2015 KLONDIKE DERBY
Oneida & Onondaga Districts
Event Preparation Guide
January 31, 2015

There are strange things done in the midnight sun
By the men who moil for gold;
The Arctic trails have their secret tales
That would make your blood run cold!
Robert Service

Where: Camp Woodland
491 Kibbie Lake Rd, Constantia

Cost: Scouts, Venturers, Cubs, and Leaders, $6 per person includes a patch

Registrations due @ Council by 4 PM Friday, January 23, 2015

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Logistics

**Schedule:** Check-in begins at 8:15am, opening ceremony at 9:00, events at 9:15 and the awards and closing ceremony will be held at approximately 4:30 pm. All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers are invited to participate.

**Clothing:** The Klondike Derby is an outdoor winter event. Please make sure that all Scouts/Cubs/Venturers come properly prepared with cold weather outerwear and insulation as well as hats, boots, and gloves/mittens. An extra pair of gloves/mittens as well as an extra hat would be advised. Avoid cotton layers which provide no warmth when wet and opt instead for fleece and wool insulation layers. It is the leaders responsibility to ensure that the scouts/cubs are properly clothed/equipped for this winter event.

**Lunch:** Please bring one can of soup per person to add to our cauldron of hot soup for lunch. A food stand will be serving hot dogs ($1.00) and hamburgers ($1.50), or bring your own lunch fixin’s and snacks. We’ll have, at no charge, coffee and hot chocolate throughout the day. **Make sure to bring a bowl or mess kit for your soup and a cup for your hot chocolate 😊**

**NOTICE:** Unfortunately Cub Scout sledding is no longer allowed on the property.
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Saturday, January 31, 2015**

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The Klondike Gold Rush

In August 1896, prospectors discovered gold in the remote Klondike region of Canada's Yukon Territory. In July 1897, the S.S. Portland arrived in Seattle, Washington, with more than a ton of Klondike gold on board. This event touched off the great Klondike Gold Rush as thousands of people who dreamed of becoming wealthy began booking passage on steamers heading north from Seattle and other West Coast ports to the Yukon. Upon arriving at the northern end of the Inside Passage, however, these adventure-bound stampederers found no easy route leading to the still distant Klondike region. Their progress was slow as each prospector made repeated trips over the rugged trail through the bitter cold. Imagine pulling a sled loaded with three to six hundred pounds of supplies over a stretch of ice up a steep grade, strewn with boulders and logs, then crossing over a river bed on a couple of trees laid side by side and you get a picture of their labors. Facing 60-mile-an-hour winds in 65-degree-below-zero weather, the prospectors had to ascend the Chilkoot Pass -- 1,000 feet straight up. With a steady stream of stampederers lining the path each day, it took forty trips to get a ton of supplies up the mountain. Those who survived the mountain then faced a treacherous passage by boat to the town of Dawson near the gold fields.

So load up you sled with supplies, harness up your huskies and make your way to Dawson City for thars gold in them thar hills! There will be many challenges along the trail that you must overcome. So Be Prepared!
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Challenge Descriptions

Scored Challenges

1. **Log Sawing Station*** - Staying warm in the arctic weather is one of your biggest challenges. Finding and cutting enough wood is a key to survival. How fast can your sled team cut through a log? *Points for fastest time and teamwork*

2. **Rope Throw Rescue** – A member of your team has fallen through the ice of the Yukon River. Your team must take immediate action by tying two 20 foot ropes together with the proper knot, coil the rope and toss one end to the drowning victim who catches it and is then pulled to safety. *Points awarded for speed, correct knot, and teamwork.*

3. **Fire Building*** – Once your nearly drown friend is pulled from the river he is very close to hypothermia. You must begin to warm him up and get warm fluids into him. Your patrol will need to gather tinder, kindling, and fuel from nearby forest to start a small fire using only two matches provided and bring a cup of water to boil as fast as possible. No liquid or chemical fire starters can be used. *Two matches will be provided. Timed event – points awarded for reaching boil and best time. The faster the time = more points Additional points awarded for fires started without matches.*

4. **Snow Blind Stretcher Carry** – Near the top of the pass your whole team becomes snow blind from the intense glare of the sun off the snow. The only member who still has sight has a broken leg and can’t walk. The team can’t stop or they will lose their place in line. The four blind scouts (blindfolded) must carry the fifth Scout who can see (not blindfolded) but not walk, on a stretcher around a course following directions given by the Scout on the stretcher. *Points awarded for completion and speed.*

5. **Four Man Snow Shoe Race** – Traveling quickly in deep snow is key to survival in the Yukon. Your patrol will pick two older scouts and two younger scouts to man four man snowshoes and race around a course. *The fastest team will be awarded the most points. Points will be deducted for lack of teamwork and falling off the snow shoes.*

6. **Shelter Build** – A major storm moves into the area turning the trail into a total whiteout. Your team needs to construct an emergency shelter as quickly as possible to survive. You must build a shelter large enough for the whole patrol. *The Scouts are assessed on time and the quality of the shelter.*
7. **Compass Reading** – After the storm passes you emerge from your shelter and realize that during the whiteout your team wandered off the trail and you are now lost. You must be able to sight accurate compass bearings to distant landmarks in order to determine your position. Your team must provide compass bearings to three designated markers relative to magnetic north. *Points awarded for accuracy and speed. Points deducted if you do not use your own compass.*

8. **Fishing for Snapper** – Your crew finally reaches the Yukon River. It has been a long hard journey and unfortunately a week ago your team lost a sled full of food through the ice. Your sled team is starving. You must catch fish to survive. *Patrols must cast and "catch" as many "Snappers" in five minutes to earn points.*

9. **Marksmanship Skills** – Always on the lookout for fresh meat to supplement your meager rations your team needs good marksmen to keep from starving. *This is a competitive shooting challenge with pellet guns for boy scouts and BB guns for cub scouts. The target allows for five shots and a maximum score of 100 with bonus. The shooter must puncture the target inside the object as noted on the targets. We will then average the scores by the patrol to even out for larger versus smaller patrols. If a patrol shoots 100 for all members we will have them pick one scout to shoot a scored target as a tie breaker.*

10. **Klondike Sled Race** – Your team is in the final stretch of your journey. Time to pour on the speed and get to Dawson in order to stake your claim before the other throngs arrive. Patrols race their Klondike sleds over course with one scout in sled. *Need patrol built Klondike sled. Timed event – points awarded for course completion and best time. The faster the time = more points. There will be multiple time trials throughout the day with the top three sleds racing in the championship heat at the end of the day. Time trials will close at 3 pm. No Webelos teams will be permitted to race. Webelos may participate as part of troop as a rider in a sled if wearing a helmet.*
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Non-Scored Activities

11. **Museum Quiz** – A self guided tour by pack or troop to explore the wonders of the William Hillcourt Boy Scout Museum. Take the museums quiz and answer the questions.

12. **Tug of War** – Cub tug of war event. May the best team win.

13. **Lowes Craft Build** – Indoor Cub activity building simple wood craft kits

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Troop & Crew Registration

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Please register as a Unit

Leader: _____________________ District: _______ Troop/Crew #_______

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: __________________ State: ___________ Zip: ___________

Phone (H): __________________________ (W): ____________________________

Email Address _______________________________________________________

Number of Registered youth participants: _______ X $6.00 = $_________ (includes patch)

Number of Registered Adults Leaders: _______ X $6.00 = $_________ (includes patch)

Number of Extra Patches: _______ X $3.00 = $_________ Total Due: _______

☐ Check Enclosed – Payable to Longhouse Council
☐ Unit Account – Authorized By: ________________________________
☐ Credit Card

Name on Card: ______________________________ Expire: ___________ Code: _____

Card Number: ______________________________
Authorized Signature: ______________________________

Mail To: Longhouse Council
2803 Brewerton Road (Route 11)
Syracuse, NY 13211 Or Fax: (315) 463-5729

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Cub Pack Registration

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Please register as a Unit

Leader:__________________________ District:_________ Pack #:_______

Address:_________________________________________________________________________________________

City:__________________________ State:____________ Zip:__________________

Phone (H):__________________________ (W):__________________________

Email Address ______________________________________________________________

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