9:30 PM - a short SPL and SM meeting – Each Unit should have a participant in this!

Saturday February 11th

8:00 – 8:30 AM – Check in at admin office

8:30 – Gather at the flag pole in front of the dining hall

8:45 am - Games Start

12:30 pm – Games End

12:30-1:45 – Soup Lunch at the craft lodge

2:00 – 5:00 pm – Troop skills time

5:00 pm – Awards at the fire bowl

Sunday February 12th

9:00-11:00 AM – Conservation Service Project

11:00 AM – Camp Dismissed

KLONDIKE COORDINATOR: Mark Martinez; 425-301-7522 or mark76wa@comcast.net

Please contact me if you able to help staff at the Klondike, Sponsor a Game, Soup Kitchen or host a Derby Diner. Call me if you have any questions.

COST: \$8.50 per scout or adult.

The cost does not include a camp site reservation. Units should contact Camp Edward directly to reserve their campsite.

WHERE: Camp Edward, Monroe WA

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KLONDIKE SOUP POT: Everyone needs to bring two cans of soup to be turned in at check-in. One can for the lunch soup pot and one for the food bank. Each person should bring a cup or bowl and an eating utensil to enjoy a helping from the soup pot.

REGISTRATION: Register online using the council website,

PATROL/DEN SPECIFICATIONS:

1. Patrols of 4 to 8 scouts with a suitable Klondike sled plus all essential gear (See below).
2. All scouts must be properly clothed for winter weather regardless of whether there is snow or not. (**No Cotton!**, rain gear, warm coats, water proof boots etc.)
3. Each patrol must submit a roster at Klondike Headquarters upon check in, complete with scoutmaster's signature (*roster forms will be on Website soon and at the Klondike*)
4. The Scout Outdoor Essentials list. The Scout Handbook is a useful resource!
5. No flammable fluids, explosives, or other dangerous stuff (the scout definition of "fuel" for fires is wood not gas) Check your Scout Safety Guide in case you have any questions.

SLED SPECIFICATIONS: Sleds must be homemade. Refer to the Klondike sled plans for details generally easy to find on the internet. Sleds should be sturdy enough to transport one team member and all of the patrol's gear. Each patrol should bring all the items they will need to compete in each of the events of the Klondike. The Klondike is a harsh environment. Many a miner has hit the mother-load with proper planning, preparation and supplies.

Suggested Patrol Equipment (To be carried in sled.) You are going to the Klondike, so BE PREPARED!

Klondike Sled (wheels optional, skies work well in the grass)

Patrol Flag

Nugget Pouch

Frying Pan

Stretcher Poles

2 Blankets

Kindling Wood and Firewood

Matches in waterproof container

Cooking Mitt

Triangular Bandage for Sling

Splint materials for Arms and Legs

Compass

Whistle Ten lengths of rope – each ~6 feet long

Fire Starting Materials - NO FLAMIBLE LIQUIDS – NO Magnesium

Metal Can or Bucket to carry Ashes (from fire/cooking event.)

At least 1 uncooked egg and eating utensils

Patrol 10 essentials, food and Clothing needs for the day

Patrol Cheer

Scouting Spirit

2 cans of soup per patrol member (turn in at check-in)

1st Aid Skills

Knot Tying Skills

Teamwork
