

2012 Klondike Derby

Saturday, January 28, 2012: Camp Ingawanis

Saturday, February 11, 2012: Winnebago Scout Reservation

The Klondike Derby is the premiere out doors winter event in the Winnebago Council for Boy Scouts and Webelos. In this event, teams go on a trek through the many cities of the Klondike to compete in a variety of Scouting Skills competitions.

The notation of the Klondike Derby was taken from North American history in the day of the gold rush. Pioneers from all over the United States and Canada raced with dog sledge (sled) teams across the frozen Yukon. Today, the Winnebago Council lives up to the Spirit of this adventurous time, to rekindle the cold flame of the icy race.

Each Boy Scout and Webelos team will pull a sledge, like those used by the racers before them. In the event of no snow, patrols/dens may adapt by using wagons or backpacks. From the starting line, teams will go through a number of cities as they complete the tasks which will be given to them by a mayor of the city. They will also be judged on their cooperative efforts and not speed in completion of each task.

Be Prepared

Build a sled. All Scout patrols are required to build a sled, Webelos may use any sled or toboggan with a box mounted on it will do. Next, start practicing those Scout Craft and Activity Skills. The more you practice, the better your skills can be honed in to help your team strike it rich! Dress appropriately for the weather conditions.

Adult Leadership

Remember, it is a two-deep leadership, and at least one adult must be at least 21 years. Adults may cheer and observe their team's progress but if they help out, their team may be given a bit of the cold shoulder when it comes to panning out the winnings.

Health and Safety – Health Forms

First aid will be available at the Health Lodge if the need arises. Stay off the River.

Make sure that you have current health forms for both Scouts and leaders in your possession.

Webelos and Webelos Leaders

This is a great opportunity to see the patrol method in action and gives first year Webelos something to look forward to. If you don't have a patrol of four to eight Webelos, try pairing with another local pack or call the Scout office and we will help you set one up.

Registration – Refunds

Early bird discount fee of \$9 for every Scout and Scouter is due by January 20 for those coming to Ingawanis and February 3rd for those coming to WSR. **Fees received after these dates or the day of will be \$12 for every Scout/Scouter at either camp.** There will be no refunds at or following the derby. The fee covers the cost of the patches, ribbons, awards, event costs, and material. Remember four to eight Scouts make up a team. Registration forms are available at Scout Service Centers or at www.winnebagoobsa.org

Check-In

Upon arrival at Camp each unit leader must check in and submit fees, if due. Fees must be paid at the time of check in or before at the Council Service Center. **Check in for Klondike Derby is from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.** The first sledge will depart at 9:30 a.m.

Inspection and Start Lines

All equipment required for the Klondike will be checked in at this time. You will need these materials to complete the tasks at each city. Sledges will return to the inspection line when they have completed the Klondike. Sledge designs are available on-line through various sources.

Scoring

Gold Nuggets will be earned by each team from the mayor of the city as they complete portions of the derby. The mayor will then also sign off on the team's scoreboard. It is important that each team keep track of their gold nuggets in a poke. Any ties at the end of the derby will be solved by predetermined tiebreakers.

Lunch

Each Scout team will be awarded five extra points (nuggets) at inspection if they bring five small cans of soup to be put into the "Yukon Stew" pot. Please no tomato soup, pea, oyster or clam chowder. Webelos soup is provided. Teams need to check their route maps to know where they will eat lunch. The meal will consist of Yukon Stew and food brought from the equipment list. Teams will have 30 minutes for lunch. Soup, hot chocolate, and cooking fires will be provided for the Webelos at mealtime.

Leaders are asked to bring additions for the Yukon Stew if they plan on eating with the Scouts, or they can visit "**Ulcer Gulch**" for food options.

*Extra Klondike patches can also be found at Ulcer Gulch

Equipment List:

The following is equipment needed by each Den & Patrol. Challenges cannot be completed without all equipment items.

Boy Scouts:

1. Notebook, pencil, clipboard and nugget poke.
2. Two blankets and three six foot poles.
3. Eight six foot pieces of ¼ inch rope.
4. Cup, bowl, spoon, for each scout.
5. Scout Handbook and two compasses.
6. First Aid Kit with sterile bandage.
7. Five cans of soup, hot dogs, and buns for each Scout
8. Cocoa, cocoa pot, and a can opener.
9. Wood (no plywood or pressboard), kindling (natural only), and wooden matches for fire.
10. Garbage bag and paper towels.
11. Four quarts of water
12. Patrol flag
13. Proper footwear for everyone

Webelos:

1. Notebook, pencil, clipboard, and nugget poke.
2. Two blankets
3. Six, six foot pieces of ¼ inch rope
4. Cup, bowl, spoon, for each scout.
5. Webelos Handbook
6. First Aid Kit with sterile bandage
7. Hot dogs and buns for each Scout
8. Wood (no plywood or pressboard), kindling (natural only), and wooden matches for fire.
9. Garbage bag and paper towels
10. Four quarts of water
11. Patrol flag
12. Proper footwear for everyone
13. Small metal cooking pot.