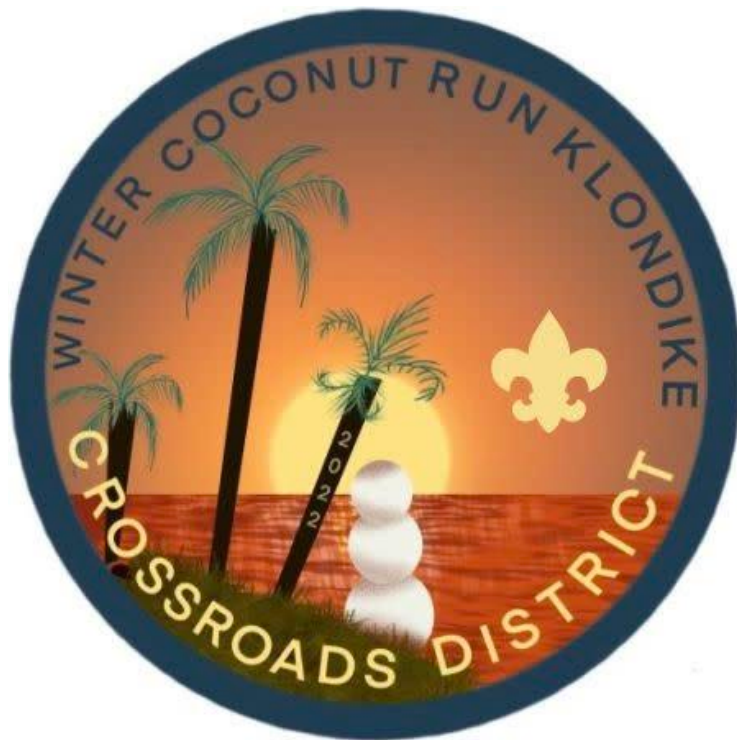


Crossroads District 2022 Klondike Derby

Saturday, February 5th 2022



Guide for Scouts and Scouters

What is a Klondike Derby?

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 toughed 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 Yukon. Upon arriving at the northern end of the Inside Passage, however, these adventure-bound stampeders 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 the picture of their labors. Facing a 60-mile-an-hour winds in 65-degree-below-zero weather, the prospectors had to ascend Chilkoot Pass – 1,000 feet straight up. With a steady stream of Stampeders 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 by the gold fields.

Since 1949, Scout troops have been participating in Klondike Derbies as a way to honor this historic time. Scouts pull a sled loaded with supplies from station to station and complete in various scout skill based events.

In 2022, Scouts of the Crossroad district will travel to the tropical beach island in search of warm weather away from our cold winter climate. As with the Klondike, and traveling to a far away sand covered land there are always a series of elements that will have to be tackled in order to survive and enjoy the warn climate.

We are carrying on that tradition! Get your sled ready!!!

General Information

Location: Camp Woodland, 491 Kibbie Lake Road, Constantia, NY 13044

Directions: From 81N take West Monroe Exit 32 onto NY 49E. From the exit drive 7.7 miles on NY 49E, take left onto Kibbie Lake Road. Continue on Kibble Lake Road. Camp entrance is on the left.

Parking: Parking for the Klondike will be the main parking lot of Camp Woodland. With the amount of Scouts in camp this weekend we ask that all vehicles remain in the parking lot throughout the entire event.

Lunch: *Bring your own lunch.* Lunch will be an hour so if your camping there will be time to return to your site.

Checkin Time:

Checkin 8:30am– 9:00am, Opening Ceremony Promptly at 9:00am.

Cost: This year's entry fee is \$12.00 per scout and leader attending. We ask that for logistical purposes that you preregister the total amount of scouts and scouters attending. This allows the officials to ensure that there are enough patches and supplies for the competitions onsite.

COVID-19 Requirements – Due to the ongoing global pandemic – all participants will be required to following local health department guidelines when attending the event. These guidelines will be announced and reiterated before the event. Also, it is requested that all participants also maintain social distance whenever possible. With everyone's help we can have a great event and stay healthy at the same time.

Registration: Pre-registration is mandatory!!!

Register at; <https://longhouse.tentaroo.com/>

The 2022 Crossroads District Klondike Derby will be a series of events and challenges that will test each patrol (troop) unit on their scout skills, spirit, and teamwork. Points will be given for completion of the given task, how the task is completed, how well the patrol performs and cooperates as a team and the patrols scout spirit. Each patrol will be given a schedule of activities and their starting point.

As with the adventures in the warm ocean sand, even if you have finished your activity at a designated stop, you are required to spend the entire time period at the designated location. Travel time between each station will be built into the schedule and adjusted as needed. The overall time of the Klondike is not a competition, only the individual competitions throughout the Klondike. Patrols may begin each task once they identify that all members are present at the pit stop and they have the judge's permission to start.

Adult Leaders are welcome to accompany their patrols around the course but are NOT to assist in anyway with the stations. A reduction in points awarded will be calculated for involvement and/or assistance rendering to the patrols while they are completing!! Health and/or Emergency situations notwithstanding. Notify the registration officials and health officers if this happens.

Health Officer/Lodge: The health lodge is located inside Stickley.

Health forms are required to be turned in for this event, unit leaders are responsible for this.

Weather: The weather during previous Klondike's has varied from above freezing to below freezing with layers of snowpack. All scouts and their Leaders must be appropriately dressed for the weather or they will not be allowed to participate. Consult your Scout Handbook or review your cold weather training for appropriate clothing for the weather of the day.

Camping: Please follow local health department guidelines on camping. Camping is dependent on Council regulations.

Volunteers: May/will be needed!!! If any adults are able to assist during the day of the event please let Klondike Coordinator Mike Cargill – cargillmj@gmail.com, know so he can put them where they can best be used throughout the event.

Other General Policies of Longhouse Council and Camp Woodland:

- Following BSA Guidelines there is no smoking on the grounds of Camp Woodland at any time.
- Please do not bring pets of any kind to this event (Service Dogs exempted.)
- For the fire building competition, Patrols are not allowed to use any Chemical or Petroleum based liquids or fire starters.

Sled / Patrol Gear

Klondike Derby Sled

Scout Handbook

Clipboard and Pencil

Compass

First Aid Kit

50' Nylon Rope

Wood and Tinder for one Fire (No chemical or petroleum accelerants!)

Fire starter – match ***and*** flint and steel

6 – 10' pieces of nylon rope

Sleeping Bag or Two Wool Blankets

2 Pairs of Safety Glasses

Written Weather report for the day of the derby, Constantia, NY 13044

Water enough for each Patrol Member

Extra Gear You May Think You Need (But remember you need to haul it).

Be Prepared!!!

Events (Scouts BSA)

Sled Inspection (this is a scored event!)

Located in front of Stickey Hall, during registration. All personal outerwear and sled equipment will be checked. After inspection, scouts will need to remain with their sleds. Equipment may not be removed or added after completing inspection. Points will be added for the best THEMED sleds. Theme this year is *Tropical Luau*.

Station 1: Fire Building Relay

On the tropical beach just link in the snowy klondike – fire is a matter of survival. This year’s challenge is how good are you and can you start a fire with primitive methods? If you can use flint and steel your golden, matches will cost you! How fast can your patrol make a fire, and burn the string?

Station 2: Two Scout Saw

We need to keep that fire burning. How fast can you run the two-scout saw? Scouts will use a two person saw to cut two pancakes off a log. Teamwork and safety are important on the ice planet, so points will be deducted for unsafe cutting practices.

Station 3: Snow Bowling

Can you knock down the pins with a coconut bowling ball? Twist on Snow bowling is how good are you with your knots? Can you tie a square knot, timber hitch, half hitch, clove hitch, bowline, or sheetbend? Points will be gained for correct knots tied – while you will lose points for knots not known.

Station 4: Steal the Snowman

A twist on the all famous capture the flag. Can you steal the other patrols snowman? Get it back to your side before the end of the session? If you get out, scout knowledge will be tested to return to the game.

Station 5: Compass Shootout

Knowing where to go and how to get there is one of the most important things on the tropical island. In this station Scouts will use a compass and work together to shoot coordinates to get to different positions.

Station 6: Blindman Surfboard Rescue

This is the ultimate team building activity. Can you guide your blindfolded team as they work to help carry out an injured patrolmate, through a predetermined course? Points will be give for speed and accuracy.

Station 7: Snowshoe Relay

We might be in the tropics, but we still need to practice our snowshoeing. How fast can your patrol complete the relay race?

Last Event: Team Klondike Sled Relay

This will be a whole camp race. Before we close we will do a final sled race on the parade field. Winning this race may help you take the overall klondike award.

Scoring and Points: The scoring and point system will be very liberal and administered by each station attendant. Station areas are considered ground, behavior, and attitude will be considered by the Attendant and their assistants. Scout skills should be sharp, scout smiles should be bright and Scout Spirit should be high! Good Luck!

Schedule of Events for 2022

Arrive 8:30am-9:00am

Opening 9:15am

Move to Session 1 – 9:30am

Session 1 – 9:45am-10:15am

Move to Session 2 – 10:15am

Session 2 – 10:30am-11:00am

Move to Session 3 – 11:00am

Session 3 – 11:15am-11:45am

Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm

Session 4 – 1:00pm-1:30pm

Move to Session 5 – 1:30pm

Session 5 – 1:45pm-2:15pm

Move to Session 6 – 2:15pm

Session 6 – 2:30pm-3:00pm

Move to Session 7 – 3:00pm

Session 7 – 3:15pm-3:45pm

Move to Parade Field for Patrol Relay and Closing 4:00pm